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T.F. Police investigate death of infant at apartment

Call: Child had problems breathing

By Nate Poppino
Staff writer

Police are investigating the death of an infant Wednesday morning at the Washington Park Apartments in Twin Falls.

Shortly after 11 a.m., Twin Falls Police responded to a call for help for a child not breathing at Apt. No. 50 in the complex, located at 1354 Washington St. S., Capt. Matt Hicks said in a press release. The 2-month-old child was unresponsive when emergency workers arrived.

Paramedics and the Twin Falls County Coroner's Office also responded, and the police department brought its mobile crime lab along.

Many details surrounding the investigation are still unclear. Police gave few details at the scene and announced the infant's death in the news release around 2 p.m. In that release, Hicks said officers were working with the Twin Falls County Coroner's Office to determine the cause of death, and that no names were being released at the moment.

Hicks said later in the afternoon that police were still interviewing family and witnesses, and that no charges had been filed in the case.

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Infant's death
An unidentified woman peers out a door Wednesday at the Washington Park Apartments in Twin Falls. Twin Falls Police responded to a call that an infant was not breathing at 11:06 a.m. The child was unresponsive when emergency workers arrived.

BLUE INSPIRATION



Ground crewmembers with the U.S. Navy Blue Angels prepare to complete a final check of the aircraft shortly after their arrival Wednesday afternoon at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport in Twin Falls.

Blue Angels fly in Wednesday, Navy recruiters expect more business

By Andrea Jackson
Staff writer

Navy Capt. Kevin Mannix was inspired to fly fighter jets after he saw the hit 1986 movie "Top Gun." Twenty-two years later, he's leading the Blue Angels.

Like the power of a good Hollywood flick, local Navy recruiters are hoping this weekend's Air Magic Valley Air Show featuring the Blue Angels will also prompt people to sign up.

Twin Falls Navy recruitment numbers are already up, but recruiters said they're expecting even more after the Blue Angels wow crowds on Saturday and Sunday.

About 200 percent more people have been recruited locally into the Navy so far this fiscal year compared to the past year, said David Luper, Navy recruiter in charge for Twin Falls, and a hull technician first class.

The Blue Angels have been around since 1946. But their mission was redefined in 1974 to



A member of the Blue Angels ground crew inspects an aircraft Wednesday at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport in Twin Falls.

support recruitment efforts. Since their inception, the Blue Angels have entertained more than 427 million fans, according to the Blue Angels Web site.

Some Navy recruits have 'big dreams right off the bat with their sights set on being Blue Angels.

said Twin Falls Navy Recruiter Deon Gorski, an aviation electronics technician first class.

But it takes a lot to don the hallmark form-fitting, blue and yellow, one-piece flight suit. Only

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More information on the Air Magic Valley Air Show.

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WATCH: See videos and a photo gallery of the Blue Angels in Twin Falls on Magicvalley.com. Then, test your Blue Angels knowledge in a quiz. Learn more at: <http://www.blueangels.navy.mil>.

City says downtown project will continue

Officials explain delay; criticism of media coverage

By Jared S. Hopkins
Staff writer

A proposal to continue employing the Leland Consulting Group of Portland to help plan a more than \$40 million downtown Twin Falls revitalization project remains alive despite a City Council vote to table it Monday. City Manager Tom Courtney said Tuesday.

The unanimous vote to postpone action on the \$65,000 contract came as Mayor Lance Clow relayed a request by David Leland, the firm's principal. Clow said Leland had told him that he believed unspecified "unbalanced reporting" had jeopardized the chances that the project would attract private investment.

Council members said the contract was withdrawn for amendment. Courtney and city officials said Tuesday they did not know what changes would



Illustration of possible changes, not actual designs, of downtown Twin Falls.

be made, that further consultation with Leland would be needed and that they expect to return to the council with a proposal in the future.

"We're in a reassessment period," Courtney said.

While Clow read the council a one-sentence statement apparently criticizing the *Times-News* without naming the newspaper, he declined at Monday's

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Pittsburgh cancer center warns of cell phone risks

By Jennifer C. Yates
and Seth Borenstein
Associated Press writers

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A report of a preliminary study that found a link between cell phone use and cancer has prompted a warning from the National Cancer Institute. The report, published in the journal *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*, found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing brain tumors. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing gliomas, a type of brain tumor. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing meningiomas, a type of brain tumor. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing acoustic neuromas, a type of brain tumor. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing pituitary tumors, a type of brain tumor. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing thyroid cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing breast cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing prostate cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing lung cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing colorectal cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing pancreatic cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing stomach cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing esophageal cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing bladder cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing kidney cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing liver cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing gallbladder cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing pancreatic cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing stomach cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing esophageal cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing bladder cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing kidney cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing liver cancer, a type of cancer. The study also found that people who use cell phones for more than 10 years have a higher risk of developing gallbladder cancer, a type of cancer.

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Hazleton cleaning up after Tuesday's storm: Wakeboarders film funnel cloud at Milner Dam.
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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Hands On Wine and Pasta Tasting, wine tasting complimentary for all painters, 6 to 10 p.m., Hands On, 147 Shoshone St. N., Historic Downtown Twin Falls, \$15 cover charge for all studio and glazing fees and pastas, 736-4475. Idaho International Dance and Music Festival Gala performance, 7 p.m., King Fine Arts Center, Burley, tickets: \$5 to \$12.50 available at Burley Chamber of Commerce, Book Plaza in Burley, Book Store in Rupert and at the door, 675-4793. "Sexualized the Musical" presented by Oakley Valley Arts Council, 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., Howell's Opera House, 118 N. Blaine Ave., Oakley, 58, 677-2787. The Standards Get Vocal Tour, 7:30 p.m., Roper Auditorium, 615 Filer Ave. E., Twin Falls, \$8 for students, \$12 for adults and no cost for children age 4 and under, www.thestandards.com/ or (877) 748-4253. Brian Crowley and Jeanine Tesoro's musical "Violet," presented by Company of Fools, 7 p.m., Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St., Burley, tickets: \$25 for adults, \$16 for senior citizens (62 and over) and \$15 for students (18 and under), 579-1222. The Twin Falls Municipal Band concert, 8 p.m., at the band shell, Twin Falls City Park, no cost, 735-2500, ext. 3654.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

American Legion Bingo, 7:20 p.m., Bonanza bingo and 7:30 p.m. Regular bingo, 610 W. Main, Wendell, \$500 and \$1,195 Black outs, 536-6358.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Films of Burley Public Library members special book sale preview, 5 to 7 p.m., Burley Public Library, 1300 Millor, 878-7708.

FAMILY

University of Idaho "Twilight Tour," hydrates to several research plots with scientific explanations on crop experiments, field research, freedom to roam about, variety of informational and industry booths with hands-on activities for adults and children and free barbecue, 5 to 8 p.m., Kimberly Research and Extension Center, 3806 N. and 3600 E., no cost, prizes, (208)736-3629 or amberm@uidaho.edu.

FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

International Folk Dance and Music Festival youth culture workshop, 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m., Burley High School, 878-4546. Oakley Pioneer Days, featuring Gymkhana, 6 to 8 p.m., Oakley arena, 862-3313 or 431-3292.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068. Sun Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 9 a.m., City Hall, 111 Elkton Road, 822-4438. Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hailley, 788-5500. Kimberly School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 141 Center St. W., 423-4170. Bellevue City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 115 E. Poplar, 788-2128.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 48 Chapter of Jerome, a weightloss support group, 10 a.m., Jerome Public Library, 100 First Ave. E., 420-3823. Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m., Living Waters Presbyterian Church, 821 E. Main St., Wendell, no cost, 737-5958.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., First Segregation Fire Station, Eden, no cost, 737-5988. Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Ave. N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2977.

SilverSneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.

"Strong Women Stay Young" exercise and nutrition program taught by Rhea Lanting, noon to 1 p.m., Twin Falls County Extension Office, 246 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, \$15 one-time fee, weights provided, (208)734-9590 or rhlanting@uidaho.edu.

Overeater's Anonymous, 6 p.m., 109 Severn Street E., (red log building with cannon), Jerome, 324-5540.

Celebrate Recovery, a place to learn life-affirming, healthy behaviors, 6:30 p.m., Fireside Room of the Nazarene Fellowship Hall at Yakima and Main, Filer, 734-0557.

A.C.T.S. Program, a 12-week, ongoing course based on self-help, recovery and education, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., Bethel Temple Church of Christ, 928 Hopkins Road (behind D & Supply), Twin Falls, no cost, 733-3210.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Pincochle, 1 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., fifty cents, open to the public, 734-5084.

LIBRARY

Catch the Reading Bug, Jerome Library summer reading program: "Don't bug me, I'm eating worms!", 10 a.m., Jerome Public Library, 100 First Ave. E., no cost, 324-5427.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "WSKY: Radio Station of the Stars/Live Sky Tour, 2 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-5655.

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

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MORNING BRIEFING

AROUND THE WORLD

IRAQ

Iraqi council vetoes provincial election law

BAGHDAD — Iraq's presidential council vetoed a newly approved provincial election law, casting doubt on the possibility that local elections would be held this year. U.S. officials have identified the vote as pivotal for the stabilization of Iraq.

The veto came after Iraqi President Jalal Talabani denounced the law, siding with fellow Kurds who walked out of parliament Tuesday over a provision that would delay elections in the disputed oil-rich city of Kirkuk to place its province under joint control of Kurds, Arabs and Turkmen, via a quota system.

Talabani and Shiite Vice President Adel Abdulmahdi signed the veto letter. Sunni Vice President Tariq al-Hashemi was out of the country, parliament members said. Lawmakers said the bill would come to another vote within the next week, as the sides struggled to meet a deadline for starting preparations to hold local elections by late December.

NEW YORK

Gates and Bloomberg put \$375 million into anti-smoking campaign

NEW YORK — Microsoft founder Bill Gates and New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg are pooling their piles of money to pour \$375 million into a global effort to quit smoking.

The billionaire philanthropists, who have a combined worth of more than \$70 billion, said Wednesday that the money will help efforts in developing countries where tobacco use is highest. There are more than 1 billion smokers worldwide.

WHAT'S NEW AT MAGICVALLEY.COM



- The Blue Angels came in for a landing at Twin Falls on Wednesday. See a video and photo gallery. Also check out an interview with a Blue Angel pilot and a Navy recruiter who talks about how the Blue Angels have helped boost Navy recruitment.
- And see video that a local man captured Tuesday of a funnel cloud near Milner Dam.



A wax figure of British singer Amy Winehouse is unveiled at Madame Tussauds in central London, Wednesday. (Story at right)

BRITAIN

Madame Tussauds unveils waxwork of singer Amy Winehouse

LONDON — Madame Tussauds unveiled a waxwork of Amy Winehouse on Wednesday, complete with her signature beehive, black eyeliner and a bright yellow minidress.

Winehouse's hair and 5-inch black heels make the model nearly 6 feet tall. The wax Winehouse's dress resembles one the singer wore to the BRIT music awards in 2007, when she won best female solo artist.

WASHINGTON

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, July 24, the 206th day of 2008. There are 160 days left in the year. TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT

- On July 24, 1858, Republican senatorial candidate Abraham Lincoln formally challenged Democrat Stephen A. Douglas to a series of political debates; the result was seven face-to-face encounters.
- ON THIS DATE In 1847, Mormon leader Brigham Young and his followers arrived in the Great Salt Lake Valley in present-day Utah.
- In 1866, Tennessee became the first state to be readmitted to the Union after the Civil War.
- In 1948, Henry A. Wallace accepted the presidential nomination of the Progressive Party in Philadelphia.
- In 1959, during a visit to Moscow, Vice President Richard M. Nixon engaged in his famous "Kitchen Debate" with Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev.
- In 1967, French President Charles de Gaulle stirred controversy during a visit to Montreal, Canada, when he declared, "Vive le Quebec libre!" (Long live free Quebec).
- In 1974, the Supreme Court unanimously ruled that President Nixon had to turn over subpoenaed White House tape recordings to the Watergate special prosecutor.
- Ten years ago a gunman burst into the U.S. Capitol, opening fire and killing two police officers before being shot and captured.
- Five years ago: The House and Senate Intelligence committees issued their final report on the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, citing countless blunders, oversights and miscalculations that prevented authorities from stopping the attackers.
- One year ago: President Bush, speaking at Charleston Air Force Base in South Carolina, sought to justify the Iraq war by citing intelligence reports he said showed a link between al-Qaida's operations in Iraq and the terror group that attacked the United States on Sept. 11.

HOROSCOPE BY JERALDINE SAUNDERS

IF JULY 24 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Your business career undergoes an upward spiral between now and the end of August. You can win praise at the job, begin a free career or handling your personal affairs with practical wisdom and success. January and February are two months when you should avoid making any crucial changes or important commitments, as your judgment may be off center and you could be overly optimistic about results. A fantasy, whether business related or regarding a romantic connection, could prove disappointing. March is a fabulous time to make major changes, start a business or pursue major ambitions. With your drive and determination you will be sure to succeed.

teamwork and cooperation. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A well-placed compliment or a sincere apology may help you gain ground. You will find your best success through direct efforts. Purchase flattering items of apparel or accessories. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You could have numerous opportunities to stretch mental muscles or to make headway with private enterprises without fear of censure. Physical activities are high-lighted. CANCER (June 21-July 22): You would like to be considered a jet-setter but family members hold you back like an anchor. Don't lose sight of what is really important in your life. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Hitting the bull's-eye won't win you any prizes, although you may think that is important. However, a tolerant attitude and an emphasis on team spirit work wonders. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):

Start the day off by engaging in an exercise session and eat a good breakfast to fuel your travels. Much can be accomplished through sheer enthusiasm. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Show off valuable assets by being a savvy judge of character. Sometimes you must buy something to prove you are supportive of a friend or to sustain a good cause. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Someone who knows you well might stir up competition and fire up your enthusiasm. This is a good time for a sincere apology or to set the record straight. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The opinions and beliefs of others have a great deal of influence. Listen to the wisdom of those who are higher up on the food chain. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your leadership abilities and enthusiasm might receive notice from those who have climbed further up life's ladder. Athletic activities

work wonders on the psyche. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will have better results on the social rounds if you use graciousness and generosity instead of accuracy as your guide. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Confront others who have been unfair in the past and find ways to clear the air or mend fences. Heart-to-heart discussions can lead to a peaceful and productive compromise.

IDAHO LOTTERY advertisement with logo and winning numbers for Wednesday, July 23. Includes Power Play and Wild Card options.

Blue

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the "best of the best" get to fly the 25-year-old fleet of \$18 million Boeing F-18 Hornets parked right now at Jostlin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport.

Sixteen Blue Angels can voluntarily serve and pilots have thousands of flight hours, according to the Blue Angels Web site.

Hopping in the backseat with a Blue Angel is also uncommon. Three area public figures, Boise State University head football coach Chris Petersen, College of Southern Idaho President Jerry Beck, and Twin Falls City Councilman Will Kazeko, signed liability forms, underwent health physicals and rode along Wednesday as fuel registered at about \$4,000 to \$5,000 per hour.

There aren't any women flying right now with the Blue Angels, but they're encouraged to apply. None applied during the last cycle, Mannix said.

Women in the Navy are not allowed to be Navy SEALs or to deploy on submarines, Gorski said, adding they're strongly encouraged to join up.



Maintenance personnel complete checks on Blue Angel aircraft on Wednesday.

Staff photo by JIMMY BENTZ

Even with all the excitement of being a Blue Angel, there is one thing Mannix said he'd rather do: fight in the war on terror from an aircraft carrier in the Persian Gulf.

Local recruiters said world travel is a huge perk of the Navy.

But for the Blue Angels, the bread and butter is right here in America, from coast to

coast, between February and November.

The Blue Angels have 37 shows scheduled this year — from the Super Bowl and the Kennedy Space Center, to Peoria, Ill., and Smyrna, Tenn.

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Few neighbors were home when emergency workers showed up, though some stopped to watch as they came home for lunch or other reasons. Several people in nearby apartments said they didn't know the family.

Duane Johnson, who lives just a few apartments over, said the family had two children, the infant and a boy just two or three years older. The older child often came over to play with his son, he said.

Police escorted a woman

and a young boy out of the apartment complex about 20 minutes before several of the emergency vehicles left the scene.

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He says it takes too long to get answers from science and he believes people should take action now — especially when it comes to children.

No other major academic cancer research institutions have sounded such an alarm about cell phone use. But Herberman's advice is sure to raise concern among many cell phone users and especially parents.

In the memo he sent to about 3,000 faculty and staff Wednesday, he says children should use cell phones only for emergencies because their brains are still developing.

Adults should keep the phone away from the head and use the speakerphone or a wireless headset, he says. He even warns against using cell phones in public places like a bus because it exposes others to the phone's electromagnetic fields.

The issue that concerns some scientists is electromagnetic radiation, especially its possible effects on children. It is not a major topic in conferences of brain specialists.

Cell phones emit radiofrequency energy, a type of radiation that is a form of electromagnetic radiation, according to the National Cancer Institute.

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meeting to say exactly what he or Leland found objectionable. Efforts to reach him for comment after the meeting were unsuccessful.

Clow and other city officials met Tuesday with *Times-News* reporters and editors to explain his comments in a two-day series. The first part, presented Sunday, detailed the project's prospective costs and design, and extensively quoted Leland and others about its potential benefits. City officials noted that after

In Monday's installment, state Rep. Phil Hart, R-Athol, the Legislature's leading critic of urban renewal projects, questioned whether local developers Fran Florence and Jeff Hepworth might unfairly profit from the city's potential investment of \$8 million to \$10 million in the project. He also called the arrangement a conflict of interest because the two have been paid through a city-financed consulting contract to advise the city on how to support their development.

City Attorney Fritz Wonderlich was quoted as saying that he considers the further involvement of the developers to be legal, but said it might not "pass the smell test."

Leland, in a telephone interview Tuesday, said he asked Clow to table his contract after reading only the Monday article. When asked to specify any errors in that article, he said "I don't think there have been inaccuracies. I think there's been incompleteness."

Saying that they were drawing on Leland's comments and their own concerns, city officials offered the following details to support Clow's Monday statement:

• Wonderlich denied saying in the arrangement, while legal under Idaho law, might not "pass the smell test." But after he was shown a transcript of interview notes, Wonderlich in a Wednesday email wrote, "Although it appears either that I am extremely inarticulate, or that Jared misunderstood some of my answers, or a number of both, it certainly appears from the context that I was wrong and Jared was right about me first using the term 'smell test.'"

However, Wonderlich maintains that a separate paraphrase of his reference to the "smell test" was not precise.

The article quoted Hart as saying that state law is deficient in that it has no "police man" responsible for oversight of urban renewal agencies.

Wonderlich said he's wrong — city and URA officials fill that role when it comes to reviewing deals for ethical problems. He said he should have allowed the chance to refute Hart's assessment.

Wonderlich, who represents both the city and the URA, which is a quasi-independent agency, added that he has statutory responsibility to pursue complaints about the agency that might prompt misdemeanor charges.

Under state law Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loeb has primary responsibility for overseeing investigations of official misconduct that might result in felony charges. Loeb confirmed Wednesday he also can pursue misdemeanor cases referred by the Idaho State Police, the County

Sheriff and some local agencies.

• City officials took exception to a description of Hepworth and Florence as "organizers of the Four Block LLC, a private, for-profit company that will control the project."

Wonderlich noted that the LLC has not yet been filed with the Secretary of State, and technically does not yet exist as a legal entity. However, the Leland contract specifically lists formation of

the LLC by Hepworth and Florence as a key element of the project, and the developers have said they are organizing the legal entity.

"The URA is the only entity that has the legal authority to control the project," Wonderlich said. "The LLC, if it is formed, has no control over anything."

However, he acknowledged that the private developers will retain control of private property where commercial buildings will be located.

The city, Leland and the developers have consistently said the private construction is unlikely to happen without city investment in associated infrastructure, such as a City Hall.

• Wonderlich said his comments about potential conflicts of interest should have included the fact that under state law only acts that would have a negative impact on the URA could be considered a violation.

"Obviously if they're part of

an LLC and they do development and they're successful they'll be profitable," Wonderlich said. "So the implication is obviously this is a conflict. It has to be to the detriment of the urban renewal agency."

Comments to that effect by Hepworth, who is an attorney, were insufficient in the Monday article, Wonderlich said.

Florence and Hepworth have said they would receive a share of LLC profits.

Hepworth said last week that the LLC partners hope to buy land in the four-block area from the URA. Florence has said he expects the city to rent office space the LLC intends to build.

Ultimately, it remains unclear how the LLC will operate because it has not yet been filed as a public document.

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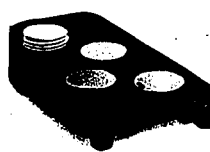


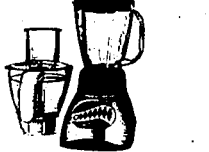




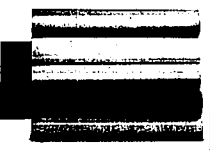



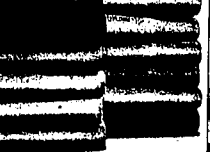


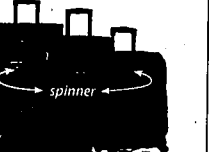
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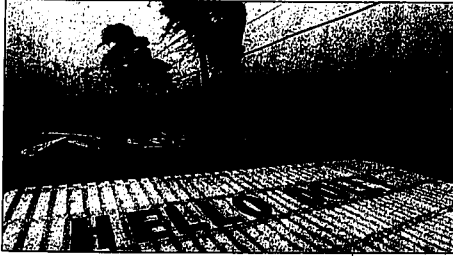
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A hotel sign lies on the ground after being blown over by high winds from Hurricane Dolly, Wednesday in South Padre Island, Texas.



Hurricane Dolly weakens, fears turn to flooding

By Christopher Sherman
Associated Press writer

BROWNSVILLE, Texas — Hurricane Dolly barreled into South Texas on Wednesday, lashing the coast with winds up to 100 mph and dumping heavy rain that flooded some low-lying areas but spared

levees along the heavily populated Rio Grande Valley. Authorities had feared the first hurricane to hit the U.S. since last September could produce up to 20 inches of rain in some areas, possibly breaching levees in the heavily populated Rio Grande Valley. But shortly before its

center came ashore, the Category 2 storm meandered 35 miles north of the border, veering away from the flood walls. "The levees are holding up just fine," said Johnny Cavazos, emergency coordinator for Cameron County. "There is no indication right now that they are going to crest."

Although the system weakened to a Category 1 hurricane shortly after crossing the resort area of South Padre Island, officials cautioned that the danger had not passed. About 5,000 people went to public shelters in three Texas counties hit hardest by the storm.

More were expected as night fell and at least 53,000 customers were left without power.

"Hopefully people won't get stupid and go out and think the storm has passed," said Kevin Pagan, the manager of an emergency center for the three counties.

Most of the destruction from wind was on the island, where the hurricane dumped out power to thousands of homes, ripped off roofs and smashed windows.

Roads and yards were strewn with toppled trees, fences, power poles and streetlights. Business signs rolled around the streets like tumbleweeds. The causeway linking the island to the mainland was closed.

A 17-year-old boy fell from a seventh-story balcony, injuring his head, breaking his hip and fracturing his leg. The boy was being treated at an island fire station. It was not immediately known if the accident was directly caused by the storm.

As Dolly weakened Wednesday night, authorities turned to watch for flooding caused by the inches of rain being dumped across Texas and Mexico.

Between 5 and 12 inches of rain had fallen in Brownsville's Cameron County by Wednesday evening and another 3 to 7 inches was expected during the night, according to the National Weather Service. Estimates in Laguna Vista and Bayview reached 12 inches.

Small communities just north of Brownsville were hit by high winds and flooded with murky waters from the storm, including low-lying colonies, small villages of immigrants who live without sewer and water service. A family of eight had to be rescued by sheriff's deputies when floodwaters surrounded their home.

Authorities seek indicted polygamist sect members

SAN ANGELO, Texas (AP) — Texas authorities on Wednesday began looking for five indicted members of a polygamist sect, in a child abuse case that the group's spokesman alleged was a face-saving move by officials who lost a court battle over their seizure of hundreds of children from a sect-owned ranch.

The five men were indicted Tuesday with sect leader Warren Jeffs, who already was convicted in Utah and jailed in Arizona on charges related to underage marriages.

Jeffs and four of the followers were charged in Texas with felony sexual assault of a child, and the fifth follower was charged with failing to report child abuse. One of the followers also was charged with bigamy.

"Our office does have warrants in hand and indictments in hand," said Sheriff David Dorn of Schleicher County, where the ranch is located. His tiny West Texas department was working with Texas Rangers and prosecutors to arrest the men.

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EDITORIAL

Some vindication for Halper, Obenauer and Jerome taxpayers

Turns out public officials in Jerome County really are accountable.

The Jerome County Commission on Monday approved a settlement with former Commissioners Veronica Lierman, John Elorrieta and Alvin Chojnacky. In a deal brokered by the county's legal representative, Fritz Haemmerle, the three agreed to return half of the illegal overtime they paid themselves between 2001 and 2005.

The former officials were sued last September by the current commissioners, who sought more than \$75,000 — the disputed money plus interest and inflation.

We'd have preferred that the entire amount be returned, but we agree with Commissioner Diana Obenauer that "we sent a message to all public servants — that they are not above the law."

Obenauer deserves much of the credit. The current commission initially rejected efforts to collect the overtime, which the Idaho attorney general's office determined was illegal. But Obenauer stuck to her guns, and Commissioners Charlie Howell and Joe Davidson eventually came around to her point of view after they were told by the Idaho Association of Counties they had no legal excuse not to.

The issue wouldn't have gotten that far, however, if it weren't for a private citizen, Jerome County farmer Lee

Halper knocked on enough doors, wrote enough e-mails and made enough phone calls that Attorney General Lawrence Wasden looked into the case.

