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## Craig, Crapo unsure whether they'll support bailout package

Idaho Senators warn of state financial problems without Congressional action

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

WASHINGTON — Idaho's two U.S. Senators said Friday they are unsure whether they'll support historic legislation to bail out U.S. financial institutions, but warned

that if Congress doesn't act Idaho likely would not escape financial disaster.

Senators Larry Craig and Mike Crapo, after acknowledging Idaho has been mostly unharmed so far by the nation's souring economy and bursting housing bubble,

said failure by Congress to intervene could be devastating.

"The potential consequence of a failure to act could impact Main Street Twin Falls, Idaho — the ability of the car companies there to get the credit to sell the cars, the ability of banks to extend lines of credit to small businesses," Craig said in an interview in his office in Washington.

Crapo, who sits on the Senate Banking Committee, said average Idahoans would see reductions in their resources, including 401K plans, and savings accounts.

"If the dire things that are being described by the experts ... occur, then what you would have is runs on banks, and you would have hundreds and hundreds of bank failures which would presumably put pressure on

across the marketplace and not just in the United States but globally," he said. "And then what would happen is people would not be able to gain access to their own money."

Lack of credit, he added, would impact not only consumers but also entire industries such as manufacturing and technology, two of Idaho's strongest.

"Credit would not be avail-

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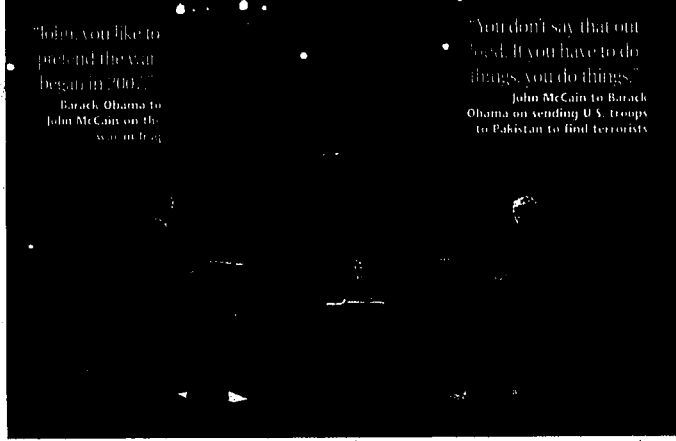
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able — the average person, the small businesses up to the large businesses," Crapo said. "It would just start rippling

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### PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE

## Pointed, but polite



"John, you like to pretend the war began in 2007."  
Barack Obama to John McCain on the war in Iraq

"You don't say that out loud. If you have to do things, you do things."  
John McCain to Barack Obama on sending U.S. troops to Pakistan to find terrorists

Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., left, and Republican presidential candidate Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., take part in the first of three presidential debates Friday in the Gertrude Castellow Ford Center at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Miss.

## McCain, Obama clash over war and taxes in first debate

By Beth Fosby  
Associated Press writer

OXFORD, Miss. — John McCain accused Barack Obama of compiling "the most liberal voting record in the United States Senate" Friday night in their first debate of a close campaign for the White House. The Democrat shot back, "Mostly that's just me opposing George Bush's wrong-headed policies."

Obama said his Republican rival has been a loyal supporter of the unpopular president across the past eight years, adding that the current economic crisis is "a final verdict on eight years of failed economic policies pro-

moted by President Bush and supported by Sen. McCain." The two men clashed over spending, taxes, energy and — at length — the war in Iraq during their 90-minute debate.

McCain accused his younger rival of an "incredible thing of voting to cut off funds for troops in Iraq and Afghanistan," a reference to legislation that cleared the Senate more than a year ago.

Obama disputed that, saying he had opposed funding in a bill that presented a "blank check" to the Pentagon while McCain had opposed money in legislation that included a timetable for troop withdrawal.

Obama opposed the inva-

sion of Iraq in 2002, before he was a member of Congress, while voted to authorize the war as a member of the Senate.

"You were wrong" on Iraq, Obama repeated three times in succession. "John, you like to pretend the war began in 2007."

McCain replied that Obama has refused to acknowledge the success of the troop buildup in Iraq that McCain recommended and Bush announced more than a year ago.

The two presidential candidates stood behind identical wooden lecterns on stage at the performing arts center at the University of Mississippi for the first

three scheduled debates with less than six weeks remaining until Election Day. The two vice presidential candidates will meet next week for their only debate.

The 47-year-old Obama is seeking to become the nation's first black president. McCain, 72, is hoping to become the oldest first-term chief executive in history — and he made a few jokes at his own expense.

"I've been around a while," he said at one point. "Were you afraid I couldn't hear you?" he said at another after Obama repeated a comment.

It was a debate that almost didn't happen. McCain

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## Otter orders 1 percent cuts; more possible

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter on Friday ordered state agencies and institutions to immediately cut \$27 million more in fiscal year 2009 spending and told them to delay another \$40.8 million in expenditures due to worries that the economy will worsen.

His decree slashes Idaho's budget by 1 percent and holds an additional 1.5 percent in reserve.

Those most affected by the cuts are the state colleges and universities, which lose \$2.8 million, and the Department of Health



Otter

and Welfare, down \$5.4 million. Public schools will lose \$14.2 million, but that will be made up from an education reserve fund.

Vacant positions won't be filled, but few state workers will lose their jobs, officials said.

The budget holdback, the first in Idaho since 2002 when then-Gov. Dirk Kempthorne slashed budgets by 3.5 percent amid the post-Sept. 11 economic slowdown, comes after state economists issued new tax revenue forecasts last week that were 5.9 percent lower

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## State holdbacks hit M.V.

By Ben Botkin  
Times-News writer

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter ordered a 1 percent state budget holdback on Friday as a slippage economy caused predictions that state coffers will have \$174 million less than earlier projections.

The holdbacks, which apply to this fiscal year, come following the governor's order for state agencies to submit plans for cuts, or holdbacks, of 1 percent, 2 percent and 2.5 percent for the current fiscal year. In addition to the 1 percent holdback, Gov. Otter also ordered agencies to put an additional 1.5 percent of their appropriated budgets in reserve to guard against further shortfalls in state revenue.

"Acting in moderation now is the prudent and fiscally responsible thing to do," Otter said in a statement. "It recognizes eco-

nomics realities and it may help us avoid more dramatic spending reductions later in the budget year."

The impact of the cuts is rippling throughout Idaho and across the Magic Valley.

At the South Central Public Health District, for example, the holdback means that the district will most likely have to wait on filling an opening for a senior public health nurse in Burley, said Rene LeBlanc, the district director. There also will be an indefinite hiring freeze, he said.

At the College of Southern Idaho, the holdback will keep an open telecommunications position unfilled and cause cuts in funding for creating new projects and computer and administrative equipment replacements.

"Hopefully, things will pick up a little," Mike Mason, vice president of

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## Woman connected to Dale Miller killing arraigned on burglary charge

By Andrea Jackson  
Times-News writer

A man found dead in a barrel in a Twin Falls garage last year was allegedly the victim of a burglary and may have been roughed up for money before authorities uncovered his corpse.

Police found Dale Miller's body on Sept. 12, 2007 in an apartment garage belonging to Rachel Madrid at 322 Morningside Dr.

Madrid, 27, was arraigned Friday on a burglary charge issued in July, connected to Miller's Twin Falls apartment at 314 Madrona. She was transported from the Pocatello

Women's Correctional Center to face the charge and is now housed in the Twin Falls County Jail. Her imprisonment in Pocatello stemmed from a conviction in another county, Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebbs said.

Two men face first-degree murder charges for 18-year-old Miller's death: Cameron Watts and John McElhinney.

Madrid told police in June that just five days before authorities found Miller's body, Watts and McElhinney were going to intimidate and rough him up in her apartment because he owed money to Watts, court records show. After the incident with Mr. Miller, she

(Madrid) knew the reason they were going to Mr. Miller's residence ... was to inventory Mr. Miller's property to be taken for the money owed to Cameron Watts," court records show.

"On Sept. 8, 2007, Rachel Madrid knowingly returned to Dale Miller's apartment with John McElhinney and Cameron Watts for the sole purpose of taking Mr. Miller's personal items in lieu of the cash owed to Mr. Watts."

Police assert Madrid told them she removed items from Miller's bedroom and put them in his living room. McElhinney and Watts then allegedly moved the items to Madrid's apartment, court records show. McElhinney pleaded guilty to the killing and

told a judge recently that he asphyxiated Miller. Then he decided he wanted to withdraw that plea, weeks before he would be sentenced, and asked for another lawyer.

His next court date isn't scheduled but he got another public defender on Sept. 17, online court records show.

On Sept. 18, Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebbs asked the court to bring Madrid to Twin Falls to face the burglary charge. He said the delay in her transport was because authorities knew where she was.

"There wasn't a rush to get her because we knew where she was," Loebbs said. Watts has a jury trial scheduled in October.



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# Company, citizens appeal denial of cell tower

Galena Summit tower was billed as a boon to public safety

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

The tale of the tower isn't quite over.

The U.S. Forest Service is considering three appeals to its July 14 decision against building a 90-foot cell phone tower in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

Billed as a boon to public safety, the controversial tower would have been built by Idaho Tower Co. on Galena Summit and disguised as a tree. But Forest Supervisor Jane Kollmeyer found that the benefits of the tower would be less than the harm to the scenic value of the area, a claim the company disputed in its more than 50-page appeal filed Aug. 29.

According to the appeal, drafted by Ketchum lawyer Erin Farrell Clark, Kollmeyer failed to properly consult

public safety officials about the need for cell coverage in the area and did not properly judge if visual needs outweighed safety concerns. She also relied on a faulty opinion from a landscape architect and, seeking to preserve the site, amended the forest's visual quality map in a way "that is inherently self-contradictory and defies logic."

Two other area residents filed their own complaints about the decision. Lois Glenn and Pat Higgins, both of Ketchum, questioned Kollmeyer's reasoning and wrote that the need for cell service far outweighs any slight visual harm. "Why are Forest Service buildings okay? Why do we have road signs in these areas?" Glenn wrote. "The reason is that the safety and utility of these things outweigh the minimal scenic impacts."

And the area, appellants say, is definitely not rural.

The tower company's appeal cites two recent incidents along State Highway 75 as proof of the need for the tower, including the July 20 death of Dennis L. Schmidt of Twin Falls. Schmidt, 60,

lost control of his truck and ran off the road, according to police reports. Though he was given CPR for about an hour, he did not survive, Clark notes.

"While it is not clear that the driver could have survived if emergency help had arrived sooner, the distress suffered by his wife and the other motorists assisting him could have been dramatically lessened simply by knowing that help was on the way," the appeal reads.

Throughout the appeal brief, Clark emphasizes the attempts the company made to keep the tower environmentally friendly and the challenges company officials say they faced during the seven-year application process. Forest Service officials ignored a 60-day response deadline at the start of the process, she argues, and documents show Kollmeyer started looking for ways to deny the permit in 2007.

Only two of four landscape studies were done properly, Clark writes. And one of the landscape architects involved was biased from the start, she states, part of a

group of "physically elite backcountry enthusiasts" who sought to deny the application.

The appeals are being considered by regional forester Harv Forsgren, officials said. He will issue a recommendation to Kollmeyer, who will render a decision by Oct. 16. ITC co-owner Jennifer Campbell said Friday that she'll be "blown away" if the appeals don't result in at least some change to the decision. But, she said, her experience so far with the agency does leave her worried about whether the appeal will be impartial.

