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## OUR OWN CENTRAL PARK



U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson tours the North Rim Park Thursday morning in Jerome County. To order a photo reprint go to <http://gallery.pictopia.com/magicvalley>.

### Rep. Simpson tours upcoming North Rim Park property

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Staff writer

Standing on a cliff along the Snake River Canyon, Rep. Mike Simpson was the only one in the group wearing a tie.

But the landscape surrounding him — and what it could be used for someday — did not escape him.

"If I had my gear I'd rappel and check out the view from down there," he said smiling behind a pair of sunglasses.

Simpson joined a handful of local and state officials Thursday in Jerome County to tour the area expected to someday become the North Rim Park. The four-term lawmaker seeking re-election is on a break from Congress.

The park, which ultimately will span more than 7,200 acres north



U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson talks with Jerome County Commissioners before his tour Thursday.

of the canyon — likely on both sides of U.S. Highway 93 — would be a vast open hub for recreational and outdoors activities.

"This will be the Central Park of this region of Idaho if we're successful," Roy Prescott, a former county commissioner who's leading the project, told Simpson.

But federal and state roadblocks remain, and Simpson's help is being sought for funding and assistance on needed land changes.

"If we don't have that third leg of support, this will not be successful," said Prescott. Simpson, who said he first

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— Rep. Mike Simpson

heard of the concept nearly a decade ago, said he's supportive. The issue of preserving open spaces is common across the country, he said, but any funding wouldn't come until at least next year's budget cycle.

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### BLM tells Jerome County to fix road

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Staff writer

Travel west on Golf Course Road in Jerome County for a few minutes and you'll see Highway 93 and the south onto Yingst Road. In seconds, a view of

the majestic Snake River Canyon opens before you. Prime land for camping or hiking north of Auger Falls is a short drive away.

But first you'll have to thwene the torn-up and rocky downhill road, complete with jarring boulders, tight turns and deep holes formed from years of erosion.

The road leading to the popular spot of public land for all-terrain vehicles and outdoors activities — there's even a bridge that's partially built

— has deteriorated with time and use. And it's unclear when things will improve.

The road is owned by the federal Bureau of Land Management, which recently sent a letter to Jerome County asking

commissioners to improve it because the county owns the right-of-way. That came as a surprise to the county. Commissioners didn't know they were involved.

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### Burley takes out the trash — finally

By Damon Hunzaker  
Staff writer

BURLEY — Burley residents who have been staring at their garbage, wondering if anyone is going to take it away, should be free of it by today.

According to Burley Sanitation Supervisor Rick Wageman, several unexpected events conspired against the city simultaneously, resulting in the disruption and delay of garbage services since Monday.

"Normally, the city has four functioning trucks — two run-

ning routes everyday and two back-up vehicles.

"These are old trucks that we would have gotten rid of but kept for this reason," Wageman said.

The computer board went out on one.

Then, at the landfill Monday, one of the newer vehicles was nearly destroyed.

"One of our trucks backed up, got stuck in the dirt, and then the guy took off in the landfill packer — those big things with spiked wheels — and ran into our truck. It destroyed the mud-

ator, the pumps, the hydraulics, smashed the front of the truck and the windshield."

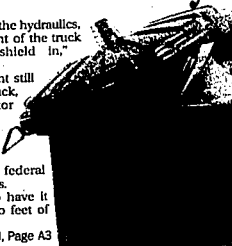
Wageman said.

The department still had a spare truck, but its compactor ramp went out.

Wageman also attributed operational difficulties to federal landfill guidelines.

"They have to have it covered with two feet of

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### Analysts paint a grim forecast for Idaho economy

The Associated Press

BOISE — An economic forecast by Idaho officials predicts the next few years will be "the most challenging in decades" for the state's economy.

The Idaho Division of Financial Management says slowing job growth caused by high energy costs and the housing and credit crisis will result in a weak job market that will last until 2011.

The report predicts there will be 17,500 fewer jobs in Idaho in 2011 than the 708,400 the division originally forecast.

Businesses likely to be hit the hardest include those that depend on a strong economy, such as restaurants and retailers, which could be hurt as consumers try to reduce spending.

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Desert winds uncover remains of cemetery in Sahara.

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# Park

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"It's always supportive of people buck home being able to enjoy themselves using the outdoors," he said. "They've got an interesting project here."

Some of the property would be county-owned but most would be leased through the federal Bureau of Land Management. The intention remains, Jerome County Commissioner Chairman Charlie Howell said, to develop

parkland for the public and to protect drinking water in Twin Falls.

"This has been a very extremely slow process but when you don't have any money it always is," Howell said.

After an exhaustive process, the county and BLM in 2004 signed a contract. The land could be used by, among others, bikers, bicyclers, horses and riders, campers, skydivers and recreation vehicles.

But there are other issues, too. Present said the group behind the project wants a big chunk of state land along Highway 93 — about 1,700 acres — to become federal land. That way, the land would be absorbed into the lease with the BLM and make things more efficient.

Any land swap would also need approval by the Department of Lands, and state lawmakers at the tour reminded project representa-

tives the Idaho Constitution means the land must be used to its best economic use.

Rep. Maxine Bell, who was among the District 28 legislators of the tour, assailed funding from Simpson wouldn't be misused like the infamous "Bridge to Nowhere" in Alaska, considered an example of pork barrel spending in Washington. "We already have a bridge," she joked, "and this isn't nowhere."

# Trash

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dirty by a quarter to five," he said. "We're not running around the clock. We have restrictions on our time. ... But if we're not caught up by this afternoon, we should be by this today."

The three broken-down vehicles, combined with having to pick up garbage from the Cassia County Fair and Roden until the restricted landfill hours, overwhelmed the operation, resulting in some complaints and lots of inquiries about delays.

"We just explain to people that one of our trucks got run over at the landfill, and you never expect a loader to run over your garbage truck," City Administrator Mark Milton said.

The city secured a rental truck that will arrive in town today and be used until the others are repaired — which imposed yet another delay because the truck is from Stockton, Calif.

Wageman explained that garbage trucks are difficult to find and also difficult to fix. When they break down, he said, the parts sometimes come from three different companies in three different states.

There's no local garbage-truck dealership — and hydraulic ramps aren't something that you find just lying around at the dump.

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# Road

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"We didn't know we were responsible and we're trying to get some more facts and figures," said Commission Chairman Charlie Howell. "We don't necessarily want to do it but we didn't know about it. We want to do what's right."

Howell said the county agreed to fix it, but he's asked the Jerome Highway District for some assistance. The county has 45 Department of Lands, and state lawmakers at the tour reminded project representa-

tioned in July during a routine compliance check, said Lori Armstrong, BLM Shoshone office field manager.

It's unclear if the road — or its physical condition — will affect the North Rim Project. But Howell said it's included in the 2004 contract between the county and the BLM, during which he was not yet in office.

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# School

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such as Twin Falls have nutrition policies limiting calories in drinks sold out of vending machines. Diet Pepsi, sports drinks, bottled water and juice can now be dispensed for change.

"There are now federal regulations on the sale of pop in school which is making it more difficult to form partnerships with Pepsi and Coke," said Dickinson.

A Pepsi representative said agreements with schools are being made. "There are no standard sponsorship guidelines," said Michelle Naughton, a spokeswoman for Pepsi. She wouldn't talk specifically about past or present agreements in Twin Falls.

Dickinson wouldn't comment on potential deals in

the works, but said Pepsi could be a possibility. "Nothing's set," he said.

An area bank paid a significant portion of hardware costs at Twin Falls High School.

Current economic forecasts are grim as the school district asks businesses for money.

But Dickinson said he's optimistic after contacting hundreds of businesses a year in advance. Some businesses wouldn't be appropriate sponsors, though such as alcohol distributors, he said. Agreements will likely be brought before the school board for approval.

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# Grim

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restaurant or retailer, you're going to have a hard time finding another one," Mike Ferguson, Idaho chief economist, told the Idaho Statesman.

The report also said the high-tech industry, which in Idaho is dominated by Boise-based Micron Technology, will

shrink over the next three years because of competition from around the world.

Micron is the state's largest employer. The memory chip maker has laid off about 1,500 workers since 2007 and has delayed building a new memory chip fabrication plant in Boise.

The report also forecasts a

decline in construction jobs from 44,204 in 2009 to 43,028 in 2011.

Idaho officials are preparing a new revenue forecast after sales tax receipts in eight of the last nine months fell short of projections.

Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Idaho, is the co-chairman of the Legislature's budget

committee. He said the cautious fiscal approach lawmakers took last winter in spending money is now being vindicated.

"We made the right decisions during the last session, so we're not facing a deficit," Cameron said. "But we are facing a very tight (fiscal 2010) budget."

# FAA seeks \$7M from American Airlines

By Joan Lowy  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Federal Aviation Administration said Thursday it is seeking \$7.1 million from American Airlines for continuing to fly airliners after safety problems were reported earlier for drug-testing violations.

The Texas-based airline delayed repairs on two MD-80s — a mid-sized airliner — after problems were reported with their autopilot systems and flew them 58 times in violations of federal regulations, the FAA said.

"The FAA believes the large total amount of the fine for these violations is appropriate because American Airlines was aware that appropriate repairs were needed, and instead deferred maintenance," the agency said in a statement. "Intentionally continuing to fly the aircraft, the carrier did not follow important safety regulations intended to protect passengers and crew."

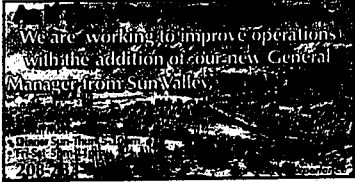
The largest fine FAA has ever proposed against an airline was \$10.2 million against Southwest Airlines in March for flying airplanes without performing mandatory inspections, FAA spokesman Les Dorr said. The FAA and Southwest are still negotiating a final penalty, he said.

While not as high as the fine against Southwest, the

proposed \$7.1 million penalty against American "is certainly significant," Dorr said. American released a statement calling the fine "excessive" and saying it intends to contest it.

"We do not agree with the FAA's findings and characterizations of American's action in these cases," the airline

said. "In accordance with FAA procedures for handling these matters, we have requested to meet with the FAA after we have had time to thoroughly review their findings, so that we may discuss the issues. Since these matters are ongoing with the FAA, we will not have any further comment at this time."



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# Obama hits back at critical author

By Nedra Pickler and Christopher Willis Associated Press writers

**Jerome R. Corsi, Ph.D.**



**OBAMA NATION**  
THE COVER POLITICAL AND THE END OF PRESIDENTIAL

The cover of author Jerome R. Corsi's 'The Obama Nation.' Corsi has released the new blunderbuss attack book painting Sen. Barack Obama as a stealth radical liberal who has tried to cover up 'extensive connections to Islam.'

debunked Internet sources to make money and advance a partisan agenda. We will respond to these sneers forcefully with all means at our disposal."

Corsi's book is off to a swift start and is No. 1 on 'The New York Times' hardcover non-fiction best-seller list, even though Obama's campaign would argue the book should be listed as fiction.

Obama's campaign says the book is full of factual inaccuracies that include the wrong date for the Obamas' marriage. Corsi also writes that Obama left much of his family background out of his autobiographies — his father's polygamy and alcoholism, his sister's birth in Indonesia and that his fiancée Michelle accompanied him on a visit to Kenya — but the campaign points out page numbers from

"Dreams From My Father" where Obama discussed all those things.

In "The Obama Nation" — the title is a twist on the word abomination — Corsi catalogs various allegations that have haunted Obama on right-wing blogs and anonymous e-mails.

Corsi suggests, without a shred of proof, that Obama may be using drugs today. Obama has acknowledged using marijuana and cocaine as a teenager but says he quit when he went to college and hasn't used drugs since.

Corsi makes an issue of the fact that, before he quit smoking cigarettes, Obama didn't want it widely known that he smoked. "If Obama takes pains to hide his smoking from us, what else does he take pains to hide?" Corsi asks in the book.

Corsi also dwells on Obama's mother marrying Obama's African father and later marrying someone from Indonesia — whom Corsi describes as a "second man of color to be her mate." The Obama campaign says the description is one of

many examples of Corsi's "offensive language" in the book.

He claims Obama received extensive Islamic religious education as a boy in Indonesia, education that was only offered to the truly faithful. Actually, Obama is a Christian and as a boy he attended both Catholic school and Indonesian public schools where some basic study of the Koran was offered.

He accuses Obama of wanting to weaken the military even though Obama's campaign calls for adding 65,000 soldiers and 27,000 Marines.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Corsi defended raising the issue of drugs without any evidence.

"I don't need more," he said, "I'm putting this question forward. I'm putting the evidence forward. Voters can make up their own minds."

Corsi writes for World Net Daily, a conservative Web site whose lead headline Thursday was "Astounding photo claims: Dead Bigfoot stored on ice."



Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama, D-III, body surfs at Sandy Beach in Honolulu, Hawaii, Thursday. Sen. Obama is in Hawaii for a vacation with his family.

HONOLULU — Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama hit back Thursday with a 40-page rebuttal to the best-selling book "The Obama Nation," arguing the author is a fringe bigot peddling refuted lies.

Jerome Corsi's anti-Obama book, "The Obama Nation: Leftist Politics and the Cult of Personality," claims the Illinois senator is a dangerous, radical candidate for president. The book is a compilation of all the innuendo and false rumors against Obama — that he was raised a Muslim, attended a radical, black church and secretly has a "black rage" hidden beneath the surface.

## Relax: Meditation retreat planned for Democratic convention

DENVER (AP) — Anyone needing a break from all these speeches and protests at the Democratic National Convention will find solace through some riverside meditation and yoga.

Meditate 101 is a six-day retreat on the banks of the South Platte River coinciding with the convention. Its organizers aim to give delegates, candidates, demonstrators and locals a chance to slow down and reconnect with their inner selves.

"We're giving people a place to sit down and shut up and see what happens next," retreat co-chair Don

Morreale said Thursday. Forty teachers from a range of traditions, from Buddhist and Hindu to Christian and Islamic, will offer meditation classes beneath the shade of cottonwood trees. There will be yoga and stress-reduction classes.

Morreale, a Denver writer who teaches meditation on cruise ships, said politicking and proselytizing will be banned at the retreat.

Even though some might think the idea "trippy," Morreale said he thinks it can't help but counter "angry energy" that could come from protests.

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# Links between Arkansas Dem. leader, killer unclear

By Jon Gambrell  
Associated Press writer

SEARCHY, Ark. — The killer of Arkansas Democratic Party chairman had written his victims' names on a Post-It note and had two sets of car keys from his victims' car dealership, but links between the men and a man for the slaying remained a mystery to investigators Thursday.



Johnson

Police said Timothy Dale Johnson, 50, also owned at least 16 guns, had antidepressant pills and made out a will before shooting Bill Gwatney on Wednesday at party headquarters in Little Rock. He had driven there more than 30 miles after losing a job at a Target store over some graffiti written on a store wall.

The name "Gwatney" and a telephone number were written on a Post-it note found in Johnson's home, police said. They wouldn't say whether the number matched the Democratic headquarters or a Gwatney-owned car dealership, if either.

"Those are things we're investigating. Right now we don't have any indication of motive as far as it deals with Mr. Gwatney," Little Rock police Lt. Terry Hastings said.

After Johnson was killed in a shootout with police, officers found two guns in his pickup truck. Court documents show officers searching Johnson's home found 13 long guns, a pistol and a prescription antidepressant.

Police also found a computer there and were going through it, Hastings said.

Until Wednesday morning, when he wrote profanity-laced graffiti on a store wall and was questioned by supervisors, Johnson had been a local employee in a stockroom, Target spokeswoman Brie Heath said Thursday.

"This was different behavior for him," Heath said. "The manager asked him if he

needed to talk. At that point he turned in his badge and left the building."

But his behavior had been alarming enough that the company had called police about it.

According to Conway police spokeswoman Sharen Carter, Target fired Johnson before 8 a.m. Wednesday because he had written on a wall. A manager had called police because of an "extremely irate" employee, Carter said. The graffiti, including "Target is run by dumb jocks and security wops," had already been cleaned and Johnson had left by the time officers arrived.

While Conway police called Johnson's departure a termination, Heath said the man left of his own accord. "When he left yesterday, he voluntarily left. We asked him 'What's going on? Do you want to talk about something?' It was, 'Let's talk.' It was not about termination," Heath said.

Thursday morning bouquets and wreaths lined the walkway outside the locked doors of the party headquarters. "We will miss you Senator Gwatney," said one note among the flowers.

More than 250 people gathered Thursday evening in front of the state Capitol to remember Gwatney.

# Clinton to get roll call at convention

WASHINGTON (AP) — Turns out Democratic primary loser Hillary Rodham Clinton will get time to shine at the party's national convention after all — and quite a bit of it.



Clinton

Democrats officially will choose Barack Obama to run against Republican John McCain this fall. But in an emblematic moment to heal divisive primary wounds, the vanquished Clinton name also will be placed in nomination alongside his during the traditional state-by-state delegation roll-call vote at the Democratic National Convention in Denver.

And, she gets her own plump speaking slot. So does her husband, former President Bill Clinton.

All that high-profile Clinton action, spread over at least half of the convention's four prime-time speaking nights, ensures an enormous presence for the couple who have been national fixtures in the Democratic Party since 1992 — and whose latest White House bid, hers, split the party into for-them or against-them camps.

Among the risks: past over-



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shadowing the current standard-bearer. In fact, the party has a history of other Democrats showing-up the guest of honor.

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EDITORIAL

### County officials should dial back big raises

**H**ow'd you do this year? Did you get a 1 percent raise? 3 percent? Maybe you lost your job altogether.

Times are a bit better at the Twin Falls County Courthouse, where the nine elected officials are in for pay increases averaging more than 9 percent next year.

And these aren't exactly minimum-wage jobs. Prosecutor Grant Loeb's will get \$32,436, a 9 percent raise. Sheriff Wayne Tousey will get \$72,759, up 8 percent. And the commissioners themselves are getting \$66,893, 8 percent more than last year.

The raises are aimed at keeping officials of Idaho's sixth-largest county in a salary range that compares to 85 percent to 105 percent of the average of the state's nine most-populous counties, plus a little more to reflect a 3 percent cost-of-living increase in the coming year.

This year was the final stage of a four-year program intended to increase the pay of the more than 300 elected and appointed Twin Falls County employees to at least 95 percent of what comparable jobs pay elsewhere.

Splendid idea, if the economy were humming along the way it was back in 2004.

But it isn't. In July, sales of existing homes in Twin Falls County fell 18 percent compared to the previous July. And since the first of the year, they're down 26 percent. New home sales are off 43 percent from 2007.

Unemployment in the Twin Falls area jumped by two-tenths of a percentage point in July, to 3.5 percent, while growth in sales tax collections in the county during the second quarter of this year was only half the statewide rate.

The commissioners, who set county salaries, should have responded accordingly.

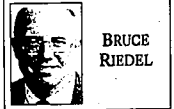
No one disputes the quality of work and effort by county employees, but the Courthouse doesn't exist in a vacuum. Taxpayers struggling with a 5.5 percent inflation rate, \$1-a-gallon gasoline and an uncertain labor market just aren't in a position to support local government at the level they've done during good times.

And it's unfair of the county commissioners to ask.

**Our view:**  
An average 9 percent raise for county elected officials is too much during tough economic times.  
**What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.**

## The elections are coming; is al-Qaida?

**F**our years ago, while working as a senior adviser in NATO's Brussels headquarters, I got an up-close look at the way al-Qaida's best minds see Western elections. On March 11, 2004, Spain was rocked by perhaps the bloodiest terrorist attack in Europe since World War II, as bombs ripped apart commuter trains in Madrid, leaving nearly 2,000 Spaniards dead or injured — three days before the country went to the polls.



BRUCE RIEDEL

The incumbent party was promptly hurled out of office, and in Brussels, my colleagues and I watched as the Spanish mission began receiving drastically different instructions from Madrid. Overnight, a U.S. ally that had been an enthusiastic cheerleader for President Bush's Iraq policies became one of Bush's sharpest critics in the NATO alliance. A grieving Spanish electorate roundly rejected the war in Iraq, which it concluded had hurt Spain's security, not enhanced it.

The most striking thing about the Madrid bombings was the sophistication of the jihadists' grasp of electoral timing. The bombers seemed to have been encouraged by al-Qaida's terrorist infrastructure in Iraq, which scripted its Spanish vulnerability weeks before the election, analyzed the fault line in the NATO alliance and concluded that a bloody blow could drive hawkish Spain out of the Iraq war coalition.

If it happened in Spain, it can happen here. Osama bin Laden, the perpetuator of the one of the greatest mass murders in U.S. history, is certain to want to have his say in our elections this fall. Brace yourselves.

In 2004, bin Laden issued an audiotape on the eve of the presidential election, which he was still alive and active despite a \$25 million bounty on his head. Some bitter advisers to Sen. John



### Bin Laden will want to mark the exit of the president who promised to get him dead or alive and has thus far done neither.

Kerry still say that the message helped rattle swing voters and re-elect President Bush.

Since then, al-Qaida has built a far more secure safe haven in the lawless badlands of Pakistan, including a much more active and agile propaganda apparatus — an in-house media studio known as al-Sahab. It put out just a dozen messages for al-Qaida in 2004, but last year, it churned out almost 100. The tempo has been even faster in 2008, and its production values have grown increasingly slick, complete with maps and videos to amp up the messages from bin Laden and his henchmen. The studio even produces its own coffee mugs now, complete with al-Sahab logo.

We can expect al-Sahab to be busy this September, producing a major message to mark both the seventh anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001, and to prepare the way for the November ballot. Al-Qaida has put out increasingly detailed diatribes each September since 2001 to mark the anniversary of what bin Laden's goons call

"the Manhattan Raid." These now include lengthy analyses of the progress of al-Qaida's war against the United States and often a "martyrdom video" from one of the 19 hijackers.

Another al-Qaida audio or video message is likely to arrive in-late October, just before the election, to remind Americans that the group is still out there and try to convince al-Qaida's supporters around the world that the network is keeping up its holy war against the "Crusaders and Zionists." A third major propaganda message will probably come during the final days of the Bush administration in January 2009. Bin Laden will want to mark the exit of the president who promised to get him dead or alive and has thus far done neither.

Had it not been for the counterterrorism skills of Britain's M16, al-Qaida might have pulled off a plot to simultaneously blow up 10 jumbo jets over the North Atlantic in August 2006 — which could have killed thousands of people just weeks before the U.S. congressional elections that

November. This was a very narrow miss: The flights had been selected, the martyrdom videos had been filmed, and the bombs had been built. The plot could have been even more deadly than 9/11, since all the forensic evidence would have fallen to the bottom of the ocean; the designs of the bombs used in the attacks could have been used for again.

Charlie Black, a senior adviser to John McCain, recently had his knuckles rapped for saying that an al-Qaida attack before November would help his candidate. In fact, we don't really know whether al-Qaida's core leadership has a preference in the presidential election. Some on the right say that bin Laden is rooting for Obama, dismissing him as untested; some on the left say that al-Qaida would prefer McCain, assuming that he'd sink deeper into Iraq quagmire and further drive angry Muslims to bin Laden's banner. For now, the group has kept mum. But we should expect to hear more from al-Qaida, violently or otherwise, before November.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Social Security needs a major overhaul for future

I read with interest the letter to the editor from former Gov. Cecil Andrus. He said that John McCain said that "the way Social Security works is a disgrace." Well, it is! Which party took Social Security from an independent fund and put it in the general fund so that Congress could spend it? Lyndon Johnson and the Democratic-controlled House and Senate! Which party put a tax on Social Security? The Democratic Party with a Gore casting the deciding vote! Which party decided to give our Social Security

money to immigrants? Guess! Immigrants that move to this country at 65 get \$55. Medicaid and have never paid so much as a dime into the system! I know that the Democrats claim to be the protectors of Social Security, and they say that the Republicans try to destroy it. Well what do you think? I have information from the Christian Seniors Association that says Congress has taken \$2,292 trillion from our Social Security savings so far and will take another \$209 billion this year.

