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Keeping spending to a minimum

Idaho Speaker Denney predicts tight budget

By Jared S. Hopkins
Time-News writer

The 2009 Idaho Legislature will keep spending to a minimum of only what's legally required so that the state budget increases no more than 4 percent, the speaker of the Idaho House said Saturday.

House Speaker Lawrence Denney, of Midvale, said

he expects the Legislature to use the same frugal restraint seen last year — only this time the state will know going into the session the economy's troubles. Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter proposed an 11 percent budget increase earlier this year, but falling revenues forced legislators to scramble and mold a 5 percent increase.



Denney

"I'd be surprised if we do anything above just a maintenance budget of the statutory increases," Denney said, adding his four-member leadership team will pressure budget writers. "I'm not anticipating any cuts, but it is easier to make cuts than to do holdbacks later."

Holdbacks — in Idaho, budgeting jargon — refer to adjustments that can be made to the budget outside legislative sessions. Generally, holdbacks can even be done across the board to all state departments, whereas cuts are

more selective, Denney said.

"But if you do a holdback, it's normally across the board and everybody takes a 1 percent holdback and they don't get as much money as they anticipated," said Denney, who was in Twin Falls Saturday to swear in Stephen Hartgen as a state representative. Still, despite the downturn in the economy, state lawmakers are confident they'll avoid a return of the fiscal disaster in 2002 when they meet in Boise in January.

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Drug testing not required

Medicaid transportation provider still operating after drug arrest

By Andrea Jackson
Staff writer

Companies transporting Medicaid recipients don't need to drug test drivers, state and federal officials confirmed.

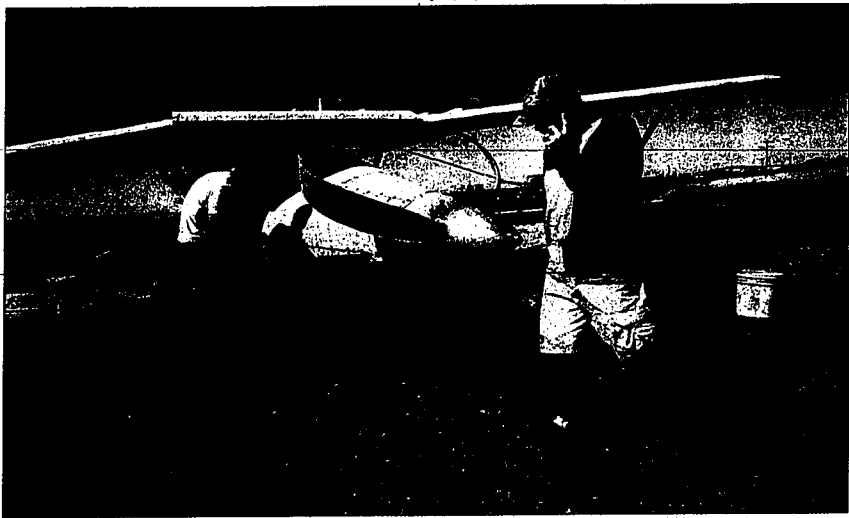
That concerns some parents since a Medicaid transportation provider was arrested on drug charges in Jerome earlier this month.

The owner of Precious Cargo Transportation, Steven Estep, was arrested Aug. 6 with at least four other people following a warrant search of his Jerome home at 408 E. Ave. D. He was charged with possession of a controlled substance and paraphernalia and told police marijuana found at his home was for his personal use, according to court records.

Precious Cargo continues to operate and some parents have a problem with that.

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LUCKY LANDING



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Clay Seamons, 30, and his brother Cole Seamons, 24, of Red Barro Ag Service of Kimberly, inspect one of their crop duster planes that crashed Monday morning just feet from Interstate 84 on the Frontage Road near the Hazelton Municipal Airport. Clay Seamons said his father who was flying the plane, survived the crash and was transported to the hospital by family. The plane, which has been in two crashes, is now totaled.

Kimberly man avoids harm in crash near Hazelton

By Nate Poppino
Time-News writer

HAZELTON — A Kimberly man whose crop duster crashed Monday morning managed to walk away from the totaled plane without any major injuries, law enforcement officials reported.

Mike D. Jurak, 47, of Kimberly, was taken by family to a local hospital with minor injuries after the crop duster he was piloting crashed just 200 yards from Hazelton Municipal Airport.

Jurak was taking off from the airport and headed west at about 9:30 a.m. when his plane stalled, said Sgt. Blas Martinez with the Jerome County Sheriff's Office. The aircraft, a Grumman Turbine Ag Cat, came down on the

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WATCH: Video of the crash site and hear from Clay Seamons, son of the pilot of the plane, Mike D. Jurak.

gravel parking area of Helena Chemical Co. and slid across it onto the nearby frontage road, 990 South, hitting a power pole in the process.

Jurak had a tailwind behind him when he took off, said Martinez, a member of the sheriff's investigations team. Both the sheriff's office and the Federal Aviation Administration are investigating the crash.

It's not clear where Jurak was taken. Both St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome and St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls said they had no patient by that name.

Jurak's family is just thankful for the many ways he wasn't hurt. The plane avoided a nearby field, said his son, Clay Seamons of Kimberly. And the gravel and a nearby power pole slowed it down enough that it didn't slide onto Interstate 84, stopping just on the frontage road, he said.

"Any airplane that comes down to the ground that you can walk away from is pretty good," Seamons said as he looked over the crash site mid-morning.

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Hold the bass

Idahoans warned against eating too much bass for fear of mercury levels

By Nate Poppino
Time-News writer

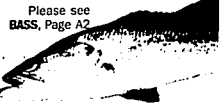
Idaho health officials issued a statewide advisory on Monday warning about mercury levels in bass, the first statewide warning since the advisory system began in 2001.

The warning, put out by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, recommends that women of child-bearing age, women who are pregnant or nursing and children ages 15 and younger eat no more than two meals of bass per month. Anything more could risk affecting children's nervous systems as they develop, officials warned.

The recommendation, made by the Idaho Fish Consumption Advisory Program, came after studies across Idaho lakes, rivers and reservoirs showed both smallmouth and largemouth bass may have elevated levels of mercury. It doesn't reflect an increase in mercury levels, Health and Welfare spokesman Tom Shanahan said. Rather, the study confirmed levels that likely existed previously in the fish.

"I think we're not becoming more polluted," Shanahan said. "I think that we're learning more and more through science as we go about the effects of mercury."

Bass stick out because they eat other freshwater fish, meaning



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College presidents seek debate on drinking age

By Justin Pope
Associated Press writer

College presidents from about 100 of the nation's best-known universities, including Duke, Dartmouth and Ohio State, are calling on lawmakers to consider lowering the drinking age from 21 to 18, saying current laws actually encourage dangerous binge drinking on campus.

The movement called the Amethyst Initiative began quietly recruiting presidents more than a year ago to provoke national debate about the drinking age. "This is a law that is routinely evaded," said John McCordell, former president of Middlebury College in Vermont, who started the organization. "It is a law that the people at whom it is

directed believe is unjust and unfair and discriminatory."

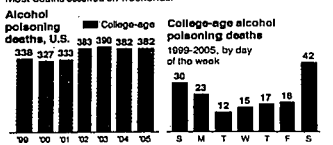
Other prominent schools in the group include Syracuse, Tufts, Colgate, Kenyon and Morehouse.

But even before the presidents begin the public phase of their efforts, which may include publishing newspaper ads in the coming weeks, they are already facing sharp criticism.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving says lowering the drinking age would lead to more fatal car crashes. It accuses the presidents of misrepresenting science and looking for an easy way out of an inconvenient problem. MADD officials are even urging parents to think carefully about the safety of colleges

College-age drinking deaths are up

The number of deaths from alcohol poisoning of college-age people in 2005 was almost double what it was six years before. Most deaths occurred on weekends.



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ISP trooper in Saturday shooting identified

A 25-year-old trooper hired by Idaho State Police two years ago shot and killed a Burley man four years his senior on Saturday. State police Monday named the trooper who shot and killed Burley resident Cody Hanks on Saturday after a traffic stop along Highway 30 northwest of Kimberly.

Authorities said the trooper, Michael A. Wendler, Twin Falls, shot Hanks during an arrest for DUI and possession of a controlled substance.

Hanks allegedly broke free and attempted to drive away, but Wendler became entangled in Hanks' pickup. He fired a single fatal shot after Hanks wouldn't stop the truck, according to police press releases.

Wendler suffered minor injuries and is on paid leave. He was hired by ISP about two years ago, in July 2006 after serving as a Marine.

ISP and the Magic Valley Sheriff's Association Critical Incident Task force are conducting the shooting. More details will be released when authorities are done with the investigation, police have said.

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Richfield teen dies in Sunday rollover

A Richfield teen died and his two passengers were sent to the hospital after his car struck a horse late Sunday night, Idaho State Police reported.

Around 11 p.m., James Kennison, 17, was headed north on U.S. Highway 93 in a 1990 Buick LeSabre when a horse appeared in his lane. Kennison attempted to avoid the horse, but still struck it, sending the LeSabre off the right side of the road where it overturned, according to an ISP release.

Kennison was ejected from the vehicle and died at the scene. His two passengers, Jessica Parker and Chad Bates, both 18, were taken to St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center where they are being treated for their injuries.

ISP continues to investigate.

—Times-News

ISU to offer online fire management degree

BOISE (AP) — Idaho State University plans to offer an online degree this fall designed to prepare students for careers in fire management.

The two-year degree will be the first of its kind offered by a public university in Idaho, according to the school's Institute of Emergency Management in Boise.

Institute director Michael

Miklitsch says no other public university in the state currently offers an associate's degree in fire services administration.

The online course has been approved by the department and classes begin on Monday.

The university plans to offer a four-year degree in fire services administration in 2009.

...I say



Biff! Pow! Holy mayhem, Adam West!

Ketchum's own Adam West says the current "Batman" movies are too violent... The 79-year-old actor, who played the Caped Crusader in the 1960s TV series, told the "Den of Geek" Web site that the hit franchise should focus on relationships rather than special effects... "They're simply doing their thing, and doing what they think brings the biggest return..." (But when I see bits and pieces of the movies, to me they're too violent, too noisy and they rely too much on the score and sound effects etc, but they're brilliantly done as far as the CGI is concerned....

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which is where the extra husks and waste left over after harvesting were dumped, mixed with chemicals, covered with plastic... I lived a Huckleberry Finn life that summer — fishing in the creek, walking around the railroad tracks, crushing pennies under trains and building forts out of haystacks....

Six was an outcast at school, so he joined the football team to earn some respect....

...violence was the only thing that gave me any sense of power over other people... I thrived at defensive end where I could just cream the quarterbacks... I was psycho... I'd get so worked up on the field, I'd just whip off my helmet and start smashing other kids with it... My grandfather still tells me, "You play rock and roll exactly like you played football!"... And young Frankie discovered rock, girls and marijuana.

That was the ally that started me down the alley that would lead to Alcoholics Anonymous... Jerome had the highest substance abuse rate per capita of any city in the United States, which was impressive for a town of 3,000....

(That would have been 1971 or 1972. I haven't found anything to support that claim.)

Eventually, Six became too much to handle and was sent to live with his mother in Seattle. She sent

him back... "I walked off the bus in six-inch platform boots, a gray tweed double-breasted suit, a shag haircut and fingernail polish... My grandmother's face turned white..."

Nikki settled down, but not for long. "One day it dawned on me: Here I was listening to Peter Dinklage in... Idaho, while in Los Angeles the Runnays and Kim Fowley and Rocky Blingenheimer and the dudes from Cream magazine were partying at the hippest rock clubs I might be able to see... and I was missing it!"

Steve Crump is the Times-News opinion editor.

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Council holds public hearing for \$50M budget

21.6 percent hike could be biggest ever for Twin Falls

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

The Twin Falls City Council on Monday held a public hearing on its \$50 million budget — a 21.6 percent increase from this year and possibly the largest single-year spike ever — but held off on approving it.

City staff and council members have noted the increase is due mainly to expensive capital projects for the city including federal regulations and serving a growing population. During the meeting, council members routinely pointed out that

a handful of the projects are funded with sources outside the city, but are absorbed by the city's budget, subsequently making it larger.

Four of the seven council members agreed to suspend rules and adopt the budget on a third and final Monday reading, but they fell one vote shy of the needed approval.

"I don't see why we need to rush to get it done tonight," said Mayor Lance Clow. "There were some questions asked tonight that maybe we could get clarified."

Three people testified at the pub-

lic hearing, and Clow told them after it was the city's largest showing for a budget hearing.

"I would ask to continue to try and keep the costs down for living in the city," said Dennis Crawford, who encouraged the city to look at impact fees to offset costs to infrastructure. "We need to have costs covered by those who actually make the changes."

Next year's budget is about \$0.9 million more than this year's \$41 million budget. Separate from capital projects, the city's operating budget grows about 7 percent.

City Manager Tom Courtney, who's held his position for nearly 30 years, conceded the budget was "unusual" for the conservative city of Twin Falls. And he said the minimal overall impact on taxpayers next year is due to that fiscal restraint the city has demonstrated for years.

Water rate increases are projected at 0.5 percent, and sewer rate increases are projected at 3 percent. Officials have cited that the city's property tax will decrease for all tax payers.

For example, an average resident with a house valued at \$150,000 using 15,000 gallons of water per month will pay \$2.71 more monthly in city property tax and city utility

fees, according to a city staff report. City officials have noted funding for most of the capital projects comes from reserve accounts, which are typically tax revenues saved over years. For example, water fund reserves exceed \$5.8 million, according to a preliminary budget.

- Other notables:
- \$1.4 million to replace aging systems at the city's wastewater treatment plant.
 - \$185,000 in upgrades to the city pool.
 - 4 percent performance-related salary increase for city employees.

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Large fires inundate BLM, Forest Service on Monday

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

One managed fire and one unexpected one kept wildland fire personnel with the Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service busy on Monday.

The North Minidoka Fire, located two miles northeast of Minidoka in remote desert, started early Monday afternoon and reached 10,000 acres by close to 5 p.m., BLM spokeswoman Sky Buffat said. The fire was human-caused, she said, though investigators are still working out the details. It started on private land and spread to BLM land.

Fire officials weren't sure yet how soon the fire would be contained or controlled, Buffat said. Wind and low humidity helped it grow quickly, she said. As of Monday afternoon, the fire was active on its north, east and west fronts.

A number of BLM resources were assigned to the blaze, Buffat said, including eight engines, four water tenders and a number of aircraft: two single-engine air tankers, three heavy air tankers, one helicopter and one air attack plane. Those aircraft, Buffat said, are key to fighting the fire.

"We're able to put it out quicker than any other resource we have," she said.

The Minidoka County Fire Protection District and the BLM's Idaho Falls District are also both helping suppress the fire. A support camp has been constructed in the area to serve firefighters,

"They (fires) can get large quickly, and they can go out quickly," especially with proper resources and expertise."

— Sky Buffat, BLM spokeswoman

ers, Buffat said. Crews remain optimistic, despite the fire's quick growth and a forecast that includes possible lightning strikes through Wednesday, Buffat said.

"They can get large quickly, and they can go out quickly, especially with proper resources and expertise," Buffat said. "I do think we have that going for us, at least at this point."

Due to better mapping technology used by fire crews, the South Barker wildland fire north and east of Featherville grew from 2,787 acres to 4,172 acres, according to a Monday morning news release from the Sawtooth National Forest office.

The fire is being allowed to burn for fuels management purposes, and the Great Basin Wildland Fire Use Team will create a strategy to provide the most benefit from the fire to the landscape while minimizing other risks, according to the Forest Service.

The fire was started by lightning on Friday, it contin-

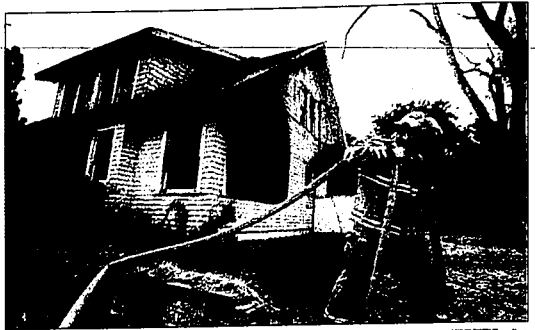
ued to back down into grass and sage with occasional tree torching and spotting. On the west flank, the fire moved over onto the Boise National Forest and crews held it to 87 acres.

A new fire start, northeast of the South Barker Wildland Fire Use area near Johnson Creek, will also be managed by the fire use team. During the initial lightning storm that started the South Barker fire, lightning strikes started four smaller fires but routine monitoring has not shown any activity.

On the northwest flank, crews worked Monday to secure the area where the fire crossed into the Boise National Forest. They also continued structure assessment, monitored the fire backing down to the Snake Creek Guard Station and patrolled along the South Fork of the Boise River Road.

More than 220 forest personnel are working on the fire.

FOLLOWING THE FIRE ...



Jon Kocile, a firefighter with the Twin Falls Fire Department, collects a hose Monday night after battling a blaze in a vacant home at 1788 Addison Avenue East. City police and firefighters responded to the scene shortly before 8 p.m. Monday evening, closing the far eastbound lane of the main Twin Falls thoroughfare before mopping up the fire at around 8:30 p.m.

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Roadwork expected to cause traffic delays as students return to CSI

By Ben Botkin
Times-News writer

With roadwork underway at the College of Southern Idaho, students returning this semester will face traffic detours and delays.

Road construction crews are working on two CSI entrances: Falls Avenue and North College Road. The entrance at North College Road should be finished this weekend, but work on the Falls Avenue project will be continuing when the semester starts Monday.

Until the Falls Avenue entrance is finished, motorists will need to exit the college using the Washington Street or North College entryways. At least one lane of traffic will be open for entering the campus at the Falls Avenue site, but no traffic can exit from that lane.