"When I heard it was an administrative hearing, I was definitely concerned," she said.

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## 100 year Birthday Party for Sarah Watson

The friends and relatives of Sarah Watson are invited to reception and party to be held Saturday Sept. 27th, 2008, 2pm - 4pm at the Red Lion Hotel, 1355 1/2 Blue Lakes Avenue North, Twin Falls, Idaho.

She was born in Myton Utah, October 31, 1908 (on Halloween day) to Walter and Spicy Fisher. She moved to Buhl in 1925 with her family, Lotus Fisher, Hattie Gorman, Howard Fisher, Henry Fisher and Loraine Reese. She married Lee Ondes (On, or I.O.) Watson, May 1929 in Gooding Idaho. Together they farmed for 52 years, 4 miles south of Buhl, on the Watson corner. They raised 5 sons, Dudley, DeWayne, Donald, David, Danny. 18 grand children, 35 great grand children, 2 great great grand children.

Sarah still loves to fish, pull the slot machine handle, dance and see her friends. Caught a little more than she should have again just a few weeks ago. Has her own slot machine and has her own pickup and can still dance if she doesn't have to move her legs. Getting to be one hundred doesn't mean you stop, you just adjust.

# Medical marijuana bill under construction

By Andrea Jackson  
Times-News writer

Legislation to legalize medical marijuana in Idaho will be proposed in Boise this January, said the man behind the movement, Rep. Tom Trail of Moscow.

Trail is drafting legislation modeled after bills from the National Conference of State Legislatures, and it will incorporate elements of statutes from Washington and Oregon, he said.

"I have a number of doctors up here who are very supportive of it," Trail said.

Thirty states had medical marijuana laws in 2007, with 12 — mostly in the west — protecting patients from criminal prosecution, according to the Marijuana Policy Project, a Washington, D.C. non-profit organization, which promotes legalization of medical marijuana and other measures to regulate pot like alcohol.

Ryan Davidson, a marijuana activist and chairman of the Idaho Liberty Lobby, pushed for three marijuana legalization initiatives in Hailey in 2007 and 2008, which voters passed.

Davidson is suing the Marijuana Policy Project over the contract dispute. But he also is consulting people in Moscow on a marijuana policy campaign there, he said.

"The government's war on drugs is harmful and destructive public policy," said Davidson. "Thousands of law-abiding citizens are arrested as criminals for nothing other than marijuana."

Medical marijuana in Idaho could be a tough sell.

In June, delegates from a state GOP convention committee voted 21-9 for a resolution opposing relaxation of Idaho's pot stance, the Associated Press reported.

But the Marijuana Policy Project is undaunted.

"Seriously ill Idaho residents will continue to be treated as criminals for using their medicine — until legislators have the courage and compassion to act," according to the Marijuana Policy Project Web site.

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# AROUND THE VALLEY

## M&P hearing delayed

A Jerome County hearing for M&P Dairy has been delayed one month and is tentatively scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Oct. 28, county planning and zoning staff said Friday.

The permit is the first for a confined-animal feeding operation since a county moratorium on such applications was struck down in April. The hearing, before the board of county commissioners, was originally planned for Monday, but had to be changed due to errors in its legal noticing, staff said. The process stated for the hearing was incorrect.

The dairy has applied to have 3,000 milking cows, 600 dry cows, and 3,000 heifers near Hazelton, according to

the notice. The application can be reviewed at the Jerome County Planning and Zoning Office between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

## Blood drive to make up for Red Cross shortages

The American Red Cross will hold a community blood drive Oct. 13 through 15 at the Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Dr. N., to help with supply problems following recent hurricanes.

Hurricanes Gustav, Hanna and Ike have "hindered, halted or re-routed" Red Cross blood drive and supply efforts around the country, officials announced in a press release. Incidents such as the recent computer train

crash in Los Angeles have also stretched supplies.

The aid association is looking to make up its blood shortfall and to move blood from Idaho, Utah, Montana and other states to assist hospitals in affected states. Type O blood donors are especially needed because that type can be given to any patient in an emergency without testing, officials stated.

To schedule a donation appointment or blood drive: Shari, 208-734-4566.

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# Organizers optimistic about funding for Idaho Special Olympics

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Organizers of the 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games said Friday they're confident they can raise about \$32 million necessary to stage the seven-day event for disabled athletes this February, despite uncertainty over the national and state economies.

Bruce Schreppe, the organization's chief financial officer, said \$23 million has been raised or pledged so far in cash and in-kind contributions, with about half from the state and federal governments. Another \$4 million has been verbally committed and Schreppe said he is talking with potential donors for up to \$4 million more.

Originally slated to cost \$35 million, organizers facing a financial shortfall last winter scaled back a test games in Idaho meant as a dry-run for the main 2009 event. They have also pared down the opening and closing ceremonies at the Idaho Center in Nampa to meet a more-modest budget for the events running Feb. 7-13.

In addition, turbulence at Tamarack Resort, whose owners have sought bankruptcy protection, forced a change in venue for snowboarding events now due to be held at Sun Valley's Dollar Mountain.

Sull Schreppe, a former Hewlett-Packard finance officer, said the integrity of athletic competitions for up to 3,000 athletes from as many as 113 countries has been preserved. While in Idaho, they'll participate in alpine and Nordic skiing, speed and figure skating, floor hockey, snowboarding and snowshoeing in the Boise area, McCall and Sun Valley.

"I feel very good about where we are," Schreppe said. "We did pare back some of the expenditures, not on

sports or the athletes, but some of the extracurriculars. With what we have in the pipeline, I feel very good about it."

The Special Olympics World Winter Games were first held in 1977 in Colorado for athletes with intellectual disabilities and have been held every four years since, with the last event in Nagano, Japan, in 2005.

Idaho's games have so far received about \$7.3 million in

federal money. The 2008 Idaho Legislature voted to chip in \$3 million, in part because the state expects to reap millions in economic benefits from visitors and their families who will spend money on food and lodging.

Corporate and individual donations tally more than \$10 million.

In addition, organizers are counting on \$3 million in appropriations bill now in Congress sponsored by U.S.

Sen. Larry Craig and Rep. Mike Simpson, both Idaho Republicans. The money cleared a committee this week and is awaiting final approval.

Games Chief Executive Officer Chip Fisher, a Ketchum real-estate investor and owner of a California winery, was enlisted by Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter in 2007 to lead the organization after the departure of a previous CEO. On Friday, Fisher said

economic turbulence nationally could still have some effect on remaining fundraising.

"There's no cookbook for putting on these games," Fisher conceded. "Most of our fundraising to date has been almost all out of state. For us to have raised \$27 million to date, including the \$3 million we learned about this week, is extraordinary in these times."

Efforts to publicize the

event in Idaho will begin in earnest in October, organizers said, to enlist more local donors and spur enthusiasm. They waited until the summer heat and the 2008 Beijing Olympics were past in hopes of capturing local residents' attention while they're preparing for cooler weather. It doesn't make sense to start too early," Fisher said. "You've got to pick your timing as to how and when to engage."

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## Lori Otter teams in writing book for kids

BOISE (AP) — Idaho first lady Lori Otter has helped write a book for children to learn about the state's history.

The 30-page picture book titled "Ida Visits the Capitol" is about a barnstorming female pilot who flies all over the state.

"I wanted to make something kids would respond to," Otter told the Idaho Statesman.

The book follows the adventures of Ida, who wears red aviator goggles and a long blue scarf. About 500 hardback and 20,000 softback copies of the book have been printed and are being given out through the governor's office.

One book is also being sent to every elementary school in Idaho and every library. The books will also be available for sale with the money to go to an education fund.

Otter worked on the book with Todd Shalhat, a Boise State University history professor, and Nancy Tacke, a specialist on Idaho history curricula for children.

Otter, a former physical education and health teacher, said she hopes the book will become a series that can supplement the history curriculum that fourth-grade students read.

Some instructors say current history materials used in Idaho classrooms can be challenging for some children.

"You open a page and it's so text-laden that lower-level readers just overload," said Eric Schmitz, a teacher at Taft Elementary in Boise. "It's going to overwhelm any kids who open it."

Jessica Thornton, who teaches at Boise's Whitler Elementary, said she uses materials and pictures she finds on the Internet because the recently adopted textbook is too difficult for many of her students.



Citizens can't change things if they don't show up

JEERS: To Twin Falls taxpayers, ratepayers and parents, who can't be bothered to go to public meetings.

Two significant meetings — a Monday Twin Falls City Council hearing on increasing water, sewer and sanitation rates and a Thursday Twin Falls School District information session for families of students at the new Canyon Ridge High School — attracted not a soul.

That's not uncommon. The Idaho Public Utilities Commission held a hearing in Twin Falls City Council chambers in May about Idaho Power's proposed 10 percent rate increase. Only state Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, attended.

This in a community that was

up in arms only this summer about a 21 percent budget increase by the city of Twin Falls and a 9 percent bump by Twin Falls County. Both budgets were set starting in March; want to guess how many people went to those early hearings?

Our community's apathy about significant public issues is becoming a habit. We're forfeiting the right to have a say.

CHEERS: To a plurality of the citizens of Ketchum, who declined to sign a petition to recall Mayor Randy Hall.

Hall critic Anne Corroek failed to get the 418 signatures required for an election to remove Hall from office. It was the second time in his three-year tenure that Corroek has tried a recall.



The mayor's performance hasn't been perfect, but he's steered Ketchum through some tough times: the continuing meltdown in the local retail economy caused by Blaine County's lack of affordable housing; the national real estate recession that has hit the Wood River Valley hard; a slump in the tourist economy; last summer's Castle Rock Fire, and this month's blaze that destroyed the landmark Whiskey Jacques and

damaged the Sawtooth Club. This is the hardest economic climate Ketchum has faced in years, so let the mayor and the City Council do their jobs. If they don't, there's an election next year.

JEERS: To Twin Falls County motorists, for driving to work alone.

Despite rising fuel prices, fewer workers are carpooling in Twin Falls County, the Census Bureau says. Twin Falls is the only Idaho county reporting a decline in people carpooling to and from work. That's weak.

In 2006, when fuel prices were around \$2.86 a gallon, more than 3,970 people in Twin Falls County carpooling to work. But one year later when gas prices surpassed \$3.60, that number

fell to about 3,000 people. Even before gas prices began rising, census records reported more than 3,300 people carpooling to work.

According to the city's draft Master Transportation Plan, 83 percent of Twin Falls commuters drive alone, and two-thirds have a commute exceeding 20 minutes.

A 2001 Ford or Chevrolet light truck averages 12-13 mph in stop-and-go traffic. If you drive 100 miles a week on work-related trips, you're spending \$31.77 at \$3.80 a gallon. That's \$143 a month.

Far too many Twin Falls County commuters are needlessly squandering money, wasting gas and driving up fuel prices for everybody else.

The Ant and the Grasshopper, 2008 edition

With what looks like imminent passage of the Mother of All Bailouts (following on the heels of a year's worth of government-funded rescues of private homeowners, lenders, insurers and automakers), Washington has turned Aesop's famous fable about prudence and hard work on its head. The time is ripe for a revised 2008 edition of "The Ant and the Grasshopper."