I understand that the Social Security Preservation Act (HR 219) will solve this problem. Contact your senators Larry Craig and Mike Crapo and Congressman

Mike Simpson as soon as possible! This will not have much effect on me at age 74; however, it will affect my kids, my grandkids, my great grandkids, and those to come after that. Now is the time to act if you care about your family!

SILEY PATTERSON  
Twin Falls

### Feds, not state Fish and Game, to blame for wolves

I enjoyed Matt Smith's letter in the Aug. 5 edition of the Times-News regarding wolves. While I agree with Smith's point of view, it is he who has made the "double dumb mistake" as he said in his letter, not the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Matt, it was the federal government who forced wolf

"reintroduction" on us in 1995, not the Idaho Fish and Game. It surprises me that people still think Idaho state employees were behind the wolf introduction. Fish and Game didn't want them.

JEFF COUPE  
Halley

### Constitutional heroes should be applauded

The United States Constitution was adopted on Sept. 17, 1787, by the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Pa., and later ratified by conventions in each state in the name of "The People." George Washington urged Congress in his first inaugural address to add amendments, 27 in all, with the first 10 being the Bill of Rights that offered a reverence for the characteris-

tic rights of freemen and a regard for public liberty." In 1933, a "business plot" conspired to seize the White House by a military coup and install a fascist regime in its place. The conspirators were a list of the *crimes de la enemie*: General Motors, Prescott Bush, J.P. Morgan, Rockefeller and lesser known. They would have succeeded if not for the integrity and courage of Major-General Smedley Butler, known as "Old Gimlet Eye, the Fighting Quaker and Old Dumbboard." The two-time winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor took his oath to protect the Constitution more than President George W. Bush who referred to that sacred document as "just a (bloody) piece of paper."

FDJR said "... democracy is not safe if the people tolerate

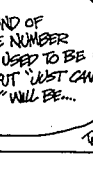
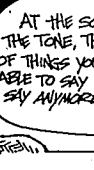
the growth of private power to a point where it becomes stronger than their democratic state itself." It becomes fascist. I believe it is time to begin honoring the memory of those who sacrificed in the service of the Constitution; for example, the military warriors and civilians who served their oaths to the Constitution more than to their careers.

I would nominate Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift, one of the most honorable, decent and just military men whose promising career came to an end when he successfully argued before the Supreme Court for justice in the Hamdan v. Rumsfeld Case. Let's hear it for Constitutional heroes — whether man, woman or child.

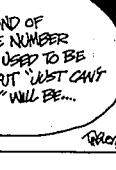
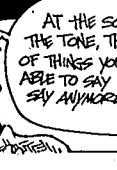
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## THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

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By Bruce Tinsley

# Airport security may have finally gone too far

On your average trip to catch a plane these days, you may encounter one or more of the following in the name of national security:

- A search of your bags.
- A search of your person via electronic wand.
- A search of your person via pat-down.
- A barefoot shuffle through a scanner while trying to hold up your buttocks pants.
- An "invitation" to step inside a weird Star Trekkan "puffer" machine that blows air at you in order to sniff out traces of explosives.



SUE CARLTON

All this before you even get on an actual plane, no matter how small for the privilege of a pillow. And we wait patiently (for the most part anyway) through these procedures, even the ones that have started to seem a little silly, because we remember that it was like to be complacent and comfortable and even smug about how safe we were, and then suddenly weren't.

Comes a time, though, when you start to wonder if we've gone too far and given up too much, when "safety" starts to feel like we are surely being punked.

Witness the latest security tool expected to be up and running at Tampa International Airport: body scanners that look under your clothes as you raise your hands, the images sent to another room where a Transportation Security Administration employee views

you for hidden guns or other dangerous add-ons.

Why would you want about the clinical, professional, even robotic nature of the images. You're more or less naked.

American Civil Liberties Union types, and throw me in there on that one, like this to a virtual strip search and a gross invasion of privacy. Images are detailed enough to show distinct and particular personal parts. Guys, this means you, too. A sample male photo supplied by the TSA might not see print in a family newspaper.

Some will call it an American to protest. You don't mind? Good for you. Some of us do.

The machines are being tested on random passengers, or those who don't pass the first go-round of security checks. And certainly we all hope every person employed by the TSA is a consummate professional in a tough job. (Imagine dealing with grumpy, jobless people all day.) But the potential for abuse is obvious, even with reassurances about keeping the image-viewer separate from the passengers as they are scanned, and ensuring images will be deleted. ("Hey, it's George Clooney! Looking suspiciously like he needs to be randomly searched.")

We should be all for protecting against what got us here. But there's also staying leery of invasive, even humiliating, government measures. Judging what's truly necessary and finding a balance. All of which sounds pretty American, too.

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# How and why the surge worked

Given the divisive debate over the Iraq war, perhaps it was inevitable that the accomplishments of the recently concluded "surge" would become shrouded in the fog of 30-second sound bites. Too often we hear that the dramatic security improvement in Iraq is due not to the surge but to other, unrelated factors and that the positive developments of the past 18 months have been merely a coincidence.



PETER MANSOOR

To realize how misleading these assertions are, one must understand that the "surge" was more than an infusion of reinforcements into Iraq. Of greater importance was the change in the way U.S. forces were employed starting in February 2007, when Gen. David Petraeus ordered them to position themselves with Iraqi forces out in neighborhoods. This repositioning was based on new counterinsurgency doctrine that emphasized the protection of the population and recognized that the only way to secure people is to live among them.

To be sure, some units conducted effective counterinsurgency operations before the surge. More generally, however, the coalition approach before 2007 was focused on rapidly shifting security responsibilities to Iraqi forces. As sectarian violence spiraled out of control, the coalition's ability to respond to the population and recognized that the only way to secure people is to live among them.

The arrival of additional U.S. forces signaled renewed resolve. Sunni tribal leaders, having

glomped the dismal future in store for their people under a regime controlled by al-Qaida in Iraq and fearful of abandonment, were ready to throw in their lot with the coalition. The surge did not create the first of the tribal "awakenings," but it was the catalyst for their expansion and eventual success. The tribal revolt took off after the arrival of reinforcements, and as U.S. and Iraqi units fought to make the Iraqi people secure.

Over time, in areas where there were insufficient forces to provide security, U.S. commanders extended contracts to Sunni (and some Shiite) tribes that volunteered to stand up against al-Qaida in Iraq. These payments ensured that tribesmen could feed their families until the economy recovered and services improved. Payments generally followed the commencement of tribal rebellions and were not, as some claim, their cause.

As U.S. units established smaller outposts and destroyed al-Qaida havens, the area under Iraqi and coalition control expanded. Security improved dramatically after the last surge units arrived and the Multi-National Corps-Iraq, under Lt. Gen. Ray Odierno, commenced a relentless series of operations to drive insurgents out of their long-held sanctuaries.

Improved security led to greater Iraqi confidence and lessened the need for, and acceptance of, Shiite militias that for too long held sway in many neighborhoods. When the Mahdi Army instigated a gun battle in Karbala last August that forced the cancellation of a major Sunni festival, the coalition's resulting public pressure compelled Moqtada al-Sadr to declare a unilateral cease-fire. Without the improved security conditions created by the surge, this cease-fire would not have been declared; nor

could it have been observed, because the militia would still have been needed to protect Shiite communities from terrorist attacks.

The increase in U.S. forces, moreover, was dwarfed by the concurrent expansion of Iraqi forces by more than 140,000 troops. Over time, Iraqi units grew more capable and increasingly took the lead in providing security, backed by coalition advisers, ground forces, intelligence and air power. Operations this spring in Basra, Baghdad, Mosul and elsewhere — though not always smooth — have demonstrated the growing effectiveness of the Iraqi army. Without the change in strategy and additional forces provided by the surge, the effort to improve the capabilities of Iraqi forces would have died stillborn, swallowed by the sectarian violence that was ripping Iraq apart by the end of 2006.

The Iraq war is not over, but our war effort is on a firmer foundation. In the end, the Iraqis, appropriately, will determine their future.

The surge has created the space and time for the competition for power and resources in Iraq to play out in the political realm, with words instead of bombs. Success is not guaranteed, but such an outcome would be a fitting tribute to the sacrifices of the men and women of Multi-National Force-Iraq and their ongoing efforts, along with their Iraqi partners, to turn around a war that was nearly lost less than two years ago.

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# It might be time for a second economic stimulus package

One year ago, it seemed reasonable to hope that the mortgage crisis would be contained. Since then, just about everything that could go wrong has gone wrong. The crisis has spread through the financial system and is cascading into a global slowdown. It cries out for a bolder government response than we have seen so far. So here is a test for candidates McCain and Obama: Which of you would provide it?



SEBASTIAN MALLABY

When the mortgage market crashed, it was plain that billions of dollars of real estate loans would not be repaid, leaving enormous holes in financial sector balance sheets. But the beauty of global capitalism is that fresh billions can be found. The Chinese and Arab governments were accumulating savings faster than American lenders were squandering them, so it was simply a matter of transferring the cash from one place to another.

Sure enough, U.S. financial institutions promptly raised billions in fresh capital, including more than \$30 billion in December and January from sovereign wealth funds abroad.

But after these capital infusions, the real trouble started. It turned out that the banks had low-balled that what they might have lost, so the foreign rescuers were hit with nasty surprises. Understandably they became leery of providing further infusions. Financial institutions had to conserve capital by calling in loans. The mortgage mess became a credit crunch.

Once that happened, the economy slowed more than it would have otherwise. The slower economy caused real estate prices to fall further, which in turn caused more loans to show up in the banks' mortgage portfolios. So the banks' need for fresh capital increased — and it is still increasing. But because they have forfeited the confidence of the capital providers, banks are hard-pressed to raise funds.

If the banks' lack of transparency was the first reason the crisis metastasized, the second was oil and food inflation. This shock frightened consumers at home and abroad, slowing spending and growth; it forced

central banks to raise interest rates to combat inflation, compounding the downturn. A year ago, there were hopes that the U.S. downturn would be cushioned by strong demand for exports from buoyant economies abroad. Now the euro zone is growing more slowly than the United States, and even Asia is cooling.

The upshot is that things are desperate. The unemployment rate in the headlines (which understates the real number) is heading toward 6 percent; home prices are falling hard; and the two forces that have averted another recession — a timely fiscal stimulus and strong growth abroad — are fading. The Fed has cut interest rates as much as possible given the worry about inflation. Foreign central banks are similarly boxed in. With the world's inability to agree on anything, there's no prospect of a coordinated global response — witness the breakdown in trade talks. And so the United States must act using the only tool it has: It is time for a second stimulus.

Bank Obama, to his credit, has called for a modest stimulus, but there are questions about its size and design. Thanks to the Bush administration's crazy tax cuts, the federal budget is drowning in red ink. A further expansion of the deficit — which is already set to surpass \$500 billion next

year — could worry the markets, perhaps driving up interest rates and undermining the intended boost to the economy. So the stimulus has to be packaged with a signal that it won't bust the budget.

Obama deals with that imperative by keeping the stimulus modest and saying he would pay for it with a tax on oil companies' windfall profits. This is better than proposing nothing. Windfall-profit taxes reduce incentives for oil companies to search for new oil, but, to be fair, oil at \$100-plus per barrel creates a sufficiently powerful incentive that the tax's damage would be marginal. Yet while Obama's plan is better than John McCain's lack of a plan, it is not the bold stroke that it should be. The best way to demonstrate that a stimulus won't bust the budget and, therefore, to create room for bigger one is to address the budget's greatest problem head-on. A short-term stimulus should be coupled with a medium-term plan to fix entitlements.

Yeah, right, you're thinking, telling politicians to fix entitlements is like telling alcoholics to drink milk. But if today's economic mess teaches anything, it is the danger of mortgaging the future and living beyond one's means. The federal entitlement programs, which are projected to drive an eightfold increase in the

nations debt-to-GDP ratio by 2050, are the governmental equivalent of a no-doc loan with a spring-loaded reset. If ever there will be a time to speak honestly with the American people about entitlements, surely this is it.

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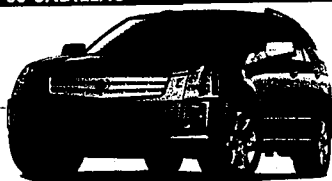
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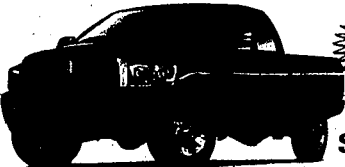
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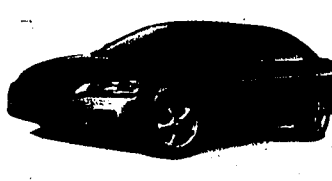
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## It's 6: Phelps wins again

### Sets another world record in winning finals of 200 IM

By Paul Newberry  
Associated Press writer

BEIJING — Michael Phelps hung on the lane rope in a familiar pose, admiring another world record while his rivals gasped for breath. Make it 6-for-6 at the Beijing Games.

Next up: Mark Spitz and the grandest of Olympic records. Blowing away the field, Phelps won the 200-meter individual medley in a record 1 minute, 54.23 seconds — more than two seconds ahead of the next guy. He knocked off his own mark of 1:54.80 set at last month's U.S. trials, his sixth world record in China.

Phelps matched his wins from Athens four years ago, where he also took six golds along with two bronzes. He's already the most successful athlete in Olympic history with 12 golds, but his sights are on eight.

Spitz won seven golds at the 1972 Munich Games. Phelps has two more events to leave little doubt he's the greatest Olympian ever.

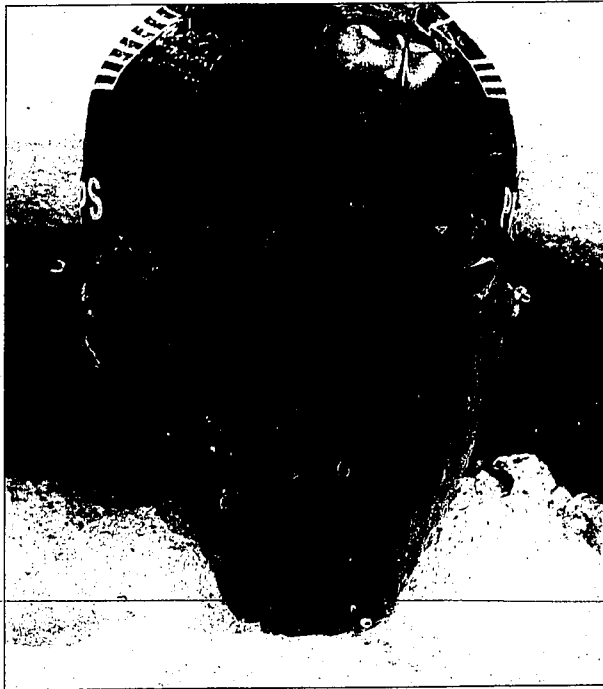
Ryan Lochte tried to pull off a daunting double, going against Phelps just 29 minutes after swimming the final of the 200 backstroke. He couldn't keep up, though he did hold on for bronze. Laszlo Cseh of Hungary picked up his third silver of the games — all of them trailing Phelps.

When the official results were posted, Phelps extended his right hand to Lochte in the next lane. The friends shook hands and patted each other on the head.

Later, they yucked it up on the medal stand before Phelps hustled off to grab his racing gear; he had to come back right for the semifinals of the 100 butterfly.

"I switched from my dress sweats to my parka, shoes, threw my cap and goggles on and then they pushed us out. No time," he said. "The medal was in my warmup jacket."

History can't wait. A half-hour after winning another gold, Phelps was second fastest behind Milorad Cavic of Croatia in the 100 fly, setting himself up to tie



Michael Phelps of the United States on his way to winning the gold medal in the men's 200-meter individual medley during the swimming competitions in the National Aquatics Center at the Beijing 2008 Olympics in Beijing, Friday.

## Maguire learning from Phelps' run

Odds are you've been watching Michael Phelps' gold-medal extravaganza this week. And certainly you're not alone. But odds are you haven't been watching Phelps the way Twin Falls resident Al Maguire has.

Maguire, 61, has been an active swimmer nearly all his life. But that doesn't mean he's done learning the sport. This week, Maguire has paid special attention to Phelps and his fellow Olympians. Most notably, how those Olympians start each race and what they do under the water. Then he heads to the Twin Falls City/YMCA Pool and puts it into practice.

"Of course, they're younger than I am," said Maguire of his efforts to emulate those dominating NBC's primetime pro-

gramming this week.



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time competitor at the Summer National Senior Games. Maguire will take part in three breaststroke events, including the 200 meters, the 100 and the 50. He'll also swim the 100- and 50-meter butterfly races and the 200 individual medley.

While a lifetime in the pool has yielded nearly 80 gold medals at various levels, Maguire isn't in pursuit of a Phelps-like weekend. He's uncertain what kind of competition he'll face in his division (ages 60-65). But that's no matter. The only competitor he's concerned about defeating is himself.

"I don't worry about it," he said of the competition. "I just do the best I can."

His primary goal is simply to beat the times he's established in his current age division. Do that, and he'll come home happy, regardless of the color or quantity of the medals he brings back with him.

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## Akey sees continuity as benefit for Vandals

By Grant Joki  
Correspondent

MOSCOW — The current presidential campaigns are touting change. But change is one thing the Idaho Vandals are glad to be avoiding this fall. For second-year Idaho head coach Robb Akey and his players, this year's camp offers a stabilized atmosphere more conducive for learning than the tumult of recent Vandal seasons.

"I see instruction going on at every station," said Akey. "You now see the veterans teaching the new guys. We have the staff back and the returnees are helping out. Everyone knows the system. It is smoother — teaching, helping and getting things in place."

Idaho has 41 returning letterman off of a team that went 1-11 and failed to produce one win over a Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A) team. However, going through last year's pain has motivated this group.

Some of the struggles last year may be attributed to the fourth coaching staff in five years. That meant another new system, new coaching philosophies and players feeling uncertainty about their roles and future. And, there's the fact 17 players booted out of the program.

Like a new sheriff, Akey drew a line in the sand and those deemed detrimental to the team, university and community were given pink slips.

Defensive coordinator Mark Criner recalls last year's camp with the positive progress he sees in the current one.

"It's tough on them to have all the coaching changes. Now, we are comfortable. You see that in their learning and how they execute our schemes and buy into it. They're more confident, they've improved and the veterans are helping the young players. They are a tight group now."

Akey likes what he sees in all areas, but still insists that the opportunity to grab by the corners. He especially wants to see consistency and go-to players in the receiving corps.

"No," replied Akey, when asked if any receiver has stood out yet as a primary target in offensive coordinator Steve Asman's air attack, mostly run out of a spread shotgun look. "That's an area where we need to see some one take charge and take over. I do like Maurice Shaw's efforts but, no, there's opportunity for more."

Overall, the Vandals are progressing at a pace that pleases Akey's time line.

"We have 29 practices to get it done and get it in place," he said. "I like a lot of things. We take place on the field, we've got working relationship among each other right now. We can now rework things

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- Swimming, track & field, 8 a.m., NBC
- Boxing, 3 p.m., CNBC
- Swimming, finals, 6 a.m., NBC
- Softball, U.S. vs. Taiwan, Midnight, CNBC

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## Coach Pete paces practice at Boise State

By Dustin Lapray  
Correspondent

BOISE — He is entering his third year as Boise State head coach, but Chris Petersen takes joy in the rare occasion when he can instruct a player one-on-one.

During practice this week, Petersen patted Jim drill to drill, assisting his coaches as they relayed the football specifics they require for improvement. He pulled guys aside — like yesterday with Tius Young, a true sophomore receiver — and showed them how to secure a football between his arm and chest.

He also coached the kick and punt returners.

"It gives me a chance to finally catch somebody so I love it," Petersen said. "Some of the drills are unique, like trying to catch a punt with a football already in your arm. Petersen was there — instructing, looming, pacing, coaching."

He is 23-3 as the Broncos' head coach and 1-1 in bowl games. He paid his dues, working from 2001-05 as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach for the Broncos. He also coached wide receivers at Oregon (1995-00), quarterbacks at Portland



Third-year Boise State head coach Chris Petersen still loves one-on-one coaching time with his players.

State (1993-94) and quarterbacks at Pittsburgh in 1994. Before that he coached at his alma mater, UC Davis, where he played quarterback. Petersen spoke to his team about

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energy after Monday's "incluster" scrimmage, but after a few days and a cooler head, he took a different point of view.

"Putting the tape on, effort wasn't the problem," Petersen said. "I felt like that wasn't it. I felt like they played hard, but I think we gotta bring more emotion, more communication, those type of things to the game to play at the level we want to play at."

That level rose in practice this week, post scrimmage. These practices were a marvel of efficiency. An alarm clock set at five minute intervals kept them moving.

"We never have a period that's going to be longer than 15 minutes," Petersen said. "Fifteen minutes of doing the same thing is a long, long period for us. We like five and 10 minute segments to run over there, get our reps and change it up, do something else. It keeps the

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## Idaho State thriving on in-state recruits

By Mark Liptak  
Correspondent

POCATELLO — All schools say they want to recruit in-state talent. The reality: Some schools actually do, while others just pay lip service.

For the Idaho State Bengals, trying to get the best possible in-state football talent has always been a priority. Now, however, the Bengals not only are getting a better caliber in-state player, but the numbers are starting to come as well.

A glance at the fall camp roster shows 24 players hailing from the Gem State — 12 on each side of the ball. That translates into a number about 29 percent of the 2008 roster. Of those 24 players, three are freshman from the Twin Falls area, including

linebacker Braedon Clayson of Burley, tight end Bryant Ward of Twin Falls and defensive lineman Jon Van Vliet, who played at Lighthouse Christian High School. The Bengals also have 2007 Wood River grad Erik Jacobson, a freshman tight end.

ISU is starting to see the effects of a process that is now identifying in-state recruits early and has the coaching staff making contact with them as soon as possible.

"To be successful you have to build your program with in-state kids," said head coach John Zamberlin. "We are looking for good, tough kids... kids who have the desire to play football, kids with good character. And as

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# U.S. men's basketball team advances to medal round



USA guards LeBron James, right, and Kobe Bryant (10) celebrate against Greece during the second quarter of their men's preliminary basketball game at the Beijing 2008 Olympics in Beijing, Thursday.

BEIJING (AP) — It's official now. This is NOT Japan and the 2006 World Championships, not to mention Athens and the 2004 Olympics.

This is Beijing and the 2008 Olympics, and the U.S. is back in men's basketball.

These Americans, who looked so lost two years ago at the World Championship in Japan, appear to have found their Olympic way in China.

Battling away balls or swatting shots on seemingly every possession late in the second quarter, the Americans broke open a close game and went on to a 92-69 victory Thursday night to clinch a spot in the medal round.

"We played like we wanted to win. We played together," U.S. guard Dwyane Wade said. "We were very aware of their offensive sets, we were very aware of their personnel and we played like that."

So were we kind of a step in front of what they wanted to do because we kind of knew everything already."