"The construction is expected to last until Sept. 12. When finished, the Falls Avenue project will merge two separate entrance and exit lanes into a new entrance. The intersection will have traffic signs adding three existing lanes and two incoming lanes. If the lanes are paved before

Until the Falls Avenue entrance is finished, motorists will need to exit the college using the Washington Street or North College entryways.

the Sept. 12 finish date, it's possible that motorists can use the intersection with stop signs before the traffic signals are in place.

Paving work will be continuing for about two weeks on a parking lot adjacent to the North College Road entrance, said Doug Maughan, college spokesman.

Money for the projects is coming from a variety of sources.

The Falls Avenue project is covered with \$750,000 in federal highway funding. For the North College entrance, the \$130,000 of college funding is being used, said Mike Mason, vice president of administration.

The state division of public works provided \$200,000 for the parking lot project, he said.

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EDITORIAL

More Idaho schools defy No Child Left Behind

School districts in eastern Idaho are doing something that would have been unheard of a couple of years ago: They're telling their teachers to stop worrying about meeting the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.
'I couldn't care less about it,' said Chuck Shackett, superintendent of the Bonneville School District in suburban Idaho Falls.
Similar messages have been passed to teachers by the superintendents of the Idaho Falls and Madison school districts, according to the Post Register of Idaho Falls, and that means two things:
1. Administrators no longer believe the prospect of the state taking over districts with consistently failing test scores is credible.
2. They think NCLB is getting in the way of teaching kids what they need to learn.
Truth be told, NCLB has more skeptics than supporters outside the Idaho Department of Education. And with the law up for reauthorization by Congress next year, many administrators and teachers doubt it will survive in its current form.
That may or may not eventually mean the end of the dreaded Adequate Yearly Progress measurement which so many Idaho districts find so hard to meet for a variety of reasons. But it probably does mean that after 2009, the federal standard will be tied to how much a school improves, not to some subjective benchmark.
Is that a good thing? Probably. In order to meet NCLB goals, Idaho schools out of necessity focus on students in the middle of the pack, academically. Many kids don't need help passing the test — and thus are often not challenged in class — and those who struggle tend to get left by the wayside. What's more, the system ignores progress in learning history, civics, art, music and vocational education.
But even educators who think NCLB has been a train wreck concede the value of the law's core principle: accountability and focusing on what works. So where do we go from here?
Probably not to NCLB's vision that all children must be proficient in math, reading and language by 2014. Most teachers and administrators think that's impossible.
Whether or not they're right, whatever succeeds NCLB must quit making accountability the enemy of flexibility. It must make a school improves, and whether it continues to improve year after year, are legitimate benchmarks.
But there still must be real standards — and real consequences.
It's a safe bet that NCLB will be honored mostly in the breach in Idaho in coming school years. Tests will be given, AYP compliance or non-compliance reports will be issued and students will be prepped for the make-or-break Idaho Standards Achievement Test in the 10th grade.
The State Board of Education has already cut back other testing, and it's unlikely to be restored before Congress decides the fate of NCLB next year.
All of which leaves Idaho kids truly in limbo. So if NCLB isn't the answer, then it's high time we found out what is.

Our view: Slowly but surely, Idaho school districts are deemphasizing the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, and all that it entails.

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

The fragile state of globalization

So far, the international economic consequences of the war in the Caucasus have been fairly minor, despite Georgia's role as a major corridor for oil shipments. But as I was reading the latest bad news, I found myself wondering whether this war is an omen — a sign that the second great age of globalization may share the fate of the first.
If you're wondering what I'm talking about, here's what you need to know: our grandfathers lived in a world of largely self-sufficient, inward-looking, national economies — but our great-great grandfathers lived, as we do, in a world of large-scale international trade and investment, a world destroyed by nationalism.



PAUL KRUGMAN

Writing in 1919, the great British economist John Maynard Keynes described the world economy as it was on the eve of World War I. 'The inhabitant of London could order by telephone, slipping his morning tea in bed, the various products of the whole earth (helli) he could at the same moment and by the same means adventure his wealth in the natural resources and new enterprises of any quarter of the world.'
And Keynes' Londoner 'regarded this state of affairs as normal, certain, unpermeable, except in the direction of further improvement (helli) The projects and politics of militarism and imperialism, of racial and cultural competition, of restrictions, and exclusion (helli) appeared to exercise almost no influence at all on the ordinary course of social and economic life, the internationalization of which was nearly complete in practice.'
But then came three decades of war, revolution, political instability, depres-



sion and more war, by the end of World War II, the world was fragmented economically as well as politically. And it took a couple of generations to put it back together.
So, can things fall apart again? Yes, they can. Consider how things have played out in the current food crisis. For years we were told that self-sufficiency was an outmoded concept, and that it was safe to rely on world markets for food supplies. But when the prices of wheat, rice and corn soared, Keynes' 'projects and politics' of 'restrictions and exclusion' made a comeback: many governments rushed to protect domestic consumers by banning or limiting exports, leaving food-importing countries in dire straits.
And now comes 'militarism and imperialism.' By itself, as I said, the war in Georgia isn't that big a deal economically. But it does mark the end of the Pax Americana — the era in which the United States more or less maintained a monopoly on the use of military force. And that raises some real questions about the future of globalization.
Most obviously, Europe's dependence on Russian energy, especially natural

gas, now looks very dangerous — more dangerous, arguably, than its dependence on Middle Eastern oil. After all, Russia has already used gas as a weapon: in 2006, it cut off supplies to Ukraine amid a dispute over prices.
And if Russia is willing and able to use force to assert control over its self-declared sphere of influence, won't others do the same? Just think about the global economic disruption that would follow if China — which is about to surpass the United States as the world's largest manufacturing nation — were to forcibly assert its claim to Taiwan.
Some analysts tell us not to worry: global economic integration itself protects us against war, they argue. Because successful trading economies won't risk their prosperity by engaging in military adventures. But this, too, raises unpleasant historical memories.
Shortly before World War I another British author, Norman Angell, published a famous book titled 'The Great Illusion,' in which he argued that war had become obsolete, that in the modern industrial era even military victors lose far more than they gain. He was

right — but wars kept happening anyway.
So are the foundations of the second global economy any more solid than those of the first? In some ways, yes. For example, war among the nations of Western Europe really does seem inconceivable now, not so much because of economic ties as because of shared democratic values.
Much of the world, however, including nations that play a key role in the global economy, doesn't share those values. Most of us have proceeded on the belief that, at least as far as economics goes, this doesn't matter — that we can count on world trade continuing to flow freely simply because it's so profitable. But that's not a safe assumption.
Angell was right to describe the belief that conquest pays as a great illusion, but the belief that economic rationality always prevails war is an equally great illusion. And today's high degree of global economic interdependence, which can be sustained only if all major governments act sensibly, is more fragile than we imagine.
Paul Krugman is a columnist for The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Parish deserves promotion

Peg Pratt, a friend who resides in Twin Falls, sent me the Times-News report on Robert Parrish's demotion because she thought official explanations didn't 'pass the smell test.' Indeed, the stench has reached Maryland and beyond. In a better world, Parrish would have been promoted and not harassed by political hacks unworthy of the public trust. Industrial wind technology is one of the dumbest energy ideas around, enabled because it (1) generates massive corporate tax shelters for snake oil salesmen like T. Boone Pickens and Al Gore, at great expense to tax and rate payers and (2) allows politicians to give people the impression they are energy statesmen when in reality they're lining the pockets of their friends. Perhaps the situation in Idaho is somehow different than in Maryland.
...The issue with Mr. Parrish, is whether his com-

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ments about protecting vulnerable species of wildlife, which is one of the reasons Idaho Fish and Game exists, has scientific merit. Anyone with a passing acquaintance with the scientific literature related to this issue will agree that Parrish was doing his job properly. I hope that responsible officials in Idaho will consult the better angels of their nature, and investigate what appears to be yet another political casualty, where a good public servant is sacrificed on the altar of ignorance and greed.
JON BOONE
Oakland, Md.

Questions for Idaho Fish and Game
As a conservationist who volunteers her time in the interest of wildlife, I have some questions concerning political involvement in Idaho Fish and Game and, hence, our wildlife management.
Why is it 'inappropriate' for Fish and Game regional supervisors to state their position on projects in their area?
When did energy and development become Fish and Game's department?
Why isn't it 'inappropri-

ate' for the governor's communication director to issue memos essentially telling Fish and Game how to conduct its business?
Why would state legislators, whose names I believe haven't been synonymous with the preservation of wildlife, be interested in what is 'inappropriate' for Fish and Game?
When will it get to the point where any of us will think twice before speaking out publicly against projects that may be detrimental to our wildlife?
In the 1930s, there was a similar political situation and it took a national initiative (largest ever supported on any issue in Idaho) to get politics out of managing wildlife. Isn't our wildlife and ultimately ourselves that lose when politics and money are involved?
How, what will it take this time?
JULIE RANDELL
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The ugly flip-side of racial politics

Sometimes when you cover politics it helps to have a bottle of Pepto-Bismol handy.

Some of the tactics of the McCain campaign have given me agita recently. But the latest campaign to turn my stomach was that of Nikki Tinker, a black woman who challenged a Jewish congressman, Steve Cohen, in a Democratic primary in Memphis, Tenn.

Tinker was a candidate with nothing substantive to offer. A corporate lawyer, she was not particularly knowledgeable about Iraq or the economy or other important issues of the day. The raison d'etre of her campaign seemed to be that she was an African-American running in a district in which the majority of the voters were also African-American.

And so she turned to the lowest tactics in the book, in essence: Let's smear the white guy and get rid of him.

Cohen is seeking a second term. He is a reliably progressive congressman and an ardent supporter of the Iraq war, and he has had a consistently solid record on civil rights. He was described by Speaker Nancy Pelosi as "the conscience of the freshman class."

So it was not just bizarre, but absolutely perverse of Tinker to try and link him in a television ad to the Ku Klux



BOB HERBERT

Klan. The ad, which ran this week, juxtaposed an image of Cohen with that of a hooded Klansman. The issue the ad was trying to make was completely spurious. Cohen was criticized for a vote he cast in 2005 when he was on a development board in Memphis. The vote opposed the renaming of a park that was named for Nathan Bedford Forrest, a Confederate general who was a founder of the Klan. The measure he opposed would also have required that Forrest's body and a statue of Forrest be removed from the park.

Cohen (and a number of black officials, as well) felt the matter was not worth the protracted community turmoil that could have resulted from the proposed changes.

Commenting on the absurdity of the attempted link to the Klan, Cohen wryly commented, "It's not like Nathan Bedford Forrest was inviting Jews over to celebrate Seder."

The egregious Tinker was

hardly finished traveling the low road. The Ku Klux Klan ad was followed by the "prayer" ad. "Having explicit race against a candidate who was white, it was time to exploit religion against a candidate who also happened to be Jewish."

In the ad that followed the Klan garbage, the image of Cohen was displayed while viewers listened to the voice of a child praying, "Now I lay me down to sleep..." The prayer is interspersed with the voice of a woman (clearly intended to sound African-American) who says: "Who is the real Steve Cohen anyway? White? He's in our churches, clapping his hands and tapping his feet..."

The emphasis on the word "our" is in the ad, which goes on to say, again spuriously, that Cohen voted against school prayer. The message is sick, it's saying, in essence: Here's this Jewish guy writing and tapping his feet and clapping his hands, when in reality he's got a problem with letting "our" children pray.

The truth: Cohen has never voted against school prayer. That's a constitutional issue that has been decided by the Supreme Court. More than 10 years ago, as a state senator, Cohen voted against a grandstanding piece of meaningless legisla-

tion named by its pandering sponsor as the "religious student liberty act."

The proposal would have had no effect whatever on whether children could pray in school.

The prayer ad came in an environment in which

lefts were being spread, apparently by an out-of-town minister, asking, "Why do Steve Cohen and the Jews hate Jesus?" Talk about a sinkhole. Or cesspool. Choose your metaphor.


Now the good news. The primary vote was on Aug. 7. And in that 9th Congressional District of Memphis, a district that is predominantly black in a city that has had its share of racial trouble — the city in which the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was shot and killed — Cohen won an astonishing 80 percent of the vote, sweeping all demographic categories and destroying the disgusting

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they rallied around him when the fifth started coming his way.

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Lost in a system where doctors don't listen

I'd like to tell you about one of my patients. She's the kind of patient that I enjoy seeing but that many doctors go out of their way to avoid. This means that she's also the kind of patient I write about most — a patient who in the near future may be stranded without proper care as fewer and fewer doctors, constrained by time and the economics of our health-care system, are willing to perform the fundamental task of diagnosing difficult or unclear medical problems.

My patient is a 37-year-old woman, a mother of two teenagers, with a busy career. She was in perfect health until July 2007, when, overnight, she came down with what her doctor said was a case of flu. This "flu," however, wouldn't go away. Her doctor assured her that she'd get better, but three months after her first visit to him, she was back in his office, still feeling ill. The doctor did a thorough medical evaluation, told her that he couldn't find anything wrong and again assured her that she'd eventually recover.

Over the next six months, she saw eight physicians, as well as a chiropractor and a homeopath, without getting a diagnosis or any real help. Finally, she did an Internet search and found me, a specialist in medically unexplained illness. All her tests were normal, but I listened to her and was ultimately able to make a diagnosis of chronic fatigue syndrome. He then



BENJAMIN H. NATELSON

launched into the treatment of her symptom-based illness, a slow process that unfortunately doesn't end in a cure but often leads to improvement.

The economics of modern medicine have converted the doctor from Ben Casey to a factory worker on a conveyor belt, and those economic forces are driving more and more physicians toward specialties where they can spend less time with patients and earn more money.

Learning how to make a diagnosis is a critical part of medical education. It requires the doctor to listen to the patient describe the illness and then put it in a personal health framework by asking about other symptoms, previous medical problems and elements of the patient's life story. Doctors usually schedule an hour for these initial consultations, then 30 minutes for follow-up appointments.

But an hour of a doctor's time is normally plenty for a straightforward health problem and more than enough for a cold with a runny nose or a cough with no fever. But what happens when your symptoms don't add up to a clear-cut diagnosis? Studies

have shown that in more than 50 percent of cases, patient complaints don't have any diagnosable medical cause that can be determined by usual laboratory testing. Pain, fatigue, dizziness and trouble sleeping are common symptoms, and doctors have problems with these because they don't point to any particular diagnosis.

When that happens, the diagnostic algorithm learned in medical school breaks down. The doctor's not sure what's wrong with the patient, and if he has a busy office, he won't have time to think through the patient's complaints to arrive at a coherent diagnosis. Doctors are being lured away from primary care by economic factors as well. Eighty percent of medical students have to borrow money for medical school. The expected median debt of this year's graduating class is about \$120,000 for state medical schools and \$150,000 for private.

Society has come up with a partial solution to the growing gap in primary care providers: "physician extenders." These master's level health-care professionals are trained to deal with common occurring, easy-to-diagnose problems: a flu, hay fever, a splinter, even severe chest pain. Usually, however, they haven't had enough training to give them the know-how to sort through a complex medical history to arrive at a diagnosis that isn't

immediately evident. When they're stuck, they have to call the physician, and by then, the 30-minute visit is very often over. The patient is left hanging and disappointed — on his or her own to figure out what to do next. The inevitable result: patients falling between the cracks of classical medicine.

Reversing the trend away from patient-oriented and toward procedure-oriented medicine will require attention by legislators as well as medical educators. Reducing the debt of newly minted doctors who choose primary care might be one way of doing this. Cutting back on both the number of post-graduate training positions in procedural medicine and the salary paid such trainees, while raising the salaries of those in primary care, could be another.

None of this will happen, though, unless patients make their voices heard. Otherwise, they may just find themselves on their own the next time puzzling symptoms arise.

Benjamin H. Natelson is director of the Pain and Fatigue Study Center at Beth Israel Medical Center in New York City. He wrote this commentary for The Washington Post.

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Mine, environmentalists hail ID cobalt mine deal

By Todd Dvorak
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Environmentalists, a former governor and officials from a company planning to mine cobalt from the belly of a central Idaho mountain joined forces Monday to praise a deal they say guarantees long-term protection of the environment.

The agreement, reached during a series of talks over the Idaho Cobalt Project, a mine proposed 22 miles west of Salmon in the Challis National Forest and adjacent to a historic mine blamed decades ago for killing salmon runs along a tributary of the Salmon River.

The U.S. Forest Service approved the project with conditions in June, clearing the way for Formation Capital Corp. to open the nation's first cobalt mine in decades.

But it was separate discussions with environmentalists that produced the kind of concessions that could help the company avoid the long, costly legal battles that stymie so many mining proposals across the West.

For example, the Idaho Conservation League points to financial and legally binding commitments by the company to pay for water monitoring or treatment long after the mine plays out. The company has also pledged to contribute \$150,000 annually through the life of the mine for restoration projects in the Upper Salmon watershed.

In return, the Idaho Conservation League, the state's biggest environmental group, has promised not to fight the mine in the courts, going instead to appear at a news conference side-by-side with mining officials touting the benefits of extracting high quality cobalt from the Yellowjacket Mountains.

"The company has said it's important that we are different from a historic mining company," former Democratic Gov. Cecil Andrus said during Monday's news conference in Boise.

Andrus, who is also a board member of Formation Capital and a member of the Conservation League, said the agreement should serve as a blueprint for future mining ventures in the state and proof that traditional foes — environmentalists and mining executives — have more to gain by mining at the bargaining table than a federal courthouse.

"The best way to protect Idaho's environment and values is to work with companies instead of having an adversarial relationship," said Rick Johnson, the Conservation League's executive director. "They said they were serious about being good neighbors here."