In a meadow on a hot summer's day, a Grasshopper was chirping and carousing his time away. He watched scornfully as an Ant nearby struggled to store up large kernels of food and build a secure nest. The Ant pulled overtime shifts to pay off his loans and accumulate retirement funds for the future.

"Give it a rest," the Grasshopper said. "Why bother saving and slaving and toiling and mulling? Let's party!" The Ant demurred: "I am planning ahead for winter, and you should do the same." The Grasshopper blew off the Ant, squandered his supplies the rest of the season and abandoned his home while on vacation (paid for by tapping every



MICHELLE MALKIN

last cent of his home equity gain) instead of holding down a job.

When winter came, the Grasshopper's pantry was empty, and his shelter ruined from neglect. The Ant, weary from planting, harvesting, and stocking up for months, was dining comfortably in his nest.

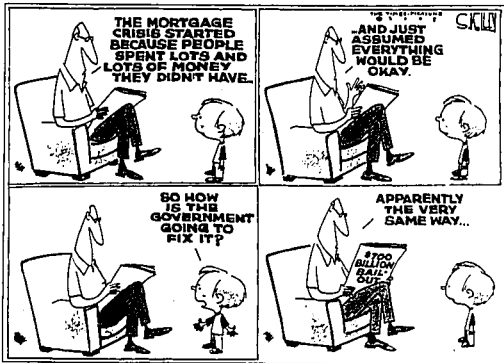
Cold, hungry, jobless, facing foreclosure and up to his two pairs of eyeballs in debt, the Grasshopper limped to the Association of Community Winged Insects for Rescue Now and demanded recourse. The office was swamped with thousands just like him. ACWIN immediately put the Grasshopper to work re-writing dead ants as new voters.

Funded with tax dollars from the rest of the meadow's residents, ACWIN organized mass protests at

the Bank of Antamerica, ambushed its top officials at their private homes, harassed their children and demanded that the meadow's politicians bail all foreclosed ("We must keep Grasshoppers in their homes!") and outlaw discriminatory lending practices against starving, homeless Grasshoppers ("Well-stocked shelters are basic insect rights").

The banking industry capitulated: the Orthoptera Lobby secured hundreds of millions of dollars in housing earmarks, grants and counseling subsidies to support the Grasshoppers with the shadiest credit and employment histories. Antie Mae, the meadow's government-backed home lending giant, fueled the push for increased insect homeownership in the name of biodiversity. Its executive cooked the books and headed for the hills. Katie Cricket and the Mainstream Meadow Media jiggled the grievance-for-profit circus, profiling Grasshopper sob stories and drumming up ratings as its bewildered. Ants wondered who was looking out for them.

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toxic debt. More Grasshoppers fell behind on their mortgage payments. Bailout mania and panic gripped the meadow.

Our little Ant, minding his own business, heard a knock on his door one late winter night a year later. It was his old, sneering Grasshopper neighbor. With ACWIN's presidential candidate,

Barack Cleada, now in office, the Grasshopper had been hired by the meadow as a tax collector.

"I'm here to take your provisions," the Grasshopper cackled.

But it was the Ant who had the last laugh. "I've learned my lesson," he told his shiftless friend. "Why bother saving and slaving and toiling

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

McCain is the right choice

I hear a lot of support for Barack Obama for president, but does anyone know what he stands for besides higher taxes, opposition to our drilling for oil (which just might offset our trade deficit, if not our dependence on foreign oil and improve gas and heating oil prices), favoring sex education for kindergartners, and hanging out with anti-American thugs such as Bill Ayers, Jeremiah Wright, to name just two?

I heard he pulled our troops out of Iraq just as we were accomplishing something, I remember Vietnam. We pulled out of there just as we were winning because of lack of support at home. Teddy Roosevelt told us to "Speak softly but carry a big stick." Well, if we don't have the will to use that stick, we will never recover the respect of the world we had after World War II. Korea didn't prove we had the will to win; Vietnam didn't prove we had the will to win; and we've

been "turning the other cheek" when kicked in the behind.

Issues said we should do so on a personal basis. He did not mean stand idly by when evil is upon us. George Bush was not my first choice eight years ago, but I think he has done a good job protecting our country, which is the prime responsibility of government.

John McCain was not my first choice either, but he's so much better than the alternative, and I am impressed with Sarah Palin's record (more executive experience than both Obama and Biden put together).

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McCain isn't trustworthy

Who is John McCain? His quotes contradict. McCain calls Robertson and Falwell "agents of intolerance." Gives commencement speech at Liberty University. McCain: "We will win this conflict. We will win

it easily." McSybil: "When I voted to support this war, I knew it was probably going to be long and hard and tough, and those that vote for it and thought that something it was going to be some kind of an easy task, then I'm sorry they were mistaken. Maybe they didn't know what they were voting for."

McCain: "But certainly in the short term, or even in the long term, I would not support repeal of Roe v. Wade, which would then force X number of women in America to (undergo) illegal and dangerous operations."

McSybil: "I do not support Roe v. Wade. It should be overturned."

On Bush tax cuts: "I cannot in good conscience support a tax cut in which so many of the benefits go to the most fortunate among us, at the expense of middle class Americans who most need tax relief." Yet McSybil voted to extend those very unfair tax cuts to the wealthy. One of his personalities then: "...

tens of billions of dollars that have enriched a handful of corporate interests primarily one big corporation, ADM. ethanol does nothing to reduce fuel consumption, nothing to increase our energy independence, nothing to improve air quality."

His current personality: "I support ethanol and I think it is a vital, a vital alternative energy source not only because of our dependency on foreign oil but also its green-house gas reduction effects," "the fundamentals of our economy are strong."

McSybil said over the roar of the stock market crashing. It has more personalities than Sybil.

Who will be he next? RUDY CASTRO Heyburn

Republicans to blame for economic crisis

Former Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan said, the United States is in an economic death spiral, the worst he has seen in cen-

turies. Depression is looming. McCain and Bush both said today the economy is sound, and Sen. Phil Gramm, McCain's future Secretary of the Treasury said, "It's all in our heads, that we are winners."

Bush plus McCain plus Palin plus Republicans plus Wall Street chief executive officers plus bailouts, socialism, Neo-capitalism, Socialism is when the government provides the money for everything a form of nationalism... oh, wait — is that not what is going on right now with all the bailouts?

Taxpayers are paying for CEO's \$400 million salaries, corporate executive's multi-million dollar salaries, private jets, etc. So how can you blame this mess on the Democrats? No way. No how.

But wait, according to some rightwing nonsense parrots on the blogs, you know who is really to blame for all of this: welfare moms, Social Security recipients, family farmers, schools,

and mulling? I've spent all my savings. I'm walking away from my mortgage. That is for suckers," the Ant said as he headed out the door, leaving the Grasshopper empty-handed.

The richest taxpayers paid only 17 percent of their income in federal individual income taxes in 2007 — down from 30 percent in 1995. You know while the government is in the "Wall Street Nationalism bailout mode," why not nationalize oil companies? It is only one more small step for mankind.

I heck, with those profits, we taxpayers can bail out all of Wall Street, pay off every-one's house and buy new homes for the ones that don't have homes.

But remember, McCain and Bush both said the economy is sound. Don't worry be happy, la la la la la. Don't worry be happy. RITA KOOTSTRA Jerome

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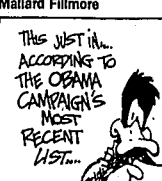
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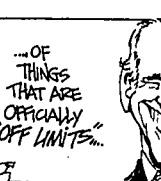
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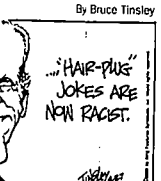
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THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS



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# Bush, Pelosi and Reid let deputies handle financial crisis

WASHINGTON — In the greatest crisis to confront the American economic system in three-quarters of a century, it is notable that the leaders of the two elected branches of the federal government have not been calling the signals.

George W. Bush, Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid have not gone AWOL. But they have stepped back to permit deputies with greater expertise and fewer acquired scars to take the lead in figuring out a solution.

Treasury Secretary Hank Paulson, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke, Sen. Chris Dodd and Rep. Barney Frank have been at the center of the dialogue, and, as this is written, the burden is on their shoulders to rescue Wall Street and all the enterprisers and individuals whose fortunes rest on



DAVID BRODER

the functioning of that financial center.

Seventy-five years ago, when FED entered the White House and immediately confronted a banking crisis brought on by the Great Depression, his Treasury secretary, Henry Morgenthau, was on the front lines. But no one doubted that it was Roosevelt who was making the key decisions, and it was the president's own voice that calmed public nerves and bough precious time for the remedies to take effect.

We know why George Bush has not attempted to

play that role in this crisis. The last 44 months, since his second term began, have so depleted Bush's personal credibility and political influence that he is crippled as a national leader. His own party, at its nominating convention, could barely bring itself to acknowledge him. Attaching his name to almost any proposition costs it public backing, rather than attracting support.

Paulson and Bernanke are not charismatic figures, but it clearly is better to have their names attached to the rescue plan than Bush's.

But how do you explain the transfer of authority from Pelosi and Reid to the chairman of two congressional committees that supervise the operations of financial markets — Dodd and Frank?

The reason, I have to believe, is that public dis-

dain for Congress and its top leaders is as great as the disillusionment with the president.

From the high hopes that greeted the Democratic takeover of the Senate and House in November 2006, there has grown, month by month, a sense of disillusionment with the performance of this Congress. Bush has a roughly 30 percent job approval; Congress is at least a dozen points below that.

Last week, just before this financial crisis burst into public view, I sat down with Steny Hoyer, the Maryland Democrat who is the able majority leader of the House of Representatives.

new GI bill, new ethics rules and a dozen or more other laws to "improve the lives of the American people" were highlighted.

When I asked Hoyer how then he explained the terrible reputation of this Congress, he insisted that it did not reflect the reputation of individual members — which may be true but is not really a response.

I think that institutional reputation has been damaged by two things: the sense that Democrats and Republicans would rather score partisan points off each other than look for ways to work together, and the frustration at Congress' inaction on the big issues of greatest concern to voters.

For two years, Congress has done nothing but acquiesce in Bush's decisions on Iraq and Afghanistan, despite public weariness

with those wars. Basic systems — health care, transportation, immigration, education, energy — have become increasingly expensive even as they have failed to deliver promised results. And Congress has failed to improve them — or even to bring substitute remedies to a vote.

It is because of that persistent failure that Congress cannot afford to delay for long taking up and passing the financial bailout legislation signed by the administration. It can tinker with the details, but inaction is not an option. John McCain and Barack Obama are creators of Congress.

Neither of them can afford to let it flunk this test.

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## It's all about confidence, stupid

WASHINGTON — It's doubtful that former Princeton

University economist Ben Bernanke and ex-Goldman Sachs CEO Hank Paulson imagined what awaited them when they took charge of the Fed and the Treasury in 2006. Since then, they have put their agencies on a wartime footing, trying to avert the financial equivalent of an army's collapse. As in war, there have been repeated surprises. As in war, the responses have involved much improvisation — for instance, the \$85 billion rescue of American International Group (AIG). But last week their hastily built defenses seemed threatened, and so Paulson proposed a radical solution of having the government buy vast amounts of distressed debt to shore up the financial system.

It's all about confidence, stupid. Every financial system depends on trust. People have to believe that the Fed will perform as expected. We are in a crisis because financial managers — the people who run banks, investment banks, hedge funds — have lost that trust. But vast amounts of distressed debt to shore up the financial system.