The Americans were also able to find

the range on jump shots when the Greeks went to a zone defense to slow them down. Kobe Bryant, who entered the game shooting just 37 percent in the first two games, was 7-for-14 from the field and finished with 18 points.

Chris Bosh also had 18 points, Wade added 17 and LeBron James had 13 for to a matchup of U.S. unbeatens Saturday night against world champion Spain. The winner will earn the group's top seed for the quarterfinals.

Greece stunned the Americans two years ago in the semifinals of the 2006 world championships, shredding the U.S. defense for 63 percent shooting with clinical execution of its pick-and-roll offense in a 101-95 victory.

This time, the Greeks hit just 41.3 percent (26-for-63) from the field and just 4-for-18, 22 percent, from 3-point range as the Americans used a suffocating defense to extend a seven-point lead to a 19-point cushion in the final 5/2 min-

utes of the first half.

"Any time you get beat it's embarrassing and that's enough," Bosh said. "And we can really use that as a tool to help us with our defense now, and that's the name of the game. Because if you play good defense, no matter how you're shooting the ball you're going to be in the game."

The Americans' defense held them at the 2004 Athens Olympics. The U.S. finished 5-3 and gave up an average of 91.6 points per game in the three games. Disappointing as it was, the defense that led to the three-year training this squad underwent to prepare for these Summer Games. This is not just a roster of NBA All-Stars, these players feel a part of a team.

Thursday night Theo Papaloukas led Greece with 15 points, but like China and Angola before them, the Greeks stayed close for about 1/4 quarters before the Americans' depth and athleticism blew open the game.

## Phelps

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Spitz's record in Saturday's final. World record-holder Ian Crookall of the U.S. bounced back from a disappointing swim in the prelims to post the third-fastest time.

"There wasn't much time," Phelps said. "But I think there's going to be a lot of time for me to rest over the next 10 hours or so, and I'll be able to be ready for tomorrow morning's 100."

If all goes according to plan, Phelps will get No. 7 in the fly — his signature stroke — and have the coronation Sunday in the 400 medley relay. The Americans are always heavily favored for gold in that one.

Nevertheless, he's taking nothing for granted, especially in the fly.

"It's definitely a tough race," he said. "With (Cavie) and Ian having a great semifinal, it's going to be a good race tomorrow. I'm going to do everything I can to be a little bit closer in the first 50 ... and, hopefully, if I'm there at the 50, I'll be there at the finish."

Lochte got quite a consolation prize: a world record and the first individual gold medal of his career in the backstroke. The laid-back Floridian edged teammate Aaron Peirsol in 1:53.94 to break the mark he shared with Peirsol.

"I touched the wall and was like, 'Thank you, finally,'" Lochte said. "It felt good the whole way."

Lochte was known as "Mr. Runner-up" for his frequent second-place finishes to Phelps and Peirsol. Then, he earned a Peirsol in last year's world championships in 1:54.32, before Peirsol matched the time in beating Lochte at the U.S. Olympic trials in the month.

Lochte won despite a problem with his LZR Racer.

"My suit came undone after the first 50," he said. "I was just trying to control my breathing."

Peirsol won the 100 back but Lochte, but failed to match his backstroke double from Athens four years ago. He carried the silver in 1:54.33, while Russia's Arkady Vyatchanin claimed the bronze.

"That's the theme of the meet. You have to break a world record to win a gold, you have to break a world record to win a silver, and I had nothing left," Peirsol said. "I'm very proud of what I've done. Ivan Swan won it. He earned it."

Rebecca Soni gave the U.S. women's swim team a much-needed boost, setting a world record in the 200 breaststroke with an upset of Australia's Lisei Jones.

Soni had already claimed a surprising silver behind Japan's Soni had already claimed a surprising silver behind Japan's Kate Ziegler failed to make the final of the 800 freestyle, and two summers after Soni underwent a minor heart operation.

# Liukin wins gold, Johnson silver in gymnastics

BEIJING — Nastia Liukin won the gold medal in women's gymnastics earlier today, beating teammate and friend Shawn Johnson.

Liukin, whose father was a double gold medalist for the Soviet Union 20 years ago, finished with 63.225 points, more than a half-point ahead of Johnson, the reigning world champion. Johnson finished with 62.725. Yang Yilin of China won the bronze medal.

Liukin and Johnson have been friendly rivals the last two years, with Johnson winning almost everything. But Liukin came through when it counted, and is now an Olympic champion.

**TENNIS**

So much for a men's final between Federer and Rafael Nadal. Or the Williams sisters meeting in the women's final.

Blake had won only a single set in his previous eight matches with Federer, knocked him out 6-4, 7-6 (2).

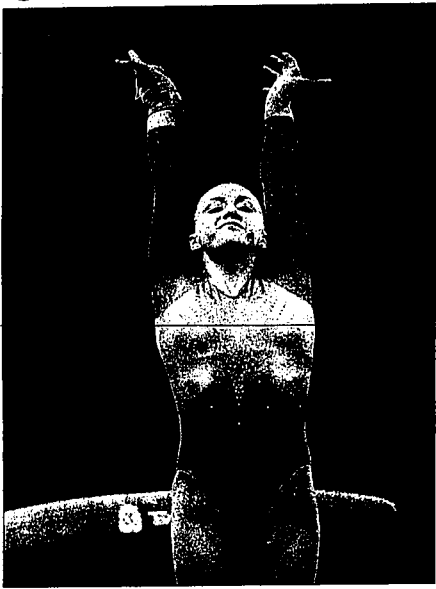
Blake is the only American left in men's singles.

"If you play him enough times, he's bound to have an off day," Blake said.

Federer leaves with his third straight Olympic disappointment. He also goes away knowing his 46-year reign as the world No. 1 will end next week, replaced by Spain's Rafael Nadal.

Serena Williams overcame two match points, but ultimately lost to Dementieva 3-6, 6-4, 6-3. Li beat Venus Williams 7-5, 7-5.

Top-seeded Mike and Bob Bryan advanced to the semifinals in doubles by beating Lleyton Hewitt and Chris Guccione of Australia 6-4, 6-3.



U.S. gymnast Nastia Liukin performs on the vault during the women's gymnastics individual all-around finals at the Beijing 2008 Olympics in Beijing, Friday.

**N. KOREAN SHOOTER, VIETNAMESE GYMNAST TEST POSITIVE**

A North Korean shooter was stripped of his two medals and expelled from the Beijing Olympics after a Vietnamese gymnast Friday after failing doping tests.

They are the second and third athletes caught doping in Beijing, where the IOC is conducting a record 4,500 drug tests.

The International Olympic Committee said shooter Kim Jong Su tested positive for propionol after winning the silver medal in the 50-meter pistol and bronze in the 10-meter pistol.

Propionol is a banned herbaceous, which can be used to prevent trembling in events such as shooting and archery.

The bronze medal in the 10-meter event now goes to American shooter Jason Turner. In the 50-meter event, China's Tim Zonglang moves up to the silver and Russia's Vladimir Isakov is upgraded to the bronze.

Gymnast Thi Ngan Thuong Dao, who finished in last place in the women's floor exercise, tested positive for the diuretic furosemide.

IOC medical commission chairman Arnie Ljungqvist said he considered Kim guilty of "a deliberate intake" of a banned substance because of propionol's specific benefit for shooters. Kim could face a ban of up to two years from the international shooting federation.

Ljungqvist said he believed the Vietnamese gymnast inadvertently used furosemide, a common drug.

"My interpretation is this was probably the result of poor information given to the athlete, who did not have the knowledge of what to avoid and what she was allowed to take," he said.

IOC spokeswoman Giselle Davies said both athletes were kicked out of the games and had their accreditations revoked. Spanish cyclist Maria Isabel Moreno was kicked out of the games Monday after testing positive for EPO in a pre-competition check.

### Olympic Medals Table

Country	Through 90 medal events	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
United States	13	11	17	41	69
China	22	8	5	35	45
Australia	5	6	8	19	29
South Korea	6	7	3	16	26
Russia	8	4	15	27	47
France	2	8	5	15	25
Germany	8	2	3	13	23
Italy	6	4	3	13	23
Japan	5	3	3	11	21
Britain	2	2	3	7	17
Netherlands	1	2	4	7	15
North Korea	1	2	4	7	15
Ukraine	2	0	4	6	12
Cuba	1	3	2	6	11
Hungary	0	4	1	5	10
Azerbaijan	1	2	1	4	10
Romania	1	1	2	4	10
Switzerland	1	0	3	4	10
Kazakhstan	0	2	2	4	10
Armenia	0	0	4	4	10
Brazil	2	0	0	3	10
Czech Republic	2	0	0	3	10
Georgia	2	0	1	3	10
Zimbabwe	0	3	0	3	10
Sweden	0	2	1	3	10

reigning champ Paul Hamm was healthy. Without him, it was Yang's to lose and he never came close to that, winning by nearly three points over Kohel Uehimura of Japan. Benoit Canabarro of France won the bronze, while Hiroki Tomita, the only other man to win the world title since Athens, finished fourth. Fabian Hambuechen, the silver medalist at world's last year, fell from the high bar, his signature event, and wound up seventh.

"You can think about the what if, what if, what if," said Hamm's coach, Miles Avery. "But Paul isn't here so that isn't an issue."

Yang is China's second men's all-around champion, joining 1996 champion Li Xiaoshuang. Winning at home made it even better.

"The Chinese team is responsible for a lot of people's dreams," Yang said. "This year has not been very good for China. There's been a lot of disasters, so these Olympic Games, there's a lot of pressure. It's impossible not to be nervous, and it's how to cope with the nerves is our job. And right now, I feel very excited."

### TRACK AND FIELD

Day 7 in Beijing began under nice weather, the air scrubbed clean by the rain that discombalanced Thursday's schedule. That also made

will have to wait around to play the Americans, who have won 16 straight at the Olympics and are seeking their fourth gold medal in softball's last swing in the games until at least 2016.

"I don't want to anyone pushing the panic button," coach Mike Candrea said. "This is a very good team. We've been talking about playing with our backs against the wall. This will be a good test for us."

**BASEBALL**

Stephen Strasburg of San Diego State took a no-hitter into the seventh inning, Matt LaPorta hit a three-run homer and Mark Brown added a solo shot as the Americans bounced back from losing their opener by beating the Netherlands 7-0.

The game was called off after eight innings following a second rain delay. Cuba beat Canada 7-6 and Japan beat Taiwan 6-1.

**FENCING**

The Three Musketeers of the U.S. women's saber team weren't so good as they were in the individual medals, Mariel Zagunis, Sara Jacobson and Becca Ward settled for bronze after a surprising loss in the semifinals. They were knocked off by Ukraine, which won the gold.

"It's just hard coming off the individual competition. You fence so hard, and you only have so many days later," Zagunis said. "I'm not looking for excuses, but we weren't fencing up to our potential."

**WRESTLING**

Remember Rulon Gardner's glorious victory in Sydney? Good, because there won't be one like it this time.

Adam Wheeler unexpectedly won bronze at 96 kilograms, but that was it as Dremiel Byers and Brad Vering, Americans' top Greco-Roman wrestlers, were bounced.

Gold went to Cuba's Mijail Lopez in the 120-kilogram division. Aslanbek Khushvot in 96 kg and Italy's Andrea Minguzzi in 84 kg.

**BEACH VOLLEYBALL**

Both American women's teams — Kerri Walsh and Misty May-Treanor, and the duo of Nicole Branagh and Elaine Youngs — wrapped up a 3-0 record in pool play, sending them into 16-team medal and beginning today. Walsh and May-Treanor advanced to the quarterfinals after knocking out a Belgian team. Branagh and Youngs downed a Cuban duo to advance.

**JUDO**

Fire up the barbecue! Mongolia has won its first-ever gold medal in any sport. Kudus to Tuvshinbayar Naidan for taking the men's 100-kilogram division.

China's Yang Xuuli flipped her first four opponents then won in an overtime decision over Cuba's Yulien Castillo to take the gold medal in the women's 70 kg.

— The Associated Press

things pleasant for the 90,000 or so folks headed to the Bird's Nest for the start of track and field events.

American Tyson Gay easily made it through the first round of the 100-meter dash. World record-holder Usain Bolt and fellow Jamaican Asafa Powell also advanced with ease, winning their heats. The quarterfinals were set for Friday evening. The final is Saturday night.

"It feels good," Gay said, referring to his left hamstring, injured in his last race, a 200 qualifying heat at U.S. Olympic trials. "I felt a little sluggish the first round, but my body is woke up now."

**MEN'S GYMNASTICS**

While China's Yang Wei added the individual gold to the team title, Americans weren't able to add anything to their bronze collection. Jonathan Horton finished ninth and Sasha Artemov was 12th.

Things might have been different if





# White Sox tie MLB HR record

Thome, Konerko, Ramirez and Uribe hit consecutive homers in Chicago win

CHICAGO — Jim Thome, Paul Konerko, Alexei Ramirez and Juan Uribe hit consecutive homers in the sixth inning Thursday to tie a major league record and the Chicago White Sox beat the Kansas City Royals 9-2 Thursday, completing a three-game sweep.

Thome's two-out, three-run shot, his 25th this season and 532nd of his career, scored Ken Griffey Jr. and Carlos Quentin, who had drawn one-out walks off reliever Joel Peralta.

Konerko followed with his 12th homer and Ramirez hit his 11th before Robinson Tejeda came on to pitch. Uribe, homerless in his 107 previous at-bats, greeted him with his fourth of the year to make it 9-2.

Chicago has a club record with the four straight homers and it was the sixth time it had occurred in major league history. The Boston Red Sox were the last team to accomplish the feat, doing it against the New York Yankees on April 22, 2007.

Quentin extended a much more painful streak in the first inning, when he was hit by a pitch from Kyle Davies (5-4). Quentin has been plunked in his last six games and a major league-high 20 times this year.

Quentin, who sat out for two days after he was hit by Boston's Josh Beckett on Monday night, is the only player since 1920 to be hit by a pitch in six straight games, according to Elias Sports Bureau.



Chicago White Sox's Jim Thome, left, celebrates with Juan Uribe, right, after their baseball game in which they both hit home runs against the Kansas City Royals, in Chicago, Thursday. The Sox swept the three game series with a 9-2 win.

## ORIOLES 11, INDIANS 6

CLEVELAND — Lou Montanez hit a tiebreaking double during an eight-run eighth inning, and Baltimore beat Cleveland for a split in their four-game series.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE PADDRES 3, BREWERS 2

SAN DIEGO — Jake Peavy out-pitched Ben Sheets with seven strong innings Thursday and the San Diego Padres snapped the Milwaukee Brewers' eight-game winning streak with a 3-2 victory.

## CUBS 11, BRAVES 7

ATLANTA — A brief benches-clearing skirmish and only the second cycle in Atlanta history couldn't stop the Chicago Cubs from completing their first season sweep of the Braves.

## METS 9, NATIONALS 3

WASHINGTON — Brian Schneider hammered against his former team again and Carlos Delgado also went

deep to help New York finish a three-game sweep.

## CARDINALS 3, MARLINS 0

MIAMI — Ryan Ludwick drove in three runs and Todd Wellemeyer pitched three-hit ball into the eighth inning for St. Louis.

## ASTROS 7, GIANTS 4

HOUSTON — Lance Berkman hit a tiebreaking two-run homer in the eighth inning to lead the Astros to their eighth straight win.

## DIAMONDBACKS 6, ROCKIES 2

DENVER — Chris Snyder and Chris Burke hit consecutive homers in a five-run fifth inning, leading Dan Haren and Arizona to the win.

## REDS 3, PIRATES 1

PITTSBURGH — Itookie Chris Dickerson had three hits for Cincinnati and broke a sixth-inning tie with a two-out RBI double.

— The Associated Press

# Heintz, Laird tie course mark with 63s at Wyndham

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Bob Heintz has always wanted some fans to follow him around the course for a change. For one day anyway, he got that kind of attention, even if it took some ribbing — and a remarkable start to the Wyndham Championship.

Heintz and rookie Martin Laird marched the course record Thursday with 7-under 63s at Sedgefield Country Club to share the lead after the first round of the PGA Tour's last event before the start of the FedEx Cup playoffs.

They joined three other players who previously shot 63 at the Donald Ross-designed course — nobody had done it since Gary Player in 1970, although the pros haven't played Sedgefield since 1976 — and surpassed the venue's opening-round record by one stroke.

Garrett Willis birdied his final five holes to join Scott Sterling, Tim Clark and Carl Peterson one stroke back at 64. Steve Martin, Bob Sowards, Ken Duke and Scott McCarron were two strokes behind at 65.

Early during Heintz's round, he figured out that the gallery of roughly 50 people was far more interested in another member of his threesome, local amateur Drew Weaver.

"I said, 'I imagine y'all are here to watch Drew, right?' Heintz said. "They kind of laughed and felt bad that they weren't there to watch me. I relayed to them that one of my career goals was to get where I'm good enough where someone might actually go to a golf course, pick up a pairing sheet and say, 'I'll follow Bob Heintz's group today.'"

"That's kind of a vague career goal, but they started to tease me about that as the day went on — 'I guess I'll follow you now.' I'd rather have attention than, you know, have nobody know who I was."

SEVEN TIED AT 68. JENNY JENNER, Gre. — Defending champion Mark McNulty shot a 5-under 67 for a share of the first-round lead in the JELLY-WEN Tradition, the fourth of the Champions Tour's five major tournaments.

Craig Stadler, Gene Jones, Mark Wiebe, Tim Simpson; Jay Haas and David Eger joined McNulty at top of the leaderboard. The seven-man monogam matched the 1989 GTE North Classic for the biggest tie after 18 holes in Champions Tour history.

DOUGHERTY 4-UNDER AT SAS STOCKHOLM, Sweden — England's Nick Dougherty holed a 142-yard wedge shot for eagle on his way to a 4-under 66 and a share of the SAS Masters lead.

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## RAVENS 7, ATHLETICS 6, 12 INNINGS

OAKLAND, Calif. — Reliever Brad Ziegler's record scoreless streak was ended by BJ Upton and Carlos Quentin leading off the 12th to give Tampa Bay the win.

## TIGERS 5, BLUE JAYS 1

DETROIT — Edgar Renteria hit a double to help Detroit win its fifth-run eighth inning and the Tigers avoided a four-game sweep.

## RED SOX 10, RANGERS 0

BOSTON — David Ortiz hit a three-run homer to highlight a nine-run second, and the Red Sox used their second big inning in three games against Texas to complete a three-game sweep.

# Local schools announce practice and tryout schedules

The following is a list of first practice or tryout announcements from various school athletic programs, listed by school alphabetically.

**BUHL**  
Football: The seventh and eighth grade teams will check out gear on Monday and Tuesday. Practice starts on Wednesday. Information: Byron Stutzman at 543-8292.  
Volleyball: Practice begins today with sessions from 9:11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Information: 308-4772.

**CASTLEFORD**  
Volleyball: Tryouts being at 8:30 a.m. today. All athletes must have a current physical on file to participate. Information: 537-6511 or 537-9097.

**DECLO**  
Football: The team will meet at the practice field at 4 p.m. today. All incoming ninth and 11th graders must have a current physical before the first practice. Forms may be picked up at the high school. Information: Jay Darrington at 312-4122.  
Volleyball: Tryouts are from 7 to 10 a.m. today and Saturday in the gym.

**DIETRICH**  
Volleyball: Practice begins at 8 a.m. today. All athletes must have all paperwork completed and submitted to be eligible to participate. Information: Pam Conant at 544-2158.

**EAST MINICO JUNIOR HIGH**  
Volleyball: Tryouts for seventh- and eighth-graders are from 5:30-7:30 p.m. today.

**FILER**  
Cross country: Practice for the Filer cross country team will begin at 7 p.m. today. Information: 731-8954.  
Football: Filer Middle School practice begins at 6 p.m. on Monday. All students must complete a physical and pay a sports fee in order to participate. Information: Larry Patterson at 731-8411.  
Volleyball: Tryouts will be held from 8 to 10 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. today and Saturday. Freshmen will attend from 10 a.m. to noon on the same days. Information:

Osaka Massage  
736-1747

731-8954.

**GOODING**  
Cross country: Practice begins at 8 a.m. today at the fairgrounds. Information: Jack Nelson at 934-4783.  
Football: First practice is at 6:30 a.m. today. Information: Chris Coe at 934-9485. Middle school team practice starts at 3 p.m. on Monday at the middle school field.  
Volleyball: First practice is at 8 a.m. today at the high school gym. Information: Luane Axelson at 727-7452 or Jenny Koski at 934-8516. Middle school team practice begins at 3 p.m. on Monday at the middle school gym.

**HANSEN**  
Volleyball: Tryouts begin at 8 a.m. today. Information: Galen Stimpson at 308-7538.

**JEROME**  
Volleyball: Tryouts are from 9 to 11 a.m. and noon to 2 p.m. today and Saturday. All athletes must have a current physical and parent consent form to participate. Information: Rick Burke at 320-2550.

**NIMBERY**  
Cross country: Kimberly cross country practice for high school and middle school students begins at 6:30 a.m. today in the high school commons area. Players need to bring an updated physical.  
Football: Two-day practices start at 7 a.m. today at the practice field behind the high school. All players must have physicals completed to practice. Information: Kirby Bright at 423-6298 or 308-8520.  
Volleyball: Kimberly Middle School volleyball will have tryouts for seventh- and eighth-grade girls at 3:30 p.m. on Monday. Physicals must be completed in order to try out. Information: Megan Garner at 308-2346. Tryouts for the Kimberly High School volleyball

team will be held at 3:30 p.m. today in the high-school gymnasium.

**MINICO**  
Volleyball: Tryouts are from 5 to 7 p.m. today and 8 to 10 a.m. on Saturday. Tryouts are for students entering grades 9-12 and will be held in the auxiliary gym. Information: Kris Christensen at 312-0278 or 436-3749.

**O'LEARY JUNIOR HIGH**  
Cross country: Practices will begin at 4 p.m. today behind Twin Falls High School's Baun Gymnasium. Practice will continue through the following week as follows: Monday, Baun Gymnasium, 4 p.m.; Tuesday, Shoshone Falls Park, 4 p.m.; Wednesday, Baun Gymnasium, 4 p.m.; Thursday, CSI soccer fields, 4 p.m.; Friday, Baun Gymnasium, 12:45 p.m., then bus to Nat-Soo-Pah Hot Springs near Hollister. After-school practice begins at 3:15 p.m. Information: 733-2155.  
Eighth grade football: O'Leary Junior High School's eighth-grade football team will hold equipment checkout at 3 p.m. today. Players will need a current physical and other paperwork completed and signed by a parent or guardian. Practice begins at 2:45 p.m. on Monday. Information: Coach Hudelson at 736-1964.

**VALLEY**  
Volleyball: Tryouts for grades 7-8 will be held today through Monday with eighth grade from 8:30-10 a.m. and seventh grade from 9:30-11 a.m. In the O'Leary gymnasium. Ninth-grade tryouts will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today and Saturday All ath-

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letes must bring a current physical, knee pads and a water bottle to tryout. Information: Coach Holston 9420-3338.

**RAFT RIVER**  
Football: Practice begins at 3:30 p.m. on Monday. All incoming freshmen and juniors need to have physicals completed in order to practice. Information: Randy Spaath, 645-2627.

**ROBERT STUART JUNIOR HIGH**  
Football: The first practice will be held at 3:30 p.m. today. Information: Coach Benoit at 733-9242.