The company must still win final federal approval and obtain a handful of permits from the local government. But Preston Ruffe, the company's environmental manager, said construction on a new tunnel and operations buildings could begin later this fall.

Once operational, the company anticipates mining as much as 1,600 tons of high purity cobalt per year, employing as many as 200 workers and pumping more

than \$15 million annually into the state and local economy through salaries and taxes.

Cobalt, which has a high melting point, is a valuable component in the production of fighter jet engines, radar equipment, gas turbines and batteries for hybrid cars.

Johnson said these strategic and ecological uses played a factor in the conservation

group's decision to work with the company, as did the company's plans to mine underground in an area already badly blighted by past mining activity.

"It's not as if this is a big open pit gold mine," Johnson said.

But the Conservation

League also credits the company's concern about the environmental welfare of the region long after the operation shuts down.

Federal rules require miners to post bonds to ensure some level of water quality monitoring and treatment, but often the amount posted falls far short of what those costs could be.

In early negotiations, the U.S. Forest Service asked for a \$43 million bond, an amount the company, which has spent about \$35 million on exploring and developing its proposal, ultimately agreed to post during negotiations, environmental officials said. The company has also pledged to build a treatment facility if pollution becomes an issue even after mining ceases at the site.

"The best way to protect Idaho's environment and values is to work with companies instead of having an adversarial relationship."

— Rick Johnson, Conservation League's executive director

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Pricey oil means unstable future for asphalt

LEWISTON (AP) — Municipalities in northern Idaho that rely on chip sealing for road maintenance projects could see a sharp increase in price next year.

Chip sealing has a component called liquid asphalt, which sold for about \$350 per liquid ton in contracts written last year.

Bob Ney, regional sales manager for Idaho Asphalt Supply, says liquid asphalt will cost at least \$1,000 per liquid ton for contracts written this year.

Josh Smith, division manager for Poe Asphalt, says refineries have focused on making more gasoline and diesel fuel, reducing the amount of liquid asphalt available.

^{*} Annual Percentage Yield as of 8/13/08. Rates subject to change without notice. A minimum deposit of \$5,000 in new money is required to open account. Withdrawals prior to maturity are subject to penalty. Fees could reduce earnings on the account.
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Stocks drop on bailout fears

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street retreated Monday after Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac fell to their lowest levels in nearly 20 years on concerns that the government might need to bail out the mortgage financiers.

Dow Jones Industrials -180.81 11,479.39

Nasdaq composite -35.54 2,416.98

Standard & Poor's 500 -19.59 1,278.60

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FUEL REPORT

The average price for gas increased slightly in south-central Idaho despite declining prices across the rest of the nation.
The average price for a gallon of regular-grade gasoline in the region increased 7 cents since last week — on Tuesday the average price was \$4.15. The average price for a gallon of diesel remained mostly unchanged at \$4.56.
The national average declined about 10 cents to \$3.74 for a gallon of regular-grade gasoline.
Oil prices were up 75 cents on Monday to \$114.52 a barrel — prices in the coming months will depend on whether or not tropical storms disrupt oil production.

Gas prices

- Twin Falls: Maxarik Country Store, 120 6th Ave. West: \$3.95
- Jerome: Flying J, 5350 U.S. Highway 93: \$3.97
- Burley: Smith's Fuel, 837 E. Main St.: \$3.99

Diesel prices

- Twin Falls: Mr. Gals, Sinclair, 911 Blue Lakes Blvd.: \$4.46
- Jerome: Flying J, 5350 U.S. Highway 93: \$4.40
- Burley: Loves Country Store, 260 Centennial Drive: \$4.40*Prices quotes by Mapquest.com as of Monday afternoon. Subject to change at anytime.

COMMODITY PRICES

Dairy

Block	Close	Change
Average price	\$1.768	+0.018
Barrel		
Average price	\$1.733	+0.017
Butter		
Average Price	\$1.640	-0.02
Whey protein concentrate		
Average price	\$5.54	-0.09

Class III milk	Average price	Change
Class III milk	\$18.24	—
Class IV milk		
Average price	\$16.60	—

Feed

Corn (Per 100 pounds)	Ask	N/A
Dairy Feed Supply	\$11.50	—
Land O'Lakes	\$11.00	—
Rangen	\$10.50	—
Wendell Elevator Co.	\$12.00	—
Barley (Per 100 pounds)		
Rangen	\$9.52	—
Ogden	\$10.53	—
Pocatello	\$8.00	—
Burley	\$9.50	-0.09
Wendell Elevator Co.	\$10.00	—
Hay (Mid/Ton)		
Alfalfa(Supreme)	Low \$222 High \$222	—
Alfalfa(Good)	Low \$195 High \$210	—
Alfalfa(Fair)	Low \$160 High \$195	—

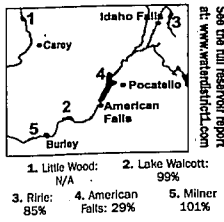
Small grain

Soft white wheat	Ask	N/A
Rangen	\$6.45	—
Wendell Elevator Co.	\$6.87	—
Ogden	\$6.58	—
Pocatello	\$6.43	—
Dry beans (per 100)		
Pinto	\$34.00	—
Small Red	\$40.00	—
Pink	\$33.00	—
Sorano	\$35.00	—
Pinto	\$40.00	—
Small Red	\$40.00	—
ADM(Not releasing prices)		—

Price quotes as of Monday afternoon. Prices subject to change at any time. To be included in this table, call Joshua Palmer at 208-735-3231.

More commodities on B2

RESERVOIR LEVELS



Understanding odors

University of Idaho releases publication on control practices

Staff report

MOSCOW — University of Idaho Extension has released an online publication for dairy producers on odor control practices for northwest dairies.
Written by experts at the University of Idaho, Washington State University and Oregon State University, the publication focuses on the key issues of understanding odors, selecting odor control tech-

See it online

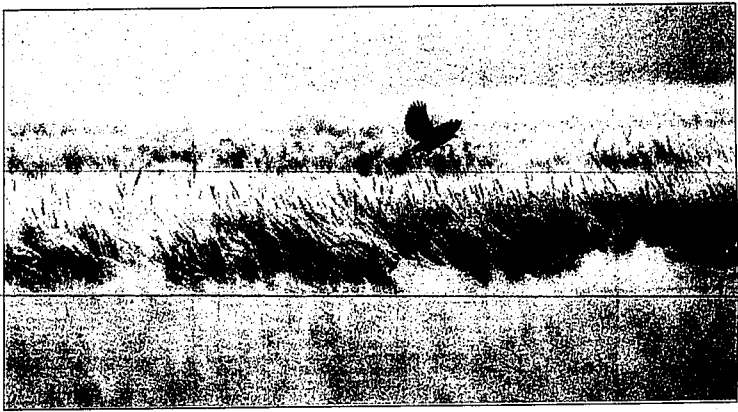
To see the U of I publication on dairy odor control, go to <http://info.ag.uidaho.edu/pdf/CIS/CIS1148.pdf>

nologies and practices, developing odor management plans, and preventing or responding to complaints from neighbors.
Mario de Haro Marti, a co-

author and Gooding County Extension educator for dairy/live-stock environmental education, said he expects the publication to "give producers a better understanding of what's going on with odors on dairies — how to identify their sources and how to manage them."
"It describes mechanical, chemical, and biological methods of controlling odors and provides a comprehensive list of odor control

practices and technologies that Pacific Northwest dairy producers can consider.
"There is not a one-size-fits-all solution," said de Haro Marti. "Every site has its own characteristics and operations that determine which practices will be better for it. Our intention in this publication is to offer options."
Other authors include Ron Sheffield, plus Ndegwa and Mike Gamroth.

Only average?



Less-than-perfect weather has hurt grain yields in south-ern Idaho.

Grain harvest might not meet expectations

By Cindy Snyder
Times-News correspondent

What looked to be a great crop coming out of winter is turning out to be just average for many growers in southern Idaho. Winter wheat growers had high expectations for their crops and that was reflected by the 150,000-acre increase in planted acreage. Growers seeded an estimated 870,000 acres to winter wheat for harvest in 2008, up from 720,000 acres the previous year.

But Mother Nature didn't get the memo about providing a good year to take advantage of strong prices and adverse weather has plagued small grain crops all season.

"We've got the craziest year going on," said Evan Hayes, who raises barley and winter wheat in southeastern Idaho. He's seen winter wheat near Soda Springs that's ready to harvest and winter wheat that won't be ready for another two to three weeks.

On his own farm, he expects to start harvesting winter wheat in another 10 to 14 days, but has already jokingly warned his wife that he expects to still be harvesting grain at

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Harvest update

	Percent of harvest completed			
	8/17/08	8/10/08	8/10/07	5-year average
Winter Wheat				
Idaho	60	26	88	77
Oregon	93	86	93	90
Washington	68	60	88	81
Montana	70	45	96	91
Top 18 states*	95	92	99	98
*These 18 states harvested 90 percent of last year's winter wheat crop.				
Spring Wheat				
Idaho	18	4	52	58
Minnesota	45	7	74	57
Montana	37	11	69	48
North Dakota	33	17	59	49
South Dakota	66	34	94	91
Washington	51	30	70	67
Top six states*	35	18	67	54
*These six states harvested 99 percent of last year's spring wheat crop.				

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Agriculture

Growing pains

Small-scale farmers grapple with modern commerce

By Steve Schotak
Associated Press writer

DAYTON, Va. — At the wholesale produce market in this Mennonite community, farming families arrive by horse and buggy and pallets are stacked high with freshly harvested Shenandoah Valley onions, corn, green peppers and squash.
The setting evokes a simpler, pre-industrial era. In reality, small-scale farmers are experiencing growing pains as they adapt to the country's expanding diet for locally grown foods and the exacting demands of high-volume distributors of their produce.



Auctioneer Homer Rhodes auctions produce at the Shenandoah Valley Produce Auction in Dayton, Va. Amish, Mennonite and non-religious small-scale growers are experiencing growing pains as they adapt to the country's expanding diet for locally grown foods and the exacting demands of high-volume distributors of their produce.

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AGRIBUSINESS BRIEF

MAGIC VALLEY Research station to hold field day for Peruvano bean

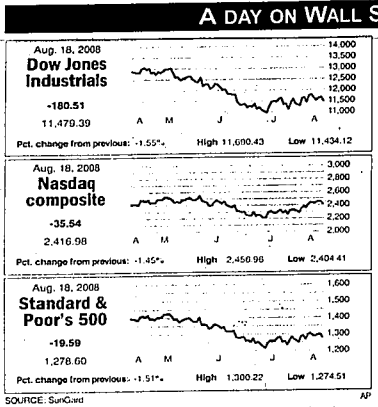
The Kimberly Research and Extension Station will hold a public field test of the small Peruvano bean on Aug. 26.
The project is funded by the Idaho Bean Commission with a Federal State Marketing Improvement Grant. Cooperators are the University of Idaho and the Idaho State Department of Agriculture.
Because the test is intended to directly benefit Idaho's dry bean industry, all interested Idaho dry bean dealers and growers are invited to attend.
Registration at the research station will begin at 8 a.m. on Aug. 26.
For more information, call Diana Caldwell at 208-334-3520.
— staff report

MARKET SUMMARY

Table with columns for NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ, and INDEXES. Includes sub-sections for Most Active, Gainers, and Losers.

Table with columns for Stocks of Local Interest, listing various companies and their stock prices.

How to Read the Market Report: Names, Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name... Fund Name: Name of mutual fund and family...



NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street retreated Monday after Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac fell to their lowest levels in nearly 20 years... Investors were again uneasy about the health of financial companies...

COMMODITIES REPORT: CLOSING FUTURES. Table listing various commodities like soybeans, corn, wheat, and their futures prices.

Farmers seek a little less bull

In this economy, even cattle get downsized. LOUISBURG, N.C. — Lots of things are getting downsized in this economy... "I'd like them to be a little smaller, so they don't run me over," he says.

minicows she and her husband, a radioologist, bought over the past year to raise for milk and beef. "We prefer to do what our kids are eating," she says. "You don't get that from the grocery store."

Times-News columnist Steve Crump. Now you see him... 1310 KLIX. Includes a photo of Steve Crump and promotional text for his radio show.

Small

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diet for locally grown foods and the exacting demands of high-volume distributors of their produce.

Companies such as Sysco Corp., Whole Foods Market Inc. and Wal-Mart Stores Inc. want farmers to set prices for an entire season and the ability to trace produce back to its source in the event of a food-related health scare, among other things.

However, such standards, and other formal trappings of the business world — contracts, attorneys, technology — often conflict with the small and peasant considerations of small-scale farmers, especially those who are deeply religious.

"They feel they are producing something as safe and secure as their relationship with the Lord," said David Watson of the Association of Family Farms. Moreover, growers in temperate climates don't have a large supply of produce. "Trying to match what the buyers need with what's being planted" is one of the biggest challenges, said Richard Hurd, a Menonite and manager of the Shenandoah Valley Produce Auction.

When one large buyer recently demanded insurance coverage for a fruit or vegetable make someone ill — the Dayton farmers balked.

"We deal more on the handshake, personal commitment — just put your name in the eye," said farmer Vernon Hoover, the Dayton auction's independent buyer.

Still, Amish and Menonite and even non-religious small-scale growers in Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Iowa, Tennessee, New York and other states are mindful of the money to be made from this emerging relationship with big distributors. And they are willing to engage in some horse trading to create business relationships.

For example, they want industry demands such as specialty boxes and company labels to be factored into their price, according to Rich Pirog, associate director of the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture at Iowa State University. And while wholesale markets, or auctions, benefit the food industry by bringing together larger numbers of growers in one location, they also make it easier for smaller growers to make connections to representatives of big companies and their resources, including refrigerated trucks and bar-code labels.

If you have a quality product, consistently packaged; don't put pressure by taking the worst and pushing it on the bottom — all that, is the way you go for smaller lots at the auction," Charlie Martin, the Dayton auction's board chairman, said. He proudly stood before a large stack of unblemished yellow and green apples that his 16-year-old daughter picked that morning, wearing surgical gloves to avoid marring their flesh.

The demand for what small-scale farmers have to offer is burgeoning.

Wal-Mart last month said it would sell \$400 million worth of locally grown produce this year, making it

the largest player in that market. Its suppliers include "many Amish and Menonite growers" who work through third party suppliers, spokeswoman Delisa Galberth said.

Chilopte Mexican Grill Inc. in June pledged to purchase 25 percent of at least one produce item for each of its stores from small and mid-sized farms located within 200 miles.

Whole Foods Market purchased 22 percent of its produce locally last year, up from the previous year's 19 percent.

By any measure, though, the nation's 50-plus Amish and Menonite produce auctions remain a sliver of food industry sales. Total combined retail and food service fresh produce sales were \$94.8 billion in 2005, according to industry and government estimates.

The Cumberland Valley Produce Auction in Shippensburg, Pa., began in 1994 with roughly 500 Amish and Menonite growers, whose customers were primarily local grocers and restaurants. Since then, it has doubled in size, thanks in large part to the demand from large, well-known companies. Buyers come to Shippensburg from New York, Pittsburgh, Washington, D.C., and other parts.

A decade ago, Cumberland Valley wrestled with many of the same issues the Menonites of Dayton, Va., are dealing with today. Now, the auction is large enough to afford liability insurance, in case a legal action arises from a tainted product, manager George Cleary said.

Sugar farmers hope import plan doesn't hurt prices

By Becky Bohrer Associated Press writer

NEW ORLEANS — Southern sugar farmers, struggling with rising fuel and production costs, say the federal government's decision to allow more foreign sugar into the United States to ensure adequate supplies is premature and could depress their prices.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture recently announced that as a precautionary measure, it was increasing imports of refined sugar by what's expected to be a net-gain of 2 1/2 tons this year to avert any shortages that could arise with disruptions in production or refining.

The nation's top cane producing states are in the middle of hurricane season with the verdict still out on Dolly's toll on Texas' crop. A Georgia refinery remains idled after an explosion this year, leaving the industry operating, analysts say, at near-capacity. And acreage planted to sugarcane — another source of sugar — is far lower due to planting conditions and farmers farther north swapping traditional sugar acre for higher-priced crops such as soybeans.

But some trade groups and southern farmers dispute USDA's assertion that there's a tight refined sugar market and question the government's getting involved before their harvest even begins.

"There's nobody today that cannot find sugar if they want it," says Steve Bearden, president and chief executive of Rio Grande Valley Sugar Growers in Santa Rosa, Texas.

Prices on the raw market have risen in recent months. But sugar cane farmers like Wallace Ellender say the increase has been all but zeroed out by rising costs of production, including fuel, fertilizer and labor.

According to USDA, farmers say \$12.7 billion last year on fuel alone, 14 percent more than in 2006. Nationwide, the average price of diesel was \$4.537 a gallon Monday, \$1.60 a gallon more than a year ago, according to AAA and the Oil Price Information Service.

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— Wallace Ellender, sugar cane farmer

Ellender, who farms near Bourg, in southeast Louisiana, called USDA's decision "kind of a slap in the face to American producers."

"Times are so critical to us, it's a matter of survival," he said, adding, "Our bankers are getting to be very nervous about loaning us money to make ends meet."

He and other farmers worry that if USDA misjudges — if, say, production is better than expected on the sugar import — the raw price will tank. The price had risen to nearly 24 cents a pound in July, more than 3 cents a pound higher than at the start of the year.

That's still far below price increases for other commodities, according to the American Sugar Alliance, which called USDA's decision a reaction to forecasts 14 months out and having the effect of casting a cloud over a sugar industry that has been dealing with depressed prices and soaring input costs for some time.

No, everyone agrees: Charles Schudmak, chief operating officer of the Cofa Texas mill at White Castle, called USDA's plan "very reasonable," noting industry conditions and estimates that this will be a good — not great — production year, at least for now.