As its well-known, crisis began with losses in the \$1.3 billion market for "prime" mortgages, many of which were "securitized" — bundled into bonds and sold to investors. With all U.S. stocks and bonds worth about \$50 trillion in 2007, the losses should have been manageable.

They weren't, because no one knew how large the losses might become or which institutions held the suspect subprime securities. Moreover, many financial institutions were thinly capitalized. They depended on borrowed funds; losses could wipe out their modest capital. So the crisis spread.

Since August 2007, the Fed has done three things to prevent eroding confidence from becoming panic. The first was standard: cut interest rates.

By April, the overnight fed funds rate had fallen from 5.25 percent to the present 2 percent. The aim was to promote lending and prop up the economy.

By contrast, the second and third responses broke



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new ground.

If banks still avoided routine short-term loans — fearing unknown risks — then the Fed would act aggressively as the lender of last resort.

Bernanke created several new "lending facilities" that allowed commercial banks and other lenders to borrow from the Fed. They received cash and safe U.S. Treasury securities in return for sending "securitized" mortgages and other bonds to the Fed. In this manner, the Fed has lent more than \$300 billion.

Next, the Fed and the Treasury prevented bankruptcies that might otherwise have occurred. With the Fed's backing, the investment bank Bear Stearns was merged into JP Morgan Chase. Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, the mortgage giants, were taken over by the government; their subprime losses had also depleted them from the market. And now AIG, the nation's largest insurance company, has been rescued.

How much all this will cost taxpayers is unclear. It could be many billions — or nothing. For example, the Fed is charging AIG a hefty interest rate and expects to be repaid from the sales of the firm's businesses. But turning the Fed into a massive lending agency supporting specific firms and types of credit was a dramatic shift from its role of regulating interest rates and credit conditions. The official justification: Companies that lent and traded with the salvaged firms wouldn't suffer further losses.

Unfortunately, these confidence-building exercises slowly lost their effect. As today's surprise followed yesterday's, it became less convincing that Paulson and Bernanke could control the crisis. Practical problems also loomed. The Fed has financed its lending program by reducing its massive holdings of U.S. Treasury securities. It could not do so indefinitely without exhausting all its present Treasuries. A danger: The Fed might then resort to old-fashioned — and potentially inflation-

ary — money creation.

Against that backdrop, Paulson suggested something resembling the Resolution Trust Corp. of the savings and loan crisis. This new entity would buy subprime mortgage securities to stabilize the financial system.

But hard questions remain. Which securities would be eligible? Just subprime? Suppose a weaker economy creates new classes of bad debt — say credit card securities? What price would the government pay? Would government hold them to maturity or sell them to U.S. securities held by foreigners?

Objections to Paulson's proposal abound. It would rescue some financial institutions from bad decisions. Some investors doubtlessly bought subprime securities at huge discounts and would reap massive profits by reselling to the government. That might trigger an angry public backlash. The program would be huge and could bury future taxpayers. To which Paulson has one powerful retort: It's better than continued turmoil and possible panic. But that presumes success and begs an unsettling question: If this fails, what — if anything — could the government do next?

Newsweek columnist Robert Samuelson writes about economics.

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Organizers are shaking things up this year. As always, you'll be able to enjoy music, local food, a beer and wine garden, hay rides, canoeing, and the wares of 55 accomplished artisans. But this year you'll also get to enjoy the Idaho Old Time Fiddlers, jazz acoustical guitarist Jamie Findlay from L.A., emcee Danny Marona, and a host of high-quality artisans who are new to the festival.

Of particular note is a painting of Ritter Island, shown below in black and white, by watercolorist Andy Sewell. He has made prints of this original that will be available for sale at the event.



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# Memo: 'No paper trail' for Sen. Stevens' home remodel

WASHINGTON (AP) — While reviewing expense reports for a 2000 construction project, a bookkeeper for Alaska oil services giant VECO Corp. asked for an explanation. Who was this work for, she asked? Why was it performed?

The cryptic note she received back included the instruction, "No paper trail."

Federal prosecutors say the note, introduced as evidence Friday at Sen. Ted Stevens' corruption trial, was part of a scheme by Stevens and VECO founder Bill Allen to conceal more than \$250,000 in home renovations and other gifts that the contractor bestowed on the Senate's longest-serving Republican.

Cheryl Boomerish testified Friday that VECO employees submitted invoices and expense reports for a project located in Girdwood, a ski town south of Anchorage where VECO didn't normally work.

When she requested details, she said she got little information back. The note listed only one reason for the secrecy: "per Bill Allen."

The unusual project was a dramatic renovation of Stevens' home and it has become the centerpiece of his gift-giving trial. Prosecutors say he willhield the free renovations from his Senate disclosure forms.

The 84-year-old Stevens, a Senate powerhouse for generations, has seen both his influence and re-election prospects weakened by the case. His lawyers say he was a busy senator who couldn't oversee every aspect of the project but who, like every homeowner, paid the bills that came in — \$160,000 in all.

But VECO employees testifying Friday painted a picture of a project that was far from normal. They described being pulled off their regular jobs and being dispatched to the senator's house.

"We were working 10 hours a day, six days a week," said Roy Detmer, a VECO electrician who said he overhauled

the electrical system, installed electrical fixtures and rewired the house.

Detmer estimated he worked 400 hours on the job at a rate of up to \$29 an hour, plus overtime. Every morning, he said, he clocked in at another VECO job site, then headed out to work on the senator's house.

Other employees said they installed a custom steel staircase, a balcony, a new roof and more.

Prosecutors say Stevens didn't pay for any of that work. The only bills he paid were for an independent carpenter, and authorities say he must have known that didn't cover the whole project.

Stevens' lawyer says his client was in the dark about the renovations project and blamed his friend Allen for "devious" gift-giving that landed the senator in trouble. Since he had no idea he was getting free work, Stevens

says, he couldn't have disclosed it on Senate forms.

To press that point, Stevens lawyers asked the VECO employees how often they saw Stevens and his wife at the house. The workers said the couple was there rarely, if ever.

As for the billing documents, Boomerish acknowledged under cross-examination by the defense that it was Allen who signed off on them and Allen who apparently asked for the secrecy.



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## Bank collapse sets yet another record in failure

**WaMu becomes biggest bank to fail in U.S. history**

By **Waclen Road**  
Associated Press writer



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**NEW YORK** — As the debate over a \$700 billion bank bailout rages on in Washington, one of the nation's largest banks — Washington Mutual Inc. — has collapsed under the weight of its enormous bad bets on the mortgage market.

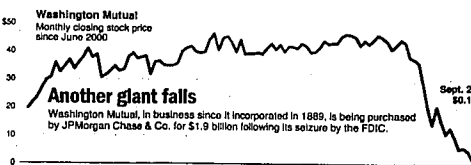
The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. seized WaMu on Thursday, and then sold the thrift's banking assets to JPMorgan Chase & Co. for \$1.9 billion.

Seattle-based WaMu, which was founded in 1889, is the largest bank to fail by far in the country's history. Its \$307 billion in assets

eclipse those of Continental Illinois National Bank, which failed in 1984 with \$40 billion in assets; adjusted for 2008 dollars, its assets totaled \$67.7 billion. IndyMac, seized in July, had \$32 billion in assets.

One positive is that the sale of WaMu's assets to JPMorgan Chase prevents the thrift's collapse from depleting the FDIC's insurance fund. But that detail is likely to give only marginal solace to Americans facing tighter lending and watching their stock portfolios plunge in the wake of the nation's most

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1889 Washington National Building Loan and Investment Association incorporates to help Seattle residents rebuild after a fire

1908 Changes name to Washington Savings and Loan Association

1914-1918 Assets are expanded by 68 percent during World War I

1930 Acquires Continental Mutual Savings Bank, its first acquisition

1974 Pioneers first shared cash machine network, The Exchange

1983 Acquires securities brokerage firm Murphy Felt and goes public, raising \$72 million

2008 Standard & Poor's cuts its rating to junk status

SOURCES: The company, Thomson Financial

## Assistance on the way

Fed to send Idaho nearly \$20 million in foreclosure assistance

By **Joshua Palmer**  
Times-News writer

Assistance is on the way for some homeowners who have lost their homes to foreclosure.

U.S. Housing and Urban Development Secretary Steve Preston is sending almost \$4 billion to all states that are responding to the effects of rising foreclosures.

The assistance, which is being called the Neighborhood Stabilization Program, will provide emergency assistance to state and local governments to acquire and redevelop foreclosed properties that might otherwise become sources of abandonment within their communities.

Idaho will receive \$19.6 million — a relatively small amount considering that the state of Washington will

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# SHINING FUTURE



Mark Fikstad of Jensen Jewelers works on an Elk ivory ring Friday morning at the downtown Twin Falls store. To purchase reprints please go to <http://gallery.pictopia.com/magvalley/>

## Local jeweler sees growth despite economic slowdown

By **Joshua Palmer**  
Times-News writer

As consumers cut back on spending, it seems like luxury retailers would be the first to suffer.

But every once in a while there is a hidden gem in a rough economy.

Despite a slowing economy, Jensen Jewelers, based in Twin Falls, has seen its sales increase about 5 percent since last year — the business expects the coming year's sales to be higher.

The business, which operates 13 stores in Idaho, Nevada, Montana, South Dakota and Wyoming, even plans to open another store in Butte, Mont. within two months.

Not bad for a business that sells luxury items during a time of declining consumer spending.

Tony Prater, owner of Jensen Jewelers, said the slowing economy may actually be working in favor of small businesses.

"I think more people are

staying around their homes and buying things locally," he said.

Although bridal jewelry are still the hottest selling items, Prater said his stores are also seeing an increase in sales of custom jewelry — Jensen stores custom manufacture Elk Ivory jewelry.

For business owners such as Prater, it's an indication that the economy might not be as bad as it seems.

"I know it seems like we are bucking a trend because of the economy, but I don't think the local economies are as bad as people think they are," said Prater.

But much of the reason why local jewelers are not seeing declining sales is because they also offer their own lines of credit to customers.

Because many businesses that sell big ticket items relied on outside financing to extend credit, the financial crisis on Wall Street hindered their lending ability.

Joshua Palmer may be



A display of Elk ivory jewelry at Jensen Jewelers in downtown Twin Falls, the custom jewelry is popular with customers around the world.

## Warehouse District wants out of BID and URA

**B**usiness owners in the Twin Falls Warehouse District no longer want to be a part of the Downtown Business Improvement District or the Urban Renewal Agency.

They say they're not getting what they pay for.

Businesses in the district are located within the boundaries of both the BID and the Urban Renewal Agency.



**BIZ BITES**  
Joshua Palmer

BID-area businesses pay fees based on property assessments — the money is used to promote downtown Twin Falls, but some business owners say the promotions only benefit businesses on Main Avenue.

**Business owners in the Warehouse District say they see no promotions or effort to fight blight.**

The Urban Renewal Agency receives taxes from businesses that would otherwise go to the City of Twin Falls — the money is used to fight blight.

But business owners in the Warehouse District say they see no promotions or effort to fight blight.

To be fair, the URA is working to revitalize an area about a block away from the Warehouse District.

And business owners are quick to say that there are no hand feedings.

