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## Blood sport

### Sheriff details seized tools used for cockfighting

By Sean Breslin  
Staff writer

It's like boxing. Only much more brutal. The contenders weigh in, and there are different weight classes. But in cockfighting, ounces — not pounds — make the difference. "They exercise them like they exercise boxers," said Gerlyn Walker, a detective with the Gooding County Sheriff's Department. "These particular birds were very well-trained and very muscular."

On Sunday, Gooding County authorities busted up a cockfighting ring in Wendell, arresting seven people and seizing 20 birds, 24 cars and about \$2,000. Those who fled the scene are being cited for cockfighting as they go to pick up their vehicles from the county, just being at the scene of a fight is enough to get a citation, said Gooding County Sheriff Shaun Gough.

"If you're sitting in the parking lot of a cockfight, you can be cited," Gough said.

People involved in cockfighting can face up to six months in jail and fines up to \$5,000. And that's just on state charges. The federal government can bring charges of racketeering if birds are transported across state lines, Gough said.

But that doesn't deter some trainers, who pay around \$5,000 to enter their birds in hopes of winning pots that can reach \$100,000.

"It's very profitable for the fighter to do," Walker said.

The birds are outfitted with razor-sharp blades on their ankles. The weapons make



Gooding County Sheriff's Department Det. Gerlyn Walker displays cockfighting paraphernalia Wednesday that was retrieved during a bust near Wendell Sunday.

for a quick fight, Gough said; one bird is usually dead in minutes.

The recent arrests resulted

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SEE: The devices used by cockfight trainers to help their animals win

## McElhiney files motion to withdraw guilty plea

By David Cooper  
Staff writer

First-degree murder suspect John McElhiney, who agreed to plead guilty to killing Dale Miller, has filed a motion to withdraw his plea.

Public Defender Marilyn Paul filed the document Monday in 5th District Court in Twin Falls, one month after her client consented to a plea agreement arranged with prosecutors and Judge Richard Bevan.

McElhiney, 32, is one of two men facing first-degree murder charges in the death of Miller. The body of Miller, 18, was retrieved from a barrel Sept. 12, 2007, in a garage at 322 Morningside Drive in Twin Falls. In the motion, McElhiney claims "his plea was not entered knowingly, voluntarily and/or intelligently, and thus he requests to be allowed to withdraw his guilty plea."

No details are listed in the motion, and Paul could not be reached for comment Wednesday.

In late June McElhiney told the judge that he kidnapped and asphyxiated Miller because of a drug dealing debt. McElhiney said he admitted to the crimes. "Because I am guilty and it's what the victim's family wanted," prosecutors agreed to pursue a lifetime sentence with a minimum 22 years in prison before he would be eligible for parole. The other suspect in the death of Miller, Cameron Watts, has pleaded not guilty to first-degree murder charges. His trial has been set for Oct. 21.

McElhiney's sentencing was scheduled for Sept. 15. But now a new motion hearing will be heard at 10 a.m. on Sept. 2. Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loeb learned of the motion for a withdrawal on Monday from Paul.

"It's not unusual for people to do this after they enter a plea," said Loeb, who noted previous attempts to withdraw guilty pleas by suspects in the Jesse Costes homicide case. As was the case in those prosecutions, Loeb said the judge will listen to arguments "as to why he should be allowed to withdraw his plea."

"It's unlikely he'll grant it," Loeb said. "It's very unlikely. It was, as far as I can tell, done properly. The judge asked questions properly at the time, whether he had been counseled properly... This was one where the settlement negotiations worked out, and both sides agreed."

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McElhiney

## Mexicans working in U.S. sending less money home

By Mark Strosser  
Associated Press writer

ATOTONILCO, Mexico — Mexicans working in other countries are sending less money home, threatening the stalling cash flow where as much as half the population works in the United States. The U.S. economy is still recovering from the drop in exports, which

many migrants use to sustain families back home.

The payments, or remittances, have fallen about 2 percent this year to \$11.6 billion, the first such drop in more than a decade since reliable records have been kept, Mexico's Central Bank said Wednesday.

And the buying power of this money has been battered by the weakening U.S. dollar, which has lost about 8 percent of its value against

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Migrants walk through the desert towards the U.S. border, near Sasabe, Mexico, Feb. 14. Remittances sent home by Mexicans working abroad have fallen for the first time for six straight months, threatening local businesses, stalling construction and choking cash flow to tiny farming hamlets where as much as half the population works in the United States.

## City hopes low-water use project will encourage residents

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Staff writer

Going thirsty can be fun. In an effort to demonstrate to residents the benefits of using low-water consumption landscaping, the city is planning a project centered on native plants at the corner of Falls Avenue West and Fillmore Street. City officials describe the project as a "test plot" so people can learn about the benefits of

such landscaping.

"With our issue of water, it's not going to get better," Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Director Dennis Bowyer said Wednesday. "We're still a high plains desert. You have to think about that."

Ultimately, the project would consume 50 percent to 75 percent less water, Bowyer said, noting that the numbers of people and cars in the area means the park would draw plenty of eyeballs; it's essentially across from the

College of Southern Idaho and nearby Blue Lakes Boulevard.

"It's a good, visible corner," Bowyer said. "It just fits right in there."

For the project, the city turned to Conservation Seeding and Restoration, Inc. in Kimberly, a design-build firm that performs wide-ranging duties related to landscaping. On Monday, CSR General Manager Steven Paulsen told the Twin

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## At Guantanamo trial, former reporter recounts '98 bin Laden interview

By Jerry Markon  
The Washington Post

GUANTANAMO BAY, Cuba — The blue pickup was rolling through the remote tribal regions of Afghanistan when masked men suddenly jumped up from the side of the road, guns blazing.

The ABC news crew inside the truck scrambled to avoid bullets. The men surrounded the truck, weapons drawn, yelling questions and demanding papers. Security is always increased, the crew was told, "when Mr. bin Laden is going to be present."

Correspondent John Miller was about to interview the man who would become the most wanted terrorist in the world. The former ABC reporter testified here Tuesday about his 1998 session with Osama bin Laden at the military

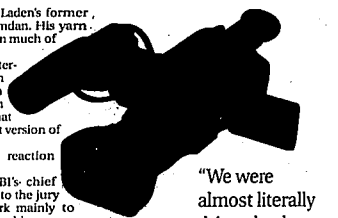
commission trial of bin Laden's former driver, Salim Ahmed Hamdan. His yarn improved more riveting than much of the testimony so far.

Several clips of that interview were briefly shown in court, including an unaired outtake in which Miller told bin Laden that he is "like the Middle East version of Teddy Roosevelt."

The al-Qaida leader's reaction was not clear.

Miller — now the FBI's chief spokesman — explained to the jury that he made the remark mainly to keep bin Laden talking so his camera man could get a better shot. He added later that the comparison referred to bin

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"We were almost literally driven back into time."

— former ABC reporter John Miller



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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

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Donald Margulies' drama 'Collected Stories'...
The Twin Falls Municipal Band concert, 8 p.m.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

American Legion Bingo, 7:20 p.m. Bonanza bingo and 7:30 a.m. Regular bingo...
FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

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Camas County Fair, includes 4-H competitions, livestock show and sale, bike race and volleyball tournament...
Minidoka County Fair continues, 'A Family Affair for 60 years'...

GOVERNMENT

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

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 48 Chapter of Jerome...
Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m. Living Waters...
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HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

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

MUSEUMS AND PARKS

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AROUND THE WORLD

GEORGIA LOCKED IN LOVE

Autopsy scheduled for woman found dead in bathroom on plane

ATLANTA — Flight attendants discovered the body of a 61-year-old woman in the restroom of a plane shortly before the flight landed in Atlanta Wednesday morning...



The so-called 'Trees of Love' are shown covered with padlocks on Luzzok bridge in downtown Moscow, Wednesday. A recent Russian tradition involves newlyweds placing a padlock on the iron trees. The tradition says that as long as the lock remains, the couple's love will last.

The crew on the Los Angeles-to-Atlanta flight noticed the restroom was occupied on final approach, just before Flight 950 touched down at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport at 5:51 a.m. ...

"Delta extends its condolences to the family and commands our flight crew and medical professionals onboard who handled this incident with the utmost professionalism and respect for which they are known," spokeswoman Betsy Talton wrote in an e-mail.

"The body was taken to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Crime Lab in suburban Atlanta for an autopsy scheduled for today, said GBI spokesman John Bankhead.

NEW YORK Missing DNA chunks tied to schizophrenia

NEW YORK — Two huge international studies reveal that people who lack certain chunks of DNA run a dramatically higher risk of getting schizophrenia, a finding that could help open new doors to understanding and diagnosing the disease.

These deletions are rare, each found in less than 1 percent of schizophrenia patients. But each one boosts the risk of disease by as much as 15-fold, by one estimate. Scientists said studying such abnormalities may help them find new treatments for schizophrenia.

Desperate for food, he turned to what he knew best — bugs, he said Wednesday. Theo Rosmuller, 52, managed to survive for four days by feasting on termites and other insects before local Aborigines happened upon him Tuesday and brought him back to civilization.

A weary-looking Rosmuller told reporters that he found some relief from hunger at a giant termite mound. "I just bit the top of the termite nest off and got stuck into them," Rosmuller said.

"Termites don't taste too bad," he said at a million-dollar conference in the southwestern Australian mining town of Laverton. Rosmuller was suffering from dehydration but otherwise in "surprisingly good condition," Western Australia state police Sgt. Graham Clifford said.

Both papers were published online Wednesday by the journal Nature.

AUSTRALIA Pest exterminator lost in Outback survives on bugs

SYDNEY — Lost in the rocky, remote Australian Outback, a former pest exterminator faced dehydration and death.

On Friday, he became lost after heading out alone, carrying a pack of a pocket knife, flashlight and a metal detector, Clifford said. His prospecting group called police Friday night after he failed to return to camp.

— The Associated Press

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, July 31, the 213th day of 2008. There are 153 days left in the year.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT On July 31, 1948, President Truman helped dedicate New York International Airport (later John F. Kennedy International Airport) at Idlewild Field. ON THIS DATE In 1556, St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus — the Jesuit order of Catholic priests and brothers — died in Rome.

In 1957, the Distant Early Warning Line, a system of radar stations designed to detect Soviet bombers approaching North America, went into operation.

In 1964, the American space probe Ranger 7 reached the moon, where it detected Soviet bombers approaching North America.

In 1967, Iranian pilgrims and riot police clashed in the Muslim holy city of Mecca in Saudi Arabia, resulting in some 400 deaths, according to the

Saudi government, which blamed the Iranians for the violence.

In 1991, President Bush and Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev signed the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty in Moscow.

Ten years ago: President Clinton said he would "completely and truthfully" answer prosecutors' questions about Monica Lewinsky in testimony to be mounted by closed-circuit television to a grand jury. Five years ago: The

Times-News phone service restored

Phone service for the Times-News downtown offices went back on line Tuesday morning.

Readers can call department direct lines or the paper's direct line, 733-0931, where they can find the directory for all departments, or reach individual parties by their phone extension.

The Times-News apologizes for the delay in service, and thanks you for your patience.

CORRECTION

Man's home incorrect In a Tuesday story titled "Tuber tour," the home of the Jones children's grandfather was incorrectly identified. He lives in Paul.

The Times-News regrets the error.

WHAT'S NEW ON THE WEB

In a video interview, the Gooding County Sheriff talks about a cockfight busted this week and shows tools of the illegal trade. The new gymnasium floor at the College of Southern Idaho is ready for play. See a video story. And check out a new pavilion in Sun Valley, which some consider an architectural phenomenon.

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HOROSCOPE BY JERALDINE SAUNDERS

IF JULY 31 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Learning how to channel your energy into constructive activities...
Aries (March 21-April 19): Simple mathematics will tell you what you can't operate in the red very long before

everything will fall apart. Use your energy, not your money, to make headway.
Taurus (April 20-May 20): You shouldn't ask for pity because that won't help you carry the burden you already own. Meet deadlines and try to be more organized.
Gemini (May 21-June 20): There are knowledgeable people available who are willing to provide helpful guidance. Valuable information can come your way and might solve a pressing financial dilemma.
Cancer (June 21-July 22): If you don't mind, it doesn't matter. You will realize that it breaks you and put a halt to wheeling and dealing. A serious misunderstanding

could slip beneath the radar until it is too late. Take care of existing obligations but don't enter into additional agreements.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your shortcomings are more obvious than usual and your judgment may take a temporary vacation, so this is not a good time to ask for a raise or make a crucial commitment.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Do it right the first time. Past mistakes may nip at your heels in the next few days. Put finishing touches on existing projects, but don't start anything of great importance. Avoid misunderstandings.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Remain cognizant of any recent shift in routines that might impact the tranquility of a stable relationship. Don't overlook bills or forget to meet a crucial deadline.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Set reasonable

spending limits and don't let a temporary chip on someone's shoulder distract you from your extra talents and respectful to those in authority.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your mind may wander and you may be driven by selfish thinking, so you could easily forget something essential. Don't make investments or sign any binding agreements.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): It seems there are more than enough human errors in the world right now and you don't want to add to them by initiating something new. Be divinely inventive.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Listen intently to those who recognize the right stuff. Use proven tactics to overcome problems before they will affect performance. Focus on ways to improve your education.

# Water

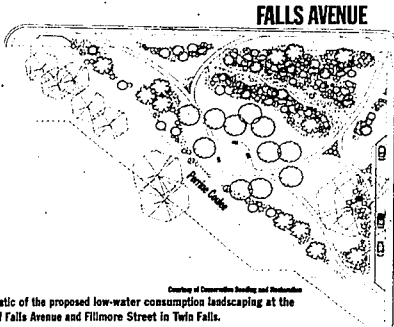
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Falls City Council the project has been worked on for eight or nine months.

Under designs Paulsen showed the council, there would be native plants, shrubs and grass seed — all geared toward low-water use. He said there might be interpretive signs plus walking paths, and invasive species would be removed. He noted it's not xeriscaping, Paulsen said.

"This is a unique opportunity to put a bunch of native habitat back in play in town that's good for human use," Paulsen said. "It's a wonderful opportunity, as well, for demonstration to the public of Twin Falls to kind of see how low water use can benefit — even a high-use area like a public park."

The land was acquired about four years ago for the city to build a pressurized irrigation system for Frontier Field and sections of the College of Southern Idaho, according to a city staff report. But there's about an acre of dirt and weeds between the PI system and the College of Southern Idaho and landscaping by Falls Avenue.



A schematic of the proposed low-water consumption landscaping at the corner of Falls Avenue and Fillmore Street in Twin Falls.

The City Council on Monday voted unanimously to approve the concept to build a park and for the project to be bid publicly. Bowser said planning could begin next spring.

The project could cost \$82,347 or \$93,535, depending on the type of native turf used, according to early estimates.

While the firm is designing

the project it would likely bid on, Bowser said the city doesn't have any landscape engineers on staff and designs would have been contracted out anyway. He pointed out how CSR is a special landscape, and the firms donated time and resources to meet the designs.

At Monday's meeting, Councilman Will Kezele told Paulsen he wanted to make

sure other companies would be eligible to fairly compete for the project.

Paulsen noted that while his company is not a "traditional" landscaping company, other local companies could still bid and nothing was guaranteed.

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# Blood

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from an anonymous tip about the fight, Gough said. He said tips are few and far between, but the department takes them seriously.

"We've put together actual raids thinking these things are going to happen, but they didn't," Gough said.

With cockfighting, there aren't any rules against doping. So the birds are pumped full of drugs, Walker said. Anything from methamphetamine to horse drugs goes in, even gunpowder. It makes the birds "crazy" before a fight, she said.

The 20 seized birds were sent to the Boise Humane Society, where they will be euthanized because they are too violent to return to the public, Walker said. Gough added that fighting cocks have been placed with flocks before. From what he's heard, he said the results were disastrous.

"In their words, it was a bloodbath," Gough said.

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the Mexican peso so far this year.

In Mexico, businesses that once thrived selling everything from beds to bricks to the families of migrants have laid off workers. In this town of verdant fields between the snow-clad slopes of the Tzacahuatl volcano, there's little left to rely on but small farms.

There's no money anymore. Carlos Escalona said of his family's business, which sells concrete blocks and bricks to help people build houses with the money migrants send home. Sales have fallen by a third, forcing the business to lay off 70 percent of the staff.

Of migrant workers in the U.S., Escalona said, "They lost their jobs, and then they're afraid to leave the house. It's like they're trapped."

Bank of Mexico President Carlos Ortiz said about 22 percent of Mexican workers in the U.S. have jobs in construction, an industry that has slowed sharply.

About 152,000 Mexican migrant workers lost U.S. construction jobs in 2007, while overall unemployment for Mexican immigrants in

the U.S. rose from 5.5 percent to 8.4 percent over the year, according to a June report by the Pew Research Center.

Gone are the days when migrants came back to Mexico each year flush with cash, then returned to jobs waiting in the United States, as they did during the boom years of 2002 to 2006.

Now, more migrants rounded up by U.S. immigration officials are being sent home penniless.

Others have decided to return for good, bringing as many household items as they can along with them and eliminating the need to buy much locally.

In Atonitlan, much of the business at Olivia Guzman's hardware store used to come around Christmas, when returning migrants would buy electric cables and circuit breakers to power up new appliances for their families in Mexico before returning to jobs up north.

Now that business has mostly dried up. Where she once sold \$20 or so per day, she now sells as little as \$6, she said. Her business survives only because her father owns the building and doesn't charge her rent, she added.

Things are no better at Yesica Ordonez' furniture store. Muebleria El Rosal,

where migrant families once had enough money for her \$50 chests of drawers or \$100 beds.

Now the few customers who do appear spend remittances on necessities, she said. "It's been about two years since things were good."

Ortiz said remittances will probably drop 2 to 3 percent for the full year, the first sustained drop since 1995, when the bank began keeping a tally. In small towns, about one in eight families gets money from workers in other countries, the government estimates.

The payments have become a key source of foreign currency for the bank, representing Mexico's second-largest source of outside income, after oil exports. It represents less than 3 percent of Mexico's gross domestic product.

In the first part of the decade, the recorded payments grew rapidly — from \$9 billion in 2001 to almost \$24 billion in 2007 — because of swelling immigration and better reporting methods.

The number of Mexicans crossing the border rose to an average of 400,000 a year between 2000 and 2004, more than 10 times the migrant flow of a generation ago. About three-quarters

were undocumented, according to Mexico's Population Council.

The cash those migrants sent home doubled the number of Mexican households that received remittances between 1992 and 2002. Now that growth appears to have reached an end.

Jesus Cervantes, director of economic measurement for Mexico's Central Bank, predicted the trend in annual remittances will turn around, but said the days of unbroken gains are probably over.

The pain is already being felt in places like Cherran, in the Mexican state of Michoacan, where officials say 41 percent of the town's 22,000 residents had migrated to the north, mainly to North Carolina and Michigan.

Up until a few months ago, they were the town's main source of income, sending home about \$500,000 per month.

Another Michoacan town, Cuatocaman, is trying to find jobs for returning immigrants by promoting organic vegetable farming, said town councilman Ramiro Godinez.

"It's like a migratory phenomenon, but in reverse," he said. "We're looking for other alternatives."

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# Interview

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Laden's fight against the Soviet invaders of Afghanistan in the 1980s.

Hamdan, accused of terrorism conspiracy in the first U.S. military commission since World War II, says he likes an afterthought Tuesday. In the small, comfortable courtroom in an old aircraft operations center overlooking the sparkling waters of Guantanamo Bay.

Wearing a white headless, the defendant sat quietly as Miller described an 11-day odyssey through the wilds of Pakistan and Afghanistan. It ended with Miller landing one of bin Laden's first sit-downs with a Western television reporter.

"We were almost literally driven back into town," Miller told a jury of six uniformed military officers. "We went from cities that had big hotels, phones and faxes and computers to small towns in the

frontier to smaller towns in the tribal areas. Our communications were steadily cut off."

With a four-person crew in tow, Miller flew to London about May 17, 1998.

He and the crew eventually were hauling their bags and 15-pound television camera across the rugged border into Afghanistan.

They were urged to keep the camera out of sight. Afghanistan's Taliban rulers had "outraged cameras and the photographing of human beings," Miller said.

The divergent that night, the crew came to a fork in the road. They were greeted by a friendly man, another who grimly confiscated their camera.

Did the men introduce themselves, a prosecutor asked Miller.

"No, not formally," he said.

"The smiling man, Miller would later realize, was Ayman al-Zawahiri, bin Laden's No. 2 aide and still a fugitive today like his boss.

The unfriendly man was Muhammad Atef, al-Qaida's security chief, who was later killed by U.S. bombs two months after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

The ABC crew was taken to a small hut atop another hill. "You will be comfortable here. You are not prisoners. You are our guests," the al-Qaida deputy continued.

They just couldn't leave the hut.

Thus began a days-long ritual in which Miller submitted 15 written questions on a yellow legal pad and asked each day when the interview would take place.

The green light came on May 20.

After being thoroughly searched, their pencils and pens confiscated, the men were loaded into the blue pickup and driven through a series of checkpoints, where the masked men emerged and opened fire.

Apparently, the al-Qaida bureaucracy hadn't gotten word of the interview.

Finally, they came to a hill-top camp in southern Afghanistan, greeted by hundreds more masked men who fired into the air when bin Laden arrived with a phalanx of bodyguards.

The al-Qaida boss would speak, but his answers would not be translated into English, al-Zawahiri told Miller. "That's going to be a problem — how will I ask a follow-up question?" Miller said he told al-Zawahiri.

"He said it won't be a problem. There will be no follow-up questions."

The interview itself, in which bin Laden predicted "a black future for America" (two U.S. embassies in East Africa would blow up three months later), was almost anticlimactic to Miller's testimony.

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# Strict codes credited after Calif. quake

## ROMONA

A worker cleans up shattered glass windows at Romona City Hall on Tuesday after an earthquake rocked Southern California.

## With cameras all over, quake was a star in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The "Big One" it wasn't, but Tuesday's earthquake still played a starring role. Ubiquitous cell-phone and surveillance cameras recorded the 5.4 temblor in real time as the Los Angeles area was shaking, and those images were instantly shared with the world. And this being the heart of TV Land, television cameras also caught the action.

Judge Judy Sheindlin scrambled from the courtroom set of her "Judge Judy" show as a frightened-looking plaintiff and defendant were left to fend for themselves. At the set of "Family Court With Judge Penny," Penny Brown Reynolds dove under her desk while gallery spectators dashed for the door.

At CBS' "Big Brother" house, a few of the residents appeared to be napping when the reality of an earthquake startled them awake at 11:42 a.m.

"Oh my God, this is so scary," shouts one, while another rouses the rest of the house's residents, telling them to get outside.

Surveillance recordings showed people running out of stores as everything from bottles of booze to bicycles crashed to the floor. Bryce Duprest, a mechanic at the InCycle bicycle shop in San Dimas, is seen in the store's widely viewed surveillance video of people racing out the back door as the quake sends rows of bikes and shelves full of accessories toppling to the floor.

"I am the gentleman with the short hair at the bottom of the screen wearing the red shirt, one of the people who had to hurdle over the bike that was dropped in the middle of the floor," he told The Associated Press in a telephone interview Wednesday.

"If it had sound it would have been funny," Darwinist said of the video. "What starts the mad dash is the boss running out the back and yelling to get out."

At Los Angeles International Airport, surveillance cameras recorded people using their cell-phone cameras to take pictures of a broken water heater as it rained its contents onto passengers' luggage.

"Certainly with the Internet every event is potentially catchable on a cell phone or a video camera, not just once but several times," said University of Southern California professor Leo Braudy, who studies popular culture trends.

"We're going to have a lot more information like this," Braudy continued. "Whether it actually helps seismologists — or anybody else — is another question."

Because damage was minor and no one was seriously hurt, the plethora of videos of Tuesday's quake mainly gave people something to laugh about on Wednesday.

There was a long-winded discussion of trash collection fees at City Hall that was interrupted by Councilman Dennis Zine shouting, "There goes the earthquake. Earthquake! Earthquake! Earthquake! We've got an earthquake!"

When things settled down, Council President Wendy Gruel asked Zine if he wanted to use his remaining 45 seconds of speaking time to continue talking about trash. Zine replied: "My comments already shook the Earth. So I think I'm done."

CHINO HILLS, Calif. (AP) — The latest in plywood-reinforced walls, tied-down foundations, strengthened concrete and stronger welds — If an earthquake had to hit somewhere in densely populated Southern California, this relatively new suburb of 80,000 people was about the best place possible.

Chino Hills was just a few miles from the epicenter of Tuesday's magnitude-5.4 quake, yet it withstood the shaking with almost no damage at all, even while other communities farther away saw fallen bricks, cracked walls and windows, warped door frames and broken water mains and gas lines.

One big reason: Chino Hills went up mostly in the 1990s and was built to the stringent earthquake standards that the state wants to see adopted everywhere across California before the Big One strikes.

"I was wandering around out there after the quake and it struck me that there's no building there that's more than 10 years old. They're all built to the most recent codes, and I think that's true of the whole Chino area," said Lucy Jones, a seismologist with the U.S. Geological Survey. "The type of earthquake that used to be a major event just isn't anymore."

Since the 1930s, California has gradually boosted its



Aaron Brothers employee Josly Koch cleans up broken glass picture frames after a 5.4 earthquake centered in the Chino Hills area rocked the store in Brea, Calif., Tuesday. Employees said they spent eight hours the night before stocking the shelves with 2,700 new frames in preparation for a visit from the company's president.

building standards. Each severe quake has prompted recent major overhaul comprehensive codes in the Northridge section of Los

Angeles that killed 72 people. After that disaster, the building code was amended to require, among other things, the use of plywood to reinforce sheetrock walls in homes. The new rules also prescribed a different way of welding steel that makes the welds less likely to become brittle and crack.

Tuesday's jolt proved to structural engineers that their work is paying off. In Chino Hills, 30 miles southeast of Los Angeles, about 70 percent of the homes date to the mid- to late 1990s, and the city doesn't have a single unreinforced masonry building, said Winston Ward, the city's chief building official. Most commercial buildings are no more than four stories tall. Some, including a newly built Hindu temple, have foundations that rest on a type of rubber-and-metal bumper to lessen swaying, he said.