Wasden's office decided in 2006 that although Lierman, Elorrieta and Chojnacky were compensated for work-related reasons, the compensation system was devised illegally because elected officials can't be paid more than the base salary set when the county budget is approved.

Halper can take satisfaction from the fact that because of the Jerome County case it may be a long time before any Idaho elected official steps outside the law to pad his or her salary, expense reimbursement and benefits.

It's abundantly clear in advance what a public office does — and does not — pay, and it's equally apparent what steps are needed for elected officials to change that.

Taxpayers, though, don't think much of politicians raising their own salaries once they're in office. That's precisely why the Legislature set up the Legislative Compensation Committee — a state commission appointed by the governor to recommend how much lawmakers should earn.

It's healthy that raises for elected officials are considered the third rail of Idaho politics: It keeps those officials honest — and more efficient than they would otherwise be.

Our view:
Jerome County will only get half its money back from former commissioners who illegally paid themselves overtime. But it will be a long, time before other elected officials across Idaho try the same thing. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Behind Maliki's mind games

There is some irony in the fact that deriding, after years of demanding Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki as a hopeless bungler and con-ning Shiite sectarian, are now treating as sacrosanct his suggestion that Iraq will be ready to assume responsibility for its own security by 2010. Naturally this is because his position seems to support that of Barack Obama.

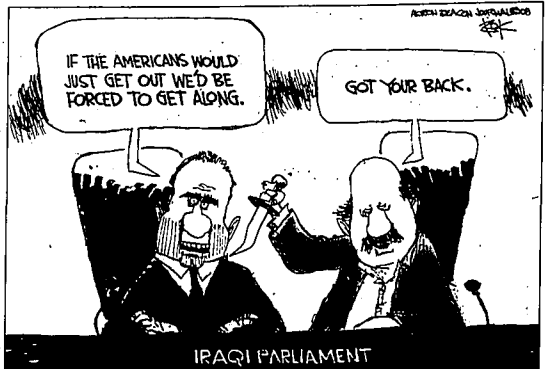


MAX BOOT

A little skepticism is in order here. The prime minister has political motives for what he's saying — whatever that is. An anonymous Iraqi outlet, the state-owned *Al-Sabah* newspaper, "Maliki thinks that Obama is most likely to win in the presidential election" and that "he's got to take preemptive steps before Obama gets to the White House." By smoothing Obama's maiden voyage abroad as the Democratic nominee, Maliki may figure that he will collect chips that he can call in later.

Giving the Iraqi prime minister an added motive to posture about troop withdrawals, even while he explicitly shows binding timeliness, is that he is engaged in contentious status-of-forces negotiations with the United States. He may figure that threatening to boot us out gives him more leverage over our troops. Beyond the negotiations, there is the imperative of Iraq's provincial elections, supposed to take place this year. Maliki no doubt expects that his Dawa party will reap political benefits from appearing to stand up to the Americans.

Maliki has hardly been an unwavering friend of the United States. Although he was an opponent of the Saddam Hussein regime, he



was not a proponent of the U.S.-led invasion. Having spent long years of exile in Syria and Iran, he has had to overcome deeply ingrained suspicions of the United States.

Keep in mind also that Maliki has no military experience and that he has been trapped in the Green Zone, relatively isolated from day-to-day life. For these reasons, he has been a consistent font of misguided predictions about how quickly U.S. forces could leave.

In October 2006, when violence was spinning out of control, Maliki declared that it would be "only a matter of months" before his security forces could "take over the security portfolio entirely" and keep some multinational forces only in a supporting role.

President Bush wisely ignored Maliki. Instead of withdrawing U.S. troops, he sent more. The prime minister wasn't happy. When the surge went ahead anyway, Maliki gave it an endorsement described in news accounts as "lukewarm."

In April 2007, when most of Baghdad was still out of control, the prime minister said that Iraqi forces would

assume control of security in every province by the end of the year.

Even now, when the success of the surge is undeniable, Maliki won't give U.S. troops their due. In the famous interview with *Der Spiegel* last weekend, he was asked why Iraq has become more peaceful. He mentioned "many factors," including "the political rapprochement we have managed to achieve," "the progress being made by our security forces," "the deep sense of abhorrence with which the population has reacted to the atrocities of al-Qaida and the militias," and "the economic recovery."

To his credit, although he has postured as a fence-sitter in public, Maliki has often accommodated American concerns in private. And, despite saying that Iraq doesn't need many U.S. troops, he has acquiesced to their presence.

But Maliki's public utterances do not provide a reliable guide as to when it will be safe to pull out U.S. troops. Better to listen to the military professionals. *The Washington Post* recently quoted Brig. Gen. Bilal al-Dayni, commander of Iraqi

troops in Basra, as saying of the Americans, "We hope they will stay until 2020." That is similar to the expectation of Iraq's defense minister, Abdul Qadir, who says his forces cannot assume full responsibility for internal security until 2012.

What would happen if we were to pull out much faster, on a 16-month timetable? Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Hammond, commander of coalition forces in Baghdad, says that would be "very dangerous" — the same words used by Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Of course, if the Iraqi government tells us to leave, we will have to leave. But, the prime minister's ambiguous comments notwithstanding, the Iraq government is saying no such thing, because most Iraqis realize that the gains of the surge are fragile and can be undone by a too-rapid departure of U.S. forces.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mindless environmental restrictions hurt business

Mr. Hatfield is correct in stating that both parties are responsible for the pork-barrel spending that takes place in this country. I venture to differ when he claims that the environmental community has no part in receiving subsidies. The farm bill authorizes millions of dollars yearly for greenbelt areas around our major cities. The cost to do business in this country has been increased because of costly restrictions, and the government funds billions of dollars to subsidize mindless environmental programs. The cost of maintaining our infrastructure to preserve our foreign oil interests is costing the consumer far more than any subsidy to the farmers.

The American people spend an average of 1 percent of their disposable income for food, compared to 15 percent for the closest industrialized nation. This creates a massive amount of income for all of us to purchase nonessential items.

The Food Security Act is designed by Congress to supply the American people with a plentiful and cheap food supply. I would gladly subsidize all subsidies for farmers and let the free market rule, but this would create unstable prices which are political suicide for politicians. Farmers have and below cost of production prices on many commodities for years as a result of our cheap food policies.

For any urban citizen to criticize farmers concerning subsidies, they must look at the public mass transit systems, freeways, public school feeding programs, education, airlines, city sewer and water systems, and the current bailout for irresponsible banks and homeowners. All of these industries and infrastructure are heavily subsidized to the tune of billions of dollars. Must all of our citizens who receive subsidies hang their heads in shame because of the way our political system operates, which is through political

parties and pressure groups? The environmentalists understand this one as well as any of us.

MIKE CRANNNEY
Oakley

Any help for fire victims would be appreciated

I just got done reading your article about the early morning fire on Madrona Street in Twin Falls. I am the mother of one of the victims displaced by the fire. We really do appreciate the help the Red Cross has provided to my son and his fiancée, but there is so much more help needed.

I have set up an account at my bank, Idaho Central Credit Union on Pole Line Road in Twin. Anybody wishing to make a donation can drop it off at this branch and deposit it into the Andy and Crystal account. They need much more help; finances are pretty tight, and my husband and I have given them all the extra money that we have to give. They need help with finding a new place, deposits, possi-

bly utility deposits, household goods, food, clothing, etc.

We also could use some volunteers to help them with transportation; they do not have a vehicle, so it is making it difficult to go look for a new place. They will also need help moving anything that can be salvaged from the apartment this week. We have been an active part of this community for more than 20 years and have seen them come together to help people many times. Now we are reaching out for their help.

My husband and I drive truck in 48 states, so it has been very difficult not being in the Twin Falls area to coordinate all of this, but with the generous help of our community, we can help this young couple start over after this devastating time. I can be reached anytime at 404-5786, or Andy at 293-2903 or Crystal at 293-6298.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.
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By Bruce Tinsley



Capture is end of road for a truly evil man

Standing with Slobodan Milosevic on the veranda of a government hunting lodge outside Belgrade, I saw two men in the distance. They got out of their black Mercedes in the fading light, started toward us. I felt a jolt go through my body; they were unmistakable. Ratko Mladic in combat fatigues, stocky, walking as though through a muddy field; and Radovan Karadzic, taller, wearing a suit, with his wild, but carefully coiffed, shock of white hair.

The capture of Karadzic on Monday took me back to a long night of confusion, drama and negotiations almost 13 years ago — the only time I ever met him. It was 5 p.m. on Sept. 13, 1995, the height of the war in Bosnia. Finally, after years of weak Western and U.N. response to Serb aggression and ethnic cleansing of Muslims and Croats in Bosnia, U.S.-led NATO bombing had put the Serbs on the defensive. Our small diplomatic negotiating team was trying to end a war that had already taken the lives of nearly 300,000 people.

These three men — Milosevic, Mladic and Karadzic — were the primary reason for that war. Mladic and Karadzic had already been indicted as war criminals by the



RICHARD HOLBROOKE

International Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. Milosevic was not to be indicted until 1999. As leaders of the breakaway Bosnian Serb movement, they had met with many Western luminaries, including Jimmy Carter.

But in a change of strategy, the negotiating team had decided to marginalize Karadzic and Mladic and to force Milosevic, as the senior Serb in the region, to take responsibility for the war and the negotiations we hoped would end it. Now Milosevic wanted to bring the two men back into the discussions, probably to take some of the pressure off himself.

We had anticipated this moment and agreed in advance that, while we would never ask to meet with Karadzic and Mladic, if Milosevic offered such a meeting, we would accept — but only once, and only under strict guidelines that would

require Milosevic to be responsible for their behavior.

I did not shake hands, although both Karadzic and Mladic tried to. Some of our team did; others did not. Mladic, not Karadzic, was the dominant figure that evening. He engaged in staring contests with some of our team as we sat across the table. Karadzic was silent at first. He had a large face with heavy brows, a soft chin and surprisingly gentle eyes. Then, when he heard our demand that the siege of Sarajevo be lifted immediately, he exploded. Rising from the table, the American-educated Karadzic raged in passable English about the "humiliations" his people were suffering. I reminded Milosevic that he had promised that this sort of harassment would not occur.

Karadzic responded emotionally that he would call former President Carter, with whom he said he was in touch, and started to leave the table. For the only time that long night I addressed Karadzic directly, telling him that we worked only for President Clinton and that he could call President Carter if he wished but that we would leave and that the bombing would intensify.

Milosevic said something to Karadzic in Serbian; he sat down

again, and the meeting got down to business.

After 10 hours, we reached an agreement to lift the siege, after more than three years of war. The next day, we finally were able to fly into the reopened airfield in Sarajevo. The indomitable city was already beginning to come back to life. Two months later the war would end at Dayton, never to resume.

But while the Dayton agreement gave NATO the authority to capture Karadzic and Mladic, an arrest didn't occur for nearly 13 years. Finally, one of these dreadful murderers has been the trip to The Hague. It is imperative that Mladic follow Karadzic on this one-way journey.

Even though 12 years-plus is an inexcusably long time, the war crimes indictment kept Karadzic on the run and prevented him from resurfacing. In far-away Khartoum, Sudanese President Omar Hassan al-Bashir, who was indicted last week by the International Criminal Court, should be paying close attention.

Richard Holbrooke, the chief architect of the Dayton Peace Agreement, is a former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. He wrote this for The Washington Post.

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PROFESSION: Surgeon General (Sarajevo)

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GOVERNMENT: Sarajevo (1993-1995) (Sarajevo)

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OTHER VIEWS

What Idaho newspapers are saying about ...

... an eastern Idaho regional airport

Idaho State Journal, Pocatello

Engineering professor Habib Sadiq's hope that southeast Idaho will establish a single regional airport and brings back passenger rail is well worth everyone's support ...

Sadiq has enlisted the help of some of his students at Idaho State University to develop a plan for a new regional airport that would be connected by a passenger rail system to several of Idaho's towns and cities.

This airport could replace the terminals currently in use in Pocatello and Idaho Falls. Or it might be determined that either one of these existing airports should be home to what would become the area's only airline destination. Sadiq and his students will first narrow the airport list to possible locations to three alternatives. Then they will choose the best location and develop design plans for it and the rail system.

It's very possible that airline flights will be cut at the Pocatello airport ... Idaho Falls' airport is already reporting its flights will be reduced this fall.

Along with these cuts, the airlines are charging passengers more. Not only are ticket prices on the rise, but the airlines have implemented fees for extra baggage and other services that used to be free.

The rising cost of flying out of Pocatello Regional Airport has already resulted in a 7 percent decrease in passengers compared to last year.

It's quite possible that in the very near future the flight offerings in both Pocatello and Idaho Falls will be so reduced and so costly that the region's travelers either won't fly at all or will turn to the bigger airports in Salt Lake and Boise in even greater numbers than they do now. The thought that one day — in the not so distant future — there could be no airlines serving Pocatello and Idaho Falls is really looking more and more plausible ...

... Without a doubt, Sadiq's project will ... provide our region with a plan for how we should approach our future transportation needs.

The question is who will pick up the ball and run with it? Who will push for a regional airport ...

... the boat tax

Idaho Press Tribune, Nampa

When a task force appointed by Gov. Burch Otter recommended to the governor that the state not charge new fees for Idaho's kayakers, canoe paddlers

and drift boaters, it was the right call.

The idea had been floated as a possible way to help fund for search and rescue and other services that are times incurred by those who use the non-motorized watercraft. The task force determined that the plan wasn't feasible, and an Otter spokesman said the governor would follow the panel's recommendations.

Requiring non-motorized boats to pay fees opens up a can of worms that would be very difficult to close.

If non-motorized boats must pay fees because their users sometimes need rescue, where do you draw the line?

What about people who ride inner-tubes and rafts? Should they have to pay fees?

There are many different ways people can get lost and find themselves in need of rescue, and sometimes they don't even need a vehicle to do so. What about adventurous hikers who get lost? Should they have to pay fees for their sneakers?

... People who pack up and head into the great outdoors for recreation need to take responsibility for their own safety.

Some counties, in fact, have floated the idea of charging dirt bikes the people who need rescuing. Some have already done it. It costs a lot of money in manpower and gas to search for people who are lost ...

There is a reason no other Western state has imposed fees on non-motorized watercraft. Kudos to the state task force for not allowing Idaho to go out of bounds into that territory.



... Risch's record

Lewiston Tribune

Not many governors of any state have done as much in full terms as Jim Risch did for Idaho during the seven months he inher-

ited when Dirk Kempthorne left to join President Bush's Cabinet. But that doesn't stop Democrat Larry LaRooco from largely accusing Risch of not doing enough ...

... in case LaRooco and his opposition researchers have Alzheimer's themselves, here are a few things he did do:

- He organized legislators to enact, during a one-day special legislative session Risch called, a sweeping change in the state's tax structure, doing away with the last statewide property tax levy based solely on valuation and replacing it with a penny sales tax increase.

- He wrote and received approval for a plan to manage roadless public lands that drew glowing reviews even from conservationists for its recognition that many of those lands should never be disturbed ...

- He recognized a serious nursing shortage in the state and paved the way for more training positions at two locations ...

- He pulled Idaho out of a federal pollution trading program that left the state vulnerable to mercury-emitting coal-fired power plants.
- He helped persuade voters to reject an initiative that went too far in protecting land owners from eminent domain and threatened to gut local land-use planning.

- He reversed Kempthorne's underhanded practice of appointing only Republicans to state boards and commissions by getting some of those Republicans to call themselves independents. Risch put an unquestioned Democrat on the Fish and Game Commission.
- LaRooco wants to find fault with Risch's record, but in this instance he's mining fool's gold.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Newspaper's new policy tends to break up families

Please consider doing the community a service and not printing these reports of illegal California homosexual unions.

The Times-News has lost all credibility in doing this. Your comment, "But in May the California Supreme Court ruled that same-sex couples have the right to wed" — the courts do not have the authority to make law; only the legislative branch does. Mr. Wright, even most school children know this.

The paper should oppose law breaking even if it is members of the judicial branch.

Legislation from the bench must be stopped, such as conveying special legal rights, privileges or government appointments to any special interest seg-

ment of society, no matter how vocal.

The God-ordained family, in the traditional sense of husband (man) and wife (woman), is the basic unit of a healthy society. I oppose the Times-News new policy which tends to break up families, and reporting which attempts to sanction, legitimize or legalize same sex unions as marriages. I oppose state-recognized homosexual "civil unions" as an alternative to traditional marriage.

The spread of AIDS is principally attributable to promiscuous homosexual conduct and drug abuse. Because of policies which, in

fact, encourage illicit sexual conduct and which otherwise place innocent citizens at risk, millions of non-homosexual, non drug-abusing Americans have been subjected to unnecessary serious risk.

Under no circumstances should the Times-News continue to subsidize activities which have the effect of encouraging homosexual conduct or drug abuse.

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Minimum wage going up, but will help little as costs soar

By Christopher S. Ruzaber
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — About 2 million Americans get a raise today as the federal minimum wage rises 70 cents. The bid rises: Higher gas and food prices are swallowing it up, and some small businesses will pass the cost of the wage hike to consumers.

The increase, from \$5.05 to \$6.55 per hour, is the second of three annual increases required by a 2007 law. Next year's boost will bring the federal minimum to \$7.25 an hour.

Workers like Walter Jasper, who earns minimum wage at a car wash in Nashville, Tenn., are happy to take the raise, but will still struggle with the higher gas and food prices hammering Americans.

"It will help out a little," said Jasper, who with his fiancée support a family of seven, and who earns the minimum plus commissions when customers order premium car-wash services.

"The bus fare he pays each day to get to work actually went up to \$4.80 this spring from \$4. 'I'd like to be on a job where I can at least get a car,'" he said.

Last week, the Labor Department reported the fastest inflation since 1991 — 5 percent for June compared with a year earlier. Energy costs soared nearly 25 percent. The price of food rose more than 5 percent.

So the minimum wage hike is "a drop in the bucket compared to the increases in costs, declining labor market, and declining household wealth that consumers have experienced in the past year," Lehman Brothers economist Zach Pandl said.

The new minimum is less than the inflation-adjusted 1997 level of \$7.02, and far below the inflation-adjusted level of \$10.06 from 40 years ago, according to a Labor Department inflation calculator.

Twenty-three states and the District of Columbia have laws making the minimum wage higher than the new federal requirement, a group

Minimum wagers

In 2007, about 1.7 million workers were earning minimum wage or less, more than half of them women.



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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics AP

covering 60 percent of U.S. workers, according to the Economic Policy Institute, a think tank.

"You get desperate, because you can't really pay for everything," said Gladys Lopez, 51, a garment worker from Adjuntas, Puerto Rico, who makes military uniforms and has earned the federal minimum for 10 years.

She says she would need to make at least \$50 more a week to pay all her bills and take care of her 84-year-old mother, whom she supports.

When the minimum rises again next year, catching up with more states, more than 5 million workers will get a raise, said Lisa Lynch, dean of the Heller School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis University.

Some small businesses are already making plans to raise prices to offset the higher wages they have to pay their workers.

David Heath, owner of Tiki Tan in College Station, Texas, said the increase will force him to raise prices for his monthly tanning services by about 12 percent. Tiki Tan had been paying its employees \$6 per hour.

"There just isn't any room for profit, and so this is why prices will have to go up," he

said, citing the wage increase and higher fuel costs. "I have to recoup those costs."

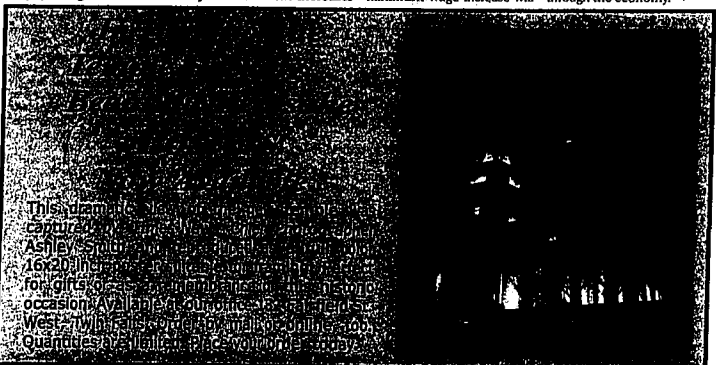
The increase in the minimum wage could push food prices even higher by rising the pay for agricultural workers, said Brian Bethune, chief U.S. economist at consulting firm Global Insight.

But he said he did not expect the change to have a major impact on the economy because recent increases

in productivity, which enables companies to produce more with fewer workers, are keeping labor costs in check.

That makes it unlikely the minimum wage increase will

trigger a "wage-price spiral," in which workers facing higher costs demand more pay, which in turn causes companies to raise prices higher, sending inflation coursing through the economy.



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The Spudman cometh: Burley triathlon returns Saturday

By Laurie Welch
Staff writer

Two hundred bodies kick and thrash in the violently churning small-colored water as wave after wave of swimmers are set loose down the Snake River at the Burley Golf Course Marina during the 1.5K swim portion of the Burley Lions Club Spudman Triathlon.

"People are banging and kicking into you and you are going over the top of swimmers," said Marden Plant, 51, who competed in his first triathlon in 1996. "The swim is the most intimidating part for many people. You have 200 bodies vying for that finish line and they are lined up on a streamline with that finish line etched

in their mind — and that's where they're headed."

Plant said he was very lucky and received swimming lessons as a child, so he does not fear the water. "A lot of people are used to seeing that stripe in the bottom of the pool," Plant said about the Snake River water, which has a temperature of about 70 degrees and a mere few inches of visibility.

This year's 22nd annual Spudman registered more than 2,000 competitors in about 5 categories, a number up by 400 bills this year, said Scott Bloxham, Burley Lions Club Spudman Triathlon Race Coordinator.

About 350 people who register with the Spudman will not show up, but those who



do come from all across the country as the event draws 5,000 to 6,000 people to the area over race weekend.

"There aren't any motel rooms available this weekend within 50 miles," Bloxham said.

For many people like Bart and Shelly Hanson of Rupert, the Spudman has become a family affair.

"They will compete for the second year along with 13 other family members ranging in age from 17 to 44 years old."

"We were all sitting around one Thanksgiving after stuffing ourselves with turkey and just said let's do it," Bart Hanson said. "Last year we had such a good time, we decided to do it again this year." Dan Lloyd, 49, of Heyburn, will compete in the Spudman for the second time.

"I bike and run a little but I'm terrified of the water," Lloyd said. "The first time I got in the water, it scared

me to death. Actually, the first time came out all right but the third time I panicked and got out early."

Lloyd's premature exit from the water created quite a ruckus downstream at the Scholer Park takeout point when he did not show up.

"Yeah, they wondered where I went," Lloyd said. "For many of the athletes like Lloyd, the massive competition is a very personal one."

"The only person I compete with is me," Lloyd said. "And the really fun part is getting near the end and knowing you made it."

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The WAC gets to meet the press

By Dustin Lapray
Correspondent



WAC media days

Editor's note: Times-News correspondent Dustin Lapray will file daily reports from the Western Athletic Conference media meetings in Salt Lake City.

SALT LAKE CITY — Wednesday morning at the airport Hilton, members of media from around the western United States were given their first opportunity to interview coaches and key players from three Western Athletic Conference teams.

Fresno State University, the University of Idaho and the University of Nevada each sent their head coach and two standout players to the event.

Fresno State took home some preseason honors, being named first in the WAC Preseason Coaches' poll.

The nine WAC coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team and seven of the nine picked FSU as the preseason favorite.

Boise State was picked second in the coaches' poll, with two first-place votes and only six votes behind the Bulldogs.

The teams switched positions in the media poll, Boise State No. 1, Fresno State No. 2.

Again the balloting was very close; only four votes separated the teams in the media poll.

Boise State righted Wednesday reeked of hope and optimism.

Fresno State righted head Pascoe (45 receptions, 894 yards and 4 TDs in 2007) said he is confident he picked in the coaches poll, but that it meant little to his team.

"We can't go and say, 'we're No. 1, they're going to give it to us,'" Pascoe said. "We've got to take it one day at a time. We can't overlook anybody, especially in the WAC."

"You start overlooking people and then the team you were picked to beat is going to bite you. We just gotta keep working and earn that spot."

Fresno State returns nine offensive starters, including Tom Brandstater, who was named to the Davey O'Brien Award watchlist.

The O'Brien Award is given annually to college football's best quarterback. New Mexico State quarterback Chase Holbrook was also named to the list.

Fresno State and Nevada, the hope is that their teams can accomplish what Boise State and Hawaii have the past two seasons: Crash the lucrative Bowl Championship Series.

"Here we are thinking, alright, now it's our turn to go to a BCS game and play a Georgia or an Oklahoma, or somebody, it's definitely an encouragement," Pascoe said.

Fresno State, who came to FSU

as a quarterback, admitted that to do that, the Bulldogs would have to win all their regular season games.

One of those games will be at Rutgers University in Piscataway, N.J., hometown of BSU cornerback Kyle Wilson.

The Bulldogs will play Rutgers because head coach Pat Hill loves to work his "anytime, anyone, anywhere" scheduling against BCS schools, and Big 12 school Kansas State dropped out.

They also host Wisconsin this season and play at UCLA. FSU's 12 wins against BCS opponents are more than any other non-BCS school this decade.

The WAC will play in 37 non-conference games this season, 50 will be against Pac-10 and Mountain West. WAC Commissioner Carl Benson said that the conference is looking to schedule more games in the western half of the country, mostly to save on rising travel costs.

Benson also spoke Wednesday about rules changes (sideline warnings, horse-collar tackles and helmet-to-helmet hits will now carry penalties), changes in officiating (the Big 12, Mountain West and WAC have reached an agreement to share officials, to "take the officiating names off their backs") and disparity between teams in the conference.