"I don't have any problem with them because they don't do anything for me," said Kurt Handley, owner of Pandora's restaurant and brew/pub at 310 Main Ave S. Handley said he didn't receive any help from the either the BID or Urban Renewal Agency in organizing a free outdoor concert near his business.

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## STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agria	19.73	▲ .08	Dell Inc.	17.0	▲ .07	Idacorp	30.54	—
Lithia MO.	4.58	▼ .11	Micron	4.65	▼ .02	Supervalu	24.0	▲ .79

## COMMODITIES

Live cattle	100.95	—	Nov. oil	106.89	▼ 1.13
Sept. gold	882.90	▲ 5.2	Sept. silver	13.45	▲ .23

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**Monday in business**

WASHINGTON — The Commerce Department releases personal incomes for August.

WASHINGTON — Weekly Treasury auction.

MARKET SUMMARY

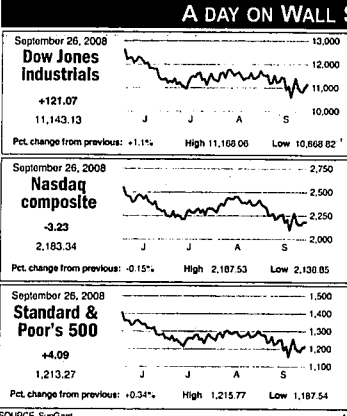
Table with 3 columns: NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ. Sub-sections include Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and Diary for each exchange.

INDEXES table showing Dow Jones Industrial, S&P 500, and other market indices with their respective values and changes.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST table listing various regional stocks like Alanay, AlanayFin, and others with their prices and changes.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT: Market Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name. Includes a legend for stock symbols and a disclaimer.

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The Dow rose 121.07, or 1.10 percent, to 11,143.33. Gains by JPMorgan Chase & Co. and Bank of America Corp. gave support to the 30-stock index. Most of their advance came late in the session as investors placed bets that a deal would emerge from Washington over the weekend.

COMMODITIES REPORT

Table with 4 columns: Commodity Name, High, Low, Change. Lists various commodities like Wheat, Corn, Soybeans, and their price movements.

Failure

Continued from page B1. Cause of WaMu's souring mortgages and other risks led JPMorgan to write down WaMu's loan portfolio by about \$31 billion — a figure that could change if the government goes through with its bailout plan and JPMorgan decides to take a haircut of it. "We're in favor of what the government is doing, but we're not relying on what the government is doing. We would've done it anyway," JPMorgan's Chief Executive James Dimon said in a conference call Thursday night, referring to the acquisition. Dimon said he does not know if JPMorgan will take advantage of the bailout.

WaMu was under severe liquidity pressure," FDIC Chairman Sheila Bair told reporters in a conference call. "For all depositors and other customers of Washington Mutual Bank, this is simply a combination of two banks." Bair said in a statement. "For bank customers, it will be a seamless transition. There will be no interruption in services and bank customers should expect business as usual come Friday morning." Besides JPMorgan Chase, Wells Fargo & Co., Citigroup Inc., HSBC, Spain's Banco Santander and Toronto-Dominion Bank of Canada were also reportedly possible suitors. WaMu was believed to be talking to private equity firms as well. The seizure by the government means shareholders' equity in WaMu was wiped out. The deal leaves private equity investors including the firm TPG Capital, which led a \$7 billion cash infusion in the bank this spring, on the sidelines empty handed. WaMu ran into trouble after it got caught up in the once-booming subprime mortgage market. Troubles then spread to other parts of WaMu's home loan portfolio, namely its "option" adjustable-rate mortgage loans. Option ARM loans offer very low introductory payments and let borrowers defer some interest payments until later years. The bank stopped originating those loans in June. Problems in WaMu's home loan business began to surface in 2006, when the bank reported that the division lost \$48 million, compared with net income of about \$1 billion in 2005. At the start of 2007, following the release of the company's annual financial report, then-CEO Kerry Killinger said the bank had prepared a slowdown in its housing business by sharply reducing subprime mortgage lending and servicing of loans. Alan H. Fishman, the former president of Sovereign Bank and president and CEO of

Independence Community Bank replaced Killinger earlier this month.

As more borrowers became delinquent on their mortgages, WaMu worked to help troubled customers refinance their loans as a way to avoid default and foreclosure, committing \$2 billion to the effort last April. But that proved to be too little, too late.

At the same time, fears of growing credit problems kept investors from purchasing debt backed by those loans, drying up a source of cash flow for banks that made subprime loans.

In December, WaMu said it would shutter its subprime lending business and reduce expenses with layoffs and a dividend cut. The bank in July reported a \$3 billion second-quarter loss — its biggest in its history — as it boosted its reserves to more than \$8 billion to cover losses on bad loans. Over the last three quarters, it added \$10.9 billion to its loan-loss provisions.

JPMorgan Chase said it was not acquiring any senior unsecured debt, and preferred to help troubled customers refinance their loans as a way to avoid default and foreclosure, committing \$2 billion to the effort last April. But that proved to be too little, too late.

This is a definite win for JPMorgan," said J. Schramm Hindman, an analyst at SNL Financial, who said JPMorgan should be able to shoulder the \$31 billion writedown to WaMu's portfolio.

BEANS

Value Beans: Prices are net to growers, 100 pounds, U.S. No. 1. Includes market news for various bean types and prices.

GRAINS

Value Grains: Prices are net to mill, including miller's cut. Includes market news for wheat, corn, and soybeans.

METALS/MONEY

CURRENT DOLLAR: Includes market news for gold, silver, and other metals. Also includes money market rates.

Aid

Continued from page B1. HUD will host a national housing summit in Washington, DC in October to explain the details of this new program to governors, mayors, county executives and other State and local leaders. "Clearly, the intent is to put this money to work in communities with the highest need and to have a meaningful impact," said Preston.

Those in need

The Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 calls for allocating funds to states and local governments with the greatest need, as determined by: The number and percentage of home foreclosures in each State or unit of general local government.

Bites

Continued from page B1. So he asked the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce for assistance, which helped expedite the approval for his concert. He was also told that broken lights outside his business are his responsibility — though they're connected to the city's light system. "We are reviewing city maps to

determine the property line between private property and public property," said Melinda Anderson, executive director of the URA. "If the city or URA owns those lights, they are our responsibility. If the lights are on private property, city personnel cannot work on them." Ryan Horsley, manager of Red's Trading Post, which recently

moved to 203 5th Ave. S., said the BID should let the Warehouse staff do the work on its own. When asked what benefit he receives by paying fees to the BID, Horsley said, "That's a good question."

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Subpoenaed Palin aides don't appear at abuse probe

By Matt Volz Associated Press writer

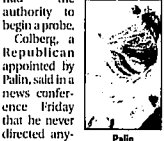
ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Seven Alaska aides defied subpoenas for their testimony Friday into possible abuse of power by the governor.

Palin's chief of staff, Mike Nizich, and six other aides failed to appear at a legislative hearing into whether Palin abused her power when she fired her public safety commissioner this summer.

Chairman Hollis French, a Democrat, waited 30 minutes Friday before reading a statement that the witnesses could be found in contempt when the full Legislature convenes in January and that the investigation would go on "in a simple search for the truth."

Alaska Attorney General Tait Collins filed a lawsuit on behalf of the seven state workers Thursday challenging the subpoenas. He claims the committee has no jurisdiction to issue subpoenas in the investigation and questions whether

the investigation's overseeing body, the Legislative Council, had the authority to begin a probe.



Palin, said in a news conference Friday that he never directed any body to ignore subpoenas but advised the seven that they had two options: Show up and testify

before the Senate Judiciary Committee or don't and join the lawsuit.

"If they were a normal subpoena, we do not believe they would be optional," Colbert said.

Palin fired Walt Monegan, the public safety commissioner, in July. He claims he was fired for refusing to fire a state trooper who had gone through a misty divorce from Palin's sister.

He claims he was pressured by Palin, her husband, Todd, and members of her staff to

fire the trooper.

The Republican vice presidential nominee had initially denied that she nor anyone in her administration pressured Monegan, but in August revealed that he directed of boards and commissions. Frank Bailey, was recorded questioning a state trooper official about why Palin's former brother-in-law still had a job.

"Todd and Sarah are scratching their heads, why on earth hasn't, why is this guy still represented the department? He's

a horrible recruiting tool... You know, I mean from their perspective, everyone's protecting him," he said.

Bailey was placed on paid administrative leave Aug. 19 and returned to work on Thursday, said Palin gubernatorial spokesman Bill McAllister. He declined to discuss Bailey's return further, saying it was a personnel matter.

Bailey claims she never pressured Monegan, and instead fired him over budget disagreements.

Biden tax increase accusation misleading

By Kevin Freking Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Joe Biden charged Thursday during a campaign stop in Pennsylvania that John McCain's tax proposals for health insurance would be "the largest tax increase in the history of America for the middle class." He was wrong.

McCain does propose raising the health benefits that some 156 million people get through the workplace. That's a major change, because now no income taxes are levied on those benefits, but it's not the whole story.

So, as Biden explained, someone who makes \$40,000 and gets \$12,000 in health insurance benefits would end up paying \$2,000 more in income taxes on \$52,000.

But what Biden didn't say was that McCain also proposes to give the insured a new tax credit in exchange for a \$2,500 tax credit for individuals and a \$5,000 tax credit for families.

For most families, that tax credit would for several years be more generous than the current tax break for employer-sponsored health insurance. An analysis of McCain's plan by the Tax Policy Center estimated that McCain's plan would increase the federal deficit by \$1.6 trillion over 10 years, mainly because it would lead to less tax revenue coming in. The same group says Obama's plan would increase the deficit by \$1.6 trillion over the same period.

"McCain's plan seems to be a significant tax cut, at least in the short term," said Len Burman, who oversaw the analysis for the center, a joint venture of two liberal-leaning think tanks, the Brookings Institution and the Urban Institute.

To take Biden's comparison one step further, consider his \$40,000 family whose income is over \$12,000. That family is in the 15 percent tax bracket. So, multiplying that additional \$12,000 in income by 15 percent means that the family in Biden's example actually gets an \$1,800 federal income-tax break. McCain's tax break for that family would be \$5,000.

Burman's analysis stresses that McCain's tax credit becomes less valuable for most people as the years go by. That's because Burman assumes the tax credit would increase in value over the years at the rate of the consumer price index, which has historically risen much more slowly than health care costs.

Saving the children

Neb. lawmakers consider revising 'safe-haven' law

By Kimberly Ross Associated Press writer

OMAHA, Neb. — When Nebraska lawmakers passed a unique "safe-haven" law that allowed parents to abandon children as old as 18, they never seriously thought such dropoffs would become common.

But their worst fears have come true: At least 16 children, some of them teenagers, have been abandoned since the law took effect in July. Now elected officials are considering revising the law, and at least one anguished parent said he only surrendered his kids because he felt he had no choice.

"If we see another family being left off, then we're going to have to do something immediately," said state Sen. Arnie Stuthman, who introduced legislation that was the basis for the law. Stuthman said lawmakers need to set a maximum age for children who can be left over to the state, and he's not sure whether it can wait until the Legislature reconvenes in January.

But it's not clear whether Gov. Dave Heineman will call a special session to modify the law, even though he has said it should be changed.