**TWIN FALLS**  
All athletes must have completed physical forms turn into the athletic department before the start of practice. Physical forms are available in the front office.  
Cross country: Practice starts with two sessions at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. today behind Baun Gymnasium.  
Football: First practices are from 8 to 10 a.m. and 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. today.  
Volleyball: Tryouts are from 8 to 10 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. today and Saturday at Baun Gymnasium.

**VALLEY**  
Volleyball: Practice begins at 3:30 p.m. on Monday at the high school. All players must have a physical on file to participate.

**WEST MINICO JUNIOR HIGH**  
Volleyball: Tryouts are on today. Eighth graders go from 10 a.m. to noon, and seventh graders go from noon to 2 p.m. Information: Naomi MacRae, 431-1838.



Martin Laird watches his tee shot on the No. 18 hole during the first round of the Wyndham Championship on Thursday in Greensboro, N.C.

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Today: Sunny and not as hot as other areas. Highs middle 80s.
Tonight: Mostly clear and comfortable. Lows upper 50s.
Tomorrow: Temperatures starting to heat back up. Highs upper 80s to near 90.

BURLEY/WRUPERT FORECAST

Today: A nice wash of cooler air works through the region. Highs low to middle 80s.
Tonight: Mostly clear and comfortable. Lows low 50s.
Tomorrow: More bright sunshine. Highs middle 80s.

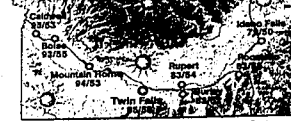
IDAHO'S FOUR CASTS

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING DAYS

Today High/Low: 74 to 81. Tonight's Lows: 38 to 44.
BOISE: The sizzling heat won't ease much over the next several days.
Temperatures will start rising into the 70s. Be sure to keep hydrated if you plan to be outdoors.

NORTHERN IDAHO

Today High/Low: 61 to 86 / 33 to 58.
Notably cooler, but mostly dry today and Saturday. Starting to warm again on Sunday.



Western's State Extremes: 90 at Lewiston. Low: 30 at Stanley.
Western's State Records: 112 at Berkeley Springs. In Idaho, highest ever, 100 at Shoshone. In Idaho, lowest ever, 30 at Stanley.

REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You can do it or you can't do it, and when you do it, you do it right. It's not a matter of if, it's a matter of when."
- Reggie M. Middlekauff, Entrepreneur and Philanthropist

Uneasy guest should step up to the plate

DEAR ABBY: I am 14 years old and the daughter of a successful business man. Daddy recently announced that we have been invited to the bat mitzvah of the daughter of one of his coworkers. I don't want to go.

DEAR ABBY: Jeannie Phillips

When I was in seventh grade, I went to my brother's bar mitzvah. While the actual ceremony was interesting and enlightening (I'm Catholic), the party afterward was really uncomfortable. I'm not shy, but it is hard to socialize with people I have never met on such a large scale.

I am afraid I'll be intimidated by all the other kids there who know each other. How can I enjoy myself this time around? I'd appreciate any advice you have.

DEAR QUIET AND INTIMIDATED: You are older and more socially skilled now than when you were a 10-year-old. You don't have to "sparkle," because the attention will be centered on the bat mitzvah girl.

Why not use being Catholic and not knowing anything as your advantage? Pick out the cutest boy in the room, walk over and explain that this is all new for you. Remember the circle dances in which everyone participated at the last party? It's called the "hora." Tell him you don't know how and ask him to show you and lead you when the music starts. You may make a friend.

DEAR ABBY: This may be a dumb question, but I don't have the answer. If my elderly roommate dies (of old age) during the night, who do I call the next morning - his doctor or a big, impersonal HMO, the county coroner or the cremation society of which he is a prepaid member? He has no living relatives.

DEAR ANXIOUS: Your question is not "dumb." In the event that someone dies at home, the police should be notified so they can secure the person passed away of natural causes.

TWIN FALLS 5-DAY FORECAST

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

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 7 columns: City, Hi, Lo, Precip. Lists weather for various cities like Boise, Burley, etc.

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

Temperature

Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Shows temperature ranges.

Precipitation

Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Shows precipitation chances.

Humidity

Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Shows humidity percentages.

Barometric Pressure

Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Shows barometric pressure.

Moon Phases

Table with 4 columns: Full Moon, Last Qtr, New Moon, 1st Qtr.

Moonrise and Moonset

Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Shows moonrise and moonset times.

U.V. INDEX

Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Shows UV index levels.

Pollen Count

Table with 2 columns: Today, Tomorrow. Shows pollen counts for various types.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists regional weather forecasts.

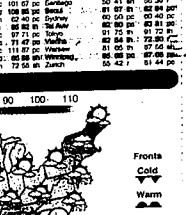
NATIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists national weather forecasts.

WORLD FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists world weather forecasts.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists Canadian weather forecasts.

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Yesterday's National Extremes: High: 127 at Ocean View, Calif. Low: 32 at Ardenmore, Va.

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### National crews to help fight Barker fire

Federal fire crews were expected to arrive Thursday to help fight the Barker Wildland Fire in the Sawtooth National Forest's Fairfield Ranger District, which reached 135 acres.

The fire is located three miles northeast of Featherhill, with a base camp located at Kelley Flats. That campground is now closed to the public.

The interagency fire crew will come from areas around the country. The incident commander is Kim Soper.

Due to the proximity of the fire and for the safety of firefighters and the public the following campgrounds, roads and trails have been closed.

- Campgrounds: Abbot, Chaparral, Bird Creek, Willow Creek, Baumgartner and Kelley Flats. Willow Creek Transfer Station is also closed.
- Roads: South Fork Boise River Road, from Sawtooth National Forest boundary to Baumgartner Campground, Barker Gulch Road, Marsh Creek Road, Shake Creek Road, Willow Creek Road, Kelley Flat Road.
- Trails: Shake Creek Trail, Willow Creek Trail, Van Gulch Trail, Big Water Gulch Trail, Little Water Gulch Trail.

### Jerome city names new administrator

Ben Marchant, most recently an assistant city official in suburban St. Louis, has been named as the new city administrator for Jerome.

Jerome city officials announced Marchant's hiring on Aug. 3 after a nationwide search. A native of New York, Marchant grew up in California. Marchant has an undergraduate degree from the University of California, San Diego, and a master's in public administration from Northwestern Illinois University.

Marchant started municipal work in San Diego and later in a suburban area of Chicago. He was most recently an assistant to the city administrator of Maryland Heights, Mo., a town of 27,000 outside St. Louis. His responsibilities included budgeting, economic development, public communications and performance management.

Marchant will replace Travis Rothwiler, who will become an assistant city manager for Twin Falls next month.

— From staff reports

# Rupert man arrested in Burley hit and run

By Laurie Welch  
Staff writer

A Rupert man was arrested after fleeing the scene of a hit-and-run accident Wednesday night involving a Burley mother and her baby near the Cassia County Fairgrounds.

Alyna Anne Dalton, 26,

and her infant daughter were transported by ambulance to Cassia Regional Medical Center where their condition is unknown.

According to a Cassia County Sheriff's report, Miguel Castillo, 23, was placed under arrest for fleeing the scene of an injury accident and no bond

had been set yet on Thursday morning.

Allegedly, Castillo, who was traveling north on Oriental Avenue in a 1999 Pontiac Sunfire, struck Dalton and her child as they crossed East Main Street at Oriental Avenue. Castillo had stopped at the stop sign before turning onto Main Street but fled the

scene after hitting the pair.

Witnesses to the incident gave police the license plate number of the vehicle and were also able to identify the man who fled as Castillo. A Cassia County dispatcher traced the license plate to Castillo in Rupert and he was later arrested at his home by Minidoka County Sheriff's

deputies and transported to the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center.

According to the report, Castillo did not have a driver's license or insurance on the vehicle.

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# BY POPULAR DEMAND

## Twin Falls Public Library unveils section just for teens

By Cassidy Friedman  
Staff writer

Maybe it started with the invention of the television. Or maybe it was the rope swing, fast food or, at great cost to society, drugs. Whatever the cause, at some point kids lost interest in reading books and, despite librarians' best intentions to instill an appetite for literature, outside of a few sweethearts, teenagers avoided their institutions like algebra homework.

So Idaho public libraries have tried something radical: They asked the kids what they wanted and they gave it to them. A "modern" example launched Thursday morning at the Twin Falls Public Library and it's just as you might picture: a teal and blue-painted room, plush, stuffed chairs, a large LCD flat-screen television with the potential for video games and movies. And, Brenna McEntarffer's favorite, a snack room.

"If you brought soda or snacks, they used to ask you not to open it," said McEntarffer, a member of the 15-person Teen Advisory Board surveyed for the project. "I like it because I can come after school, bring a snack and read."

After a spring construction project that racked up \$100,000 in private sponsorship, the Yscapes room — standing for Young Adults, Super Colossal Absolutely Positively Energizing Spaces — is now for patrons. The only thing missing is a vending machine, which the library nearly did acquire for its teenage patrons.

The point is for librarians not to preach to kids about learning to love books, but rather to make the library "a



Collette Goemmer, 11, looks through books in the new Yscapes section of the Twin Falls Public Library. The area specializes in books for teenagers and features comfortable reading areas. To order a photo reprint go to <http://gallery.pictopia.com/magicvalley/>.

### Public opening

The public grand opening of Yscapes is today from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Twin Falls Public Library, 204 Fourth Ave. E. The event is free, with live music by Ethan Tucker.

destination" where kids would naturally want to come and explore literary opportunities, said Ann Alvarez, a board member of the Twin Falls Public Library Foundation.

"Listening to local kids is half of a two-pronged approach that entails cherry picking the

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WATCH: Check out the new Yscapes area and hear a video interview with the teens who helped plan the area.

best ideas from other public libraries. One that's caught the eye of Eric Littlefield, the library's youth services librarian, is the Ada Community Library, which has popularized "Guitar Hero" video game tournaments.

"I think it's really important for them to have some ownership," said Littlefield, dressed in a gleaming teal blouse to

match the room. "If a library did decide to remodel, I would hope they would talk to their teen patrons. If they did it how they assumed teens would like it, it probably wouldn't get used."

The Yscapes room on the ground floor, which is designed to accommodate seventh to 12th-graders, is split into several parts.

The Quiet Corner features three plush seats that on Thursday morning were already occupied by kids. The Quiet Corner is dedicated to Mary Jane Kinney — who with her husband provided the seed money for the foundation — thanks to a sponsorship from Kinney's son who

lives in California. The Chow Area is lined with three tall tables and stools. Elsewhere, there is a section exclusively for graphic novels, a computer station, window seats at which to read or plug in laptops, and an entertainment area — all requested by teens.

Before its latest incarnation, the room (which dates back to 1939) shelved periodicals. Its walls were painted a dull white color, Littlefield said. As the library expanded its content for youth, the periodicals were relocated upstairs.

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# Readers give mixed reaction to county pay hike

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Staff writer

People in Twin Falls County appear split on whether the county's nine elected officials should get an average pay raise of more than 9 percent next year, according to an online survey by the *Times-News*.

The survey, conducted Thursday, found 57 people opposed to the decision and 54 supportive. The non-scientific survey was anonymous and multiple votes could be cast.

"I agree with a higher salary for tough times, but most taxpayers could only dream of the salaries listed here," wrote one person. "The only way I could justify the increase is if officials used their power to attack the tax evading monsters that are causing the entire economic problem."

Keeping officials at Idaho's sixth-largest county in a pay range that compares to 85 percent to 105 percent of the average of the state's nine

"I would rather see a modest raise for all county employees, with perhaps a larger increase for those who are at the bottom of the pay scale..."

— One respondent to a *Times-News* online survey

most-populous counties, plus a little more to reflect a 3 percent cost-of-living increase in the coming year.

Still, the salary increases come at a time of growing economic uncertainty — unemployment rate jumped from 2.7 percent in July 2007 to 4.1 percent last month — meaning more than 11,000 became unemployed, according to the Idaho Department of Labor.

Some said they weren't opposed to the elected officials receiving a pay increase — many felt employees needed it more — but were skeptical of the amounts chosen by the commissioners.

"I would rather see a modest raise for all county

employees, with perhaps a larger increase for those who are at the bottom of the pay scale rather than seeing the highest-paid employees getting 8 to 17 percent," said one respondent.

But those in support said commissioners need to make a living, and are just as hard-working if not more so, than private sector workers, and a growing area needs qualified people.

"The last thing we need in this growing area is a slack-jawed hillbilly trying to manage our money," wrote one respondent.

"The three county commissioners, Terry Kramer, Tom Mikesell and George Uric, set the salaries for themselves and the other elected officials through the county's annual

budget, which has yet to be approved but kicks in Oct. 1.

Some felt the elected officials were making too much money because it wasn't reflective of the demographics of the area.

"They are not the only ones that these economic times are affecting," one person wrote. "What about the rest of us that are taking the hit as well?"

But others said the quality of government would decline if the officials didn't get the increases.

"I don't want to be protected, assessed or defended by the lowest bidder," one wrote.

Still, someone took issue with Mikesell's statement that in his six years in office, no one has said he makes too much money.

"Mr. Mikesell if you haven't heard people talk about you being paid too much, you haven't been listening," wrote another.

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# Biodiesel bus tour pays visit to Buhl

By Blair Koch  
Correspondent

BUHL — The wheels on biodiesel-powered Homegrown Prosperity Renewable Energy Tour bus still go round and round.

The forest green school bus pulled into Buhl's weekly farmers market Wednesday, one of many stops along its seven-state tour.

The tour is sponsored by the Western Organization of Resource Councils, the Buhl stop was sponsored by the Idaho Rural Council.

"The objective of the tour is to promote homegrown prosperity, like this farmers market," ITC member Rich Carlson said. "With energy costs increasing we need to be looking for alternative fuels and we need to conserve and use energy more wisely and efficiently."

The tour's communication director, Laura Becerra,



Laura Becerra of the Homegrown Prosperity Renewable Energy Bus Tour discusses the tour Wednesday at the Buhl Farmers Market.

said that the four-member crew lives on the bus, which runs on 100 percent biodiesel fuel whenever possible and is equipped

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### Joseph 'Joe' Adan Gomez

Joseph "Joe" Adan Gomez, 85, of West Magie, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2008, at SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation.

Joe was born April 4, 1923, in Loma, Colo., the son of John and Lucille Romero. Joe attended school through the eighth grade in Loma, Colo. Joe served in the Army during World War II. On June 15, 1943, he married Anne Aurilla Gardiner in Caldwell. In 1956, Joe and his family homesteaded north of Paul, where he farmed, milked cows and did custom farming on the side. In 1981, he retired and he and Anne moved to Magie Reservoir, where he enjoyed fishing and snowmobiling. Even in retirement, Joe was always working fixing up something at Magie, such as the docks at roads and many other things

that needed repairing. In November 1983, Anne passed away. Since 2004, Joe has resided at SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation from an extended illness.

Joe is survived by five children: John (Nick) Gomez of Kimberly, Joanne Maxfield of West Magie, Allan (Kate) Gomez of Jerome, Ronald (Edna) Gomez of Payette and Tony (Rusty) Gomez of American Falls; 11 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. He is also survived by three sisters, Isabell Maroz, Maryanne Wolgast and Vicki Rhoades. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Anne; and one sister.

Cremation will be under the direction of White Mortuary, 1001 W. 16th St. A family gathering will take place at a later date.

### SERVICES

**Donald W. Tompkins** of Jefferson, Ga., funeral at 11 a.m. today at the LDS Church, 4959 Mount Olive Road in Commerce, Ga. (Evans Funeral Home in Jefferson, Ga.)

**Thomas S. Leath** of Boise, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Cloverdale Memorial Park (Cloverdale Funeral Home in Boise).

**George J. "Yam" Yamagata** of Las Vegas, Nev., and formerly of Gooding, memorial service at 1:30 p.m. today at the LDS Church, 4545 New Forest Drive in Las Vegas, Nev.

**Mary Elizabeth Cluer** of Gooding, memorial service at 4 p.m. today at the United Methodist Church in Gooding (Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

**J. Leland "Joe" Hepworth** of Boise, funeral at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Elba LDS Church; visitation from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the church (Hansen-Payne

Mortuary in Burley).

**Virginia Brucech Streeter Smith of Burley**, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Burley American Falls LDS Church, 515 E. 16th St. in Burley; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

**Richard L. Brady** of Twin Falls, celebration of life from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday at the Filer City Park; dress casual and bring a side dish to share.

**Leroy "Roy" Dale McNeill** of Twin Falls, memorial service at 5 p.m. Saturday at Hove-Robertson Funeral Home in Jerome.

**Dan Moon** of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Gooding United Methodist Church; potluck gathering immediately after the service at the Basque Center in Gooding (Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

### DEATH NOTICES

**Virginia Spafford** — KIMBERLY — Virginia Spafford, 76, of Kimberly, died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2008, at her home.

Viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, at Park's Magie Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

**Michael Squires** — JEROME — Michael Squires, 51, of Jerome, died Thursday, Aug. 14, 2008, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome.

Arrangements will be announced by Park's Magie Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

**Lester L. Weyers** — BURLEY — Lester L. Weyers, 64, of Burley, died Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2008, at Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

Arrangements will be announced by Hansen-Payne Mortuary in Burley.

**William F. Barta** — BUIH — William F. Barta, 91, of Buih, died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2008, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buih.

**Ruth C. Shokal** — HAGERMAN — Ruth Chaplin Shokal, 91, of Hagerman, died Thursday, Aug. 14, 2008, at her residence.

Arrangements will be announced by Demary Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

**Harold D. Ward** — RUPERT — Harold D. Ward, 78, of Rupert and formerly of Wendell, died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2008, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Arrangements will be announced by Demary Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel.

### Kimberly Lyn Turner Shaw

PLEASANT GROVE, Utah — Kimberly Lyn Turner Shaw, 34, returned to her heavenly home Sunday, Aug. 10, 2008, as the result of an automobile accident on a side street in Evanston, Wyo.



Kim was born April 18, 1974, in Burley, to Paul R. and Janette Turner. She grew up in the View area, attending school in Declo, where she graduated in 1992. She furthered her education at Ricks College and Salt Lake Community College, where she graduated with a degree in culinary arts. She served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Columbus, Ohio, from 1994 to 1996.

Kim married Bryan Shaw of Denver, Colo., on July 15, 2006. They resided in Pleasant Grove, Utah, at the time of her death. They found much enjoyment in the beauties of nature, four-wheeling, camping and boating with friends and family. She shared her gift of music freely by playing the piano, giving lessons and singing. Her sense of humor

and love of life was enjoyed by all who knew her. She was employed at Novarad in American Fork, Utah.

She is survived by her husband, Bryan; the LDS ward of Pleasant Grove, Utah; parents, Paul and Janette Turner of Burley; grandparents, Dwain and Margene Lind and Nell Turner, all of Burley; sisters, Shalisse Brown (Kent) of Burley and Alicia Allen (Daniel) of Magna, Utah; brothers, Trent Turner (Kimberly) of Pocatello, Kade Turner of Logan, Utah, and Braden Turner, serving LDS Mission in Appleton, Netherlands; father and mother-in-law, Ken and Joy Shaw; four nieces, Taylor, Brooke, Bryn and Kinzie; two nephews, Travis and Caleb Turner.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 18, at the Pleasant Grove LDS 9th Ward Chapel, 455 S. 200 S. in Pleasant Grove, Utah, with Bishop Duane Cutler officiating. Viewings will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, and one hour prior to the funeral, Monday, both at the church. Interment will be in the Pleasant Grove City Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.larkinmortuary.com](http://www.larkinmortuary.com).

### Clean-seeking Archie Comics chairman dies at 76 from cancer

By Valerie J. Nelson  
Los Angeles Times

Michael Silberkleit, chairman and publisher of Archie Comics, who joined the family business as a teenager and strove to keep the comic rooted in a clean-cut past while allowing it to reflect contemporary pop culture, has died. He was 76.

Silberkleit died Aug. 5 in New York after a short battle with cancer, the company announced.

His father, Louis Silberkleit, founded the company in 1941 with John Goldwater, who thought up the "every teen" character of Archie Andrews during an era when superheroes reigned. They hired illustrator Bob Montana to realize the carrot-topped Archie and his perennially 17-year-old high school friends in the fictional town of Riverdale.

"Archie is who you wish you were but aren't.... Kids really believe Archie lives because they can have and talk to speak to Archie," Silberkleit, speaking from

company headquarters in 1990 in Laramore, N.Y., told the Los Angeles Times.

Sometimes, he or his business partner — Richard Goldwater, son of the company's other founder — talked to the callers as Archie, who was reportedly inspired by the Andy Hardy movies that starred Mickey Rooney.

The character was an instant success when it debuted in December 1941. Archie soon had his own stand-alone comic book and a wholesome retinue that would include best friend Jughead, girl-next-door Betty and the fashionable Veronica. The first issue reportedly sold a million copies.

"Servicemen wrote us during World War II that they dove into a foxhole during battle and when the smoke cleared, they found an Archie comic at the bottom of the foxhole, and they sat there and read it because it reminded them of back home," Silberkleit said in the 1990 Times interview.

### Innovative investor Henry Brown dies at 82

By Adam Bernstein  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Henry B.L. "Harry" Brown, a New York investment banker credited with helping launch the money market fund industry, which revolutionized how millions of people save and invest money, has died. He was 82.

Brown, a Leesburg, Va., resident, died Aug. 11 at Inova Loudoun Hospital of an abdominal aneurysm.

Money market funds are structured like other mutual funds, allowing thousands of investors to pool their money and buy shares of a diversified portfolio. Brown's Reserve Fund, which won Securities and Exchange Commission approval in late 1972, was the first money market fund in the United States.

The money market fund arrived at a propitious moment. During the next decade, inflation would roar upward. Meanwhile, a Depression-era law had fed the demand at \$1.25 per share to \$1.25 percent the traditional way of parking money for the smaller saver, through bank and savings-and-loan passbook accounts. The differ-

ence meant those savers lost purchasing power.

Exempted from the federal cap and offering much larger returns, but far out of reach for most people, were investment instruments that required enormous sums of money, including Treasury bills and jumbo certificates of deposit.

With the Reserve Fund, Brown and a younger colleague, Bruce Bent, challenged what they considered an unfair juxtaposition in rates of return offered to small and large savers.

The fee to open an account with the Reserve Fund was \$1,000 and allowed smaller investors to invest in short-term instruments such as Treasury bills, certificates of deposit and commercial paper for the first time. Aided by a flattering article in the New York Times, Brown and Bent attracted \$500 million in investors' funds by the next year.

Money market funds proved an easy point of entry into the investment world. Many of those who began to dabble in money markets later put their earnings into the stock and bond markets.

### Poplar Hill School celebrates centennial

By John E. Swazy  
Correspondent

FILER — A country school's walls often hold more memories than students — even if those walls no longer exist.

Poplar Hill School, initially situated two miles south and 1.5 miles west of Filer, was constructed using a \$1,600 bond in 1908. The two-room structure served the combined educational needs of a first through eighth grade rural population for 43 years until its doors were closed in 1952.

In commemoration of what would have been the school's 100 year anniversary, members of the Poplar Hill Reunion Committee are inviting all former students and their spouses to an ice cream social scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Filer City Park.

Twin Falls resident Sam Lancaster attended Poplar Hill from 1936 through 1944 and remembers the benefits of a country school curriculum.

"We had four grades in the big room and four grades in the little room," he said. "I'd say we got a really good education because sharing a room with other grades made you pay attention and helped you learn more faster."

In 1952, Poplar Hill became one of the last rural schools to be consolidated. "That year the building was moved to Filer and began serving as an annex for Central School. The building was again moved to Hollister in 1957 where it served as a gymnasium and other purposes until sometime in the 1990s.