Experts said the quake could have produced more damage if it had been centered elsewhere.

Only about 20 percent of buildings statewide are constructed to the standards used in Chino Hills. Of the remaining 80 percent, 40 percent would suffer major damage during a severe earthquake and 10 percent would collapse, said Chris Poland, chief executive at

Degenkolb Engineers in San Francisco. Tuesday's quake was considered moderate.

A state law passed in 1986 mandated that cities catalog all unreinforced masonry structures — mostly old brick or stone buildings — and then take steps to retrofit them, a process that includes inserting steel reinforcing bars in exterior walls, and bracing the interior walls with steel, too.

But the law left the retrofitting plans to individual jurisdictions. As a result, about 30 percent of the state's nearly 26,000 brick-and-mortar structures could collapse in a large quake, according to a 2006 report by the California Seismic Safety Commission. Those include buildings with unbraced parapets and unsecured walls and roofs.

But retrofitting commercial buildings and high-rises can cost 30 percent to 150 percent of the value of the structure, while upgrading a home can be as much as 30 percent, Poland said. "When there's no earthquakes, it's hard to make anything change," said Thomas Heaton, a professor of geophysics and engineering at Caltech.

Experts nonetheless hope that Tuesday's quake will prompt cities to take action before the Big One — a quake of 7.0 or more — arrives.

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## Burley bank robbery suspect flees on red bicycle

### No one injured as man fires shot, demands money

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By Laurie Welch  
Staff writer

A lone robber fired a shot into the ceiling of a Burley bank Wednesday before demanding money and fleeing with the sack of cash on a red bicycle.  
"A man came in, he had a gun, took a shot, made his

withdrawal and went down the road," said Todd Barney, manager of U.S. Bank in Burley.

Barney said no one was injured during the robbery. Cassia County Sheriff Jim Hignens said at 10:40 a.m., a man entered the U.S. Bank on the corner of Overland Avenue and Main Street, fired a shot up into the air, which struck the ceiling and

demanding money. "He was given an undetermined amount of money and then he headed north on a red bicycle," Hignens said.

Police are searching for a 25-year-old Latino male who is 5 feet, 5 inches tall. At the time of the robbery he was wearing glasses and a black felt fedora hat. He had on a red sleeveless shirt with a white T-shirt underneath and black shoes.

Hignens said the bank was locked down for about two and a half hours after

the robbery. Generally after a robbery, the doors of a bank will be locked and the customers detained until all the witnesses to the robbery have been interviewed by investigators, Hignens said.

Anyone with information on the robbery can call the Cassia County Sheriff's office at 208-878-2251 or Crime Stoppers at 208-878-2900.

Laurie Welch may be reached at 208-677-8787 or [lwech@southidahopress.com](mailto:lwech@southidahopress.com).



Cassia County Sheriff's deputies are looking for this man who held up the U.S. Bank on the corner of Overland Avenue and Main Street in Burley, Wednesday. The robber fired a shot into the air that struck the ceiling before he fled on a red bicycle with an undisclosed amount of cash.

## STABLE FOOTING

### painting of new CSI gym surface begins

By Eric Larsen  
Staff writer

Heldi Cartlisser and Erin Mellinger stood at the southeast corner of the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium Wednesday morning, the flip-flops on their feet posing a question of neov-floor etiquette.

When treading across nearly \$203,000 of unpainted, unprotected hardwood, does one go with shoes, barefoot, or should the surface bear no feet at all?

"We didn't know if we should take our shoes off or leave our shoes on," said Cartlisser, CSI's head volleyball coach. "We're just trying to baby it a little bit."

Cartlisser and Mellinger joined college Athletic Director Joel Bate and Mike Chupa, project superintendent with Starr Corporation as workers prepared to begin painting the new state-of-the-art surface the college's volleyball and basketball teams will call home court.

With Cartlisser's team readying for the Aug. 22 start to its 2008 season on the floor against Northwest College of Powell, Wyo., Bate said the project is on track for its Aug. 15 deadline.

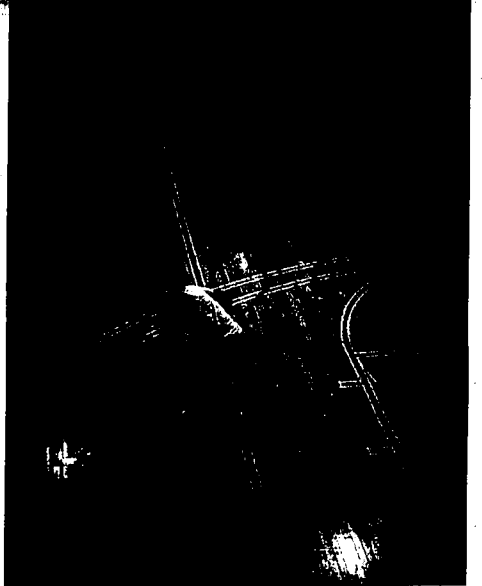
"We're right on schedule to give it some cure time and then get on it," Bate said.

Painting began Wednesday afternoon with basic, but important black lines. Yellow and tan lines, along with the college's name on both basketball sidelines and Golden Eagle logo will be added later. Gone is the massive Golden Eagle at center court, painted in the late 1990s by former CSI basketball player Greg McQuay.

"Since then I think CSI's developed more of a brand, so our Fighting Eagle, two of those will be on the court," Bate said.

Bate said the head of the eagle that adorned the old floor was saved, and plans to place it prominently in the gymnasium's foyer area in the works. Other parts of the old floor will be made available in fundraisers and possibly as awards to former CSI coaches, Bate said.

New to the floor will also be the new NCAA men's basketball 3-point line, an arc extending 20 feet, 9 inches from the



Jayce Pulsipher, an employee with Croft-Beck Hardwood Floors of Salt Lake City, paints the new gymnasium floor Wednesday afternoon at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

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WATCH: CSI Athletic Director Joel Bate highlights the gym's new floor.

goal, one foot farther than the previous arc introduced in 1986.  
The project will be followed by a December lighting upgrade that Bate said will both help show off the floor and make the gymnasium more energy-efficient.  
"We'll be getting kickbacks from

Idaho Power for the new lighting we'll be putting in," Bate said.

As for Wednesday morning, Cartlisser and Mellinger scoured the taped-out guides that marked where new lines were to be painted, making sure the details of the new volleyball court will be spot-on. For CSI volleyball the work begins when the Starr crew is finished.

"It's just bright and it's fun," Cartlisser said, "and we can't wait to start sweating on it."

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## Community Council seeks board applicants

By Pat Marcantonio  
Staff writer

Sign up

Two years after switching its name from the Idaho Migrant Council to the Community Council of Idaho, the council is making another change.

The private nonprofit corporation, which operates several programs for migrant and seasonal farm workers and low-income people, is eliminating some council membership, and altering the way its board of trustees is organized.

Membership wasn't working and a new tripartite board will allow the Community Council to seek more funding, said executive director Irma Morin. The bylaw change was adopted by the board in June.

With a little over 100 members throughout the state, a majority of which were employees, the goal

A board application form is available at <http://communitycouncilofidaho.org>. The deadline to apply is today. For more information, call 208-454-1652.

was to have regional meetings of members to bring the community together and discuss issues, Morin said. But sometimes they would only get a few voting members showing up, making it difficult for a quorum. "It wasn't working," she said.

They want to invite the community to the regional meetings "but they shouldn't have to pay a fee to participate," Morin said. They also want to get back to having meetings focusing on community issues and bring in speakers.

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## Camas County Fair offers old favorites, new treats

By Amy Ballard  
Correspondent

INSIDE

For a schedule of the Camas County Fair, see TNT in today's paper.

FAIRFIELD — It may not be pretty, but it's for a good cause: Teams are gearing up for a pig-wrestling contest at the Camas County Fair to raise money for the Soldier Mountain Ski Patrol.

"We're hoping that it'll be fun and it'll come back year after year," said organizer Terry Sharp, a member of the ski patrol for 22 years. Funds raised at the event, a first for the fair, will help purchase new toboggans.

The event, held at 5 p.m. Saturday in the 4-11 park is part of a fair themed "Crowning Around Under the Top."

Free admission to rides in the city park will help get the fair going Thursday night, along with 6 p.m. live Open class items, 4-11 displays, and commercial booths are available for viewing in the Legion Hall

on Camas Avenue East from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

A Saturday fair favorite, the Camas County Library's annual book sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. instead of its usual location in the park, the sale will take place on Soldier Road in the former Peak One Gym, which the library is in the process of purchasing.

"We've had a lot of positive feedback," said McLam, chairman of the library's building foundation. "People say it's a great location for the library, and we agree."

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Woman in Tuesday shooting identified

Police on Wednesday identified 23-year-old Kaylee A. Pomrenke of the woman who was shot Tuesday night in a residence by her boyfriend in an incident authorities are describing as an accident. Pomrenke was shot once in her bedroom at 1050 Sparks Street in Twin Falls after a bullet traveled through a wall from the living room, according to a release issued Wednesday morning by the Twin Falls Police Department.  
She was transported to St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical

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Center and is currently in fair condition, police said. No charges have been filed, police said.  
Pomrenke's boyfriend is Jeremy Langley, 26, of Twin Falls. He is cooperating with the investigation and was disassembling a rifle when the gun accidentally fired, police said. The gun was identified as a Russian-model Mosin Nagant rifle 7.62x54R caliber rifle.

**Police seize 1.6 pounds of meth in Heyburn**  
A multi-agency drug sting in Heyburn resulted in the arrest of three Utah men and the seizure of 1.6 pounds of

methamphetamine last week.

Heyburn Police Chief George Warrell released information Tuesday on the bust that took place at Love's Travel Stop & Country Store, south of Interstate 84, Exit 211 at about 9:30 p.m. July 24.  
Warrell said the Mini-Cassia Drug Task Force along with federal Drug Enforcement Administration Task Force officers and members of the Heyburn Police Department and Idaho State Police arrested Mario Izarraga, 33, of Provo, Utah, Jorge Luis Martin, 25, of Midvale, Utah and Jorge Arguelles-Briseno, 34, of West Valley, Utah.  
Warrell said the street value of the methamphetamine

was estimated at between \$16,000 and \$20,000.

All three suspects were charged with trafficking in methamphetamine and Izarraga was also charged with possession of methamphetamine.  
Attorney Nicole Cannon said a trafficking in methamphetamine charge carries a mandatory minimum sentence depending on the amount of the drug seized. Because more than 400 grams were recovered in the bust, the mandatory minimum sentence will be 10 years with a maximum life sentence.  
Cannon said there is a possibility that federal charges could be filed in the case, but none have been filed yet. When federal charges are

filed against a suspect it is usually because more than one jurisdiction is involved. In such a case, the prosecutor agrees to drop local charges.

### T.F. dance instructor honored by governor

Becky Gill, a former dancer and now a dance instructor in Twin Falls, was named Wednesday a recipient of the 2008 Governor's Awards in the Arts.  
Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter released the list of recipients for the awards, which were established by the Idaho Commission on the Arts to elevate recognition and awareness of the arts.  
Otter and first lady Lori Otter will present the recipients with silver medallions,

### Sister Boessen to mark 50th anniversary

Sister RoseMary Boessen will celebrate 50 years as a Sister of Mercy with a Catholic Mass at 2 p.m. Saturday at Our Lady of Guadalupe, 630 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls.  
The mass will be followed by a fiesta from 3 to 5:30 p.m.  
Sister Boessen is the longtime director of La Posada Hispanica Ministries in Twin Falls, which aids Latino families with several social service programs.

— staff reports

**Brian W. Blandford**

CALDWELL — Sgt. Brian W. Blandford, 39, of Caldwell and formerly of Glenns Ferry, died Sunday, July 27, 2008, due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident. The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 1, at the Caldwell First Baptist Church, 221 E. Linden in Caldwell with Chaplain (Maj.) Rob Morris, JPHO Chaplain for Idaho Army National Guard, officiating. Brian's family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 31, at the Dukan Funeral Chapel in Caldwell. Friends may send condolences to Brian's family at [www.dakanfuneralchapel.com](http://www.dakanfuneralchapel.com).



Brian was born Jan. 22, 1969, at Halley. He moved with his family to Glenns Ferry, Calif., where he was raised and educated. Brian had two passions in life — his family and his music. He adored his family and loved spending time with them. Together they enjoyed fishing, camping and practical jokes.

**Vernon Leroy Parkin**

VERNAL, Utah — "Beloved Patriarch" Vernon Leroy Parkin, 92, died Sunday, July 29, 2008, at the Uintah Care Center in Vernal, Utah.



Vern was born Aug. 17, 1915, in Salt Lake City, Utah, to Earl and Orabelle (Turner) Parkin. He had two brothers, Marlon Parkin and Robert "Bud" Parkin; and one sister, Iris Motzkus Trost. All have preceded him in death. In 1938, he married Velma Campbell in Salt Lake City LDS Temple and, together, they had three children. Their first child, Kenneth Reed, died shortly after his birth. Vern worked hard at LDS Church and served as ward clerk. In 1981, he suffered a massive stroke, which left him severely handi-

Brian's passion for music touched everyone who knew him. He played many instruments and was a member of the Idaho National Guard 25th Army Band for 10 years. Brian was a loving, caring father and grandfather. Brian is survived by his wife of 18 years, Gina; sons, Tristram, 15, They Kevin Bailey, 20, Drew Blandford, 19, and Beau Blandford, 16; his brother, Deann (Art) Mell; his father, Steve Blandford; brothers, Chris (Katrina) Blandford, Clayton Blandford and Adam (Edith) Mell; aunts and uncles, Jeanne Blandford and Kathy and Doug Blandford; grandmother, Velda Blandford; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. Brian was preceded in death by his grandfather, Carl Blandford; and mother-in-law, Virginia Jones.

In lieu of flowers, a benevolent account for funeral services has been set up. Contributions may be made at any Washington Mutual Bank branch.

*Brian, we all love you and will greatly miss you. You will always be in my heart. Bri, Your loving wife, Gina.*

capped, after which his wife, Velma lovingly cared for him until her death in 1998. Vern died in death by his grandfather, Carl, and son-in-law, Al. His last three years he lived at the Uintah Care Center in Vernal. Vern was a talented, witty and giving person full of great faith and joy to the end. His example of good attitude in the face of adversity was seen by everyone who met him.

Vern is survived by his children, Leonard L. (Cheryl) Parkin of West Valley City, Utah, and Carol (Albert) Bouous of Vernal, Utah; 13 grandchildren (one deceased); and 44 great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 2, at Jenkins-Softo Mortuary, 4760 S. State St., where friends and family may attend the viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 1, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. prior to service Saturday. Interment will be at Westwood Lawn Memorial Park. Online condolences may be shared with the family at [www.jenkins-softo.com](http://www.jenkins-softo.com).

**Jo Ann Meredith**

Jo Ann Meredith, 71, of Reno, Nev., passed away Thursday, July 24, 2008, in Reno, Nev.

Jo Ann was born Feb. 14, 1937, in Kearney, Neb., to Joe and Grace Novak. They moved from Miller, Neb., to Reno in 1940. Jo Ann graduated from Bull High School and worked at the Farmer's National Bank. Jo Ann and Donald Meredith were married in Bull on Jan. 25, 1959. They had 50 years of a very happy marriage.

Jo Ann touched the lives of many people in Bull and Reno, plus Wisconsin and Lovelock, Nev. Jo Ann had a beautiful voice and loved singing gospel songs. She spent many hours in prayer for her family and

many friends.

Jo Ann is survived by her husband, Don; three sons, Tim (Sue) of Sparks, Nev., Steve (Tina) of Las Vegas, Nev., and Alan (Jenny) of Reno, Nev.; two daughters, Pam Knott (Tim) of Lincoln, Neb., and Joleen (Chris) Morrow of Roseville, Calif.; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. She is also survived by four brothers, Lyle (Phyllis) Novak of Twin Falls, Norman Novak of Fresno, Calif., Larry Novak of Twin Falls and Ronnie (Joy) Novak of Grants Pass, Ore.; and one sister, Marilyn, Ashford of Boise.

The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1175 Goldway in Sparks, Nev. In lieu of flowers, please send any contributions to St. Mary's Hospice, 520 W. Sixth St., Reno, NV 89503.

**Johnnie Earl Owens**

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Johnnie Earl Owens, 70, formerly of Burley, died Sunday, July 27, 2008, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

He was born Nov. 19, 1937, in Wilson, N.C., the son of Edgar D. and Lydia Estelle Owens.

He is survived by one sister, Jean Mallory of Rupert; three brothers, Marvin Ray Owens of Heyburn, and Art Lee Owens of Burley and

Edgar Dee Owens of Washington State; one daughter, Becki Sperry of Cannon Beach, Ore.; and one son, Paul Owens of Walla Walla, Wash. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Alta Ann Howell.

A memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 2, at the Western Club, 200 N. 10th St., Western, Oklahoma City, Okla.

**Myra L. Shy Suchan**

RUPERT — Myra L. Shy Suchan, 102, formerly of Rupert, died Monday, July 28, 2008, at Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls from complications of old age.



Myra was born April 20, 1906, in Minden, Neb., the second child of Franklin E. Shy and Edna E. Moore Shy. As a young girl, Myra lived with her parents to Oakley and then to the farm and home they built on the new Mitidoka Irrigation Project between Paul and Rupert. She attended Pioneer School and graduated from Rupert High School in 1924. She attended the University of Idaho at Moscow for three years. She found a teaching job at the Cole Hill School in Joy, Mont., in the fall of 1927. She resided at a boarding house, where she met a young man also staying there, George B. Suchan and Myra were engaged that Christmas and married June 4, 1928, at Lewistown, Montana. After their marriage they moved to a trapezoid farm across the road from her parents in Rupert, where

they remained for the rest of their life. It was here that they raised their family of three boys, George A., Donald and Frank.

Myra enjoyed gardening and raised a huge vegetable garden and canned much produce. She cooked for threshing, haying and field crews whenever she needed and helped out with all aspects of farm life. Myra was a lifelong member of the Rupert First Christian Church and served in many capacities. Church was a mainstay in her life.

Myra is survived by one son, Frank (Joyce) Suchan of Paul; daughters-in-law, Donna (Don) Suchan of Burley and Sue (George A.) Suchan of Boise; 13 grandchildren; and 35 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, George B. Suchan; sons, George A. and Donald; brothers, Wesley Shy and Wendel Shy; and sisters, Marion Shy and Madeline Shy.

At her request, no funeral will be held. A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 31, at Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel, 710 S. St. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Rupert Cemetery.

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Charles R. Vecera**

Charles Rudy Vecera, 90, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, July 30, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Bull.

**Robert J. Conner Jr.**

BUJH. — Robert Jean Conner Jr., 64, of Bull and formerly of Bourneville, Ore., died Tuesday, July 29, 2008, at his home.

A memorial service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 2, at the Hovebe-Furner Funeral Chapel, 629 Third Ave. E. in Jerome.

**Donald P. Morehouse**

PROVO, Utah — Donald Packard Morehouse, 60, of Provo, Utah, died Saturday, July 26, 2008, in Burley while participating in a triathlon. The funeral will be held at

11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 2, at the Provo LDS East Stake Center, 115 S. 900 S. in Provo, Utah; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 1, at Berg Mortuary, 185 E. Center St. in Provo, Utah, and one hour before the service Saturday at the church (local arrangements by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley).

**Ben Wolfe**

EMMETT — Ben Wolfe, 75, of Emmett and formerly of Gooding, died Tuesday, July 29, 2008, in an Emmett care center.

Arrangements will be announced by Potter Funeral Chapel in Emmett.

**Eugene F. Huckfeldt**

Eugene F. Huckfeldt, 85, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, July 30, 2008, at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Parkes Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

**Contestants sought for Miss Chiquitita contest**

**Deadline is Friday**

**Staff report**

Young Latino girls are invited to show their talents at the fifth annual Miss Chiquitita 2008 pageant.

The pageant is part of the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta, a cultural celebration set for 10 a.m. Aug. 9 at the Twin Falls City Park.

The Miss Chiquitita competition is for girls ages 5 to 10 of Latino descent. The pageant will be held at noon Aug. 9 at the park. The girls' parents/guardian are required to complete a registration form and must attend an orientation meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Aug. 7 at the Twin Falls City Park. Registration is free and the deadline to apply is Friday.

The girls will be judged in stage presence, originality and personality. The contestants also will be required to perform a

talent not to exceed three minutes. The girls do not need to be bilingual.

Contestants do not need to buy or wear a formal dress for this event, organizers say. They will model in front of the judges with the same outfit in which they will perform and there will be no time to change.

The winners will be announced the same day of the event and they may need to return to the fiesta on Sunday. First-place or reina (queen) for ages 9 to 10 will receive a \$100 cash. Second-place princess (princess) for ages 7 to 8 will receive a \$75 cash prize. Third-place duquesa (duchess) for ages 5 to 6 will receive \$50 cash prize. All three winners will receive a crown and sash.

All of the contestants will receive a certificate of participation and the same day of the event they may need more information about the contest, call Carmen Macias at 208-734-7024, ext. 1602.

**Council**

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Meanwhile, the change in the board organization could mean more funding for the 35-year-old corporation.

The Community Council operates on grants, mostly federal, and some grants require a tripartite board, Morin said.

Under the tripartite arrangement, there will be 14 board members. One third will represent the public sector, such as elected officials or their representatives, or state or federal agency employees. Another third should represent low-income people, such as current or former parents of migrant and seasonal farm workers. The third should come from the private sector. Preference will be given to those with expertise in education and housing, accounting, the law, medical field, and employment and training.

One board member will be nominated from its Head Start policy council. Another board spot will be held by the Community Council president.

The Community Council is now in the process of taking applications for the new board, including from members of the previous board. Applications are due today, and will be reviewed Aug. 9 by a nominating committee, made up of board members. New board members will have to go through criminal background checks because they will be encouraged to volunteer at programs.

The changes have met some opposition. Morin said, but she thinks it will be good for the Community Council, with which she is very familiar.

She attended migrant Head Start and received assistance to attend college. She also worked there for more than 10 years, serving previously as finance director.

"It will help the organization and is a better process for recruiting members, showing complex serving more than 2400 families include El Milagro and Colonia de Esperanza in Twin Falls and Prolecto Coleres in Heyburn.

**About the Community Council of Idaho**

With a budget of about \$12 million, the Community Council of Idaho has five field offices, including in Twin Falls and Burley, with its main office in Caldwell.

Migrant Seasonal Head Start is one of its biggest programs, serving about 800 children with 13 centers including in Twin Falls, Burley and Mountain Home. Seven housing complexes serving more than 2400 families include El Milagro and Colonia de Esperanza in Twin Falls and Prolecto Coleres in Heyburn.

"I support them. That is my stand on it," said Jesus Torrez of Burley, board vice president. "My main concern is for the well being of the programs that we have and we want to continue and do whatever we need to get the funding for the programs that we have."

"As a trustee I support it 100 percent," said Santos Garcia of Rupert. "I think it's a good direction for the council to go to. And it will open more doors for funding. I'm all for advancement."

Garcia intends to apply for a place on the new board.

"I've been a member for seven years," he said. "I'd like to see it grow."

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McLain said the foundation expects to close on the building August 15th and begin the remodel immediately after.

"Everything is lined up and ready to go," he said. "We want to thank those that have the vision to put this thing into this thing."

In addition to the book sale, the library will hold a

drawing with prizes donated by local businesses.

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# Treasure Valley air pollution exceeds threshold

BOISE (AP) — Residents in southwest Idaho may face federal regulations aimed at controlling pollution after levels of ozone last week surpassed limits set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, state officials said.

Ozone, a key ingredient in the smog that can cause heart and asthma attacks, on Friday climbed above 78 parts per billion, exceeding the federal standard of 75 parts per billion.

That almost certainly means the highly populated Ada and Canyon counties won't be able to stay below 65 parts per billion often enough this year to lower the three-year average to meet federal regulations.

"My constituents are not interested in having the federal government come in and tell us what to do," state Sen. Transportation Committee Chairman John Meyer, R-Galveston, told the Idaho Statesman. "I'm hopeful that actions taken by the Department of Environmental Quality will get us pointed in the right direction."

The department in April started a voluntary program asking area residents, among other things, to drive less and not mow their lawns as often, especially during hot spells.

But those efforts on Friday failed to meet new standards set in March by the Environmental Protection Agency that reduced the maximum acceptable amount of ozone to 75 parts per billion.

Most health experts say the lower standard is needed to significantly reduce heart and asthma attacks from breathing smoggy air.

Despite falling on Friday, the region is doing better than in past years in reducing pollution.

"Last year, we would have violated this in May," said Leonard Herr, air quality regional manager for the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

But he noted that levels of ozone, created when nitrogen oxides mix with volatile organic chemicals in heat and sunlight, are usually the worst in August.

Friday's violation begins a two-year process to formally revise the state's "non-attainment." Following that, state and local officials have three years to submit a plan to bring the region to within federal health standards.

"The region would have 20 years to comply," Toni Hardesty, DEQ administrator, said she hoped the state could get ozone levels down enough to avoid nonattainment status.

Some regulations that could be put in place to help meet the federal regulations include requiring gas stations to capture vapors in underground tanks.

The Idaho Legislature earlier this year approved vehicle emissions testing for Ada and Canyon counties, but that won't start until 2010.

# Road to Yosemite reopens as fire crews gain ground

By Garance Burke  
Associated Press writer

PRESNO, Calif. — The main western highway into Yosemite National Park reopened Wednesday after firefighters kept flames from leaping across a steep river canyon and drawing perilously near the park.

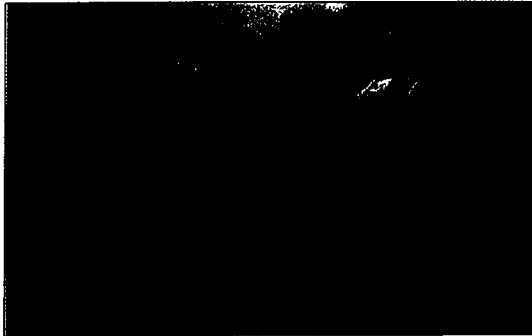
The blaze is now 40 percent contained and has charred about 50 square miles of dry brush and oak woodlands. It's reduced 21 homes to ash in two gateway communities outside the park.