For now, the law permits caregivers to abandon children at state-certified hospitals without fear of prosecution. It was intended to protect infants, but was amended to include the word "child," which isn't defined. So some have concluded the law covers all minors, which in Nebraska includes anyone under the age of 19.

The latest example happened Wednesday, when an out-of-work widower left nine of his 10 children at an Omaha hospital, saying he was overwhelmed by family responsibilities.

Gary Staton went to Creighton University Medical Center to surrender his five sons and four of his daughters,

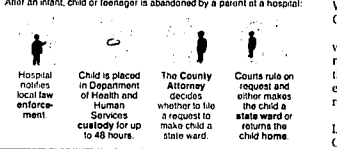


Todd Landry, director of the Division of Children and Family Services with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, left, speaks at a news conference in Lincoln, Neb., Thursday with other civic leaders. Nebraska Gov. Dave Heineman has called for changes to the safe haven law. AP photo

In the interest of a child's welfare

A unique law allows parents to abandon their children at hospitals without the fear of prosecution.

How Nebraska's safe haven cases are handled After an infant, child or teenager is abandoned by a parent at a hospital:



SOURCE: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

who ranged in age from 1 to 17. He did not bring his oldest daughter, 18. Staton's wife died in early 2007, shortly after giving birth to their 10th child. The man told police he hasn't worked since July and was struggling to make ends meet.

"I was with her for 17 years, and then she was gone. What was I going to do?" Staton said to Omaha television station KETV. "We raised them together; I didn't think I could do it alone. I felt apart, I couldn't take care of them."

Calls by The Associated Press to a number listed for

Staton went unanswered Friday.

A number of relatives have volunteered to take the Staton siblings, said Kathie Osterman, a spokeswoman for the state department of Health and Human Services. She said the children may be temporarily placed with those family members until a judge decides on permanent custody.

Osterman said Staton never asked relatives for help. Todd Landry, director of the division of Children and Family Services, said the safe-haven law was designed to help children who are in dan-

ger, but none of the kids who were dropped off had been in harm's way.

In addition to Staton's kids, two unrelated boys were left Wednesday at a different Omaha hospital.

Landry said he empathizes with parents who struggle to raise their families, but "it is the job of a parent to be a parent." He said there are resources to help them.

James Blue, CEO of the Lincoln-based nonprofit Cedars, which works with abused and neglected children, said he's been inundated with calls ever since the safe-haven law took effect.

He said the group gets more than 10 calls a day from struggling parents, and its temporary shelter is at its capacity of 15.

"While this (law) has, I think, exposed an underbelly of our society of families that are dropping teenagers off forever at a hospital, it has also given a message to families that there is help out there," Blue said.

He said it's important for the state to have a safe-haven law, but he needs to be an age limit for the children who are left behind.

Injured brakeman sues in LA train crash

By Raquel Maria Dillon The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The brakeman on the freight train involved in a deadly collision with a commuter train filed lawsuit Friday against the commuter railroad and the companies that provide its engineers.

The lawsuit filed by Dominick Frolava and his wife, blames the defendants for not properly screening, supervising and training the Metrolink engineer who ran his commuter train past a red signal on Sept. 12 and collided with a Union Pacific freight train. Twenty-five people died in the crash, the nation's deadliest train accident since 1993.

"Basically the guy was asleep at the switch and not paying attention to what was going on around him," Frolava's attorney, Barry Novack, said of the Metrolink engineer, who was killed in the crash.

The lawsuit also names Amtrak Transportation and its subsidiary, Conrail Railroad, which employs the Metrolink engineers. It seeks an unspecified amount in damages, medical and psychological expenses and loss of income. Frolava's wife also seeks damages for loss of consortium.

The lawsuit alleges the defendants knew the tracks presented risks but "allowed a dangerous, ineffective and unsafe condition to exist." Novack said the red and yellow signals near the station were not positioned to allow engineers to see them, which led to the crash.

The trains collided at a curve in the track near where a tunnel separates the Chatsworth area of Los Angeles from Simi Valley and Moorpark in Ventura County. Federal investigators have said the engineers had only seconds to brake before the other train came into view.

Simpson jury hears tape of chuckling investigators

By Linda Deutsch Associated Press writer

LAS VEGAS — Jurors in O.J. Simpson's robbery and kidnapping trial heard recordings Friday of police investigators chuckling over Simpson's troubles, referring to him with foul language and rejoicing at his impending arrest.

"You're just picking on him because you're mad about the verdict," said Lt. Clint Nichols, head of the police robbery division.

"Yup," responded crime scene analyst Michael Perkins.

In another exchange, Nichols said, "He's gonna get arrested."

"O.J.," Nichols said. "Oh, god," Perkins said. Simpson's defense played the recordings, which were made as investigators gathered evidence at the Palace Station casino and hotel only hours after a confrontation between Simpson, accompanied by a group of men, and sports memorabilia collectors who allegedly were robbed of items at gunpoint.

Testimony about the recording came as the prosecution was winding down its case. An admitted gunman, Michael McClintock, was expected to be prosecutors' last witness before the start of defense presentations.

The voices were captured on a digital recorder left run-



O.J. Simpson appears in court in Las Vegas, Wednesday. Simpson memorabilia. Defense attorney Gabriel Grasso showed jurors transcripts of the comment during testimony by Andy Caldwell, the lead detective on the case against Simpson and co-defendant Clarence "C.J." Stewart.

Caldwell acknowledged that the comments were made by Nichols and the crime scene analyst. The officers also chuckled over forensic evidence they will produce. Caldwell acknowledged that Simpson called police almost immediately after the confrontation and agreed to talk to them.

"Yes, he's already confessed to havin' it," Nichols said. "Agreed to bring it back if need be. ... He told the cop

that, which is not the brightest thing in the world to do."

"Yes, no kidding," Perkins laughed.

"You think after all his problems he would learn not to talk to anyone."

Prosecutors called Caldwell to the stand to identify surreptitious phone recordings of Simpson talking to his daughter Arvella Simpson from the Clark County jail after he was arrested on Sept. 16, 2007.

O.J. Simpson said in the call that he had a "long talk" with memorabilia dealer Alfred Beardsley and that Beardsley said he didn't want to press charges.

# With cash infusion, world re-arms war against malaria

By Richard Boodreax  
Los Angeles Times

UNITED NATIONS — With \$3 billion in new pledges, world leaders say they believe an ambitious goal to stop deaths from malaria by 2015 is finally within reach.

A plan billed as the most comprehensive ever to tackle the mosquito-borne disease, which kills nearly 1 million people each year, was announced this week at a United Nations gathering of heads of government, global health lead-

ers and philanthropists.

It calls for a sharp increase in the use of relatively simple prevention efforts, such as distribution of insecticide-treated bed nets and the spraying of homes, and boosting vaccine research.

"To be able to say with conviction for the first time that all countries will be able to see an end to malaria deaths ... is indeed a historic moment," British Prime Minister Gordon Brown told reporters here Thursday. "What seemed impossible a few years ago is now possible."

Malaria is the single greatest cause of death for the world's children, but only in recent years has it drawn high-profile attention. International spending to fight the disease reached an average of \$1 billion a year between 2002 and 2007, according to the online journal PLoS Medicine.

The World Health Organization, in a report last week, put the number of malaria cases in 2006 at 247 million and the number of deaths at 881,000, most of them children under 5 in sub-Saharan Africa.

But participants at the U.N. gathering said they were buoyed by a real decline, of 50 percent or more, in malaria deaths during this decade in some African countries that have mounted aggressive prevention and treatment programs.

Those places include Eritrea, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, and the Zanzibar region of Tanzania. The WHO report pointed out that they have relatively small populations, a factor that might have made progress against the disease easier. About one-third of the new fund-

ing will go for a World Bank campaign in Nigeria and the Democratic Republic of Congo, which account for at least 30 percent of all malaria deaths worldwide.

The plan was unveiled with fanfare by participants in the U.N. gathering, including Bill Gates and U2 singer Bono.

Their \$3 billion commitment was described as the largest batch of anti-malaria pledges ever. But the campaign's organizers said additional investments of at least \$1 billion a year will be needed.



AP file photo

Russian-made T-72 tanks maneuver during a military drill in October 1998 in Visegrád, Hungary. Pirates seized a Ukrainian vessel carrying Russian and Ukrainian crewmen and 33 T-72 tanks bound for Kenya on Thursday.

## Russia warship heads to Africa after pirates seize ship, 33 tanks

By Mike Eckel  
Associated Press writer

MOSCOW — A Russian warship on Friday rushed to intercept a Ukrainian vessel carrying 33 battle tanks and a hoard of ammunition that was seized by pirates off the Horn of Africa — a bid hijacking that again heightened fears about surging piracy and high-seas terrorism.

A U.S. warship is tracking the vessel but there has been no decision about intercepting it, U.S. Defense Department officials said.

"I think we're looking at the full range of options here," Pentagon spokesman Bryan Whitman said.

It was unclear whether the pirates who seized the 530-foot-long cargo ship *Faina* on Thursday knew what it carried. Still, analysts said it would be extremely difficult to sell such high-profile weaponry like Russian tanks.

The hijacking, with worldwide pirate attacks surging this year, could help rally stronger international support behind France, which has pushed aggressively for decisive action against Somali pirates.

Russian navy spokesman Capt. Igor Dygalo told The Associated Press that the missile frigate *Neustrashimiy* left the Baltic Sea port of Baltiisk a day before the hijacking to cooperate with other unspecified countries in anti-piracy efforts.

But he said the ship was then ordered directly to the Somalia coast after Thursday's attack.

According to the British-based Jane's Information Group, the *Neustrashimiy* is armed with surface-to-air missiles, 100 mm guns and anti-submarine torpedoes.

Ukrainian Defense Minister Yuri Yekhanunov, meanwhile, said the hijacked vessel *Faina* was carrying 33 Russian-built T-72 tanks and a substantial quantity of ammunition and spare parts.

He said the tanks were sold to Kenya in accordance with international law.

Ukrainian officials and an anti-piracy watchdog said 21 crew members were aboard the seized ship, including three Russians. Ukrainian President Viktor Yushchenko ordered unspecified measures to free his crew, but it was unclear whether any of the former Soviet republic's naval vessels had been dispatched.

A Kenyan government spokesman, Alfred Mutua, confirmed the East African nation's military had ordered the tanks and spare parts. The tanks are part of a two-year rearmament program.

"The government is in contact with international maritime agencies and other security partners in an endeavor to secure the ship and cargo," Mutua said in a statement. "The government is actively monitoring the situation."

# Anti-terrorism rift



AP photo

Pakistani soldiers parade suspected Afghan militants for the media in the troubled Bajaur agency, Pakistan, Friday. Pakistan will bring stability to the restive tribal region bordering Afghanistan within two months, Maj. Gen. Tariq Khan told reporters.

## Pakistan warns U.S. to steer clear of border

By Chris Brummitt  
Associated Press writer

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Pakistan warned the U.S. not to stray across the Afghan border into its territory after a gunbattle between the anti-terror allies that was praised by tribesmen as a victory against Washington.

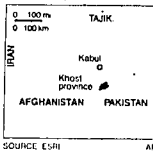
As if to underline the point that Pakistan can beat al-Qaida and Taliban militants without American firepower, a top general said Friday an offensive in another frontier province had killed more than 1,000 suspected insurgents and predicted the region would be "stabilized" within two months.