Marjorie (Bobal) Deters, who now resides in Twin Falls, has fond memories of six years at Poplar Hill before the building and stu-

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— Former Poplar Hill student Sam Lancaster

dent body were moved.

"I remember how the boys would trap us girls in the outhouse by throwing snowballs at the door. We always had a lot of fun," she said. "But we were the last freshman class, because I attended my eighth grade year, 1951-1952, at Central School in Filer."

John McCandless, who was a Poplar Hill student between 1948 and 1952, says the committee's goal is to organize a simple get-together with friends.

"This isn't going to be anything big," he said. "We were always like family, so I'd imagine it'll probably just be an afternoon of looking at pictures and talking."

Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. For additional information, contact McCandless at 208-539-9267.

John E. Swazy may be reached at 208-326-7212 or [swazy@aol.com](mailto:swazy@aol.com).



Members of the Poplar Hill School class of 1930 are shown in this class picture. Graduates of the school, which held classes from 1908 to 1952, will meet Saturday for a reunion.

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# Idaho killer's jury hears voice of abducted girl

By Rebecca Boone  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Jurors in the gruesome death penalty hearing for Joseph Edward Duncan III on Thursday heard the voice of a little girl who endured weeks of torture and despair but survived the 2005 attack that decimated her family.

They heard from her father, who lost two children murdered by Duncan and whose young daughter was held captive.

And they saw poignant letters written in captivity by the girl, then 8, and her 9-year-old brother before he was slain.

Thursday was the second day of testimony for jurors deciding whether Duncan should spend life in prison or die for his crimes.

The convicted pedophile from Tacoma, Wash., pleaded guilty in December to 10 federal charges related to the kidnapping of young Shasta Greene and her brother Dylan. Three of the counts carry a potential death penalty. The children were taken

from their Coeur d'Alene home in May 2005 after Duncan fatally bludgeoned the children's mother, Brenda Greene, their 13-year-old brother Slade, and the mother's fiancé, Mark McKenzie. Both children were sexually abused before Duncan shot and killed Dylan at a campsite in western Montana. Shasta was rescued on July 2, 2005, when a waitress spotted Duncan and the girl in a Coeur d'Alene restaurant.

Duncan earlier pleaded guilty in state court to murdering McKenzie and Slade and Brenda Greene. Sentencing on those state counts is not at issue here. The children's father, Steven Greene, took the stand Thursday morning, showing pictures of his youngest children and choking up after confirming their false promise. "Dear Dad, I have very good news. And it is we are coming home soon! It

might be a week or 2 so we will be back," the unsigned letter read. Prosecutors avoided discussing the contents of the letters. But they're believed to be the letters found in the car Duncan was driving just before his arrest.

"We might see you again and we might not if we decide to go with him we will go see Eminem and get \$1,000,000, and we already have \$1,000,000 but we figured the \$1,000,000 was fake," read one from Dylan to his father. "But that does not matter what matters to me is getting out of here and going home to you see you have a daughter (sic) and son who love you very much."

Others were just terribly sad: "Dear Dad, this is Dylan we are still alive we are OK and we know what happened to Mom, Mark and Slade and I'm sorry you had to loose (sic) a son and an exwife and I'm sorry we had to be taken away from you and I miss you."

Coeur d'Alene police Officer Shane Avriett, the first officer to talk to Shasta after she was rescued, said that once she was sitting in the front seat of his patrol car, she seemed to want to "vent."

He told the jury he turned on the vehicle's dashboard-mounted video camera, with the camera pointed away from Shasta, and recorded her comments, offered in a little girl voice.

When he asked where Dylan was, she told him, "in heaven ... there may be some evidence down in the Lolo forest, because that's where we were."

"We've got a lot of people looking for you," Avriett told Shasta. "What made you end up here? Just hungry?"

"He was going to take me home," she replied, talking about Duncan, whom she called "Jet."

When Avriett asked why Duncan changed his mind, her voice broke. "He was going to change his mind because he said I taught him how to love," she said.

# Idaho senator balks at Boise law school proposal

By Jessie L. Bonner  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — A proposal by the University of Idaho to expand its law school with a branch campus in Boise would take about eight years to implement and require heavy support from state lawmakers.

The northern Idaho university, based in Moscow, would need an extra \$6 million a year to expand and fully operate a law school branch in the state capital. More than half of that money, or \$3.4 million, would need approval from Idaho lawmakers.

The plan doesn't sit well with one Idaho state senator, who said he'll fight it.

"I'm going to do everything possible to make sure they don't get one dime to relocate the law school, or any part of it, to Boise," said Sen. Gary Schroeder, a Republican who sits on the Senate Education Committee. Schroeder lives in

Moscow, where the university currently operates the state's only law school. Plans to open a Boise branch have drawn concern among Moscow community leaders, Schroeder said.

"Most of us have no doubt that this is the beginning of a piecemeal movement to move the law school to Boise," he said.

In a proposal the state Board of Education will consider next week, UI College argues that the law school cannot remain competitive if it stays solely in northern Idaho. If the university fails to expand statewide legal education, another school will, Burnett said.

Concordia University, a private Lutheran university in Oregon, has also proposed bringing a law school to Boise.

The University of Idaho plan to open a Boise branch campus shouldn't be read as an attempt to relocate the College of Law from Moscow, Burnett said.

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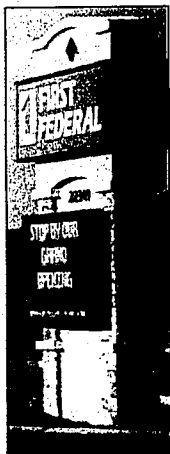
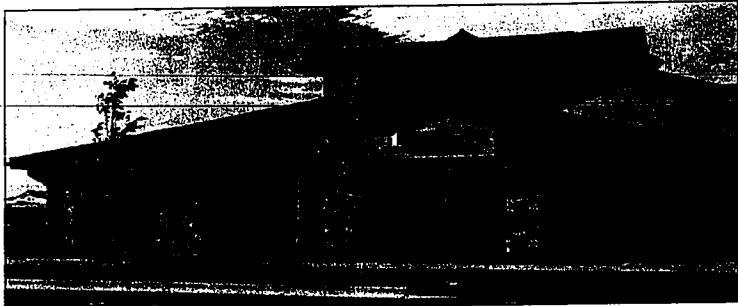
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# Sticky fingers, prickly prizes

## City loses \$20,000 worth of cactuses to thieves

By David Kelly  
Los Angeles Times

PALM DESERT, Calif. — Someone is swiping the cactuses in this upscale desert city.

Over the past six months, there has been an epidemic of thefts. City officials say they have lost nearly \$20,000 worth of cactuses. The main target is the golden barrel, which, depending on the size, can fetch anywhere from \$100 to \$800 each.

The problem is so bad that surveillance cameras have gone up near large concentrations of the cactuses and authorities expect to implant microchips into the barrels soon.

"Each microchip has a scannable bar code that tells who owns it," Police Lt. Frank Taylor said. "The odds are that we won't microchip every plant, but it will have a deterrent effect."

A few years ago, this city of golf resorts and retirees began shedding its lush grass and artificial turf for a landscape more in keeping with its austere, sun-blasted environment.

Out went the phony greenery and over-watered lawns. In came sand, succulents, cactuses and other weather plants. Median strips around town and public spaces soon were studded with spiny, twisted flora.

"The city decided to stop apologizing for the desert and say, 'We live in the desert; it is what it is,'" city landscape manager Spencer Knight said.

But with the transformation nearly complete, the thefts began. The city's visitor center lost 50 cactuses in one night, and criminals have hit private property as well.

"They have a very shallow root system and can be popped out pretty easily," Taylor said of the cactuses. "People have been digging them up in broad daylight."

Palm Desert isn't the only place targeted by thieves, who often resell their booty to landscapers and nurseries.

Saguaro National Park, near Tucson, Ariz., recently had 17 large saguaros taken.

"In some cases the thieves work for landscapers, and in other cases they are independent contractors who sell the saguaro to legitimate commercial operations," said Chief Ranger Bob Love.

"Depending on the size and shape or if it has arms, they sell for anywhere from \$500 to \$5,000 or more each."

Desert plant pilfering has a long history in California. Joshua Tree National Park was founded in 1936 largely because Minerva Hoyt of Pasadena was so appalled at the rampant cactus and Joshua tree theft in the area that she dedicated her life to saving desert flora.

"This park was established to preserve plants," said Cindy Von Halle, supervisory ranger at Joshua Tree, which is now a national park. "We don't have a problem with thefts anymore — maybe because we have armed rangers patrolling everywhere."

Outside the visitor center in Palm Desert, city landscape

inspector Brad Chuck looked over a collection of golden barrels that had been stolen, recovered and replanted.

"I can't believe they are still here," he said, a surveillance camera above him trained on the area. "These are probably worth \$150 or \$200 each. I think the economy is driving a lot of this. If it isn't nailed down, they are going to take it."



Lt. Frank Taylor of the Palm Desert Police Department in Palm Desert, Calif., stands among golden barrel cactuses at the Henderson Community Center.

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## Sali opens Idaho campaign office outside district

BOISE (AP) — U.S. Rep. Bill Sali decided to open his new campaign office outside the boundaries of the district he represents because it's more convenient for the public, his spokesman said.

The Republican congressman opened the office just north of downtown Boise, close to his congressional office and the offices of Idaho's other congressional leaders.

"It's a convenient location, and it's a centralized location where people can interact easier with the congressional office," said Wayne Hoffman. "It's in downtown Boise. A lot of people come downtown to see the offices of their elected officials."

He said the location puts the office close to those of Republican U.S. Sens. Larry Craig and Mike Crapo, and U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, as well as that of Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter.

"People like having those offices grouped relatively close together," Hoffman said.

Technically, both of Sali's offices are located in Idaho's 2nd Congressional District, while Sali represents the 1st District.

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# Jury rejects flight attendant's lawsuit against pastor's wife

By Juan A. Lozano  
Associated Press writer

**Houston** — The wife of televangelist Joel Osteen thanked and praised God after a jury unanimously decided Thursday that she did not assault a flight attendant during an alleged tussle over a stain on her first-class seat.

Jurors rejected Continental Airlines flight attendant Sharon Brown's claims that Victoria Osteen threw her against a bathroom door and elbowed her in the left breast while attempting to rush the cockpit because she was angry that a stain on her seat's armrest was not quickly cleaned up.

Victoria Osteen began to cry after the jury's verdict was read. She hugged her attorneys and several supporters in the courtroom as she said "thank you God" and "praise God" as the jurors deliberated for about

2½ hours.

"I'm glad it's over," Victoria Osteen said afterward. "I expected it because it's the truth and I know the truth always stands firm."

Joel Osteen said he and his family hold no ill will toward Brown.

"It's a great vindication and shows us the faithfulness of God," he said.

Brown was suing for at least \$405,000 for physical and mental pain suffered as a result of the attack she alleged had occurred before takeoff aboard a December 2005 flight from Houston to Vail, Colo.

Brown's attorney, Reginald McKemie, said afterward, "We're disappointed in the verdict."

Victoria Osteen, the co-pastor of Houston's popular Lakewood Church, testified that the alleged assault never happened, as did her husband and other first-class passengers. Victoria Osteen's lawyer dismissed Brown's lawsuit as a made-up story concocted to land a courtroom payday.

Another flight attendant, Maria Johnson, supported Brown's claims. Both flight attendants testified they had to block the cockpit door to prevent Victoria Osteen from getting inside.



Lakewood Church co-pastors Joel and Victoria Osteen and her attorney, Rusty Hardin, right, give a news conference at Harris County Civil Courthouse in Houston on Thursday after a jury found that she had not assaulted flight attendant Sharon Brown.

Brown's side earlier sought an apology and punitive damages amounting to 10 percent of Victoria Osteen's net worth as part of her lawsuit. Victoria Osteen's attorney, Rusty Hardin, has declined to discuss her finances. It was unclear what percentage of her net worth the \$405,000 might be.

In his closing argument earlier Thursday, Hardin described the incident as a verbal dispute, and labeled Brown's claims that she suffered injuries such as post-traumatic stress disorder a "sacrilege" and a "blasphemy."

The jury's foreman, Gilles Labbe, said he and other jurors believed what happened on the plane was only a minor dispute between a passenger and one or more of the flight attendants.

"My personal point of view (the lawsuit) was a complete waste of time because the incident didn't rise to any kind of level. I fly all the time. I've seen a lot worse than that happen on airplanes."

Brown quickly left the courtroom without talking to reporters, but in a brief statement her attorney read, she said, "We gave the truth to the jury. We are happy we had an opportunity to try our case."

# Critics say ShotPak is blatant attempt to entice underage drinkers

By Jerry Hirsch  
Los Angeles Times

The makers call it a "party in a pouch."

Critics say it's more like an alcoholic candy bar.

ShotPak is a line of alcoholic beverages that come in shot-sized, laminated-foil plastic pouches that are reminiscent of the drinks children pack in school lunches.

Purple Hooter is one of the drinks, which sell for 99 cents to \$1.50 in liquor stores and for more in some nightclubs. There's also a Kamikaze, Lemon Drop, Sour Apple and a higher alcohol line of pocket-sized drinks called STRIPUP of vodka, whiskey, tequila and rum — all ironically made at a distillery in Temperance, Mich. The company is legally headquartered in Irvine, Calif., but is run mostly from Sarasota, Fla., where its parent company is located.

ShotPak refers to its drink as "the shot ... without the glass." The company's critics call it a blatant play to entice underage drinkers and to put alcohol into schools and other public venues where it wouldn't ordinarily be drunk.

"Images of these packs stuffed in jeans pockets can give kids the wrong idea. It

turns this into an alcoholic candy bar," said George Hacker, a policy advocate with the Center for Science in the Public Interest in Washington, D.C.

Until recently, the company's home page on the Internet showed a photo of just the middle of an attractive young woman. There was no head and not much of her legs. But there was a tight, bare belly clad in low-slung bluejeans with a Purple Hooter pouch wedged into her front pocket.

In April, the company's main Web site was found in violation of advertising standards for alcoholic beverages set by the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States, a self-regulating industry trade group.

ShotPak also had a MySpace page that talked about how "these shots are perfect to take with you tailgating, at concerts, to sporting events, on vacations, on a plane or on your next camping or boat trip."

ShotPak made changes on both Web sites to comply with the standards set by the industry trade group after the Los Angeles Times called the Distilled Spirits Council asking about the images. "We are tidying up what



ShotPak full pouches are marketed for a social setting where people don't want to cart glass around, according to the company that markets the alcoholic drinks.

might be considered controversial. We are trying to turn this into a positive product," said R. Charles Murray, chief executive of Beverage Branch Group, which owns the ShotPak brand.

Still, some experts said they believed the convenient format of the ShotPak could encourage abuse.

"Combining vodka with raspberry drinks ... and calling it a party in a pouch. Who are they appealing to? This isn't the kind of thing adults drink," said Dr. Michael Brody of the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry.

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# Russia: Georgia can 'forget' regaining provinces

By David Nowak and Christopher Torchia  
Associated Press writers

TBILISI, Georgia — The foreign minister of Russia said Tuesday that Georgia could "forget about" getting back its two breakaway provinces, and the former Soviet republic remained on edge as Russian sent tank columns to march over and destroy Georgian military equipment.

Uncertainty about Russia's intentions and back-and-forth changes clouded the conflict two days after Russia and Georgia signaled acceptance of a French-brokered cease-fire, and a week after Georgia's crackdown on the two provinces drew a Russian military presence.

Diplomats focused on finalizing a fragile cease-fire between the two nations and clear the way for Russian withdrawal, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was heading Friday for Georgia to press the president to sign the deal.

Georgian officials accused Russia of sending a column of tanks and other armored vehicles toward Kutaisi, the second-largest city in Georgia, then said the convoy stopped about 35 miles out.

"We have no idea what they're doing there, why they're moving, where they're going," Georgian Prime Minister Lado Gurgenidze said in a telephone briefing. "One explanation could be they are trying to rattle the civilian population."

The U.S. said a move toward Kutaisi would be a matter of great concern, but two defense officials told The Associated Press that the Pentagon did not detect any major movement by Russian troops or tanks. There was no immediate response from Russia itself.

"I think the world should think very carefully about what is going on here," Georgian President Mikheil Saakashvili said. "We need to stop everything that can be stopping."

The Russian president met in the Kremlin with the

ers of the provinces, South Ossetia and Abkhazia, a clear sign Moscow could absorb the regions even though the territory is internationally recognized as being within Georgia's borders. An Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov issued a blunt message to Georgia and the world that appeared to challenge President Bush's demand a day earlier that Russia must respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Georgia.

"One can forget about any talk about Georgia's territorial integrity because, I believe, it is impossible to persuade South Ossetia and Abkhazia to agree with the logic that they can be forced back into the Georgian state."

The White House said Thursday that the U.S. position was unchanged and dismissed Lavrov's remark as bluster. Defense Secretary Robert Gates warned Russia was in danger of hurting relations with the U.S. "for years to come" but said he did not see "any prospect" for the use of American military force in Georgia.

As the military and diplomatic battles played out, relief planes swooped into Tbilisi with tons of supplies for the estimated 100,000

people uprooted by the fighting. U.S. officials said their two planes carried cot, blankets, medicine and surgical supplies, but the Russians insisted that the United States, a Georgia ally, might have sent in military aid as well. U.S. officials rejected the claim.

Even as the relief rolled in, U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon warned the fighting and lawlessness was keeping it from reaching large parts of Georgia. In some places, numbers of officials were overwhelmed by the sheer numbers of refugees.

"It is too much. It is all too much," said Minami Karelidze, a 50-year-old retired accountant, who said she had waited for days at the Department of Refugees in the Georgian capital for registration and dry pasta. There were hundreds like her.

Russian troops spent the day searching selected cities, forests and fields for military equipment left behind by Georgian forces.

The Georgian ambassador to the United States, I.L.E. Vasil Sikharulidze, said Russia was employing "scorched-earth" tactics — destroying Georgian commercial and military infrastructure and



Kliment Bektava mourns during a wake for his brother Vazha, Thursday in Ardon, about 15 miles south of Vladikavkaz, Russia. Vazha Bektava died Tuesday during fighting in Tskhinvali, Georgia.

burning down religious sites beyond the conflict area of South Ossetia.

"What defenses does Georgia have? Because of the cease-fire agreement, which Russia has not honored, Georgian troops are being moved to organize a defensive line 10 kilometers (six miles) away from

Tbilisi," he said. Sikharulidze said an attack on Kutaisi would be a "catastrophe."

On the edge of the strategically important city of Gori, Georgian soldiers pointed their weapons at Russian forces, and explosions and small arms fire broke out in the distance.

Georgia claimed Russians had left the old port city of Poti but hours later some forces were still there.

Georgia also accused Russia of using short-range missiles in Poti and Gori, showing reporters purported images of shrapnel. There was no immediate response from Russia.

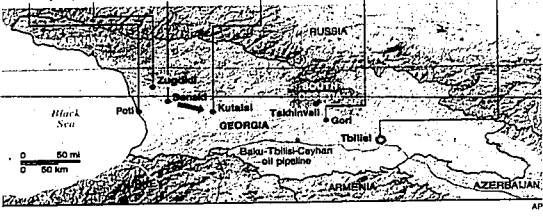
## Russian forces continue operations inside Georgia

Despite an EU peace plan that called for both sides to retreat, Russian troops remained in Georgian cities Thursday. Relief planes landed in Tbilisi bringing aid to the estimated 100,000 refugees.

**Poti**  
Russian troops were seen inside around the city on Thursday.

**Kutaisi**  
Explosions were heard at a military base as Russian tanks and other vehicles was moving from the west.

**Gori**  
Russian and Georgian troops patrolled Gori, including the second of two U.S. flights carrying 1.2 million in aid.



# U.S., Poland agree to missile defense deal

By Vanessa Gera and Monika Schiwojka  
Associated Press writers

WARSAW, Poland — Poland and the United States struck a deal Thursday that will strengthen military ties and an American missile interceptor base in Poland, a plan that has infuriated Moscow and sparked fears in Europe of a new arms race.

"We have crossed the Rubicon," Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk said, referring to U.S. consent to Poland's demands after more than 18 months of negotiations.

Washington says the planned system, which is not yet operational, is needed to protect the U.S. and Europe from possible attacks by missile-armed "rogue states" like Iran. The Kremlin, however, feels it is aimed at Russia's missile force and warns it will worsen tensions.

U.S. officials also said the terms of the deal was not meant to antagonize Russian leaders at a time when relations already are strained over the recent fighting between Russia and Georgia in the South Ossetia region.

In an interview on news channel TVN24, Tusk said the United States agreed to help augment Poland's defenses with Patriot missiles in exchange for placing 10 missile defense interceptors in the eastern European country.

"The deal also includes a 'mutual commitment' between the two nations to come to each other's assistance 'in case of trouble.'"

The clause appeared to be a direct reference to Russia, which has threatened to aim its nuclear-armed missiles at Poland — a former Soviet satellite — if it hosts the U.S. system.

guided by fears of a newly resurgent Russia, an anxiety that has intensified with Russia's offensive in Georgia, a former Soviet republic. The incursion, along with the bombing of military posts and airfields inside Georgia, has underlined a palpable fear in the region of Russia's renewed vigor and confidence.

In past days, Polish leaders said the war justified Poland's demands that it get additional security guarantees in exchange for allowing the anti-missile base on its soil. Talking about the "mutual commitment" part of the agreement, Tusk said that the North Atlantic Treaty Organization would be too slow in coming to Poland's defense if threatened and that the bloc would take "days, weeks or start that machinery."

"Poland and the Poles do not want to be in alliances in which assistance comes at some point later — it is no good when assistance comes to dead people. Poland wants to be in alliances where assistance comes in the very first hours of a knock on wood — any possible conflict," Tusk said.

He said that armed with Patriot missiles, Poles "will

be able to effectively protect our territory."

But after the deal was announced, both American and Polish officials sought to play down any connection to the Georgian war.

"This is not linked to the situation in Georgia," the chief U.S. negotiator, John Rood, told The Associated Press, after the pact was initiated. "We had these

arrangements for this round of negotiations before the conflict in Georgia, and so we just merely continued with the schedule we had."

In Washington, White House spokeswoman Dana Perino also said the timing was not meant to tweak Russia. "We believe that missile defense is a substantial contribution to NATO's collective security," she said.

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# Desert winds uncover remains of cemetery in Sahara

By Randolph E. Schmid  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — A tiny woman and two children were laid to rest on a bed of flowers 5,000 years ago in what is now the barren Sahara Desert.

The slender arms of the youngsters were still extended to the woman in perpetual embrace when researchers discovered their skeletons in a remarkable cemetery that is providing clues to two civilizations who lived there, a thousand years apart, when the region was moist and green.

Paul Sereno of the University of Chicago and colleagues were searching for the remains of dinosaurs in the African country of Niger when they came across the startling find, detailed at a news conference Thursday at the National Geographic Society.

"Part of discovery is finding things that you least expect," he said. "When you come across something like that in the middle of the desert it sends a tingle down your spine."

Some 200 graves of humans were found during fieldwork at the site in 2005 and 2006, as well as remains of animals, large fish and crocodiles. "Everywhere you turned, there were bones belonging to animals that don't live in the desert," said Sereno. "I realized we were in the green Sahara."