Earlier this week, the blaze shut down a 10-mile stretch of Highway 140, where fire raged to tufts of dry grass on the canyon side, spilling into gray smoke that spilled into Yosemite, obscuring its vertical vistas.

"The good news is the highway is now open, but we're still suggesting people use other routes if they're going to the park so fire crews have space to work," said David A. Christy, a spokesman for the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. "At least the fires pretty well contained within the existing perimeter now."

On Wednesday, police allowed visitors to enter the park along the Merced River canyon passage, only if accompanied by an escort.

"The road is open, but the helicopters that is the helicopters that are dipping down into the river carrying water," said California Highway Patrol Sgt. Joseph Adkins. "People stop to take pictures of this, especially foreign tourists, because it's exciting and fascinating, but we need to keep those people going."



Orange County firefighters Tyler Johnson, left and Mike Reinhold look at fires burning across the Briceburg mountains along the Merced River Sunday in Briceburg, Calif.

Hundreds of evacuees from the towns of Midwives and Coulterville have holed up with friends, relatives and at crowded motels since the fire was sparked Friday by a target shooter.

The fire has forced dozens of park employees to evacuate their homes, and has left one of California's most popular destinations shrouded in smoke at the height of Yosemite's busiest season.

David Oppenheim, a long-time backcountry guide in Yosemite, has been staying at the Super 8 since he and his wife fled their Mariposa home Saturday with their dog, two horses, three llamas and five cats.

They found a spot for some of the animals at a Mariposa SPCA. But the shelter itself was threatened by fire Monday, so they and

other volunteers helped evacuate the animals there to nearby Ponderosa Basin.

"I'm just hoping to go back to my life at this point," said a weary Oppenheim. "But when they do let us back in to our house, we're not even sure we'll have water because we're so remote all the wells run on electricity. We have no idea what we'll do with the animals if we don't even have water."

The western gate and all other entrances to Yosemite remained open, and most travelers appeared unfazed by the ashy haze.

Officials with DNC Parks and Resorts at Yosemite, which manages restaurants and lodging in the park, said only about 4 percent of all overnight guests have asked for refunds since Saturday, when the transmission line

that fed power to Yosemite was destroyed in the fire.

Since then, most hotels, stores and restaurants in the park have been operating on generators.

"We're not waiting for power to be restored, we're doing everything in our power to get our guest services back up to speed," said Kenny Kraus, a spokesman for the concessionaire. "We may not have electricity for the lights but now some people can take hot showers."

In all, more than 2,000 blazes have scorched about

1,700 square miles around California — mostly on national forest land — this year.

In south-central Montana, meanwhile, authorities asked employees of a ski resort to evacuate as a nearly 12-square-mile fire approached.

The fast-growing blaze pushed by 30 mph winds skirted a line of flame retardant intended to shield the ski area outside the resort town of Red Lodge. The fire pushed down the canyon to within about a mile and a half of the top of the ski hill, said Jeff Gildehaus with the Custer National Forest.

"They pointed that ridge pretty hard (with fire retardant). It looks like it got around the bottom of the retardant line," Gildehaus said.

Fire information officials said employees of Red Lodge Mountain Resort had been told to leave the mountain. But a ski area employee said some resort staff were still on scene at about 4:30 p.m.

"We're still here," said the resort's Eliza Kuntz. "We're here with a bunch of guys and we're getting our visitor turned on. We're just starting to spray our buildings down. We've got people turning snow guns on and then we're going to get them done."

Artificial snow-making guns have been used for the past several days to wet down the resort's lodges and ski lift shafts.

# Wolf hunt season on hold in N. Rockies

By Bob Moen  
Associated Press writer

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Wyoming, Montana and Idaho have put on hold their plans to establish wolf hunting seasons this fall as a result of a federal judge's decision to restore endangered species protections for the animal.

The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission was scheduled to consider the state's regulations governing a gray wolf hunting season on Friday.

"At this point in time we will probably put it aside for now," commission President Jerry Galles said. "When things become more clear, and we have a better path to work from, then we'll take a look at those rules and regulations at that time."

U.S. District Judge Donald Molloy, of Missoula, Mont., issued a preliminary injunction earlier this month restoring endangered species protections for gray wolves in the Northern Rockies. Environmentalists sought the injunction as part of a lawsuit against the

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service over the agency's decision to remove the wolves from the endangered species list in March.

Montana had set hunting season dates and was close to approving its wolf hunting rules, including quotas, after completing a series of public hearings on July 18.

"Until we know that the wolf is removed, we won't be pursuing a hunting season," Tom Palmer, spokesman for the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Department, said Wednesday.

Idaho approved its rules back in May but had not yet issued any wolf hunting licenses, said Ed Mitchell, spokesman for the Idaho Fish and Game Department.

"So we are at a standstill, and on hold and not doing anything on wolf hunting until we resolve the court case," Mitchell said.

While it would only take a few days for Idaho to revive a wolf hunting season, Mitchell said, "We're not anticipating being able to do it this year."

Environmentalists contend wolf numbers would

plummet if hunting were allowed. The states have committed to keeping wolf numbers at levels that game managers said would not endanger the predator's existence.

An estimated 2,000 wolves now roam the three states after a decade long restoration effort, according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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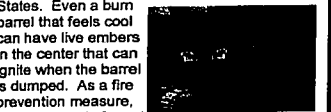
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# McCain camp: Stevens' woes linked to 'pork'

### Unlike Craig case, no senators have called for Stevens to quit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Presumptive GOP nominee John McCain distanced himself from Sen. Ted Stevens Wednesday, a day after his longtime friend was indicted on charges of lying about more than \$250,000 in gifts he got from an oil services company.

Through a spokesman, McCain suggested Stevens' legal troubles have resulted from his practice of earmarking pet projects to his state and his constituents. The two have fought bitterly for years over the practice.

"This is a sad reminder that the next president will have his work cut out for him in rebuilding public trust by ending once and for all pork barrel spending and reforming Washington from top to bottom," said McCain campaign spokesman Nicole Wallace.

In a seven-count indictment handed out Tuesday, federal prosecutors said Veco Corp., which gave Stevens about \$250,000 worth of home improvements, has simultaneously asked him for numerous federal grants and contracts benefiting the company, its subsidiaries and business partners.

While some colleagues greeted the Alaska lawmaker with warm embraces, several Republicans distanced themselves from him Wednesday as he returned to work in the Senate.



Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, is surrounded by reporters as he leaves a committee meeting on Capitol Hill in Washington, Wednesday. Stevens was indicted Tuesday on charges that he lied about gifts from an oil company on a Senate disclosure form.

set of floor votes, Blanche Lincoln, D-Ark., gave Stevens a warm hug.

But on the eve of his arraignment in federal court on felony charges of falsifying financial disclosure forms to hide gifts from Veco and his top executive, a half-dozen GOP colleagues of Stevens gave campaign contributions from him to charity.

Senate GOP Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky kept his distance to himself for another day, as other Republicans also declined to comment on whether they support Stevens' decision to remain in office, much less seek a full seventh term.

About the only encouragement many Republicans would offer is that Stevens is presumed innocent until proven otherwise.

"I'm not going to talk about Sen. Stevens, OK," said Mel Martinez, R-Fla.

"He's innocent until proven

guilty," said Sam Brownback, R-Kan.

And Sen. John Ensign of Nevada, chairman of the campaign committee for Senate Republicans, declined to restate his endorsement of Stevens, running for re-election to a seventh full Senate term, in a six-day Aug. 26 GOP primary.

"There's an electoral process in place and a legal process in place, and we will let the process play out," Ensign said.

The responses seemed to suggest that Senate Republicans are flummoxed over what to do about Stevens, whose legal troubles could very well cost the party a long-held seat.

Unlike the harsh greeting afforded Idaho Republican Larry Craig last summer after he pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor related to soliciting sex in an airport bathroom, none of Stevens' GOP colleagues have demanded his

resignation. In Craig's case, McCain, Ensign and a raft of others demanded his resignation. Craig refused, and is serving out the last few months of his term.

Republicans such as Norm Coleman of Minnesota said the difference in Stevens' case is that he maintains his innocence.

Stevens, however, has only said he is innocent of "knowingly" submitting a false disclosure form since his indictment, he has not addressed the underlying accusation of accepting gifts from Veco and Bill Altam, the company's former top executive.

Still, at least six Republicans are up for re-election shed contributions from Stevens and his political action committee. They included: John Cornyn, R-Texas; John Sununu, R-N.H.; Gordon Smith, R-Ore.; Susan Collins, R-Maine; Elizabeth Dole, R-N.C.; and Pat Roberts, R-Kan.

# House bans lead from toys, other kids' goods

WASHINGTON (AP) — Alarmed by a year of recalls targeting millions of tainted toys, the House voted overwhelmingly Wednesday to ban lead and other dangerous chemicals from items such as jewelry and rubber ducks that could end up in kids' mouths.

The legislation also would toughen rules for testing children's products and take steps to give more muscle to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, which was criticized last year for its feeble handling of a flood of goods from China deemed hazardous to children.

"It should be a given that toys are not dangerous," House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said in welcoming legislation that was lauded by lawmakers and consumer groups as one of the most far-reaching product safety bills in decades.

With the bill, said Rep. Joe Barton of Texas, top Republican on the Energy and Commerce Committee, "our children's toys will be tested in the laboratory before they are tested by our children on the living rooms of America."

The bill, a product of House-Senate negotiations, would impose the toughest lead standards in the world, banning lead beyond trace amounts in products for children 12 or younger.

It would also ban children's products — either permanently or pending further study — containing six types of phthalates, which are chemicals that are found in plastics and suspected of posing health risks.

The 424-1 vote sends the measure to the Senate, which could approve it before Congress leaves for its August recess at the end of this week. The White House has voiced opposition to parts of the legislation, but has not threatened a veto.

The bill would require third-party testing for many children's products before they are marketed, a key change in monitoring practices following a year in which 45 million toys and children's products — 30 million from China — were recalled.

Those included lead-contaminated children's jewelry, "Spider-Man 3" flashing rings and Halloween pails.

"Third-party testing is a centerpiece of the new law," said Ed Mierzwinski, consumer program director of U.S. PIRG, a grass-roots environmental organization.

The bill would double the budget of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, to \$136 million by 2014, and create a new authority to monitor testing procedures and impose civil penalties on violators. The CPSC was founded in 1973 with a staff of about 80. It now employs about half that number, while imports have vastly increased.

It also would boost whistleblower protections to encourage people to report hazards to the CPSC and would direct the agency to set up a database where consumers, government agencies, and health care providers or doctors could report incidents of injury, illness, death or risk related to products.

One of the more controversial provisions is the ban on six types of phthalates, the chemicals used in a wide range of plastic products. They are used to make toys such as rubber ducks and bath books soft and flexible.

Tests on rats have found links to possible reproductive system problems for males and the onset of early puberty for females, and the European Union has banned the six.

The Breast Cancer Fund noted that when children put these toys in their mouths, phthalates can easily leach from top to child.

Ami Gudhia of Consumers Union said infants are also exposed to phthalates through leathers and health care products.

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# Gooding jail security isn't just about bricks and mortar

**G**ooding, Lincoln and Camas counties seem poised to do what more south-central Idaho communities should have been doing for years: Cooperate on a major public works project.

Soon Gooding County commissioners will vote on whether to enter into an agreement for a new 340-bed jail. Lincoln and Camas counties would rent space for their prisoners.

A non-profit company would buy the lockup through a private bond and lease it to Gooding County.

Question is, who's going to be watching the prisoners?

The succession of security lapses at the current Gooding County jail over the past year have been Keystone Cops-like: three escapes, one jail employee assaulting another, with whom she was romantically involved, and two instances of alleged illicit sex between inmates and visitors with the complexity of a jailer.

This has to stop, and the county commissioners shouldn't approve a new jail until it does.

The economic viability of the new big hinges on the Idaho Department of Correction, which has agreed to lease 250 beds for its overflow prisoner population. The jail would be staffed by about 45 Gooding County Sheriff's Office employees.

If DOC balks out on the project because of security concerns, the county's taxpayers could be on the hook for serious money.

Sheriff Shaun Gough and Commissioner Tom Faulker contend that a starting wage that is \$6,000 more than they now pay should help the county attract more experienced and professional staffers. And April Lee, general manager of a firm hired by the county to assess needs and costs of building the new jail, says the facility would benefit from additional oversight from the state that owns it. Maybe. But before Gough is given the keys to a larger, more sophisticated hoosegow, his department has to prove it can run the one it has, as well as the one it should have.

**Our view:**  
A regional jail in Gooding County is a great idea — if the Gooding County Sheriff's Office can fix security at the current jail. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

# Don't underestimate Iran's loony leaders

**"I**warn you to abandon the filthy Zionist entity which has reached the end of the line." That, from earlier this year, was but one of Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's hysterical verbal assaults on a fellow member of the United Nations.

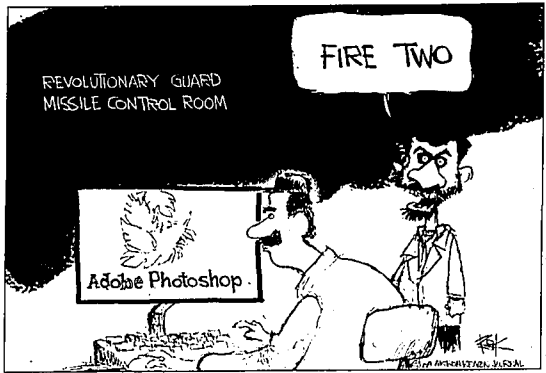


MONA CHAREN

If there is a regime anywhere on the globe whose leader regularly and volubly looks forward to the "destruction" of another nation, I'm not familiar with it. (Ahmadinejad actually anticipates the annihilation of nine nations, since he has also spoken of a world without the United States.)

In the past several days, Iran has punctuated its threats against Israel and others with a display of missile might, firing intermediate-range ballistic missiles that can reach the entire Middle East and parts of Europe.

In May, the International Atomic Energy Agency issued a nine-page report detailing suspicions about Iran's nuclear program. Accusing the Iranian government of a willful lack of cooperation with international inspectors, the report alleges that the Iranian military has had a major role in Iran's supposedly domestic and peaceful nuclear energy program.



Actually, aside from the one-on-one meeting with Ahmadinejad, President Bush's policy toward Iran has not differed much from the one advanced by Barack Obama. In concert with Britain, France, China, Russia, and Germany, we've offered lots and lots of carrots in the form of light water nuclear reactors, commercial aircraft, direct negotiations, and other goodies. If Iran would agree to suspend enriching uranium, this offer was first floated in 2004. It was rejected. In 2006, a slightly altered package was offered. It, too, was rejected. And just last week, the Iranian regime reiterated that it would not cease enriching uranium no matter what incentives were dangled by the international community. Could it be that they want the weapons, not world approbation?

Incentives and sweeteners were offered, and Iran has, correctly in my judgment, sized up the military threat it faces. In a recent

interview with the Associated Press, Iranian foreign minister Manouchehr Mottaki said that he does not believe Israel or the United States will attack Iran's nuclear sites. The U.S., he explained, is bogged down in Afghanistan and Iraq, and is suffering a declining economy. "We do not foresee such a possibility at the exchange," Nor, Mottaki claims, does his government worry about an attack by Israel, whose government is weak.

And yet, if Iran were to threaten Israel with a nuclear strike, the results might not be as tolerable for Iran as former Iranian president Ali Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani predicted a few years ago. Iran should use its nuclear weapons (when it gets them) against Israel, he said, because one bomb would utterly destroy Israel whereas a counterattack would do "damages only" to Iran.

any country would be a catastrophe — particularly for one so small as Israel. But Israel is believed to possess nuclear weapons of much greater power and yield than any weapon Iran is likely to get in the near future. Cordesman estimates that Iran would launch a 100-kiloton bomb, which can inflict third-degree burns at a distance of eight miles. But Israel would use 1-megaton bombs that inflict such burns at 24 miles. Israel's arsenal is also large, estimated to be in the neighborhood of 200 warheads, with multiple delivery methods including cruise missiles launched from submarines. If forced into a nuclear war (God forbid), Israel would probably aim for Tehran, a city of about 15 million situated, Cordesman says, "in a topographical basin with mountain reflectors. Nearly ideal nuclear killing ground."

The great unknown is this: How crazy is the Iranian regime?

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"Cheap, unhealthy food and lack of access to healthy food is a recipe for obesity. Diets improve when healthy food establishments enter these neighborhoods."

— Kelly D. Brownell, director of Yale University's Rudd Center for Food Policy and Obesity, saying people will change eating habits when different foods are offered in poorer neighborhoods

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Editorial on Mormons was right on the money

Regarding your editorial in the July 22 *Times-News*, I would like to make the following comments:  
First, freedom of religion is our right in the U.S.A. Second, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is a Christian church. Its name justifies this as Christ's church. Third, the church has a president and 12 apostles as Christ's church had.  
Your comments in the editorial were right on the money. Congratulations for making this stand to the people of the Magic Valley.  
ALLEN BASTOW  
Twin Falls

#### Questioning of beliefs may be a blessing in disguise

After reading the editor's note at the end of Pastor Greg Fadness' letter on July 27, I felt compelled to respond. The editorial on July 22 did, indeed, state "Picketing and leafleting at the temple falls each of these standards." In the last line (as re-printed from the *Times-News* Web site), the

members from Lighthouse are referred to as protesters. This could easily be interpreted as "opposing its existence."

I feel that Pastor Greg did a good job of explaining the motives behind the presence of the new temple. Many people may not appreciate having their beliefs and motives questioned, but in my opinion, it should be embraced. If one is secure in their religion, the opportunity to examine its beliefs and motives more deeply should be counted as a blessing.  
SHERRY HUTTON  
Twin Falls

#### Why do people make offers they won't keep?

I recently became a double-leg amputee due to complications of diabetes. A friend of mine had offered to sell me his Ford conversion van so I could have usable transportation as I now have none. I'm on SSI Disability and receive a small check monthly. Then I offered him a small down followed by small monthly payments. Then I noticed he seemed to be getting cold feet so I

approached an even better friend of 40 years and he offered to loan the money to not only purchase the van but also the purchase price of the conversion dash controls, then I could make monthly payments to him, but now won't return my calls or messages.

Living and growing up here since 1958, I used to be that a man's word was a bond, the same as a handshake or a contract. Why do people make hollow offers when they have no intentions of honoring them?

However, last Sunday I had slipped into a diabetic coma with an 800 blood sugar, being near death one day before my 55th birthday, but my deepest love and appreciation goes to my best friend, Michael McCall. He came by to check on me knowing of my previous medical history as a diabetic brittle. He rescued me from the jaws of death! He should be praised as well as my personal physician, Dr. Brian Fortuin, the entire staff of the hospital and Jesus Christ almighty! As far as the other two friends, they should learn from this story as well as

should be deeply ashamed for making promises they didn't keep.  
STEVE MCKNIGHT  
Twin Falls

#### New residents leave porch light burning for 'Stumpy'

We recently moved into Twin after having lived in the country for more than 37 years. We like our new neighborhood on a dead-end street. We were warmly welcomed by our new neighbors, Dale and Jackie Kemp and Ann Seppi. We were not so warmly welcomed to town by a thief who brazenly stole from our well-lit porch our hand-carved, wooden bear, "Stumpy." He was given to me by my husband for my birthday several years ago. If one of your readers happens to have a new addition to your household — a bear crawling out of a log stump — or if you know someone who does, we would appreciate having Stumpy returned to his home. We'll be sure to leave the light on. Remember, "Thou shalt not steal."  
CAROL BEARUP  
Twin Falls

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By Bruce Tinsley

# Lawmakers offer some real housing help to low-income Americans

If you were to ask Democrats Barney Frank and Chris Dodd — the principal architects of the massive housing bill signed Wednesday by President Bush — which of its many features pleases them most, the answer would surprise you.

It's not the bailout of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, the embattled mortgage giants, or the aid the bill provides for thousands of homeowners struggling to afford their subprime loans in a faltering real estate market.

Instead, it is the section creating the National Housing Trust Fund, a creative way of meeting the chronic shortage of affordable low-income rental apartments — a huge problem in cities and rural areas across the country.

Connecticut, told me, "That is the part that will have the greatest long-term impact." Frank, the Massachusetts representative, said in a separate interview, "That's what I'm most proud of."

Their views are echoed by two other legislators without whom this legislation would never have made it to the White House. Democratic Sen. Jack Reed brought his passion for affordable housing with him from Rhode Island and never gave up on press-bus cause. And Richard Shelby of Alabama, the former chairman and now ranking Republican on the relevant Senate committee, gave me the bipartisan backing it needed.

Even with Shelby's help, Dodd notes, the bill had to survive several cloture votes and the threat of a presiden-



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tial veto, later withdrawn by Bush.

The lobbying campaign that supported this effort began in 2001 and involved hundreds of local governments and social service agencies. Sheila Crowley, president of the National Low Income Housing Coalition — the person who coordinated the campaign — kept hammering home the basic numbers: 9 million extremely low-income households in the U.S., and only 6.2 million units of affordable rental housing.

The bill addresses that imbalance by creating a new program within the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. The National Housing Trust Fund does not depend on annual appropriations by Congress, which might never arrive, given the size of the federal budget deficits, the costs of two wars and runaway health care programs.

Instead, it taps a portion of the profits that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac make on their mortgage loans, estimated to yield at least \$300 million a year and perhaps as much as \$700 million.

Fannie and Freddie have had a rough time in the current housing slump, but all the sponsors of this legislation told me they are confident the two big lenders will survive. In one of the com-

promises that cleared the way for passage of the housing bill, next year the profits of Fannie and Freddie will be held in reserve to offset any losses the government incurs in helping seriously strapped mortgage-holders. So it will be 2010 before the trust fund starts being funded.

As the money comes in, the legislation provides that the trust fund will distribute it each year to the states, using a formula that measures the seriousness of their low-income housing needs. At least 90 percent of the funds must be used to construct or rehab rental units. All of the benefits are targeted for extremely low-income households.

For far too long, the federal government has been shirking its responsibilities to help the neediest Americans meet

their basic housing needs. Food stamps have been increased repeatedly to combat hunger, in part because the farm lobby values the additional markets for its products.

But Crowley says this bill is "the first low-income housing production program passed by Congress since 1950 and the first that specifically serves extremely low income families since 1974."

The public has registered its disgust with the performance of this Congress, and I have been equally harsh in my judgment. It is a particular pleasure, therefore, to salute a rare action that shows both professional skill and conscience by the lawmakers.

Washington Post columnist David Broder can be reached at davidbroder@washpost.com

## OTHER VIEWS

### Here's what Idaho newspapers are saying about ...



#### ... our socko sockeye

Idaho Statesman, Boise

This summer, Idaho's most endangered species of salmon is also its most mysterious species. And its most inspiring species. Inspiring enough to make us dream of better days — and better policies that make recovery a reality. For one summer, at least, sockeye salmon are headed back to Idaho in startling numbers.

How startling? As of last week, 769 sockeye had passed Lower Granite Dam downstream from Lewiston, the final dam standing between sockeye and their Central Idaho spawning grounds.

In the 10 preceding years, a total of only 22 sockeye passed Lower Granite. At this point, the 2008 run exceeds the 10-year total by

23 percent ... Some may use the numbers ... to reach a simplistic and false assumption. They may conclude Lower Granite and its sister dams must not have too debilitating an effect on the sockeye. The reality is much more confusing, much less simple. And it isn't just that this year's numbers are out of whack with history. The numbers come without an explanation.

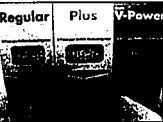
Salmon guard their secrets, so scientists aren't sure why the sockeye are returning to Idaho in such robust numbers ... (One) theory comes from the Fish Passage Center, a federal agency that tracks salmon trends for Indian tribes and other government agencies: High downstream flows in 2006 helped push more young sockeye to the Pacific. Improving this year's returns throughout the Snake and Columbia river basins.

This theory supports the case for breaching Lower Granite and the other three lower Snake dams. A free-flowing river will help young salmon reach the ocean. This turn will allow more adult salmon to complete their 900-mile, 6,500-foot climb back to the Stanley Basin.

The 2008 sockeye returns do not diminish the need for breaching ... The sockeye that return this summer will be collected for a captive

breeding program. This is life support, designed not to return the sockeye to the breathtaking prominence that gave itedfish Lake its name, but to keep this species alive by protecting its precious genetics.

The sockeye will not be recovered until their numbers allow them to spawn in pristine lakes, not in sterile hatcheries ...



#### ... raising the gas tax

Lewiston Tribune

... Roads and bridges are falling apart because of government neglect, the only way to end that neglect is to get more money from the people who use the roads and bridges, and the best way to get that money is by raising the gas tax.

No one wants to raise the tax, now 25 cents a gallon, at a time when fuel is selling for more than \$4 a gallon, but there is no one wanted to do it in past years either.

Idaho hasn't had a general gas tax increase for 12 years. It needs one now,

despite the fact it will be more painful now than anytime in those dozen years.

... Businesses need decent roads to move goods and equipment from one point to another, and when they can't do that, the state's economy suffers.

The Idaho Transportation Department says it needs an additional \$240 million to meet road maintenance needs.

In the coming months, we will hear proposals for alternatives to gas tax, including the hike in registration fees. Other recommended to legislators early this year.

Some increase in that annual fee, now set at \$24 to \$48, might be justified. Each additional \$10 brings in about \$12 million ... But a registration fee is a tax on car ownership, not on road use ... The gasoline tax collects more from those who drive farther, and less from those whose cars sit in the driveway most of the time.

Another option is diverting sales tax revenues from purchases of automotive products like tires and batteries to the road fund, not much of a source of real revenue there.

... the legislative proposal ... will probably be a combination of funding sources. If (it) is to produce \$240 million, though, the primary source should be the gas tax ...



#### ... sparing the rod

Idaho State Journal, Pocatello

As parents, we were more than a little concerned by the Madison School Board's decision to approve a new disciplinary policy last week that included the use of corporal punishment.

The disturbing part was that the approved corporal punishment is defined as striking or grabbing a student.

The school district said corporal punishment is strongly discouraged but that teachers may need to be able to grab students by the arm or to restrain them when they pose harm to themselves or others.