Still, he also showed reporters photos of militant tunnel systems and trenches in Bajaur, suggesting more tough fighting ahead in an area that is considered a likely hiding place for Osama bin Laden and other top al-Qaida leaders.

The violence that is milig-

### U.S. copters under fire

Pakistan troops fired at U.S. helicopters gathering the Afghan-Pakistan border Thursday. Pakistan's president said that only forces were fired.



SOURCE: ESPI AP

In recent months, Washington has launched a flurry of missile strikes and a ground assault on targets within Pakistan, infuriating both ordinary Pakistanis and their leaders.

In one of the most serious incidents yet between the two sides, U.S. helicopters and Pakistani ground troops briefly traded fire Thursday on the border. The aircraft were not hit and no one was hurt.

U.S. officials said the two choppers were inside Afghanistan when the troops opened fire. But Pakistan insisted the aircraft had crossed over the ill-defined and contested border and into its airspace.

Pakistan government spokesman Akram Shahzeed urged U.S.-led coalition forces "not to violate (the) territorial sovereignty of Pakistan as it is counterproductive to the war on terror."

But Pakistani President Asif Ali Zardari struck a more conciliatory note on Friday during

a brief appearance alongside U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice in New York.

"I look at U.S. support as a blessing. I look at the world support as a blessing to Pakistan," Zardari said.

In Washington, Adm. Mike Mullen, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said Pakistani military leaders reassured him last week that they have no intention of using force against U.S. troops, along with the Pakistan-Afghan border.

Mullen said he has no reason to believe the Pakistan-U.S. relationship has changed as a result of Thursday's border clash.

The clash — the first serious exchange with Pakistani forces acknowledged by the U.S. — drew praise from fiercely anti-American tribesmen in the region.

"Pakistan should have reacted against the Americans like this earlier," said Mushtaq Khan.

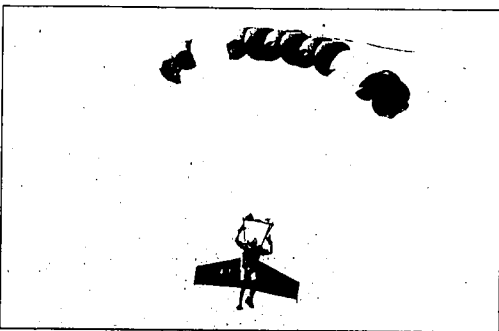
# Swiss man flies jet wing over English Channel, into record books

By David Striner  
Associated Press writer

DOVER, England — He had nothing above him but four tanks of kerosene and nothing below him but the cold waters of the English Channel. But Yves Rosy leapt from a plane and into the record books, crossing the channel on a homemade jet-propelled wing.

Rosy jumped from the plane about 8,200 feet over Calais, France, on Friday, blasting across the narrow body of water and deploying his parachute over the South Foreland lighthouse, delighting onlookers who dotted Dover's famous white cliffs, cheering and waving as Rosy came into view.

Backed by a gentle breeze, Rosy crossed the Channel in 13 minutes, averaging 125 miles per hour. In a final flourish, he did a figure eight as he came over England, although the wind blew him away from



AP photo

Yves Rosy of Switzerland comes in to land by parachute after his solo flight from France to England on a homemade jet-propelled wing, Friday near Dover, England.

his planned landing spot next to the lighthouse. "It was perfect. Blue sky,

sunny, no clouds, perfect conditions," the Swiss pilot said after touching down in an

adjacent field. He said he wanted to show, "It is possible to fly, a little bit, like a bird."

Onlookers scooped up their children, picnic and dogs to race to the landing site. Rosy posed for photographs. His ground crew doused him with champagne, and the pilot swigged greedily from the bottle as he waved to the band of onlookers gathered to cheer him and take pictures with cell phone cameras.

A small airplane zipped across the sky with a banner that read: "Well done Jet Man." Rosy said he had watched passenger ferries cutting a path between the Britain and France as he tore through the air.

"I was happy to be faster than them," he said. The 49-year-old said the Channel crossing was the realization of a dream. "That's the most gratifying thing you can do," he said.

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The South Foreland Lighthouse was the site of Guglielmo Marconi's experiments with radio telegraphy in 1898. Blierot used the white building as a target during his pioneering flight, the build-up's manager, Simon Oxenden, said.

The Channel has attracted a range of adventurers and stuntmen over the years, most drawn to the 21-mile (34-kilometer) wide neck of water between Dover and Calais.

Frenchman Jean-Pierre Blanchard and American doctor John Jeffries were the first to fly from Britain to mainland Europe in a hot air balloon in 1785.

Capt. Matthew Webb's braved striking jellyfish and strong currents to be the first to swim across the Channel in 1875. Other stunts followed: The first hovercraft crossing in 1958, the first human-powered air crossing in 1979.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Sunny and pleasant Highs near 80

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 7 columns: Today, Tonight, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Yesterday's Weather. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain, and temperature ranges.

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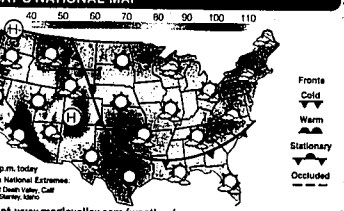
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I've always believed, the great wise men and teachers, philosophers, poets have disagreed with each other on many things. It is only the fools who have agreed."

CANADIAN FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists major Canadian cities with their respective weather forecasts.

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Gasoline shortages in Southeast create panic, long lines

By Steven Mufson The Washington Post

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hit to fill up his Land Rover. A man from the car behind helped push Tyson's vehicle down the road. "It was crazy," Tyson said. "People were standing on the side of the road with gas cans saying they'd pay the person to run a credit card through just to get gas so they didn't run out before they got to the pump themselves."

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Advertisement for REX gas stations. Text: "use these coupons to put... EVERYTHING REX at YOU ALWAYS PAY LESS SINCE 1926... on SALE! Sunday 12pm to 6pm • Daily 10am to 8pm". Includes an image of a REX gas station.

Storm lands with rain, gusts in Carolinas

BALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — A storm that worried forecasters but never gained tropical strength over the Atlantic pushed across the Carolinas on Friday with scattered power outages and propelled rain and rough surf farther up Atlantic seaboard. Meteorologist Barrett Smith at the National Weather Service in Raleigh said the low pressure in the storm would continue to weaken as the center moved northward and out of North Carolina by Saturday. Smith said no serious problems were reported from the rain or wind, which gusted to 40 mph early Friday. Precipitation averaged 2 to 4 inches. About 2 p.m., the center of the storm was southwest of Charlotte. The wet weather forced postponement of more than a dozen high school football games in central North Carolina. At the Outer Banks, officials posted red warning flags on the beaches to keep people out of rough surf. Smith said forecasters took the system seriously as it approached the coastline

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## The business of faith

### Kimberly Methodists find unique way to fund new church

By John E. Swayze  
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY — It may be a centennial year, but don't expect Crossroads United Methodist Church in Kimberly to rest on the achievements of previous generations.

With a new church and its unusual adjoining subdivision under construction, the congregation's 300 parishioners have one eye on the past and a shared commitment to impact the future for Christ.

A business-of-faith attitude toward the local mission field is one factor that prompted Rev. Robyn Morrison to accept the call as pastor of the Kimberly church in July.

Before entering the seminary, Morrison was State Small Business Development Director in Montana and then started her own business as an entrepreneurial coach and economic development finance consultant.

"I wanted my first church to be a place where people were willing to step out boldly and take some risk," Morrison said. "It can be hard to breathe new life into a 100-year-old congregation, but keeping up with how God is already working in this church and community meant I had to start out running to keep up."

#### Finding funding

Discussions about the need for a new church started in 1998, when it became clear the two-story, 13,000-square-foot structure at 205 Madison St. could no longer meet congregational needs. Securing a \$50,000 loan, the church decided to purchase five acres of vacant land on the north end of Main Street along U.S. Highway 30.

Construction of a 16,000-square-foot single-level facility didn't begin until June 2007. The old church was placed on the market this spring. "You probably won't find a more solid building anywhere in town, but we also have stairs that aren't conducive for an aging congregation," building committee co-chairman Ron Ballard said. "And spending the money to make it handicapped accessible would certainly be cost-prohibitive."

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Ralph Broeding, right, and Ron Ballard, committee and congregation members, stand in the new church, which is under construction.

## Where they find God

### T.F. man writes book about LDS temples

By Ariel Hansen  
Times-News writer

Living in Utah several years ago, Andrew Weeks started researching for a book about the history of temples of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He'd been reading about spiritual experiences church members had in the temples, and had heard the growing number of announcements of new temples, including Twin Falls.

"At the time, I heard about all the temples going up across the world, so I wanted to contribute something to that literature," Weeks said.

He finished the writing of the book, but it sat unpublished.

Then, a year and a half ago, he took a position at the Times-News, moving to Twin Falls where the temple was under construction.

"I'd never seen members so excited about a temple," Weeks said. "In Utah they seem to be a dime a dozen."

He picked up on that excitement to push for the book's publication.

"It's really inspiring to know a member felt strongly enough about the Twin Falls

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#### Get a copy

"Spiritual Experiences in the Houses of God," by Andrew Weeks, is available at major bookstores, and online at Amazon.com and Barnesandnoble.com for \$12.95.

Weeks will sign books at the Twin Falls Barnes & Noble, 1239 Pole Line Road, from 1 to 3 p.m. today.

A view of the steeple at Crossroads United Methodist Church in Kimberly.

Photos by ERIN MATYSON/  
For the Times-News



## Bikers offer ministry, will hold fundraising ride

By John E. Swayze  
Times-News correspondent

It's a scene Don Garner has witnessed countless times.

A group of leather-clad bikers pull onto a quiet residential street. Moments later, amid a mix of neighborhood suspicion and curiosity, they're standing at a front door with clothing and food items for a single mother who has been struggling to make ends meet.

"At first, the families we help don't know what to think or how to respond to us," he said. "But once people see our patch, they're just drawn to it and we just start talking and laughing together."

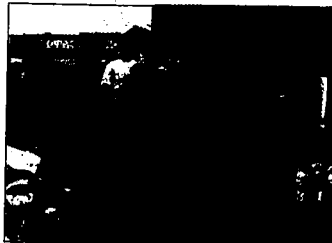
Garner is founder and president of the Rupert

Brothers in Christ Motorcycle Ministry. Since its creation five months ago, membership has grown to 30 members with chapters in Twin Falls and Arizona.

The group's patch, a white cross with flames coming up from the base, was designed to serve as a constant reminder that believers' attitudes should reflect their faith to anyone around them.

"Other clubs do similar projects to help the community, but Brothers in Christ is really a ministry to help those in need any way we can," Garner said. "And that means to share the good news of the gospel at the same time."

Garner received the gospel message and became a Christian in 1990 while attending a Billy Graham crusade held in Burley.



The Rupert Brothers in Christ Motorcycle Ministry pose for a photo. The group will hold this season's Trails End Ride this weekend.

"Before that I was addicted to drugs and I believe God

knew I had to quit cold," he said. "I can't say most of our members have had the same

experience, but some have probably come out of similar situations and all are born-again Christians."

A few of the Brothers in Christ members, such as Twin Falls chapter president Terry Pratt, serve as chaplains for some of the other area bike clubs.

"In the state of Idaho, if a group recognizes you as their spiritual advisor, you can perform weddings and funerals," Pratt said. "I've never gone to seminary but have been ordained by God, and serve in that capacity for the southern Idaho Bros club."