There's a clear top-half, bottom-half view of the WAC, having some to do with finances, but Benson said that there's no real schism between the schools over that.

Instead, the lower-half teams are trying to bridge that gap and limit the financial windfalls for themselves.

"I think that the schools that have not benefited from television or bowl game royalties recognize that the four or five schools that have had that opportunity are setting the standard and I don't think that that gap is growing. I think the gap is shrinking," Benson said. "I don't sense that there is a rift between any of the schools."

Asserting control



Stage 17 winner and new overall leader Carlos Sastre surges up the Alpe-d'Huez climb during Wednesday's stage of the Tour de France near Alpe d'Huez, France. Sastre won the stage by almost two minutes and leads the race by 1:24 over teammate Frank Schleck.

Sastre takes charge on legendary L'Alpe d'Huez

By Jamey Keaton
Associated Press writer

ALPE D'HUEZ, France — The mountains have proved that Cadel Evans isn't the fastest man uphill, but the Australian may have done just enough to win the Tour de France.

Carlos Sastre of Spain did all he could to gain time on Evans by winning Wednesday's 17th stage and taking the yellow jersey off his CSC teammate, Frank Schleck of Luxembourg. In the hardest Alpine ride this year, With the toughest mountain stages over and a final time trial awaiting Saturday, the podium outlook is taking

shape in what until now had been one of the closest Tours in years — with seven different riders having worn the yellow jersey.

Sastre beat other title contenders by at least two minutes in the 130.8-mile ride from Embrun to L'Alpe d'Huez. Overall, he leads Schleck by 1 minute, 24 seconds, and Bernhard Kohl of Germany by 1:33. The three-week race ends on Sunday.

While Evans is fourth, 1:34 back, he is about the same time as his rivals. And Evans wasn't shaken when it counted.

"I suffered a lot on the way to the

summit, but I take great pleasure in climbing the jersey," Sastre said through a translator. "A pure climber has to take advantage of his opportunities, and this was mine."

The strong position of Evans points more to cautious and cunning riding, despite the CSC-led attacks on him during three Alpine stages. At times the Danish sagged to fight headwinds.

Asked if he thinks he can win, Sastre said: "I don't know. I don't want to think about that now."

Two mostly flat stages before Saturday aren't likely to influence the

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How things have changed for Boise State

Idaho is a growing state, growing from within and without. I have the newcomers to Idaho when I write this history column.

Boise State has only been a University since 1970. As Boise Junior College, the Broncos won a national title in 1958 and enjoyed great success under the tutelage of Lyle Smith.

1970, when the school began to grow and moved to the Big Sky Conference, the team had immediate success. Through the 70's and 80's there was only one losing campaign (1988) and in 1980, they won the I-AA National Championship.

The early 1990s were a different story. In-state rival University of Idaho enjoyed



DUSTIN LAPRAY

winning ways during those years and BSU floundered, rose, then floundered again. In 1993 the team suffered its worst season as a four-year institution, going 3-8 and losing to Idaho 49-16 to end the season. Then up again the team flew under the guidance of Pauley Allen to a 13-2 record in 1994 and lost in the I-AA national title game. That season Allen made a bet with fans that if they sold out Broncos

Stadium he would ride a horse in downtown. They did. He kept his promise. His tenure at Boise State emerged as a trial of life and death. He was diagnosed with a rare muscle cancer after that title game in 1994. In 1996, he had to take a leave of absence from the team, which finished that season 2-10. Allen died three weeks after coaching his last game.

That horrific year coincided with BSU's move to finally become a Division I-A school (now the Football Bowl Subdivision). Those were hard times at Boise State. With Allen gone and new challenges ahead, Houston Nutt took over for a year, went 5-6, and left.

On the heels of the worst season in school history, Dirk Koetter came to the Blue. The team improved quickly. BSU turned out a winning record (6-5) in 1998, and narrowly lost to Idaho 36-35 in overtime. The following year the team went 10-3 and beat Louisville in the Humanitarian Bowl.

Perhaps more importantly to the Bronco faithful, it whipped Idaho 45-14.

They just kept getting better. Koetter went 25-10 in his three years at BSU. It was that coaching staff that turned around a program that was used to success, even demanded it. People

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Smith to hold news conference

DENVER - Broncos receiver Rod Smith will hold a news conference Thursday amid published reports that he will retire...

Federer stunned at Toronto

TORONTO - Top-ranked Roger Federer was shocked to lose to Andy Murray in the first round of the ATP World Tour event...

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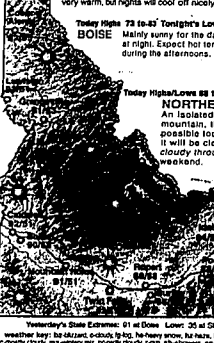
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Today: Highs 73 to 87. Tonight's Lows: 37 to 51. Boise: Mostly sunny for the days and clear at night. Expect temperatures to be very warm, but nights will cool off nicely.



Wednesday's State Edition: Lower: 35 at Slavic weather; by 4:30 p.m. it will be 60, with a 10-15 mph breeze. The mostly clear sky will be a welcome relief.

REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY: "The spring would not be as pleasant if it had not been so warm. It would not be so welcome."

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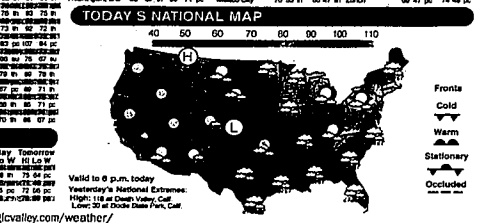
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CANADIAN FORECAST

Table showing weather forecasts for major Canadian cities like Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver.

NFL Army recalls Campbell

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (AP) — Caleb Campbell was a day away from practicing with the Detroit Lions and taking a step toward his dream of playing in the NFL.



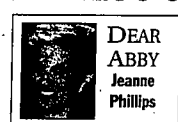
Caleb Campbell, right, who was drafted into the NFL by the Detroit Lions, salutes as he receives his diploma at the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., on May 31, 2008. Campbell will not get a chance to play football for the Lions this season because of a change in military policy.

Now, Campbell is closer to joining his fellow West Point graduates in Iraq or Afghanistan. The U.S. Army revised its interlocking of U.S. Department of Defense policy two weeks ago regarding soldiers playing professional sports, requiring cadets to complete two years of active duty before applying for a release.

how this is going to benefit the Army. Whenever I'm settled in, I will report to the local recruiting station in the area and I will take it very seriously. It's my job in the United States Army. This is how I'm serving my country." The buzz might have also made the Navy and Air Force bitter because their graduates were playing under different rates under the same Department of Defense directive, which was implemented in 1994, reiterated in 2007 and again just a few days after the NFL draft.

Man's distance from mother is cause for wife's concern

DEAR ABBY: My wife thinks I have a problem because I do not have a close relationship with my mother. We go for weeks without talking or seeing each other, and it doesn't bother me. Since I was about 13, my parents were hardly ever around.



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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have no children but have had two dogs since we became a couple. This year, our two 13-year-old Dalmatians passed away within four months of each other. We are grieving but realize our "children" are in a better, pain-free place.

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Advertisement for a car, featuring a large image of a car and the text 'The car you want. Right now. Here's how:' with a small inset image of a person at a computer.



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Referendum would allow vote on new Camas County zoning rules

By Nate Poppino
Staff writer

The debate over Camas County's new zoning rules may move next to the voting booth. After a 20,000-acre county rezoning was nullified as part of an ongoing lawsuit earlier this year, county officials passed another, similar new zoning map, ordinance, land use map and comprehensive plan in April and May in an attempt to allow new construction projects to progress in the county.

Now, county resident Bob Rodman, a former Planning and Zoning Commission

Last we knew: Developer George Morlin Jr. sued Camas County over county rules that rezoned about 20,000 acres in March 2007.

member who claimed he was thrown off the board when he brought up concerns about the new plan two years ago, wants to allow county residents to vote on the rezoning. A referendum drafted by Rodman would

NewsTracker

The latest: Former P&Z member Bob Rodman is attempting to get a referendum on the November ballot asking voters to repeal newer zoning

rules passed in May. What's next: County officials have yet to decide whether a second draft of the referendum follows state law.

suek to repeal the maps, plan and ordinance. The goal, he said, is to shift the debate from the two groups involved in the lawsuit to the voters.

'What happens here is that we're going to

find out who's happy with it and who ain't," Rodman said. "Instead of one group of people telling another group that they have the right idea and that everyone backs that idea."

Of course, Rodman first has to work all the kinks out of his proposal. His first version was submitted on June 10, and after reviewing the draft, county prosecuting attorney Calvin Campbell wrote that he felt it violated both the Idaho Land Use Planning Act and established case law.

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Region takes stock after Tuesday storms

Filer resident records funnel cloud touchdown

Magicvalley.com

WATCH: A video of a funnel cloud submitted by reader Tyler Lassen.

By Nate Poppino
Staff writer

One day after a tornado warning kept Magic Valley residents' eyes on the sky, weather officials still aren't sure whether one actually touched down.

Tuesday's storms seemed to cause the most damage in the town of Hazelton, with downed trees and power poles, mud plastered on homes and other signs of meteorological violence. But damage was reported from across the area.

a drive along State Highway 25 that Eden had escaped damage, that wasn't the case, resident Rance Stastny said Wednesday morning. The storm tore into gardens and even toppled a tree, she said.

"We just cleaned up a shredded mess," she said after working on her lawn and driveway.

A team from the National Weather Service's Boise office traveled to Hazelton on Wednesday to study the damage, concluding that most of it came from microburst winds and hail.

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While it appeared during



Filer resident Tyler Lassen and his friends recorded this funnel cloud appearing to touch down while they were wakeboarding on Tuesday near Milner Dam. A National Weather Service team concluded that most storm damage in the region came from high winds and hail.

Rupert man pleads guilty in rape case

By Laurie Welch
Staff writer

A Rupert man charged with raping a 14-year-old Burley girl pleaded guilty Tuesday in Cassia County 5th District Court to battery with intent to rape, along with lewd and lascivious conduct with a child under 16.

Alejandro Diaz-Cruz, 30, was arrested April 15, two days after the incident occurred in northeast Burley at the girl's home. Diaz-Cruz was also originally charged with burglary for entering a building to com-

mit a felony, but that charge was later dropped, according to court documents.

Diaz-Cruz will be sentenced by District Judge Michael Crabtree, at 1:30 p.m. Oct. 14. The battery with intent to commit rape will carry a penalty of not more than 20 years in jail and the lewd and lascivious charge carries a possible penalty of life in prison, \$50,000 in costs and fines, along with sex offender and DNA registration.

Diaz-Cruz remains incarcerated at the Mini-Cassia

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'DYING ART'



Above, Maria Holbrook, 16, takes a turn at spinning wool Wednesday afternoon in her backyard in Jerome. Holbrook's mother, Holly, and other wool-working artists put on the first in what they hope becomes an annual event they are calling the Flier Festival. Holly Holbrook said they hope to teach children all aspects of weaving and spinning so that the "dying art" can be passed down and preserved.

Left, dramatic hues of purple-dyed wool are set out to dry Wednesday evening at Holly Holbrook's home in Jerome. More than a dozen women and children from several families of spinners and weavers gathered at the Holbrooks'. "You never know, there might be a situation where we may find ourselves in need of that skill," said Holbrook. "Some day Wal-Mart may not be available."

See a photo gallery of the event at Magicvalley.com.

New CSI-Falls Avenue entry project starts Monday

Staff report

After four years of planning, construction on the Falls Avenue entry to the College of Southern Idaho campus will begin Monday and will continue into mid-September.

Randy Dill, CSI's Physical Plant Director, reported to the CSI Board of Trustees on Monday night that a final planning meeting at the Idaho Transportation Department office in Shoshone this week resulted in a timetable for the project that will begin immediately. Dill and other CSI administrators regret that after the years of planning efforts to keep the project from happening at the busiest time of the school year, that it would fall precisely at that time.

However, due to the number of federal, state, and local entities involved in the project, the tim-

ing was out of CSI's hands, college officials said. Board members also heard that delaying the project to the end of the spring 2009 semester would undoubtedly add to the cost.

The main entrance to the college will be closed on Monday, July 28 as crews begin tearing out the trees and existing lanes to make room for the new entrance. By the following week, approximately Aug. 1 to 4, the current five lanes on Falls Avenue will be reduced to one lane in each direction to allow for sub-grade work. One lane of traffic and a pedestrian walkway into the campus from Falls Avenue will be maintained throughout the project. However, vehicles will not be permitted to exit from that lane. All existing traffic must use Washington Street North, North College Road, or Frontier Road. The project will result in a traf-

fic signal controlled intersection to the college from Falls Avenue that will consist of two entry and three exit lanes which align with Quincy Street on the south side of Falls. College officials expect motorists and pedestrian safety, as well as overall traffic flow, at the intersection will be greatly improved.

During the construction, motorists are advised that left turns from the campus onto Washington Street North or North College Road will be slow and risky. Right turns are advised.



AROUND THE VALLEY

Offer, ITD to visit Twin Falls on Aug. 5

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter and the Idaho Transportation Department will continue a series of statewide meetings asking the public how best to pay for repairing, maintaining and improving the state's crumbling roads and bridges Tuesday, Aug. 5, at the Twin Falls Red Lion Canyon Springs.

"Building Roads, Building Bridges, Building Consensus" was planned originally for today in Twin Falls but later changed to Aug. 5.

The governor's staff and transportation officials will

meet with area legislators and other elected officials, business and industry leaders and local highway district representatives that day. A public meeting is planned from 4 to 7 p.m. when the governor's staff and ITD representatives will explain transportation funding and the need for additional resources to operate and maintain state and local highways.

Brief formal presentations are scheduled for 4:15 p.m. and 5:45 p.m., followed by discussions. The public is encouraged to attend either session and share written comments.

Suggestions also can be mailed to the Idaho Transportation Department, P.O. Box 7129, Boise, ID, 83707-1129, attention Adam Bush, or can be sent via e-mail to comments@itd.idaho.gov. For more information about the conference, visit the ITD Web site at <http://itd.idaho.gov>.

Fourth man charged in T.F. home invasion

A fourth man was charged Wednesday in connection to a Twin Falls home invasion and robbery Monday at 720 Park Ave.

Justin Curtis Brynes, 19,

was arrested Tuesday afternoon on charges of kidnapping, aggravated assault and burglary. On Wednesday he was charged with three counts of aggravated assault and burglary.

Police assert Brynes along with three other men charged on Tuesday with the same crimes — Brandon Rankin, 21, Casey Rankin, 18 and Nathaniel Thomas, 24 — forcibly entered and robbed the home with baseball bats, a machete and a gun. The home was also vandalized.

The men told police they went to collect drug money, court records show. Bond was set for the four

men at \$25,000.

Forest Service: 'Good progress' made on Redfish Lake cleanup

Sawtooth National Recreation Area personnel are forging ahead in their cleanup of Redfish Lake roads and campgrounds following the July 3 microburst that toppled and uprooted thousands of live green trees in and around the popular recreation site, officials said on Wednesday.

A salvage timber sale for the downed lodgepole pines and Douglas fir trees is ongoing.

Glacierview B Campground is now open, officials said, and Point Campground and Day Use Area could be opened by this weekend. North Shore Picnic Areas B and C may remain closed through the weekend.

Closed areas are marked with yellow flags and "Danger, Keep Out" signs. Those areas are not safe, officials said, as chainsaw crews are working to clear dangerous trees in the area.

For more information, or to check on your favorite campground or picnic site, Stanley Tanger Station, 201-744-3000.

— From staff reports

Jim Koepnick

RUPERT — Jim Koepnick, a 68-year-old Rupert resident, passed away Monday, July 21, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls. Jim was born Sep. 23, 1939, in Boise, the son of Howard and Jean Koepnick. He married Betty Gault on June 8, 1958. In Burley, Jim has lived in Idaho nearly his whole life. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and especially spending time with his grandchildren and family. Jim is survived by his wife,

Betty of Rupert; his four children, Ken (Tammi) Koepnick of Rupert, Kevin (Hebekeh) Koepnick of Pocatello, Kelly (Kirk) Koepnick of Burley and Connie (Scott) Stirling of Jerome; 10 grandchildren; three (and one on the way) great-grandchildren; two sisters, Lana (Wesley) Teal of Burley and Cindy (Don) Gurner of Mountain Home; three brothers, Sonny (Faye) Koepnick of Rupert, Gene (Jackie) Koepnick of Wells, Nev., and Randy (Linda) Koepnick of Vancouver, Wash. He was preceded in death by his parents and one grandson, Jeram Koepnick. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, July 25, at Hansen-Payne Mortuary Chapel, 321 E. Main St. in Burley. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the service Friday. Burial will follow at the Basin Cemetery in Oakley.

Alfred Delmar Maxson

RUPERT — Alfred Delmar Maxson, 88, of Rupert, passed away Tuesday, July 22, 2008, at CountySide Care and Rehab in Rupert of causes incidental to age. Alfred was born May 24, 1920, in Cartersville, Mo. to Oren and Susan Jones Maxson. He married Helen Irene Selez June 25, 1946. He has been a resident of Rupert since 1957. Alfred served as staff sergeant in Quartermaster Corps in the U.S. army in World War II. He worked in construction, farming and as a truck driver for Simplot. He enjoyed working and playing golf. Alfred is survived by his wife, Irene Maxson of Rupert; children, Gary L. (Kathy)

Maxson of Vernal, Utah, Jeanette Hilling of Rupert and Jim (Linda) Maxson of Prescott Valley, Ariz.; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; brothers, Stanley Maxson and Roy Maxson; and sisters, Elora Maxson and Dorothy Elsmann of Riverport, Wyo. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers. The funeral will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, July 26, 2008, at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St., with Pastor Pam Meese of the United Methodist church. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery with military graveside rites. Visitation will be 6-8 p.m. Friday and one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the mortuary. The family would like to thank the staff at CountySide Care Center for their kindness, comfort, and support.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Cassia County

JULY 10 TO 20 SENTENCES
Christopher Lionel Jensen, 24, felony possession of a controlled substance, dismissed.
Misdemeanor, battery, dismissed.
Eric Wesley Bales, 20, felony, attempted robbery, dismissed.
Lydia Butts, 49, felony, intimidating or preventing a witness from testifying, pleaded guilty, \$1,100 court costs, three years probation, one year and six months to four years and six months to jail with 95 days credited and pententiary suspended. Felony intimidating or preventing a witness from testifying, dismissed.
Nicole D. Knoble, 29, misdemeanor, driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, disposition withheld. Misdemeanor, failure to file immediate notice of an accident, dismissed.
Orant W. Nelson, 28, misdemeanor, driving under the influence (excessive), guilty, \$1,000 fines and \$90.50 court costs, 180 days in jail with 170 days suspended and one day credited. Misdemeanor, consumption or possession of an open container of alcohol, dismissed.
Travis Wayne Jay, 30, misdemeanor, driving under the influence, guilty, \$1,000 fines and \$90.50 court costs, 180 days in jail with 170 days suspended and one day credited. Misdemeanor, driving without privilege, guilty, \$200 fines and \$75.50 court costs, 12 months probation, 30 days in jail with 28 days suspended and one day credited. Misdemeanor, failure to wear a seatbelt in a commercial vehicle, guilty, \$43.50 fines and \$12.50 court costs. Misdemeanor, failure to appear for a citation, dismissed.
Jesse Antonio, 30, misdemeanor, driving without privilege, guilty, \$200 fines with \$90.50 court costs, driver's license suspended for 180 days, 12 months probation, 30 days in jail with 28 days suspended and one day credited.
Juan A. Ramirez-Perez, 34, misdemeanor, failure to purchase or invalid driver's license, guilty, \$68.50 fines and \$75.50 court costs.
Luis A. Puentes, 23, misdemeanor, driver's license violation, guilty, \$68.50 fines and \$75.50 court costs.
Vanessa Rios, 19, accident-involved infraction, following too closely, guilty, \$33.50 fines and \$41.50 court costs.
Cody R. Bohm, 20, misdemeanor, hunting, fishing or trapping without a license, guilty, \$20 court costs and \$83 court costs.
Eleanor Ruth Cardona, 46, misdemeanor, failure to purchase or invalid driver's license, guilty, \$100 fines and \$75.50 court costs, 30 days in jail with 30 days suspended.
Shannon R. Hincley, 43, accident-involved infraction, improper or unsafe lane change, guilty, \$38.50 fines and \$41.50 court costs.
William Ray Edgington, 31, misdemeanor, failure to purchase or invalid driver's license, guilty, \$68.50 fines and \$75.50 court costs.
Jorge Martinez, 23, misdemeanor, failure to purchase or invalid driver's license, guilty, \$300 fines and \$75.50 court costs, driver's license suspended for 180 days, 12 months probation, 30 days in jail with 28 days suspended and one day credited.
Juan Rodriguez Ramirez, 23, misdemeanor, driving without privilege, guilty, \$285 fines and \$90.50 court costs, driver's license suspended for 180 days, 12 months probation, 30 days in jail with 28 days suspended and one day credited.

SERVICES

The Rev. Andrew Herbert Holdreder of Castledorf, memorial service at 10 a.m. today at the Twin Falls Church of the Brethren, 461 Filer Ave. W. (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls)

Christine Araminta Springer Bonning of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Living Waters Presbyterian Church, 821 E. Main in Wendell (Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Vernla Nadline Winn of Jerome, memorial celebration of life at 1 p.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome.

Dennis L. Schmidt of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 4 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; visitation from 2 to 4 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Roma Dee Asplaus of Wendell, funeral at 10 a.m. Friday at Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel, 629 Third Ave. E. in Jerome; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Jeanette Moline of Gooding, memorial service at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the

Gooding First Christian Church (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Gene Merrill Ranstrom of Boise, memorial service at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Plantation Country Club, 6515 W. State St. in Boise (Bowman Funeral Parlor in Garden City).

Leo Ramsy White Hawk of Twin Falls, funeral at 2 p.m. Friday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Larry Butler of Spokane, Wash., and formerly of Gooding, informal memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the home of Dale and Betty Butler in Gooding.

Doris "Scotty" McFadden Williams of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Wayne "Bud" Dimick Sorensen of Shoshone, funeral at 2 p.m. Saturday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Shoshone; visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday at Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel.

FAIRFIELD — Roscoe S. Reagan, 75, a resident of Fairfield; died Monday, July 21, 2008, at her residence.

Roscoe Sarah Reagan was born Dec. 4, 1932, in Duluth, Minn., the daughter of Burnace and Marie Bean. She was raised and educated in Southern California and Seattle, Wash. Roscoe married Ed Reagan of Fairfield in 1961 in Seattle, Wash., and lived 47 years on the Camas Prairie, where she and Ed raised four sons.

She was an expert needlewoman and made many beautiful quilts. Bread making was another of her gifts. She invested her time and herself in the lives of others. She ministered by caring for little children so that their mothers could spend time together in Bible study. She was a soul-winner, bringing others to faith in Christ. She was a writer. Her book, "Yes, Lord," is an encouragement to many to live for Christ. It was written at the home of Fairfield Community Church and, at the time of her death, of New Covenant United Reformed Church in Twin Falls. She is survived by her four

sons, Arthur Howard of Seattle, Wash., John Reagan of Butte, Mont., Edward Reagan of Fairfield and Herbert Reagan of Worcester, South Africa; three sisters, Vera MacBean of Seattle, Wash., Bernice Krahn of Fairfield and Emily Fischer of Olympia, Wash.; nine grandchildren, Matthew Reagan, Jacob Reagan, J.C. Reagan, David Reagan, Luemel Reagan, Bronwyn Reagan, Jilly Reagan, Daniel Reagan and Isagan Reagan. Roscoe was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 24, at the Fairfield Community Church in Fairfield, with the Rev. Christopher Folkers of New Covenant United Reformed Church in Twin Falls officiating. Burial will be in the Mountain View Cemetery in Fairfield. Family members and friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Thursday at the Community Church in Fairfield. Memorial contributions may be made to Wood River Pregnancy Center in Halley or The People's Church in Worcester in South Africa.

Roselee S. Reagan

DEATH NOTICES

Robert L. Collins

GLENN'S FERRY — Robert "Bob" Leon Collins, 66, of Glenn's Ferry, died Saturday, July 19, 2008, at his daughter's home in Boise.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 24, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall in Glenn's Ferry (Rost Funeral Home, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home).

Zennith I. Taylor

ALMO — Zennith Ivan Taylor, 86, died Wednesday,

July 23, 2008, at the Pocatello Care and Rehabilitation Center in Pocatello. Arrangements will be announced by the Bannussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Robert Howells

SHOSHONE — Robert Howells, 68, of Shoshone, died Tuesday, July 22, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel.

effect on the fire season. Sagebrush and grasses make up most of the plants on BLM land in the region, the agency reported, and are classified as one- and 10-hour fuels — the amount of time the plants take to respond to environmental conditions. While Tuesday's rain lowered the chance of a fire during the storm, the slight bump in moisture levels afterward won't change the risk of fire overall, Mann said.

Fire danger should return to its normal extreme in the region this weekend, when high temperatures are expected, the agency reported.

Alton was born July 25, 1918, in Chesterfield, Idaho. His twin sister, Afton Dopson Scofield passed away Feb. 2 of this year. The event is hosted by his children, Larry (Dorothea) Hansen and Celia Hardy. The family requests no gifts.

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Storms

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meteorologist Josh Smith said. One tree did look as if a tornado could have hit it, he said. But no one actually saw one touch the ground.

"Two people that had a good look at it saw it rotating, though they saw the actual shelf descending ... but never actually saw a tornado on the ground," Smith said.

Meanwhile, one Magic Valley resident said Wednesday that he had indeed seen a funnel cloud — just in a different place.