We understand the need for teachers to protect children, but corporal punishment infers the use of physical force as retribution for some misdeed. The disciplinary uses flogging as an example of corporal punishment. Restraining students doesn't constitute such retribution, and we don't see that such actions would be covered under a policy dealing with punishment.

More disturbing is that (district) has opened up the possibility of striking or grabbing children as a punitive measure. These acts of physical discipline don't teach and are most often an expression of a teacher's, or parent's, frustration that a teaching method ...

There are plenty of parents who choose not to strike their own children and who would be disturbed that the school district is allowing teachers to potentially take actions against ... they themselves wouldn't take ... this decision is opening up the ... district to potential lawsuits. We suggest (it) instead invest some time and money into training teachers to respond in a more positive manner.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Lots of double talk about downtown revitalization

It seems to me that there is a lot of "double talk" regarding the downtown revitalization project. Does this whole program "pass the smell test"? Why are we paying a Portland firm \$65,000 to plan this? Are the people of Twin Falls in need? Maybe we don't know what we want.

There have been comments regarding "conflicts of interest." Really? If I had advance notice of the four blocks that need revitalized, I might just invest some

money in that property and then later sell it to the city for a profit. I don't think that has occurred to anyone.

I do know one thing. It will cost \$40-plus million to complete so get out your checkbook as taxes will rise again.

One last thought. Why is it that people have to refer to transcripts to remember what they said? They must be getting their lessons from Washington, D.C.

The people of Twin Falls have a lot to think about. RON DABNEY Twin Falls

### Coverage of open house at temple was appreciated

I want to thank you for covering The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints temple open house like you have. I have talked to many others and they have mentioned the positive coverage. I also want to thank you for the editorial you published

recently titled "Without respect for faith, what do Idahoans have?" I think it covered a subject which needed to be said.

We need to give tolerance to all religions to practice their religion as guaranteed in the Bill of Rights. Thank you again. DONALD K. BLACKBURN Filer

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# Crane dismantling Texas bridge collapses; 1 dead

SMITHVILLE, Texas (AP) — A crane that was removing steel beams to dismantle an old river bridge became overloaded and toppled Wednesday, killing one worker and injuring another. The crane smashed into a steel basket where the two men were working, knocking one off and killing him, said Smithville police Lt. Lonny Richardson. The man fell about 60 feet from the top of the old bridge and landed on construction equipment.

Richardson said. The bridge is about 75 feet above the Colorado River in Smithville in central Texas. The workers were trying to loosen the joints of one beam, or girder, when another beam also became loose and caused the crane to topple, said Marcus Cooper, Texas Department of Transportation spokesman. The operator of the crane managed to get out of the way "when things started going bad" and wasn't

injured, Richardson said. The two men in the lift basket wore safety belts, and the injured worker remained tethered to the basket with his belt after the accident, he said. The condition of the injured worker at University Medical Center Brackneridge in Austin wasn't immediately available; Richardson said both men were in their 40s and from the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The crane tumbled from

what appeared to be a man-made gravel base and landed partly in the water. The bridge being dismantled has been replaced by a new bridge nearby. Capital Excavation of Austin, the primary contractor, didn't immediately return calls seeking comment Wednesday. The employees both worked for Stomper Demolition in Euless, but the company didn't own the crane, general manager Ray Tupper said.

A toppled mobile crane, its base lying on a man-made support in the Colorado River, is shown after an accident Wednesday in Smithville, Texas. Workers were trying to remove parts of the old bridge, shown in the foreground. Supports for the old bridge are shown on the left. AP

## Police: Body found in Ala. freezer was mother of 8

By Garry Mitchell  
Associated Press writer

MOBILE, Ala. — Police believe a body found in a small home freezer is his wife and a mother of eight, and arrested him on a murder charge as he preached at a south Alabama church.

Anthony Hopkins, 37, was being held in the Mobile County jail Wednesday awaiting a bond hearing and appointment of an attorney. Police said no one reported 36-year-old Arletta Hopkins missing, even though she hadn't been heard from in three years. The body was discovered covered in a freezer in a utility room during a police search of the home in Mobile after a relative of the preacher contacted police.

Mobile Police Chief Phillip Garrett said Hopkins was arrested on the night of a revival in Jackson, a town in rural Clarke County where he has roots. The pastor of Inspirational Tabernacle Church of God in Christ, Treveya Jackson, told reporters that Hopkins told her he was a single parent because his wife had died in childbirth.

Police awaited results of forensic tests to determine the cause of death, but Garrett said authorities believe it is Hopkins' wife. The freezer was moved to a forensic lab. Garrett said Anthony Hopkins, the father of six of the eight children, has been charged with rape and sodomy in a separate case involving the female relative and could face more charges related to another relative.

Mobile County District Attorney John Tyson Jr. said the children who lived with Hopkins — who ranged in age from 3 to 19 — have been taken into protective custody by the Department of Human Resources.

Garrett said the Hopkins children were home-schooled. He said Hopkins "kept to himself," and apparently moved from place to place. Neighbors called him "Bee" because he attended church so often, loading the children into a van.

Police said he preached at various churches and did not appear to be affiliated with a particular denomination.

At the church in Jackson, Hopkins was delivering a message about forgiveness that drew encouraging "amens" from the congregation.

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## Cyclones, Cowboys take aim at AA state tournament

By David Bashore  
Staff writer

One team was expected to reach these heights. The other was simply worried about how carrying two American Legion squads would affect its chances for success.

The Twin Falls Cowboys hosted the American Legion Baseball Class AA Area C tournament. With a little more consistency in the regular season, they might have been the No. 1 seed entering districts. They were expected to qualify comfortably for this weekend's Class AA state tournament in Pocatello.

### American Legion Baseball: 2008 Class AA state tournament

**At Bill Ingram Field, Hallowell Park, Pocatello**  
**Friday's games**  
Game 1: Twin Falls vs. Centennial, 10 a.m.  
Game 2: Boise vs. Lewiston-Clarkston, 1 p.m.  
Game 3: Jerome vs. Coeur d'Alene, 4 p.m.  
Game 4: Boise Capitals vs. Pocatello, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday's games**  
Game 5: Game 1 loser vs.

Game 2 loser, 10 a.m.  
Game 6: Game 3 loser vs. Game 4 loser, 1 p.m.  
Game 7: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 4 p.m.  
Game 8: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 7 p.m.  
**Sunday's games**  
Game 9: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 loser, 3 p.m.  
Game 10: Game 6 winner vs. Game 7 loser, 4 p.m.  
Game 11: Game 7 winner vs.

Game 8 winner, 7 p.m.  
**Monday's games**  
Game 12: Game 9 winner vs. Game 10 winner, noon  
Game 13: Game 12 winner vs. Game 11 loser, 4 p.m.  
**Tuesday's games**  
**Championship**  
Game 14: Game 11 winner vs. Game 13 winner, 1 p.m.  
Game 15: Game 14 winner vs. Game 14 loser, 4 p.m. (if necessary)

Twin Falls fell short in its bid to win the district championship, but the team

rebounded well to enter the tournament as Area C's No. 1 seed — Pocatello, the tourna-

ment champion, qualified for the state tournament as the host team.

"I was really pleased with the way the team reacted because after the loss (to Pocatello) on Saturday night their heads were hanging. We had played really well and we were just one hit away," said Twin Falls coach Tim Stadelmeier.

"Against Jerome (on Sunday) the energy was there and we played really well. I think spirits are high and we're looking forward to seeing what they can do at the state tournament."

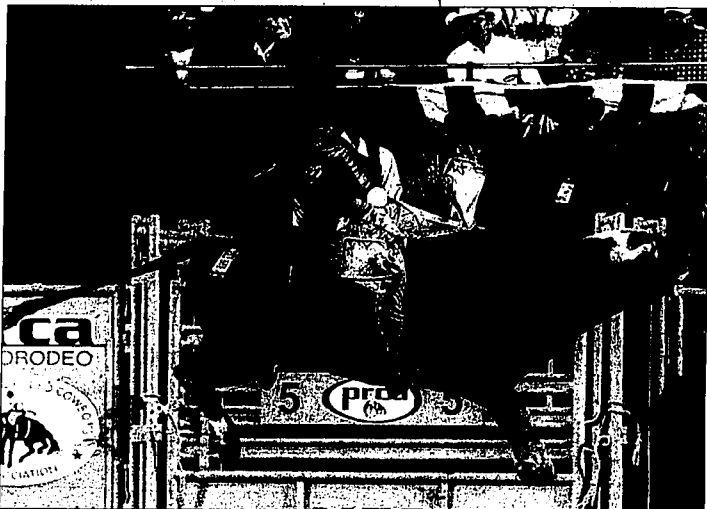
Jerome, the No. 2 seed from Area C, fielded both Class A and Class AA teams for the first time this season. Initially

the concern was that the Class AA program might not be able to succeed at the new level.

Not only did the AA Cyclones succeed, they thrived. But that success has left them thirsting for the ultimate prize.

"I don't feel like we've over-achieved either. I feel like we've done exactly what we wanted to do, improved a lot over the season and got a lot of kids some playing time," said Jerome coach Kenneth James. "I knew that when we got down to district playoff

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Cody Hancock of Taylor, Ariz., pictured competing at the National Rodeo Finals in Las Vegas, will be in Jerome this week for the Jerome County Fair's PRCA rodeo, which begins tonight.

## Makin' it gr-eight

PRCA cowboys ride into Jerome this week

Staff report

Some of the top professional rodeo cowboys in the country are in Jerome this week. The Jerome County Fair's PRCA rodeo kicks off tonight, and features 20 contestants who have competed at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas.

Among the big names is Kimberly cowboy Jose Young, who currently sits

### Jerome County Fair PRCA rodeo

Where: DePow Arena, Jerome County  
Fairgrounds  
When: 7:30 p.m., today through Saturday  
Note: The rodeo features 20 contestants with experience at the prestigious National Finals Rodeo.

eight in the pro rodeo bareback standings with \$661,549 in earnings this year. The bareback competition should be fierce as Jesse Davis of Payson, Utah, and Royce Ford of Briggsdale, Colo.,

will also be in Jerome. The two sit third and fourth, respectively, in the latest bareback standings.

Cody Hancock of Taylor, Ariz., is slated to take part in bull riding, an event in which he ranks 10th nationally. A 2000 world champion in bull riding, Hancock will look

to put on a show for rodeo fans.

The rodeo begins at 7:30 p.m., each evening, through Saturday, at DePow Arena in Jerome.

## Pendleton proves too much for hosts

Twin Falls suffers defeat

The 14-year-old Twin Falls Babe Ruth squad is good. Wednesday, the local boys ran into a squad that was better. Twin Falls suffered an 8-3 loss to Pendleton on the third day of the Pacific Northwest Regional Tournament.

"They're pretty legit," Twin Falls manager Dave Slotten said of Pendleton. "They're as good a ball club as we've seen all summer."

The defeat drops Twin Falls to 1-1 in pool play with two games to go before Saturday's championship semifinals and finals. Seth Champlin tripled and scored on Brandon Bradshaw's sacrifice fly to provide the offensive highlight for Twin Falls. Isaac Hill went the distance on the bump.

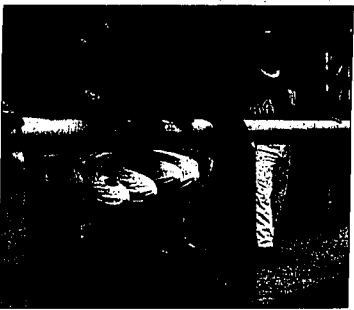
Despite the setback, Slotten believes his squad is right there with the other

### Pacific Northwest Regionals

**Wednesday's scores**  
Rock Springs 8, Alberta 7  
Mount Ashland 11, Kootenai Valley 3  
Mount Vernon 14, Lewiston 9  
Pendleton 8, Twin Falls 3

**Today's games**  
At Bill Ingram Field, Twin Falls  
Kootenai Valley vs. British Columbia, 9 a.m.  
Alberta vs. Kelso, Noon  
Lewiston vs. Rock Springs, 3 p.m.  
Twin Falls vs. Mount Ashland, 6 p.m.

teams in the field. "I still think we have a great chance to win our next two games and make it to Saturday," said Slotten. Twin Falls faces Mount Ashland at 6 p.m., today, the last of four games on the slate at Bill Ingram Field.



Members of the Twin Falls team look on during a game at the Pacific Northwest 14-year-old Regional Tournament at Bill Ingram Field in Twin Falls. The tournament continues through Saturday.

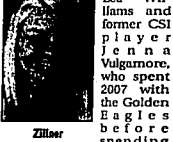
## CSI's Zillner headed for College of Idaho

Filer's Williams also signs with Lady Yotes

Staff report

Former College of Southern Idaho standout Jody Zillner has signed to play for defending NAIA Region I champion College of Idaho. Zillner, a two-time all-Region III selection, helped CSI to the NCA Division I World Series this past season, going 10-6 with a 27.6 ERA and 110 strikeouts. She also hit .414 for the 47-22 Golden Eagles.

coach Al Mendolia. The class includes Filer High School graduate Len Williams and former CSI player Jennifer Vulgamore, who spent 2007 with the Golden Eagles before spending last season at Boise State.



The Lady Yotes are coming off their first-ever appearance at the NAIA Women's World Series and have been ranked as high as No. 14 in the NAIA Top-25 Coaches Poll.

## Warriors rebuild offense for title defense

By Dustin Lappay  
Correspondent

Imagine finishing the regular season undefeated, winning the Western Athletic Conference crown, going to the Sugar Bowl and then getting picked to finish fourth in the WAC a year later.

You can't invent that type of bulletin board fodder. It's water off a duck's back for the Hawaii players and coaches, many of whom must take on new roles this season. Greg McMackin moved from defensive coordinator to head coach, but he said not much will change with the Warrior offense.

"When I became a head coach in a small college I ran the run-and-choot," McMackin said. "You can't defend it. I have believed in this forever." McMackin has been a student of the game, studying

### WAC

NINE TEAMS, NINE DAYS.  
NO. 4 HAWAII

2007 record: 12-1, 8-0 WAC Bowl Record (all-time): 5-3  
Returning starters: 12 (4 offensive; 5 defensive; 3 specialsts)

Non-conference games: Florida, Weber State, Oregon State, Washington State, Cincinnati  
Head Coach: Greg McMackin (first year)  
Joined WAC: July 1, 1979

under a handful of great coaches, including the man he replaced, June Jones, and names like Mouse Davis, Dennis Erickson, Mike Leach, Ron McBride and Jack

Elway. This season McMackin will continue to run the defense and oversee offensive coordinator Ron Lee as he calls the plays.

"We are going to keep the same philosophy," McMackin said. "We are planning to be a top offense. We have to get better on defense. We are going to change our philosophy of special teams. We are going to play our best players on special teams. I will call the defense, Ron will call the offense. I am not going to interfere, but I want to know what's going on."

The offense uses the pass to set up the run, and while Hawaii went almost exclusively to the shotgun last season, this year's quarterbacks will work more from under center to open up opportunities in the run game.

"People are widening and coming when we are in the gun all the time," McMackin

said. "We have to be able to neutralize that, so we'll be under center. Any time you see someone in the gun, you give a jet call. You have to run the ball."

Olyer Graunke will be the starter this season at quarterback. He played in eight games last season, throwing for 1,234 yards, 10 touchdowns and six picks. He went 13-for-19 in the loss to Georgia in the Sugar Bowl.

To fill in the gaps at wide receiver, vacated by the loss of the team's top four receivers, from last season, Hawaii reached into the junior college ranks and pulled out five new pass catchers. Malcolm Lane is the only returner with experience in the offense. He caught 17 balls last season, scored twice and also returned two kicks for touchdowns.

The offensive line is one Please see HAWAII, Page B2



SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

American League All-Time Batting Average Table with columns for Player, Team, and Average.

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Study shows no risk to children from synthetic athletic fields

TRENTON, N.J. — Children aren't at risk for lead exposure from synthetic athletic fields, according to a report Wednesday from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. The commission said that synthetic athletic fields after lead was detected on some New Jersey fields, raising worry about exposure to children. But the commission said no tested field released amounts of lead that would be harmful.

Lead is present in some synthetic turf products to give the turf its various colors, but can cause brain damage and other illnesses, particularly in children. Conditions such as age, weathering, exposure to sunlight and wear and tear may change the amount of lead that could be released from the turf, and the commission considered particles on a child's hand, then transferred to their mouth, would be the most likely route of exposure. Still, it determined young children wouldn't be at risk.

Sports Shorts

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: A hot, sunny and breezy end to July. Highs, 90s. Tonight: Still on the breezy side. Lows, lower 60s. Tomorrow: Sunny skies. Highs, 90s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 2 columns: City, HI Lo Wp. Lists weather for various cities like Boise, Idaho Falls, etc.

BURLEV/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Plenty of sunshine. Highs near 90. Tonight: Straying dry and quiet on the weather front. Lows, 50s. Tomorrow: Abundant sunshine. Highs, lower 90s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS. The end of July and the beginning of August will be very quiet on the weather front. There will be plenty of sun to go around over the next few days.

BOISE Highs: 78 to 82. Lows: 48 to 52. The mostly sunny to sunny skies and hot, but seasonal temperatures are here to stay for the near future.

NORTHERN UTAH There will be plenty of sun to go around over the next several days. Late July and early August will still offer very warm to hot.



Yesterday's State Extremes: 87 at Lowell; Low: 27 at Starley weather kept by clear, cloudy by fog, heavy snow, ice, light snow, no snow clouds, no winter, no precipitation, no showers, no rain, no thunder, no wind.

REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY Access is to be measured not so much by the amount of money which he has overcome.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

Table with 4 columns: Regional Forecast, National Forecast, World Forecast. Lists weather for various regions and countries.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP. Includes a map of the United States with weather symbols and a legend for Fronts, Cold, Warm, Stationary, and Occluded.

More Magic Valley weather at www.magicvalley.com/weather/

Favre meets with Pack president

Veteran QB not reinstated yet

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Green Bay Packers president Mark Murphy traveled to Mississippi to meet with quarterback Brett Favre and his agent James "Bus" Cook on Wednesday in an apparent attempt to talk Favre out of reporting to camp later this week.

Meanwhile, NFL commissioner Roger Goodell took no action on Favre's request for reinstatement Wednesday — giving the sides more time to work out a resolution.

"The commissioner is taking no action today," league officials said in a statement issued by NFL spokesman Greg Aiello. "He wants to give both the Packers and Brett an appropriate amount of time to make decisions, including decisions impacting the team's roster and salary cap. When Brett is reinstated by the commissioner, we will announce it."

Cook told reporters outside his office in Hattiesburg, Miss., that Favre, who has been throwing to players at a nearby high school to stay in shape, could be in Green Bay on Friday.

"We would love to go back in Green Bay," Cook said, in comments broadcast by ESPN's "7." "I mean, that's why he's starting to work out. But right now, it looks like he'll be at the quarterback at Oak Grove High School."

Murphy was expected back in Green Bay on Wednesday night, but planned

Report: Lynch wants to leave Broncos

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP) — John Lynch's days with the Denver Broncos appear to be over.

The 15-year NFL safety met with coach Mike Shanahan on Wednesday and told Denver's KNCN-TV that Shanahan gave him permission to explore other opportunities.

"That could be playing for another team, or retiring to perhaps go into the broadcast booth. Lynch was told he'd compete for a starting safety job when he took a pay cut this offseason. With the emergence of Marlon McCree, Lynch didn't play a single snap in the nickel or dime packages during the first week of training camp.

to huddle with other members of the Packers' front office before speaking to reporters.

Packers coach Mike McCarthy would not discuss the nature of the talks between Murphy and the Favre camp after practice Wednesday morning.

"I really don't have any thoughts as far as Mark Murphy going to Mississippi," McCarthy said. "That's something you're going to have to talk about. I'm not involved in the specifics of it. I really have no information for you."

The Green Bay Press-Gazette reported

on its Web site Tuesday night that Murphy flew to Mississippi in hopes of talking Favre out of reporting to camp, a situation with the potential to cause a major distraction to a team that committed to move on after Favre retired in March. Murphy declined comment to a Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reporter at the Green Bay airport before his flight left for Mississippi.

Nearly five months after his tearful retirement news conference in March, Favre filed for reinstatement with the NFL on Tuesday. He now is awaiting approval from Goodell.

Once he is reinstated, the Packers will have 24 hours to release him or return him to their active roster. The team has ruled out releasing Favre, fearing he would immediately sign with division rival Minnesota.

The Packers also could trade Favre, although no deal appears imminent. The Packers hold Favre's rights until his contract expires after the 2010 season.

Despite the apparent purpose of Murphy's trip, McCarthy reiterated Wednesday that Favre "absolutely" was still welcome in Packers training camp. Team officials have made it clear, both publicly and to Favre, that he would no longer be the starter if he returned to the team.

"I've said it, and I'll just say it again: He was a big part of our history, and he can reinstate, come here and be part of our future," McCarthy said.

Contact with ailing granddad enriches both young and old

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Paw-Paw and Maw-Maw in Alabama" (May 13), whose son has cut off contact with their 5-year-old grandson to "protect" the boy from Grandpa's eventual death, left me feeling intense sorrow for all concerned.

In 1996, my grandfather was ecstatic that I was pregnant and anxiously awaited the arrival of his triplet great-grandchildren. At age 102, he was with us at the hospital when they were born, and remained an integral part of their lives until his death five years later.

We believe Grandpa's loving involvement with the children extended the quality and length of his life. In exchange, the kids' first years were blessed with the special love and adoration of a great-grandpa.

Abby, the day "Paw-Paw's" letter was published, I picked up my now-12-year-olds from school. They told me their writing assignment that day was an essay about their favorite memory. Be it serendipity, providence or coincidence, two of the triplets had written about "G.G." (Great Grandfather). One of the stories ended with "although G.G. is no longer with us, he will always be in my heart."

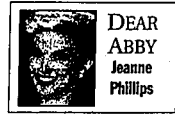
—JAN IN ARLINGTON, TEXAS

DEAR JANI: Thank you for sharing that story. Response to "Paw-Paw's" letter was huge. Many readers wrote to describe the importance of grandpa's memories in their lives. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: We lost my father 16 months ago after a long illness. We did not spend two days a week with him and my mother, and were a significant part of the joy in his life.

We never hid his illness from them. We did just the opposite. My son was a great help to his Nana and Pop-Pop, bringing him lunch and helping to move the medical equipment back and forth across the house.

I am convinced that allowing the children to be a part of their grandfather's life through the end of it has



given them a sense of compassion and a life skill that all of us will need at some point in our lives. Children grieve, too, and it is our job as parents to help them learn to cope with life's disappointments, not to shelter them from the realities they will face as adults.

—NANCY IN ALLENTOWN, PA.

DEAR ABBY: As a hospice chaplain, I have worked with many children and many levels of grief. In my experience, it is important to listen carefully to children and let them "self-select." If they seem comfortable or choose to be with a family member who is passing, it is best to let them be there. If it appears to be traumatic or they verbalize that they don't wish to be there, honor that as well and perhaps find a parallel way in which they can share in the transition. And bear in mind that the age of the child does not necessarily indicate his/her preparedness for confronting end-of-life issues.

—ARTHUR IN DERRY, N.H.

DEAR ABBY: When our grandfather died, my sisters and I were upset that we didn't get more time with him. Years later, we found out that our parents had decided to shelter us from his last few weeks. My small child, in "protection" was denied "killing" Grandpa for us, before he was dead.

Please don't do this. Allow them to spend every moment they have left. If you have had love and laughter to the end, you will grieve but with the knowledge that you did all you could to honor Grandpa and preserve his memory. Regret, perpetuated, and my parents now realize they did the wrong thing.

—SHEILA IN MANHASSET, N.Y.

5 seasons in, Steelers leaning on Big Ben

LATROBE, Pa. (AP) — Casey Hampton labored unsuccessfully through the mandatory eight 100-yard dashes every Pittsburgh Steelers player must run to begin training camp.

When the four-time Pro Bowl defensive lineman realized he wouldn't make it, who ran up to lend not only a helping hand but offer words of consolation. But another defensive player, but quarterback Ben Roethlisberger.

It's a much-repeated scene only four days into the Steelers' camp: Roethlisberger isn't just running the offense, he's leading it. The entire team, too.

There's no hiding it. The Steelers are Big Ben's team. Not Jerome Bettis' team or Alan Faneca's team or Hines Ward's team, but one that now relies on No. 7. "Absolutely," said new executive coach Randy Johnson, the most visible example of what the Steelers think about Roethlisberger. "One million dollars is a lot of money."



guaranteed, including the \$25.5 million signing bonus. Such a contract isn't uncommon for NFL star quarterbacks, but it's a huge commitment for a team that previously declined to devote nearly as much cash to a single player. But Roethlisberger already is the second-most accomplished quarterback in the 76-year-old franchise's history to receive that kind of money. He is beginning only his fifth season on the job.

ple Super Bowls, there isn't much Roethlisberger hasn't done since the Steelers drafted him No. 11 overall in 2004. He went 13-0 in 2004, by far the best record for an NFL rookie quarterback, and in Super Bowl the next season, then set Steelers' single-season records with 32 touchdown passes and a 104.1 passing rating last season, despite getting sacked 47 times.

After years of searching for a franchise quarterback, the Steelers didn't want to lose this guy. That's why it's great to appear that whatever Ben wants, Ben gets.

The Steelers tore up Roethlisberger's rookie contract to give him the new deal in March. A month later they gladly fulfilled his request for a tail caller with downfield skills by drafting Lmas Sneed of Texas in the second round.

"I wanted to stay here," Roethlisberger said. "The day I came here, I wanted to be one of those guys who played their entire career for one team, like (Ed) Elway and (Dan) Marino. I love Pittsburgh and I wanted to stay here."

Understandably, too.

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AROUND THE WORLD

ISRAEL  
Israeli PM to resign, won't run in primary

**JERUSALEM** — Facing burgeoning corruption allegations and plummeting popularity, Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said Wednesday he will resign in September, throwing Israel into political turmoil and raising doubts about prospects for peace with the Palestinians and Syria.

Olmert said he would not run in his party's primary election Sept. 17 and would step down afterward to allow his successor to form a government. But because of Israel's political system, he could serve until well into next year.

His decision will end a long career that has been clouded by allegations of corruption that have battered him in recent months.