Bearden said his cooperative lost \$4 million last year and that farmers need at least 25 cents a pound for a "fair return." He said six of his farmers left the business this year.

"I don't know who's making money on sugar today," he said. Consumers, like Hubig's, hope the move will bring down the cost of refined sugar.

The New Orleans-based company increased the cost of its popular snack pies by 10 cents this year, "and we're very worried we didn't go up enough," office manager Drew Ramsey said Monday.

While he couldn't immediately say how big a factor the higher cost of sugar was, he said it was definitely a contributor, along with increases in insurance, flour, fuel, labor and shortening costs.

"We have price increases extremely rarely, and they're driven by what I'd call uncontrollable costs," Ramsey said, adding, "We don't have price increases because my kid needs braces."

Wheat

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Thanksgiving. It's a continuation of a season that has ended and lasted. Hayes didn't finish planting spring grain until June 9, thanks to 4 inches of rain that fell in May and kept planters out of fields. "I was able to get grain planted in late April so the crop could take advantage of the May precipitation are looking at a pretty average crop," Hayes said. "I'm dependent and not a drop of water fell on those fields again until early August when just more than 1 inch fell.

Hayes expects nearly three quarters of the spring planted grain crops around Soda Springs won't be harvested until mid-September.

Yields will be down in the region because yield potential was set during the extended dry period, but the rains should boost quality, if the weather holds. Temperatures one night last week dropped to 33 degrees, but this grain is a long ways from being bulletproof," Hayes said.

While growers in dryland regions of eastern Idaho are just getting used to getting good weather in the last weeks or so has allowed growers to nearly wrap up harvest. But even where irrigation water was plentiful, yields and quality are about average.

"Growers say the cool, windy weather really hurt the grain crop. Winter wheat seems to have been affected more by the adverse conditions than barley was.

Ron Elkin grows barley and winter wheat on his farm west of Buhl. He's only got about 60 acres left to combine and says his malt barley crop wasn't bad but winter wheat was disappointing. He is a member of the Idaho Barley Commission.

"Frost, wind and rain at the wrong time all seem to have a tiffen a toll on the winter wheat.

"After such a cool and windy spring, growers had hoped that winter wheat emergence came in June and July that the crop would catch up; but crop progress across much of southern Idaho remains about two weeks behind.

"Yields are right at average or a little below," said Wayne Hurst, a grain producer from Burley. Growers in his area are usually done by the first day of school, but he expects most won't be done until the first

week of September. That's reflected in the latest crop progress report released by the U.S.

The Department of Agriculture, which estimates the spring wheat harvest was 18 percent completed for the week ending August 17, compared to the five-year average of 38 percent. About 60 percent of the state's winter wheat crop was in the ground compared to an average of 77 percent.

According to the USDA, 66 percent of Idaho's spring wheat crop is rated as good with another 4 percent rated as excellent. In comparison, just 44 percent of the grain grown in the top six spring wheat producing states is considered good.

Seventy percent of Idaho's

barley crop is rated as good compared to 44 percent of the top five barley producing states.

On the positive side, wheat prices seem to be holding steady to slightly higher.

"That's encouraging," Hurst said. With southern Idaho soft white prices holding between 56 and 57 and a crop that's coming in right at average or slightly below, Hurst can call this a "pretty decent crop."

But decent is a long way from the bumper crop many growers were hoping for.

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Great garden shots



Photo courtesy of JOHN STOLZMAN JR.
John Stolzman Jr.'s wife wanted to change the flowers outside their Gooding house. 'So we sprayed and tilled until it was all gone and we started from scratch,' Stolzman says. They planted a wildflower mix, watered and waited. 'We had to pull a few weeds but very few. Now we get to watch the hummingbirds in the flowers, and it has been a good thing for our backyard.'



Photo courtesy of BECCA LEGG
On a beautiful August evening, Becca Legg of Twin Falls drove country roads in search of inspiration behind the lens. 'When I saw how the sun was hitting these roadside sunflowers on 3300 off Kimberly Road, I just had to pull over and see if I could do the vision justice,' Legg says. 'Sunset photos are always tricky, so I experimented with many different angles and several settings on my Sony digital SLR camera.... I love the rustic look this gives the silhouetted flowers, and how they seem to tower over the tall trees in the background.'

This summer, our camera-toting readers found inspiration in everything from kids' science projects to backcountry hiking. And many superb examples of their photography poured in to our no-prize summer photo contest.

Today, however, we present only a selection of their best garden-themed images. Watch other sections of the *Times-News* for more winners in the coming weeks.

In the garden category, John Stolzman Jr. took top honors for a clear image of a hummingbird. "It's great how he caught the hummingbird in flight while it extracts nectar from the flowers," said *Times-News* chief photographer Ashley Smith, who helped choose the photos on this page. Smith praised Stolzman for a blurred background that sends the eye directly to the bird, and for repetitive patterns in the flowers. "The light really works," Smith added.

Julie A. Miller got points for the pretty colors and shallow depth of field in her sunflower shot, and Becca Legg for nice composition in her version of sunflowers.

"The suns in the top third of the image," Smith said of the latter. "And it's nice to have something in the foreground to help give the image depth."

Lighting highlights the fine detail of feathers in Shauna Robinson's bird photo. "It's really cool to be able to see it close up," Smith said. He liked the shot's clean background, too. "That's important: There's no distractions."

Tom Hunt, too, achieved strong focus — in this case on a dragonfly — by de-emphasizing background.

Hilda Fernandes' kaleidoscope of floral color rounded out Smith's picks.

"It's a pleasant photo," he said. "Your eye just wanders around the image, taking in the unique aspects of the flowers."

— Virginia Hutchins



Photo courtesy of JULIE A. MILLER
Julie A. Miller of Jerome had her camera along as she picked veggies in her 1,275-square-foot garden in July. 'I love taking pictures just as the sun comes up, and this day was a perfect one for shooting the morning dew on the flowers,' Miller says. 'I'd just taken a picture of one of my beloved kitties hiding under his sunflower's leaves when I stood up and came face to face with this beautiful bloom.' She got the shot just as the sun came around a large Colorado blue spruce.

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SEE: All of these images in a photo gallery.

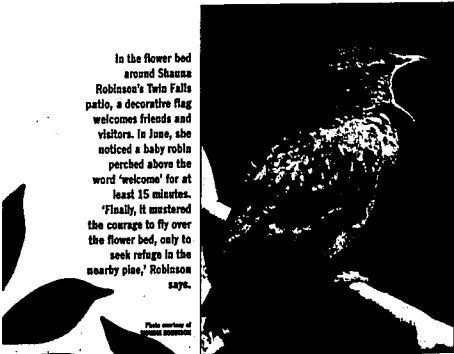
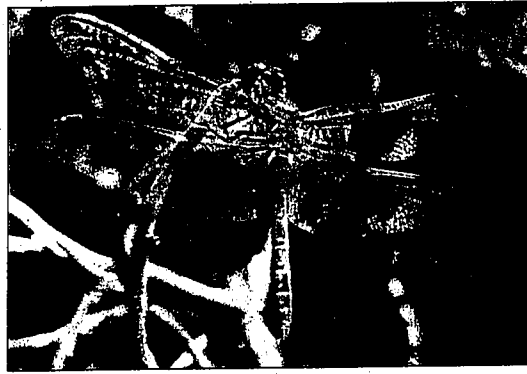


Photo courtesy of SHAUNA ROBINSON
In the flower bed around Shauna Robinson's Twin Falls patio, a decorative flag welcomes friends and visitors. In June, she noticed a baby robin perched above the word 'welcome' for at least 15 minutes. 'Finally, it mustered the courage to fly over the flower bed, only to seek refuge in the nearby pine,' Robinson says.



Tom Hunt of Kimberly caught this dragonfly image in Rock Creek Canyon southeast of Twin Falls. 'It took some watching and following just to get the right picture of this particular dragonfly,' Hunt says. 'It was a difficult picture to get with so much... I had to sneak up... and hold out my camera at arm's length.'

Hilda Fernandes of Wendell started her flower garden eight years ago and each year expands it with new additions. Her flowers pictured here this summer include delphinium, aster, milkweed and several types of lilies, among others.



Photo courtesy of HILDA FERNANDES

FROM TRASH TO TREASURE



Sessions teach how to turn waste into compost

By Blair Koch
Correspondent

Get smart about compost

FILIER — A green gallon bucket in hand, Shirley Lee heads to her compost piles on the south end of her filer property for a once-a-week disposal of kitchen scraps. Lee, 50, admits she's just a small-scale composter — turning just enough organic waste into the nutrient-rich compost to mulch around garlic and, this year, new iris starts.

"I only started composting after finishing the Master Gardener class about five years ago," Lee said, "about the same time we moved out to this house and didn't have a garbage disposal anymore."

The University of Idaho Gooding County Extension will hold Composting School from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 26 and from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Sept. 24 at the Gooding County Fairgrounds, 203 Lucy Lane. Cost is \$20 per person for both sessions or \$15 for one. Magic Valley Compost will provide lunch during sessions only. Information: 934-4417 or extension.ag.uidaho.edu/gooding

University of Idaho Gooding County Extension educator Mario de Haro Marti.

Marti secured a grant for an upcoming pair of classes in Gooding to teach how to turn farm, garden and other food waste into compost. The classes will be offered only at the Gooding Extension office but are for all southern Idaho residents.

"Composting is becoming more and more popular for homeowners to dairymen. Society is learning that we cannot dump everything into our landfills," Marti said. "It doesn't make any sense to dump organics into landfills. Not only is there an environmental benefit of separating organic waste from the rest of trash, it is cost effective."

Jo Ann Robbins, U of I Jerome County Extension educator, said composting isn't a new idea but is finally gaining recognition.

"We have worked for years to try to get homeowners, small farmers and large farmers interested in composting," she said. "As with many issues, until it has some obvious benefits it isn't accepted."

The university's message: Composting is easy. "An unobtrusive bucket under the sink that can be



Filer resident Shirley Lee looks at a handful of earthworms found in her compost pile. The presence of worms means the composting process is working correctly, she says.

emptied every few days is easy and odor-free. It takes as much time to carry the bucket to the compost pile as it does to take the same waste to the trash can. What could be easier? A compost bin can keep the compost pile contained and attractive while the transformation from trash to treasure occurs inside," Robbins said. "Compost has lots of uses — mulch, soil amendment, potting mix. Anyone with any yard at all will find good use for homegrown compost."

On Aug. 26, the first class day, speakers will introduce participants to composting methods and the construction of the units and piles needed. Students will apply what they learn at what will become a long-term com-

posting demonstration at the Gooding fairgrounds.

During the second class, Sept. 26, participants will return to inspect the progress of their compost and will learn advanced concepts and techniques like weed control, soil nutrition, large-farm composting systems, carcass composting and for-profit composting.

In addition to Marti and Robbins, speakers will include Lincoln County Extension educator Christi Filson; Robin Baumgartner, public education coordinator for Southern Idaho Solid Waste; and Tony Brand, general manager of Magic Valley Compost.

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Clear comfort: window films



SENSEIBLE HOME James Dudley

DEAR JIM: I cannot afford new windows, but I thought about installing permanent winter/summer film on my old windows. Does it save energy, will it darken my windows and can I install it myself?

DEAR LAIME: People generally think of window film as the darkly tinted or highly reflective film used on skyscrapers or commercial showroom windows. These types of windows film can also be used on homes, but there are now more energy-efficient, year-round residential window films which are only slightly tinted and reflective.

The newer insulating residential window films use a technology similar to energy-efficient replacement windows. A low-emissivity heat barrier coating is deposited on the window film. This coating is usually a microscopic thin layer of metal atoms which is reflective to heat energy, but allows most of the visible light wavelengths to pass through.

Using this technology allows a relatively clear window film to block the sun's heat during summer without the dark or reflective appearance.

During the winter, the low-emissivity properties of the coating help block indoor heat from being lost outdoors through windows. You may also feel more comfortably warm sitting by a film-covered window during winter.

Another advantage of residential window film is it blocks most of the sun's ultraviolet (UV) rays which are responsible for much of carpet, drapery and furniture fading. All window films do this because of the base plastic film properties, but the low-emissivity coating is even more effective.

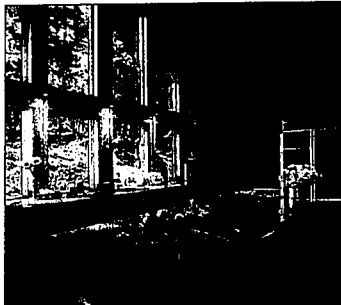
If you already have double-pane window glass, dark films, which absorb heat instead of reflecting it away, may cause the window glass to get quite warm. This can cause a fallure in the airtight seal between the glass panes. If this happens, a fog can form between the panes.

The nearly clear low-emissivity energy efficient films do not cause the glass to get hot because they block more of the sun's heat instead of absorbing it. First check with your window manufacturer about its warranty. Some void the glass warranty no matter what type of film you apply.

When shopping for do-it-yourself window film at your home center store, the low-emissivity residential often looks darker on the roll than when it is actually installed on the window. Do-it-yourself films are also available in boxed kits with a squeegee and other simple application tools. If you want a long warranty on the film, have it professionally installed.

It is easy to install window film yourself on average-size windows. It usually has a moisture activation adhesive. Once it is wet, a squeegee is used to force out any bubbles so it adheres to the glass. An important key for a good-looking job is to make sure the glass surface is thoroughly clean.

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Once the winter/summer energy-saving film is applied to the window glass, it is difficult to notice a difference in the view outdoors.

Don't overload your outlets

By Gary Dymski
Newsday

Question: Is it difficult to install three- and six-space receptacles? I have a couple of rooms where I use computers and other electrical devices, so I think they'd be a great fit. Tell me more.

Answer: They are called Triplex and Sixplex electrical outlets, manufactured by Leviton of New York. Like you, I think they're a great fit for multimedia rooms. In terms of safety, they eliminate potentially dangerous extension cords, plus the Sixplex outlet has a built-in surge protector, so there's no need to buy a free-standing device to shield your high-

tech equipment against what's referred to as transient voltage. Both the Triplex and Sixplex outlets are wired like traditional duplex outlets; if you can wire a duplex outlet, you can wire a Triplex or Sixplex Leviton outlet.

Steven Zacharewitz, the Leviton designer chiefly responsible for the products, also tells me that both outlets can be fitted to conventional double-gang boxes. I was under the impression the Sixplex device needed a larger box, but that's not the case.

One word of caution: You still must be careful not to overload the outlet, even if you have space to plug in devices. Remember this simple formula — amps, or

amps, times volts equals watts. So, a 15-amp outlet, common in bedrooms and living rooms where small devices are used, can carry 1,800 watts (15 amps x 120 volts). A 20-amp outlet, used in kitchens and laundry rooms, can carry a load of 2,400 watts (20 amps x 120 volts). Without being too technical, outlets should not carry more than 80 percent of their maximum load (a 15-amp outlet should not exceed a load of 1,440 watts; a 20-amp outlet should not exceed 1,920 watts).

Watts used by an electrical device are listed on an information plate or label. Do the math, and you won't overload the circuit.

Keeping cedar mulch looking fresh

By Jessica Damiano
Newsday

Q: How do you keep cedar mulch looking fresh? Is there a product or method you would recommend that would help cedar mulch retain its fresh color?

A: Because cedar mulch is a natural product, it will not last forever. It eventually breaks down into the soil, and as it decomposes it loses its fresh-looking appearance. Its color also is faded by rain and sunlight. A shot of the hose and periodic gentle raking will freshen it up a bit, and adding a new top layer at the start of the growing season is even better. But if you insist, there actually is a product that promises to dye

mulch back to its original color — or another color. Mulch Magic Colorant is available in 15 colors and is applied with a backpack or handheld sprayer. While it's

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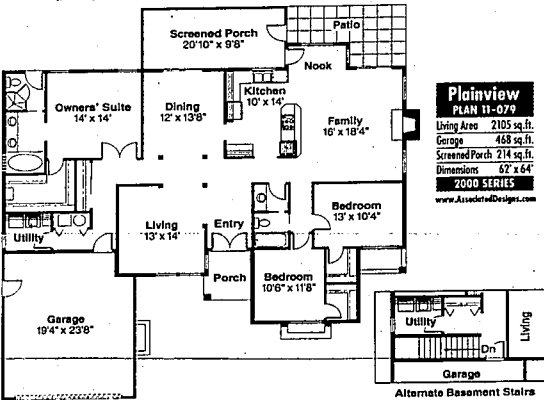
Windows in front of the sink brighten the kitchen and provide a view through the screened porch and beyond. The range top is seated

in a combination work island/eating bar. Cooks can keep an eye on activities in the family room while they prepare meals. The family room is the largest, brightest room in the house. Windows flank the fireplace, and sliders at the rear open to the courtyard.

Secondary bedrooms are located far from the owners' suite. Both have walk-in closets and they share a two-section bathroom. Well isolated from the hustle and bustle of the main living areas, the Plainview's owners' suite serves as an adult retreat. It comes equipped with a large

walk-in closet, spa tub, and double vanity. Shower and toilet are separately enclosed and accessible from the rear yard.

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By Bettijane Larive
Los Angeles Times

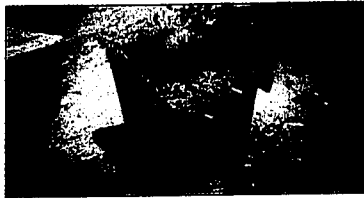
LOS ANGELES — Green roofs are good. They clean the air, cool the house below, provide rest stops for birds and butterflies. If you work well with wood and want to try a green roof, why not start by building one for your dog?

Landscape architect Stephanie Rublin and her partner, sculptor Chris Iser, sell doghouses with rooftop gardens for \$1,000 to \$4,000. Your homemade version will cost a lot less — and the dog in residence will appreciate a plant-topped refuge that is cooler, in every sense of the word, than anything else around.