BIRTHDAYS

Sandmann celebrates 90th birthday

Marguerite M. Sandmann will be honored at an open house for her 90th birthday at 12:15 p.m. Sunday at the United Methodist Church, 450 S. 27th St., Burley. "Marguerite Kearns was born July 29, 1918, in Ohio. She has lived in the Magic Valley since 1969. She served in the Navy as a

he was wakeboarding, with friends at Milner Dam when the storm came up at about 2:30 p.m. A friend grabbed Lassen's high-definition camcorder and recorded a funnel cloud that appeared near the river to the north.

"I'm not technically sure if it could be classified as a tornado, but it does seem as though the funnel cloud did touch the ground," Lassen wrote in an e-mail to the Times-News, which included stills from his video.

Smith said the images do appear to be of a funnel cloud, though a nearby hill made it hard to tell if it touched down or not. The video does not show it rotat-

ing, meaning it was not a tornado, he said.

Lightning from the storms did cause one small fire on Forest Service land northwest of Staley, agency spokeswoman Alicia Bennett said. The fire, covering four-tenths of an acre near mile post 137 of State Highway 75, was in an area of spruce and fir. It was expected to be contained by 4 p.m. Wednesday, she said. Forest Service resources on-site included aircraft, engines, tankers and smokejumpers.

Bureau of Land Management officials, who did not report any fires, said the apparently significant rainfall shouldn't have much

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Wash. medical school celebrates opening

By Shannon Dinkley
Associated Press writer

YAKIMA, Wash. — A new Pacific Northwest medical school celebrated its opening Wednesday with a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the College of Osteopathic Medicine, which plans to send primary care doctors to serve in rural and low-income areas in a five-state region.

The private, nonprofit Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences aims to open several colleges over the next decade on its 42-acre campus in central Washington. The first school, the College of Osteopathic Medicine, welcomes its inaugural class of 75 students on Aug. 4.

Osteopathic physicians, who have D.O. after their names, receive training and medical board certification similar to allopathic physicians or M.D.s. They also are trained in manipulation techniques, which include moving muscles and joints to diagnose, treat and prevent illness and injury.

Seventy percent of the students are from the Pacific Northwest. Already, the college has agreements with hospitals, clinics and doctors

in Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana to provide clinical training to students in their third and fourth years.

"PNWU stands to significantly impact Eastern Washington and the Pacific Northwest as a whole," said Dr. Stanley Flemming, university president. "We're developing our entire program in rural communities with the intent that if doctors train in those communities, they will stay in those communities."

More than 35 million people nationally live in areas that have been designated as medically underserved — lacking in primary care doctors, dentists and mental health professionals — by the federal government. In the Northwest region that includes the five states served by the new school, nearly 1.5 million people live in medically underserved areas.

All of Alaska, Idaho and Oregon have been designated such a region. All but one of Washington's 39 counties and all but six of Montana's 56 counties received the same designation, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Some 333 doctors would be needed to be hired in rural and low-

income areas to lift those designations.

The department's National Health Service Corps, developed in the 1970s, offers scholarships and loan repayment programs for some doctors who agree to practice in an underserved area. That Corps spends every dollar it receives from Congress for the program; its 2008 budget is \$123 million.

But there remain shortages in rural or low-income areas, because many doctors choose not to practice there or decide to specialize or pursue research opportunities, said David Bowman, spokesman for the department's Health Resources and Services Administration.

"There is a definite need for primary care practitioners in many parts of the country, and if the school can provide those individuals and they'd be willing to serve in some of these underserved areas, it would be fantastic," he said.

The Yakima college becomes the 25th osteopathic medical school in the country. Nearly 14,500 students attended osteopathic medical schools in the 2006-07 school year, an increase of 7.5 percent over the previous school year, according to the American Osteopathic

Association.

About 54,700 osteopathic physicians are currently practicing around the U.S.

Osteopathic medicine is the fastest growing segment in health care, and the new Pacific Northwest school fills a void in a part of the country where medical care is sorely needed, said Dr. George Thomas, former president of the American Osteopathic Association.

The University of Washington School of Medicine, founded in 1946, doesn't consider the new school competition. The UW contracts with Washington, Alaska, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming to provide medical education — an area with a population equivalent to Ohio, said Dr. John Coombs, vice dean for regional affairs, rural health and graduate medical education.

District breaks ground on two green Idaho schools

CALDWELL (AP) — Officials with the Caldwell School District have broken ground on two energy-efficient elementary schools they say will save 30 percent in energy costs over the next 20 years.

The two schools, replacing the existing Van Buren and Washington elementary schools and being given those same names, are scheduled to open in the fall of 2009, said Jennifer Swindell, a district spokeswoman.

The schools will be identical, both two stories tall and built with V-shaped designs. Each will hold 750 students in 17,767 square feet.

"Building green is becoming so popular that pricing is competitive," Swindell told the *Idaho Statesman*.

Combined, the schools will cost \$20 million, she said. The money is coming from a \$30 million bond voters approved last fall to pay for the schools as well as renovations and energy conservation at other existing schools.

District Superintendent Roger Quarles said efficient heating and cooling systems, natural lighting, automatic electrical shutoffs and better air quality will save money while giving children a

school that's more conducive for learning.

"It just makes sense all around to take the approach we're taking," Quarles said. "We in Caldwell do have an interest in reducing the carbon footprint, not only in Caldwell but the world."

Ground was broken for the schools Wednesday, and construction is scheduled to begin in August.

Both schools are designed to meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design standards. That's a national, voluntary rating system that verifies a building is environmentally responsible.

Swindell said the two schools combined will eliminate 54,740 metric tons of carbon dioxide emissions over the next 20 years that otherwise would have gone into the atmosphere from schools without environmentally friendly designs.

"The construction company building the schools, McKinsley, said Caldwell will save about \$6 million in energy costs.

As for the two currently existing elementary schools that are being replaced, Swindell said that Van Buren will be refurbished and turned into the Canyon Springs Alternative High School.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Twin Falls

JULY 23 ARRAIGNMENTS
Joseph Anthony Baraja, 47, Phoenix, Ariz.; petit theft; public defender appointed; \$5,000 bond; pretrial set for Aug. 12.
Justin M. Navarette, 22, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; public defender appointed; \$5,000 bond; pretrial set for Aug. 10.
Mitchell Brian Carter, 18, Twin Falls; petit theft; public defender appointed; released on own recognizance; pretrial set for Aug. 12.
Darrell Lee Swett, 27, Twin Falls;

possession of a controlled substance; public defender appointed; \$25,000 bond; pretrial set for Aug. 12.
Nicole Renee Crosby, 26, Wendell; driving without privileges; public defender appointed; released on own recognizance; pretrial set for Aug. 12.
Justin Curtis Dyrnes, 19, Twin Falls; three counts appointed assistant and burglary; public defender appointed; \$25,000 bond; pretrial set for Aug. 1.
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Forester rescues bear cub burned in Calif. wildfire

Los Angeles Times

Adam Deem was driving through burned brush in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest west of Redding, Calif., when he spotted a black bear cub teetering oddly in the middle of the road.

It was July 17, weeks into

the state's fire siege. Deem, a forester with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, grabbed a camera from the back seat and took a few photos. Then he noticed that the cub's fur was singed. Its paws looked badly burned.

Worried, he mimicked the

cub's cry to try to draw the mama bear close.

"He was crying, and between the two of us (crying), if the mother was anywhere nearby, she would have come," said Deem, 32.

He tracked the bear as it painfully climbed a tree. Still no mother bear. Deem decided to act. He scooped him out of the tree by the scruff.

"I was fighting, trying to bite and scratch me, and I tried to keep out of his way," Deem said. "Basically I tucked him under my arm, hiked up the hill, climbed up and called the command center."

Backstrom said.

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Rules

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The language was too vague, Campbell wrote in a June 24 letter to County Clerk Rolfe Bennett, and could possibly eliminate "all zoning ordinances and comprehensive plans in existence" in the county. Also, he wrote, a previous court case — *Gumprecht v. City of Coeur d'Alene* — established that the initiative process cannot be used for zoning rules.

"The bottom line is the Idaho appellate courts have deemed that the initiative process is inappropriate in dealing with planning and zoning issues," Campbell said last week.

On Wednesday, Rodman

said he has since submitted another, more succinct draft of the referendum to the county, and expects this one to be cleared to appear on the November ballot. He criticized Campbell's reasoning and pointed out that parts of *Gumprecht* have since been overturned by more recent Idaho Supreme Court cases involving a Ten Commandments display in Boise and pro-marijuana initiatives in Sun Valley.

In both of those cases, a majority of justices found that any initiative proposal "would remain only a proposal unless passed by the voters," at which point its legality could be questioned by local government entities, according to court records.

"It's not a working law," Rodman said of his reading of the newer cases. "It has been modified by the courts enough that it doesn't apply at all to what we're doing."

Neither Campbell nor Bennett could be reached Wednesday for comment on the second version of the court cases. County Commission Chairman Ken Backstrom, however, said that should the referendum make it onto the ballot, he's not worried about it passing.

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Rape

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Criminal Justice Center after his bail was increased on April 25 from \$50,000 to \$500,000 because of the serious nature of the crime that involved home invasion and violent rape, according to court documents.

According to police reports, the girl was asleep in a back bedroom of her home when she awoke to find a strange man in her room. He pulled her off the bed, cov-

ered her mouth with his hand and raped her, leaving when he heard the girl's stepfather return home from a store.

According to the report, the stepfather briefly struggled with Diaz-Cruz outside the home before Diaz-Cruz took off in a pickup truck. The stepfather was able to give police the license plate number of the truck, which was traced to a business in Oakley employing Diaz-Cruz. The stepfather later identified Diaz-Cruz in a photo lineup.

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Wyoming may continue wolf compensation payments

LANDER, Wyo. (AP) — Wyoming Gov. Dave Freudenthal said Wednesday that the state attorney general's office is reviewing whether it's legal for the state to continue to compensate ranchers for livestock losses to wolves even though a federal judge has stripped the state of control over the predators.

U.S. District Judge Donald Molloy in Missoula, Mont., last Friday offered an injunction blocking the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service from removing federal Endangered Species Act protections on wolves in Wyoming, Montana and Idaho.

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department has said that it intends to continue

with the compensation program for ranchers in the Yellowstone Park area, known as the trophy game area.

"By state law, we will still be providing compensation to ranchers within the trophy game area," department spokesman Eric Keszier said Tuesday. "Unless there's a change in state law, that program will continue as planned."

Freudenthal said Wednesday that the Game and Fish Department may be correct to continue payments, but said he wants to make sure.

"They have a policy reason why they think it makes sense," Freudenthal said. "I'd kind of like to make sure that it's consistent with what the law requires."

The state Legislature appropriated \$2.4 million to manage wolves during the 2009-10 budget period. While that figure includes \$540,000 for the compensation program, Keszier said it's unclear how much it will actually cost.

Under Molloy's ruling, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will manage wolves as an endangered species in Wyoming until the lawsuit runs its course or until the injunction is overturned by appeal.

Wyoming's wolf management plan created a zone where trophy hunting would be allowed, essentially to outskirt of Yellowstone National Park. Elsewhere in the state, the state plan called

for wolves to be treated as predators that could be shot on sight.

Keszier said the state game department is working on a cooperative agreement with the federal government to become the agency that handles federal management of wolves inside the trophy game zone.

Freudenthal said Molloy's ruling complicated any discussion of Wyoming managing wolves within the state.

"I'm not saying we don't end up where Game and Fish has been articulating and I look forward to their position and don't fault them, but I have a small detail with regard to making sure it's legal and that it makes sense," Freudenthal said.

SE Idaho woman charged after husband found dead

FIRTH (AP) — A southeast Idaho woman has been charged with first-degree murder after authorities say evidence indicates her husband did not commit suicide, as was originally reported to police.

Dorothy Jean Porter, 52, was charged Wednesday in 7th District Court and was being held in the Bingham County Jail on \$500,000 bond.

She also faces one count of unlawful possession of a firearm, a felony, and if convicted, a sentencing enhancement for using a firearm during the commission of a felony.

Authorities said Porter was not allowed to have weapons because of a 1993 conviction of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver.

Bingham County sheriff's deputies responding to a call about midnight Monday

found Greg Andrew Porter, 45, with a single gunshot wound to his head. Deputies said he was in a chair inside the front door of his home with a Ruger .22-caliber rifle on his lap.

Deputies said the caller, whom they didn't identify, said Porter had committed suicide.

Court papers said Dorothy Porter told investigators that she and her husband argued over a dirty house before he fired two shots at her, prompting her to go to her bedroom, where she said she later heard a third shot. But Detective William Nalley, a 15-year-veteran, reported that he didn't find any blood on Greg Porter's hands.

"In my training and experience, there is always an amount of blood on the tops of the hand, caused by blowback, in a self-inflicted gunshot wound," Nalley wrote in an affidavit.

Groups want to open Mormon colleges in Nevada, Illinois

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Two groups want to open private colleges in Nevada and Illinois aimed at students who are members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The schools would be Nauvoo University in Nauvoo, Ill., and Desert Valley Academy in Moapa Valley, Nev.

Supporters say the schools would recruit students not accepted to the church-owned Brigham Young University in Provo or its campuses in Idaho or Hawaii. Representatives from each have spoken with top leaders in the Mormon church and were told the church at the moment isn't interested in expanding its higher education programs.

Evan Ivie, former director of BYU's Semester in Nauvoo program, said several people

expressed an interest in a college there after the program ended in 2006.

"I think there was a strong feeling that good was being done and something additional here would benefit students, faculty and the town," he said.

The area is rich in church history and now boasts a reconstructed temple in Nauvoo.

"As we've examined church history and seen the goals that the early Saints had of having some kind of academic institution here, we've been touched by their devotion to education and the desire to have that as a centerpiece for the city of Nauvoo," Ivie said. "We share in that desire."

The nonprofit college initially won't own of the building on its campus. The building that once housed the BYU program in Nauvoo

has been demolished.

Though several details still need to be worked out, officials there hope to open in fall 2009, attracting at least 50 students for the first semester. They plan to offer bachelor's degree programs in education, history and English.

Supporters of Desert Valley Academy in Nevada had hoped to raise \$75 million to build a school that would eventually serve 1,200 to 1,500 students.

Funding raising was going well and then the economy smacked us in the face," said Asahel "Ace" Robinson, chairman of the board for Desert Valley Academy. "We're in a position, fortunately, where we can wait it out a little bit."

The group has drawn up a curriculum and established a corporate identity, and received approval for tax-free status with the IRS.

N. Idaho's Sunshine Mine to change hands

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The famed Sunshine Mine in northern Idaho is changing hands, as Canadian mining company Minco Silver Corp. said Wednesday it will pay \$62.3 million for the mine's owner, Sterling Mining Co.

Sterling, based in Wallace in Idaho's Silver Valley, disclosed last month that financial problems had forced it to consider unloading assets or finding a partner.

Sterling bought the dormant Sunshine Mine in 2003 and began initial production last December after the construction of a 5,000-foot tunnel that allowed miners a second escape route and also allowed more machinery to be brought in. In June, however, Sterling announced its cash flow had been impaired by delays in production due to extreme weather, safety inspections, equipment failures and cancellation of expected financing from equipment suppliers, forcing it to seek "strategic alliances."

As part of the sale, Minco Silver has given Sterling a \$15 million line of credit, of which \$5 million at 10 percent interest is to be paid immediately so the Sunshine Mine can keep its operations afloat.

The transaction announced Wednesday "provides the financial resources to fund the immediate requirements of Sterling and ensures that the Sunshine Mine will be a significant contributor going forward," said Ken Berscht, who became Sterling's interim president in May when he replaced Ray DeMotte.

About 360 million ounces of silver have been taken out of the Sunshine Mine since it opened in 1884, making it one of America's richest mines. It's also the site of one of America's deadliest accidents, when 91 miners died in a May 2, 1972, fire about 3,700 feet underground.

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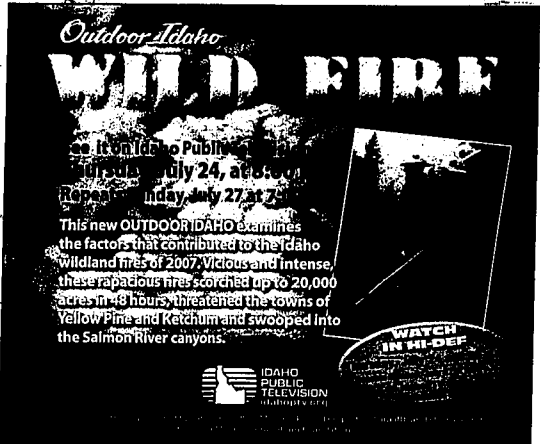
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Citizens keep an eye out for fake items on eBay

By Harriet Ryan
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The pieces of Hollywood history were priced to move, even by the discount standards of eBay. Ten bucks put a bidder in the running for a dagger purportedly used in the filming of "Gone With the Wind," a decanter from "I Love Lucy" and a birdhouse from "Lord of the Rings." Bidding for other memorabilia, including a vase said to be from "Casablanca," opened at just 99 cents.

The bargain-basement prices offered by an antiques dealer on the west side of Los Angeles this spring drew two reactions online: furious bidding and deep suspicion. While fans drove the prices up — the dagger sold for \$713 to a group of someone collectors became convinced that the items were fakes.

"The most obvious fakes I'd ever seen," pronounced James Tumbina, a Hawaiian who said he owns the world's largest collection of "Gone With the Wind" memorabilia. Unable to persuade police a crime was afoot, the collector became a sort of internet posse. They traced the dagger to a factory in modern-day Japan, the birdhouse to a Big Lops and the vase to the former West Germany — a country whose existence postdated "Casablanca" by seven years.

They used their findings to warn other bidders and lobby eBay to shut down online stores selling the dealer's merchandise.

"I really felt people had a right to know," said Jennifer Henderson, a vintage clothing collector who said she and her husband, Bryce, spent "more (hours) than I am comfortable admitting" investigating the dealer, Global Antiques.

EBay suspended the two consignment stores that listed the items in June. One of the consignment stores, AuctionDepotA, has since closed.

Auction fraud is the most commonly reported crime online, according to the federal Internet Crime Complaint Center, also known as the IC3. As local police and auction houses struggle to keep up, bands of citizens increasingly are stepping into the gap and making what amount to cyber citizen arrests.

"Our speculation is that the posse mentality can take care of these situations faster than the heat can," said Craig Butterworth, a spokesman for the National White Collar Crime Center, which jointly administers the IC3 with the FBI.

In some cases, law enforcement encourages citizen investigators. Detective Alex Moreno of the Los Angeles Police Department's computer crimes unit said he works by victims can make a case more attractive to officers who prioritize "voluminous" complaints of auction fraud by the number of victims and the amount of money lost.

"I tell them to see if they can find other people who got scammed because then we will be able to show pattern of conduct," Moreno said.

He said the anger bidders feel energized by their amateur detective work.

"People are savvy, especially when they've been wronged," he said.

Neither Global Antiques owner Greg Jones nor representatives of the consignment shops returned calls. In a statement, eBay said privacy policies prevented it from disclosing the reasons it shuttered the auctions of those selling Global Antiques' merchandise.

Police in nearby Culver City investigated the sales after being contacted by the Hendersons and a Kansas woman who said she nearly \$15,000 in "I Love Lucy" memorabilia she bought was junk with no connection to the television show.

Detective Kirk Newman said the listings seemed questionable but obviously

"It was so easy to prove that they are fraudulent, but it's like pulling teeth to get anyone to do anything."

— Debbie Nickerson, who paid nearly \$15,000 for "I Love Lucy" memorabilia that she said turned out to be junk

so. He noted that a disclaimer warned that the items were "not for investment or resale purposes."

"It was truly the collectible they say it is, why would it be listed for \$25?" he said.

Still, he said, he determined the consignment stores in his jurisdiction, AuctionDepotA and AuctionShopUSA, had done nothing illegal.

"These people don't know what they are selling. Someone just comes in, gives them something, and they put it online," he said.

Newman interviewed Jones, who claimed he got the items through connections at movie studios. Whether the detective believed him, Global Antiques was in Los Angeles territory, Newman closed the case.

It was a frustrating response for the collectors monitoring the sales and those who came to believe they were dupes.

"It was so easy to prove that they are fraudulent, but it's like pulling teeth to get anyone to do anything," said Debbie Nickerson, the "I Love Lucy" buyer from Kansas.

She had bought almost 300

Global Antiques items when she received an e-mail about a glass decanter she won with a \$36 bid.

"I said the decanter was manufactured for the Bicentennial in 1976, so how could it have been a prop on 'I Love Lucy'?" she said.

A film prop collector from suburban Sacramento, Jason DeFord, began cataloging the evidence against Global Antiques in April on his Web site, Original Prop Blog. DeFord, a real estate agent, posted e-mails from outraged customers as well as his research. He began tracking the items on a spreadsheet. The sales were small but numerous.

"It averaged out to a thousand dollars a day," he said.

After learning that items identical to those advertised as Hollywood memorabilia were turning up in TJ Maxx and Big Lots stores, DeFord posted a map showing the proximity of both chains to the Culver City consignment shops.

Jennifer Henderson said she e-mailed winning bidders and directed them to DeFord's blog.

"Some were dubious of what I was doing, but a lot of them were grateful," she said.

California woman attacked by bear, drives herself to get help

CALENTE, Calif. (AP) — A woman walking her two dogs in a rural area of Southern California was attacked and severely injured by a bear, but managed to escape and drive herself to a nearby fire station.

The woman suffered severe lacerations to her face and head in Tuesday's attack and was airlifted to UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles, said county fire

spokesman Sean Collins. Her condition was not known.

"For her to be attacked in that manner and drive to a fire station, she must have been running on pure adrenaline," Collins said.

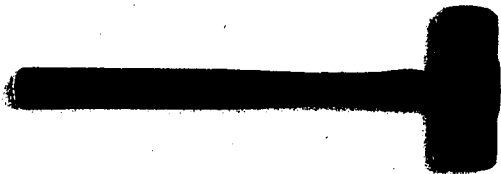
The woman, whose name was not immediately released, was taking her dogs on a morning walk when the bear attacked near the tiny community of Caliente, east of Bakersfield and about five

miles away from an area that burned in a recent wildfire, Collins said.

Her dogs also escaped the attack, but one suffered minor injuries, he said.

Wildlife trackers and game wardens searched the remote area to capture the bear but had not found it by Tuesday night, said Harry Morse, spokesman for the state Department of Fish and Game.

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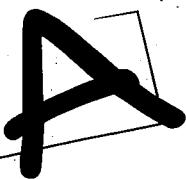
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Republican presidential hopeful Sen. John McCain gives two thumbs up at his primary victory celebration in Miami on Jan. 29.



A supporter cries as Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. Barack Obama speaks during a rally in Dallas on Feb. 20.

Obama, McCain and their uneven gifts of gab

WASHINGTON (AP) — If the presidential election were decided by speeches alone, it would be over already.

Barack Obama stuns, John McCain struggles. Obama beams, McCain grins at the wrong time.

Obama looks off into a heavenly distance and then right at YOU.

McCain pivots his head in three positions — left, center, right, center, left, center, right. He may be speaking to "my friends" but he is looking, quite obviously, at a projected script.

Both use a teleprompter, but you can only tell with one of them.

When McCain is on stage making a big speech, you can imagine yourself in his shoes, as if you're in a panicky dream that traps you some place you don't belong, with all those eyes on you.

His discomfort makes him authentic and that's one reason it's not game over.

After eight years of the sentence-mangling George W. Bush, eight years of the windy Bill Clinton, four years of the squeaky George H.W. Bush, it's been some time since Americans have had a compelling orator in the White House or even running for the job.

McCain shares certain qualities with candidates of the past. Like Al Gore, he can be chunky on the stage; funny, charming and sharp-witted up close, and able to give an informed opinion — like it or not — on any topic, off the top of his head.

Gore, of course, lost. But the oratorically unadorned war hero Dwight Eisenhower prevailed over opponents of lyrical prose and resonant voice. So did the plain-spoken, but-wit Harry Truman, whom no one ever accused of eloquence.

Like Hillary Rodham Clinton in the Democratic primaries, McCain acknowledges Obama's superior ability to grip a crowd. He counters the same way Clinton did — by saying they are "words, just pretty words."

What makes Obama, who is set to speak Thursday at Berlin's Victory Column, so good at the scripted speech? Why might that be a mixed blessing? And what to make of McCain's stilted delivery?

Some thoughts from specialists in political rhetoric: Wayne Fields, director of American culture studies at Washington University in St. Louis and author of "Union of Words: A History of

Presidential Eloquence." "It's this compelling mixture of something fresh and at the same time something we recognize from our own past," Fields says of Obama's style. "It has a kind of Old Testament call to the people."

The rise and fall of Obama's voice, the judicious repetition and the seamless interplay between words, expressions and gestures can keep people captivated longer than normal for a political speech.

"You give him more time to develop an idea," Fields said. "There's a kind of beauty both to the thought and to the expression of that thought that we take a kind of pleasure in. It is not painful to listen to those speeches. ... There's something that makes us unaware."

All to Obama's benefit? Not necessarily.

"We're afraid we might be seduced," Fields said. "We don't trust ourselves or leaders when it comes to language. We're sort of suspicious of eloquence, yet at the same time we desire it."

As for McCain, he said, "what you hear is what you get. ... You got to dance with who brings you and this is who he is," Fields said. "If he tries to sound like somebody else, then the central appeal that

he's brought into his election will be lost, will be compromised."

McCain's style conveys. "I'm not saying anything fancy. There's nothing here that's very difficult. It's just the way I am."

Different strengths

Kathleen Hall Jamieson, director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania and author of 15 books on politics, including "InSpin: Finding Facts in a World of Disinformation."

"Senator Obama's strength as an orator is his ability to deliver scripted texts in a way that expresses a sense of lived conviction," she says. "Audiences are unaware that he is delivering from a teleprompter. By contrast, the audience is painfully aware that Senator McCain is using a teleprompter."