NETHERLANDS  
Karadzic to appear before U.N. tribunal

**THE HAGUE** — Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb war crimes suspect, underwent a medical exam in a Dutch prison as he awaited his first appearance today before the U.N. tribunal that will try him. There he will be asked to enter a plea on charges stemming from the 1992-1995 Bosnian war, including genocide and crimes against humanity.

Karadzic, 63, was flown from Belgrade, Serbia, to Rotterdam, the Netherlands, under heavy security and sent early Wednesday and transferred to a detention center in The Hague near the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia.

The arrest of Radovan Karadzic is immensely important for the victims who had to wait far too long for this day," said chief prosecutor Serge Brammertz, speaking at a news conference here Wednesday.

ZIMBABWE  
Zimbabwe drops 10 zeros from currency

**HARARE** — Zimbabwe announced Wednesday that it is knocking 10 zeros off its hyper-inflated currency — a move that turns 10 billion dollars into one.

President Robert Mugabe threatened a state of emergency if businesses profited from the country's economic crisis, a move that could give him even more sweeping powers to punish opponents in the event that political power-sharing talks fail.

"Entrepreneurs across the board, don't drive us further," Mugabe warned in a nationally televised address after the currency announcement. "If you drive us even more, we will impose emergency measures. ... They can be tough rules."

BRITAIN  
Court allows extradition of hacker to U.S.

**LONDON** — Some call it the biggest hack of military computers; perhaps it was just a big embarrassment. ... McKinnon — accused of breaking into military and NASA computers in what he claims was a search for UFOs, allegedly causing nearly \$1 million in damage — has lost his appeal against extradition to the United States.

McKinnon, 42, an unemployed computer administrator, allegedly broke into 97 computers belonging to the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, and Department of Defense from a bedroom in a north London home.

— The Associated Press

Bin Laden's driver denies taking loyalty oath

By Mike Mella  
Associated Press writer

**QUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba** — A former driver for Osama bin Laden denied Wednesday that he had sworn a loyalty oath to the al-Qaida leader, contradicting potentially damaging testimony of a Defense Department interrogator.

Salim Hamdan, a Yemeni, testified at his war crimes

trial that the nine-hour interrogation focused almost entirely on whether he swore an Islamic oath, or "bayat," to his boss, but he refused to discuss the topic.

"I never talked to them about this issue," Hamdan told the judge through an Arabic interpreter. "I never pledged allegiance."

Judge Keith Alford, a Navy captain, is evaluating whether the May 2003 interrogation is tainted by coercion and therefore inadmissible as evidence in the first American war crimes trial since World War II. He said he would issue a ruling this morning.

If the judge allows the jury to hear testimony of Nawaf al-Criminal Investigative Service agent Robert McFadden, it would contradict the defense lawyers' claim that Hamdan was merely a low-level bin Laden employee with no

allegiance to al-Qaida.

McFadden said he would testify that Hamdan acknowledged taking an oath of allegiance to bin Laden and the cause, the cause being expelling Jews and Christians from the Arabian peninsula.

Hamdan was captured at a roadblock in southern Afghanistan in November 2001 with two surface-to-air missiles in the car. He faces a maximum life

sentence if convicted of conspiracy and supporting terrorism.

Alford, who has dismissed other statements Hamdan made under "coercive" conditions, said he would hold this interrogation to a high standard to penalize the government for delivering hundreds of pages of prison records after court-imposed declassifications.

"You're on the hot seat," Alford told prosecutors.

Thirty killed as fighting escalates in Pakistan valley

By Rizq Khan  
Associated Press writer

**PESHAWAR, Pakistan** — Pakistani troops battled Islamic militants in a valley near the Afghan border Wednesday, killing 25 insurgents and losing five soldiers as escalating combat threatened the new government's policy of offering peace to pro-Taliban groups.

Authorities said security forces also chased off another band of extremists from a town elsewhere in the Swat Valley, a day after militants captured at least 25 police officers and paramilitary troops and clashed with two soldiers and two militants.

The military, meanwhile, rejected new claims that Pakistan's main intelligence service has ties with Islamic hard-liners allied with the Taliban and al-Qaida.

Under U.S. pressure to crack down on militant sanctuaries along the border, Pakistan's 4-month-old government has sought to reach peace deals with fundamentalist Islamic groups in the northwestern tribal areas but increasing violence is raising questions about that approach.

Wednesday's clash in Swat began when militants attacked a security post about 12 miles from Mingora, the valley's main town, the army spokesman, Maj. Gen. Athar Abbas, said. He said troops repelled the



Pakistani police officers take position at a checkpoint in Kabal, a troubled area of Swat valley in northern Pakistan on Wednesday. Pakistan imposed a round-the-clock curfew in the restive mountain valley in the northwest on Wednesday as the army claimed 25 militants died in clashes with security forces.

attack, killing 25 militants and wounding many, including five soldiers, including two officers, also died.

Another group of about 70 militants tried to seize the market area of the town of Matta, but fled when reinforcements reached the police station, Abbas said.

"The situation in Swat is that curfew has been imposed and security forces have been given orders to take strict action wherever militants or miscreants are involved in such actions," he said.

It was not possible to independently confirm the casualty toll because the army refused to let journalists travel to the area.

An aide to Muslim cleric Mullah Fazlullah, Swat's main militant leader, disputed the army's version. Muslim Khan told The Associated Press that only five pro-Taliban militants died in the battle and claimed the insurgents killed more than 30 soldiers.

"The morale of our Taliban is high and security forces are retreating in several

areas," Khan said.

An around-the-clock curfew was imposed in the Swat Valley after Tuesday's fighting.

Qazi Shaukat, a 44-year-old shopkeeper in Mingora, said the escalation in violence had killed his business and made life hard for his family.

"We are thinking about leaving this place permanently. But what can I do? My children go to school and college here. How would I get them admitted to some other place?" he said.

CIA cites Pakistan spy agency's ties to militants

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — U.S. intelligence suspects rogue elements in Pakistan's spy agency are giving militants sensitive information that helps them launch more effective attacks from the tribal region bordering Afghanistan, a Bush administration official said Wednesday.

Top CIA and U.S. military officials recently traveled to the country to press their concerns about the appar-

ent ties with Pakistani officials.

An administration official said the decision to send CIA Deputy Director Steve R. Kappes to the meetings in Islamabad with Adm. Michael Mullen, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, came amid mounting evidence initially collected by the U.S. but then corroborated by Indian intelligence that some members of the Pakistani intelligence com-

munity were actively aiding the Taliban and al-Qaida.

The official said the information indicated that specific midlevel officers in Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence agency likely were leaking sensitive intelligence about operations in the tribal areas to militants that was "not only increasing their offensive capability, but also their defensive capability," resulting in a rise in the number and lethal-

ness of attacks.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity due to the sensitivity of the matter, said long-standing CIA frustration with the Pakistanis had been growing for months, especially since opposition leader Benazir Bhutto was assassinated last year, and hit a high after the July 7 suicide bombing at the Indian Embassy in Kabul, which New Delhi has blamed on Islamabad.

Scientists reveal hidden Van Gogh portrait

By Anica Deb  
Associated Press writer

**AMSTERDAM, Netherlands** — A team of European scientists unveiled on Wednesday a new method for extracting images hidden under old masters' paintings, recreating a color portrait of a woman's face unseen since Vincent van Gogh painted over it in 1887.

For years, art historians have been using x-rays to probe artworks hidden underneath other paintings, a technique resulting in a fuzzy, black-and-white image. But Joris Dik, a materials scientist from Delft

University, and Koen Janssens, a chemist from the University of Antwerp in Belgium, combined science and art to engineer a new method of visualizing hidden paintings, using high-intensity x-rays and an intimate knowledge of old pigments.

The pair used the new approach on "Patch of Grass," a small oil study of a field that Van Gogh painted in Paris while living with his brother Theo, who supported him.

While not exact in every detail, the image produced is a woman's head that may be the same model Van

Gogh painted in a series of portraits leading up to the 1895 masterpiece "The Potato Eaters."

The new method will allow art historians to obtain higher quality and more detailed images underlying old masterpieces. In Van Gogh's case, it could reveal details of works that were painted over. For other works, it could provide new insights into the studies that the artist built a painting on.

Dik and Janssens used high-intensity x-rays from a particle accelerator in Hamburg, Germany, to compile a two-dimensional

map of the metallic atoms on the painting beneath the "Patch of Grass," which is part of the large Van Gogh collection in the Kroller-Muller Museum in the Netherlands.

Knowing that mercury atoms were part of a red pigment and the antimony atoms were part of a yellow pigment, they were able to chart those colors in the underlying image.

"We visualized — in great detail — the nose, the eyes, according to the chemical composition," Dik said. Scanning a roughly 7-inch square of the larger portrait took two full days.

UN: N. Korea facing worst food crisis since 1990s

By Henry Sanderson  
Associated Press writer

**BEIJING** — Flooding and poor harvests have caused North Korea's worst food crisis since the late 1990s and have put millions at risk, the United Nations' food agency said Wednesday.

The food shortage threatens widespread malnutrition, the World Food Program said.

"Millions of vulnerable North Koreans are at risk of slipping toward precarious hunger levels," Jean-Pierre de Margerie, the WFP's country director for North Korea, told a news conference.

The WFP had been given permission to launch a new operation to target those most vulnerable in eight of the country's 10 provinces, or 6.4 million people, up from a current 1.2 million.

An international appeal for aid would be launched in the next two weeks. Food aid is needed to tide people over for the next three to four months until the next harvest, he said.

While 400,000 metric tons of U.S. food aid have already shipped, there is an urgent need for \$20 million to get through the next autumn harvest, de Margerie said. "We are running against the clock here," he said.

The North has resorted to outside handouts to help feed its 23 million people since the mid-1990s when natural disasters and mismanagement devastated its centrally controlled economy. An estimated 2 million people died of hunger at the time.

But outside aid has fallen this year, compounded by domestic shortfalls. The amount of food given in government rations to urban dwellers has fallen in the last few months, as prices for staple goods have risen dramatically due to less international transfers of food.



Both Rembrandt and Van Gogh painted in this model's company. A hidden portrait is seen under the Vincent van Gogh painting "Patch of Grass" from 1887. European scientists say they have developed a new method for extracting images hidden under old masters' paintings without harming them.

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By Bill Kenne



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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

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

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE Case No. CV-08-2974

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING THE SALMON TRACT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PROPOSED 2009-2010 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Case No. CV-08-2974 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Case No. CV-2008-3005 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING THE SALMON TRACT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PROPOSED 2009-2010 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that U.S. Bank National Association has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named Decedent.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE Case No. CV-08-2974

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twin Falls County Ambulance District will meet on Monday, August 18, 2008, at 10:00 AM in the Twin Falls County Commissioners' Office.

PUBLISH: July 24, 31 and August 7, 2008

PUBLISH: July 31, August 7 and 14, 2008

PUBLISH: July 17, 24, 31 and August 7, 2008

The estimated revenue for Twin Falls County Ambulance District for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2008, to September 30, 2009, is as follows:

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given by the City Council for the City of Twin Falls, Idaho.

INCOME Ad Valorem Taxes 81,162

Other Taxes 521,452

Case No. CV-08-2863 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

VIOLET AND GARY NARAPET, C/O JAKE WALKER/GEN STATE REALTY

EXPENSES Maintenance & Operation 123,053

TS No. 07-53511 Title Order No. W731762 Parcel No. RPS010004001AA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate.

Requests a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment, from Z-1 to C-1 for property located at 926 Lincoln Street.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Commissioners of the Salmon Tract Rural Fire Protection District will hold a public hearing on the above proposed 2008-2009 fiscal year budget on August 13, 2008 at 7:30 PM at the City Station, 2411 E 2450 N, Holister, Idaho.

The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in full as of the date of sale.

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TS No. 07-53511 Title Order No. W731762 Parcel No. RPS010004001AA

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE Case No. CV-08-3008

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE Case No. CV-2008-442

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

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE Case No. CV-08-2974

A Petition to change the name of Drew Michael Crosby, born March 19, 1962 in Pocatello, Idaho, residing at 1420 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Twin Falls, has been filed in Twin Falls County District Court, Idaho.

A Petition to change the name of Cindy Rae Amlund, born 03/24/62 in Edmonton, Alberta, residing at 1311 Quicksilver, PO Box 233, Hagarman, has been filed in Gooding County District Court, Idaho.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE Case No. CV-2008-2901

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE Case No. CV-08-2974

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JENNIFER RUTH ANN HASS and HEATHER JEAN CARPER have filed a Petition for Formal Probate of Will and Appointment of Personal Representative.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE Case No. CV-08-2974

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twin Falls County Ambulance District will meet on Monday, August 18, 2008, at 10:00 AM in the Twin Falls County Commissioners' Office.

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE Bobby Wolff

"It is easier to resist at the beginning than at the end."

NORTH 07-31-A ♠ 9 4 3 ♥ 8 3 ♦ A Q J 8 2 ♣ Q 6

On today's deal from a Dyspeptic Club duplicate game, a defender had to give up a trump trick voluntarily to ensure the defeat of two spades.

WEST EAST ♠ K Q 5 ♠ 10 7 ♥ K 9 7 5 4 ♥ A 10 2 ♦ 10 9 7 5 4 ♦ K J 9 4 3 ♣ 10 5 2 ♣ A 8 7

North and South bid conservatively, which was just as well, given how the play progressed. West found the good opening lead of the diamond 10. It can often work surprisingly well to play on dummy's long suit before declarer has had a chance to draw trumps, because it may keep declarer from enjoying the run of the suit. That was the case today. Declarer won with the ace in dummy, unblocking the king from hand. He now played a spade to his eight and West's queen. West continued the good work by playing a second diamond. Declarer won in dummy and played a spade to the 10 and his jack.

Vulnerable: Neither Dealer: South

The bidding: South West North East 1♠ Pass 2♠ North East 1♠ Pass 2♠ All pass

Opening lead: Diamond 10

BID WITH THE ACES 07-31-B

South holds: ♠ 9 4 3 ♥ 8 3 ♦ A Q J 8 2 ♣ Q 6

With unaccustomed acumen, West could see that if he won this trick, declarer would be able to reach dummy with the spade nine to score all those good diamonds, so he ducked the trick. Declarer won in dummy and played a spade to the 10 and his jack. With unaccustomed acumen, West could see that if he won this trick, declarer would be able to reach dummy with the spade nine to score all those good diamonds, so he ducked the trick. Declarer won in dummy and played a spade to the 10 and his jack.

ANSWER: Facing your weak two-bid, your partner's change of suit is forcing for at least one round. Since you have support, but nothing special in shape or high cards, simply raise to three spades and let partner take it from there.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolf," contact jay1007@aol.com or if you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, email him at bob@wolff-mindspring.com. Copyright 2008, United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Case No. CV-08-2683

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the regular meetings of the Board of Trustees of the above named school district have been announced and published.

THE NEW SCHEDULE for regular meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be:

1. Day The second Tuesday of each month; 2. Meeting time 7:30 pm; 3. Location: Shoshone School Library 61 East Highway 24 Shoshone, Idaho 83352

NOTICE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SHOSHONE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 312, LINCOLN AND ARCADE COUNTRIES, IDAHO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the regular meetings of the Board of Trustees of the above named school district have been announced and published.

Said regular meetings of the Board of Trustees are held pursuant to Section 33-510 Idaho Code.

PUBLISH: July 31, 2008

PUBLISH: July 10, 17, 24 and 31, 2008

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On December 2, 2008, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock AM of said day, at First Avenue, 250 West Avenue, Twin Falls, Idaho, JST LAW, INC., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time and date of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

Parcel No. 1, Lots 21, 22 and 23, GARDNER SUBDIVISION, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof recorded in Book 5 of plats, page 7, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

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For information concerning this sale please contact Just Law, Inc. at www.justlawidaho.com or Tel: 800-823-9105. Thank you. PUBLISH: July 31, August 7, 14 and 21, 2008





NATIONAL FOREST TIMBER FOR SALE

Aluras and Pettit Log Deck Salvage Sales SAWTOOTH NATIONAL FOREST

On August 22, 2008, the Forest Service will receive sealed bids in public at the Sawtooth National Recreation Area Office...

Table with 3 columns: Sale Name, Volume, Bid Deadline. Lists various log deck sales with volumes and deadlines.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009

Public notice is hereby given that the Rock Creek Rural Fire Protection District, which is hereby giving notice for consideration of the proposed budget...

ESTIMATED REVENUE table with columns for 2006-2007, 2007-2008, and 2008-2009. Rows include Estimated Revenue, Ad Valorem Taxes, Grants, etc.

PROPOSED EXPENDITURES table with columns for 2006-2007, 2007-2008, and 2008-2009. Rows include Commissioners Salary, Payroll Taxes, Insurance, etc.

Dated this 31st day of July, 2008. Attest: District Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Richfield, which will hold a public hearing for the consideration of the proposed budget...

ESTIMATED REVENUES TAX LEVY AD VALOREM table with columns for Actual, Proposed, and 2008-2009. Rows include General Fund, Recreation, etc.

TAX LEVY AD VALOREM table with columns for 2008-2009, 2007-2008, and 2006-2007. Rows include General Fund, Recreation, etc.

OTHER REVENUE table with columns for 2008-2009, 2007-2008, and 2006-2007. Rows include G.P. County Taxes, Franchise Fees, etc.

L. LuAnn Swainson, City Clerk of the City of Richfield, Idaho, do hereby certify that the above is a true and accurate statement of the Proposed Expenditures and Revenues for Fiscal Year 2008-2009...

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Grid of classified ads for garage sales. Each ad includes location, date, and items for sale. Examples include 'BUHL Friday & Saturday, 7-4. Multifamily. Household items, books, clothing, electronics, furniture, and miscellaneous items.', 'BUREY Sat. 8am-4pm. HUGE YARD SALE! Furniture, books, fabric & lots of miscellaneous. In back yard.', 'JEROME Fri. and Sat. 8am-4pm. School supplies, pro dresses, women's clothes, and lots of miscellaneous.' etc.

Stocks surge higher

(AP) Wall Street soared for the second straight day Wednesday, rallying in the last hour of trading after a rebound in financial stocks and optimism about private sector jobs helped investors brush off a sharp jump in oil prices.

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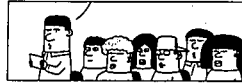
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## T.F. Chamber prepares for Hot August Nite

By Joshua Palmer  
Staff writer

Despite competing against unprecedented summer events such as the Magic Valley Airshow, the annual Hot August Nite event is expected to attract a full crowd again this year.

Concerns had been raised over sponsorship of the event after the airshow generated more than \$150,000 in sponsorship money.

Event organizers were concerned that the airshow might deplete local sponsorship funding that usually has been dedicated to summer events.

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### Mortgages



**\$300 billion**  
in new loan authority for the government to back cheaper mortgages for troubled homeowners

### Tax cuts



**\$15 billion**  
in tax cuts, including an expanded low-income housing tax credit and a credit of up to \$7,500, to be repaid, for some first-time home buyers

### Foreclosures



**\$3.9 billion**  
for communities to fix up foreclosed properties causing blight in neighborhoods

# HOUSING HELP

## Swensen's takes over operation of Burley market

By Laurie Welch  
Staff writer

Swensen's Market grocery chain, which has four stores including two in Mini Cassia and two in Twin Falls, took over operations of John's Market in Burley, Monday.

John's Market was formerly owned by Kevin and Cindy Croft of Burley.

"I've been at it 30 years and it was time," Kevin Croft said Tuesday. Croft said the store was originally started in the 1950s by Jay Schofield and was located kitty-corner across Overland

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Photo by JAMES WELCH

Lynel Meyers, right, and Robert Price of Young Electric Sign Company put a new face on the old John's Market sign at the corner of Overland Avenue and 16th Street in Burley, Tuesday. The owners of the Swensen's Market chain, which has two stores in Twin Falls, and one in both Paul and Rupert, took over the store Monday, which was formerly owned by Kevin and Cindy Croft.



President Bush, left, accompanied by members of his Cabinet, makes a statement in the Rose Garden of the White House in Washington after a Cabinet meeting. From second from left are, Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson, Energy Secretary Samuel Bodman and Attorney General Michael Mukasey.

## Bush signs mortgage relief bill; legislation overhauls Depression-era FHA

By Jennifer Loven  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — President Bush signed a housing bill Wednesday intended to rescue about 15 percent of the cash-strapped homeowners in fear of foreclosure in the next year or so.

Early in the morning and out of public view, the president signed it without fanfare in the Oval Office, adding his signature to a measure he once threatened to veto. The White House said he was accompa-

nied by Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson, Housing and Urban Development Secretary Steve Preston and other administration officials.

"We look forward to put in place new authorities to improve confidence and stability in markets," White House spokesman Tony Fratto said. He said the Federal Housing Administration would begin to put in place new policies "intended to keep more deserving American families in their homes."

The legislation is regarded as

"By expanding homeownership opportunities and protecting families against foreclosure, we are helping keep the American Dream alive."

— House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.

the most significant housing bill in decades. It won approval from lawmakers eager, in an election year, to come up with an answer to the growing housing crisis.

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we are helping keep the American Dream alive," said House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.

The measure includes \$300 billion in new loan authority for the government to back

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## Katrina forced business owners to rethink, revamp

Thousands of small business owners hit by Hurricane Dolly last week are still dealing with getting their companies back to normal again. But sometimes normal doesn't exist anymore and a business owner has to quickly deal with not only physical damage to its premises but its whole reason for being having disappeared.

Such was the case with many

SMALL TALK  
Joyce M. Rosenberg

of the people who owned businesses in New Orleans when Hurricane Katrina struck in August 2005.

As the storm approached, Peter Menge and Aaron Wilson

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### NATION

#### GM to cut salaried workers

DETROIT — A General Motors Corp. official says the automaker plans to cut 15 percent of its U.S. and Canadian salaried work force — or around 5,100 jobs — by November 1.

The GM official declined to confirm the specific numbers Wednesday but indicated they were generally accurate.

GM had said in mid-July that it would cut white-collar costs in the

U.S. and Canada by more than 20 percent, but it wouldn't say how many workers would leave.

#### XM and Sirius complete merger

NEW YORK — XM Satellite Radio and Sirius Satellite Radio announced they have completed their long-pending merger.

The combined company plans to use the name Sirius XM Radio Inc. Its stock will continue to be traded on the Nasdaq under the ticker symbol SIRI. They first announced their deal

in March 2007. XM shareholders will receive 4.6 shares of Sirius common stock for each share of XM.

The combined company reaffirmed its guidance for the deal in a statement. It expects cost savings of about \$400 million in 2009 and to post earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization of more than \$300 million. It also plans to achieve positive cash flow before satellite capital expenditures, in 2009. The new company said it has 18.5 million subscribers.

— wire reports

## STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agra	21.76	▼ .03	Dell Inc.	24.00	▼ .01	Idacorp	29.95	▲ .05
Lithia Mo.	4.51	▲ .12	Micron	4.75	▲ .07	Supervalu	26.00	▼ .29

## COMMODITIES

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Live cattle	97.87	▲ .32	Sept. Oil	126.77	▲ 4.58
Aug. gold	902.90	▼ 13.6	July Silver	17.10	▼ 1.0

### What to expect today in business

\* Commerce Department reports on gross domestic product, second quarter.

\* Labor Department reports on employment cost index, second quarter and weekly jobless claims.

\* Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reports on mortgage rates.

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Hot August Nite

What: Twin Falls Chamber's Hot August Nite. Where: Twin Falls City Park Bandshell. When: From 5 to 9 p.m. Aug. 14. Tickets are available from the Chamber of Commerce...

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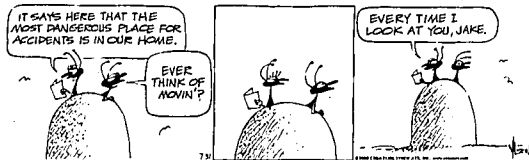
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tion, founded upon their excellent meats and other fresh foods. We're hoping to take it and build upon what the Crofts created. We look forward to this new store and plan on a grand-opening celebration for the community in the coming weeks.

and perishables, the press release said. "The company is committed to keeping prices low and in many cases offering increased savings for our customers," said Swensen.

B.C.

By Johnny Hart



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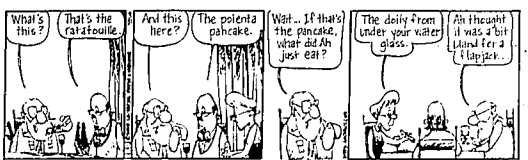
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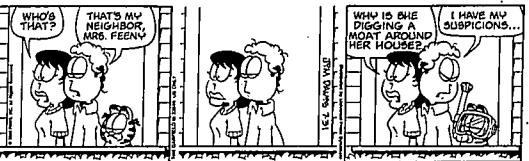
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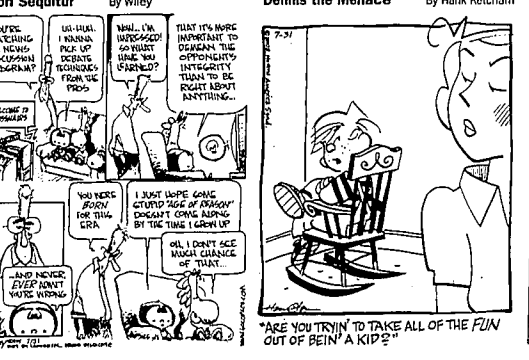


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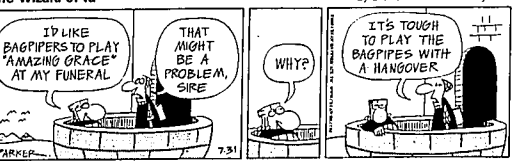
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# Iraqi parliament's inaction forces emergency session

By Ned Parker  
Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD — Iraq's summer parliament term ended Wednesday without passage of a law to hold provincial elections later this year, forcing the government to call an emergency session for the weekend. However, a positive outcome remains far from clear.

Iraq's parliament speaker Mahnuud al-Mashhadani said he would convene a special parliament meeting on Sunday to resolve the impasse over the election law, which will help decide the status of the oil-rich, ethnically divided city of Kirkuk. U.S. and Iraqi officials have said that new elections could help lead to political reconciliation between Shiite Muslims, Sunni Arabs, Kurds and other ethnic groups.