The graveyard, uncovered by hot desert winds, is near what would have been a lake at the time people lived there. It's in a region called Gobero, hundreds of miles from the forbidding Ténéré Desert, known to Tuareg nomads as a "desert within a desert."

The human remains dated from two distinct populations that lived there during different times, with a dry period in between.

The researchers used radiocarbon dating to determine when these ancient people lived there. Even the most recent were some 1,000 years before the building of the pyramids in Egypt.

The first group, known as the wild animals and speared huge perch with harpoons. They colonized the region when the Sahara was at its wettest, between 10,000 and 8,000 years ago.



This undated photo shows University of Chicago paleontologist Paul Sereno working on the newly perfectly preserved skull of a Teneirian woman during excavation at the archaeological site of Gobero in Niger.

The researchers said the Teneirians were tall, sometimes reaching well over 6 feet.

The second group lived in the region between 7,000 and 4,500 years ago. The Teneirians were smaller and had a mixed economy of hunting, fishing and cattle herding.

Their burials often included jewelry or ritual poses. For example, one girl had an upper-arm bracelet carved from a hippo tusk. An adult Teneirian male was buried with his skull resting on part of a clay vessel. Another adult male was interred seated on the shell of a mud turtle.

And pollen remains show the woman and two children were buried on a bed of flowers. The researchers preserved the group just as they had been for thousands of years.

"At first glance, it's hard to imagine two more biologically distinct groups of people burying their dead in the same place," said team member Chris Stojanowski, a bioarchaeologist from Arizona State University. Stojanowski said ridges on

the thigh bone of one Kilifian man show he had huge leg muscles, "which suggests he was eating a lot of protein and had an active, strenuous lifestyle. The Kilifian appear to have been fairly healthy — it would be difficult to grow a body that tall and muscular without sufficient nutrition."

On the other hand, ridges on a Teneirian male were barely visible. "This man's life was less rigorous, perhaps taking smaller fish and game with more advanced hunting technologies," Stojanowski said.

Helene Jousse, a zooarchaeologist from the Museum of Natural History in Vienna, Austria, reported that animal bones found in the area were from types common today in the Serengeti in Kenya, such as elephants, giraffes, hartebeests and warthogs.

"Everywhere you turned, there were bones belonging to animals that don't live in the desert. I realized we were in the green Sahara."

— Paleontologist Paul Sereno of the University of Chicago



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## Suicide bombs kill 18 Shiite pilgrims in Iraq

By Robert H. Reid  
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — A woman suicide bomber struck Shiite pilgrims south of Baghdad Thursday, killing at least 18 people and wounding scores of others after the government announced new measures to protect worshippers ahead of a major religious festival.

Also Thursday, the U.S. military announced that six Navy guards face trial for allegedly assaulting prisoners and releasing pepper spray into a cellblock following a disturbance at the main U.S. prison in Iraq.

The woman bomber detonated her explosives among a crowd of pilgrims resting by the side of a road in Iskandariyah, a former Sunni insurgent stronghold 30 miles south of Baghdad. Women were cooking dinner, men were praying and children were playing nearby when the attacker struck, a witness said.

"Minutes after I passed the rest spot, I heard a big explosion, I turned my head and saw big flames," said Ahmed al-Saadi, a 34-year-old carpenter from Baghdad's Sadr City district. "We rushed to the scene and saw charred bodies, while wounded people were crying for help. Pots and burned prayer rugs were scattered all over the place."

There were conflicting casualty tolls as is common in such attacks where bodies are mangled and identification is difficult.

The U.S. military put the death toll at 18, including one policeman and 17 civilians, and said a lone woman bomber was responsible. A senior province security officer said 26 people were killed and 75 wounded. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not supposed to release the figures.

The fact that such a brazen attack could take place in an area where U.S. and Iraqi officials had touted major security improvements is an ominous sign of the risks still posed by extremists.

The pilgrims were marching to the Shiite holy city of Karbala, 50 miles south of Baghdad, to celebrate the birth of Mohammed al-Mahdi, the 12th Shiite imam, who disappeared in the ninth century.

Witnesses interviewed in an Iskandariyah hospital spoke of horrific scenes of mangled flesh and screaming victims.

Rhazim Jabr, 39, from the Baghdad neighborhood of Hurriyah, said he was walking near a group of pilgrims receiving food and water when he heard a thunderous explosion.

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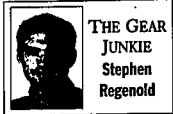
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## Outdoor gear unveiled

*Editor's Note: This is the first in a two-part series on new gear from the Outdoor Retailer trade show.*

The Outdoor Retailer trade show is a twice-annual gathering in Salt Lake City where journalists and buyers preview the latest in outdoors gear, gadgets and apparel.

I just returned from Utah, spending three days trekking the show floor. Here are a few items that caught my eye, a preview of what's to come in outdoors shops circa 2009.



THE GEAR JUNKIE  
Stephen Regenold

### Big Agnes Slide Mountain tents

Campers tired of tightening rain-fly guy lines gone loose might be intrigued with Big Agnes' incorporation of the Boa Lacing System into a new series of three-season tents. The company has added Boa knob-based tensioning — a feature often found on footwear like the likes of snowboarding boots — to enable campers to create a taut rain fly from inside the tent. Just reach up from your sleeping bag and twist.

Tiny cables connected to the fly pull the fabric tight as you reel the line back onto a spool. Slide Mountain tents start at \$499.95; available in spring 2009; [www.bigagnes.com](http://www.bigagnes.com)

### KEEN Springwater

The closed-toe and clip-less-pedal-compatible Springwater is among a line of cycling products to come from KEEN next spring. The company touts the shoe as having "the same comfort and performance on the bike and off." Features include a cleat cap plate, a non-marking rubber outsole and a removable footbed. \$130; available in January; [www.keenfootwear.com](http://www.keenfootwear.com).



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# Biking America



...the movie can do a little more damage than was a bicycle can do."

The accident, from which Constantino is still recovering, he was in physical therapy just a week before beginning the cross-country trip — prompted him to make the more than 3,000-mile bicycle ride. (It is being filmed by Allujon Films, owned by his wife Julia Wrona, a documentary filmmaker.)

Filming began shortly after Constantino's accident, during his recovery and now the ride.

"It is about his recovery, his resilience and about him helping others," Wrona said.

The film called "The Long Ride Back" is also about bringing road-safety awareness to drivers and bicyclists — especially since high gas prices may cause more people to turn to their bicycles for transportation needs — and about the beauty and resilience of America. It will document Constantino's ride and his many stops across the country, including Idaho.

A release date for the film has not yet been set, but post production will take a few months after filming. The goal is to have it wrapped up by

"I'm so impressed with our country, more so than I was before. If more people would get out of their shells and go see it... it'd do all of us Americans a great service. It really is a fantastic and special place. Each town is unique."

— Pearson Constantino —

## Idaho man relishes his bird rescue role

By Sven Berg  
The Post-Register

IDAHO FALLS — Jim Porter might grumble about the time and money he puts into saving birds of prey, but there's no doubt he loves what he does.

Porter, an animal control officer for Idaho Falls, was designated southeastern Idaho Fish and Game's raptor rehabilitator in the early 1980s. Since then, he's taken on more than 1,000 birds.

He feeds and houses them, then releases them when they're ready to return to the wild or finds homes in zoos and education programs for those that will never hunt again.

It's not an easy job. It takes time and commitment, and sometimes birds just don't make it. Many of those that do survive will die soon after they're released, Porter said he doesn't have any idea whether birds he releases fare better than



birds that grow up fending for themselves, only 10 percent of which survive their first year.

"We just try to give them a step up so they can get back into the wild," Porter said. "How many of them really do get helped? Or do you just prolong the inevitable?"

Porter got into birds in the 1960s. Back then, he hunted with hawks in the Los Angeles area. Some 15 years later, he moved to Jefferson County, where there was more open space to hunt. Though his wife complained about the time he dedicated to birds, for

Porter, there was no turning back.

"It's basically a sport, but when you get into it, it's a lifestyle," he said.

Soon after arriving in Idaho, Porter found himself the keeper of wounded and abandoned raptors found all over eastern Idaho. They

Jim Porter stands in a cage that holds his injured hawks that he is hoping to rehabilitate in his Jefferson County home Tuesday in Idaho Falls. Porter was using his hands to shoo a healthy bird back into the wild.

come to him by way of private citizens, Fish and Game, zoos, veterinarians and police.

"It's been the go-to guy when it comes to raptors," said Gregg Losinski, Fish and Game's Upper Snake regional conservation educator.

"He over time has amassed an incredible amount of field knowledge, the kind of stuff you don't learn at veterinary school."

Some of the birds Porter houses have been injured in accidents.

Others were pushed out of the nest by their mothers when they were young, Sound harsh! It's all part of nature, Porter said.

The idea is that a mother bird calculates how many young she will be able to feed and protect. If she has six chicks and can only handle four, the two smallest and weakest get the boot.

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# Sage grouse, waterfowl seasons set

**Staff report**  
It's business as usual for sage grouse hunters this year.  
The Idaho Fish and Game Commission on Tuesday adopted sage grouse and waterfowl seasons for 2008.  
Sage grouse season, which comprises seven days in the Magic Valley and a one-bird limit, will open Sept. 20. Parts of Oncida and Cassia counties also have the

seven-day season, one-bird limit, as does northwestern Owyhee County and the Big Desert area west of Interstate 15 and south of U.S. Highway 20.  
Southwestern Owyhee County, as well as most of the Upper Snake Region, including Lemhi and Power counties, has a two-day, two-bird limit.  
Eastern Owyhee County and the southeastern part of the state, east of I-15 and

south of U.S. Highway 26, will be closed to sage grouse hunting.  
The 107-day goose hunting season will remain unchanged from last year. Bag limit is four. Hunting begins Oct. 4 through Jan. 16, 2009 in north and east Idaho and the Fort Hall Reservation; and Oct. 11 through Jan. 23, 2009 in the southwest part of the state.  
For most ducks, the season will be the same: 107

days, from Oct. 4 through Jan. 16, 2009, in northern and eastern Idaho and the Fort Hall Reservation; and from Oct. 11 through Jan. 23, 2009, in the southwest part of the state. Bag limit is seven ducks. The season is closed to canvasbacks.  
A shorter season will run Oct. 25 through Jan. 16, 2009, in the northern and eastern parts of the state, and from Nov. 1 through Jan. 23, 2009, in the southwest.

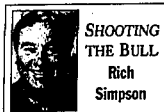
## CLIMBING FOR A CAUSE



The Expedition Inspiration Fund for Breast Cancer Research still has a few positions available for its Borah Peak climb, scheduled for Aug. 22-23. Climbers will camp in the Lost River Valley on Aug. 22 and take off for the summit early the next day. Participants will help raise funds for cutting-edge breast cancer research projects. For more information or to sign up: 208-726-6456 or e-mail [ei@expeditioninspiration.org](mailto:ei@expeditioninspiration.org). Or visit the group's Web site, [www.expeditioninspiration.org](http://www.expeditioninspiration.org).

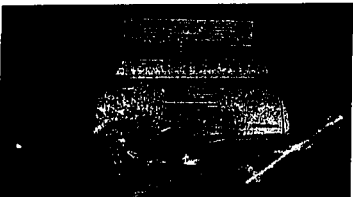
# Savor the many uses of the word 'food saver'

Perhaps it's an inherited defect or maybe an overexposure to cosmic radiation. Whatever the cause, my kids are savers.  
While going through their closets for a recent move, I experienced many of the same emotions that Howard Carter must have felt when he cracked the seal and once again let air seep into the boy king, Tut's tomb. Her wardrobe, trinkets, hobbles, and keepsakes in various stages of preservation from my children's earliest years on the planet.



**SHOOTING THE BULL**  
Rich Simpson

sions of the device. Rival, Black & Decker and Reynolds come to mind.  
Originally offered with sized-storage bags (quart-gallon), as well as uncut packaging rolls that can be refrigerated, frozen, microwaved and simmered, Food Saver recently added a line of vacuumable hard plastic storage containers. These have proven ideal for sealing leftovers, sandwiches, and individually sized meal portions. They even hawk a container for marinating food items — and remarkably it takes only minutes rather than hours to permeate your food with your favorite flavors.



Air-tight bags, used for many purposes, may be a good way to package firearms and their ammunition for extended storage.

non-food items bound for the Great Outdoors. My day-pack always carries a waterproof package of common medical items, such as band-aids, compresses, aspirin/ibuprofen, burn cream, a needle for removing splinters/thorns, an Ace bandage for sprains, Chap Stick, and sun-block. Hiding beside it is another container with dry socks and underwear, magnesium fire starter, reflecting mirror, whistle, extra compass, spare batteries for my GPS, ammunition, water filter, and spare knife. A separate pack section carries a sealed bag of emergency food items. I like to carry some packaged dehydrated soup mixes, Crystal Light, hot cocoa, M&M's and energy bars.

prove to be "Life Savers." Some persons find it convenient to package licenses, important papers, flare guns, clothing and food items when venturing out on the big waters, such as large lakes or the ocean. One clever solo over suggested leaving air in the containers so that in the event of a capsizing, the valuable items would remain afloat with you.

Regrettably, my wife and I were equally guilty and after several days had shuttled enough neglected and little-used items to the Desert Industries to keep its employees busy for a month. What remained after this subjective selection process were those items that possessed either true utility or sentimental value for our family. We had decided that what was most dear to us all.

Sensing a large potential market with sportsmen and women, the Food Saver folks began marketing the "Game Saver" appliance several years ago. This generously-sized appliance is ideal for preserving your hard-earned and delicious fish and game. In their own words, "Game Saver" appliances lock out air, sealing in freshness. Plus, Food Saver bags are proven to prevent freezer burn better than the leading freezer bags on the market. Combining Food Saver bags are also an excellent way to store non-food items for hunting, fishing, and camping trips.

Although I haven't had occasion to dig into these emergency supplies, if I were injured, lost or had to overnight with a downed elk, I would have everything I need to remain relatively comfortable while away from civilization.

A neighbor, Bob Nichols, suggested packaging firearms and ammunition (with oxygen-removing packets) for extended storage.  
I illustrated for this column is a representative sampling that I put together on his suggestion.

Here is one item that will not only preserve your bacon, it could — under extreme conditions — actually 'save your bacon.'

Obviously in emergency situations, these securely-packed items could even

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## BASSMASTERS



From left, Victor Azavedo Jr., Victor Azavedo and Bro Azavedo, of Filer, won the Magic Valley Bassmasters tournament July 20 at Walcott Lake, with a total weight of 19.05 pounds. Big fish for the tournament was a smallmouth that weighed 4.43 pounds, caught by Kevin Osborn.

### Got a big catch?

Send photos and information about your big fish catches to Outdoors Editor Andrew Weeks at [aweeks@magicvalley.com](mailto:aweeks@magicvalley.com) or 132 Fairfield St. W., P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548.

## There's more to Polaris than meets the eye

The most famous star in the sky may well call the Polaris, better known as the North Star, it's not much to look at with the unaided eye (more about that later), but it's actually a fascinating star.  
To most likers, it's actually not a single star. A small telescope reveals a nearby companion that's about 300 times fainter. Only the best telescopes (like Hubble) can show that Polaris also has a second, much fainter, much closer companion, making it a triple star system. The close companion, and also about 30 years to orbit, while the more distant one takes 42 millennia!



**SKYWATCH**  
Chris Anderson

### Sky Calendar through Thursday:

**Planets**  
One hour before sunrise: No naked-eye planets visible.  
One hour after sunset: Mars, V, extremely low Jupiter: SSE, low Moon  
Full moon tomorrow, 3:16 p.m.

Polaris is also a variable star whose brightness changes by about 1 percent over a three-day period. It's the closest example of a Cepheid variable star, important for the measurement of stellar distances. As such, it bridges the gap between stars whose distance can be measured by using the Earth's orbit as a baseline for triangulation, and "standard candle" stars, whose distance is measured based on their apparent brightness.  
While Polaris is currently the brightest star over the point directly above the North Pole, it's not precisely above. In fact, nearly one-and-a-half full moons could currently fit between it and the North Celestial

Pole. But since the Earth's axis slowly wobbles like a spinning top, the gap will continue to narrow until 2100 A.D., when it will be less than half a degree away, and then begin to drift away.  
Finally, Polaris is often misunderstood to be the brightest star in the sky. Far from it: It's actually near the bottom of the list of the top 100 brightest stars, similar in brightness to the Big Dipper's stars. To find it, use the two stars that form the edge of the Big Dipper's cup, opposite its handle. A line through them, outward from the cup, points almost directly to it.  
Next week: Star party etiquette.

## OUTDOOR BRIEFS

### GPS class for beginners on Thursdays

BURLEY — The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center enrichment program is offering three sections of Practical GPS for Beginners from 5 to 9 p.m. on Thursdays, Aug. 21 or 28.  
Each \$20 section will cover the same information.  
The four-hour courses are designed for individuals who have a GPS and want to learn to use it in the outdoors or while traveling. Instructor Arlin McDonald will cover the basics, including plotting locations, following and retracing a trail, reading the screen, waypoints, elevation, topographic and street maps, using a compass and downloading data to a computer. Participants will be outside and put their navigational skills to work during class.  
For more information: 678-1400.

### Pronghorn archery season opens

Archery pronghorn season opens today and continues through Sept. 15. In many units, archery seasons on mule deer, white-tailed deer and elk open Aug. 30 and run through September.  
Archery permits are required. Archers using blinds on federal public lands should consult the big game rules brochure or contact the Bureau of Land Management for the latest rules on hunting blinds on public lands.  
For more information and

for help with planning hunts, visit the Hunt Planner on the Idaho Fish and Game Web site: <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/ifwis/huntplanner/>.

### Super hunt drawing will be held today

Today entries for Super Hunt tags will be drawn for two elk, two deer and two antelope hunts as well as one moose hunt, plus one tag for all four.  
The winners will be drawn at 10 a.m. in the Trophy Room at Idaho Fish and Game headquarters, 600 S. Walnut in Boise. The public is welcome to attend.  
One Super Hunt Combo entry also will be drawn that will entitle the winner to hunt for one each elk, deer, antelope and moose. Winners can hunt in any open hunt.  
Money for the sale of tickets for the Super Hunt — described as "the hunt of a lifetime" — supports the Access Yes! Program, which compensates landowners to provide hunter and angler access to or across private land.  
For more information: <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/ifwis/huntplanner/access/esquid.aspx>.

### Youth shotgun clinic

FAIRFIELD — The Idaho Department of Fish and Game and competitive shotgun shooter Mari McStay, of Willow Creek Ranch, are working together to offer a free shotgun-shooting clinic to youth hunter education graduates ages 10-17.  
The clinic will be held on Saturday, Aug. 23, at the Willow Creek Ranch, 1250 East Highway 20, Fairfield, from the Highway 75 and 20 junction go west 12.5 miles on Highway 20. Shooting will be 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch will be provided.  
Each student will be given instruction on shotgun skills, range rules and individualized shooting instruction. Shotguns, ammunition and clay bird targets will be provided by the sponsors.  
Space is limited so participants are encouraged to sign up as soon as possible.  
Parents or guardians must complete a parental permission form before the student may attend. To register: 324-4359.

### Water safety, canoe workshop Saturday

The staff at Massacre Rocks State Park, located off Interstate 86 at exit 28 and about 10 miles west of American Falls, will host a three-hour Canoe and Water Safety Workshop from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. The workshop is free, but pre-registration is required.  
The canoe workshop is limited to the first 12 participants who pre-register for the event by 5 p.m. today. Participants must be a minimum of 16 years of age and in good physical condition.  
Participants will learn the basics of paddling a canoe

safely and effectively. Instruction will include paddling strokes, safety equipment needed, solo and team rescue skills and other important skills. Following the workshop will be an optional canoe adventure paddling from the Eagle Rock area back down to the boat ramp at Massacre Rocks. Equipment will be provided but participants should bring a sack lunch and a change of clothes, towel, wide brimmed hat, sunglasses, drinking water and sunscreen.  
For more information: 208-548-2672 until 5 p.m.

### Touch-screen kiosks to greet Utah's Cache Valley tourists

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — Tourists visiting Cache Valley will be able to learn about the area from new touch-screen kiosks.

The kiosks are filled with information about 31 places to stop in Logan Canyon. The kiosks also have information about restaurants and places to stay overnight. The machines can be found inside the historic courthouse, in the Forest Service office in Logan and at the American West Heritage Center in Wallsville.  
Two kiosks are also available in the Bear Lake Valley at the Bear Lake overlook and the National Oregon Trail Center in Montpelier. Another will be placed in the Garden City offices.  
— Staff and wire reports



# Gear

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by the same propane or butane cartridges used in camping stoves. Just put your coffee grounds of choice in the filter, add water, turn the knob and flip a switch. In 10 minutes you have eight cups of strong hot coffee. The double-walled, vacuum-sealed stainless steel carafe keeps your coffee hot for 2.5 hours, the company says. \$39; available in February 2009; www.brunton.com

## Injinji Rainbow Toesocks

Revising the classic rain-

bow toesock, Injinji toots these COOLMAX-fabric toe tube socks. They're smart, high-performance socks, ideal for active outdoor adventures.

The Rainbow Toesock incorporates Injinji's patented construction, which recently received the American Podiatric Medical Association's Seal of Acceptance. \$14; available in February 2009; www.injinji.com

Stephen Reginald writes a daily blog on outdoors gear at [www.gearjunkie.com](http://www.gearjunkie.com).

# Bird

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"It's just hard. Mother Nature's a difficult person," Porter said.

That's where Porter and his rescue and rehabilitation operation come into play. Porter houses the injured birds until they're healed. He keeps baby birds until they're 60 to 80 days old and then releases them. If a bird simply can't heal, a decision has to be made whether to put it down or find it a home in a zoo or an education program.

"Jim is very realistic as to whether a bird can make it in the wild again," Loshinski said. Porter might fuss about the time and money he spends rehabilitating raptors, but he's planning to build facilities that will more than triple the number of animals he can take on. Currently, he has four birds, all hawks, in a 12-foot-square kennel. Four to five birds are about enough for the size of confinement, he said. Adding two more con-

finement areas will not only give him more space, it will allow him to separate younger birds and smaller species from their larger, more aggressive conspecifics.

While the birds are healing or growing up at his home in Jefferson County, Porter feeds them a steady diet of English House Sparrows, wild pigeons, European starlings and squirrels trapped by local residents.

Birds of prey, such as falcons, hawks and eagles, are carnivores, so they need an enormous amount of protein to survive. It's not always easy finding it, Porter said, but he always manages. "I don't think the community even understands what a hawk is like here," Loshinski said. "There are tons of people out there who have the compassion, but there are not many people out there who have the combination of education and knowledge that Jim has."

# Oregon area cuts prices to attract young skiers

By Jeff Barnard Associated Press writer

After tumbling from the stratosphere in 2007, Mt. Bachelor has lowered season ticket prices — especially for teens and young adults — joining a nationwide trend of appealing first to local skiers and snowboarders.

"The youth segment of the market is the future of the sport and our business," general manager Dave Rathbun said in a statement. "Making season passes affordable is a key step in our efforts to attract and retain the youth market by allowing them to visit frequently and develop deep and meaningful relationships with the mountain."

Amid grumbling about higher prices, broken-down lifts and declining service, Mt. Bachelor tumbled last winter from its longtime position as the most popular ski area in Oregon. It was eclipsed by Mt. Hood Meadows outside Portland.

Recognizing the problems, Mt. Bachelor named a new management team in May.