"Take away the script and the arena, substitute an uncontrolled exchange with voters close up, and it can be a different story."

"Senator Obama does not as readily or as convincingly express empathy in these environments as does Senator McCain. Senator Obama seems detached, analytic and professorial at times. Senator McCain has a

quick wit."

Jamieson puts Obama on par with Ronald Reagan in their delivery of formal speeches, and says his windups are something to behold.

"Senator Obama makes skillful use of history to argue that his candidacy marks a major moment for America. His perorations are masterful," she said, while McCain's are flat.

Yet Obama's big speeches may not be fully successful.

"Some passages in Senator Obama's speeches draw attention to their rhetorical artistry," Jamieson contends. "They seem self-consciously crafted. The text of a speech should not draw attention to its means of persuasion."

She says both men make effective use of their personal story to heighten the audience's response.

How to rivet a crowd

Obama's declaration that America is not a nation of red states and blue states but of United States has raised

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gossip bumps on Republicans as well as Democrats and demonstrates how repetitious words and passages can rivet a crowd.

"It's one of his signature moments — introduced at the 2004 convention. His voice rises with the phrase and he lifts his hand as if holding a pencil or handing over a train ticket."

Similarly, but more aggressively, John Kennedy waggled his index finger at quickening interests as he asked in his 1961 inaugural address: "Ask NOT what your country can do for YOU, ask what YOU CAN - DO - FOR - YOUR - COUNTRY."

Robin Lakoff, a linguistics professor at the University of California at Berkeley whose books include "The Language War," said Obama has tapped Kennedy's ability to be in tune with the times, even if his phrases are not yet for the history books.

He also reflects some of Reagan's skill at making a conversational connection.

Lakoff sees only limited use of black rhetorical traditions in Obama's speech — not the rhyming, rhythms, cadences and alliteration associated with Jesse Jackson, the late attorney Johnnie Cochran or Martin Luther King Jr.

"He doesn't sound black but he is in tune with the times, but that's very seldom."

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Assorted Fire King dishes - Fire King salesman sample - Country Village dishes - assorted wall plates - Eggshell dishes - cake serving plates - Perfect Edge knife sharpener - White Mountain electric and hand cream freezers - harness makers stand - Red Wing 15 gal crock - Kee electric reel lawn mower - Favonite, Pique, Wagner and Shepherd cast iron cookware - old wooden stuffer - buggy step - boat anchor - Health O Meter scale - 10 gal cast iron vat - kraut cutter - bread wash board - oak yoke - buggy wheel - old army stretcher - chicken scales - enamel ware - old books - derrick and hay mow pulleys - bench twine winder - old stove components - flat iron

ANTIQUES - COLLECTIBLES

Maytag and Speed Queen conventional washing machines - Champion cast iron implement set - 1985 child's buggy jump seat - Perfect Edge knife sharpener - White Mountain electric and hand cream freezers - harness makers stand - Red Wing 15 gal crock - Kee electric reel lawn mower - Favonite, Pique, Wagner and Shepherd cast iron cookware - old wooden stuffer - buggy step - boat anchor - Health O Meter scale - 10 gal cast iron vat - kraut cutter - bread wash board - oak yoke - buggy wheel - old army stretcher - chicken scales - enamel ware - old books - derrick and hay mow pulleys - bench twine winder - old stove components - flat iron

OLD TOOLS

1923 Delta jig saw - Sargent and Co. saw vice - compass cutter - fence pliers - trimmers - oil cans and funnels - Milwaukee Sawall - drill bits and bits - bike carrier - 2 old hand and electric hedge trimmers - hand sand tamper - cant hook - old hand grain fall - antique limb cutter - oak forks and tines - hand knife - sod cutter - hand sledge - hand bush cutter - tripod and target - Sunbeam skill saw - straw knives - old wrenches - tapered belt cutter and belt vulcanizer - log tongs - nail puller - Trenton 100 lb air - hog scrapers - Bentwood 3 tone fork

SHOP

Lincoln 225 amp electric welder - welder helmets - chain binders - air hose recoilers - 1, 3 and 10 hp electric motors - assorted Milwaukee drills and saws - tile cutter - chain hoist - HomeCraft jig saw - Rockwell Delta 6" jointer - Ring EZ saw power feed - Allied hydraulic pallet jack - large pipe vice - portable nail grinder - pipe wrenches - belt cutters - cable strainer - 1/2" Milwaukee drill - Milwaukee saw - 5/8" chain saw - Poulan chain saw - 10 oak double step ladder on rollers - toolboxes - hardware - many measure tapes - and other shop items

SPORTING - LAWN - GARDEN

Troy tilt self propelled lawn mower - Honda EM 400 gas generator - bike rack - old Polaris single cylinder motor - 8'x10' walk - J.C. Higgins stock saddle - Simco stock saddle - small barbecue - sleeping bags - golf clubs - old break down shotgun case - Raleigh 3 speed boys bike

MACHINERY - FARM ITEMS

Massey Ferguson 6 bar chaff cut type side rake - Massey Harris Ferguson tractor manure spreader on rubber - Allis Chalmers 7' mower, 3pt hitch - Ferguson renovator - HIC one row corn chopper, pot - John Deere 10 dump rake - eight 12"x5" metal panths - two 16" big pipe gates - 12" big Valley gate - across the bed toolbox - fiberglass cab high camper shell for long wide bed - oval water tank - scrap iron and wire

MISCELLANEOUS

Child's wheelchair - child's tricycle - backpack fire extinguisher - three 6' glass counter display cases - 3 or 4 open shelf display cases - David White surveying instrument - surveying rod - dehorner's axes - and other miscellaneous items too numerous to mention

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B.C. By Johnny Hart

YOUR MOTHER IS COMING NEXT WEEK, SO DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP A NEW MATTRESS FOR THE GUEST ROOM.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE ONE WE GOT IN THERE?

IT'S COMFORTABLE.

Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

ASK A MOM

WHAT TIME IS IT?

IF WE PRACTICE TELLING TIME EVERY DAY, I'LL BE BY THE TIME SECOND STREET YOU'LL BE AN EXPERT AT IT!

ASK A DAD

WHAT TIME IS IT?

YOU'RE A KIDON SUMMER VACATION. WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE?

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

HOW ARE YOU DOING WITH YOUR AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION?

GREAT. I'VE GOT "ST. SWERKEL," "CFL.YO," "LT FUZZ," AND "GEN. HALTRACK"

WHY THEM?

... YOU NEVER KNOW WHOSE SIGNATURE YOU'LL HAVE TO FORGE

Bfondle By Dean Young & Stan Drake

WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

A NICE DIETETIC SALAD

THIS LOOKS PRETTY BLAND!

IF YOU EAT IT ALL, I'LL GIVE YOU A NICE, THIN SLICE OF PEPPERONI FOR DINNER!

NOW YOU'RE TALKING!

Dilbert By Scott Adams

I NEED SOME SYMPATHY.

I'M SO SORRY YOUR FACE LOOKS LIKE THAT.

MY FACE ISN'T INJURED.

WELL, EXCUSE ME FOR BEING THOROUGH.

The Elderberries By Phil Frank and Joe Troise

Hee Hee! Oh, I just adore you, Alice Otterloop!

BWAH!

BWUH-AH!!!

What makes ya think Ah know th' critter that ate yer lunch?

He was wearin' ya think Ah know th' critter that ate yer lunch? I would voluntarily choose a bolo tie.

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

I SHOULDN'T BE GOING TO THE TOP OF THE CONCRETE VESTIBULES. YOU SHOULD GET AWAY NEARLY ENOUGH!

DAD AND I WILL BE JUST FINE. THE AIRSIDE BRIDGE HELPS WITH THE BATH. HE CAN HANDLE HIS OWN PERSONAL THINGS!

NOW HE LOOKS A BIT WORSE. I'VE GOT TO GO TO THE AIRSIDE BRIDGE. BEHIND ME, HE'S GOT UP AT NIGHT. SO WHEN A LIGHT ON WARDEN FISH THINGS...

STONES HERE TO TAKE YOU TO THE AIRSIDE BRIDGE. AND DON'T FORGET YOUR GOOD FRIENDS!

GOOD THINGS! GOOD HEART!

GOODBYE!

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

YOU KNOW, ZEUS, LIGHTNING MIGHT STRIKE THE SAME PLACE TWICE IF YOU WORE YOUR GLASSES ONCE IN A WHILE.

Garfield By Jim Davis

YOU'RE AT THE TOP OF MY HATE LIST, FATBOI!

SMACK

RIGHT UP THERE WITH MAGAZINES!

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

YOUR FATHER CAME HOME FROM THE TAVERN LATE LAST NIGHT AND SLEPT ON THE FLOOR!

IS THAT WHY HE'S SO CRANKY?

YES... YOU MIGHT SAY HE GOT UP ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE FLOOR!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

I'M SORRY DITO, I FORGOT TO BRING YOUR BATHING SUIT.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

WHICH WAY TO THE NUDE BEACH?

Luan Platter By Greg Evans

BOY, YOUR DAD REALLY BUSTED A VESSEL. I MEAN, WE WERE JUST HAVIN' A LITTLE FUN WITH LUANN.

YEAH...

ALTHOUGH YOU DID MAKE ALL KINDS OF SUGGESTIVE COMMENTS TO HER UNTIL SHE GOT ALL SCARED AND FRAGGED OUT. GUESS IT WASN'T FUN FOR HER.

I WAS KINDA HOPEING SHE WAS, Y'KNOW, FLATTERED?

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

WOOF!

HOW'S THE FISHING?

Pearls Before Swine By Stephan Pastis

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, RAT?

READING 'THE SECRET... IT'S ABOUT HOW IF YOU VISUALIZE SOMETHING YOU CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN... I THINK IT'S TRUE

YOU KNOW A LOT OF PEOPLE CREDIT THAT KIND OF THINKING TO HER SUCCESS, BUT I'M SURPRISED TO HEAR YOU SAY IT. WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN TRYING TO VISUALIZE?

PIG'S FAILURE.

IT REALLY WORKS!

Pickles By Brian Crane

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH ALL THESE PEANUTS, GRAMPA?

I DON'T KNOW. WHAT DO YOU THINK I SHOULD DO WITH THEM?

YOU COULD GIVE THEM TO A POOR PERSON.

GOOD IDEA.

SORRY MA, I ONLY TAKE PAPER OR PLASTIC.

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

KEEP YOUR EYES ON IT, HUH? WATRIZIT?

YOU'LL SEE... WE HAD TO BE PATIENT! OH, LOOK! SOMETHING HAPPENED!

ROX WILDA HED?

I THINK HED PREFER THE 'REMA' TURTLE!

Non Sequiter By Wiley

HEY, DID YOU HEAR TOY TELERISERS RUMOR OUT IN THE WOODS, JAC?

I THINK YOU MEAN TELERISERS RUMOR, BOB.

...USE INSTEAD OF CLOTHES YEAR SCARE TACTIC

WHEW! WHO GOT A SHOWER LIKE THIS?

HERE'S AN UPDOTE ON THE WINE TELERISERS.

THEY'VE BEEN DESCRIBED BY A WITNESS AS 'STINKY, MURKY, BRAINED MEN...'

HEB DONT BELONG ON THE SAME PLANET WITH FURRY ANIMALS, FINGER, AND BIRD.

WELL, NEVER MIND, I THINK I'LL GO.

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketchum

"I THOUGHT RUFF MIGHT LIKE TO TAKE A SHOWER FOR A CHANGE."

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

MY WIFE DRIVES ME TO DRINK.

YOU'RE LUCKY.

I HAVE TO TAKE THE BUS.

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

SO I GUESS I SHOULD GET GOING.

I GUESS SO.

DUDE, YOU DROPPED SOMETHING!

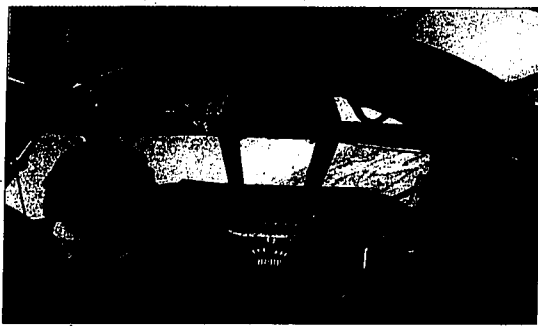
Air Force says no survivors of B-52 crash off Guam

By Jaymes Song
Associated Press writer

HONOLULU — All six crew members aboard a B-52 bomber that crashed off Guam were killed, the Air Force said Wednesday as the search effort shifted a focus from rescue to recovery of the crew and pieces of the wreckage.

Two bodies have been found, the Air Force, without elaborating, said in a news release that forensic specialists were trying to identify additional remains recovered.

"Losing this bomber crew has been a tragedy felt by everyone here and across the Air Force," said Brig. Gen. Doug Owens, commander of the 49th Wing.



The cockpit of a B-52 bomber is shown during a flight in 2004.

Lt. Robert D. Gerren, 32, electronic warfare officer; and Col. George Martin, 51, flight surgeon.

Martin was also the deputy commander of 36th Medical Group at Andersen Air Force Base.

"Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with the families of these airmen," said Col. Robert Wheeler, 2d Bomb Wing commander. "We appreciate the military and civilian organizations who are continuing recovery efforts to bring our airmen home."

A panel of Air Force officers is investigating the crash.

The unarmed bomber crashed Monday during a swing around the island as part of Guam Liberation Day celebrations, marking the day when the U.S. military arrived to retake control of the island from Japan during World War II. The B-52 had been scheduled to conduct a flyover in a parade.

The Coast Guard, Navy, Air Force, National Guard and local agencies scoured more than 7,000 square miles of the Pacific in three days before suspending the search for survivors.

"It's extremely difficult to suspend this search," said Capt. Thomas Sparks, commanding officer of the Coast Guard's Sector Guam. "Our hearts go out to the families of the victims and the entire Coast Guard grieves for their loss."

The crew was based at Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana. Flaps were being flown at half-staff at the

Louisiana state Capitol to honor them. They were deployed to Guam with the 20th Expeditionary Bomb Squadron as part of the U.S. military's continuous bomber presence mission in the Pacific.

The B-52 was carrying nearly 19,000 gallons of jet fuel when it crashed but the National Oceanic Atmospheric Association determined there was no threat to the environment because all or most of the fuel had burned, the Coast Guard said.

B-52s have been the backbone of the U.S. military's manned strategic bomber force for more than four decades, used for missions from attacks to ocean surveillance. They are capable of dropping or launching the widest array of weapons in the U.S. inventory, including cluster bombs and precision guided missiles.

B-52s were first placed into service in 1955, and 93 remain in the Air Force's fleet.

A hot (pepper) lead in the hunt for salmonella poisoning source

By Lauran Neergaard
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — It was a hot lead for detectives on a cold case. People suddenly were getting salmonella at a Minnesota restaurant more than 1,000 miles from the center of the nation's outbreak.

Not my tomatoes, protested the manager. He'd switched his supply to government-cleared fresh tomatoes and even canned ones. But a lot of his menu items had a raw jalapeno garnish sprinkled on top, and that turned out to be a critical clue in the two-month salmonella mystery.

On July 3, Minnesota emailed the feds. After spent

credit card receipts — to find what the restaurant's healthy customers didn't eat — there was good evidence that the jalapenos were sickening people. And, officials had a diagram tracing the pepper shipments all the way back to three farms in Mexico.

One of those farms shipped peppers through the same large warehouse in McAllen, Texas, where Food and Drug Administration inspectors weeks later would find a single contaminated Mexican-grown pepper being packed by a neighboring vendor.

How could Minnesota pinpoint hot peppers just days after discovering a cluster of sick residents, when federal investigators had spent

weeks fruitlessly chasing tomatoes?

To be fair, "there was already some doubt about tomatoes causing this whole outbreak," cautioned Kirk Smith, foodborne disease chief at the Minnesota Department of Health.

And federal investigators say Minnesota's information came just as they were getting hints from two Texas restaurant clusters that jalapenos might play a role.

"Ours was the first that pointed specifically to jalapenos as an ingredient, not just the salsa," Smith said.

It's too soon to know if the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention improperly blamed tomatoes in early

June, based on reports from the first people to fall ill in New Mexico and Texas.

"I don't think we can find fault yet," said University of Georgia food-safety expert Michael Doyle. "With tomatoes, if you looked at the initial case-control studies, they really came up high on the list."

The CDC didn't comment Wednesday. At the FDA, food safety chief Dr. David Acheson told The Associated Press the system should be reevaluated to see if it can be improved. "Did every part of this system work from one end to the other?" he asked. "I'm not saying it didn't, but I think one has to question that."



A vendor stands behind jalapeno peppers for sale in a market in Mexico City Monday, U.S. government inspectors finally have a big clue in the salmonella outbreak in the U.S.: they found the same bacteria on a single Mexican-grown jalapeno pepper handled by a small Texas produce shipper.

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House OKs rescue for homeowners, Freddie, Fannie

Bush drops veto threat

By Julie Hirschfeld Davis
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Rescue legislation sailed through the House Wednesday aimed at helping 400,000 strapped homeowners avoid foreclosure and to prevent

troubled mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac from collapsing.

The 272-152 vote reflected a congressional push to send election-year help to struggling borrowers and to reassure jittery financial markets about the health of two pillars of the mortgage market.

Hours before the vote, President

Bush dropped his opposition to the measure, which is now on track to pass the Senate and become law within days.

The White House swallowed its distaste for \$3.9 billion in grants the bill would provide for devastated neighborhoods. The Bush administration gains the power to throw a lifeline to Fannie Mae and Freddie

Mac as part of the measure that also is designed to rein in the government-sponsored mortgage firms.

The administration and lawmakers in both parties teamed to negotiate the measure, which accomplishes several Democratic priorities, including federal help for homeowners, a new permanent affordable housing fund financed by

Fannie and Freddie and the \$3.9 billion for hard-hit neighborhoods. The grants are for buying and fixing up foreclosed properties.

"It is the product of a very significant set of compromises," said Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., the Financial Services Committee

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T.F. banks shied away from subprime loans

First Federal CEO says bank in great shape

By Joshua Palmer
Staff writer

Many community banks in Idaho showed continued strength despite reports of larger financial institutions crumbling under credit and housing problems.

Idaho Department of Finance reported that commercial banks and savings institutions in the state continued to outperform the nation during the first quarter 2008, as well as higher levels of capital, higher profitability, and lower non-performing loans than institutions nationwide.

Alan Horner, president and CEO of First Federal Bank, spoke with the *Times-News* about the condition of First

Federal and other community banks in general.

Q. What is the current financial state of First Federal and has it felt any reverberations from challenges associated with housing and credit problems?



Horner

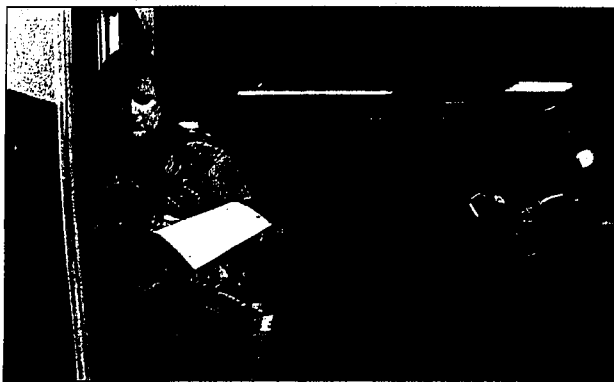
A. "A lot of Wall Street institutions that we hear about in the news use the word 'bank' in their name, but they are not under the level of regulation that many community banks are."

First Federal is in the strongest financial and safety position than we have ever been. We did not get involved in subprime lending and I don't think that many banks in our area did either.

I think we knew that there were problems with putting

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NUMBER CRUNCHERS



Many important things in life — school lunch prices, Social Security benefits, monetary policies — are all set up by CPI, Bureau of Labor Statistics staffer Kim Gomory says. Here, Gomory collects data at an auto shop in Walnut, Calif.

Calculating consumer price index a meticulous process

By Utiku Calhoun
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Kim Gomory trots more than 850 miles each month, stopping by more than 120 grocers, gas stations, restaurants, stores, health clubs and other businesses.

But Gomory, a tall, blue-eyed hybrid Honda Civic owner in her 40s, isn't a soccer mom drawing a bead on bargains. Trace a line from her calculating consumerism, and you'll see how national economic policy is made.

Shielding a tablet computer with skill worthy of a CIA operative, Gomory is among 400 Bureau of Labor Statistics staffers who compile data used to calculate the consumer price index, the best-known gauge of U.S. inflation.

The latest survey calculated that the consumer price index rose 1.1

percent in June — the second-largest increase since 1982 — and jumped 5 percent compared with June 2007.

To the consternation of critics who say the index fails to reflect Americans' struggles to make ends meet, the CPI is holy writ for bankers, economists, policymakers and politicians as they set mortgage and credit card interest rates, wages and government benefits programs such as food stamps and Social Security.

Before such macro decisions are made, however, it is the meticulous labor of staffers such as Gomory that matters.

Quietly, with extreme discretion, she helps fashion a national market basket, figuring what shoppers pay for a variety of goods and services. Gomory spends 10 minutes to an hour at each location, talking to folks, scrutinizing prices and

"Anything that consumers spend pennies on is eligible for pricing."

— Kim Gomory, a Bureau of Labor Statistics staffer

taking down information while attracting as little attention as possible.

"Anything that consumers spend pennies on is eligible for pricing" as part of the 80,000 items her agency tracks to compute the CPI, said Gomory, who earned a liberal arts degree at the University of La Verne and has taken economics courses at several local universities.

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New site gives developers the skinny on relocating or expanding in Idaho

Business mapping: The State of Idaho launched a Web site that makes site selection easier for businesses looking to relocate or expand in Idaho.

Companies can search a database of properties and find other information about cities or regions. The program also generates an analysis of business opportunities in specific areas.

"It sends a clear message to potential new businesses: We are open and ready for business, online," said Donald Dietrich, director of Idaho Department of Commerce.

Officials say the Web site answers questions such as:

• What buildings and land



BIZ BITES
Joshua Palmer

are available?

• What are the demographics, workforce and spending?

• What are the business opportunities in unique locations of our community?

Blue Lakes squeeze (Part II): The *Times-News* first reported that commercial

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

MAGIC VALLEY

Hot August Nite tickets available

Tickets are available for the Twin Falls Chamber's Annual Hot August Nite event.

The event, which will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Twin Falls City Park on Thursday, Aug. 14, will have a Jamaican style theme with food, games and the traditional raffle.

Picnic tickets available — \$10 for adults and \$7 for kids ages 12 and under. All tickets are available

from the Chamber office by calling 208-733-3974.

Proceeds from event support the charitable and civic functions of the Chamber, including student scholarships, support of charitable causes in the community, and visitor information services at the Buzz Langdon Visitor Center.

First time homebuyer classes at CSI

First time homebuyers are invited to attend two low-cost information sessions called "Finally Home," a program that teaches people how to buy their first house. The next classes will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. Monday and Tuesday,

Aug. 18 and 19 in room 276 of the Taylor Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

The program, which is funded by federal grants and state and local partnerships, educates first time homebuyers about home shopping, realtor selection, insurance, down payment, closing costs, and other aspects of getting

into their first home.

The cost for both classes is \$10 per person, which includes the manual. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. For information or to sign up, contact Penny Johnson at CSI at 732-6287 or at pjohnson@csi.edu.

— staff report

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

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Idacorp	29.63	▼ .02
Supervalu	26.11	▲ .12

COMMODITIES

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Live cattle	98.15	▲ .55	Aug. Oil	124.44	▼ 3.98
Aug. gold	922.8	▼ 25.7	July Silver	17.40	▼ .55

Today in business

WASHINGTON — Labor Department releases weekly jobless claims.
WASHINGTON — National Association of Realtors reports on existing home sales for June.

WASHINGTON — Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reports on mortgage rates.
WASHINGTON — Senate Finance Committee hearing on the Cayman Islands, focusing on offshore tax issues.

DAVENPORT, Iowa — Lee Enterprises Inc. releases third-quarter financial results.
DENVER — Newmont Mining Corp. releases second-quarter financial results.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Table of mutual fund performance data including NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ sections with columns for fund name, last price, and change.

COMMODITIES REPORT

Table of commodity prices for various metals and grains, including gold, silver, and wheat.

CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodities like oil, natural gas, and soybeans.

BEANS

Table of bean prices for various types such as navy beans, pinto beans, and black beans.

GRAINS

Table of grain prices for wheat, corn, and soybeans.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table of market activity including NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ, and INDEXES sections.

NYSE

Most Active... Volume 1,000,000,000

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Most Active... Volume 100,000,000

NASDAQ

Most Active... Volume 2,000,000,000

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HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Name: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name...

Bites Continued from page D1. Growth is clashing with residential neighborhoods west of Blue Lakes Boulevard.

That issue was raised again Tuesday night, when Gary and Violet Nalapat were at the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission...

At the open house, numbers will drop off — church officials expect about 500 people to visit the temple between Tuesday through Saturday.

Housing enacted immediately. Bush had objected to the homeowners' suits, saying they would help bankers and lenders...

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economic concerns are foremost in voters' minds. The measure hands the Treasury Department the power to extend the government's...

Temple dollars: Daniel Casillo, a Burley resident, asked if any dollar figures have been attached to the operating of the LDS temple...

Fawnbrook and Fillmore: It's only a small piece of property on Fillmore Street between the Twin Stop gas station and Fawnbrook Avenue in Twin Falls...

Horner underwriting and our policies. Horner (Wall Street) Institutions, we have had three parties that look at our policies and procedures...

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'It's a dust bowl. We're going to make it bloom again ... with a new kind of agriculture.'

— Scientist Carl Hodges on his project in Sonora, Mexico, where he has planted 1,000 acres of salicornia



Scientist Carl Hodges has developed a way to farm a saltwater-tolerant plant, salicornia, for food and biofuel.