The crisis heightened last week when the parliament's Kurdish members walked out of the national assembly in anger over a decision to hold a secret ballot on the short-term fate of Kirkuk. The measure called for Kirkuk to

be governed through a quota system of Kurds, Arabs and Turkmens while elections are held in the rest of the country. The bill was vetoed by Iraq's Presidency Council.

Iraq's electoral commission has already said that elections, if approved now, could not be held until the end of December, as opposed to the initial October target date.

Publicly, there is hope for a compromise. "We must overcome these obstacles and problems. Otherwise it will have very negative consequences," said Abdul Khalq Zangana, a senior Kurdish lawmaker from the Kurdistan Democratic Party.

But a western diplomat, speaking on condition of anonymity, said some parties may have a vested interest in delaying the law again Sunday, because that many elements of the Supreme Islamic Iraqi Council, one of the largest Shiite groups in parliament, and the Islamic Party, one of the established Sunni factions, likely feared suffering major losses in provincial elections.

In other developments



A U.S. Army soldier from Hammer Company, 3rd Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment peers over a wall at detainees in Nahr al-Bayr, about 60 miles north of Baghdad in Iraq's volatile Diyala province Wednesday. Twenty suspected terrorists were detained in a pre-dawn sweep. Nearly 50,000 Iraqi police and soldiers were involved in a U.S.-backed operation against al-Qaida in Iraq in one of its last major strongholds near the capital, a senior provincial official said Wednesday.

Wednesday, three Iraqi civilians including a woman, were shot dead by U.S. troops near the central city of Samarra

during an operation against al-Qaida in Iraq, the American military said Wednesday. The military said

the incident was under investigation. The troops opened fire after they were shot at and

spotted people they deemed suspicious, the military said in a statement.

Nujaf Jassim Issawi, said he was surprised to see U.S. forces outside his house at 2 a.m. in Mukalishifa Nahla, northeast of Samarra.

"When my brother saw the U.S. soldiers, he was scared and ran toward the house. The U.S. soldiers saw him running. They shot and killed him."

"My older brother Ali tried to go out of the house trying to see what was happening," Issawi said. "Then U.S. forces shot at him. Then my mother was trying to go and was shot, too, and they kept on shooting at the house and the nearby car. The U.S. soldiers got close to the house, and when they saw my brother and mother still moving, they killed them."

On Sunday, the U.S. military announced that it had accidentally shot dead three civilians in Baghdad's airport compound on June 25th. The military had originally said the three were criminals who had opened fire on a U.S. army convoy.

## Official: Qantas jet lost flight instruments after blast

By Rod McGuirk  
Associated Press writer

CANBERRA, Australia — A packed Qantas jetliner lost the use of crucial flight instruments after an explosion aboard the aircraft last week blasted a large hole in its fuselage, an air safety investigator said Wednesday.

The explosion last Friday during a flight from London to Melbourne forced the pilots of the Boeing 747 to rapidly descend thousands of feet and make an emergency landing in the Philippines. No one was injured in the blast or during the descent.

Investigators have found that the jet's three landing instrument systems and its anti-collision system were not working when they arrived in Manila, said Julian Walsh, the Australian Transport Safety Bureau's director of aviation safety.

But he told reporters the jumbo jet's main systems, including engines and hydraulics, were functioning normally.

Walsh said the pilots did not use the flight instruments to land the plane. If the pilots were not able to land under so-called visual flight rules, he said, they had other navigation systems that they could have used.

But another bureau investigator, Ian Brokenshire, told The Associated Press later that the failed instruments would have made landing "extremely difficult" if conditions over Manila had been cloudy or foggy.

Walsh did not say what caused the failures. The explosion sent shrapnel through the floor of the passenger cabin and sheared off a door handle, but there was no risk of the door coming off, authorities said.

The shrapnel's trajectory added new details to the frantic moments that followed what investigators suspect was an oxygen tank explosion aboard the jet.

The shrapnel came to rest in the cabin ceiling after it sheared off part of the door handle and knocked it halfway out of position, Walsh said.

But he said "there was never any danger of the door opening" because it is designed never to be opened in flight.

The jumbo jet with 365 people aboard was flying at 29,000 feet when the explosion occurred in the cargo hold, rupturing the fuselage and causing rapid decompression in the cabin.

The Australian bureau, which is investigating the incident with U.S. and Philippine authorities, will release a preliminary report in a month, Walsh said.

## Chinese officials give club district a brusque cleanup

By Jill Drew  
The Washington Post

BEIJING — Ryan Horne loves living in China. He arrived in March from Los Angeles to manage the opening of a club in the heart of the city's night-life district. Drawn by the promise of wealthy investors and an ultra-creative future, Horne set about trying to shape the "it" factor in Beijing, that quality of sophisticated culture that defines such places as Paris, Tokyo and Manhattan.

Every aspect is history in the making," said Horne, 25, sinking back onto one of his club's black leather couches, dotted with delicate silk pillows. A chandelier lamp and modern sculpture sat to his left. "Some people here always had money, but money without curiosity means nothing. Now there's more willingness to explore."

But not everyone savors the adventure. With the Olympic Games just nine days away, Beijing is winding tighter each day, and visitors need wander no farther than the city's bar district to experience the preparatory fervor. Police are out in force, carrying out orders to increase security and clean up the district, called Sanlitun, with zeal.

Horne has been summoned to the local police station three times in as many months for somewhat bewildering and intimidating interrogations that last for hours and probe his views on topics from Tibetan separatism to whether Jackie Chan or Jet Li has the best



Ryan Horne manages China Doll, a new high-end club in Beijing. Police recently told him to fire two bartenders of Tibetan origin, apparently because they might mount anti-China protests.

kung fu moves. The last time the police wanted to see him, an officer came to the club and told an employee to send "the black guy" over.

"I call them my 'special' experiences," Horne said, smiling tightly as he uses his mother's term to avoid saying something negative. The crackdown has renewed allegations of xenophobia and even racism in Beijing, as well as cries that the police are draining the vitality from a place where foreigners and Chinese have traditionally mixed.

Bar owners report being swamped by new police demands, with rules changing daily and the threat of closure if they are not enforced. It's not just no drugs, no gambling, no prostitution. It's also no tables on the sidewalk, no excess partying, no displays of affection. No service for foreigners with prostitutes.

"How am I supposed to know if someone is a prostitute?" lamented Phoebe Storm Grayson, an Australian

who manages the Saddle, a Mexican bar and restaurant that just opened at a new mall on the main bar strip. "Am I supposed to ask?"

Dozens of police patrol the area on foot and in cars, frequently raiding bars to check

patrons' visas. Dozens more in plain clothes mingle with guests in the clubs, owners say. Their numbers are augmented by private security guards hired by local businesses. There's even a neighborhood watch group,

whose members don ill-fitting uniforms and plastic helmets to wander the streets looking for anything dubious.

A deep suspicion of foreigners now pervades the neighborhood.

Horne said he has been asked to sign documents after fielding questions he doesn't fully understand — there is no lawyer or translator present — including one that makes him personally liable if any employees' work papers are deemed invalid.

The worst came last week, when police told Horne he had to get rid of two bartenders who are of Tibetan origin. Horne was told no Tibetans could work in Beijing during the Olympics; police apparently fear they might mount disturbances in sympathy with the widespread protests this spring against Chinese repression.

"I don't pretend to understand the government here," Horne said.

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# Editor's take Potatoes on parade?

Some of us adore puns, while others can't stand the linguistic twisters. Whether you love or hate them, Twin Falls High School has come up with a doozy.

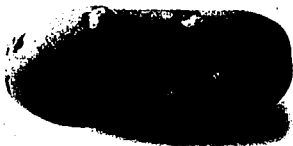
It's called "Chair"ity, and it features found chairs that have been "upscaled" with the artwork of the school's design students.

The works of Danielle Essma, Cassandra Sineary, Kelli Roemer, Angelena Malberg, Tori Crumrine, Jordan Crider, Chelsea Wach and Brook Baker will be on display starting Friday at the Full Moon Gallery of Fine Art and Contemporary Craft in downtown Twin Falls. There'll be a silent auction, and the proceeds go to needy children in Magic Valley. So whether the notion of "chair"ity makes you laugh or

grogan, buying one of these chairs will help needy kids, give a boost to artistic kids, and provide a colorful place to park your rear.

If the auction is successful, perhaps it will spur the creation of a public art auction project like Pigs on Parade in Seattle, Cows and Couches in Chicago or Wild Salmon on Parade in Anchorage, Alaska. There's nothing to say Twin Falls can't art up an icon, raise some money and brighten the city streets at the same time.

Do you have any thoughts what this symbol could be? My suggestion is a giant potato: It's just about as blank as a canvas can be, and the notion of dozens of huge potatoes adorned with stripes, neon, bottle caps or potato-chip wrappers really amuses me.



Send your suggestions to ariel.hansen@lee.net and, if I get enough, I'll post 'em for folks to vote on. I can't guarantee you'll see your idea on the city streets, but there could be bragging rights involved.

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If sitting — even on a colorful chair — doesn't sound appealing in these hot days of summer, the Minidoka and Jerome county

fairs run through Saturday, while the Camas County Fair lasts until Sunday, and the Blaine fair starts Wednesday.

And if the cotton candy and kettle corn don't satisfy you, check out Wednesday's Food & Home section for the details on this year's Bite of Magic Valley. If all that doesn't fill you up, I dunno what to say. Maybe you should try a giant potato?

## BANDED together

### A test of endurance

If you go to this week's Twin Falls Municipal Band concert, look for Jeffrey Silcock. He'll be the one in the Hawaiian shirt and pirata hat, pushing a hand truck.

Silcock plays the tuba in the band, and he uses a hand truck to get the heavy instrument on and off the stage. As for the shirt and hat, the theme for the concert is "Crazy Hats and Loud Shirts," and Silcock plans to take the theme and run with it.

Silcock started out playing the French horn in middle school, but he was switched to the tuba because the band needed a tuba player. Silcock said the tuba has a solid, hefty sound that corre-

Jeffrey Silcock, 45, of Twin Falls. Years playing: 33 years, the past 30 with the band.

sponds with its hefty size.

"It's the bass of the band," Silcock said. "It's the foundation for the harmonies and melodies that stack right on top of it."

Silcock has played with the band for 30 years, and he remembers when the group used to rehearse in the basement of the band shell. Silcock said it was bearable at the beginning of the night, but it got hotter and hotter as the room filled up and everyone started playing.

"It became a test of en-



Staff photo by MELANIE THOMPSON

durance," Silcock said. "I'm glad we don't do that anymore."

The band now rehearses once a week at Twin Falls High School, but Silcock said the individual musicians practice on their own to be ready for the performance each week.

"You've really got to be up on your instrument," Silcock said. "You've got to be willing to practice on your own, and you've got to put in the time and effort."

—Erica Littlefield

### TONIGHT

## Crazy Hats and Loud Shirts

Get out your fedora. Easter bonnet or newsboy cap.

The theme for this week's Twin Falls Municipal Band concert is "Crazy Hats and Loud Shirts," and audience members are encouraged to wear the most off-the-wall hats they can find. The concertgoer with best hat will win a prize.

The free outdoor concert starts at 8 p.m. tonight at the band shell in Twin Falls City Park. Band director Ted Hadley said he chose an eclectic mix of music to fit the concert's eclectic theme. The band will play everything from the classical "First Suite in E flat" by Gustav Holst to "Nobles of the Mystic Shrine," a march by John Philip Sousa, to a disco medley called "Superhits of the 70s."

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Staff photo by ANNELEY SMITH  
Hannah Davis, left, and Angelica Price, both 14 years old, make bookmarks during a launch party at the Yreka Falls Public Library for the final book in Stephenie Meyer's Twilight Saga, a popular series about vampires.

## Counting down to 'Breaking Dawn'

BY BLAIR KOCH  
Correspondent

From the Big Apple to the Gem State, fans of Stephenie Meyer are counting down, to the millisecond, the release of "Breaking Dawn."

The highly anticipated novel is the fourth and final book in Meyer's internationally best-selling Twilight Saga, to be released at 12:01 a.m. Saturday.

The release is being celebrated in many ways, from a four-city concert series (the closest venue to southern Idaho fans is Aug. 12 at Seattle's Benaraya Hall) to library parties.

The festivities offer slight distraction to the main event — getting a copy of "Breaking Dawn" and finding out what happens with Bella and Edward in the gloomy town of Forks, Wash.

"The story has kept me on edge since the beginning," said Breunin McEntarffer of Twin Falls. "Bella, she's the human mixed up with the vampire Ed-

ward, and I can't wait to see what happens between them."

McEntarffer, 17, was quickly enthralled with the plot and breezed through the first three books.

"I've always been interested in vampires and the mystery of the night," she said. "I've been wanting to read 'Breaking Dawn' for a really long time."

The first book in the saga, "Twilight," was published in 2005. The sequel, "New Moon," was released in 2006 and spent more than 30 weeks at the No. 1 position on The New York Times bestseller list.

"Eclipse," released last year, zoomed to No. 1 on bestseller lists nationwide after selling 150,000 copies its first day.

Phyllcia Jeffers of Twin Falls plans on attending as many parties leading to the last book's release as she can.

"It just builds to the suspense and excitement about finally getting to read the new book and find out what's going on," Jeffers

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CELEBRATE THE RELEASE

On Friday — the Aug. 1 they've been anticipating — fans of the Twilight Saga will have several places to gather with fellow Meyerites.

Yreka Falls Public Library release party, 10 p.m. to midnight, at the 1500 Miller Ave. Free. Pre-registration: 878-7708.

Yreka Falls Bookshoppers release party, 9 p.m. to midnight, at the bookstore for a thrilling night of themed activities at the Twilight Convention. There will be trivia contests, and prizes for the best costume representing Team Edward and Team Jacob.

Yreka Falls release party and reserve a copy of "Breaking Dawn," call 733-3333. The bookstore is at 1239 Pole Line Road, Twin Falls.

Yreka Falls Entertainment's vampire-themed prom, starting at 10 p.m. The release party includes a costume contest, complimentary "Vampire" cake, juice and pizza. Make a reservation at 733-3333/870 Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls. A \$5 registration fee goes toward the purchase price of the book.

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# It's the 31st for Folk Festival

BY KAREN BOSSICK  
Wood River Journal

**HAILEY** — Ready for some "Gin and Juice"? You can count on Snoop Dogg's hit song any time The Gourds take the stage.

And the alternative country band from Austin, Texas, will step on the boards Saturday night as part of the 31st Annual Northern Rockies Folk Festival.

The festival gets under way at 5 p.m. Friday and picks up again at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Hailey's Hop Porter Park.

Country music singer-songwriter Rodney Foster will headline Saturday night's concert. Foster has had 13 singles on the Billboard Hot Country Songs charts, including Top Ten hits "Just Call Me Lonesome" and "Nobody Wins."

The Gourds, who will headline Friday's performances, can scarcely take the stage without calls for "Gin and Juice." But once they've taken care of business, you can expect to rock out to "Dem's Good Beetle," "Stadium Blitzzer" and long-winded

WHAT'S ON TAP?

songs with such names as "Honky Tonk Budakadonky" and "Gogitlyershynobok." Foster and The Gourds will be joined by the veteran quartet Marley's Ghost and Pocatello's

Friday's lineup:  
5 p.m. — Steelhead Redd  
8:45 p.m. — Marley's Ghost  
8:30 p.m. — The Gourds  
Saturday's lineup:  
12:30 p.m. — Cheryl Mae Grace  
1:30 p.m. — Finn Riggins  
2:45 p.m. — The Darnphools  
4 p.m. — Jeremiah James Band  
5:15 p.m. — Kim Stocking Band  
7 p.m. — Marley's Ghost  
8:30 p.m. — Rodney Foster  
Advance buttons, good for both days, are \$23, available at the Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber and Visitors Bureau in Ketchum, Idaho. One day buttons in Ketchum and Hailey, Ad. at the gate is \$25. Tickets: 2 get in free. 800-838-0183.



The Gourds will perform Friday at the 31st Annual Northern Rockies Folk Festival in Hailey. Courtesy photo

Steelhead Redd. Hamburgers and other food-stuffs will be available for sale at the park. Concertgoers are welcome to bring their own picnic baskets, as well.

## The little fair that could

Staff report

It's not as big as its sibling shindigs in neighboring counties, but the Camas County Fair is nothing to be sneezed at. Unless you're allergic to pig wrestling or bed races.

Here's the schedule for the fair, which started Wednesday with a 4-H horse show and will continue through Sunday afternoon in Fairfield.

**Today:**  
6 p.m. — Extreme Inc. 11 inflatable rides available, with a free night of rides sponsored by Apex Foundation.

6 p.m. — Bingo, sponsored by the fair board.

**Friday:**  
6 p.m. — Community potluck picnic (bring a main dish and salad or dessert, and your own plates and utensils)  
7 p.m. — Ms. Prairie Dog Contest

**Saturday:**  
8 a.m. — 4-H livestock show  
9 a.m.-4 p.m. — Library annual book sale  
Noon — 4-H livestock buyers' barbeque  
12:30 p.m. — Assemble for the parade at the football field on the west edge of town.

1 p.m. — Parade on Main Street. Grand Marshals will be Ina Krahn and Clarice Frostenson.

2 p.m. — Volleyball tournament. To sign up, call John Botz at 764-2082.

5 p.m. — Pig wrestling, sponsored by Soldier Mountain Ski Patrol  
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# From Broadway to Main Street

BY KAREN BOSSICK  
Wood River Journal

KETCHUM — A five-part gospel version of "The Impossible Dream"

It's part of the musical menu that will be served up this week during the Sixth Annual Main Street Cabaret.

The song is among the many Broadway memories that will be performed during the 90-minute shows.

"And it's just stunning," says Patsy Wygle, who co-directs the performances with Keith Moore and Patty Parsons.

This year's cast of 22 is the biggest ever, says Wygle. It includes youngsters like Megan Mahoney and Tara Burchmore,

CABARET

There will be four performances of the Sixth Annual Main Street Cabaret. 7 p.m. through Sunday at the Stage Theater. Doors open at 6 p.m. for drinks and appetizers, which will be served tables in front of the stage.

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as well as professional singers like Stephanie Feder, who lives part-time in San Francisco.

It also features more duets and trios than ever before, including a trio made up of Sara Gorby, Kristi Kuntz and Alyssa Stark,

"... it's just stunning."

— Patsy Wygle, who co-directs the performances with Keith Moore and Patty Parsons

who will perform and sing a choreographed number from "Chicago."

"It's all show tunes," says Wygle. "From 'In the Heights,' which was just nominated for a Tony, to old standards like 'A Touch of Venus,' which takes you back to the 1940s, to 'Follow Me,' which Sue Noel will perform from 'Camelot.'"

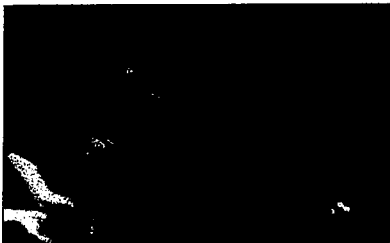
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Linda Rowe of Twin Falls makes a bookmark Tuesday night during the launch party.

## Dawn

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said. "In the meantime I've even reread the other books. Every time you read them you pick up key details here and there."

On Friday, Twin Falls' Barnes & Noble Booksellers and Hastings Entertainment are hosting mid-night release parties for Twilighters who can't wait until regular business hours on Saturday to purchase a copy.

Rolana Wurdell, Hastings store manager, said Stephanie Meyer is drawing a flock of loyal fans both young and old.

"She's become like the new Harry Potter author," Wurdell said. "The series is keeping readers of all ages reading. The books are intriguing, a little different, and people just can't get enough."

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# A fanfare to end all fanfares

BY KAREN BOSSICK  
Wood River Journal

## SUN VALLEY — Huge

That's the only word that can describe the Sun Valley Summer Symphony's 2008 season, which kicks off on Sunday.

First of all, of course, there's that huge new pavilion, which is already being hailed as an architectural marvel across the country.

And in keeping with it are 12 concerts that will feature huge works and huge stars.

This year's season will feature more guest artists than ever before to celebrate the opening of the pavilion, says Jennifer Teislinger, executive director of the Sun Valley Summer Symphony. That includes nine guest artists, two composers who have been commissioned to do pieces centered around the pavilion's opening and — the biggest of them all — the 360-voice Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

"Musically, Sun Valley always thinks big," says symphony maestro Alasdair Neale. "We have huge works in keeping with the new pavilion. And the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, Joshua Bell, Gil Shaham ... they're superstars!"

Ask Neale about the upcoming season and the usually verbose conductor falls uncharacteristically silent, trying to collect his thoughts.

"Where to begin? The Mormon Tabernacle Choir performance is going to blow people away — they've never heard anything like it. And Strauss' 'Ein Heldenleben,' which we'll play on Aug. 18, is the ultimate showpiece for a virtuoso orchestra. We'll be playing Debussy's sensuous ode to the sea, 'La Mer,' and Tchaikovsky's last and tragic Symphony No. 6.



Photo courtesy Matt Lohbauer

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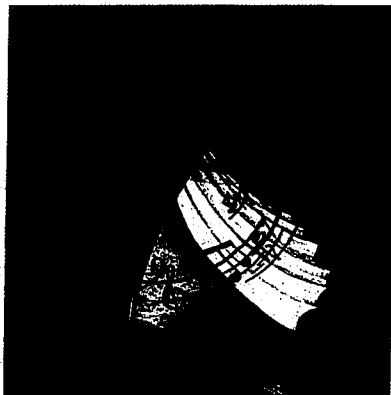
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THE WEEK AHEAD

The opening of the new  
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# Overture to the sun:

## Symphony commissions piece for new pavilion

BY KAREN BOSSICK  
Wood River Journal

**SUN VALLEY**— Kevin Puts has never been to Sun Valley. But that didn't hinder him as he sought inspiration for an overture to commemorate the new Sun Valley Pavilion.

He found it in a poem written by an Egyptian pharaoh named Akhenaten, titled "Hymn to the Sun."

"I wanted something celebratory, fun, exciting, and I wanted to have it relate to Sun Valley in some way. I always need a story to think about as I write a piece — some imagery to draw upon — and that poem seemed to fit perfectly," says Puts.

The seven-minute overture, which will be performed at 6 p.m. Sunday at the grand opening of the pavilion, begins as a wild dance ritual — much like a primal rite of spring to call on the sun. Halfway through, the music changes abruptly, becoming a radiant hymn. The ending recaptures the energy of the opening.

"There's a lot of activity, a lot of notes to play in the first four minutes," he says. "It's pretty complicated, really."

At 36, Puts is considered one of the best young composers in America. Educated at Eastwood School of Music and Yale University, he was introduced to composing at age 11 when his piano teacher heard him improvising.

"She started giving me little assignments and showed me how to notate. Composing almost came more easily for me than practicing piano because I had difficulty at that time disciplining myself to practice," says Puts, who now teaches composition at John Hopkins University's Peabody Institute.

Puts has written for countless chamber orchestras and symphony orchestras throughout

the U.S., Europe and the Far East.

A couple of years ago he wrote a cello concerto titled "Vision" for Yo-Yo Ma and the Aspen Music Festival. He was rewarded with an invite to Ma's house — a

highlight of his musical career. Last summer he wrote "Two Mountain Scenes" for the Bravo! Vall Valley Music Festival, a work premiered by the New York Philharmonic.

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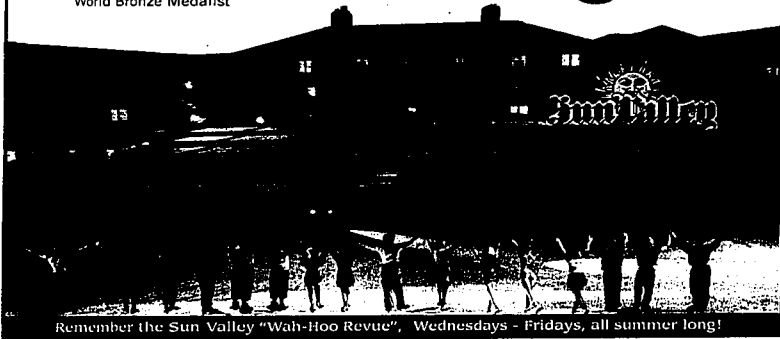
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# New pavilion to host summer symphony, others

BY ARIEL HANSEN

Staff writer

**SUN VALLEY** — For the past four months, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 150 workers have toiled to raise Sun Valley Pavilion from a giant hole in the ground to a shining architectural phenomenon.

The Sun Valley Co. outdoor performance space will be the home of the Sun Valley Summer Symphony, but it will also host a variety of performing arts — opera, dance, pop, jazz, conferences and everything between.

"It's a state-of-the-art facility, and it will have state-of-the-art entertainment," said John Mauldin, direc-

tor of entertainment for SVC. He plans to schedule performers who will attract audiences from across the state, including a Sun Valley Opera-sponsored performance by The Three Tenors, scheduled for July 2009. "Stay tuned for great things to come."

It's not surprising that groups as well-known as The Three Tenors are interested in performing at the pavilion, said SVC public relations director Jack Sibbach. "This whole building is almost like an eighth wonder of the world, the way they're building it," he said during a tour of the incomplete structure last week.

With nine days left until the Sunday opening, construction workers

were still attaching stone to the walls, installing seat frames, laying pathways and rigging the elaborate lighting and baffling systems. It looked like a lot to finish, but Sibbach was confident that 90 percent of the construction would be complete in time, including all the spaces visible from the audience.

"It won't be finished, but it'll be usable," he said. "It's a three-year project that we're doing in less than a year."

## No price for perfection

So what's the price tag on all this? SVC, a private company, is not revealing exactly how much the project cost. Sun Valley Summer Sym-

phony, which partnered with SVC to brainstorm and design the building, raised \$3 million from symphony patrons in the past nine months.

"We got donations from zero to a quarter of a million dollars," said Jennifer Teisinger, executive director of the symphony. "For that 3 million the symphony will have three to four weeks in the pavilion in July and August forever."

And SVC's contribution? Sibbach said that once owner Earl Holding decided to go forward with the project, funding wasn't a concern.