To start, Rublin and Iser suggest that you create a general design or scan for ideas on their Web site, www.sustainable.com. They won't mind if you flick.

The configuration of the walls will vary depending on the size of your pet, but the composition of the walls remains the same: It must be shaped like a sandbox and sloped gently, a maximum of 20 degrees. At the bottom of the slope, drill holes for two or three bamboo drainage drains that will pull water away from the doghouse. The size of the holes should be determined by the diameter of the bamboo, about 3/4 of an inch to 1 inch. Cut the bamboo into lengths that will extend about 3 inches out from the holes you drilled.

Be sure seams are well caulked and the wood is well glued with a nontoxic, water-



Stephanie Rublin's dog enjoys a home with a green roof.

proof wood glue such as Titebond III. The designers suggest building with Forest Stewardship Council-certified red cedar, which they say repels fleas and ticks. Or you could use reclaimed wood treated with a product such as Safecoat Safe Seal to prevent off-gassing. Finish the frame with nontoxic, eco-friendly paint, stain or varnish.

Using a paintbrush, cover the rooftop with two layers of melted natural beeswax, available where candle supplies are sold. Or use a rubberized roofing compound that's low in volatile organic compounds, or VOCs; one example is Elastio-Seal rubber undercoat primer by Snow Roof Systems.

Next add the drainage layer:

Cover the roof's surface with 1 inch of gravel or 1-inch-diameter bamboo stalks split lengthwise and placed cut-side down. Cut a piece of landscape fabric slightly larger than the roof; lay it over the gravel or bamboo. Glue excess fabric to the roof box to keep soil from creeping under.

On top of the fabric, add a 4-inch layer of planting medium — 60 percent pumice, 10 percent sand and 30 percent soil rich in organic material. Rublin suggests Supersoil, available at garden stores.

Finally, the plants: Rublin's rooftops are filled with pet-friendly, nonpoisonous, mostly native plants that require no pesticides or fertilizers. All are watered as if they were growing in the ground.

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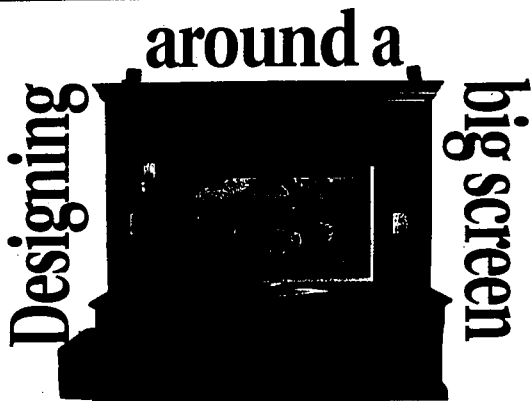
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This large wooden wall unit holds decorative elements around the television.

Work with large TV, not against it

By Kira Goldenberg
The Hartford Courant

Big-screen TVs are, well, big.

As more people buy big-screen TVs for their homes, interior designers face the challenge of finding innovative ways to make the screen feel like part of the room instead of visually taking it over.

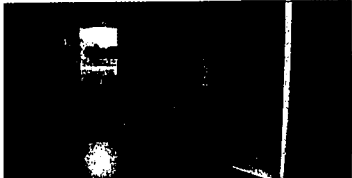
"Conceptually, what we're finding is, yes, people want the focus to be on television viewing, but the question is how to hide the television," says Laura Bordeaux, owner of FX Design in Glastonbury, Conn., and president of the state chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers.

"It's become a focal point but yet an eyesore in the same respect because it's so large," she says. "Twenty-nine percent of U.S. households own a TV that is 40 inches or larger, a Consumer Electronics Association study found, and 62 percent said they expected to own one at some point if they didn't already."

Some people buy a colossal set to show that they have the latest technology. For many, it's just a guy thing — a bigger screen is ideal for watching sports and playing video games.

One "TV guy" is West Hartford, Conn., resident Jeff Anderson. Last year, he and his wife, Kristin Anderson, renovated the living room of their home. Jeff agreed to the major renovation, Kristin envisioned — if they could incorporate a big-screen TV into the redesign.

West Hartford interior designer Kathy Hayes worked with the Andersons



Kristin and Jeff Anderson of West Hartford, Conn., decided to purchase a large-screen television and, with the help of interior designer Kathy Hayes, designed their living room with the television in mind. The design enables them to also have a view of their backyard, which is adjacent to a golf course.

to make sure their new 50-inch TV did not dominate the living room. She set the screen in a dark wooden wall unit to mask the screen size and filled its other shelves with textured knickknacks that she says balance out the slickness of the screen.

Thick draperies hang on each side of the French doors that face the golf course, creating a larger visual unit that draws the eye away from the TV toward the view outside. Hayes used the same effect around the fireplace, hanging a painting that filled the space between the mantle and ceiling to create a greater whole. She also incorporated circular designs throughout the room — end tables, rugs and wall decorations — to contrast with the squareness of the TV set.

Hayes visually de-emphasized the television. Another way to mask a big TV is to frame it and pretend it's a piece of art.

Chris Ardery of Designs by Chris in Newington, Conn.,

works with the Andersons

client mantles. They sit in custom frames with a print rolled between the screen and the frame like a shade. When the television is not in use, the print can be unrolled to hide the screen and make it look like a framed piece of art.

"It's a lot prettier than letting that black thing hang on the wall," she says. But sometimes that black thing gets to shine. Bordeaux is designing an entertainment basement for Phil and Twana Lejer of Tolland, Conn., who plan to buy a TV with a 50- to 72-inch screen.

"We went to (Bordeaux) and we said, 'We want to have a wine cellar, and a pool table and a home theater area,'" Phil Lejer says. "What can you do with the space that we have?"

Bordeaux designed the space with half-height walls so the Lejers can watch TV both from the couch and also while playing pool in the next room.

"In an entertainment space, Bordeaux says, you're not trying to hide the box."

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Envirochamps

Gooding team wins state, places 10th internationally

By Mary Hanson
Correspondent

Envirothon? People in most area communities probably aren't familiar with the term. Thanks in part to a group of Gooding students, that may be changing.

"It's not something you hear about much at school," Gooding High School graduate, Melissa Lockwood said, speaking on the phone from Florida, where she recently began her first year at the Florida Institute of Technology.

Lockwood, 18, was talking about the beginning of a three-year odyssey for her and her schoolmates, Jacob Bow, 16, Nan Jolly, 18, and Andrew Jensen, 18. Jessica McFain, 17, joined the group two years ago and will graduate in 2009. These five made up the Gooding High School Envirothon Team with Lockwood serving as team leader.

Early this summer, accompanied by advisors Becky and David Freiberg, Gooding's Envirothon Team took 10th at the International Cannon Envirothon Competition held in Flagstaff, Ariz. Each member was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to the college of his or her choosing.



The Gooding High School Envirothon team, (left to right) Andrew Jensen, Jessica McFain, Melissa Lockwood, Nan Jolly, Jacob Bow, Advisor Becky Freiberg, son Dawson Freiberg and Advisor David Freiberg receive awards from a competition in Artoza.

According to advisor Becky Freiberg, Gooding's team has won the state envirothon competition two of the last three years.

Competition is divided into several categories in which each member must perform to contribute to a total team score. Scholarships are awarded for individual performance as well as team performance.

Lockwood said there were 55 teams from 46 states and Canadian provinces competing this year.

All of the Gooding students reported the going was tough.

"You don't get much sleep over the week and you are

nervous and scared but you meet a lot of people," McFain said.

Becky Freiberg described her team as the "Sea Biscuit" of the competition, referring to the thoroughbred with an inauspicious start that became a famous, winning race horse.

"Our Gooding team did a terrific job in scoring high on oral and written tests and their presentation score was sixth-highest," Freiberg said. "We owe thanks to many people who helped us and especially to Tom Woodland, the Gooding High School FFA teacher."

"We also want to thank our sponsors, the Gooding and Camas Soil

Conservation Districts, for their support in sending the team to Flagstaff."

Freiberg said that envirothon competition helps students learn about the delicate balance that exists between modern living and ecological conservation.

"Environmental research, management and planning are always about balancing the needs of the environment with the needs of people," Freiberg said. "My husband David and I want to make the point that the Envirothon's help teach students about that balance."

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Wendell students recognized

WENDELL — Wendell Elementary School has announced several special awards given to students for the 2007-2008 school year. They include:

President's Award for Academic Achievement: Given only to fourth grade students.

FOURTH GRADE
Mrs. Cooper
Lizeth Madera
Sam Nelson
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William Vargas
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Mrs. Cordero
Joseph Swainston
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Mrs. Koehler
Paula Lopez
Julia Villagomez

OUTSTANDING CITIZENSHIP AWARD
KINDERGARTEN
Mrs. Clark
Anjelica Madera
Jose Pulido
Christian Rodriguez
Miss H
Stephanie Cosio

ONE GRADE
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TWO GRADE
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Zachary Matthews
Mrs. Cooper
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Jessica Montes
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THREE GRADE
Mrs. Hillard
Zachary Matthews
Mrs. Cooper
Fidel Espino
Jessica Montes
Mrs. Gibson
Tiffany Egbert
Faithful Attendance award winners had three or fewer absences all year.

FOURTH GRADE
Mrs. Hillard
Zachary Matthews
Mrs. Cooper
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Jessica Montes
Mrs. Gibson
Tiffany Egbert
Faithful Attendance award winners had three or fewer absences all year.

FIFTH GRADE
Mrs. Hillard
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Jessica Montes
Mrs. Gibson
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SIXTH GRADE
Mrs. Hillard
Zachary Matthews
Mrs. Cooper
Fidel Espino
Jessica Montes
Mrs. Gibson
Tiffany Egbert
Faithful Attendance award winners had three or fewer absences all year.

Alexia Rasmussen
Mrs. Kuka
Wayne Litgenberg
Second grade
Mrs. Knight
Leticia Garcia
Third grade
Mrs. Hillard
Zachary Matthews
Fourth grade
Mrs. Cooper
Fidel Espino
Jessica Montes
Mrs. Gibson
Tiffany Egbert
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KINDERGARTEN
Mrs. Clark
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Jose Pulido
Christian Rodriguez
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Stephanie Cosio
Sage Crumrine
Gabriella Ponce
Mrs. Matthews
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Alex Cruz
Jacob Drake
Ally Kuka
Donald Bunn
Calle Clapp
Shastina Driesel
Sandro Jimenez
Orion Lesniski
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FIRST GRADE
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Krystal Ortega
Mrs. Kuka
Mya Ramirez
Mrs. Park
Keavan Lindsay
Mrs. Sprotopoulos
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Madison Crawford
Mrs. Knight
Seth Collins
Mrs. McCarty
Jaime Perez
Mrs. McFarland
Katie Lindsay
THIRD GRADE
Mrs. Billard
Bryant Alvarado
Mrs. Bunn
Tyler Sears
Mrs. Parker
Arya Rasmussen
Mrs. Thompson
Ruby Lopez

FOURTH GRADE
Mrs. Cooper
Alma Michel
Mrs. Cordero
Zach Wanamaker
Mrs. Gibson
Isaac Nebeker
Mrs. Koehler
Paula Lopez

FIFTH GRADE
Mrs. Hillard
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Mrs. Gibson
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SIXTH GRADE
Mrs. Hillard
Zachary Matthews
Mrs. Cooper
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Mrs. Gibson
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SEVENTH GRADE
Mrs. Hillard
Zachary Matthews
Mrs. Cooper
Fidel Espino
Jessica Montes
Mrs. Gibson
Tiffany Egbert
Faithful Attendance award winners had three or fewer absences all year.

EIGHTH GRADE
Mrs. Hillard
Zachary Matthews
Mrs. Cooper
Fidel Espino
Jessica Montes
Mrs. Gibson
Tiffany Egbert
Faithful Attendance award winners had three or fewer absences all year.

NINTH GRADE
Mrs. Hillard
Zachary Matthews
Mrs. Cooper
Fidel Espino
Jessica Montes
Mrs. Gibson
Tiffany Egbert
Faithful Attendance award winners had three or fewer absences all year.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Shoshone Schools

hold open house

SHOSHONE — Shoshone School District will hold its School Open House/Back to School Night tonight from 6 to 8 p.m. at the school.

The event is for all students. Students will be able to meet with their teachers and may bring their school supplies.

CSJ North Side holds

self-defense class

GOODING — The College of Southern Idaho North Side Center is offering the class, Self-Defense 101. Instructor Kevin Williams, who holds a black belt in Tai Kung Fu and a blue belt in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu, will teach students more than 55 different stand-up and ground fighting positions and will introduce the basic philosophy of mixed martial arts, dojo etiquette, and basic techniques for common con-

frontation scenarios.

The class will meet from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 2 to Oct. 21, at the North Side Center. The fee for this eight-session course is \$60.

To register: 208-934-8678 or visit 202 14th Ave. E. in Gooding.

ISDB's permanent building

fund projects taking shape

GOODING — Changes are happening at the Round Building on the north end of the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind campus.

ISDB is remodeling the Round Building. Bathrooms are being updated and made handicapped accessible. Exit doors are being added to each classroom and existing doors are being widened to Americans with Disabilities Act standards. This project was approved by the Permanent Building Fund Advisory Council in May of 2006. The College of Southern Idaho North

Side Center, which has occupied the round building since 1996, remains in the same location. ProActive Advantage, a counseling and behavior modification service, also continues to lease space in the building.

The Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation, Festival of Trees will be held in the Round Building again this year. The dates of this year's festival are Dec. 4-7.

North Valley Academy, a public charter school, will be moving into a section of the ISDB Round Building and will begin classes this month 2008. In May, the Kids Discovery Center day care, formerly located in the Round Building, moved to a new location on the north end of the Infirmary Building.

The 4-H sewing/quilting room will be moving out of the Round Building this month. A new location has yet to be found for this program.

— Staff reports

Lincoln Bug Crew releases 2,500 insects

SHOSHONE — The Lincoln Bug Crew released 2,500 insects Aug. 7 across county sites on private and Bureau of Land Management lands infested with knapweed.

The crew, comprised of insects — *Larinus minutus* and *Cyphocleonus achates* — which are used to battle invasive and noxious weeds, from Integrated Weed Control in Montana.

The crew is comprised of Shoshone High School students Taylor Astle, Shelby Bozzuto, Kelele Hinchins, Cara Pantone, Dietrich High School student Shayla Porter and program supervisor Barb Astle.

Sue Haffner, a teacher at Gooding Elementary School, also joined in the release, and expressed her interest in working with the crew in a supervisory position in the future.

Though the bugs can take up to five years to battle infestations, the crew expressed its excitement over recent progress, and is currently working on releasing insects to battle Canada thistle infestations.

Lincoln County residents with noxious weed problems are encouraged to contact the bug crew at 208-806-2258, Ext. 3 and ask for the Weed Busters.



Larinus minutus.

Chelation not the best solution for diabetic with hypertension

DEAR DR. GOTT: A family member is a type-2 diabetic with high blood pressure. What do you know about oral chelation? Does it work?

DEAR READER: Oral chelation therapy, simply put, means one substance is ingested to rid the body of another. Its primary function is to rid the body of toxic metals by expelling them in the urine.



ASK DR. GOTT
Dr. Peter Gott

Chelation (ethylene-diaminetetraacetic acid, EDTA) therapy can be given orally or

intravenously and is a recognized treatment for mercury, arsenic, lead and other types of heavy-metal poisoning. However, the practice is somewhat deceptive. Its purpose is to allow toxins to be removed from the body through urination. The process is used by some physicians and alternative-medicine practitioners for the treatment of coronary

artery disease, but there have not been adequate published scientific studies using the current methodology to support its use, according to the Food and Drug Administration, National Institutes of Health and the American Heart Association. I am unaware of this treatment or of any approved studies for its use in the treatment of either diabetes

or hypertension.

In 2003, the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine and the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (components of the NIH) began a nationwide study to determine whether chelation is even mildly effective for people with coronary heart disease. When completed, the study will be larger than any

other conducted for this purpose to date. Final results are anticipated in 2010.

According to some reports unrelated to the 2003 study, there is reason to believe that prolonged use of oral EDTA is harmful. Only about 5 percent is absorbed by mouth, and while that small amount increases the excretion of

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 Kassidy Lukesh
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 Mrs. Thompson
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 Fernando Cosio
 Zack Housley
 William Lopez
 Anthony Mercado
 Jose Vicentin
 Jose Wences

FOURTH GRADE

Gooding bridge club results

GOODING — Gooding Duplicate Bridge released its results for:

July 11, Section A, first: Blainey and Beverly Burns second, Sus Skinner and Jodi Faulkner; third, Rueben Tschackoske and Veeta Roberts; and fourth, Barbara Burk and Henry Robinson.

Section B, first: Sus Skinner and Jodi Faulkner; and second, Rueben Tschackoske and Veeta Roberts.

July 18, Section A, first: Henry Robinson and Barbara Burk; second, Claire Major and Jodi Faulkner; third (tie), Don and Lorna Bard and Mary Steele and

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 Garron Aguado

Susan Faulkner, Section B; first, Claire Major and Jodi Faulkner; and second (tie), Don and Lorna Bard and Mary Steele and Susan Faulkner.

July 25, Section A, first: Don and Lorna Bard; second, Max Thompson and Al Poynter; third, Claire Major and Susan Faulkner.

Section B, first: Don and Lorna Bard; and second Claire Major and Susan Faulkner.

Duplicate bridge is played Fridays at 1 p.m. at the Gooding Senior Center, 308 Senior Ave. For partnership information or directions, call Kathy Rooney at 208-934-9732.

Ice cream festival planned

HEYBURN — Gosner Foods and Upper Crust Grill present the Diamond Field Juck Wild West Ice Cream Fest from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the Riverside Park in Heyburn.