Mt. Bachelor cut the adult season pass from \$929 to \$799, the young adult pass from \$699 to \$349, the teen pass from \$399 to \$249, youth passes from \$219 to \$149, and the senior pass \$699 to \$599.

The cuts come after two straight years when season pass prices went up.

Doug La Pagan, president and CEO of Vail, said, "I send the lower prices which go a long way toward repairing the rift between Mt. Bachelor and its customers.

From an economic standpoint, the move to lower sea-

son pass prices will keep Bend and Mt. Bachelor competitive in the winter tourist industry," he added.

Based on weekly season pass prices have been dropping for about five years, though daily passes have been rising with inflation, said Michael Berry, president of the National Ski Areas Association.

Destination resorts in isolated locations have been less likely to cut prices, while ski areas with a large local population base have been more likely to cut, Berry said.

Mt. Bachelor falls between the two types.

"I think the industry realized, quit honestly that our best customers were the season pass owners," Berry said. "Affordable season passes have proven to be very well received, both in terms of increased volume and increased frequency of the visit."

Pacific Northwest Ski Areas Association members showed Oregon was on track to set a record with 1.95 million skier visits last winter, but Mt. Bachelor lost about 400,000 to 472,794 and was surpassed by Mt. Hood Meadows with 509,001.

# Carp: It's not just a trash fish

By Kelton Hatch For the Times-News

To westerners, carp are possibly one of the most overlooked fish. Often referred to as trash fish, the common carp is one of the most sought after fish in many other parts of the world.

Ancestors of the common carp found in Idaho are from the Caspian Sea region and East Asia. It is not known exactly when carp were brought to the United States from Europe, but probably some time during the mid- to late-1800s.

The typical carp's back is olive-brown to reddish brown, with the sides becoming yellow-bronze, brassy, or olive-gold. The belly is yellow or yellow-white. Most carp are bronze-gold to golden yellow on the sides and yellowish white on the belly.

Most carp are heavily scaled, but two genetic mutants show either few, extremely large scales (the "mirror carp") or no scales at all (the "leather carp").

Carp is the largest member of the minnow family, growing to about 30 inches in 18 to 20 pounds, but they can weigh up to 60 pounds.

Carp are hardy and tolerant of a wide variety of conditions but generally favor large water bodies with slow flowing or standing water and soft bottom sediments.

Adults are omnivorous. Food items consumed include aquatic plants, algae, insect/fish larvae, crustaceans, mol-



luskus, and even small fish. Typical feeding method is to disturb the bottom material with its snout and pick up the food items that are dislodged. Carp feeding activity in shallow waters can be easily identified because of the silt clouds that are created.

Adults uproot and destroy submerged aquatic vegetation and therefore may be detrimental to duck and native fish populations.

Common carp begin spawning in late April and continue into June over aquatic vegetation. Large females release between 100,000 to 500,000 eggs and can release up to 2 million eggs for really large females.

The sticky eggs adhere to submerged vegetation or the bottom substrate. Eggs do not receive parental care and are left to develop on their own, hatching in four to five days.

Bottom fishing is the most common method to catch carp, due to the carp's

feeding strategy.

Carp can be caught with many different bait, including dough balls, worms, crayfish tails, canned kernel corn, worms and similar baits. There has also been increasing interest in fly fishing for carp. Larger carp are particularly challenging to anglers because of their incredible strength and heavy weights. Carp are also a popular target of bow anglers, especially when the fish move into shallow water to spawn.

Carp can be eaten and have a firm white flesh when cooked. However, they have a lot of bones in the meat unless prepared correctly. Favored cooking methods include barbecuing large carp on a grill or creating fish cakes from carp fillets.

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# Fly-fishing clinic aims to hook women anglers

Women interested in fly fishing can sign up for a clinic designed to introduce the beginner angler to "casting techniques, equipment use, knot tying, fly selection and a personalized fly tying experience on a scenic North Idaho river.

The clinic will include two presentations from 6 to 9 p.m. Sept. 10 and 17, in Lewiston, then an overnight campout and two days of fishing on Sept. 20 and 21.

Sponsored by Kelly Creek Fly Casters and the Idaho Department of Fish

and Game, the goal is to introduce women to fly fishing by providing them basic information and hands-on experiences. More importantly, the clinic will provide the foundation for women becoming outdoor leaders and to develop a network of women with similar interests.

Registration is \$60 for adults and \$20 for those ages 12 to 17, and includes a Saturday evening Dutch oven dinner.

Fly rods and reels will be provided to those who do not own equipment, but

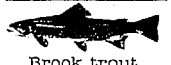
students must bring all other camping gear, meals and waders.

For more information or to register: Zack Funkhouser, 208-816-8314 or Jill Green, 208-798-0215. The "evening" Registration forms are available at Fish and Game, 3316 16th Street, Lewiston, ID 83501.

Space is limited and registration will be on a first-come, first served basis, so show up early.

A parent or guardian must accompany underage young women who register.

## Fish of the Week



Brook trout

Science name: *Salvelinus fontinalis*

Also known as: speckled trout, brookies, Eastern brook trout, coaster, sailer

Habitat: Streams, rivers, lakes

Water temp: 61 to 70 degrees

Tackle: Tight tackle, casting, fly fishing

State record: 7 pounds 1 ounce, 23.5 inches long, caught Aug. 16, 1978 by DeVore Stratton, Henry's Lake

World records: 14 pounds 8 ounces. Source: [landbigfish.com](http://landbigfish.com)

# Saving the dinosaur fish White sturgeon management plan open for public review

Donald Vawter Correspondent

The Idaho Fish and Game is currently seeking public comment on a draft management plan dealing with the conservation and preservation of Snake River white sturgeon.

"Our goal is to provide fishing opportunities, and white sturgeon are no exception," Doug Megargle, regional fisheries manager for the Magic Valley Region of the Idaho Fish and Game, told the Times-News.

White sturgeon is the largest freshwater game fish in North America and is up to 15 feet long and more

than 1,000 pounds. Their populations, however, have been steadily decreasing over the years, according to a news release by Fish and Game. Over harvesting, dam construction, water management and water pollution are all factors that jeopardize the species, according to the release. The current management plan focuses solely on white sturgeon found in the Snake River stretching from Shoshone Falls to Lower Granite Dam.

The plan has gone through

several draft stages, the first in 1992. It outlines various options, including population monitoring and water quality, which play a key role in protecting the species. The plan is intended to increase the population of white sturgeon while still keeping opportunities open for sportsmen. However, the no harvest regulations that currently apply will still apply as the population management plan.

The plan aims to increase the native population, but hatchery fish may be intro-

duced in some areas. The Snake River white sturgeon management plan is available for public review and comment on the Idaho Fish and Game Web site through Sept. 5.

The plan, including the public input, will then go under committee review during the November meeting with the Idaho Fish and Game Commission. Fish and Game will then work with several other agencies and stakeholders to accomplish the actions identified in the plan.

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## U.S. foreclosure filings surge 55 percent

### Foreclosures in south-central Idaho mostly unchanged

Times-News staff and wire reports

The number of homes in south-central Idaho that are in foreclosure or bank owned has remained mostly unchanged during the month of July compared to the previous year. The recent figures were

reported by RealtyTrac, which monitors default notices, auction sale notices and bank repossessions. In the Twin Falls area, 44 homes were in pre-foreclosure and 38 were bank owned — less than a 1 percent increase compared to the same month last year. Both the Jerome and

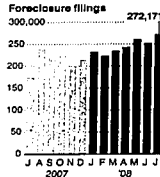
Burley areas remained unchanged. The Jerome area reported seven homes in pre-foreclosure and two homes that are bank owned. Burley reported no foreclosures or bank owned properties, according to RealtyTrac. Meanwhile, the number of

homeowners in other parts of the nation who were stung by the dramatic decline in the U.S. housing market jumped last month. Foreclosure filings grew by more than 50 percent compared with the same month a year ago.

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### Hitting home

Foreclosure filings in July rose 8 percent from June, and are up 55 percent from a year ago.



SOURCE: RealtyTrac

## First Fed charity foundation distributes \$27,600 in July

Foundation's beneficiaries: The First Federal Charitable Foundation announced the beneficiaries for July's charitable contributions.



BIZ BITES  
Joshua Palmer

The foundation gave away more than \$27,600 last month — the foundation has donated about \$288,000 since it was established in 2003.

The donations go to educational, civic, health, human service, social and cultural organizations that serve the needs of the community.

July's donations included the following:

- Paul Public School Foundation — \$3,000
- Family Health Services — \$3,700
- Jerome County Senior Citizen's Service Area — \$2,000
- Jerome Public Library — \$2,500
- Kimberly School District — \$2,000
- Magic Philharmonic Society — \$3,500
- Mercy Housing Idaho — \$2,500
- Mini Cassia Reading Foundation — \$1,125
- Millico Spuds — \$1,000
- Twin Falls County B — \$2,100
- Valley Housing Coalition — \$1,250
- Square Events — \$2,000

**Growing in Kimberly:** Speaking of First Federal Bank, the new Kimberly branch of First Federal is open for business at Red Cap Corner.

An open house will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. today. A ribbon cutting will be at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call the new branch at 208-423-6226.

Have a comment about your business? A question about someone else's? Contact Business Editor Joshua Palmer at [jpalmern@magicvalley.com](mailto:jpalmern@magicvalley.com).

## An icon closes its doors

### Building will be restored and converted into office building

By Joshua Palmer  
Staff writer

A struggling economy in south-central Idaho has taken its toll on one of the longest running businesses in the region. Cain's Home Furnishings, an icon of downtown Twin Falls for more than 64 years, will close its doors forever. The business is recognized in south-central Idaho as a seller of high-end furniture that boasted elaborate show rooms throughout the three-story building.

But the closure is something that area residents and loyal customers find difficult to believe.

"A lot of people think that this is temporary or that we will open the business up under a different name," said Jeff Bulkley, owner of Cain's Home Furnishings on Main Avenue and Cain's Furniture Outlet at 1236 Blue Lakes Blvd. in Twin Falls. "They have a hard time understanding that this is it — furniture won't be sold here anymore."

Bulkley, who has owned the business for five years, plans to restore the building to vintage condition — much like it was when the building housed a wagon manufacturer before 1946 — and then convert it into an office building.



Jeff Bulkley and his wife Deanna, owners of Cain's Home Furnishings, sit in the showroom inside of the store Thursday afternoon in Twin Falls.

Bulkley said his plan to remodel the building and convert into office space is unrelated to the city's Main Avenue revitalization project.

Cain's Furniture Outlet will continue operating on Blue Lakes Boulevard.

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WATCH: A video interview with Jeff Bulkley of Cain's Home Furnishings.

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### NATION

#### Wal-Mart says second quarter profit up 17%

NEW YORK — Wal-Mart Stores Inc. raised its full-year earnings forecast Thursday after second-quarter profit rose more than expected, helped by tight inventory controls and a renewed focus on lower prices that is attracting financially squeezed shoppers around the world.

But the world's largest

retailer predicted slower sales growth.

The Bentonville, Ark.-based retailer said it earned \$3.45 billion in the quarter ended July 31, up 17 percent from \$2.95 billion a year earlier. Profit from continuing operations rose 9.3 percent to \$3.39 billion, while net sales gained 10 percent to \$101.6 billion.

For the quarter, the discount store posted same-store sales growth of 4.5 percent, excluding fuel sales, compared to a 1.9 percent increase a year earlier. Same-store

sales, or sales at stores opened at least a year, are considered a key indicator of a retailer's health.

#### Jobless claims fall less than expected

WASHINGTON — The Labor Department reported Thursday that applications for jobless benefits dropped to 450,000, down by 10,000 from the previous week. That was a smaller decline than had been expected and left the four-week average for

claims at the highest level in six years.

The big jump in the four-week average for claims was attributed to a number of factors, including a surge in layoffs and increased publicity surrounding an extension of benefits provided by a law Congress passed in June.

The four-week average reached 440,500, up 19,500 from last week's revised average of 421,000. A year ago, that number stood at 315,500.

— Wire reports

## Insurers get cold feet where wildfires burn

By M.P. McQueen  
The Wall Street Journal

Homeowners in Western states already grappling with the season's wildfires are in the midst of another sort of battle, this time with insurers.

Companies are imposing tougher fire-safety requirements, including inspecting properties for hazards and

telling homeowners to clear a broad swath of brush around their homes — sometimes much wider than even state laws require. And some homeowners say that insurers have dropped their refusal to write a policy, even though they haven't filed a claim.

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## STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

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Lithia Mo.	5.90 ▲ .20	Micron	5.37 ▲ .27	Supervalu	28.15 ▲ .85

## COMMODITIES

Live cattle	103.35 ▲ .18	Sept. oil	115.01 ▼ .99
Aug. gold	808.20 ▼ .16.8	Aug. silver	14.82 ▼ .96

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### Today in business

WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve reports on capacity utilization and industrial production for July.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Table of mutual fund performance with columns for Name, Last Chg, and various fund names like American Funds, Fidelity, and Vanguard.

COMMODITIES REPORT

Table of commodity futures prices including Wheat, Corn, Soybeans, and other agricultural products.

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# Fires

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Allstate Corp., for example, stopped selling new homeowner policies in California last year and has 50,000 fewer homeowner policies today in the state than in 2006, a company spokesman says. While the company says the decrease in policies is mostly due to attrition, the company acknowledges it's looking to manage its exposure to disasters in California.

The situation is reminiscent of recent trends on the East and Gulf coasts, where millions of homeowners lost coverage because of insurers' worries about rising property losses from hurricanes. Unlike in the East, however, few Western homeowners have been forced into their states' high-risk pools, officials say. Instead, many homeowners living in hazardous areas face fewer choices in residential coverage and are being told to fire-sale their homes.

Dan Sparks, a 29-year-old investment manager, bought a home last July in the Scripps Ranch neighborhood of San Diego, where thousands of houses burned in October 2003. He had to scramble to find coverage, saying his old insurer, Mercury Insurance Group of Mercury General Corp., refused to issue a new policy in a hazardous area because of its high-risk status. "I tried to use the same insurance provider, and he would not cover my new house," Mr. Sparks says. "They told this property was about 1,000 feet away from brush." Since his lot abuts a Marine air base, he can't clear it because it's government property, he says. (A spokesman for Mercury said its clearance requirement for the area isn't new.) Mr. Sparks finally found insurance from another company.

Western wildfires are nothing new. But in recent decades development has soared, with expensive homes and condos being built in fire-prone areas. The density of brush, combined with prolonged droughts, make conditions ripe for devastating—and costly—fires. A single blaze in San Diego last year, called the "Whittier," resulted in at least \$1.33 billion in insured property losses, according to the Insurance Services Office Inc., which gathers data on claims. And so far in 2008, more than 2,000 blazes have occurred in California alone.

In the past, insurance companies were willing to accept most of the risk. Agents would sell policies that promised to fully rebuild a home after a loss, regardless of cost. Then in the early 1980s, a series of natural disasters struck the West Coast, including the devastating Oakland Hills fire of 1991, which caused about \$2.8 billion in damages in 2008 dollars, according to the ISO. So now, most insurers have capped their payouts at a percentage above the home's insured value, usually 25 percent or 50 percent, to help cut losses. Only a minority of policies still offer "guaranteed replacement," usually for a higher premium.

Companies also impose tougher policy conditions. Some have recently started requiring property owners to increase clearances to as much as 1,500 feet of vegetation from around homes in some fire zones. That's 15 times more clearance than what's currently required by California law. Indeed, Allstate says that 1-in-5 houses in high-risk areas it has inspected had hazardous brush conditions.

Increasingly, some insurers also won't issue policies for homes on steep slopes, because wildfires burn uphill faster. Some are underwriting policies only where the home is located near a professional fire department, not the volunteer fire departments common in some rural areas, agents and brokers say.

Most insurers are using satellite imaging to inspect properties, agents say. And companies also are physically inspecting houses and requiring documentation for safety measures like fire-resistant roofing. Homeowners whose properties are cited for hazards are given a period of time, usually six months, to correct the problems or their policies

can be dropped. In Arizona, insurance companies have stepped up property inspections in the past 18 months and are ordering homeowners to clear their properties or risk being dropped. "That is a relatively new phenomenon," says the Arizona Insurance Director, Christina Urias. Companies are taking similar steps in Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Alaska.

To further bolster revenue, some of the largest insurers in California, including State Farm Insurance Cos. and Farmers Insurance Group, a

unit of Zurich Financial Services, also are asking regulators for premium hikes, with both companies seeking a 6.9 percent increase. Allstate's previous request for a 9.3 percent increase was rejected by Commissioner Steve Polzner last month, and the company was instead ordered to cut premiums by 28.5 percent. Mr. Polzner recently also ordered several other home insurers to roll back rates.

Insurance companies say these moves help them stay solvent so they can pay claims when disasters occur.



Orl Zari, right, owner of Econo Tree Care, and Jose Gutierrez, a worker, create 200 feet of defensive space around a home to meet fire safety requirements in Pacific Palisades, Calif. Homeowners are needed by California fire prevention officials to clear brush from around their homes.

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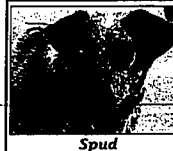
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## 2009 PONTIAC VIBE WAGON A GOOD REMIX

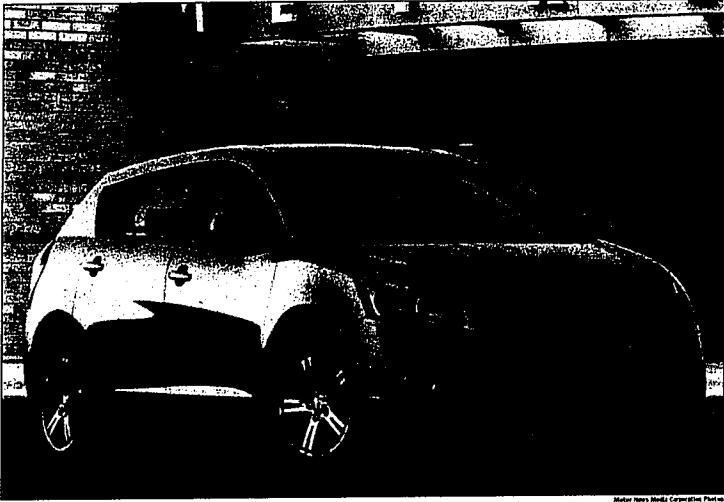
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Introduced in 2002 as an '03 model, the Pontiac Vibe was an immediate hit with customers who sought a contemporary, roomy utility vehicle that was also efficient. The all-new 2009 Pontiac Vibe is a good remix of the earlier Vibe, offering stylish functionality, better performance and a bolder attitude.

The 2009 Vibe began arriving in dealer showrooms in February and is available in front- and all-wheel drive configurations. A performance-oriented GT model is also available. The new Pontiac wagon includes a number of all-new and enhanced features, such as an all-terrain exterior styling with a faster windshield, all-new sheet metal and lighting elements, driver-focused interior styling with more flowing integration of the controls and six standard air bags.

Vibe's three models: base, AWD and GT are distinguished from one another with unique styling cues. For example, the AWD features a standard roof rack, perfect for outdoor activities. The GT has its own front fascia — with larger fog lamps and lower-fascia air intake — rocker moldings, roof spoiler and a bright exhaust. All models offer distinctive wheels options.

The base 1.8L four-cylinder engine and five-speed manual transmission boasts a fuel economy estimated at 26 city/32 hwy, while the four-speed automatic is estimated at 25 city/31 hwy. The upscale 2.4L four-cylinder engine on the GT is estimated at 21 mpg in the city and 28 on the highway with the manual transmission and 21 mpg in the city and 29 on the highway with the five-speed automatic. On the AWD model, the 2.4L four-speed automatic combination delivers an estimated 20



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city/26 hwy.

The Vibe's interior is all-new and has a driver-focused cockpit design more common to sports cars. The controls and gauges are redesigned for easier use, but keep a performance-oriented look and feel. All Vibe models come with an AM/FM radio with CD and XM 5.0 satellite radio. The XM band is integrated for seamless switching between all three signal bands. An auxiliary audio input jack is standard, too, allowing the MP3 players and other portable devices to play through the Vibe's speakers.

A four-speaker sound system is standard on Vibe base and AWD models. True audiophiles can step up to a premium Moonsoon™ 320-watt audio system, including MP3 capability and seven-speaker sound. The Moonsoon™ system is standard on GT models and available on base and AWD as part of the Sun and Sound package.

Vibe's roomy interior provides generous storage space for all kinds of stuff, starting with a 60/40-split rear seat that folds flat to create 48.4 cubic feet of storage. It also packs 10

the front seats. Rubberized cargo floor strips help prevent items from sliding. Additional storage is offered, including an oversized glove box, an overhead console, a dual-tier center console and other integrated cubby holes located throughout the vehicle.

A front cargo compartment storage organizer is standard on all models equipped with a 2.4L engine (optional with the 1.8L engine) and provides an almost unlimited number of cargo solutions, thanks to a plethora of hooks and not-divided compartments. It also packs 10

into the floor when not in use. Vibe's equipped with the 2.4L engine also come with a fold-flat front passenger seat that expands the interior's storage flexibility.

The new Vibe, designed to be one of the segment's safest vehicles, has a comprehensive system of design and technology features to help protect passengers before, during and after a crash. Standard features include: StabiliTrak electronic vehicle stability system, tire pressure monitoring system, dual-stage front air bags with a passenger sensing

### 2009 Pontiac Vibe Wagon AWD By The Numbers

#### DIMENSIONS & SPECIFICATIONS

WHEELBASE: 102.4"  
OVERALL LENGTH: 171.9"  
WIDTH: 69.4"  
HEIGHT: 62.7"

#### ENGINE:

1.8L 4-cylinder — 132 hp/128 lbs-ft of torque;  
2.4L 4-cylinder — 158 hp/162 lbs-ft of torque.

#### TRANSMISSION:

five-speed manual or four-speed automatic.

#### CARGO CAPACITY:

49.4 cubic feet.

#### TOWING CAPACITY:

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system, load curtain side air bags and side thorax air bags for front passengers.

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The spade slam looks excellent until East discards on the first trump. Now, to succeed, you must reach an end position where West has to ruff and then lead into your trump holding. His last four cards must be able to exit with a plain card after ruffing. Thus you are going to have to guess his precise distribution.

You certainly need West to hold at least three hearts, or you will never be able to reach dummy. If West had a singleton club, he might have led it, so let us place him with at least a doubleton. If you are to avoid the club finesse, West must have three diamonds.

There are other distributions that will allow you to succeed, but the most straightforward (and probably most likely) is 5-3-3-2.

So in your diamond ace, draw one trump, cash the club ace, then take the heart A-K and ruff a heart. Now cash dummy's top diamonds, discarding your clubs, and ruff a club. You have played one trump, three hearts, three diamonds and two clubs, and West has followed to all these tricks, so he has only trumps left.

The coup de grace comes when you lead your last heart. West's choice is to ruff low (and you overruff and lose just the trump jack at the end) or to ruff with the eight and be employed, forced to lead into your tenace.

NORTH 8-15-A
7 6 3
4 5 2
K Q 9 2
8 8 4 3

WEST 9 8 5 4
7 6 2
J 10 4
K 10

EAST Q 10 9 3
9 8 7 5
J 7 6 5

SOUTH A K Q 10 2
A K 5 4
A
A Q 2

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South
The bidding:
South West North East
2 Pass 2 Pass
3 Pass 3 Pass
3 Pass 5 Pass
5 Pass 5 Pass
6 All pass

Opening lead: Diamond jack
BID WITH THE ACES 8-15-B
South holds:
9 8 5 4
7 6 2
J 10 4
K 10

South West North East
1 Pass
2 Pass 2 Pass

ANSWER: Did you look at your five-count and decide you had done enough? That is not the right approach here. You have five spades, not four, and enough values to have a play for eight spade tricks: Partner's double guaranteed playability in spades. You are the one who has undisclosed extras, so bid two spades yourself.