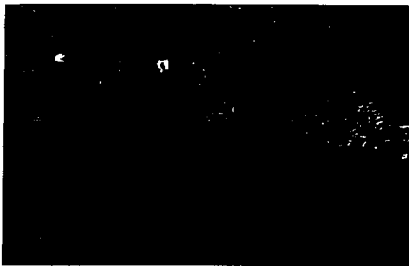
"Mr. Holding has a saying: 'If it's worth doing, it's worth overdoing,'" Sibbach said. "He's probably exceeded his unlimited budget on this. ... I

can guess it's at least nine times that 3 million."

One of the details that added to the price tag is the travertine marble facings across the exterior and part of the interior of the pavilion. The marble comes from the same quarry as that used to make the Colosseum in Rome, the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles and the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in New York.

Acoustics are developed primarily around the stage, which "floats" above a foot of empty space and is made of massaranduba Brazilian "iron" wood, and the baffling, which is covered in mahogany. Baffling panels line the walls of the stage, di-





**LEFT:** The copper roof of Sun Valley Pavilion has been pre-aged, dulling the brilliant metal and creating a yellowish-green patina.

**RIGHT:** With Dollar Mountain barely visible behind the shining copper roof of Sun Valley Pavilion, workers with nine days remaining until the building's opening hustle around the site.



**LEFT:** Hundreds of steel frames await cushions in the male seating area of Sun Valley Pavilion. Under the tensile fabric roof will be 1,500 seats, and an additional 3,000 visitors may sit on the lawn and watch giant-screen simulcasts of the performances on stage.

**LEFT:** Construction workers from one of the dozens of contractors building Sun Valley Pavilion work with pipe near the structure's main entrance.



**RIGHT:** Jack Sibbach, Sun Valley Co. spokesman, indicates one of the points where the proscenium arch framework of the Sun Valley Pavilion attaches to deep concrete pillars. The matching point on the other side of the structure is visible just above his right elbow.



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recting the sound out, and several frameworks that support light and sound equipment hang from the pavilion roof, also covered with mahogany baffles.

### An unusual design

Two proscenium arches, which reach 50 feet and 70 feet, are set into the ground with 150 truckloads of concrete, forming the main structure of the pavilion. Between the arches is a net of interconnected cables that expand and contract with weather changes.

"There are huge structural loads involved, and there was a lot of movement in the cable net roof. We had to put a wood and copper roof on top of the cable net, and the cable net moves and deflects under loads. It's very unique," said Nicholas Latham, principal with architects Ruscito/Latham/Blanton, which handled the day-to-day design of the structure. "It's an exciting piece of architecture. As far as we know, there's nothing like this anywhere in the world."

The pavilion appeared in a recent newsletter of *ArchitectureWeek*. Sibbach said, and he has fielded many

calls from architects interested in touring the building.

"It's getting a lot of attention, and it deserves it," Sibbach said.

### The 'whole package'

Teisinger offers praise to Holding for taking the symphony's idea and running with it.

"Ultimately, Earl Holding embraced the idea, and he and Sun Valley Co. really see the value of having a performing arts structure like this in Sun Valley, not just for the symphony but for all performing arts and as an economic driver for this community," she said. "Name a thriving and well-known

community that doesn't have an orchestra, an opera, a ballet."

The symphony will start thinking bigger now that it has this new performance space, Teisinger said. The Mormon Tabernacle Choir, which will headline the symphony's fundraising show on Aug. 9, wouldn't have fit in the tent the symphony used to perform in, she noted as an example. All the other symphony shows are free, and Teisinger said she appreciates SVC's support for public access to such high-caliber performances.

"We're offering a service, and we want that service that we're offering to be as fantastic as it possibly can be for the community," she said. "It is the enhanced visual and auditory

experience for the orchestra on stage and the audience listening to the final product. It's that whole package."

With the free symphony performances and all the other acts that SVC will bring to the pavilion, Sun Valley West's primary destinations for entertainment.

"The southern Idaho people are going to have, next year, more opportunities for world-class entertainment out their back door," Sibbach said. "It's something for Idahoans to be proud of."

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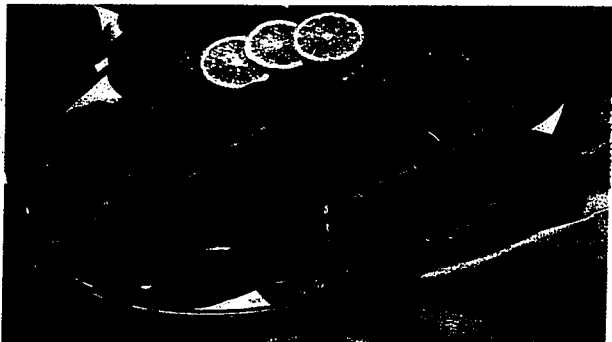
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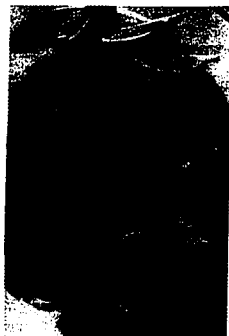
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# X marks the obvious

BY HANK STUEVER  
The Washington Post

"The X-Files: I Want to Believe" is a taut, well-acted, not very scary, not very hard to figure out serial-killer mystery revolving around two adults with trust issues, still driving around in a Taurus along the back roads of Northern Virginia and West Virginia over a couple of gray, snowy days. Sounds like a flop, correct?

Even in my sincere belief that I enjoyed returning to the dark, dysfunctional world of former FBI agents Mulder and Scully (David Duchovny and Gillian Anderson), I have this eerie sixth sense that most everyone who ever dwelt in an Internet chat forum devoted to the show in its heyday will walk away disappointed in one way or another because of what this "X-Files" doesn't have:

It doesn't have the original show's elaborately embroidered conspiracy theories (you really can watch it cold, with zero X-filler required). Other than a few old-fashioned cunnin' moves, it has no special effects (to my eye, there's not a single trick of CGI, which I propose as a plus). It doesn't have ghosts, chupacabras, alien honeybees or mysterious helicopters, even though creator-director Chris Carter and co-conspirator Frank Spotnitz

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David Duchovny, left, and Gillian Anderson reprise their roles in the iconic '90s television show on the big screen in 'The X-Files: I Want to Believe.'

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## 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 Howells Opera House. The production continues Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, and AUG. 7-9. Tickets, \$8, are available at 677-2787. Howells Opera House is at 118 N. Blaine Ave.

## Theater/Halley

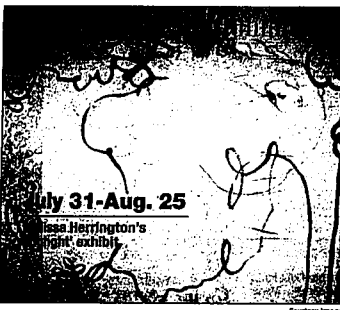
**Company of Foots** presents Donald Margulies' drama "Collected Stories" at 7 p.m. at Liberty Theatre, as part of the Summer Foots Festival. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and over) and \$15 for students (18 and under). Tickets are available at Liberty Theatre (8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122, or at the box office one hour before show time. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

## Exhibition/Halley

**Birdwatch: Works by Kieran 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 cultural understanding of the natural world. Hours are noon to 5 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays. The Halley Center is at 314 S. Second Ave.

## Book talk/Ketchum

**Jill Halpert** will give a talk on her new book, "Making Up With Mom: Why Mothers and Daughters Disagree About Careers, Kids and Casseroles and What to Do About It," 9-10 p.m. at Chapter One Bookstore. The book focuses on generational differences between women and their mothers and how to resolve them. The book is co-authored by Deborah Cant, a sociologist specializing in intergenerational relations.



This painting from Melissa Herrington's "Uglight" exhibit is at Gallery DeNovo in Ketchum. Exhibit events are July 31 and Aug. 1.

## Chapter One Bookstore is at 160 N. Main St.

## Art exhibition/Ketchum

**Melissa Herrington's "Uglight"** will be on display through AUG. 25 at Gallery DeNovo. A showing of her latest installation "Los Angeles County Project," which became part of the influence of her new work, will be on display in the upstairs gallery. "Uglight" includes non-monochromatic paintings based on her investigation into figure and landscape relationships, the process of painting, and historical art imagery. In "Los Angeles County Project," Herrington scrutinizes the individuals who are no longer in the Los Angeles Police Department database, but once were as the project began, by turning their portraits upside down. 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 DeNovo is at 320 First Ave. N., Suite 101.

## Exhibition/Ketchum

**Birdwatch**, 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 Bishop makes miniature portraits of birds; the Gulf Coast and Arizona; Kathryn Speare makes drawings and ovals out of trash, twine and bits

of fabric; Misako Inaoka and Justin Gibbons create hybrid animals — part bird, part mammal or reptile; and Rigo 23's embroidered reproductions of "lost bird" notecards. 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 Fifth St. E.

## Fundraiser/Ketchum

**Sun Valley Center for the Arts Wine Auction** fundraiser begins with Dinner with the Vintners, includes auction lot viewing and a preview party, followed by choices for 13 classes held in private residences, with wines by exclusive wineries; \$600 per person (\$300 tax deductible). The fundraiser, for ages 21 and older, continues Friday and Saturday. Tickets and details are available at Sunvalleycenter.org or Alex Jackson or Abby Christensen at 726-9491, ext. 22 or 30

## Musical, barbecue/

**Sun Valley**  
The **Walk-Hoo 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, \$18 for adults and \$14 for senior citizens and children 12 and under. Reserve tickets: Sun Valley Recreation Center, 622-2135 or 838-622-2108.

## Musical/Renburg

**Stephanie Meyer's CD** will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Kirkham Auditorium. Stephen Young University-Idaho, as part of the Center Stage Performing Arts series. She will be accompanied by pianist Tyler Castleberry. Tickets, \$5 for the general public, are available at 496-2230 or Byui.edu/tickets.

## Theater/Chubbuck

**Mystique Theater** presents "The Wizard of Oz," with shows running Monday, Thursday and Saturday through Aug. 25. Dinner begins at 7 p.m., with the show at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$35-45 for dinner and show, \$18 for just the show. There will also be a 2 p.m. matinee on Aug. 23. Information: 206-238-8001. The theater is at 158 E. Chubbuck Road.

## 1 FRIDAY

## Gallery opening/Twin Falls

As part of First Friday, the **Full Moon Gallery of Fine Art & Contemporary** art will hold an artist's reception and gallery opening 7-9 p.m. with new works by member artists. 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 Fifth St. E.

## Jazz/Twin Falls

As part of First Friday, **Great Ritz Jazz Society** and special guest **Brit Walker** on trumpet will perform 6-9 p.m. at Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise as his "First Friday" event. No cover charge. Rudy's is at 147 Main Ave. W.

## Event/Twin Falls

As part of First Friday, **Hands On! The Divine Grind** presents **Coffeehouse Night**, 7:30-10:30 p.m. There will be live music by Ethan Tucker, coffee drink specials from the Divine Grind and studio-free painting at Hands On. The businesses are at 147 Shoshone St. N. Information: 736-4475.

## Book-release party/Twin Falls

A "Breaking Dawn" Party, hosted by Barnes & Noble Booksellers, will be from 9 p.m. to midnight for the release of Stephanie Meyer's new book, "Breaking Dawn." The fourth and final book in Meyer's Tw-

light Saga will go on sale at midnight at the store. Fans of the Twilight Saga can come to costume for a night of the theater activities, including trivia contests, and prizes for the costume representing Team Edward and Team Jacob. Barnes & Noble is at 1232A Pine Line Road.

## Book-release party/

### Twin Falls

A "Breaking Dawn" Party, hosted by Hastings Entertainment, will be held at 9 p.m. leading up to the 12:01 a.m. release of Stephanie Meyer's new book, "Breaking Dawn." Parties will include costume and character look-a-like contests plus Stephanie Meyer book trivia questions. Many store locations across the country will throw a prom-themed party for their guests. Costume contest participants will have the chance to win a copy of the book, and a Stephanie Meyer tote bag or other various store prizes. Readers may reserve a copy of "Breaking Dawn" at Hastings until July 31. Hastings is at 870 Blue Lakes Blvd.

## Musical/Twin Falls

**Whiskey Falls and Mouton Jess**, presented by Jerome Chuse and Kruezer's Night Life, will perform in concert at 8 p.m. at Kruezer's. Doors open at 7 p.m.; 21 and older. Tickets, \$10, are available at Kruezer-snightlife.com. Kruezer's is at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

## Jazz/Twin Falls

**Tony Bowler's Jazz Experience** will perform 6:30-10:30 p.m. at Pandora's restaurant. No cover charge. Pandora's is at 516 Hansen St.

## Country, rock/Twin Falls

**Mixed Emotions** 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.

## Blues/Twin Falls

**George Marsh** and the **Swampcats** will perform from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

## 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., AUG. 7-2, 4-5 and 7-9 at Howells Opera House. Tickets, \$8, are available at 677-2787. The production continues Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and AUG. 7-9.

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# EVENTS CALENDAR

## Get listed in Times-News Ticket

Don't miss your chance to tell southern Idaho about your arts event. The regular deadline for entries for the TNT entertainment calendar is 9 a.m., the Friday prior to publication. Send submissions to Ramona Jones at ramona@magicalvalley.com

# EVENTS CALENDAR

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Howells Opera House is at 118 N. Blaine Ave.

## Classical/Ketchum

**Sun Valley Summer Symphony** presents the third concert of the **Edgar M. Bronfman Chamber Music Series** at 6:30 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood. Special guest is cornet, trumpet and flugel horn player **Warren Vache**. Sun Valley String Quartet members are **Jeremy Constant** and **Paul Brancato**, violins; **Adam Smyla**, viola; and **Sveven Honberg**, cello and director. Free admission. Information: [svsymphony.org](mailto:svsymphony.org). The church is at 100 Saddle Road.

## Folk/Haley

The 31st Northern Rockies Folk Festival will be at **Haley City Park** through Saturday. **Steephed Reed** will perform at 5 p.m., **Mareley's Ghost** at 6:45 p.m. and **The Gourds** at 8:30 p.m. Information: [mdsh@woodriverlandtrust.org](mailto:mdsh@woodriverlandtrust.org) or 788-0163. Admission is \$23 in advance or \$25 at the gate; good for both days. Children 12 and under free. Advance admission available at Ketchum Sun Valley Chamber of Commerce, Notes Music in Haley, and Chapter One Bookstore in Ketchum. No animals, bicycles or glass containers allowed in the park.

## Folk/Ketchum

**Tuck Wilson** will perform folk and blue tunes, 8:30-9:30 p.m. on the patio at **Papa Hom's Hideaway**. No cover charge. The Hideaway is at 310 S. Main St.

## Musical, barbecue/ Sun Valley

**The Wan-How Revue**, 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; show only: \$18 for adults and \$14 for senior citizens and children 12 and under. Reserve tickets: Sun Valley Recreation Center, 622-2135 or 938-6221-2108.

## Theater/Glenns Ferry

The **Historic Opera Theatre** presents a dinner show, **"The Memory,"** a comedy murder mystery. 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; 369-7408 or 366-2744. Historic Opera Theatre is at 208 E. Idaho Ave.

## Lecture/Stanley

**Sawtooth Forum and Lecture Series** with a presentation by **Dr. Alfred Runtz, "Our Public Lands: An American Legacy"** will be at 3 p.m. at Stanley Museum, followed by a campfire program at 8:30 p.m. at Redfish Lake Amphitheater, five miles south of Stanley. Free. The lecture series is presented by Sawtooth Interpretive and Historical Association.

## Theater/Chubbuck

**Mystique Theatre** presents **"The Wizard of Oz,"** with shows running Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday through Aug. 25. Dinner begins at 7 p.m., with the show at 8 p.m. Tickets \$35-45 for dinner and show, \$18 for just the show. There will also be a 2 p.m. matinee on Aug. 23. Information: 208-238-8091. The theater is at 150 E. Chubbuck Road.

## Comedy/Utah

**Martina McBride**, Jack Ingram and **Chris Young** will perform at 7:30 p.m. at **Usana Amphitheater**. Tickets, \$33-70, are available at 800-886-700X or [SmithsInc.com](http://SmithsInc.com).

**Usana Amphitheater** is at 5400 S. 6200 W. West Valley City.

## 2 SATURDAY

### Jazz/Twin Falls

**Tony Bowlers Jazz Experience** will perform 8:30-10:30 p.m. at **Pandora's restaurant**. No cover charge. Pandora's is at 516 Hansen St.

### Country, rock/Twin Falls

**Mixed Emotions** 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.

### Blues/Twin Falls

**George Marsh** and the **Swampcats** will perform 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at **Woody's**. \$5 cover charge. Woody's is at 213 Fifth Ave. S.

### Festival/Fairfield

**Camas County Fair** with the theme "Clothing Around Under The Big Top" will be held through Sunday at sites around town. Activities include a potluck picnic at 6 p.m. at 4-H Park (bring a main dish and salad or dessert, plus plates and utensils) and **Ms. Prairie Dog Contest** at 7 p.m. Highlights on Saturday include the 4-H Livestock Show at 8 a.m., parade at 1 p.m. on Main Street volleyball tournament at 2 p.m.; pig wrestling at 5 p.m.; Ours or Critter at 5:30 p.m.; and a dance at 9 p.m. at the ball park.

### Race/Fairfield

**Camas County Fair** will put on its annual **Bed Race** at 7 p.m. on **Main Street** (Soldier Road). **Jason Lugo**, publisher of **Southern Idaho Living Magazine**, listed the **Camas County Fair Bed Race** as the "best fair event for out of the state Idaho in the July/August issue. The bed must be at least a twin size and human powered. Teams must consist

of five members. The bed and team members must be under control for the most part and there must be four pushers and one rider with a switch of riders at the turn-around point. Bed decorating is encouraged; this year's theme is "Clothing Around Under The Big Top." Free admission and entry. Information: [Joo14764-3827](mailto:Joo14764-3827).

### Musical/Daklay

The **Oakley Valley Arts Council** presents **Lynn Alvins' and Stephen Fishery's "Season: The Musical,"** directed by **Rachel Dillon**, at 7:30 p.m. at **Howells Opera House**. Tickets, \$8, are available at 677-2787. The production continues Monday and Tuesday and **AUG. 7-9**. **Howells Opera House** is at 118 N. Blaine Ave.

### Folk/Haley

The 31st Northern Rockies Folk Festival will be at **Haley City Park**. **Cheryl Mae Grace** will perform at 12:30 p.m., **Fin Riggins** at 1:30 p.m., **The Dampholms** at 2:45 p.m., **Jeremiah James Band** at 4 p.m., **Kim Stocking Band** at 5:15 p.m., **Mareley's Ghost** at 7 p.m., and **Rainey Foster** at 8:30 p.m. Information: [mdsh@woodriverlandtrust.org](mailto:mdsh@woodriverlandtrust.org) or 788-0163. Admission is \$23 in advance or \$25 at the gate; good for both Friday and Saturday. Children 12 and under free. Advance admission available at Ketchum Sun Valley Chamber of Commerce, Notes Music in Haley, and Chapter One Bookstore in Ketchum. No animals, bicycles or glass containers allowed in the park.

### Theater/Haley

**Company of Fools** presents **Michael Frayn's farce "Noises Off"** at 6 p.m. at **Liberty Theatre** part of the **Summer Fools Festival**. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for seniors 62 and over and \$15 for students (18 and under). Tickets are available at **Liberty Theatre** (9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122, or at the box office

one hour before show time. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

### Musical/Ketchum

**Sheryl Mae Grace and friends** will perform original lyrics, 8:30-9:30 p.m. on the patio at **Papa Hom's Hideaway**. No cover charge. The Hideaway is at 310 S. Main St.

### Theater/Glenns Ferry

The **Historic Opera Theatre** presents a dinner show, **"Stop the Presses! She's Not My Type!"**, an old-time melodrama. 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; 369-7408 or 366-2744. The theater is at 208 E. Idaho Ave.

### Theater/Chubbuck

**Mystique Theatre** presents **"The Wizard of Oz,"** with shows running Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday through Aug. 25. Dinner begins at 7 p.m., with the show at 8 p.m. Tickets, \$35-45 for dinner and show, \$18 for just the show. There will also be a 2 p.m. matinee on Aug. 23. Information: 208-238-8091. The theater is at 150 E. Chubbuck Road.

### Music/Meridian

**Music in the Mountains**, an eco-friendly music festival, will feature 14 musical acts, state championship Dutch oven cookouts, wine tasting, food and beverage vendors and artisan vendors. The festival will be solar-powered, drinks will be in compostable plastic cups, free water will be available with a refillable container, and a shuttle from Boise will be available to the event. Performers include: **Kris Doly**, **Smooth Old Fashioned High**, **Jeremiah James**, **Bill Coffee** and **Ned Velt**, **Low-R**, **Jordan Booth**, **Jackie Campbell**, **Mesa Mesa**, **Chris Pagan** and **Or the Whole**. Tickets and information: [c1ctickets.com](http://c1ctickets.com), [gardner@music.com](mailto:gardner@music.com). The festival is at South Fork Landing, 45 minutes



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### 3 SUNDAY

#### Festival/Fairfield

Carnegie County Fair with the theme "Clowning Around Under The Big Top" will be held at sites around town. Activities include American Legion Breakfast on Main Street, 7-10 a.m. (cost \$0 for adults and \$4 for children, 12 and under), church in the park at 10:30 a.m., and music with Johnny U and Mark Hansen, 1-5 p.m.

#### Theater/Halley

Company of Fools presents Michael Frym's farce "Klugeas Girl" at 2 p.m. and Brian Crawley's and Jasmine Tesser's musical "Motel" at 8 p.m. at Liberty Theatre, as part of the Summer Fools Festival. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens, \$2 and over) and \$15 for students (18 and under). Tickets are available at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122, or at the box office one hour before show time. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

#### Classical/Sun Valley

Sun Valley Summer Symphony begins the season with an Opening Night Concert, featuring violinist Gil Shaham, at 8 p.m. at the new Sun Valley Music Pavilion at Sun Valley Resort. The symphony opens with a piece by composer Kevin Puts, "Hymn to the Sun." Shaham will perform Brahms' Violin Concerto. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Free admission.

#### Music/Stanley

Music from Stanley concert series, featuring Idaho musicians Music-in-the-School of Rock Kids Bands and Nathan Jay Moody, will be held 4-8 p.m. at Redfish Lake Lodge. Free admission. Concert recordings will be aired in radio series on KBSU and KISU in the fall.

### 4 MONDAY

#### Classical/Sun Valley

Sun Valley Summer Symphony presents a concert, featuring music of Beethoven, at 8:30 p.m. at the Sun Valley Music Pavilion at Sun Valley Resort. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Free admission.

#### Musical/Dakley

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Stephen Flaherty's "Seussical The Musical," directed by Rachel Dillon, at 7:30 p.m., Howells Opera House, Tickets, \$8. are available at 677-2787. The production continues Tuesday and AUG. 7-9 Howells Opera House is at 118 N. Blaine Ave.

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### 5 TUESDAY

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### 6 WEDNESDAY

#### Fundraiser/Twin Falls

The 21st Annual Site of Magic Valley, hosted by Junior Club of Magic Valley, will be held 5-9 p.m. at Twin Falls City Park. The event includes food and beverages with several restaurants serving items for purchase (most items are under \$4), live music and children's play area. Proceeds will be donated to Valley House, Safe Kids and the Ronald McDonald House.

#### Classical/Sun Valley

Sun Valley Summer Symphony presents a concert, (featuring music of Respighi and Schumann, at 8:30 p.m. at the Sun Valley Music Pavilion at Sun Valley Resort. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Free admission.

#### Musical/Barbecue/Sun Valley

The Wash-Hoo 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 8 p.m. on the lawn near the opera house. Tickets, dinner and show: \$35 for adults, \$20 for senior citizens and \$25 for children 12 and under; for show only: \$18 for adults and \$14 for senior citizens and children 12 and under. Reserve tickets: Sun Valley Recreation Center, 822-2135 or 888-622-2108.

Abigail, Eliza and Madeline Christensen are off to see the Wizard in the Mystique Production of "The Wizard of Oz," running through Aug. 25.

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Alasdair Neale tabbed him to compose Sun Valley's overture.

"Kevin is a young up-and-coming, tremendously talented contemporary American composer with whom I've worked with on a number of occasions," Neale says. "He likes sophisticated, intelligent music — the piece he wrote for Yo-Yo Ma was a huge success."

"The piece he's written for us is an upbeat piece designed to inaugurate the new pavilion and kick off an entirely new age in the history of our orchestra."

Neale has already committed to have the New World Symphony perform the piece in Miami on Nov. 8 and 9.

"That's a real testament to

**"Kevin is a young up-and-coming, tremendously talented contemporary American composer ... He likes sophisticated, intelligent music — the piece he wrote for Yo-Yo Ma was a huge success."**

— Sun Valley Summer Symphony director Alasdair Neale

Kevin," says Jennifer Teislinger, executive director of the Sun Valley Summer Symphony. "It shows Alasdair's faith in Kevin's work."

Puts composed the seven-minute "Hymn to the Sun" over a four-month period, during which he took a brief leave of absence to get married.

Beethoven and Bach had more time to "just work," he says, but computer technology helps him compose things more quickly.

Each composition starts with the physical act of sitting at the

piano and touching the keys — something that gets him excited about what he's doing.

Sitting in the audience the night his composition is played for the first time is equally exciting — and "really, really scary," as well.

"I feel very vulnerable at that moment," he says.

"Up until that time, no one has heard the piece other than my wife. Sitting there is very stressful and exhausting but also exciting because I'm hearing it so big for the first time. I'm addicted to it."



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## Fanfare

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"Then our Fab Four horn section, led by William VerMeulen, will perform Schumann's dazzling 'Concerstück,' at which we'll take two of the horns into the stratosphere. It'll be incredibly high.

"Luckily we have a horn section that's not faint of heart. They'll heat it up and so will the audience."

Other highlights of the symphony season, Neale notes, include Pops Night on Aug. 15, during which pops conductor Eric Kunzel and vocalists Steven Morgan and Michael Lowe will reprise part of the program they will perform next week at the Summer Olympics in China.

"The problem then becomes: How do we top this?" says Neale, who is already working on the 2009 season. "I guess onward and upward."