The event will include music in the sunbather by the Idaho Old Time Fiddlers, and Strings Attached, a bluegrass band. Opening the event will be Snake River

Flats, directed by Sharon Hardy-Mills. Gosner's ice cream and cobbler by team Dudi Delights (Dian Mayfield and Omar Alvarez) will be available.

Admission to the event will be \$5 per person at the gate. There will an additional charge for second servings.

For more information: Julie at 208-219-2721 or Omar at 208-312-7025.

Wood River grants to be awarded

KEITCHUM — The Wood River Women's Charitable Foundation will present grants totaling \$104,000 to six Wood River Valley nonprofit organizations. The ceremony and the foundation's annual meeting will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesday at the NextStage Theatre, 120 S. Main St., Keitchum. The event is open to the public for the first time this year. Reservations are requested at membership@wrwomen.org.

This year's grants from the foundation are as follows:

Wood River Sawtooth Emergency Pediatric Medical Services Project will receive \$29,500 to create protocols, training and education for pediatric care, given by first responders, including emergency medical technicians, ski patrol and search and rescue team members.

Woodsdale Elementary School in Halley. **Blaine County School District/Probation Department** will receive \$25,000 to fund two additional days of the Connections Project, which currently meets three days a week. It provides a constructive alternative to out-of-school suspensions for at-risk youth.

Blaine County Senior Council will receive funds to purchase a \$15,000 software program to replace manual tracking of all center services. It will cover mailing, meals, financial records, payroll, volunteers, outreach management notes, drug and food allergies, ride coordination and medical information for each senior.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters, now being formed in Blaine County, will receive \$10,000 to coordinate all of the mentoring programs in Blaine County as an affiliate of the Treasure Valley program.

La Allianz, the Latino cen-

ter in Halley that opened earlier this year, will receive \$5,000 for operational support. The foundation provided an additional \$20,000 last year.

More than 50 organizations applied for a total of \$710,000 in funds this year. A grants committee reviews all applications and forwards the ones that most closely fit the organization's goals to the general membership for the final vote. Each member has one vote in determining how the grant dollars are allocated.

The Foundations' 125-plus members each donate \$1,000 a year plus \$50 for administrative expenses. At least half of each donation is pooled for grants that are expected to make a significant impact on

community needs. The other \$500 can go to the pooled grant fund or to one or two other nonprofits of the member's choice.

"Many of our members donate their entire \$1,000 to the pooled funds, and several nonmembers even donated to our pool this year," said Foundation President Jo Murray. "Part of our mission is to educate the community, both full-time and part-time residents, about needs here, and this is why we are opening our meeting to the public this year."

Women interested in joining the group can contact the foundation at info@wrwomen.org or 208-570-8004.

Blaine County Hunger Coalition was awarded \$19,500 to help fund a pilot program to provide summer breakfasts and lunches at

Dr. Gott

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lead, it also removes and blocks greater amounts of zinc, manganese and other essential nutritional dietary elements, causing deficiencies. The remaining 95 percent is unabsorbed and remains within the digestive tract, where it mixes with essential nutrients and undigested food and causes them to be excreted in the stool.

According to some reports, oral EDTA chelation has been marketed deceptively for a number of years. Nutritional supplements containing vitamins, amino acids, antioxidants and chelated minerals are often advertised and marketed as oral chelation, but this is misleading advertising. A person taking the supplements may feel better, but the process is not true chelation.

I strongly urge your family

member to try to control the diabetes through diet, exercise and the judicious use of medication under a primary-care physician's guidance. Hypertension, if not controlled with diet and exercise, can be controlled with prescription medication. Call me old fashioned, but I prefer to bypass questionable therapy for methods that have been proven to work successfully. I cannot endorse chelation.

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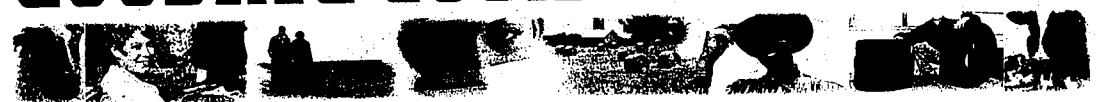
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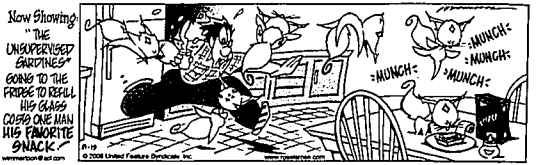
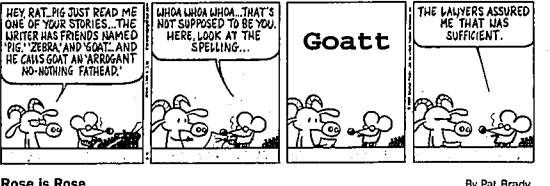
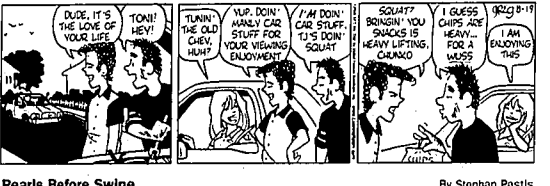
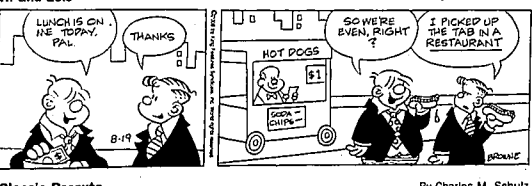
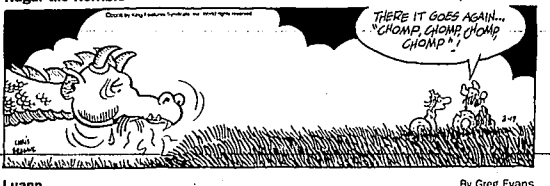
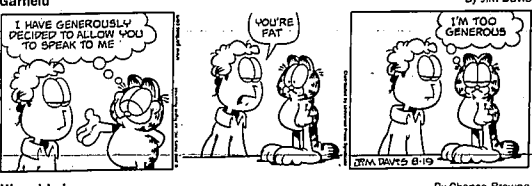
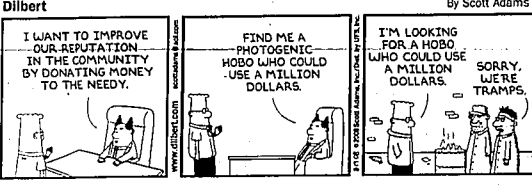
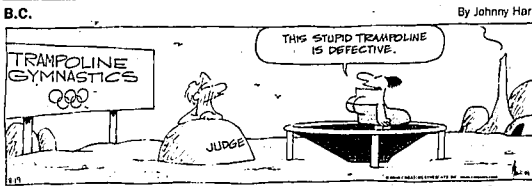
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Cody R Hanks

BURLIEY — Cody R. Hanks, age 29, of Burley, died Saturday, Aug. 16, 2008, in Twin Falls, as a result of a train accident.

He was born Nov. 23, 1978, to Boyd Ellis Hanks and Kristine Vorwallter Hanks. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and, at the time of his death, he was employed at Keith's Cars and Trucks as an automotive technician. He had attended the College of Southern Idaho and graduated as a certified diesel mechanic. He married Tiffany Rae Fanson and two sons were born to this marriage. They fathered three children. He is survived by his parents, Boyd and Kristine Hanks of Burley; his grandparents, Mary T. Hanks, and

Richard N. and Laura Lee Vorwallter all of Burley; three brothers, Ryan (Ann) Hanks, Kelly (Carmille) Hanks, and Logan (Kori) Hanks; all of Burley; three sisters, Jenny (Jim) Cottom, Holly (Wes) Higley and Annalee (Skylar) Mabey, all of Burley; two sons, Quade Owen Hanks and Bryan Stone Hanks of Twin Falls; one daughter, Aspen Leigh Hanks; Cody's fiancée, Chantell Smith of Burley; and 17 nieces and nephews who really loved their Uncle Cody. He was preceded in death by his grandfather, LaMar Stone Hanks.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 21, at the Star LDS Church, 100 S. 200 W. of Burley, with Bishop Kirk Carpenter officiating. Burial will be in Gem Memorial Gardens. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Thursday at the church.

Richard Jacob Reichard

HEROME — Richard Jacob Reichard passed away at the Birchwood Care facility August 16. He was the son of Jacob and Edith Reichard and was born in North Wellington, Ohio, on Jan. 24, 1919. At the age of 2, the family moved to Shelby, Ohio, where he graduated from high school. He received his bachelor of music degree from Wittenburg University at Springfield, Ohio.



At the onset of World War II, he enlisted in the Navy and following flight training became a dive bomb instructor based in New Mexico and Texas. After his discharge from the service, the dean of the Music department at the University of Idaho (formerly of the Wittenburg Music faculty) invited him to come to Idaho. He was employed by the Moscow City Schools as band and orchestra director. There he met his future wife, Gene Rickets, who was the choral instructor. There were married two years later, completed their master's degrees and came to Jerome to help Gene's ailing father with the family farm. They built a home and turned their surroundings into a recreational park-like area for children who wished to develop their creative skills. Richard supported his wife in this endeavor including transforming the garage into

a marionette theatre. A miniature observatory, built by Bill Mason, husband of a former puppeteer, was later added.

After retiring from farming, Richard was very active in many community enterprises including serving on the board of the Good Roads District, directing a barber shop chorus, a church choir, and singing with the Magic Valley Chorale. As director of the Community Action Agency, he got the first year-round Head Start program started in Jerome. He was very proud of this agency which began with seven students and now has 77 plus a long waiting list.

He suffered an irreversible stroke in 2004 and has been cared for by the Birchwood Retirement Estates in Twin Falls.

He is survived by his wife, Gene Reichard; a niece, Lee Ann Kingston of Milwaukee, Wis.; and numerous other nephews and grand-nephews.

A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. The Rev. Randall Davis will be officiating; music will be by Nathaniel Davis. Pallbearers will be Terry Martin, Lyndon Jackson, Kenneth Thomsen, Randall Davis, Lonnie Lickley and Ryan Stowers. Memorial contributions can be made to the Northside Head Start. Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obit@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

DEATH NOTICES

Jack B. Hurd

MURTAUGH — Jack B. Hurd, 83, of Murtaugh, died Sunday, Aug. 17, 2008, at his home.

The funeral will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 22, at the Murtaugh LDS Church, 23709 Highway 30; visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 21, and 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Friday at the church.

Henry R. Snoderly

BURLEY — Henry Ross "Hank" Snoderly, 70, of Burley, died Saturday, Aug. 16, 2008, at his home.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, at the Burley West LDS Stake Center, 2420 Parke Ave.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Rachel H. Gorringer

BURLEY — Rachel H. Gorringer, 88, of Burley, died Monday, Aug. 18, 2008, at Parke View Care and Rehabilitation Center in Burley.

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Jimmy Kennison

RICHFIELD — Jimmy Kennison, 17, of Richfield, died Sunday, Aug. 17, 2008, in Lincoln County.

Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Davina N. Benson

JEROME — Davina Nutsch Benson, 30, of Jerome, died Monday, Aug. 18, 2008, in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Martin Lejardi

GOODING — Martin Lejardi, 77, of Gooding, died Sunday, Aug. 17, 2008, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Kerry H. Spizel

KETCHUM — Kerry H. Spizel, 61, died Sunday, Aug. 17, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Cremation is under the direction of Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel.

Ernestine Wiley Roach

Ernestine Roach, one of nine children, was born to Henry and Bertha Mauck on April 15, 1911, in Lowery, S.D. Her early years were spent on the farm, assisting with farm activities and in the raising of her siblings. In September 1934, she married Ernest Wiley, and that marriage, were born three children, Violeta (Bramhall), Charles and Charlotte (Frazier). Ernestine and Ernest Wiley worked side-by-side in the development and success of Coast to Coast Stores, both in Malta and later in Billings, Mont. The Billings business was sold when Mr. Wiley suffered ill health and both Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, along with their son, Charles, opened Champion Auto Stores in several Montana locations. Mr. Wiley passed away in 1976.

Mrs. Roach was predeceased by all of her siblings, by Mr. Wiley and by one precious grandson, Brian Wiley. She is survived by her children, Vi Bramhall (Mike), Charles (Mary), (Marilyn), and Charlotte Frazier (Don); as well as grandchildren, Karye Wiley Stone, David and Robert Wiley, and Lori, Kristy and Kirk Barnum.



Surviving great-grandchildren include Laura Wiley Strachen and Kirsten Wiley of Bozeman, Mont.; Kurt Wiley of Grand Junction, Colo.; Kayla and Jarren Stone of northern California; and Lauren and Neil Mesonic of Southern California, and Chase McKinley Barnum of Alaska. Mrs. Roach also leaves great-grandchildren, a special friend, and a nephew, Brian Lee Ryan, Sophia Strachen and Sawyer Strachen, all of Bozeman.

A service is planned for 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 23, at the Billings Funeral Chapel in Billings.

Memorials may be directed to the Billings Masonic Center, or to Curry Retirement Estates where the staff provided excellent and loving care. The mailing address for Curry Retirement Estates is 2538 A E. 3800 N., Twin Falls, ID 83403. Local funeral arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

Robert John Satterwhite

WOODINVILLE, Wash. — Robert John Satterwhite, 44 years of age, passed away unexpectedly Friday, Aug. 15, 2008, at his home in Woodinville, Wash.

Bob was an avid soccer, soccer enthusiast and outdoor adventurer, enjoying many memorable outings with his friends and wife, Lene Melvig Satterwhite. Robert was an avid traveler for just a short time, had the opportunity to ski and travel to many countries and enjoy their special relationship over the past 18 years. Robert worked for 30-plus years in the high technology field and for the past six years was a senior technical evangelist with Microsoft.

Robert was born in Twin Falls on Dec. 3, 1963, and moved with his family to Tacoma, Wash., at the age of 5. He attended Cloverpark High School, participating in soccer and other athletic activities. His college studies included computer science and information technology. These studies opened a challenging and exciting professional path for him, and he totally

immersed himself in the industry, working for a variety of companies worldwide.

Robert was preceded in death by his mother, Linda Humphrey Satterwhite, in 2005; his father, John E. Satterwhite in 1970; and his sister, Stacey in 1970. He is survived by his two brothers, Kevin Satterwhite and Steven Douglas Satterwhite, both of Tacoma, Wash.; uncles and aunts, David and Karen Humphrey, Melvin Bob and Kathleen Satterwhite, and Larry and Janet Satterwhite, all of Boise, and Neel and Gladys Satterwhite of Pocatello.

Celebration of his life and services is being planned for 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 21, at the Bear Creek United Methodist Church, 16530 Avondale Road NE in Woodinville, Wash. (98077). Two separate memorial services will be held later in Idaho at the ski-slipsides in Washington.

In lieu of flowers, donations to any bank of America in the name of Robert J. Satterwhite.

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Juston Walter Wolfe

GRAND VIEW — Juston Walter Wolfe, 15, of Grand View, passed away Friday, Aug. 15, 2008, at his home.

A celebration of his life and love will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, at the Glenns Ferry High School in Glenns Ferry. Arrangements are under the direction of Rost Funeral Home, McMurry Chapel in Home.

Juston was born June 1, 1993, the son of William and Victoria Wolfe. Juston was a beloved son, brother, grandson and friend. He attended Grand View Elementary, Canus County Elementary, Glenns Ferry Middle School, and Glenns Ferry High. He was a class treasurer of the Class of 2011 and participated in many sports and activities.

Juston loved everything about the outdoors — hunting, snowmobiling, motorcycle riding and sports. He had a love for horses, power, but his ultimate passion was football, with wrestling coming in a close second. Baseball and track filled his springtime. He had a love for fishing, and he worked hard and played hard. Summers were filled with farming, and he was a skilled operator. He could

drive anything. His freshman awards included aVarsity Polio award his first game, Wingham Award for Best Catcher, Coaches Award for Baseball and Star Chapter FFA Greenhand Award. He was the District Heavyweight Champ, and he proudly placed sixth in state, even with a broken rib. He competed in America Professionals of Business Regions, placing first, and competed at state. He was an excellent student and ranked second in his class. Juston was most proud when his efforts resulted in a positive gain for his team.

Juston is survived by his parents, Billy and Vickie Wolfe of Grand View; his sisters, Christina Harger from Mill City, Nev., and Jerrietta of Grand View; his grandmothers, Mid-Jenny of Ridgefield, Wash., and Anne Wolfe of Grand View; and many aunts, uncles and cousins across the United States. He was preceded in death by his uncle, Jerry Wolfe of Gooding, grandfather, J.W. Connolly of Ridgefield, Wash., and Hue Dean Wolfe of Grand View.

Memorial contributions may be made to the school in Juston's name for a memorial trophy and tournament: Glenns Ferry High School, 693 N. Bannock Ave., Glenns Ferry, ID 83623.

SERVICES

Virgins Lee Stroppe Spafford of Kimberly, viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Betty LaLaine Willhoit of Twin Falls, funeral at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the LDS Church, 667 Harrison St. in Twin Falls; graveside service

at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Wendell Cemetery; visitation from 9:30 to 10 a.m. Wednesday at the church (Demaray's Wendell Chapel).

Harold D. Ward of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Wendell American Legion Hall (Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel).

Derby winning filly Genuine Risk dies

The Associated Press

Genuine Risk was a fabulous filly who dared to take on the boys in the 1980 Kentucky Derby, and wound up in the winner's circle draped in a blanket of roses. One of just three fillies to win America's greatest race, Genuine Risk died Monday at Newstead Farm in Upperville, Va., at the advanced age of 31. Hall of Fame trainer Jerry Jolley said an "unbelievable determination to win" made Genuine Risk a horse for the ages.