Los Angeles Times

The old man who farms with the sea

By Maria Dickerson
Los Angeles Times

TASTIOTA, Mexico — A few miles inland from the Pacific Ocean, amid cracked earth and mesquite and sun-bleached cactus, neat rows of emerald plants sprout from the desert floor. The crop is salicornia. It is nourished by seawater flowing from a man-made canal. And if you believe the American who is farming it, this incongruous swath of green has the potential to feed the world, fuel our vehicles and slow global warming.

He is Carl Hodges, a Tucson, Ariz.-based atmospheric physicist who has spent most of his 71 years fighting out how humans can feed themselves in places where good soil and fresh water are in short supply.

The founding director of the University of Arizona's Environmental Research Lab, his work has attracted an eclectic band of admirers. They include heads of state, corporate chieftains and Hollywood stars, among them Martin Sheen and the late Marlon Brando. Through the years, Hodges' knack for making things grow in odd environments has been on display at the Land Pavilion in the Epcot theme park at Walt Disney World in Florida and the Biosphere 2 project in Arizona.

Here in the northern Mexican state of Sonora, he's thinking much bigger. The Earth's ice sheets are melting fast. Scientists predict that rising seas could swallow some low-lying areas, displacing millions of people.

Hodges sees opportunity. Why not divert the flow inland to create wealth and jobs instead of catastrophe? He wants to channel the ocean into man-made "rivers" to nourish commercial aquaculture operations, mangrove forests and crops that produce food and fuel. This greening of desert coastlines, he said, could

add millions of acres of productive farmland and sequester vast quantities of carbon dioxide, the primary culprit in global warming. Hodges contends that it also could neutralize sea-level rise, in part by using exhausted freshwater aquifers as gigantic natural storage tanks for ocean water.

Analyzing recent projections of ice melt occurring in the Antarctic and Greenland, Hodges calculates that diverting the equivalent of three Mississippi Rivers inland would do the trick. He figures that would require 50 good-sized seawater farms that could be built within a decade if the world gets cracking.

"The only way we can stop (sea-level rise) is if people believe we can," Hodges said. "This is the big idea" that humanity has been waiting for, he believes.

With his trademark floppy hat, an iPhone wired perpetually to his head and a propensity to assign environmental reading homework to complete strangers, Hodges might be dismissed by some as an eccentric who has spent too much time in the Mexican sun.

"When I first met Carl, I thought he was a philosopher," said actor Sheen, a longtime friend.

Still, experts including Dennis Bushnell, chief scientist at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Langley Research Center, say seawater agriculture could prove to be an important weapon in the fight against climate change.

Hodges already has built such a farm in Africa. Political upheaval there shut much of it down in 2003. That's why he's determined to construct a showcase project in North America to demonstrate what's possible.

All he needs now is \$35 million. That's where salicornia comes in.

A so-called halophyte or salt-loving plant, the briny

Eritrean Seafarm used as model for Mexican plan

Los Angeles Times

TASTIOTA, Mexico — Scientist Carl Hodges' model for a major project is a seawater farm designed for the African nation perched on the Red Sea. One of the 1990s, the farm consisted of ocean-fed ponds of shrimp and fish, whose waste was used to irrigate 250 acres of salicornia that the Eritreans converted into animal feed. A 150-acre mangrove wetland provided habitat for wildlife. Political upheaval crippled the operation. But it broke the farm generated hundreds of jobs and turned families from Eritreans into an ocean of jobs and turned the waste of the endeavor into their main crop. In the desert, it was a success. Hodges' plan is to build a similar farm in Mexico. "People viewed him like a mad scientist. Whether Eritrean, Big Yoda wins a wider group of converts remains to be seen."

succulent thrives in hellish heat and thrifty soil on a little more than a regular dosing of ocean water. Several countries are experimenting with salicornia and other saltwater-tolerant species as sources of food. Known in some restaurants as an asparagus, salicornia can be eaten fresh or steamed, squeezed into cooking oil or ground into high-protein meal.

Hodges, who heads the nonprofit Seawater Foundation, plugged salicornia for years as the plant to help end world hunger. Do-gooders applauded. The private sector yawned.

That all prices exploded. Hodges saw his shot to lift his fleshy, leafless shrub from obscurity.

That's because salicornia has another nifty quality: It can be converted into biofuel. And, unlike grain-based ethanol, it doesn't need rain or prime farmland, and it doesn't distort global food markets. NASA has estimated that halophytes planted over an area the size of the Sahara Desert could supply more than 90 percent of the world's energy needs.

Last year, Hodges formed

a for-profit company called Global Seawater Inc. to produce salicornia biofuel in liquid and solid versions. He lugs samples of it around in a suitcase like some environmental traveling salesman.

The enterprise recently planted 1,000 acres of salicornia here in rural Sonora, where Hodges has been doing preparatory research for decades. That crop will provide seed for a major venture planned 50 miles north in the coastal city of Bahía Kino. Global Seawater is attempting to lease or buy 12,000 acres there for what it envisions will be the world's largest seawater farm.

The plan is to cut an ocean canal into the desert to nourish commercial ponds of shrimp and fish. Instead of dumping the effluent back into the ocean, the company would channel it further inland to fertilize fields of salicornia for biofuel.

The seawater's next step would be man-made wetlands. These mangrove forests could be "sold" to polluters to meet emissions cuts mandated by the Kyoto Protocol on climate change.

"Nothing is wasted," Hodges said.

Global Seawater already has a small refinery to process salicornia oil into liquid biodiesel, which Hodges believes can be produced for at least one-third less than the current market price of crude oil. Leftover plant material would be converted into solid biofuel "logs" that he said burned cleaner than coal or wood.

NASA is interested in testing fuel from Hodges' halophyte. So are cement makers and other heavy industries.

Retired executives from some major corporations are so encouraged by the potential that they are helping Global Seawater raise capital and focus on generating returns for investors.

Fernando Canales Clariond, former Mexican president of marketing for Unilever Bestfoods, put it more bluntly.

"Carl is a wonderful scientist," he said of Hodges, but he "is a lousy businessman."

A lifetime of studying the Earth's ecosystems has convinced him that the planet is in peril. He's determined to help get things back in balance.

Driving through the sun-drenched Sonora countryside, Hodges pointed to abandoned grain silos and crumbling concrete irrigation channels, testimonials to failed efforts at conventional farming.

"It's a dust bowl," Hodges said. "We're going to make it bloom again ... with a new kind of agriculture."

DNA tests confirm baby stolen in Guatemalan adoption

By Juan Carlos Llorca
Associated Press writer

GUATEMALA CITY — Adoption officials said Wednesday that DNA tests indicate a Guatemalan baby reported stolen from her mother was being adopted by a U.S. couple, the first strong sign that the Central American nation's troubled adoption system rolled in part on abducted children.

Authorities have long believed that children were stolen or bought to supply Guatemala's US\$100-million-a-year adoption industry before thousands of pending adoptions were frozen in May.

Previously, dozens of mothers reported stolen babies and at least two were found in orphanages, although they had not yet been put up for adoption.

But adoption officials revealed to The Associated Press on Wednesday that DNA tests identified toddler Esther Zulamita, who was reported stolen on March 26, 2007. The girl was in the process of being adopted by an unidentified U.S. couple.

The Tegu director of a team of experts reviewing all pending Guatemalan adoptions, said the DNA test results represent the first time Tegu had directly linked a baby reported stolen by its mother to the fraud plagued adoption system.

"This is the first time that we've been able to show, with irrefutable evidence, that a stolen child was put up for adoption," Tegu said.

The baby's mother, Ana Escobar, said armed men looked her in a storage closet at the family's shoe store north of Guatemala City and took the 6-month-old.

"When I got out, my daughter was gone," she told the AP in a earlier interview about the case.

She spent months searching hospitals and orphanages, looking for the child.

Escobar says she was sitting in the National Adoption Council's offices, hoping to get access to the babies whose adoption cases were being reviewed. She looked up and saw a toddler who looked like her baby.

The image of the child being carried by an official haunted her, and she asked officials to see more photos. Soon she was sure the baby girl was hers.

All of the girl's papers were in order, including DNA tests showing that her birth mother was the same woman, Escobar. But Escobar convinced officials to take new DNA tests.

"She was so sure that the child was hers that we agreed to check the house where the baby was kept," Tegu said.

The baby was placed with a caretaker while her adoption was pending. But Escobar convinced a Guatemalan judge in May to let her care for the child while the new DNA tests were performed.

"I can't explain how excited I am," Escobar told the AP on Wednesday. "It's a miracle."

Tegu said officials will investigate the lawyers who handled the adoption, the date they signed the falsified DNA tests, and anyone else associated with the process.

"This was run by a mafia, and we going after them," he said.

Prosecutors allege driver on trial at Guantanamo had close ties to bin Laden

By Mike Mills
Associated Press writer

GUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba (AP) — A Guantanamo prisoner on trial for war crimes was so close to Osama bin Laden that he attended a meeting of top Qaeda aides the day of the Sept. 11 attacks, a former FBI agent testified Wednesday.

Defendant Salim Hamdan heard bin Laden praise the attacks and the hijackers at the meeting in Afghanistan, former agent Ali Soufan said as prosecutors sought to build their case in the first U.S. military war crimes trial since World War II.

Bin Laden even gave Hamdan marriage advice and held a feast for him after his

marriage, Soufan said, recounting interrogations of the prisoner at Guantanamo to counter defense claims that the defendant was a lowly driver with no significant link to terrorism.

"It shows a close relationship and the affinity that Mr. bin Laden has for him," said Soufan, addressing the Pentagon-selected jury of U.S.

military officers, referring to the wedding celebration.

Hamdan, a Yemeni who has been held at Guantanamo since May 2002, is charged with conspiracy and aiding terrorism. He faces up to life in prison if convicted in a trial that is providing the first test of the U.S. system for prosecuting alleged terrorists.

The defense has portrayed

Hamdan as a bit player, a driver with a fourth-grade education who earned about US\$200 a month working for bin Laden.

Prosecutors claim he was close enough to the inner circle that he attended the meeting in Kabul on the day of the attacks. Also in attendance, Soufan said, were top lieutenants Ayman al-Zawahiri,

who is still at large, and Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, who is imprisoned at Guantanamo and is also slated to face a war crimes tribunal at the U.S. Navy base in Cuba.

Soufan, who was a top FBI terrorism expert until he left the agency in 2004, said Hamdan helped move bin Laden to a safer location days before Sept. 11, 2001.

Obama walks a thin line through Middle East politics while making appearances in Jerusalem

By Dan Balz and Jeff White
The Washington Post

JERUSALEM — Sen. Barack Obama stepped gingerly through the intractable politics of the Middle East on Wednesday, offering resolute support for Israel's security, warning that Iran's acquisition of nuclear weapons would be a "game-changing" event for the world, and pledging to make peace talks between Israelis and Palestinians one

of his highest priorities if he becomes president.

By motorcycle and helicopter, in private meetings and public appearances, the Democratic presidential candidate moved from the Yad Vashem Holocaust museum in Jerusalem to the Palestinian Authority headquarters in the West Bank city of Ramallah to the southern Israeli town of Sderot just outside the Hamas-controlled Gaza Strip.

Obama used Sderot's police station and a backdrop of racks of spent Cassini rockets to declare his "unshakable commitment to Israel's security." He added: "The state of Israel faces determined enemies who seek its destruction. But it also has a friend-and-ally in the United States that will always stand by the people of Israel."

Obama's busy day in Israel concluded the Middle East and Asia portion of his trip overseas. After four days in Afghanistan and Iraq, a day in Jordan and another in Israel, the presumptive Democratic nominee will turn his attention to Europe. He will fly to Berlin early this morning.



Eli Moyal, mayor of the southern Israeli town of Sderot, presents U.S. Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., right, with an "I Love Sderot" T-shirt, which shows a rocket plume as heavy as a party, as they stand in front of a display of rockets that landed in southern Israel, in Sderot, Wednesday.

Karadzic's secret life enthralled fellow Serbs

BELGRADE, Serbia (AP) — Radovan Karadzic sent word he plans to defend himself against U.N. genocide charges, but his fellow Serbs were more enthralled with details that emerged Wednesday about his secret life: a mistress, a bogus family in the U.S., and regular visits to the Madhouse bar and its photo of his beardless days, as wartime leader of Bosnian Serbs.

With U.N. officials predicting Karadzic would be handed over to the war crimes tribunal for the former Yugoslavia in the next week, an attorney said the prisoner would hand in his own defense, just like his former mentor, the late Yugoslav strongman Slobodan Milosevic, who died in 2006 while on trial.

Karadzic will do it looking like his old self, without the bushy white beard and long gray hair that hid his face when he was arrested by Serbian authorities, his lawyer, Sveta Vujacic, said. Karadzic asked for and got a shave and a haircut.

"He looks like new, exactly the same, only 14 years older," Vujacic said. Since the arrest was announced Monday, Serbs have been intrigued by how Karadzic transformed himself from a flashy suit-and-tie politician into a low-key health guru living openly in their midst while being sought for alleged crimes during Bosnia's 1992-95 ethnic bloodletting.

His new life was fascinating. He hid in the open, said criminologist Leposava Kron. The metamorphosis was so complete that many of Karadzic's neighbors said they were struggling to comprehend how the friendly man they knew as "Dr. Dragan David Dabic" was one of the world's most-wanted fugitives.

Karadzic had a girlfriend named Mila whom he presented as an associate in his alternative medicine business, said Zoran Pavlovic, a software engineer who says he was hired in February to set up a Web site for the "Dabic" to advertise his expertise in "human quantum energy."

Pavlovic told The Associated Press he visited Karadzic's apartment in a grim suburb of the capital city of New Belgrade just twice a month to discuss the project.

The rented two-room flat was a mess, with things strewn about. Karadzic, always dressed in black and often complained that money was hard to come by, Pavlovic said.

One of the walls was a framed photograph of four boys, all dressed in yellow Los Angeles Lakers T-shirts, Pavlovic said. He said Karadzic identified them as grandsons living in America.

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The editor's picks

The joys of the fair

This week marks the launch of fair season, that late-summer staple of horse shows, candied apples and blue ribbons.

As if the scent of barns and a stomach full of sugar weren't enough, there are also nausea-inducing carnival rides and cringe-inducing rodeo events like bull riding.

If your stomach needs a break, the cool agricultural and commercial buildings are a respite, and you can wander the 4-ft displays for the beribboned products of your young neighbors.

You're pretty much guaranteed to run into folks you know, and the fair's a great time to catch up on the latest news over a shaved ice or while waiting in the Whoo-A-Mole line.

The fair is also the perfect place for people-watching. Kids wearing silly hats race around; teens lope in packs, eyeballing each other and occasionally making over-

tures for a date on the Zipper; babies sleep beneath the shade of strollers; folks from every demographic mix and mingle; and serious youth in shiny boots stride toward the arena and their moment in the sun.

Given what you get for the price of admission, southern Idaho's county fairs might be the best bang for your buck this summer, and, to save gas, there's one near you.

This weekend, there are a few more days of the Lincoln County Fair, while the fairs in Minidoka and Jerome counties are just getting going. There's a full schedule of events at these fairs on pages 4 and 5, and we'll tell you about upcoming fairs as they near.

So prepare yourself to applaud animal-and-owner antics, fill your tummy with tasty grease, and maybe even win a fluorescent stuffed critter for your honey.

It's fair time!



BANDED together

A 53-year hiatus

Juanita Upton didn't play the baritone for 53 years, but when she picked it up again, it all came back to her.

Upton, the oldest musician in the Twin Falls Municipal Band, started playing the baritone in 1939 when she was in the seventh grade in Nebraska. She continued playing until she graduated from high school in 1945. Upton didn't play again until 1998 when the school organized a band reunion. Despite the long hiatus, she hadn't lost her touch.

"It took a while, but the notes were still there," Upton said.

Juanita Upton, 81, of Twin Falls Years playing: Upton played the baritone from 1939 to 1945, then picked it back up in 1998. This is her eighth year with the band.

Since then, Upton hasn't stopped playing. Along with performing in the municipal band, she plays in the College of Southern Idaho Symphonic Band and for events at her church.

Upton said although the baritone isn't always a featured instrument in the band, it performs the important role of adding harmonies. Upton enjoys the baritone's rich, smooth



Staff photo by MEGAN THOMPSON

sound, and she said the audience will notice it in the background of some of tonight's pieces, including "Green Onions" and "Water Dance."

"It fills in and accompanies the melody," Upton said.

—Erica Littlefield

Tonight: The 'Green' concert

The Twin Falls Municipal Band is celebrating the great outdoors with its weekly outdoor concert.

Tonight's free concert starts at 8 p.m. at the band shell in Twin Falls City Park, and the night's theme is "The Green Concert." Each piece, from "Wind River Portrait" by Jared Spears to the classics "This Land Is Your Land" and "What a Wonderful World," will pay tribute to the beauty of our land.

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BookChat

The Apocalypse Series book one: 'The Last Plague' by Glen E. Page



'The Last Plague,' by Burley author Dr. Glen E. Page.

I recently wanted to like this book ... after all, it has some good elements; a local author (it is always exciting to think you might be reading the next John Grisham!), an intriguing plot line and some thoroughly colorful characters.

But, like dirty silverware that detracts from what should have been a delectable meal, certain things kept getting in the way.

Computers may have given us spell-check, but there is nothing like a sharp, eagle-eyed proof-reader and a solid knowledge of grammar and punctuation to help make a professional finished product.

So my teacher-teeth kept grinding every time I came across grammar faux pas such as the misuse of "you" and "your," "to" and "too," "their" and "there" and the ever popular "who" and "whom." Add to this incomplete sentences, careless punctuation, missing words and ... well, you get the picture. I wanted to be engrossed in the story, but the messy details kept distracting me.

But that aside, it is quite a story! The book weaves together numerous plot lines and characters into a vast, complex, entertaining but sometimes hard-to-follow tale. There are people with painful pasts, people with mysterious powers, brave children, heroes, monumental secrets, murder, conspiracy and hair-raising events that seem to be pushing the world into the Apocalypse.

The characters, too, are a captivating bunch — two doctors, a couple of Native Americans, an Army general, a 2,000-year old man, Sprudhans and a defrocked Catholic priest, just

to name a few.

My favorite was Pope, the former priest, whose women-attracting pheromones and unique way of viewing the world added some much-needed levity to many situations.

The action starts right on page one and doesn't let up for more than 400 pages. Without giving anything away, here is the final passage: "Children of Lucifer, you desire a war, so a war you shall have — a war that has never been seen before. And when it is over, you will weep and regret the decision you have made this day." With his final pronouncement, Disciple raised his arms, bent space, and disappeared."

Fans will be begging Dr. Page to reveal how soon the second book in the series will be available.

Judi Baxter has been known to recommend titles to perfect strangers while browsing the books at Costco Wholesale. She owned and operated Judi's Bookstore in downtown Twin Falls from 1978 to 1992, which Baxter describes as "very much a part of the community and a true gathering place." From 2000 to 2004 she wrote a twice-weekly column for Publisher's Weekly's online edition called "Reviews in the News."

Burley author releases apocalyptic book

BY BLAIR KOCH
Correspondent

Poverty. Addiction. Heartache and remorse.

As a family practitioner in Burley, Dr. Glen Page has witnessed firsthand the many demons society struggles with. In writing his newly released book, "The Last Plague," Page created an opportunity to address these social ills through characters that struggle and overcome their own tribulations.

"The Last Plague" is the first book in his fictional fantasy Apocalypse Series which follows a group of misfits and their journey through the apocalypse and into the final battle of Armageddon.

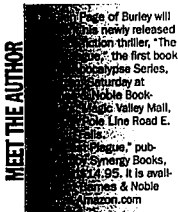
"Hopefully, readers will follow the characters and connect with them as they struggle with their own demons and watch them change as time progresses," said the 59-year-old Burley resident.

"I think that by identifying with the characters it will provide a positive place for people to deal with their own demons." At times Page struggled with the direction of the story, but he got in the story as a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, he said there are elements within the work that don't coincide with his own beliefs.

"The actions of the characters help us understand them. I thought about changing some directions of the story but I ended up leaving them alone because the characters' beliefs help tell the overall story," Page said. Page was inspired to write the



Dr. Glen Page



story about good and evil, government deceit and conspiracy theories after a trusted colleague said he didn't think the AIDS virus could have developed the way officials explained.

"I'm also the chairman of the Infectious Disease Committee and we've discussed the potential for an influenza pandemic like the one brought on with the Spanish Flu in 1918," Page said. "Take the avian flu, if it changed just one little characteristic so it would spread from bird to human just imagine what would happen. The fear, lawlessness, chaos and societal breakdown is explored in the series."

Having worked for Page the past 20 years, Betty Rasmussen said the story sounds just the

way the doctor speaks.

"The way he talks and the way he writes, it's an easy style to follow," she said. "It really gets you thinking, and while there are parts relating to the Bible, it's more of a fantasy, a very good book."

Shelby Sledge, with Phenix and Phenix Literary Publicists, said readers will be drawn to this fantastical societal message mixed with Biblical elements, religious dogma and plenty of suspense.

"This is his way of speaking out," Sledge said. "Dr. Page has seen a lot of ills through his practice, and this is a way to explore those. While it does contain some conspiracy theories and religious beliefs, none of it is too far out there; he doesn't come off as a loon."

Iadaohans may be particularly drawn to the work as it has settings within the Gem State, she said.

With family roots in Twin Falls, Page is excited about Saturday's book signing.

"I graduated from Filer High School, and my wife graduated from Twin Falls High School. We are going to have events all over

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Find a fair for YOU

Staff report

The Lincoln County Fair — the first county fair of the eight the *Times-News* covers — has one weekend of fun left, but the fairs in Minidoka and Jerome counties are in the final days of preparation before the gates soon swing wide, the cows come lowing in, and the cotton candy begins swirling.

Bring spare change for ride tickets and light-up necklaces, strengthen your cheering voice for your favorite rodeo star, and be prepared to see friends and neighbors around every corner. It's fair time!

Minidoka County Fair schedule

Minidoka County fairgrounds are at 85 E. Baseline Road, Rupert. Information: 436-9748.

Monday

9 a.m. — 4-H livestock interviews (McGregor Center)
9 a.m. — 4-H dog show

Noon to 1 p.m. — 4-H rabbits entered

2 p.m. — 4-H goat show
6 p.m. — Buildings close for the day

6 p.m. — Lawn mower races (rodeo arena)
7 p.m. — 4-H rabbit show

Tuesday

8 a.m. — 4-H horse quality and performance
8 a.m. to 6 p.m. — Judging of all open class entries (building closed until 7 p.m.)

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. — Judging of all 4-H/FFA projects, McGregor Center (building closed until 7 p.m.)

10 a.m. — Open class poultry judging

5 p.m. — 4-H/FFA sheep showmanship/quality

6 p.m. — Livestock pens judged for awards

6 p.m. — Tiny Tot Horse Gymkhana in arena

7 p.m. — All buildings open to the public (could be delayed if judging isn't finished). Open until 10 p.m.

7 p.m. — FMT Night at the Fair featuring Josh Evertsen. Free
Wednesday

8 a.m. — 4-H swine fitting showing/quality
8 a.m. — 4-H horse class performance
9 a.m. to 2 p.m. — 4-H horse trail class

10 a.m. to 10 p.m. — All buildings open to the public
Noon to 7 p.m. — Live display of antique tractors and engines
6 p.m. — Lions barbecue dinner (grass arena)

6 p.m. — Ray Kilpack at Lions' barbecue dinner
6 p.m. — Team sorting (two man) sign up
7 p.m. — Team sorting (rodeo arena)

7-9 p.m. — 4-H open houses
7:30 p.m. — Grand opening of the new pavilion; Dutch oven cobbler and ice cream free to the public

July 31

9 a.m. — 4-H/FFA dairy showmanship/quality; Fun Dairy Show during 4-H/FFA dairy lunch break sponsored by Vincent's



Staff photo

Youngsters feed alfalfa to a goat in one of the animal barns during last year's Minidoka County Fair. A new pavilion this year will provide extra space for the animal shows and 4-H Fat Stock Sale as well as shelter for the live entertainment and the annual Rupert Lions' barbecue dinner.

10 a.m. to 10 p.m. — All buildings open to the public
7 p.m. — 4-H poultry show
7:30 p.m. — Junior Rodeo (rodeo arena). Princess and Junior Princess crowned. Tickets are \$6 each or free for those 6 and under

Aug. 1

9 a.m. — 4-H/FFA beef showmanship/quality
10 a.m. to 10 p.m. — All buildings open to the public
5 p.m. — 4-H/FFA large and small animal Round Robin showmanship competition
7:30 p.m. — Mutton Bustin' (rodeo arena), 40 pounds and less

8 p.m. — IMPRIA Rodeo, queen crowned. Adult tickets are \$8, children 6-12 are \$5 and under 6 is free. Family tickets are \$30 (two adults and four children).

Aug. 2

7-9 a.m. — 4-H/FFA Livestock Sale Buyers Breakfast (4-H Food Booth)
9 a.m. — 4-H/FFA livestock sale

10 a.m. to 8 p.m. — All buildings open to the public
1 p.m. — Antique tractor pull (horse racetrack)
7:30 p.m. — Mutton Bustin' (rodeo arena) 40 pounds and less

Minidoka fair cuts ribbon on new multiuse pavilion

BY TRINA TESHAM
Staff writer

RUPERT — The theme for this year's Minidoka County Fair is "A Family Affair for 60 years" and it truly is just that, a family affair.

The most noticeable change to the fair this year is the large pavilion in a grassy area near the stalls. The shelter is wired for light and sound and will be used for a variety of events throughout the fair including animal shows, the fat stock sale, Lions' barbecue and entertainment.

A grand opening for the new pavilion will be held at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday. Dutch oven cobbler and ice cream will be free to the public.