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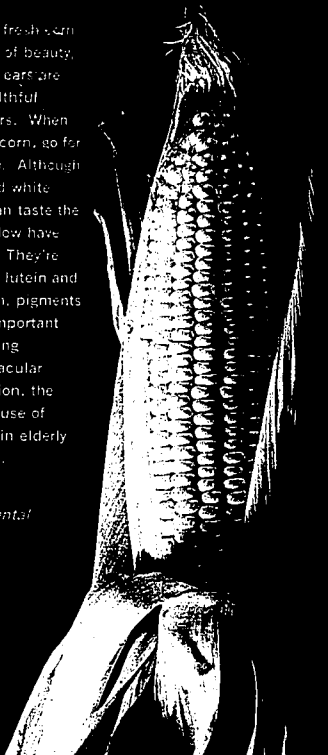
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**Tomatillos**  
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**TOMATO TIP:** Never put a tomato in the fridge.

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## ICE CREAM IN A BAG

Remember making butter in Girl Scouts? Everyone passed around the jar of cream and gave it a good shake. After a few rounds, the cream had magically turned to butter. Here is a similar feat that not only yields dessert but exercise for the kids—ice cream in a bag. Here's how it works.

**1** Place 3 tablespoons sugar, 1 cup light cream (half and half) and ½ teaspoon vanilla in a quart-size heavy zip-top plastic bag and seal.

Place that bag in a gallon size heavy zip-top bag. Layer ice and rock salt in the gallon bag and seal.

**2**

**3** Toss the bag back and forth for approximately 10 minutes, and voila, it's ice cream. Serves 2 hot kids (or adults).

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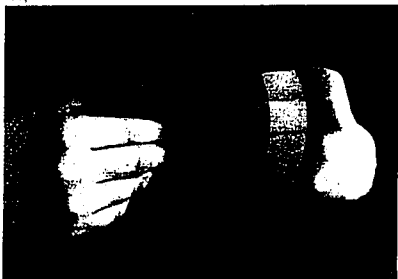
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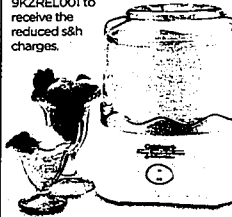
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# TOMATOES — A Love Story

An encounter with an old Portuguese farmer more than 30 years ago forever changed the course of Gary Ibsen's life. That's when Ibsen was offered his first taste of a genuine, organically grown heirloom tomato. He took a bite of "Kellogg's Breakfast," sampled "Cherokee Purple," then bit into "Brandywine."

"The flavor blew me away and I became a convert," he says. Ibsen took home six varieties of heirloom tomato seedlings that day. With a new-found appreciation for true tomato flavor, he spearheaded a small gathering of tomato lovers 17 years ago, and from these humble beginnings grew the NatureSweet Carmel Tomato Fest, a celebration in Carmel, Calif. of tomatoes, food and wine. Scheduled this year for Sept. 14, at the Quail Lodge Resort, the festival draws more than 3,000 people and features 350 heirloom varieties for tasting.

Heirloom varieties, both familiar and foreign, are featured, from exotic-tasting "Pineapple" and the complex smoky flavor of "Paul Robeson" to the boldly patterned colors of "Tigerella" and "Green Zebra." Included in the mix is "Julia Child," an intensely rich, deep pink tomato with a near perfect balance of acid to sugar and a texture that triumphs with firm, juicy flesh.

Ibsen's love affair with tomatoes has made him somewhat of a celebrity within the Carmel community. And he enjoys introducing the object of his affection to everyone he meets. But his passion goes beyond the sensory pleasure and pure romance of heirloom tomatoes. It's also about the cultural history and family stories that come with each variety. Like the Portuguese farmer before him, Ibsen celebrates the harvest of his favorite fruit. More than that, he's carrying on a legacy.

Story by Kris Wetherbee, a freelance writer in Oakland, Ore.

For more information about the NatureSweet Carmel Tomato Fest, go to [relishmag.com/tomatofest](http://relishmag.com/tomatofest)

**Tomato Phyllo Pie**  
(Cover Recipe)  
Served with a salad, this fresh, simple tart makes a great vegetarian meal. You can use any size phyllo sheets and adjust the toppings accordingly. We used 14-by-18-inch sheets and rolled the rim making a 9-by-13-inch tart.

- ¼ cup butter, melted
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 8 phyllo sheets
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella
- 3 medium red and orange tomatoes, sliced
- 4 ounces crumbled feta cheese
- ½ cup chopped fresh basil

1. Lightly grease a large baking sheet. Preheat oven to 375F.
2. Combine butter and garlic. Place 1 phyllo sheet on pan. Brush with butter mixture. Repeat with remaining phyllo sheets and butter mixture.
3. Sprinkle phyllo with mozzarella to within 2½ inches of the edges, top with sliced tomatoes. Sprinkle with feta cheese and basil. Roll phyllo edges to form rim. Bake 20 to 25 minutes, until phyllo is crisp and cheese is melted. Serves 6.

Per serving: 260 calories, 17g fat, 45mg chol, 11g prot., 18g carbs., 1g fiber, 510mg sodium.



## NatureSweet Carmel TomatoFest

America's premiere tomato festival, Sept. 14 in Carmel, Calif., includes a taste tasting showcasing 90 tomato varieties, a buffet of tantalizing tomato dishes created by area chefs and the chance to sample hundreds of fresh, organically grown heirloom tomatoes.

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# Crazy for Mangos

For South Floridians, the madness begins in late June when mangos begin to ripen. At first backyard growers say "hands off" to all but their immediate family. Over the next weeks, they begin to share the harvest with friends. As the bounty increases, they widen the circle to include casual acquaintances. Then suddenly their tree is filled with up to 200 lush, crimson mangos.

"That's when it's time to call the chef," says Allen Sussner, owner-chef of Chef Allen's in Aventura. His often-crowded cart in a wheelbarrow full of mangos and get dinner for two on the house. Sussner is so passionate about mangos that he volunteers to serve as a featured chef at the Mango Brunch, a sell-out event held annually as part of the International Mango Festival at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden in Coral Gables.

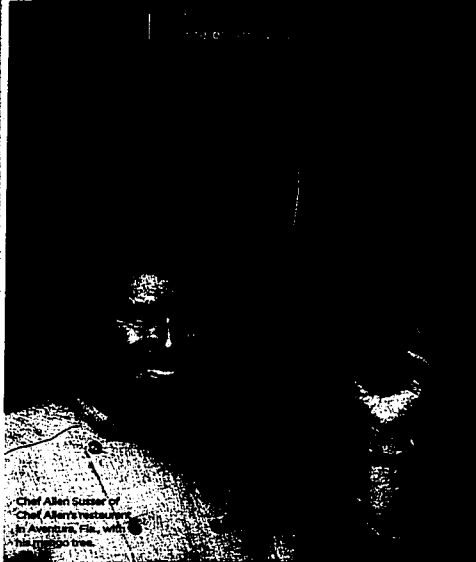
During the festival, hundreds of people stand in line to taste new mango varieties and then head off for another line where they wait their turn to buy 3-foot mango trees. This year's festival, July 12-13, focuses on the Mangos of Africa, where the fruit is a staple in sub-Saharan households. Festival-goers will taste the Zebda from Egypt, an emerald green mango with a melon-vanilla flavor and the Nelpetite from South Africa, a smallish orange and amber fruit that boasts a pine nut-apricot flavor, among a dozen other varieties.

Those flavor profiles sound a bit strange to people who've tasted only the few varieties found in U.S. grocery stores, where the most common mangos are imported from Mexico, Ecuador, Peru, Brazil, Guatemala and Haiti and include the Tommy Atkins, Haden, Keitt, Aloufo, Francine and Kent. More than 150 different mango varieties are grown commercially around the world, each slightly different from the other.

What do those lucky enough to have their own mango tree do with their crop? Sussner, for one, is never at a loss—he makes the Red Snapper and Mango Cerviche and the Mango Fool Parfait presented here. He also makes Crab and Mango Salad, Mango Macadamia Nut Rice, and Shrimp and Mango Curry at [relishmag.com/mango](http://relishmag.com/mango).

Like Sussner, once you begin to include the sweet, luscious fruit in your cooking, you, too, will be mad for mangos. —Candace Floyd

Recipes adapted from Chef Allen Sussner and the National Mango Board ([mango.org](http://mango.org)).



Chef Allen Sussner of Chef Allen's restaurant in Aventura, Fla., with his mango tree.

## Red Snapper and Mango Cerviche

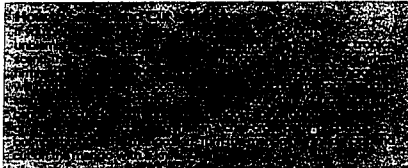
The citric acid in the lemon and lime "cooks" the fish. If you're worried about using raw fish, microwave it 1 minute before soaking in citrus juice. Serve with pita crisps.

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| 16 ounces red snapper filets, skinned, sliced thinly into 2-inch pieces | 2 large mangos, finely chopped       |
| ½ cup freshly squeezed lemon juice                                      | 1 medium red onion, finely chopped   |
| ¼ cup freshly squeezed lime juice                                       | 1 teaspoon minced garlic             |
| 2 medium jalapeños, seeded and minced                                   | 1½ teaspoons kosher salt             |
| 1 large red bell pepper, finely chopped                                 | Coarsely ground black pepper         |
|   | 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil |
|   | ½ cup chopped fresh cilantro         |

1. Combine snapper, lemon and lime juice. Cover and refrigerate 1 hour.

2. Add remaining ingredients. Toss lightly. Serve within 1 hour. Serves 6.

Per serving: 190 calories, 6g fat, 30mg chol., 16g prot., 18g carbs., 2g fiber, 530mg sodium.





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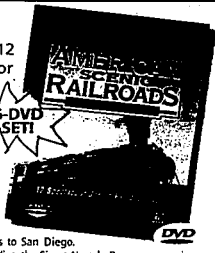
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## Mango Fool Parfait

A fool is a combination of fresh fruit, confectioners' sugar and whipping cream. Serve with coconut macaroons.

- 1½ cups puréed mango (2 large mangos yield 2½ cups puree)
- ¾ cup confectioners' sugar
- 3 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 3 tablespoons rum
- 1½ cups heavy cream, whipped
- 3 cups chopped mango (4 to 5 mangos)

1. Combine mango puree, sugar, lime juice and rum. Fold in whipped cream. Place ¼ cup chopped mango in each of 6 parfait glasses. Top with ¾ cup mango cream mixture and ¼ cup chopped mango. Top each with a dollop of remaining mango cream mixture. Serves 6.

Per serving: 440 calories, 23g fat, 80mg chol., 1g prot., 55g carbs., 2g fiber, 25mg sodium.



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# & Spice



Make a simple dish like tamales with a spicy, fresh twist. Recipe: [back to the top](#) | [inspiration](#) | [on food](#) | [news](#) | [advice](#)

Ángel Sánchez likes to eat. He grew up in Mexican households, but he's a purveyor of Mexican food in California's San Francisco Bay Area. It's an enormous market, and he's made his name by catering to a palate that's growing as a perfect fit for both Latin culture, which thrives on gatherings of family and friends, and Latin flavors, which starts with meals accompanied with communal conversation.

"When I was a kid, we had a backyard with big rocks and a big pile of meat," Sánchez says. "We'd grill that, slice it into steaks, and we'd eat it with beans, pico de gallo, and cilantro rice and hard cheese sauce." Sánchez, 41, is from Zedra, Mexico, but he's been in the U.S. for 10 years. He's a chef, but he's also a food entrepreneur. He's also put him to work by starting cooking in restaurants like the one he owns in San Francisco with Paul D'Armentano, known as Ocho and serving at Johnson and



Wales in Providence, R.I., he focused on bringing Mexican flavors to American diners. "It's not a primary dish or a garnish," he says. "As a Mexican food ambassador, he's been Rich Bell's rallying cry. "Change the menu down." I'm a culinary gamer," says Sánchez, who opened Paladar on New York's Lower East Side in 2001 and Central City Place in 2004. "My food comes from a cultural context. It's rooted in tradition; it's from an honest, sincere place."

His influence reaches all the way to your table. Sánchez wants to crowd your barbecue porcine. Don't worry, you won't need a 50-gallon drum. To Latinize your pork, beef or chicken, you need just a few ingredients: chipotle peppers, fresh and dried chiles and black beans. "I'm not a purveyor of traditional ingredients," Sánchez says, pointing to his menu. "I'm a purveyor of food that's been made with some other old and good, and you have a taste of it." Sánchez, for something a little more complex, try his chiles en nogada or his marinated pork. [At Central City Place](#) ([Chick-fil-A's source](#)).

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**Ingredients:**  
 1 cup hardwood chips  
 2 tablespoons cumin seed  
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 1 tablespoon mustard seed  
 1 tablespoon onion powder  
 1 tablespoon dried Mexican oregano or marjoram

**Instructions:**  
 1. Soak hardwood chips in a bowl of water.  
 2. Toast cumin, fennel and mustard seeds in a dry cast-iron skillet until they begin to smoke, about 5 minutes.  
 3. Combine seeds and remaining ingredients (except pork), in a spice grinder, mortar and pestle, or food processor. Grind to a powder.  
 4. Coat pork with spice mixture. Refrigerate at least 30 minutes.  
 5. Prepare charcoal grill. When coals have turned amber and become ashy on the outside, push them to one side. Remove hardwood chips from water and pile them on top of coals. Position grate on grill and heat until chips begin to smoke, about 10 minutes.  
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**Tomatillo Salsa Recipe**  
 This salsa is great with the smoky pork tenderloin as well as fish or corn chips.

**Ingredients:**  
 2 fresh green chile peppers, very finely chopped  
 3 fresh tomatillos, husked and very finely chopped  
 2 fresh finely chopped shallots, minced, or 1/2 small white onion, minced  
 1 garlic clove, minced  
 Juice of 1 lime  
 2 tablespoons snipped parsley  
 1/2 teaspoon salt

**Instructions:**  
 1. Combine all ingredients in a bowl. Serve immediately or cover and chill up to 12 hours. Makes 1 1/4 cups.

*Recipe by David Feder.*  
 Per (1/4-cup) serving: 20 calories, 1g prot., 5g carbs, 0g fat, 0g fiber, 170mg sodium.

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## Mitchell's Ice Cream—San Francisco

Mitchell's Ice Cream in San Francisco has been attracting a large and loyal cult-like following since dairy farm descendants and brothers Larry and Jack Mitchell opened it in 1953. No matter what time of day or how thick the fog, you can expect to take a ticket and wait in a very long line at this neighborhood ice cream oasis.

Mitchell's features exotic versions including ube (purple yam), avocado, langka (jackfruit) and buko (young coconut), as well as vanilla, strawberry, chocolate and mango—their most popular flavor. "We have a lot of customers who have been coming here since they were kids, and now they're bringing their kids and grandkids," says co-owner Linda Mitchell. Ask any San Franciscan, and they'll tell you the road to Utopia is paved with Mitchell's Ice Cream. —*Charyn Pfeuffer*

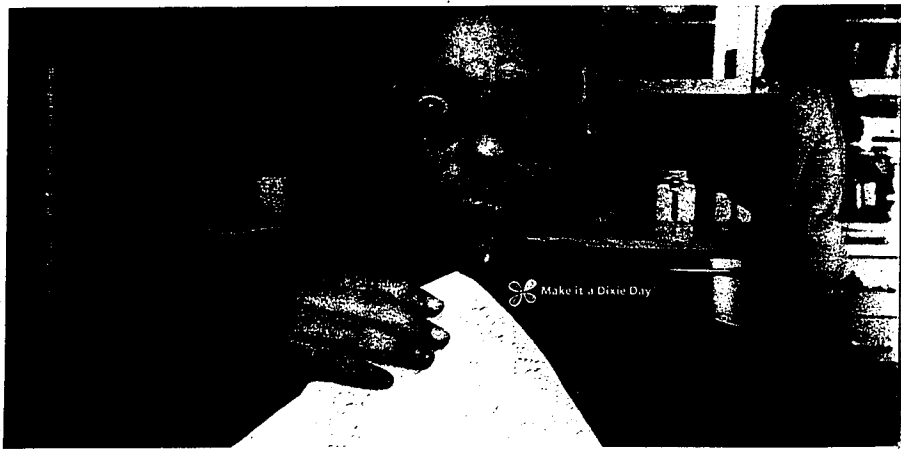
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## Sebastian Joe's—Minneapolis

Ice cream? Sure, Minnesota is a dairy state. But Minnesopolitans also know a thing or two about gelato, thanks to three enterprising brothers—Tim, Todd and Mike Pellezzer—who opened an Italian scoop shop here named Sebastian Joe's in honor of their grandfather, who practiced the art form in the Old Country.

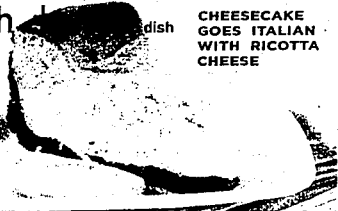
He'd probably relish the zillion rotating flavors made in the classic Italian style. But the boys have marched out New World inventions, too, that slide from banana yogurt to grapefruit-Campari sorbet to Pavarotti, the hands-down best-selling gourmet ice cream, melding caramel, banana and chocolate chips into one sinful scoop. —*Carla Waldemar*

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### Italian Cheesecake

*Whole milk ricotta makes this cheesecake creamy, but you can use part-skim ricotta too.*

- Crust:**
- 1 1/2 cups graham cracker or amaretto cookie crumbs
  - 6 tablespoons melted butter
  - 3 tablespoons sugar

**Filling:**

- 32 ounces whole milk ricotta cheese

# World Piece

Cool, creamy cheesecake is perfect for summer. Here is an Italian-inspired version that uses ricotta cheese in place of some of the cream cheese. When making cheesecake keep these tips in mind:

1. Place the springform pan on a baking sheet as fillings can leak while baking.
2. To avoid overbaking, always check cheesecakes 10 minutes before the end of cooking time.
3. Remove cheesecakes from the oven while slightly "jiggly" in the center. This ensures they'll be creamy.
4. If the top cracks, pile on fruit and carry on!

- 1 (8-ounce) package light cream cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 4 eggs
- Confectioners' sugar (optional)
- Lemon slices (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 350F.

2. To prepare crust, combine crumbs, butter and sugar in medium bowl. Press crust onto bottom and 1 inch up the sides of a 9-inch springform pan. Bake 10 minutes or until set. Cool before filling.

3. To prepare filling, beat ricotta, cream cheese, sugar and flour in a large bowl with an electric mixer. Add lemon zest and vanilla; mix well.

4. Add eggs one at a time, mixing on low speed just until blended.

5. Pour filling into crust. Bake 1 hour or until cake is almost set.

6. Run a knife around rim of pan to loosen cheesecake. Cool to room temperature on a wire rack, then refrigerate at least 3 hours or overnight.

7. To serve, remove springform side and slice. Dust with confectioners' sugar and garnish with lemon slices. Serves 12.

*Recipe by Gretchen Roberts*

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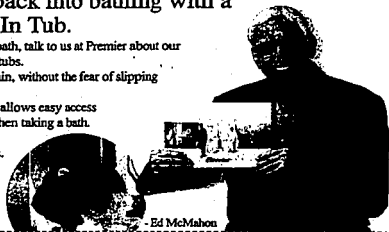
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Açaí (ah-SAH-ee)

The berry of the açai palm native to tropical South America, açai has rocked the health-food world, shooting to the top of the charts of so-called "super-foods."

The name is derived from the Tupi word *waá*, roughly translated as "fruit that cries water." Natives have long prized the berry for food and medicinal purposes, saying it cures everything from infection to insomnia. More recently, juice bars popularized it with Brazilian surfers, anxious to ride out claims that it boosts energy and sex drive.

Scientists have confirmed its nutritional value. Açai is a rich source of antioxidants, with up to 30 times the anthocyanins (known to promote heart-health) of red wine. It's a great source of fiber, high in amino acids and rich in healthy fats. Findings suggest it defends against aging, improves memory, increases muscle function and prevents prostate enlargement.

Since the berries lose their potency in 24 hours, processing is an expedited affair. Locals mix fresh pulp with tapioca or use it as a base for other dishes. In the United States, it's available as frozen pulp, pure juice and in sweetened juice blends. It's expensive: 4 ounces of straight juice (four daily doses) runs about 10 bucks. The pure stuff is pretty flavorless, but sweetened, it's similar to blueberries. And whether or not it does wonders for your body, consuming it may be good for the planet: It's a way to profit from preserving rainforests which are quickly being decimated to make way for livestock production.

Açai can be found in a multitude of forms: concentrate (perfect for making smoothies), juice, sorbet and powder. Its intense berry flavor is best combined with other fruit flavors, such as bananas, blueberries and orange juice, as pictured in the smoothie here. | —Jo Marshall



## relish | great summer sips

Here's a roundup of fresh, bright bottles to enjoy as the temperatures climb. You'll discover that summer's best sips come in all styles—red, white, pink and... green (you'll see!).

Wine columnist **Wini Moranville** guides you to the **best bottles for the money.**

### A Pink Pick

For a uniquely American take on the pleasures of pink, try elegant Etude Rosé of Pinot Noir (Cameros, Calif.; \$20). It's more brisk than white Zin, but with loads of lush fruit, too.

### A Bright Italian White

On a hot summer night, try a cool glass of Stellina di Notte Pinot Grigio (Tre Venezie, Italy; \$10). Crisp and citrusy, it goes down well as an apéritif; delicate and fresh, it pairs well with main-dish salads and simple, fuss-free seafood.

### What? A Green Wine?

When it's pure refreshment you're after, reach for Vinho Verde from Portugal. While *vinho verde* literally translates to "green wine," in this case, "green" means youthful, fresh and vibrant. Try Twin Vines Vinho Verde (Portugal; \$9), a dry, slightly spritzzy take on the summery white. Serve super-chilled.

### A Summery Chard

More bright than buttery, Liberty School's Chardonnay (Central Coast, Calif.; \$13) is a food-friendly choice for grilled foods with its orchard and citrus flavors and just enough toasty oak.

### A Pinot for the Patio

Lucas & Lowellen Pinot Noir (Santa Barbara County; \$20) is fruity but not heavy, bright but not slight, and as silky as a great Pinot should be. Put a little chill on it (one hour in the fridge if you'll be taking it outdoors) to brighten its cherry-berry flavors.

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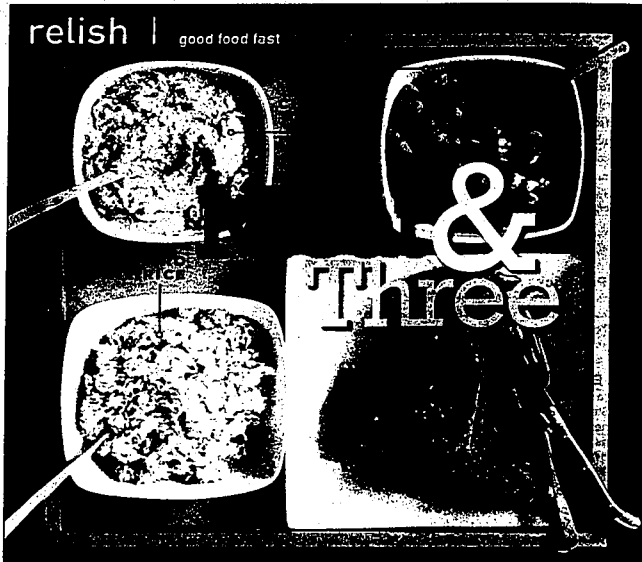
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Recipes by Anne E. Stewart, a food and travel writer in Sebastian, Fla.

### Chipotle Cheese Grits

Chipotle peppers are smoked jalapeños that are often sold packed in adobo sauce, a thick purée of tomatoes, onions, garlic and vinegar.

- 3 cups water
- ¾ cup quick-cooking grits
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 4 ounces shredded extra-sharp white Cheddar cheese
- 1 chipotle pepper in adobo sauce, mashed

1. Boil water; add grits and salt.
2. Cover, reduce heat to medium low, and cook 5 minutes, stirring twice.
3. Once thickened, remove from heat and stir in cheese and mashed pepper. Serves 4.

Per serving: 220 calories 10g fat, 30mg chol., 9g prot., 25g carbs., 1g fiber, 610mg sodium.

## Cilantro Lime Rice

The simple addition of lime and cilantro creates a sublime rice that will become your new standard.

- 1½ tablespoons olive oil
- 1 cup long-grain white rice
- 2 cups lower sodium chicken broth
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Grated rind and juice of 1 medium lime
- ½ cup chopped cilantro

1. Heat oil in a sautépan over medium heat; add rice, stirring to coat.
2. Add broth and salt; increase heat and bring to a boil. Stir once.
3. Reduce heat to medium-low; cover and cook 20 minutes. Remove from heat and let stand 10 minutes.
4. Fluff rice with a fork and stir in lime rind, juice and cilantro. Serves 4.

Per serving: 210 calories 5g fat, 0mg chol., 4g prot., 36g carbs., 0g fiber, 300mg sodium.

## Balela

This Middle Eastern bean salad is best served at room temperature but keeps well in the refrigerator for easy snacking.

- 1 (15-ounce) can garbanzo beans, rinsed and drained
  - ½ (15-ounce) can black beans, rinsed and drained
  - 2 tomatoes, seeded and chopped
  - ½ cup chopped onion
  - ¼ teaspoon garlic powder
  - 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
  - 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
  - ½ cup chopped parsley
  - ¼ teaspoon salt
- Coarsely ground black pepper

1. Combine all ingredients; mix well. Let stand 15 to 30 minutes before serving. Serves 4.

Per serving: 270 calories 13g fat, 0mg chol., 10g prot., 29g carbs., 9g fiber, 660mg sodium.

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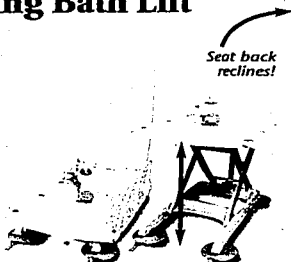
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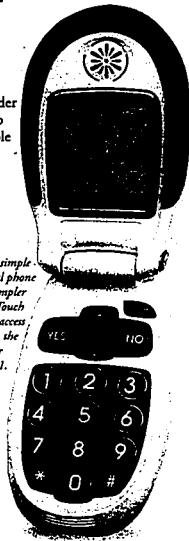
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