"She wanted to win and she would run so hard that

after some of her races, she jolted practically would lay down for three or four days," Jolley said in a telephone interview from Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

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California top court: Docs can't withhold care to gays

Paul Elias
Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — California's highest court on Monday barred doctors from invoking their religious beliefs as a reason to deny treatment to gays and lesbians, ruling that state law prohibiting sexual orientation discrimination extends to the medical profession.

Justice Joyce Kennard wrote that two Christian fertility doctors who refused to artificially inseminate a lesbian

have neither a free speech right nor a religious exemption from the state's law, which "imposes on business establishments certain anti-discrimination obligations."

In the lawsuit that led to the ruling, Guadalupe Benitez, 36, of Occidente said the doctors treated her with fertility drugs and instructed her how to inseminate herself at home but told her their beliefs prevented them from inseminating her. One of the doctors drove her to another fertility specialist without moral

"It was clear and emphatic that discrimination has no place in doctors' offices."

— Attorney Jennifer Pizer

objections, and Benitez has since given birth to three children.

Nevertheless, Benitez in 2001 sued the Vista-based North Coast Women's Care Medical Group. She and her lawyers successfully argued that state law prohibiting businesses from discriminating based on sexual orientation applies to doctors.

The law was originally designed to prevent hotels, restaurants and other public services from refusing to serve patrons because of their race. The Legislature has since expanded it to cover characteristics such as age

and sexual orientation.

"It was an awful thing to go through," Benitez said. "It was very painful — the fact that you have someone telling you they will not help you because of who you are, that they will deny your right to be a mother and have a family."

Benitez has given birth to three children through artificial insemination — Gabriel, 6, and twin daughters, Sophia and Shane, who turn 3 this weekend. She is raising them in Occidente with her long-time partner, Joanne Clark.

Jennifer Pizer, Benitez's attorney, said that the ruling was "a victory for public health" and that she expected it to have nationwide influence.

"It was clear and emphatic that discrimination has no place in doctors' offices," Pizer said.

The ruling was unanimous and a succinct 18 pages, a contrast to the state Supreme Court's 4-3 schism in May legalizing marriage between same-sex couples.

What storm? Florida residents take Fay in stride

By Brian Skoff
Associated Press writer

KEY WEST, Fla. — Two years since a hurricane lashed at Florida, many residents were taking a wait-and-see attitude Monday as a strengthening Tropical Storm Fay bore down on the Florida Keys and Gulf Coast.

While tourists caught the last flight out of town and headed out of the storm's path, residents in the carefree Florida Keys were putting up hurricane shutters and checking their generators, but not doing much more.

"We're not worried about it. We've seen this movie before," said 58-year-old guest house manager who lives on a sailboat in Key West and was buying food, water and whiskey.

By midafternoon, heavy rains moving ahead of Fay's core were pelting the low-lying Keys island chain. Sustained winds of about 33 mph bent palm trees, and some gusts hit 51 mph.

The sixth named storm in the Atlantic hurricane season was expected to become a hurricane before curling up the state's western coast and hitting Florida's mainland sometime Tuesday.

"There are bad storms and there are nice ones, and this is a nice one," said Betsy Weldon, a 43-year-old guest house manager in Key West. "It cleans out all the trees, it gives people a little work to do and it gets the tourists out of here for a few days."

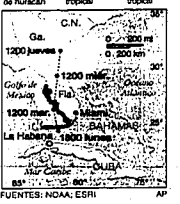
Others were worried that complacency could cost lives, repeatedly urging people across the state to take Fay seriously. The message got through to tourists — Monroe County Mayor Mario Di Genaro estimated 25,000 fled the Keys. Some residents have taken steps since the busy 2004-05 storm years, when eight hurricanes battered Florida Keys, such as buying generators and strengthening homes, but not everyone is as prepared.

"This is not the type of storm that's going to rip off a

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lot of roofs or cause the type of damage we normally see in a large hurricane," said Craig Fugate, the state's emergency management chief.

However, Fugate said: "I've seen as many people die when I have a blob-shaped asymmetrical storm that they dismiss as not being very dangerous."

The state took every step to make sure it was ready. National Guard troops were at the ready and more were waiting in reserve, and 20 truckloads of tarps, 200 truckloads of water and 52 truckloads of food had arrived.

One who did heed the call to prepare was Chris Fleeman, a 35-year-old mechanic on Big Pine Key who was busy helping friends and family members seal up their homes.

"I got a generator and I got a concrete home that I built myself, so I know it can withstand this," Fleeman said.

Since 2006, Florida has taken several steps to make sure its residents are prepared. More than 400,000 houses were inspected under a program that provides grants to people to strengthen their homes.

FACING IMPEACHMENT AND STARING DOWN A POWER STRUGGLE, PAKISTAN'S PRESIDENT

MUSHARRAF STEPS DOWN

By Stephen Graham
Associated Press writer

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Pervez Musharraf resigned Monday as the president of Pakistan, avoiding a power struggle with rivals vowing to impeach him that would have deepened the country's political crisis.

His exit, announced in an emotional televised address, leaves the politicians who pushed out the stalwart U.S. ally to face the Islamic militants and economic problems gnawing at this nuclear-armed nation.

There is a huge challenge ahead, said Shafiqat Mahmood, a former government minister and prominent political analyst. "Now this whole Musharraf excuse makes no sense. Now people are going to be focusing on their performance."

Musharraf's departure after nearly nine divisive years in power was widely expected after months of rising pressure for him to leave, culminating in the threat to bring impeachment charges to Parliament last week.

A diminished figure since he resigned as army chief in November and found himself cut out of policymaking by the civilian government, the 65-year-old former general left the presidency amid a palpable lack of overt support from either of his main props — the army and Washington.

Underlining how the West has already moved on, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice offered "deep gratitude" for Musharraf's decision to join the U.S.-led fight against extremists following the Sept. 11 attacks, saying he "served as a good ally of the United States."

But she was careful to sig-

nal strong support for the civilian government that pushed him aside.

"We believe that respect for the democratic and constitutional processes in that country is fundamental to Pakistan's future and its fight against terrorism," Rice said.

Still, Musharraf's demise throws up a string of critical questions, including whether the ruling coalition will hold together without his common foe and whether the main parties will maintain Musharraf's close alliance with the U.S.

Musharraf's departure is unlikely to have a significant impact on how Pakistan's nuclear weapons are controlled, however. Experts say a 10-member committee, and not just the president, makes decisions on how to use them.

In an hour-long address devoted largely to defending his record, Musharraf listed the many problems now facing Pakistan, including its sinking economy and a chronic power shortage, and suggested his opponents were targeting him to mask their own failings.



Outgoing Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf salutes as he leaves the presidential house in Islamabad, Pakistan, on Monday. Musharraf announced his resignation Monday, ending a nearly nine-year tenure that opponents said was hampering the country's shaky return to democracy.



Key dates in Musharraf's tenure

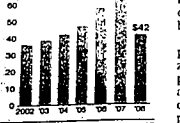
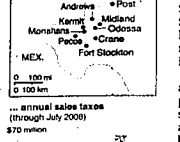
- Oct. 7, 1998: Appoints himself president of Pakistan while staying in Iran.
- May 2, 1999: Indian troops attack Kashmir.
- Oct. 12, 1999: Takes power in a coup.
- June 20, 2001: Appoints Musharraf while staying army chief.
- Sept. 11, 2001: Throws Pakistan's support to America after al-Qaida's attacks in the U.S.
- April 30, 2002: Holds a referendum to secure support to continue as president for a five-year term.
- December, 2003: Declares state of emergency, suspending the constitution and appoints himself judges.
- Dec. 20, 2004: Reneges on promise to resign as army chief; gains support of parliament to stay on until 2007.
- Oct. 6, 2007: Wins presidential election boycotted by many opponents.
- Nov. 3, 2007: Declares state of emergency, suspending the constitution and appoints himself judges.
- Nov. 23, 2007: Steps down as army chief.
- Feb. 18, 2008: Parliamentary elections bring Musharraf's opponents to power.
- Aug. 6, 2008: Islamic coalition leaders announce they will seek Musharraf's impeachment.

West Texas oil patch towns reap benefits of boom

Oil generating sales

The oil boom has pumped millions of dollars into the economies of West Texas. That is reflected in sales tax revenues received for goods and services.

Permian Basin cities and ...



By Betsy Blaney and Alicia A. Caldwell
Associated Press writers

KERMIT, Texas — Around the country, Americans are tightening their belts, scrapping vacation plans, caring more dinners at home, getting rid of their SUVs and watching "For Sale" signs linger on front lawns. But in oil-and-gas rich West Texas, folks are living large — again.

Most homes sell quickly and command premium prices. Hotel rooms are in scant supply. Gas guzzlers are rolling off auto dealers' lots. Jobs are plentiful in the oil and gas fields and the businesses that serve them.

Drillers and energy companies are reaping a bonanza from the run-up in oil that pushed the price past \$140 a barrel this summer. This oil town of just over 5,100 people about 45 miles west of Odessa is awash in pros-

perity, and it's the same story across the rest of the Permian Basin, where about 20 percent of U.S. oil is produced.

So far, the boom has brought in hundreds of millions dollars to the region and more than 26,000 new jobs. In Midland and Odessa, the backbone of the region, the unemployment rates are the lowest in Texas, at just over 3.1 and 3.7 percent for July. That compares to 4.7 percent statewide and a U.S. average of 5.7 percent.

"Help Wanted" signs hang outside many restaurants, which frequently must turn away diners or close off sections when the crush of customers overwhelms the waiters and waitresses.

"There's just not enough people to work in the restaurants. The pay is so much better" in the oilfields, said Roy Gillean, owner of the Barn Door

Steakhouse in Odessa and the head of the Permian Basin chapter of the Texas Restaurant Association.

While plummeting home prices and record-high foreclosures have hit neighborhoods across the U.S., this region is seeing the opposite. In Midland County, homes typically stay on the market for only a month, and prices are up 16.5 percent from last year.

That's not good news for many would-be homebuyers and others lured here by well-paying oilfield jobs.

Midland travel agent C.W. Porter and his wife have been looking for a home for about six months, which is about the time it takes to sell one in many other parts of the country. They have not found anything at the right price or location.

"Prices keep going up because they know they can get it," Porter said of sellers. "Everyone's got money."

Seeking ugly women for Outback's lonely hearts

By Kristen Gelinau
Associated Press writer

SYDNEY, Australia — Life can get a little lonely for bachelors in the Australian Outback mining town of Mount Isa. So the mayor has offered up a solution: recruit ugly women.

Mayor John Molony found himself under attack Monday over comments he made to a local newspaper that read: "May I suggest if there are five bitches to every girl, we should find out where there are beauty-disadvantaged women and ask them to proceed to Mount Isa."

The mayor added that many women who already live in the remote Queensland state town seem quite happy.

"Quite often you will see walking down the street a lass

who is not so attractive with a wide smile on her face," he continued. "Whether it is recollection of something previous or anticipation for the next evening, there is a degree of happiness."

The quotes, published Saturday in the *Townsville Bulletin*, sparked outrage among the town's female population, led to furious online debates and drew criticism from the local chamber of commerce.

"There's a lot of anger circulating among the community at the moment — a lot of passionate anger," Mount Isa Chamber of Commerce manager Patricia O'Callaghan said Monday. "There's a lot of women voicing their opinions."

Molony declined to elaborate on his comments Monday.

INSIDE: Celebrated Chinese hurdler unable to compete, D2



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Leaps and bounds: BSU boasts bevy of talented receivers

By Dustin Lapray
Times-News correspondent

Austin Pettis is the leaper. Thus Young is the speedy deep threat. Julian Hawkins is the seldom-heralded big guy who goes over the middle. Vinny Ferraris is the route-runner extraordinaire with toughness to boot.

Tanyon Bissell is a senior, who may be the best blocker of the bunch, and also plays quarterback in option sequences. There's Toshi Franklin, a much improved player his senior season.

And, oh yeah, Jeremy Childs has it all. The leading receiver from last season returns to round out the most

Position profile

This is the third in a series of position unit stories on the Boise State football team. Coming Wednesday, a look at BSU's defensive backs.

The talented receiving corps ever to grace Lyle Smith Field. "I think they understand their role, where they need to fit in the offense," said assistant head coach Brent Pease, who coaches the receivers. "They all contribute on special teams. They all want to be as versatile as they can. That's one way they are going to open up our package on offense."

Perretta and Young will field most of the returns this season.

Franklin may have made the greatest leap this summer. He catches more balls,

runs better routes and is simply open more often.

"I don't know who (Franklin) was training with in the off-season," Young said. "But he must have been training with someone because he's looked real impressive."

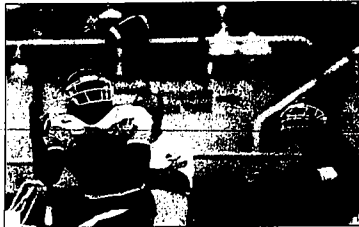
Regardless of his improvements, Franklin still has to sit behind the speed and athleticism of the starting unit. "It's a tough lineup to crack with as much seniority at the top, but from top to bottom they are all very close," Pease said. "It's not like there is division. I think we're comfort-



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able with one through 10 being able to play. The young guys will develop as years go on."

Mitch Burroughs and Tyler Shoemaker are local guys who may earn time. But Chris Potter surely will. Potter played quarterback last season at Oaks Christian High School in Westlake Village, Calif. He should eventually take over the role of Bissell and Perretta, both of whom will play quarterback in the



Boise State receiver Jeremy Childs leads in a 45-yard touchdown pass during the Broncos intrasquad scrimmage Saturday at Bronco Stadium.

option sets. In short, the unit is loaded. Pettis (6-3, 202 pounds) and Hawkins (6-3, 223) are

the biggest players. They get the fades and routes over the

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Still building

Work moves forward at Canyon Ridge, Twin Falls High

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

The Twin Falls School District is waist deep in construction projects this school year, including work on athletics facilities.

The district's Facilities Manager, Dale Thornsberry, gave the *Times-News* an update Friday as work continued at the site of the new Canyon Ridge High School and at Twin Falls High School. Bruin Stadium is nearly finished, while Baun Gymnasium will undergo major work during the school year.

"It'll be a disruption, but there's no way around it," Thornsberry said.

Twin Falls High

Bruin Stadium is nearly finished. It just needs one last piece: a press box.

The project originally called for the old press box to be saved, but officials had "major concerns" about the structure's integrity, according to Thornsberry. The same company that refurbished the bleacher seats and floorboards, Texas-based Steel Stadiums, will fabricate a new box. Installation is scheduled for early September.

Thornsberry said that the stadium project came in well under budget at around \$500,000. District officials' initial estimates placed it around \$700,000 to 750,000.

Baun Gymnasium needs more locker space for the 2009-10 school year's incoming ninth graders. The

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Construction crews continued work Friday on the Canyon Ridge High School gymnasium.



The newly rebuilt bleachers of the Twin Falls High School Bruin Stadium reflect sunlight off of the new metal Friday afternoon in Twin Falls.

BY TIM HODSON/Times-News

Today's TV Highlights

- U.S. women's volleyball vs. Italy, NBC, 8 a.m.
- Track & field gold medal finals, men and women's events, NBC, 6 p.m. & 10:35 p.m.
- Men's basketball quarterfinals, USA, midnight

U.S. men complete romp through pool play; Aussies next

The Associated Press

BEIJING — The U.S. Olympic team put away Dick Novitski and Germany in a hurry.

Next up: the only team so far these Americans couldn't blow out.

After destroying Germany 106-57 on Monday, the Americans (5-0) move on to a quarterfinal matchup Wednesday against Australia, the team that's provided them with their toughest test in China.

The U.S. led by only seven points midway through the fourth quarter of an 87-76 exhibition victory in Shanghai two weeks ago over an Australian team that didn't have starting center Andrew Bogut of the Milwaukee Bucks. He was resting a sore right ankle.

It's hard to imagine a repeat of that semi-Shanghai surprise with the way the U.S. has played in Beijing. Dwight Howard scored 22 points and LeBron James had 18, 16 in the first half, Monday as the United States completed an undefeated march through pool play.

Not since the Dream Team rumbled through Las Ramblas 16 years ago in Barcelona has a team been this dominant. The Americans won their pool games by 32.2 points and averaged 103 points.

The only thing they might have to work on is Kobe Bryant's dunking. He blew two Monday, but hit three 3-pointers after going only 5-of-24 in the first four games.

Bryant finished with 13 points as the Americans shot 55 percent from the floor and tossed in 11 more 3-pointers after making 12 in their last game.

Nowitzki, the Dallas Mavericks All-Star, scored 14 points for Germany (1-4).

Replacing a legend

Joyce steps in for Broadhead

By Ryan Howe
Times-News writer

Chris Joyce has an idea of how Aaron Rogers must feel in Green Bay.

Not that he's had to endure the same daily drama or media circus that the Packers' quarterback had the past few weeks, but Joyce is finding out how it feels to replace a local legend.

Minico's senior quarterback is stepping into the shoes of gunslinger Dane Broadhead, who led the Spartans to three consecutive Great Basin Conference West titles while shattering every school passing record along the way. Broadhead threw for an eye-popping 6,523 yards and 60 touchdowns in his high school career, causing Spartan fans to buzz about how their team will fare without its star QB.

Still, Joyce isn't bothered by outside expectations.

"I'm not worried about it," Joyce said, a senior. "I don't really worry about what everybody else thinks. I know what I can do, so I just focus on doing what I can do."

Part of Joyce's easy-going demeanor stems from his athletic experience. Although he'll



Senior quarterback Chris Joyce will make his first varsity start Aug. 29 when the Spartans host Century.

start his first varsity football game at home versus Century on Aug. 29, he's already played in big games. Joyce has been a starter on the Spartans' baseball team since his sophomore

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TFHS grad Ward aims for ISU roster

By Mark Uptak
Times-News correspondent

POCATELLO — He's seen the best and worst of times on a football field — personally, physically and for his team. Now former Twin Falls player Bryant Ward is starting over as a walk-on tight end at Idaho State University. So far, things couldn't be going better for him.