The pavilion will also be available after the fair for reunions, church gatherings and other events. There is no charge for its use, only a cleaning deposit. To reserve the pavilion for an event, call the fair office at 436-9748.

The pavilion was not the only apparent change to the fairgrounds this year. Volunteers have spent hours painting buildings, the horse barn and the livestock arena. In its 60th year the fairgrounds will look brand new.



The Minidoka County Fair added a new pavilion this year, which will be used for a variety of events. It will also be available for reunions, church gatherings and other events after the fair.

Staff photo by TRINA TESHAM

Jerome County Fair schedule

Jerome County fairgrounds are at 200 N. Fir St., Jerome. Information: 324-7209.

Discounted carnival tickets are available through Tuesday or while supplies last at Jerome Oasis Stop-N-Go stores and the fair office. The one-day, one-person ticket is \$17 for unlimited rides. Online coupons for Tuesday through Aug. 2 are available at FunNBlz.com. Parents may receive unlimited rides with their ticketed child for \$5 on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Saturday

8 a.m. — Magic Valley Horseman's Association Horse Show

Sunday

2:30 p.m. — Demo derby, DePew Arena

Monday

8:30 a.m. — 4-H horse show, both arenas

9 a.m. — Open dairy show, show ring

7 p.m. — Got Milk? Junior Rodeo, DePew Arena

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. — 4-H horse show

8:30 a.m. — 4-H dairy show

10:30 a.m. — 4-H dog show

Noon to 10:30 p.m. — Commercial and food booths open

4 p.m. to midnight — Inland Empire Carnival open

5 p.m. — Main Street Parade sponsored by Locally Owned Radio

6-10 p.m. — Cultural exhibit and 4-H exhibits open, Messersmith

7 p.m. — Locally Owned Radio Pig Wrestling, DePew Arena

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. — 4-H/FFA beef show, show ring

8:30 a.m. — 4-H sheep show

10 a.m. — Lil-Bitty Horse Show (8 and under), DePew Arena

Noon to 10 p.m. — Cultural exhibit and 4-H exhibits open, Messersmith

Noon to 10:30 p.m. — Commercial and food booths open

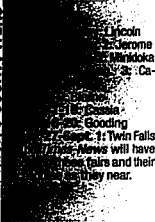
2:30 p.m. — 4-H dairy goat show

3 p.m. — 4-H pygmy goat show

4 p.m. to midnight — Inland Empire Carnival open

7 p.m. — Got Milk? Junior

THE REGION'S COUNTY FAIRS



Rodeo, DePew Arena
7 p.m. — In conjunction with Outreach America, the fair presents "Celebration of the Spirit Night" with Kathleen Carnall in a live concert. Opening performance by Jerome Calvary Chapel.

July 31

8:30 a.m. — 4-H/FFA swine show

Noon to 10 p.m. — Cultural exhibit and 4-H exhibits open, Messersmith

Noon to 10:30 p.m. — Commercial and food booths open

2 p.m. — 4-H/FFA poultry show, open barn

2:30 p.m. — 4-H/FFA rabbit show, open barn

4 p.m. to midnight — Inland Empire Carnival open

7:30 p.m. — PRCA Rodeo, DePew Arena

Aug. 1

10 a.m. — Open Beef Show, show ring

11 a.m. — 4-H Adult Showmanship Class

Noon to 10 p.m. — Cultural exhibit and 4-H exhibits open, Messersmith

Noon to 10:30 p.m. — Commercial and food booths open

2 p.m. — Open Sheep Show, show ring

4 p.m. — 4-H Small Animal Round Robin

4 p.m. to midnight — Inland Empire Carnival open

5 p.m. — 4-H Round Robin, showings

8:30 p.m. — Open Swine Show, swine show ring

7:30 p.m. — Tough Enough to Wear Pink, PRCA Rodeo, DePew



Arena

Aug. 2

8:30 a.m. — Stock Sale Buyer Appreciation Breakfast, show ring

10 a.m. — Stock Sale for 4-H/FFA Market Animals, sale ring

11 a.m. — Team Sorting Competition, main arena

11:15 a.m. — Free entertainment, free stage

Noon to 10 p.m. — Cultural exhibit and 4-H exhibits open, Messersmith

Noon to 10:30 p.m. — Commercial and food booths open

2 p.m. to midnight — Inland Empire Carnival open

7:30 p.m. — PRCA Rodeo, DePew Arena

Lincoln County Fair schedule

Lincoln County fairgrounds are at 201 S. Beverly St., Shoshone (east at blinking light). Information: 866-2406

Today

8 a.m. — 4-H/FFA swine show

9 a.m. — All buildings open

3 p.m. — Clowns at the free stage

3:30 p.m. — 4-H/FFA goat show and small animal show

4 p.m. — Carnival opens

5 p.m. — Parade starts

6 p.m. — Beer garden opens

8 p.m. — Rodeo

Friday

8 a.m. — 4-H/FFA beef show

9 a.m. — All buildings open

1 p.m. — 4-H/FFA dairy show

2 p.m. — Carnival opens

3 p.m. — Clowns at the free stage

4 p.m. — 4-H/FFA Round Robin

6:30 p.m. — Beer garden opens

8 p.m. — Rodeo

Saturday

9 a.m. — All buildings open

11 a.m. — Bottle baby show; 4-H/FFA market animal sale immediately follows

1 p.m. — Team sorting

2 p.m. — Carnival opens

3 p.m. — Clowns at the free stage

6:30 p.m. — Beer garden opens

8 p.m. — Rodeo

Sunday

11 a.m. — Cowboy church

7 p.m. — Tractor pull



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Songwriter Cherie Call to perform in Rexburg

Staff report

Songwriter Cherie Call will perform in the Kirkham Auditorium at Brigham Young University-Idaho in Rexburg at 7:30 p.m. on July 31 as part of Education Week. She will be accompanied by pianist Tyler Castleton.

Call was born and raised in Mesa, Ariz., and has been performing since she was 3. By the time she turned 13, Call was writing and performing many of her own songs.

Following her high school graduation, she moved to Utah to attend Brigham Young University, where she graduated in music in 1997. She began recording several self-released albums, including "One Star," "Taken," and "Heart Made of Wind," the latter released in November 2000. She has also been featured on seven other albums, including the best-selling album "Women of Destiny," "A Season for Courage," "Remember the Promise," "Look and Live,"

"Whatever It Takes" and the soundtrack from the theatrical releases "God's Army," "Brigham City," and "Charly." Call was a songwriter and music coordinator for the 2000 Banff Award winning film "True Pains."

In 2001 her first album for Desert Book, "I He Gives Flowers to Everyone," was released. The Faith Centered Music Association honored this collection of songs and Call with four 2002 Pearl Awards including Contemporary Album, Inspirational Song for the title track and Songwriter of the Year. Her sophomore release, "The Ocean in Me," made its debut in 2002. She received two Pearl Awards for this collection of songs. Cherie's third Desert Book album, "Beneath These Stars," was released in 2005.

Tickets for the Center Stage Performing Arts concert are \$8 for the public and \$4 for BYU-Idaho students. They may be purchased at the BYU-Idaho Ticket Office by calling 496-2230 or online at byu.edu/tickets.

'Kafka Comes to America'

Lawyer to speak on War on Terror

BY KAREN BOSSICK
For the Wood River Journal

KETCHUM — On April 8, 2004, the Egyptian-born wife of a Portland lawyer came home to find the deadbolt on the couple's front door thrown.

Four weeks later, the FBI arrested her husband on the basis of a fingerprint that they said indicated he was a suspected terrorist in the Madrid train bombings that killed nearly 200 people.

Never mind that the Spanish government questioned the accuracy of their findings.

Brandon Mayfield's case and that of Adel Hamad, a Sudanese hospital administrator who was imprisoned for five years in the U.S. military prison in Guantanamo Bay, are the basis for Steven T. Wax's new book, "Kafka Comes to America: Fighting



Steven Wax

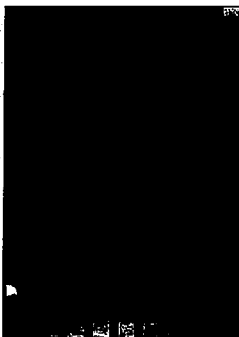
for Justice in the War on Terror."

And Wax, who defended both men, will discuss his book in a free presentation at 6 p.m. Tuesday at The Community Library.

"The book presents the chilling implications of the erosion of our civil liberties in a post 9/11 world," says Wax, who is in town attending the 9th District Judicial Conference in Sun Valley.

The book is a harrowing story that reads like a thriller, says a reviewer for *Publishers Weekly*.

Hamad, for instance, was seized from his home in Pakistan and flown for 36 hours in chains, blindfold, ear muf-



flers and muzzle to Guantanamo Bay where he spent the next five years, even though one of the officers who reviewed his case called his imprisonment "unconscionable" and "wrong."

He was accused of being involved with Al-Qaeda, even though he had never been near a battlefield. His wife, who didn't know what had

happened to him for eight months, was left destitute. His infant daughter died from lack of medical care.

"The Bush policy is that any one of us can be stripped of our rights merely on the word of the President — without due process, without grand jury, without a district attorney," says Wax, who also was a key part of the prosecution of David Berkowitz, the Son of Sam.

The Bush administration's response to the Supreme Court and others who have criticized its policies continues to be obstructionist, Wax says.

"Supreme Court Justice Kennedy said in his majority opinion in June that we cannot make ourselves safe if we abandon principle and values that give this country strength," he says.

Sun Valley Center seeks money for new location

Staff report

The Sun Valley Center for the Arts recently entered into an agreement to sell its property at Washington and Fifth Avenues in Ketchum to the Wood River Jewish Community. The completion of the deal is dependent on both nonprofit organizations achieving their fundraising goals.

The Center is working to develop its proposed new facility at the corner of Fourth Street and Second Avenue (across from the Post Office) in Ketchum.

The sale of The Center's current property is conditional upon several benchmarks, including successful fundraising efforts by both community-based organizations. The Center's goal is \$15 million for the building project (including the costs of the land, construction, financing, affordable housing, underground parking, interiors, landscaping, contingencies and professional fees) and an additional \$2 million for an operating endowment. The WJCC is seeking to raise \$3 million which will include acquisition costs of the property and operating funds for the community organization.

The Center said it will continue to serve the Wood River Valley from its current location until its new facility is built and operational.

Chamber Music Series starts up Monday

BY KAREN BOSSICK
For the Wood River Journal

KETCHUM — The 2008 Edgar M. Bronfman Chamber Music Series will kick off at 6:30 p.m. Monday.

But don't look for it on the lawn at Sun Valley.

For this season only, the series will be held at the Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood at Warm Springs and Saddle roads. Workers are working around the clock to finish the new Sun Valley Pavilion in time for the opening of the Sun Valley Summer Symphony season on Aug. 3.

The free chamber concerts kick off on Monday with Zoltan Kodaly's "Duo for Violin and Cello, Op. 7" and Robert Schumann's "Piano Quintet, Op. 44."

Planiar Jo Nakamatsu will join the Sun Valley String Quartet, made up of violinists Jeremy Constant, Paul Brancato, viola player Adam Smyla and cellist Steven Honigberg. One of the most sought-after pianists of his generation, this will be the third summer Nakamatsu has returned to perform.

On Wednesday Nakamatsu will return as the Chamber group performs Beethoven's "Cello Sonata No. 4 in C, Op. 102" and "Quartet, Op. 132" and Stanley

Silverman's "Piano Trio."

The chamber music series will conclude on Aug. 1 with Haydn's "String Quartet Op 76, No. 3 'Emperor'" and Warren Vache's "Arrangements for String Quartet and Trumpet."

The concert will feature Warren Vache, who has astounded audiences worldwide with his superb cornet, trumpet and flugelhorn stylings. Vache, who is making his first appearance in Sun Valley, has performed at every major jazz venue and festival throughout the globe from the Newport Jazz Festival to concerts at Carnegie Hall and the Royal Festival Hall in London.

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southern Idaho, but Twin Falls is the perfect place to start," Page said.

He has the second and third books in the series ready to go but said right now he is working on generating interest in "The Last Plunge."

"First-time authors always struggle, but the book has had fairly good success so far," Page said. "I would like to release the second book sometime next year, but we'll just have to see."

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Can I get tickets?
One-day tickets:
 Adults: \$15; senior (ages 62+): \$10; Family Pass, includes two adults and children between 7 and 17: \$60; children 6 and under: \$20.

Locations: select locations; will not be available on any of the event. Advance purchase locations include Federal Savings Banks in Pella, Jerome, Kimberly, Buhl and Rupert; Pella's Grocery Markets in Pella, Rupert and Paul; and Pella's Stores in Twin Falls, Bellevue, Buhl and Pella. For a complete list of locations, visit airmagicvalley.net/tickets.

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BY ABEL HANSEN
 Staff writer

It's a bird! It's a plane! Oh wait, it is a plane.

It's Air Magic Valley, featuring the world-famous Blue Angels performing in formations so tight you can't squeeze the funny pages between the planes.

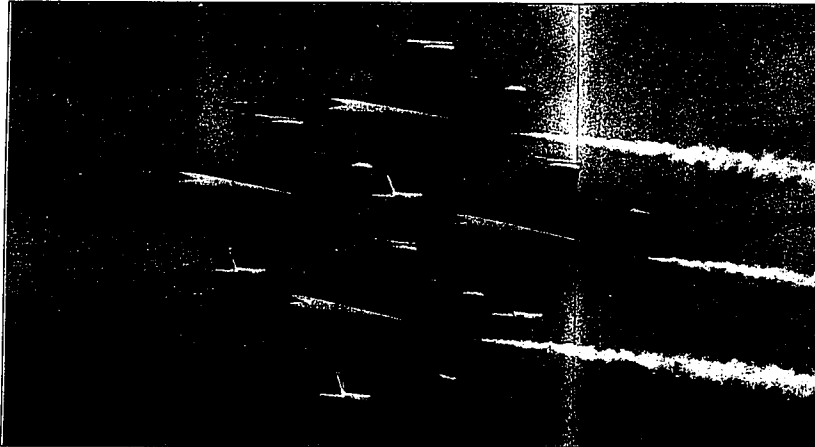
The 2008 air show, which ends a four-year dry spell for Magic Valley fans of flight stunts and vintage aircraft, is the first Twin Falls air show since the 2006 event was cancelled for lack of funds.

This year's show is ready to take flight, however, with organizers promising excitement and thrills — hopefully not as thrilling as the 2003 Mountain Home Air Force Base air show at which an F-16 met pavement with fiery results but no injuries.

The Blue Angels, the U.S. Navy's stunt team, will be on hand, performing choreographed aerobatic maneuvers including the popular four-plane Diamond Formation and six-jet Delta Formation. A Blue Angels' C-130 will also do a JATO (Jet-Fuel Assisted Take Off) on Saturday, which fans of the Discovery Channel show "Mythbusters" may remember as an integral part of an urban legend in which a JATO car was supposed to have become airborne and later found smashed into a mountain-side.

Of course, that was a car, and these are planes — they're supposed to become airborne. Aerobatic pilot Jacques B. (Jacques Warda) shouldn't have any trouble getting into the air, as she's been flying since 1986, most of that doing tricks.

Her patriotically painted aircraft, the "Red Eagle," was designed to circle the Statue of Lib-



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Jordan Tabbe, 8, of Twin Falls, climbs out of the cockpit of a Fairchild Republic A-10 Thunderbolt II aircraft with some help from Maj. Scott Banning of the Idaho Air National Guard during the Twin Falls Centennial Airshow at Justin Field in 2004.

File photo



Visitors look at a Republic A-10 Thunderbolt II aircraft at the show in 2004.

and close your eyes, and it's a short step into that "Top Gun" fantasy.

You'll feel the need ... the need for speed!



Members of the 1st Special Forces Group, stationed in Fort Lewis, Wash., parachute out of a C-130E Hercules aircraft at the beginning of the air show in 2004.

Who will perform?

A full schedule, with specific performing times for each plane, was not provided to the *Times-News* by press firms.

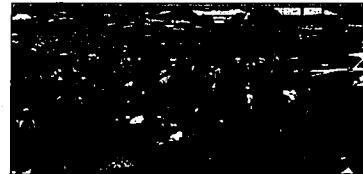
Saturday and Sunday

Gates open at 9 a.m. each day; flying starts at 11:30 a.m.
 U.S. Flag Jumper
 Melissa Andrzewski in her Edge 540

T-6, T-28 and C45 Flight
 TBM Avenger and P-40 Flight
 T-33 Flight
 Mig 15/17 and FJ-4B Fury
 Snake River Skydivers
 Viper East Demo

Heritage Flight
 Chipmunk Demo
 T-36 Jumpers
 U.S. Navy Blue Angels
 T-6 Missing Man Formation Flight

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Visitors gravitate to the field and examine some of the stationary aircraft at the 2004 air show.

Performers and their aircraft

Which planes will I see?

U.S. Navy Blue Angels
 Jacques B Airshow
 Viper East Demo Team
 Leo Lawrence
 David Ericson
 CAP Utah
 Richard Sugden
 David Macaluso
 Peter Kline
 Mike Jenkins
 Carl Schall and John Paul
 Danny Summers
 John Muszalla
 Jason Muszalla
 Jeff Demure
 Rick Drake
 John Maloney
 Bob Nightengale
 Kay Ehardt and John Kezale

F/A-18 Hornet/C-130 Hercules
 Centennial S-1T Pitts
 F-16 Fighting Falcon
 P-51 Mustang
 Dehavilland Super Chipmunk
 NS-2 Stearman, L-5 Stinson, C-45 Beechcraft
 FJ-4B
 Mig-17
 Mig-15
 1st Special Forces Group
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ALL ABOUT PARKING

Parking: is available at the grounds of the Magic Valley Airport, 492 Airport Blvd. Free transit shuttles will be available at all remote locations. Drivers will receive the correct instructions from parking attendants. Recreational vehicles: reserve a site for \$50 per site. Amenities include restrooms, but no showers. **Dispersing lots:** are private property and should be used for parking only. No tailgating, alcohol, picnicking, cooking, barbecuing, camping or entertaining in the parking area will be allowed.

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AT THE THEATER

The fun's gone from 'Mamma Mia!'

BY KENNETH TURAN
Los Angeles Times

HOLLYWOOD — Couldn't they have just let "Mamma Mia!" be "Mamma Mia!"?

Even if the dictates of a profit-loving culture practically mandated the making of a film version of the uber-popular stage musical that has been seen by 30 million people in 170 cities worldwide, did they have to turn it into "Mamma Mia! The Movie" with all the excessiveness that that title implies?

Was it necessary for stage director Phyllida Lloyd and playwright Catherine Johnson, both new to feature film, to make the kind of rookie mistakes in transferring their creation to the screen that might limit this film's audience (not that anyone will notice) to the sizable group of the already converted?

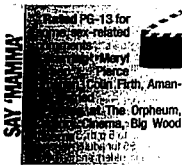
Frankly, I wouldn't have thought I'd be part of that group, but I am. I saw the stage musical that cleverly knit together a heap of songs by the Swedish pop group ABBA when it opened in Los Angeles prior to its New York run and, to my surprise, I became one of those who found a show with pop anthems such as "Take a Chance on Me" and "Dancing Queen" difficult to resist.

The refreshing thing about the "Mamma Mia!" show was that it dared to be simple. Just those 19 songs, adroitly presented, with just enough plot, dancing and stage business to get you cleanly from one to the other. That's all anyone cared about and, frankly, that's all anyone should have cared about.

But in the transition to film the "Mamma Mia!" brain trust just couldn't resist overloading the story with unneeded improvements. Lured by the siren song of a Hollywood budget, they allowed themselves to be fooled into thinking that bigger — more



From left, Julie Walters, Meryl Streep and Christae Baranski jump up and down in 'Mamma Mia!'



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have been imagining they were re-creating the old days of MGM musicals, it's the Village People's misguided "Can't Stop the Music" that comes to mind instead.

As much as it can be seen under all this excess, the "Mamma Mia!" story line, set on the kind of Greek-island that exists only in tourist brochures, remains pretty much intact.

Things begin with Sophie (Amanda Seyfried), a young woman who is about to be married, posting a trio of letters in a mailbox with a full-color brightness that has not been seen since Dorothy walked down the Yellow Brick Road.

Raised by her Innkeeper mom Donna (Streep), Sophie has never known who her father is.

singer! more dancers! more bad jokes! — would automatically be better. It's not necessarily so.

So while those ABBA songs are still there, they now have to fight for our attention against overstuffed production numbers that wear us out rather than entertain. Unamusing new dialogue must be put up with, and though an overmatched Meryl Streep acquires herself well in the starring role, we have to endure the strained antics of Julie Walters, a serial over-actor who has been encouraged in her worst tendencies.

Though the filmmakers may

Some discreet snooping has given her a list of three likely suspects. The stars' architect Sam (Pierce Brosnan), banker Harry (Collin Firth) and writer Bill (Stellan Skarsgard). Unable to tell who is likeliest, Sophie invites them all to her wedding.

Naturally, everyone shows up, as do Donna's old pals Rosie (Walters) and Tanya (Christine Baranski), her backup singers in a group called Donna and the Dynamoms. That's enough of a crowd to lead to all kinds of nominally comic crossed signals and mixed messages.

A sage once advised being wary of movies in which the people on screen are having more fun than the people in the audience. Mamma mia, was that good advice.

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Music/Twin Falls

The Standards will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. at Roper Auditorium. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets are available at Everybody's Business, Scorpion! Girlfriends, Williams Clinic Chiropractic, Curfleys, "The Quad and Beav Books in Twin Falls 877-748-4253; or TheStandards.com. Roper Auditorium is at 1015 Fluer Ave. E.

Planetarium/Twin Falls

The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Sciences on the College of Southern Idaho campus will present "WSKY: Radio Station of the Stars" with five sky hour of 2 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for students and \$3 for families.

Event/Twin Falls

Honey presents a Wine and Pasta Tasting 6-8 p.m. We will be pairing several different Italian wines and pastas for a unique tastings experience. \$15 cover charge includes all studio and complying fees and pastas. Wine tasting is complimentary for all patients. Reservation and reservations: 730-4475. Hands On is at 147 Shoshone St. N.

Dance, music/Burley

Idaho International Dance and Music Festival gala performance will be held at 7 p.m. at the King Fine Arts Center. Tickets, \$5-\$12.50, are available at the Burley Chamber of Commerce office, Book Plaza in Burley, Book Store in Rupert or at the door.

Musical/Oakley

The Oakley Valley Arts Council presents Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty's "Seussical The Musical," directed by Rachel Dillon, at 7:30 p.m. at Hoyles Opera House. The production continues Friday, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and July 21 and Aug. 2, 4-6, and 7-9. Tickets, \$8, are available at 677-2787. Howells Opera House is at 118 N. Blaine Ave.

Art exhibit/Ketchum

"Diosa de la Creacion," a limited edition of bronze work by Mexican artist Marta Moreu, will be exhibited through Friday at Gallery DeVolo. The exhibition includes new works including "The Gracias" and "Levidad," both grand scale sculptures and maquettes and table top sculptures. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays. Free admission. Gallery DeVolo is at 320 First Ave. N., Suite 101.

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More Marie Valley 26
Inland Empire, with
up her crown

Exhibition/Ketchum

Birdwork featuring works by seven artists, will be on display through AUG. 16 at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts gallery. The exhibition includes prints by 19th-century artist John James Audubon, and drawings and paintings by mid-20th-century artist Morris Graves. Also featured are works by five contemporary artists from across the United States: Jacqueline Bliz, Jackson Minter, portrait of birds of the Gulf Coast and Amazon; Kathryn Spencer, makes pigeons and owls out of fresh, twigs and bits of fabric; Misako Inooka and Justin Gibbons create hybrid animals — part bird, part mammal or reptile; and Rigo Z's embroidered reproductions of "lost bird" notices. Regular exhibition hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays. The Sun Valley Center is at 191 F.H. St. E.

Fundraiser/Ketchum

Sun Valley Center for the Arts Wine Auction fundraiser begins with Dinner with the Winemaker. Includes auction lot viewing and a preview party, followed by choice of one of 13 dinners held in private residences, with notes by exclusive vintners; \$600 per person (\$300 tax deductible). The fundraiser for ages 21 and over, continues Friday and Saturday. Tickets and details are available at Sunvalleycenter.org or Alex Johnson at Abbey Chansons at 726-9491, ext. 22 or 30.

Theater/Burley

Company of Fools presents Brian Crowley's and Jeanine Tesoro's musical "Hairs" at p.m. at Liberty Theatre, as part of the Summer Fools Festival. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and older) and \$15 for students (18 and under). Tickets are available at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122, or at the box office one hour before show time. Production continues Tuesday and Aug. 2. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

Exhibition/Haley

Birdwork: Works by Kirsten Hanson will be on display through AUG. 22 at Sun Valley Center for the Arts Haley Center, featuring paintings, drawings, prints, and portraits of extinct birds painted against gold leaf backgrounds. Furlong, a Boise-based artist, explores the relationship between birds and the cultural understanding of the natural world. Hours are noon to 5 p.m. Wednesdays through Fridays. The Haley Center is at 314 S. Second Ave.

Musical, barbecue/Sun Valley

The Wash-Ho Review, featuring the Wild West Players, will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the historic Sun Valley Opera House, with singing, dancing, comedy and audience involvement. A western-style barbecue will be held at 6 p.m. on the lawn near the opera house. Tickets, dinner and show: \$35 for adults, \$30 for senior citizens and \$25 for children 12 and under. For show only \$15 for adults and \$14 for senior citizens and children 12 and under. Reserve tickets: Sun Valley Recreation Center, 622-2135 or 888-822-2108.

Musical/Sun Valley

Joe Fox Trio will perform at 9 p.m. at the Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge.

Musical/Sun Valley

Pianist Larry Harshbarger will perform 6-9 p.m. at the Ram Restaurant in the Sun Valley Village at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge. Restaurant reservations: 622-2800.