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8	7	6	2	8
8	1	5	2	3
5	8	9	2	7
3	6	8	9	8
2	7	8	3	1
2	8	9	3	4

MEDIUM # 68

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for today's puzzle on page E-15.

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
 Trustee's Sale No. 02-7418-0041. NOTICE HEREBY GIVEN that PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on December 2, 2008, at the hour of 01:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, 425 SHOSHONE STREET NORTH, TWIN FALLS, ID, soil at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho, to-wit: THE EAST ONE-HALF OF THE SOUTH 150 FEET OF LOT 8 OF SNYDER TRACT, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN BOOK 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 45, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, EXCEPT THE EAST 25 FEET THEREOF. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 1937 4TH AVENUE E TWIN FALLS, ID 83401, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to easily the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DONALD L. JACAWAY, A SINGLE PERSON, as Grantor, to STEWART TITLE GUARANTY COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of WESTERN STATES MORTGAGE CORPORATION, RESIDENTIAL CAPITAL CORP., as Beneficiary, dated 6/5/1997, recorded 6/17/1997, under Instrument No. 1997009680, Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by INDIAN BANK, F.S.B. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(A)(4), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 6/5/1997, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH IS DUE ON 8/1/2008 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of July 23, 2008 Delinquent Payments from April 01, 2008 to payments of \$754.12 each \$3,018.48 (04-01-08 through 07-23-08) Late Charges: \$128.95 Beneficiary Advances: \$32.00 Surplus Credit: \$0.00 TOTAL \$3,175.43 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and expenses made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$53,226.91, together with interest thereon at 9.125% per annum from 3/1/2008, until paid. The beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to "objection" if any. DATED: 7/23/2008. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By: Kara Lamsberg, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICE CORPORATION 6140 South Valley Suite 1000, Boise, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Site Information: <http://www.trustee.com> ASAP# 2843580

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**REGULAR SESSION, MAY 12, 2008**  
 This is a summary of the minutes of the May 12, 2008 Gooding County Board of County Commissioners meeting. Minutes in their entirety are on file in the office of the Gooding County Clerk.  
 Chairman Faulkner convened the regular session with Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Edwards and the Clerk, Denise Gill present.

**WEEDS**  
 Terry Ruby, Weed Supervisor, expressed his concern with the Idaho State Department of Agriculture withholding funding from county weed programs. The ISDA feels if the county has not reached their maximum levy the State should not assist in funding. He explained that the US Forest Service has an agreement with ISDA to provide funding for the weed programs with the requirements that the US Forest Service funding provided is distributed as the ISDA funding. Commissioner Faulkner moved to allow the Chair sign the agreement with ISDA for a one-time Noxious Weed Program. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS**  
 Commissioner Williams moved to approve the claims. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. Motion carried.  
 General 83775.61 Fair 2,052.10 Revaluation 72.22  
 Road & Br. 100.00 Ambulance 5,287.28 Public Health 5,646.17  
 Jr. College 500.00 Waterways 140.00 Dist. Court 3,356.04  
 Indigent 32,481.54 Weeds 857.94 Total 132,769.10

**ELECTED OFFICIAL**  
 The Board met with elected officials. The group discussed the recently implemented personnel policy, timecards, personnel files, and budget preparation.

**BOARD OF EQUALIZATION**  
 Assessor Bauscher and Deputy Assessor Shannon Todd joined the meeting. Commissioner Edwards and Commissioner Williams moved to recess regular session and open the Board of Equalization. Motion carried. Bauscher and Todd presented the Circuit Breaker roll with representatives. Commissioner Faulkner and Commissioner Edwards moved to approve the circuit breaker roll as presented. Motion carried. Commissioner Williams and Commissioner Edwards moved and seconded to recess the Board of Equalization and return to regular session. Motion carried.

**SOUTH CENTRAL PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT**  
 Commissioner Faulkner moved to reappoint Everett "Buck" Werd to the Board for South Central Public Health District. Commissioner Williams seconded motion. Motion carried.

**BOARD OF COMMUNITY GUARDIANS**  
 Nancy Killinger from the Office on Aging and a member from the Twin Falls County Board of Community Guardians explained the responsibility of the Board of Community Guardians. The Twin Falls group are all volunteers and meet once a month. The services offered are for aging only. The Twin Falls County Prosecutor prepares documents for court on behalf of the guardians. They have found that it is better to provide these services under the auspices of a community guardian board, rather than as an individual. Gooding County averages 2-3 guardian appointments per year. The guardianship is a last resort after all other avenues have been exhausted. Referrals come from the Office on Aging, hospitals, etc. The board will discuss the program with law enforcement and the prosecutor's office.

**INDIGENT**  
 Commissioner Faulkner moved to go into an executive session pursuant to IC§31-874 to consider indigent matters.

**MINUTES**  
 Commissioner Williams moved to approve the minutes from May 5, 2008. Commissioner Edwards seconded motion. Motion carried.  
 Commissioner Williams moved to adjourn meeting. Commissioner Edwards seconded motion. Motion carried.

Torrell Williams, Commissioner  
 Tom Faulkner, Chairman  
 Attest:  
 Denise M. Gill, Clerk

**REGULAR SESSION, MAY 16, 2008**  
 This is a summary of the minutes of the May 16, 2008 Gooding County Board of County Commissioners meeting. Minutes in their entirety are on file in the office of the Gooding County Clerk.

Chairman Faulkner convened the regular session with Commissioners Williams, Commissioner Edwards and the Deputy, Beverly Johansson and Linda Leguineche present.

**INDIGENT**  
 Commissioner Faulkner moved to go into an executive session pursuant to IC§31-874 for indigent appeal hearings and to review indigent cases. Commissioner Faulkner moved to adjourn meeting. Commissioner Edwards seconded motion. Motion carried.

Helen P. Edwards, Commissioner  
 Torrell Williams, Commissioner  
 Tom Faulkner, Chairman  
 Attest:  
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207 Education

EDUCATION
Buhl School District is currently hiring a Special Education Teacher...

209 General

GENERAL
Boise Packaging is seeking General Laborers to work in paper processing plant...

208 Farm

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209 General

GENERAL
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GENERAL

GENERAL
Addison Collision Repair is looking to fill a Detailer/Janitorial position. Please bring resume to 1186 W Addison...

209 General

ADULT DAY CARE
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Shoshone School District is now hiring (2) FT employees to be Custodian and Bus Driver. Wage DOE. Inducta benefits. Please contact the Shoshone School District for more information. 208-886-2381 x 310

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Filer School District announces the following vacancies beginning the 2008-2009 school year: (2) Assistant Football Coaches-Filer High School...

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209 General

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**HEYBURN** Fri. Sat. 8am-3pm. Backyard sale. Brand name clothes for back to school, household items, pictures, knick knacks, and much more. 646 South Main St.

**PAUL** Fri. & Sat. 8am-2pm. E-dah-ho Chapter Easton Star is holding a huge indoor yard sale. Masonic Hall 113 East Idaho (across from the Paul Art Office)

**JEROME** August 15-16, 8am-3pm. Wheelers, bikes, furniture, trampolines, kids stuff. 527 N Tiger Drive

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**TWIN FALLS** Fri. & Sat. 7am-5pm. Furniture, BBQ, jewelry, toys, chandeliers, quality shagreen & rifle, clocks, radio sets, cookbooks, cookie jars. Come for coffee. 405 Julie Lane

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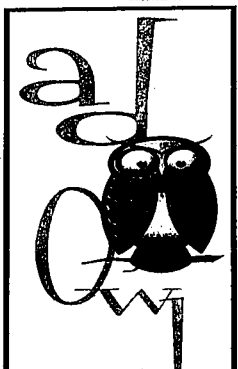
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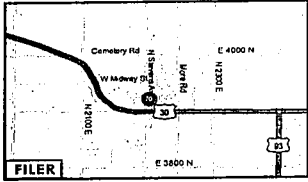
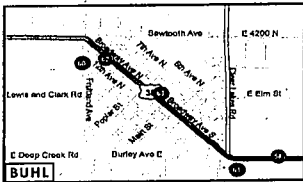
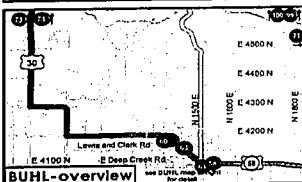
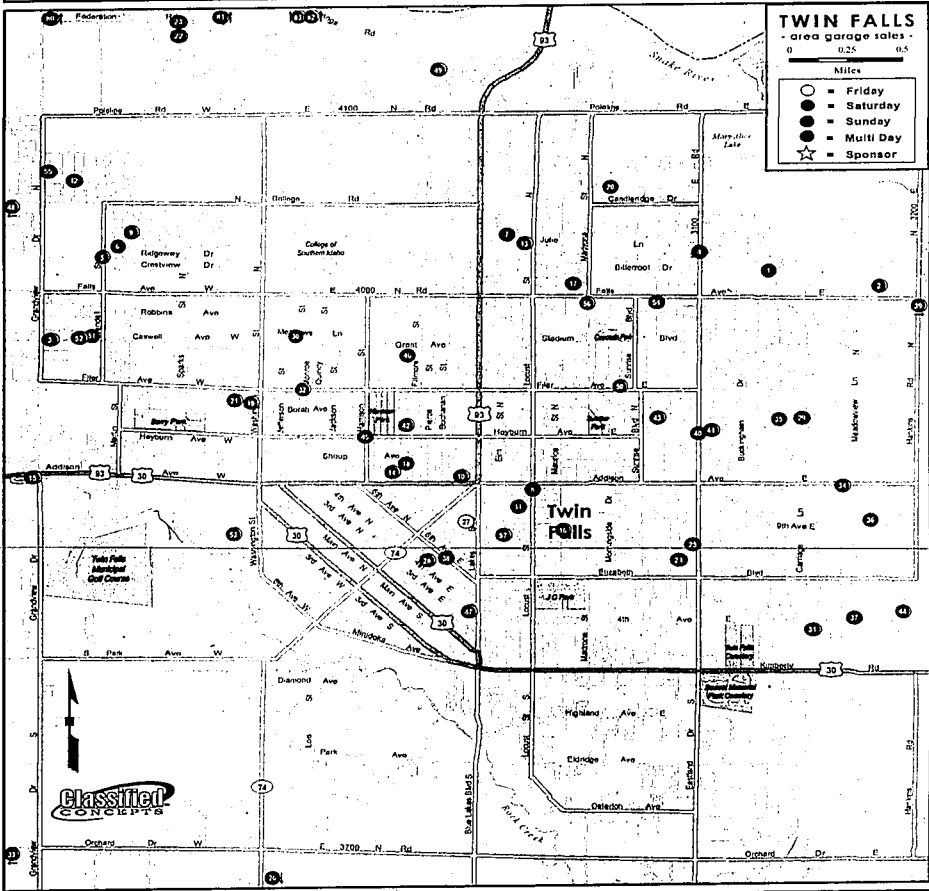
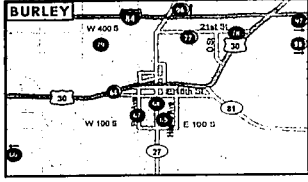
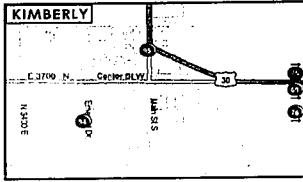
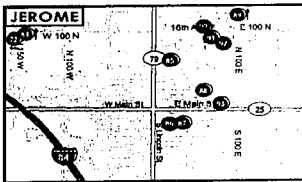
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- 1027 Desert View Drive Sat 8am-4pm
- 1037 Skyline Drive Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 1040 Caswell Ave West Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 1061 Eastland Drive North Sat 8am-Noon
- 1064 Wendell Street Fri/Sat 8am-3pm
- 1076 Twin Parks Drive Sat 7am-5pm
- 1113 N Elm Sat 7am-5pm
- 1133 Locust Street Sat 8am-3pm
- 1153 Park Meadows Fri/Sat 8am-4pm
- 126 Lincoln Fri/Sat 8am-3pm
- 1402 Maple Ave Sat 7am-11am
- 1437 Broadway St Sat 8am-2pm
- 1438 Julie Lane Fri/Sat 7am-5pm
- 145 Park Street Fri 7am-4pm Sat 7am-Noon
- 160 Grandview Drive Fri/Sat 8am-5pm
- 1720 5th Ave East Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 1765 Dora Drive South Sat 8am
- 184 Taylor Street Sat 7:30am-4pm
- 187 Duane Fri/Sat 8am-4pm
- 1894 Galena Drive Sat 7am-2pm
- 182 DuBois Ave Fri/Sat 8am-3pm
- 1956 Sunny Trail Way Sat 8am-1pm

- 2051 Sunny Trail W Sat 8am-1pm
- 2135 Crosswood Drive Sat 8am-1pm
- 2170 Sherry Lane Sat 8am-Noon
- 223 Caliente Ave Sat 7:30am-1pm
- 227 9th Ave East Fri 8:30am-3:30pm
- 252 5th Ave East Fri/Sat 8am-7
- 2531 Joshua Way Sat 7am-1pm
- 260 Mesquite Lane Sat 8am-1pm
- 2633 Paintbrush Drive Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 269 Filer Ave Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 2715 East 3700 North Fri/Sat 7am-7
- 2722 Joshua Way Sat 8am-3pm
- 2850 Le Ann Drive Sat 8am
- 2881 4th Ave East Sat 7am-11am
- 313 8th Ave East Sat 8am-3pm
- 3216 Spring Creek Fri/Sat 8am-4pm
- 330 Eastview Drive South Fri/Sat 8am
- 332 Kneelingham Drive Fri/Sat 8am-5pm
- 332 Taylor Fri/Sat 7am-4pm
- 398 Ericas Court Fri/Sat 8am
- 490 Meadowlark Way Fri/Sat 7am-7
- 501 Hayburn Ave Sat 8am-3pm

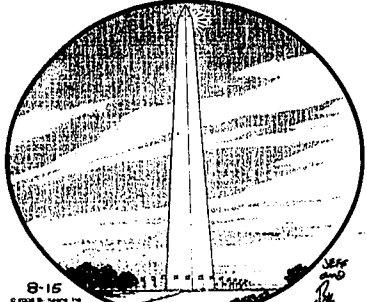
- 634 Taylor Sat 8am-2pm
- 638 4th Ave E Sat Fri/Sat 7:30am-9pm
- 665 Castlewood Fri/Sat 7am-3pm
- 686 Canyon Park Ave Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 687 Cindy Drive Fri/Sat 8am-4pm
- 735 Alpha Circle Sat 7am-5pm
- 745 Beta Circle Fri/Sat 8am-7
- 816 4th Ave W Fri/Sat/Sun 8am-7
- 816 Mountain View East Sat 7am
- 851 Grace Drive West Sat 8am-7
- 863 Maccona St, N Fri/Sat 7am-3pm
- 866 Elm Street Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 20278 US Hwy 30 Sat 8am-5pm
- 405 Fruittand Ave N Fri 7:30am
- 411 Fair Fri/Sat 7:30am-9pm
- 816 Brockway North Fri/Sat 8am-5pm
- 909 Maple Street Sat 8am-2pm
- 1833 West Main Fri Sat 8am-Noon
- 2446 Normal Sat 7am-Noon
- 404 East 200 South Sat 8am-5pm

- 911 Atlantic Drive Sat 8am-3pm
- Dwornak School Sat 7am-5pm
- 810 Asell Fri/Sat 8am-5pm
- 800 Pine Street Sat 8am
- 1629 California Street Fri/Sat 8am-1pm
- 950 Hillside Drive Fri/Sat 8am
- 990 Hillside Drive West Fri/Sat 8am-1pm
- 357 2nd Street East Sat 8am-4pm
- 659 Wilsman Street Fri/Sat 8am-4pm
- 1831 W Street Sat/Sun 8am-7
- 2010 H Street Sat 8am-5pm
- 437 South 800 West Sat 8am-3pm
- M Horseshoe Circle Sat 7
- 159 Homestead Loop Sat 8am-1pm
- 234 Dig View North Sat 7am-1pm Sun 8am-1pm

- 234 Ranch View East Fri/Sat 8am-3pm
- 236 North 200 West Fri 8am-5pm Sat 8am-2pm
- 300 10th Ave East Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 309 East Ave C Sat 8am-5pm
- 423 N Garfield Fri/Sat 8am-5pm
- 527 North Tiger Drive Fri/Sat 8am-3pm
- 730 17th Ave East Sat 7am-3pm
- 757 15th Ave East Fri/Sat 8am-1pm
- 802 14th Ave East Sat 8am-3pm
- 834 1st Ave East Fri/Sat 8am-5pm
- 3683 North 3450 East Fri/Sat 8am-3pm
- 545 South Main Street Fri 8am-6pm Sat 8am-1pm
- 113 East Idaho Fri/Sat 8am-2pm
- 405 14th Street Sat 8am-7
- 52 East 100 North Fri/Sat 7:30am-7
- 387 East Ave A Fri/Sat 8am
- 540 7th Ave East Sat 8am

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**B.C.** By Johnny Hart

**WEIGHT LIFTING**

DOESN'T SAY A DAMN THING IN HERE ABOUT GRITTING YOUR TEETH WHILE LIFTING.

**WEIGHT LIFTING**

WELL, THEN... I GUESS WE HAVE TO COUNT IT.

**Baby Blues** By Rick Kirkman & Jeffy Scott

HI BOB, WANT AN OYSTER RECORD OF MOST CLIPS OF WATER IN A ROW, DAG?

THE OYSTERS.

IF IT'S GOOD?

ONLY IF YOU THINK WATCHING THE WORLD'S GREATEST ATHLETES COMPETE AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF HUMAN BEAUTY IS GOOD.

OH.

WELL, ARE THE COMMERCEALS FUNNY, AT LEAST?

**Beetle Bailey** By Mort Walker

THE GENERAL WANTS YOU TO CLOSE DOWN YOUR NEWSPAPER

WHAT CAN I DO INSTEAD?

TRY RAKING SOME REAL MUCK!

CAMP SWAMPY MUCKRAKER

**Blondie** By Dean Young & Stan Drake

I HEARD YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE A VACATION FOR MOST CLIPS OF WATER IN A ROW, DAG.

OH, YOU HEARD THAT?

SO, HOW MANY MORE DAYS TO GO FAR?

I HEARLY MADE IT TO SIXTEEN!

**Dilbert** By Scott Adams

I NEVER HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION TO MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION.

BUT THAT'S OKAY BECAUSE I'M A GOOD JUDGE OF PEOPLE.

CAN YOU APPROVE THIS?

BABY PUNCHER.

**The Elderberries** By Phil Frank and Joe Troise

Delivery for a Mr. Bone!

Who's delivering it?

Uh... Dilbert.

As a former UPS employee, I cannot accept a package from Dilbert's store.

No, it's not my store.

I will not accept it.

But, it's marked "Time-sensitive medication"!

I'd rather Ya ain't gonna win this one. Sen. He still wears his uniform out to dinner.

**For Better or For Worse** By Lynn Johnston

LET ME FIX YOUR VEHICLE, LIZ! YOU LOOK ANXIOUS!

THIS IS SO COOL! YOU HAVE A BROTHER AND HIS WIFE AND MY WEDDINGS! AND NOW YOU'RE GETTING A HOUSE!

LET'S MAKE A PACT, FRIENDS FOREVER! I'LL BE YOUR BEST FRIEND FOREVER AND YOU'LL BE MY BEST FRIEND FOREVER!

FRIENDS FOREVER! FOREVER!

BUT FIRST... LET'S MAKE IT TOUGH TODAY!

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thayer

WE CALL IT "MYSAP WRIT." STOP TAKING PICTURES OF YOURSELF.

**Garfield** By Jim Davis

...AND DELIVER THE PIZZA AS SOON AS YOU CAN

HOW WILL YOU KNOW IT'S THE RIGHT HOUSE?

YOU'LL KNOW

I NEED MORE FLARES

**Hagar the Horrible** By Chris Browne

REMEMBER, HAMLET... NEVER FROM A FIGHT!

UNLESS, OF COURSE, IT'S WITH YOUR WIFE...

THEN A SWEET MAN RUNS AWAY!

**Hi and Lois** By Chance Brown

OH, MAN! CHIPS GONNA BE IN HUGE TROUBLE.

THAT'S MUCH WORSE THAN ME COLORING ON THE WALL WITH GRAYS.

**Luann** By Greg Evans

CHECK IT OUT! I HAD A YOUNG GIRL IMPROVING MOTHER EARTH TEE

NICE! MAYBE IT'LL CREATE SOME INTEREST!

HEY! LOOK AT THIS!

GUY'S! LOOK! WOONS INTEREST. MAYBE SHE SHOULD'VE MADE A HAT!

**Classic Peanuts** By Charles M. Schulz

HEY, MANAGER! IT'S TOO HOT TO PLAY TODAY!

YOU'RE ALWAYS COMPLAINING! IT'S EITHER TOO HOT OR IT'S TOO COLD!

HEY, MANAGER! IT'S TOO "JUST RIGHT" TO PLAY TODAY!

**Pearls Before Swine** By Stephan Pastis

WHAT'S GOING ON WITH ALL THESE GYMNASIUMS TRAINING?

THEY'VE GOT HIM DOING THE VAULT.

THE VAULT? I HOPE SOMEONE EXPLAINS TO HIM THAT AT THE END OF THAT RUN, YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO HIT THAT SPRINGBOARD AND LAND ON TOP OF THE VAULT.

WHAT ELSE WOULD HE DO?

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

FROM WHAT I'VE READ, DOG OWNERS LEAD HEALTHIER LIVES.

NOT ONLY DOES OWNING A DOG LOWER YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE... IT ALSO WARDS OFF DEPRESSION AND BOOSTS IMMUNITY.

I DEFINITELY DESERVE A MORE EXPENSIVE BRAND OF DOG FOOD.

**Rose Is Rose** By Pat Brady

NOW ONE KNOWS HOW I FEEL WHEN I GRANT A WISH!

**Non Sequitur** By Wiley

OH, SURE, WHEN I MADE A MESS IN THE HOUSE, AND YOU VISIT THE UN TO HELP YOU CLEAN IT UP?

ACTUALLY, I WANT YOU TO COME OVER AND ASSUME ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MESS.

WHAT WOULD YOU THINK THE U.N. WOULD DO THAT?

OH, SURE, CHECK THE CHAIRS OUT AGAIN. ARE YOU SURE IT'S NOT COMING FROM THE WHITE HOUSE?

YES, JUST ANOTHER AMERICAN SIR.

**Dennis the Menace** By Hank Ketchum

HI, MOM! DIDJA KNOW THERE'S TWENTY-SEVEN MUD PUDDLES FROM JOEY'S HOUSE TO HERE?

**The Wizard of Id** By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

COULD I GET AN APPOINTMENT WITH MY LAWYER?

ASK HIM YOURSELF.

HE'S IN THE NEXT CELL.

**Zits** By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

WHOA!

JEREMY THE GARAGE LOOKS FANTASTIC!

THANK YOU! SON!

THANK YOU!

EXCELLENT JOB!

THANK YOU!

NOBODY EVER APPRECIATES ANYTHING I DO.