"It's a whole different atmosphere here at ISU," he said after a recent scrimmage in Holt Arena. "The guys here all want to play football, I'm really enjoying myself."

Ward began his high school career with the Bruins as a quarterback, and showed promise. But a shoulder injury caused him to miss a full season, and when he came back, he primarily played at tight end.

Twin Falls also saw it's program blown out, going from the high of being Class 5A state champions to losing games in the most frustrating fashion, like dropping an overtime game to Century High School when the Diamondbacks were able to score two touchdowns in the final three minutes of regulation to force a tie.

Needless to say, high school football was a roller coaster

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China's top hurdler Liu out with injury

BEIJING — Welcome to the rest of the Beijing Olympics — the Summer Games of 2008, A.P.

After Phelps. The games continued Monday in search of a new headliner now that Michael Phelps has towed off for the last time. The Bird's Nest seemed the likeliest place for someone to emerge and, indeed, the big news of the day came from the track.

However, it wasn't good news. It was the sighting of Chinese hurdler Liu Xiang limping to the starting blocks, trying to race through injuries and quickly finding out he couldn't.

To understand how big a deal this is, you have to understand how big a deal he is.

Liu is China's first-ever male gold medalist in track. Having won the 110 meters in Athens, folks have spent the last four years expecting him to do it again on home turf, and in this land of 1.3 billion people he's nearly as much of a celebrity — not just sports star, full-fledged celebrity — as their main man, Yao Ming.

That's why people inside the stadium end, why folks watching at subway stations gasped. Why his personal coach was too overcome with grief to speak at a news conference.

The Olympics, however, still went on Monday, without Liu or Phelps. At least there's still Usain Bolt and his herd to become the first winner of the 100-meter, 200-meter races since Carl Lewis in 1984.

Bolt was second in his opening-round heat of the 100 meters and then he really won his quarterfinal heat at night, joggling down the stretch and still topping the reigning champ Shaun Crawford of the United States by seven strides.

The United States still tops the medals table, now with 72, but China continues to run away with the most golds. When the Monday races, Chinese are up to 39 (more than the overall count for any country but the U.S.), while the Americans have 22.

Also, Britain is up to 12 gold medals. It's just a race since 1920, and kids to male long jumper Irving Saladino for picking up Panama's first-ever gold in any sport.

TRACK AND FIELD
The U.S. flag finally rose at the Bird's Nest, and it came from an unexpected source when Stephanie Brown Trafton won the women's discus.



A man walks past a banner of China's gold medal hopeful Liu Xiang at the 2008 Beijing Olympics in Beijing, Monday. Liu Xiang quit a heat of the men's 110-meter hurdles due to injury during the athletics competitions earlier Monday.

cus. It went up again later when Angelo Taylor won the 400-meter hurdles, with Americans Keron Clement and Bershawn Jackson taking silver and bronze.

After capturing only one of six possible medals in the men's and women's 100, watching the 1,500-meter team of Bernard Lagat, Lopez Lomong and Leo Manzano all fail to advance past the semifinals, and seeing Terrence Trammell get hurt in the opening heat of the 110 hurdles, Brown Trafton's victory was a much-needed lift. The 400 sweep was awfully nice, too, something no country had done since the U.S. in 1960.

Despite the pain of a lingering hamstring problem and the added bother of a tendon flare-up in his right foot, national pride carried Liu to the start line.

He took off at the gun, took three strides and then began hopping on his left leg, the good one. Someone else false started, so he could have tried again, but there was no way. He pecked the lane-assignment number off each leg and headed for a tunnel.

GYMNASTICS
It's a good thing—Nastia Liukin already won the all-around, because the way she got silver in the uneven bars is enough to drive a girl nuts.

Liukin and China's He Kexin got the same score, requiring a tiebreaker because dual medals are no longer awarded in gymnastics. The details are pretty crazy; all that matters is He won and Liukin didn't. He, by the way, is among the girls who many believe is a young to be eligible for these

games.

This was Liukin's fourth medal of the games, matching her dad's haul when he competed for the Soviet Union. Coincidentally, one of Valeri Liukin's golds, on high bar in 1988, came in a tie.

Goodly, there also was a meddler for the men's vault; which went to Poland's Leszek Blanik.

When Yibing extended China's perfect run of gold by winning the still rings competition. That string ended only because no Chinese men qualified for vault.

Liukin's silver gave the United States six overall medals. China has five, including team gold.

BASEBALL
The U.S. team beat China 9-1 in a game that featured a rough play such as a homeplate collision that knocked out China's top player, a retaliatory hit batsman and three ejections.

Also—American second baseman Jayson Nik—still recovering from a foul ball off his left eye that resulted in surgery, stitches, bruises and fuzzy vision—said he hopes to still return to Olympic play.

SOFTBALL
Feel free to move on to the next section if the details of the latest U.S. run bore you.

It was a nine-run first inning against the hostesses on the way to a 9-0 win over China, leaving the Americans two wins from another gold medal. Their win streak is up to 23; two more and they get another gold before their sport goes off the docket until at least 2016.

Up next is Japan, already a 7-0 loser to the U.S., although

Olympic Medals

Through 4.9 medal events Monday through 4.85 total medal events

Country	G	S	B	Tot
United States	22	24	26	72
China	39	14	14	67
Russia	8	13	15	36
Australia	11	10	12	33
France	4	11	13	28
Britain	12	7	8	27

their race was saved for the rematch.

DIVING
China's He Chong is on top, with two medals chasing; Chris Colwill finished seventh and Troy Dumais was 12th, getting them into a semifinal Tuesday morning. The final is Tuesday night.

BEACH VOLLEYBALL
There won't be an all-American men's final.

Although top-ranked duo Todd Rogers and Troy Dalhausser rolled into the semifinals with a win over a German team, Jake Gibb and Sean Rosenthal lost to the defending Olympic champions from Brazil.

Next up for Rogers and Dalhausser is surprising Georgia on Wednesday.

WOMEN'S SOCCER
Get ready for a rematch. Just like 2004, the final will pit the United States and Brazil.

The Americans advanced by beating Japan 4-2. Brazil got there with a 4-1 victory over Germany.

CYCLING
The U.S. appears headed toward a second straight Olympics without any medals from the velodrome.

American Sarah Hammer appears headed toward a lay-off after breaking her left collarbone in a training accident. The women's points race, Jennie Reed also lost in the sprint quarterfinals.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL
The U.S. team wrapped up pool play a perfect 5-0, beating witness Japan in three sets. This was their second game with coach Hugh McCutcheon back on the sidelines. He missed the first three matches after his in-laws were attacked at a tourist spot in Beijing.

The Americans are off to the quarterfinals Wednesday against Serbia.

TABLE TENNIS
China beat Germany 3-0 to win the men's team event. South Korea beat Canada.

— The Associated Press

Lutz, Robinson defense titles at Jerome Country Club championships

Staff reports

Bob Lutz and Shauna Robinson successfully defended their respective titles at Jerome Country Club's club championship this past weekend.

Lutz fired a two-day 144 to win the championship flight's gross division. Curt Harris won the net title with a 133.

Robinson's 153 won the ladies championship for the gross division, while a 140 carried Jynda Virden the net title. Below are results.

Jerome Country Club Championships
Aug. 12-17, Jerome Country Club

Championship Flight
Gross: 1. Bob Lutz 144, 2. Kellen Nelson 145, 3. Tom Shroy 149, 4. Curt Harris 143, 5. Tom Shroy 144, 6. Jon Graham 151.

Net Flight
Gross: 1. Mark Johnson 151, 2. (tie) Hal and Dan Wood 171, 3. (tie) Troy Johnson and Ben Haff 141, 4. Tom Shroy 149, 5. Tom Shroy 149, 6. Tom Shroy 149.

Second Flight
Gross: 1. Curt Harris 133, 2. Jack Mann 137, 3. Tom Johnson 141, 4. Tom Johnson 141, 5. Tom Johnson 141, 6. Tom Johnson 141.

Women's Championship Flight
Gross: 1. Shauna Robinson 153, 2. Sally Lynn 160, 3. Jynda Virden 140, 4. Tom Shroy 149, 5. Tom Shroy 149, 6. Tom Shroy 149.

Net Flight
Gross: 1. Shauna Robinson 153, 2. (tie) Sharon Lee Schmidt, 3. (tie) Dawn Leary and Ed Person 141, 4. Tom Shroy 149, 5. Tom Shroy 149, 6. Tom Shroy 149.

Third Flight
Gross: 1. Onda Davis 187, 2. Mary Lou Allen 194, 3. (tie) Susan Roberts 193, 4. (tie) Jack Paschall and Curt Toot 200, 5. Tom Shroy 149, 6. Tom Shroy 149.

Net Flight
Gross: 1. Onda Davis 187, 2. (tie) Jack Paschall and Curt Toot 200, 3. (tie) Sharon Lee Schmidt, 4. (tie) Dawn Leary and Ed Person 141, 5. Tom Shroy 149, 6. Tom Shroy 149.

Dan Gross wins Rupert Amateur

Dan Gross fired a two-day 132 at Rupert Country Club to claim first place in the championship flight of the Rupert Amateur on Sunday. Jason Carrier and Bryce Blarborg tied for championship flight net honors with 137s.

Below are results.

Rupert Amateur
Aug. 12-17, Rupert Country Club

Championship Flight
Gross: 1. Dan Gross 132, 2. Steve Stuber 140, LUP score: Brian Smith 71, 3. (tie) Jason Carrier and Bryce Blarborg 137, 4. (tie) Jason Carrier and Bryce Blarborg 137.

Net Flight
Gross: 1. Doug Mackay 148, 2. Scott Jones 152, 3. Chuck Acker 154, LUP score: Rick Haven 76, 4. Tom Shroy 149, 5. Tom Shroy 149, 6. Tom Shroy 149.

I.F. couple wins ICGA state tourney

Larry and Val Kuback of Idaho Falls outlasted Mike and Linda Woolley of Pocatello to claim first place at the Idaho Couples Golf Association's 30th Annual State Tournament at Burley Golf Course on Sunday.

The Kubacks' victory in the second playoff hole after tying the Woolley's through 72 regulation holes.

Ron and Carolyn Beaver of Twin Falls won the championship flight with a net score of 133.6.

Below are flight winners.

Idaho Couples Golf Association 30th Annual State Tournament
State Champion: Larry and Val Kuback, Idaho Falls, 133.6. Runner-up: Ron and Carolyn Beaver, Twin Falls, 133.6. First Place: Ron and Carolyn Beaver, Twin Falls, 133.6. Second Place: Ron and Carolyn Beaver, Twin Falls, 133.6. Third Place: Ron and Carolyn Beaver, Twin Falls, 133.6. Fourth Place: Ron and Carolyn Beaver, Twin Falls, 133.6. Fifth Place: Ron and Carolyn Beaver, Twin Falls, 133.6. Sixth Place: Ron and Carolyn Beaver, Twin Falls, 133.6.

Swimming

Maguire wins six gold medals
Twin Falls resident Al Maguire won gold medals in all six of the events at the 2008 Idaho Senior Games in Boise. He claimed the 200-yard breaststroke in 5 minutes, 98.8 seconds, and won the 100 in 2:30.5. His clocking of 57.5 seconds was tops in the 50 as well.

Competing in the ages 80-85 division, Maguire also won the 50-yard butterfly (2:24.4), the 100 (2:30.5) and 200-yard individual medley (5:33) at Boise's West Family YMCA pool.

Maguire said he was surprised to win six gold medals. "We need him to provide some leadership in the huddle. He's been in situations where he's had to compete, and he's a very intelligent young man."

He's a proven winner on the junior varsity level and on the baseball diamond. Now all he has to do is to see how he performs on Friday nights.

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Joyce

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year and played for a Class 4A state title. For the past two years, he's quarterbacked Minto's junior varsity team to a combined 15-2 record and a pair of conference titles.

"Those two years got me ready for this year," Joyce said. "I played every game, and I have a lot of experience. It's just a transition from JV to varsity. We run pretty much the same running plays, but the passing plays are a little different."

We really worked a lot over the summer, getting me familiar with the varsity plays."

And some of Minto's receivers have been getting familiar with Joyce, too.

"We've been working on getting our timing and said senior wide receiver Landon Barnes, who was Broadhead's favorite receiver last year, hauling in 36 catches for 699 yards and

five touchdowns. "Dane throws a little harder, but Chris will step in and do really good."

At first, it might feel strange not seeing No. 5 playing quarterback for the

Work

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lockers will be added onto the south side of the building, meaning the current lobby, concessions and restrooms will have to go. The Architects are just a few weeks away from starting work on the project. The Canyon Ridge project, and Hummel Architects also designed Meridian's Rocky Mountain High School.

During construction, part of the Locust Street North parking lot and the sidewalk between Bann and the school's G-wing will be inaccessible. The public will have to enter Bann through the north side doors and the auxiliary gym through the west side doors of G-wing.

Canyon Ridge High

The main gym — the basketball/volleyball courts run east to west — is a different layout than Bann Gymnasium. Behind the north and east walls, there will be access to the lockers, showers, trainers' room, wrestling room and weight room. A practice court is planned on the second level atop the lockers/showers area. There is no roof yet, but the building should be

enclosed by mid-October. Interior work will continue through the winter.

North of the gym, the foundations for the running track, shot put area and tennis courts are down. The football field, also running east to west, will be inside the track, and home seating is slated for the south side of the field. The bleachers will accommodate the same number as Bann Stadium and will be built by Steel Stadiums as well. Poles to mark backstops for the varsity and junior varsity baseball and softball fields are up. Some sprinklers have been installed, and grass has been planted. The rubberized surfaces for the track and tennis courts will come in the spring.

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Ward

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ride for the 6-foot-1, 215-pound prospect.

But in Pocatello, he's starting to open up some eyes. Idaho State recruiting coordinator Nick Whitworth watched Ward at a Twin Falls and convinced him to try his luck at ISU.

Whitworth is the longest tenured coach at ISU, being the only holdover from the previous regime. He has no doubt about Ward's talents.

"Let me tell you, he can play just this week in practice he burned our best defensive back," said Whitworth. "There's no question he can play on a football field."

Ward said the decision to play in Pocatello was simple. "I liked the coaching staff, and it was nice to know that they wanted me. I know I'll get a fair chance here, but being around all this makes me realize that I made the right decision for my future."

"What if future holds for Ward is anyone's guess. There's a good chance that he'll redshirt this year.

"The coaches haven't said anything to me about it yet, but whatever they decide is fine with me."

Right now he's still trying to get used to playing against bigger, stronger, and in many cases, faster players. But Ward is coming

along. He understands the process is going to take time.

"There's a transition period. I'm working on the physical nature of things here, trying to get the technique down."

Whitworth agreed with that critique. "His biggest area right now that he has to work on is his blocking to get that will come," said Whitworth.

And with the Bengals starting to utilize their tight ends more (1:11.43) and John Zambelin, chances are good that the future will see Ward making a contribution on the field and enjoying himself while doing it.

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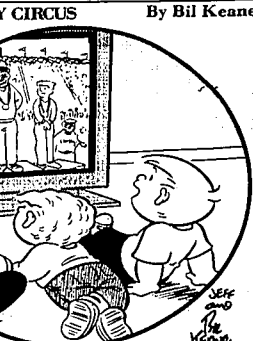
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"Nature, hating art and pains, Barks and baffles plotting brains."
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- NORTH** 08-19-A
 ♠ 10 2
 ♥ A 10 9 2
 ♦ J 10 8 2
 ♣ K 5 3
- WEST**
 ♣ Q J 4
 ♥ J 7 4
 ♦ 9 7 6 3
 ♠ A Q 9
- EAST**
 ♣ 6
 ♥ Q 8 6 5 3
 ♦ Q 4 3
 ♠ J 6 4 2
- SOUTH**
 ♣ A K 9 8 7 5 3
 ♥ A K
 ♦ A 10 8 7

Today's deal from last year's Junior European Championships indicates that experts will use low cunning even in the final stage of a match, when players are eager to get out and score up.

Imagine the play in four spades on an unbreakable diamond-spot lead by West.

You should remember to put up dummy's jack — after all, sometimes an opponent will cover. Bingo! East plays the diamond queen, and now you have a chance to make a careful play.

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

You cash the two top spades and your remaining diamond honor, then overtake your heart king with dummy's ace to take the winning diamond while pitching a club. Later you get to lead up to the club king for an overtrick.

The bidding:
 1♠ South West North East
 1♥ Pass 1NT Pass
 4♠ All pass

On Yaguph though, declarer took his eye off the ball. He played the top spades, the second diamond and the heart king, then led a trump. Now West meanly shifted to the club queen. Declarer now subjected himself to a few minutes of torture before rising with the king and recording 11 tricks.

Opening lead: Diamond five

BID WITH THE ACES

- South holds:
 ♠ 10 2
 ♥ A 10 9 2
 ♦ J 10 8 2
 ♣ K 5 3
- South West North East
 1NT ?
 2♣ ?
 3♥ ?

In another match Tomislav Gracin as West led a heart to South's king at trick one. Declarer played three rounds of spades, East pitching two hearts. Now Tomislav also found the switch to the club queen, and continued with a low club after declarer ducked. The Russian South misgessed for down one. Was this culpable? Yes. When West leads a heart from the jack at trick one, he won't have such a good club sequence on the side, will he?

ANSWER: It looks natural to compete to two diamonds. It is also reasonable to double for penalties. Your side has half the top points, at least half the clubs in the deck, and hearts are not splitting for declarer. Partner doesn't have to sit for the double if he has an off-shape hand, but nothing about the auction suggests he doesn't have what he promised.

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