Art exhibit/Boise

Frederic Remington's "Adventures and Artistic Impressions" will be on display through AUG. 23 at the Boise Art Museum. Remington was a popular artist in America at the turn of the last century with his Wild West Art. Museum hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors (62 and older) and \$1 for children (first through 12th grade). Free admission is at 670 Julia Davis Drive.

Art exhibit/Boise

Chaim's "American Cockroach" will be on display through AUG. 9 at the Boise Art Museum. Chaimers documents the half-immigrant life of the cockroach through photographs, sculpture and video work. Museum hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors (62 and older) and \$1 for children (first through 12th grade). Boise Art Museum is at 670 Julia Davis Drive.

Art exhibit/Boise

Idaho artist Gerrt Saylor's exhibi-

tion "Ad Infinitum" will be on display through AUG. 30 at the Boise Art Museum. The work consists of glistening strands of sculpted hot glue, cascading from the ceiling and creating a web-like room of symbolic forms reminiscent of icicles of winter. Museum hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors (62 and older) and \$1 for children (first through 12th grade). Boise Art Museum is at 670 Julia Davis Drive.

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FRIDAY

Planetarium/Twin Falls

The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Sciences on the College of Southern Idaho campus will present "Planet Patrol: Solar System State Out" at 12 p.m. "Blow Away The Wild World of Weather" at 7 p.m.; and "Abraxas Rock" at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for students and \$9 for families.

Acoustic/Twin Falls

Rick Kuhn will play 7-11 p.m. at Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center. No cover charge. Canyon Crest is at 330 Canyon Crest Drive.

Country, rock/Twin Falls

Randy Richards Band will perform at 9 p.m. at Woody's. Cover charge is \$5. Woody's is at 213 Fifth Ave. S.

Country, rock/Twin Falls

Copperhead will perform from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana State House. No cover charge. Montana State House is at 1926 Canyon Crest Drive.

Blues/Twin Falls

Miles to Nowhere will perform 6:30-10:30 p.m. at Panda's restaurant. No cover charge. Panda's is at 516 Hansen St.

Variety/Twin Falls

Hawallan Luau will be featured at Gruen's Night Lite. Doors open at 7 p.m. No cover charge until 10 p.m.; then \$5. Gruen's is at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Circus/Wendell

Culpepper and Merrweather Circus, hosted by Wendell Lions Club, will have two performances, at 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., on the east side of Wendell High School. Admission, \$8 for adults and \$5 for children, are available at Wendell City Hall, at 961-0409 or from any Lions Club member. Tickets at the gate: \$10 for adults and \$8 for children.

Dance, music/Burley

Idaho International Dance and Music Festival gala performance will be held at 7 p.m. July 25 at the

King Fine Arts Center. Tickets, \$5-\$12.50, are available at the Burley Chamber of Commerce office, Book Plaza in Burley, Book Store in Rupert or at the door.

Musical/Burley

Breakers DJ featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday. Cover charge is \$2. Riverside is at 197 W. U.S. Highway 30.

Country/Jerome

Country Classics will perform from 8 p.m. to midnight at Snake River Digs Lodge. Cover charge is \$5 per person or \$9 per couple. Everyone is welcome. Dinner available at 5 p.m. The lodge is at 412 E. 200 S., off U.S. Highway 85.

Musical/Rupert

Blues and jazz will perform at 9 p.m. at the Blue Room. No cover charge. Blue Room is at 613 Fremont Ave.

Country/Declo

The Fugitives will perform from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers. No cover charge. Shakers is at 626 Idaho Highway 81.

Star party/Almo

A Star Party, hosted by the Centennial Observatory at the Herrett Center for Arts and Sciences and the Idaho Astronomical Society, will be from 7 p.m. to midnight at Castle Rocks State Park. The event will start with solar viewing, with telescopes that are specially equipped to allow visitors to look at the sun. Free admission; all ages are welcome. Castle Rocks State Park is near Almo and north of City of Rocks.

Musical/Oakley

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Musical/Sun Valley

Braze Innes will play original hits blended with country and folk, 6:30-9:30 p.m. July 25 on the patio at Rags Hotel. Admission is \$5 cover charge. The Hideaway is at 310 S. Main St.

Musical/Sun Valley

Joe Fox Trio will perform at 9 p.m. at the Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge.

Musical/Sun Valley

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EVENTS CALENDAR

Musical, barbecue, Sun Valley

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Theater/Halley

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Exhibition/Halley

Birdwatch: Works by Kirsten Furlong will be on display through AUG. 22 at Sun Valley Center for the Arts' Halley Center, featuring paintings, drawings, prints, and portraits of extinct birds painted against gold leaf backgrounds. Furlong, a Boise-based artist, explores the relationship between birds and the culture and understanding of the natural world. Hours are noon to 5 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays. The Halley Center is at 314 S. Second Ave.

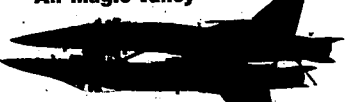
Fundraiser/Ketchum

Sun Valley Center for the Arts Wine Auction fundraiser continues with the **Wine Auction Gala** at River Run, with a meal, wines, entertainment, bidding on auction items and a raffle of a 2008 Lexus LX 570 (\$500 per ticket; \$200 tax deductible). The luncheon, for ages 21 and older, continues Saturday. Tickets and details are available at Sunvalleycenter.org or Alex Johnson or Abbie Christensen at 726-9491, ext. 22 or 30.

Theater/Glenns Ferry

The **Historic Opera Theatre** presents a dinner show, **"In Memoriam,"** a comedy murder mystery, on Fridays through AUG. 22. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m., with

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the show at 7:45 p.m. Tickets are \$22.50 for dinner and show, and show-only tickets are \$17. General admission, \$6 for senior citizens and children under 12. Dinner reservations are required; 360-7408 or 356-6744. The theater is at 208 E. Idaho Ave.

Rock/Jackpot

Gary Puckett will perform at 8 and 10 p.m., at the **Gala Showroom** at **Cactus Petes Resort Casino**. Tickets, \$25-\$35, include two free drinks and are available at **Ameristar.com** or 800-821-1103. Cactus Petes is at 1385 U.S. Highway 93.

Lecture/Stanley

Sawtooth Forum and Lecture Series with a presentation by **P. Gary Eller**, "Historically-Based Songs of the Salmon River Region," will be at 3 p.m. at **Stanley Museum**, followed by a complimentary two free drinks and are available at **Ameristar.com** or 800-821-1103. Cactus Petes is at 1385 U.S. Highway 93.

26 SATURDAY

Air show/Twin Falls

Air Magic Valley Air Show will start at 11:30 a.m. at **Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport**. The highlight is the **Bue Angels**, the U.S. Navy's flight performance team. Gates open at 9 a.m. No cookouts or pets. Bring chairs. Tickets are general admission, \$15 in advance and \$20 at the gate; seniors, \$10 in advance and \$15 at the gate; and family pass, \$60 (includes two adults and their children under 18). Tickets are available at **Armagicvalley.com** or at **First Federal Savings Bank** in Twin Falls, Jerome, Kimberly, Burley, Buhl and Rupert; **NAPA Auto Parts** in Twin Falls, Jerome, Burley, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Boise, Bonanza, Buhl and Ontario, Ore.; **Swensen's Grocery** markets in Twin Falls, Rupert and Paul, and at Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

Book signing/Twin Falls

Dr. Glen E. Page, physician, author and auditor, will sign copies of his new science-fiction thriller, **"The Last Plague,"** the first book in the "Apocalypse Series," 1-3 p.m. at **Barnes & Noble Bookstore**. Page of Burley was compiled the second and third books of "The Apocalypse Series" and is writing the fourth and final installment. Information: **Laslogan.com**, **Barnes & Noble** is at 1239 A Pole Lane Road.

Art/Twin Falls

Art in the Park will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the **Twin Falls City Park**. The event includes arts and crafts, food, entertainment and art demonstrations. Free admission.

Pageant/Twin Falls

The **57th annual Miss Magic Valley Scholarship Program** will be held at 7 p.m. at the **Popper Auditorium** at **Twin Falls High School**. Nine contestants will compete, entering gown, talent, swimwear and onstage question to earn the right to represent the **Magic Valley** at the **Miss Idaho Scholarship Pageant** in 2008. **Magic Valley Girls Cheerleading Stunt Group** will perform, along with the current **Miss Magic Valley**, **Timbrel Estess**, and the retiring **Miss Idaho**, **Elise Davis**. Tickets, \$10, are available at **Everybody's Business** in Twin Falls or at the door. Proceeds go to **Popper Auditorium** is at 1615 Flarer Ave. E.

Blues/Twin Falls

Blues & Boogie will perform 6:30-10:30 p.m. at **Pandora's restaurant**. No cover charge. Pandora's is at 516 Harrison St.

Country, rock/Twin Falls

Copperhead will perform from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at **Montana Steak House**. No cover

charge. **Montana Steak House** is at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive. **Country, rock/Twin Falls**
Randy Richards Band will perform at 9 p.m. at **Woody's**. Cover charge is \$5. **Woody's** is at 213 Fifth Ave. S.

Variety/Twin Falls

Hawaina Luau Pig Roast will be featured at **Kruzer's Night**. Doors open at 7 p.m. No cover charge until 10 p.m., then \$5. **Kruzer's** is at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Planetarium/Twin Falls

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Fundraiser/Ketchum

Sun Valley Center for the Arts Wine Auction fundraiser continues with **Wine Tasting Extravaganza** in the afternoon at **River Run**, with tasting of hundreds of wines from more than 125 wineries; \$40 per person. **Wine Picnic and Concert** will be in the evening at **Bigwood** at **Thunder Spring Golf Course**, with an organic outdoor meal, live music, plus wine from all the wineries that donate to the auction and picnic. \$30 per person. Events are for ages 21 and older. Tickets and details are available at **Sunvalleycenter.org** or **Alex Johnson** or **Abbie Christensen** at 726-9491, ext. 22 or 30.

Blues, folk/Ketchum

Blues & Boogie will play old-school blues, folk, country and

bluesgrass, 8:30-9:30 p.m. on the patio at **Papa Hoot's Hideaway**. No cover charge. The **Hideaway** is at 316 S. Main St.

Exhibition/Ketchum

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Musical/Sun Valley

Joe Foe Trio will perform at 9 p.m. at the **Duchin Lounge** at **Sun Valley Resort**. No cover charge.

Musical/Sun Valley

Planiar Larry Harshbarger will perform 6-9 p.m. at the **Ram Restaurant** at the **Sun Valley Village** at **Sun Valley Resort**. No cover charge. Restaurant reservations: 822-2800.

Country/Declo

The **Flughaus** will perform from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at **Shakers**. No cover charge. Shakers is at 826 Idaho Highway 81.

Musical/Oakley

The **Oakley Valley Arts Council** presents **Lynn Ahrens'** and **Stephen Flaherty's "The Secret Musical,"** directed by **Richard Dillon**, at 2 p.m. at **Howell's Opera House**. The production continues Monday, Tuesday and JULY 27 and AUG. 1-2, 4-5, and 7-9. Tickets, \$5-\$15, are available at 677-2767. **Howell's Opera House** is at 118 N. Blaine Ave.

Rock/Jackpot

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Family fun/Glenns Ferry
Oregon Trail History and Education Center will host "First Knaping and Arrow Making" with demonstration of the art of making Native American tools, at 10 a.m., followed by the movie "The Gaid Rush" at 2 p.m., at the center at Three Island Crossing State Park. Open to all ages. Cost: into the park is \$6 per vehicle without other pass. Information: 366-7913. The park is along the Snake River; take Interstate 84, exit 121.

Theater/Glenns Ferry
The Historic Opera Theatre presents a dinner show, "Shine the Pressed Shoe 'No My Type!'", an old time melodrama. Saturdays through AUG. 23. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m., with the show at 7:45 p.m. Tickets are \$22.50 for dinner and show, and show-only tickets are \$7 general admission, \$6 for senior citizens and children under 12. Dinner reservations are required; 366-7405 or 366-2744. The theatre is at 208 E. Idaho Ave.

Music festival/Stanley
Sawtooth Music Festival 2008, a benefit for the Salmon River Clinic, will be held from noon to 6 p.m. at the Sawtooth State Park. Performers include headliner Thee Who Get the Down Stay Down, San Francisco-based Furthest, and local bands: Elephant Revival and Idaho bands Jeremiah James, Eyeclones, The Dampfores and Heads Like This. Food, crafts and beer with ID will be available for purchase. Picnicker, blankets and low-back chairs are welcome, no glass containers. Tickets: \$25-30 for adults and \$20 for seniors, are available at Sawtoothmusicfestival.com. Free for children (12 and under).

Salmon Celebration/Stanley
Fish Lake Visitor Center will host a Salmon Celebration, with games, fish painting, story telling and journeys to the river from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be an "Amazing Salmon" presentation at 11 a.m. and a "Wild Wild Journey" Junior Ranger activity at 1 p.m. Free admission. The visitor center is five miles south of Stanley on Highway 75.

27 SUNDAY

Air show/Wain Falls
The Magic Valley Air Show will start at 11:30 a.m. at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport. Highlights is the Blue Angels, the U.S. Navy's light performance team. Gates open at 9 a.m. No cooters or pets. Bring chairs. Tickets are general admission, \$15 in advance and \$20 at the gate; seniors, \$10 in advance and \$15 at the gate; and family pass, \$60 (includes two adults and their children under 18). Tickets are available at Airshowmagical.com or at First Federal Savings Banks in

Twin Falls, Jerome, Kimberly, Burley, Buhl and Rupert; NAPA Auto Parts in Twin Falls, Jerome, Kimberly, Burley, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Boise, Bellevue, Blaine and Ontario, and Summers Grocery markets in Twin Falls, Rupert and Paul; and at Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

Art/Twin Falls
Art in the Park will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Twin Falls City Park. The event includes art and crafts, food, entertainment and art demonstrations. Free admission.

Country, rock/Twin Falls
Milestone will perform from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Pioneer. No cover charge. Pioneer is at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Music/Sun Valley
Pianist and singer Leana Leach will perform from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. during Sunday brunch in the Lodge Dining Room at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge.

Jazz/Sun Valley
Sun Valley Trio will perform from 9 p.m. to 11 a.m. at the Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge.

Theater/Halley
Company of Fools presents Donald Margulies' drama "Collected Stories" at 7 p.m. at Liberty Theatre. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and over) and \$15 for students (18 and under). Tickets are available at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122, or at the box office one hour before show time. The production continues JULY 17. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

Theater/Halley
Michael Frym's farce "Noises Off" at 7 p.m. at Liberty Theatre, as part of the Summer Fools Festival. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and over) and \$15 for students (18 and under). Tickets are available at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122, or at the box office one hour before show time. The production continues Wednesday and AUG. 13. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

Presentation/Ketchum
Lotus Humanitarian Aid Foundation, an Idaho non-profit, will present a 4 p.m. overview of its work in Vietnam, including medical financial aid, home building, school building, educational scholarships and medical vocational training. Information: Dick Gargy, 726-8824 or that.org. The presentation will be at the American Legion, Hall, 220 Cottonwood St.

Music/Stanley
Music from Stanley concert series, featuring Idaho musicians Jared Moss with band, Kelly Kall and Becca Gourley, will perform

4-8 p.m. at Redfish Lake Lodge. Free admission. Concert recordings will be used in radio series on KSLI and KSU in the fall.

28 MONDAY

Circus/Burley
Culpepper and Meriwether of the Burley Kwanzaa Club, will have two performances at 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Cassia County Fairgrounds. A portion of proceeds is to fund local programs and fundraise tickets, \$8 for children and \$20 for adults and seniors. Tickets are available at the Cassia County Fairground, John's Market, D.L. Evans (Burley locations), A-Plus Design and at the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce office.

Musical/Dakley
The Dakley Valley Arts Council presents Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty's "Sousaphone Musical," directed by Rachel Dillon, at 7:30 p.m. at Howells Opera House. The production continues Tuesday and JULY 31, AUG. 1-2, 4-5 and 7-9. Tickets: \$8, are available at 677-2787. Howells Opera House is at 118 N. Blaine Ave.

Music/Sun Valley
Bruce Innes will perform at 9 p.m. at the Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge.

Art exhibition/Ketchum
Melissa Herrington's "L'ighth" will be on display through AUG. 25 at Gallery Delvo. The artists' preview reception will be held 4-6 p.m. JULY 31, and opening reception will be 4-6 p.m. AUG. 1, at 677-2787. A showing of her installation "Los Angeles County Project," which became part of the exhibition of her new work, will be on display in the upstairs gallery. "L'ighth" includes new monochromatic paintings based on her investigation into figure and landscape relationships, the process of painting and the historical art imagery. "Los Angeles County Project," Herrington signified the individuals who are no longer in the Los Angeles Police Department database, but once were as the project began, by turning their portraits into the new work. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Sundays. Free admission. Gallery Delvo is at 320 First Ave. N., Suite 101.

Classical/Ketchum
Sun Valley Summer Symphony presents the American Band, Brantman Chamber Music Series at 6:30 p.m. at the Presbytery Church of the Big Wood. Vocalists Jerry Conzatti and Paul Brantano, violins: Adam Smyia, viola and Steven Horigberg, cello and director. The series continues Wednesday and AUG. 13, at the Presbytery Church of the Big Wood, 100 Saddle Road. Information: Svsymphony.org.

29 TUESDAY

Book-release party/Twin Falls

A "Breaking Dawn" Party, hosted by Twin Falls Public Library at 6 p.m., will feature books, discussion about the book, and clips of the upcoming movie. Stephen Meyer's new book, "Breaking Dawn," is the fourth and final book in Meyer's Twilight Saga. It will go on sale at mid-night AUG. 1 at stores across the region.

Planetarium/Twin Falls

The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herritt Center for Arts and Science on the College of Southern Idaho campus will present "KSRK Radio Starline of the Stars" with a live sky tour at 2 p.m. "Blown Away: The Wild World of Weather" at 7 p.m., and "Space Jamm!" at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for students and \$9 for families.

Music/Sun Valley

Joe Foa Trio will perform at 9 p.m. at the Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge.

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Theater/Halley

Company of Fools presents Brian Crowley's and Jeanine Tesoro's "A Little Bit of a Lie" at Liberty Theatre, as part of the Summer Fools Festival. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and over) and \$15 for students (18 and under). Tickets are available at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122, or at the box office one hour before show time. The production continues AUG. 2. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

30 WEDNESDAY

Planetarium/Twin Falls

The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herritt Center for Arts and Science on the College of Southern Idaho campus will present "Planet Patrol: Solar System Stalks Out" at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for students and \$9 for families.

Open Mic Night

Open Mic Night will be featured at the Blue Room, Sun Valley Woody's. No cover charge. Woody's is at 213 Fifth Ave. S.

Karaoke/Rupert

Karaoke by Lu will be featured at 9 p.m. at the Blue Room. No cover

charge. Blue Room is at 613 Fremont Ave.

Festival/Fairfield

Camas County Fair with the theme "Down Under the Big Top" begins at sites around town. Highlights include the open house, "Down Under the Big Top," 4-H horse show at 4 p.m. at McLain residence, the open house, "Breaking Dawn," and the fourth and final book in Meyer's Twilight Saga. It will go on sale at mid-night AUG. 1 at stores across the region.

Folk/Ketchum

Ben Musher will perform at his new CD release party, 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the Presbytery Church of the Big Wood. Tickets are \$17 and AUG. 13-3 information: 764-2220.

Classical/Ketchum

The Dakley Valley Summer Symphony presents the Edgar M. Brantman Chamber Music Series at 6:30 p.m. at the Presbytery Church of the Big Wood. Pianist John Nakamatsu will perform. Sun Valley String Quartet members featured throughout the series are Jeremy Conzatti and Paul Brantano, violins; Adam Smyia, viola; and Steven Horigberg, cello and conductor. Free admission. The series continues AUG. 1. Presbytery Church of the Big Wood is at 100 Saddle Road. Information: Svsymphony.org.

Music/Sun Valley

Joe Foa Trio will perform at 9 p.m. at the Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge.

Music, barbecue/Sun Valley

The Wah-Hoo Revue, featuring the Wild West Players, will perform at 5 p.m. at the historic Sun Valley Opera House, with singing, dancing, comedy and audience involvement. A western buffet from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the lawn near the opera house. Tickets, dinner and show: \$35 for adults, \$30 for seniors (62 and over), \$20 for students (18 and under) and show only: \$18 for adults and \$14 for senior citizens and children 12 and under. Reserve tickets at 578-9122. Information: Sun Valley Recreation Center, 628-2135 or 888-622-2108.

Theater/Halley

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Music/Boise

BRID of Long Beach, Calif., will perform at 8 p.m. at the Open of Olap at 11 p.m. at the Big Easy. General admission is \$13; VIP: \$50. The Big Easy is at 416 S. Ninth St.

EVENTS CALENDAR

World unity through dance



The Idaho International Dance Festival started Wednesday; it continues today with free workshops for youth and gala performances.

Staff file photos

Festival comes to Mini-Cassia

BY TREMA TEGAN
Staff writer

Mini-Cassia welcomes the world as the Idaho International Dance and Music Festival arrives in the area.

This will be the fifth year the festival has come to Mini-Cassia, and it is the largest one yet. The time and talent of 250 dancers from 11 countries will grace the area, as they share music, dancing and culture from their respective homes, including Belgium, China, Dominican Republic, India, Israel, Greece, Cossack, Siberia, Sri Lanka, Mexico and France.

While here, dancers stay with

host families. Though it can be a challenge and communication can be difficult, families say the experience is well worth the effort.

"It's a learning experience for the families as well as the dancers," says Amy Young, one of the event organizers. "It's a huge commitment but the rewards are amazing."

The festival kicked off with a parade at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Rupert Square. Leading the parade were the Burley Junior High School Spanish Club Dancers, and the festival dancers followed in full costume. Following the parade, the dancers presented

"(The festival) makes you forget about the conflicts in the world and enjoy the unity in music and dance."

— Amy Young, an event organizer

a free show at the gazebo in the park.

Today, free workshops for young people will be held in Burley and Twin Falls from 10 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m. In Burley the workshops will be at Burley High School, and in Twin Falls they will be at the Boys and Girls Club.

All ages are welcome, but children under 12 should be accompanied by an adult or older sibling. Those attending will learn about the various countries and

cultures as well as learning some of the dances and music from those countries.

Gala performances will be today and Friday. The pre-show, featuring Rocky Mountain Express, will be at 7 p.m. and the gala will begin at 7:30 p.m. Each show will feature different performances.

"There's a spirit about the festival," Young says. "It makes you forget about the conflicts in the world and enjoy the unity in music and dance."

DANCE FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

International Dance
Festival schedule:
Culture Day
at 10 a.m. to
12 p.m. in Burley
High School and in
Twin Falls and
Boys and
Girls Club.
The gala shows are to-
night at 7 p.m. in
Burley and 7:30 p.m.
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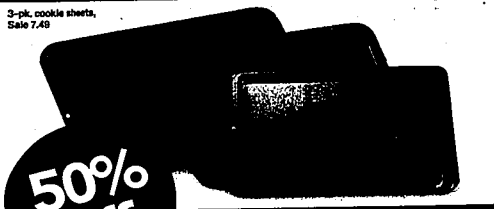
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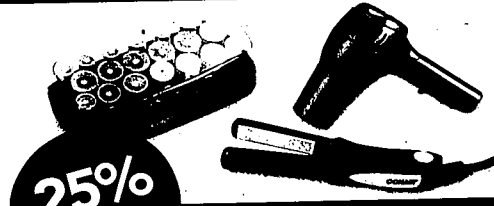


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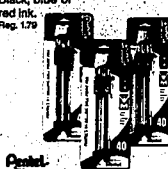


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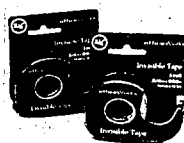
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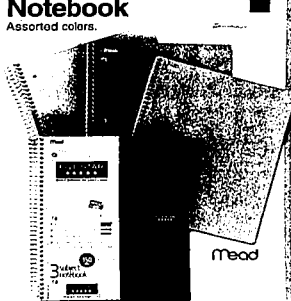


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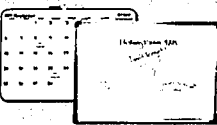
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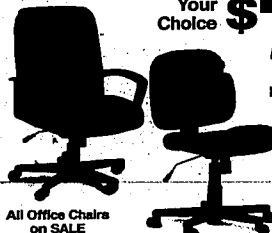
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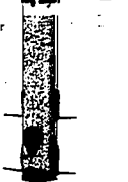
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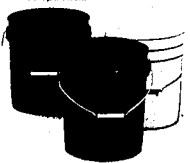
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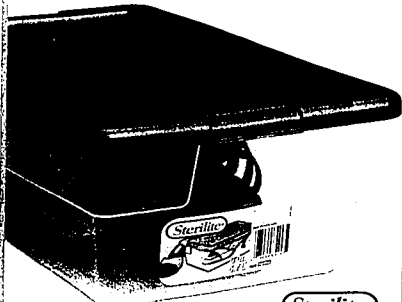
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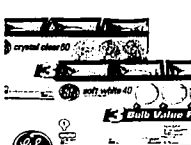
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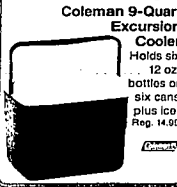
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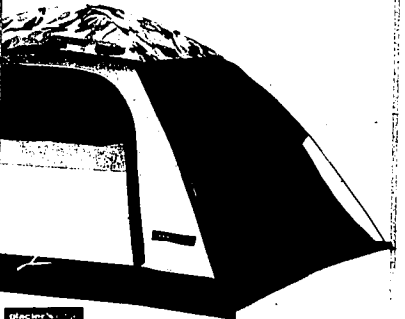
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