On Saturday, the Brothers in Christ Motorcycle Ministry will hit the road in the season's Trails End Ride to help raise money for families in

need over the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Activities will begin at 9 a.m. with registration held at American Graffiti in Rupert and additional registration for the Twin Falls chapter at the Homestead Cafe in Wendell.

Participants are asked to pay an entrance fee of \$20 (singles or \$30 per couple). Lunch and dinner are included. The route will pass through Lake Walcott in Rupert, Rock Creek in Hansen and Thousand Springs in Burley.

"At the Lazy F Tackle Shop near Walcott, we'll stop to lay on hands and say a blessing for a woman with cancer," Garner said. Information: Garner, 208-431-3760.





# Canceled Muhammad novel finds new publisher

By Nicholas K. Geranos  
Associated Press writer

SPOKANE, Wash. — A historical novel about the prophet Muhammad and his child bride that was pulled by Random House over concerns it would anger Muslims has found a new English-language publisher.



Author Sherry Jones explains why Random House Publishing canceled her book on the prophet Muhammad's first wife, 'The Jewel of Medina,' on Aug. 21 in Spokane, Wash. A historical novel about the prophet Muhammad and his child bride, pulled by Random House over concerns it would anger Muslims, has been sold to another publisher, the author said Wednesday.

Her historical novel is about Aisha, the third wife of the prophet Muhammad, and her role in the rise of Islam.

"I was completely bowled over by the novel and the moving love story it portrays," Gibson Square said in a news release.

"The Jewel of Medina" has an important barometer of our time. The love story is somewhat known in the Muslim world but is entirely unknown to Western readers, Nijm said.

Failure to publish the book "would truly mean that the clock has been turned back to the Dark Ages," he added.

The novel was originally to be published by Random House in August, and was to be a book of the Month Club selection.

But Random House, which paid Jones \$100,000 for "The Jewel of Medina" and a second book, dropped the novel after concerns were raised by non-Muslims that the content was explosive.

Random House said in August that "credible and unrelated sources" had warned that the book "could invite acts of violence by a small, radical segment."

Jones has argued that her first novel is respectful to Islam and would not incite violence. She contended it would actually promote understanding among different cultures.

"Now we can all move the conversation forward to address the themes in my debut novel and its sequel, of women's empowerment, reconciliation and peace," Jones said.

Random House forfeited

the advance to Jones, 46, a former newspaper reporter, and allowed her to find a new publisher.

Her agent, Natasha Kern, has been looking for publishers willing to publish both books, and to deal with any backlash.

"It was crucially important that the publisher would have industry-leading distribution in Britain, which Gibson Square has," Kern said. "And it was also important that it had an excellent track record on handling books in a good way that were provocative and had achieved some degree of controversy beyond the publishing community."

Gibson Square has published assassinated Russian agent Alexander Litvinenko's "Blowing up Russia," and "Londonistan," a book by Melanie Phillips on Britain's refusal to stem homegrown fanaticism.

The book will also be published in Germany, Italy, Spain, Brazil and Hungary, Jones said. In August, Serbian publisher Booktop released "The Jewel of Medina" but then quickly withdrew it from stores after protests

from local Islamic leaders who said it insulted Muhammad and his family.

Following the Random House decision, Salman Rushdie, whose "The Satanic Verses" led to a death decree in 1989 from Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini that forced the author to live under police protection for years, said the publisher had allowed itself to be intimidated.

"I am very disappointed to hear that my publishers, Random House, have canceled another author's novel, apparently because of their concerns about possible Islamic reprisals," Rushdie said in an e-mail sent last month to the AP. "This censorship by fear, and it seems a very bad precedent indeed."

The controversy erupted after Random House sent the novel to various experts on Islam in the U.S., seeking cover blurbs.

Some of the experts demanded the work, one calling it a "declaration of war" against the Muslim world. Random House canceled the publication in May, but the news did not become public until early August.

# Crossroads

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By this time, the initial proponent loan had been repaid, but asking members to shoulder a \$2 million structural price tag went well beyond anything they felt donations or fundraisers could manage. So the church took on an additional loan to cover construction costs.

However, building committee and board of trustee members had also been approached in 2005 with an offer on an additional land off behind what the church already owned.

"The lady who had owned it had died and her heirs came to us with an offer," Hallard said. "She was a member of this church but had stipulated that we were to get the first opportunity."

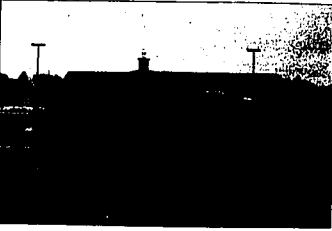
Recognizing the area was undergoing a building boom, they eventually purchased the remaining 19 acres for \$175,000. These 57 lots comprising the Kimberly Heights subdivision property have since been annexed, hooked into city utilities and put up for commercial or residential development.

The hope is that income generated from sales will allow the church to pay off construction loans and be debt-free.

"Things have slowed a bit and builders are being careful where they put their money, but this area is really a solid economy," Crossroads trustee and Magic Valley Realty agent Susan Stevens said. "We've got some lots sold for \$50,000 to \$70,000 but except for the two houses out there right now, the majority of those are probably more for investment purposes."

Once completed in December, the new facility will not only allow the congregation to continue receiving spiritual needs but possibly expand community involvement with youth art and other after school programs.

The church opens its doors to substance abuse support groups, civic activities of the Lions Club and Boy Scouts and hosts a community



DNB MATTHEW/For the Times-News

turkey dinner with homemade trimmings every October.

"We're hoping that this will generate interest in our situation and inspire other congregations to maybe do something similar," Morrison said.

### How others have done it

Other area congregations, including Elber First Baptist and St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome, have also dealt with recent building expansion needs.

In 2005, 150 members of Elber First Baptist Church started construction of a 5,300 square foot addition to the existing building with restrooms, kitchen and a multi-purpose room for \$900,000.

All but a \$100,000 loan is being raised through capital funds projects. The expansion was dedicated in August 2008.

"It's an amazing miracle," Pastor Gary Gilman said. "With funds projects we plan to have the whole thing paid by April 2009."

St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome regularly filled to overflowing before a new, 21,500-square-foot, \$4.2 million sanctuary was completed in 2004.

"We have a large Hispanic attendance of some 700 families," Father Ion Wekerle said. "Sometimes they'd spill out the doors and we'd set up speakers outside."

"The diocese required that 70 percent of construction funds be raised by capital

projects before it contributed. Once that goal was met, a low-interest loan was provided to cover project expenses. The church is now working to raise \$2.5 million for an 18,000-square-foot parish center, with offices, classrooms and a banquet hall to seat around 450 people.

### Writing in history

The heritage of Kimberly Crossroads began as Sunday School classes for settlers whose efforts slowly turned the desert into productive farm land. On May 10, 1908, the Rev. G.R. Archer arrived on the scene as the first full-time pastor and spearheaded construction of a church where regular services were held. A little over two months later, it became the first Methodist sanctuary on the Twin Falls. Tract and was dedicated on July 26, 1908.

In November 1965 members of the Hansen Methodist Church combined with the Kimberly congregation. Thirty-four years later in 1999, the Shurtough congregation formed around the same time as Kimberly, merged as well.

"We're going to encourage people to write prayers in the walls that will later be covered up with sheet rock," Morrison said. "That way, the whole building will be framed in prayer."

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# LDS statement seen as open to liquor law change

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A new statement from Mormon church leaders is being viewed as positive sign by Utah politicians who want to make sweeping changes to laws governing alcohol.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints posted the statement Monday on its Web site.

In the statement, church leaders acknowledge that alcohol is publicly available and believe Utahans can find agreement on "laws and regulations that allow individual freedom of choice while preserving Utah's proven, positive health and safety record on limiting the tragic consequences of overconsumption

of alcohol." The church counsels its members against drinking. Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman has called for a change in state law to eliminate a requirement that makes bars private clubs that require a membership. He says that will make Utah more tourist friendly.

# Book

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temple to write a book," said Charles Barnes, bishop in Twin Falls' 10th Ward, where Weeks is a member. "And gave us a better understanding of the role that temples have played through the history of mankind."

The book, "Spiritual Temple Experiences in the Kingdom of God," outlines the history of temples, from Old Testament times through the founding of the LDS church — but doesn't address the temples of other faiths. Weeks emphasizes the spiritual experiences people have had in the buildings.

"Members have claimed to see angels, or in some cases, the Lord," he said. Especially in the early days of the church at the Kirtland, Ohio, temple, many of these experiences were described in personal journals or church records, which have since become public. Weeks drew on these historical sources for many of his descriptions. He believes

### Weeks' other books

- "America in Perspective: LDS Perspectives on America's Past, Present, and Future," 2000.
- "Psalms, Proverbs and Parables: Doctrinal and Literary Gems," 2003.
- "America Back Then: A compilation of historic, patriotic literature," 2002.

people continue to have such experiences in temples. "Even though this book is about spiritual experiences that happened years ago in the church, it's my assumption they happen today," he said. "In talking to people, people are not necessarily apt to share their spiritual experiences, because they are personal."

Weeks also addresses how members can prepare themselves for visits to their temple, and looks to the future of the church's temple construction. "I would hope for members of the church that it would inspire them to make the most of their temple visits," he said. "Probably the most inspiring thing," Barnes said, "is

that it encourages members to seek a higher plateau, that as LDS people we need to seek greater worthiness." Weeks expects that the book will interest primarily Mormons, but that anyone else will better understand LDS believers after reading it. "I especially those who have been on the tour of the temple, they would get a better idea of why temples are so important to us," Barnes said.

"The book is not long — just 73 pages, plus a preface and appendices. "This was not meant to be a tough book, it was not meant to be complicated," Weeks said.

Ariel Hansen may be reached at 208-735-3376.

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Dicy H. Davis

CASTLEFORD — Dicy H. Davis, age 82, longtime Castleford area resident died Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2008, at SunBridge in Twin Falls. Dicy was born Dec. 26, 1925, to Lucy Confort, M., the daughter of James and Bertha Cresson Payne. She was raised in Missouri and it was there that she attended school. In 1941 when Dicy moved to Idaho and was employed at the Koffee-Cup Cafe in Hammett. In June of 1945 she married Lloyd Davis in Twin Falls. After their marriage the couple farmed on the Rossvort tract for 46 years, spanning from 1952 to 1998. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lloyd in 2003. For the past several years,

Dicy had resided at SunBridge in Twin Falls, Idaho. She and her husband were early members of the Calvary Assembly of God Church in SunBridge.

Survivors include two sons, Drey L. (Dru) Davis of Castleford, Idaho, and Bill Davis of 3014 E. 10th St., Boise, Idaho; sister, Nova West of Buhl and two grandsons, Brian and Tom. Graveside services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 29, 2008, at West End Cemetery in Buhl with Pastor David Royer officiating. Arrangements by Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl.

Reflection of History Museum at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls, Idaho, will host a presentation at 12:30 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Grant N. Beyer of Malta, Idaho, will officiate at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the Malta LDS Church; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at the Farnsworth Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

SERVICES

Wayne Richard Johnson of Idaho Falls and formerly of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Idaho Falls LDS Church, 955 Memorial Drive; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church, (Wind Funeral Home Idaho Falls).

Carol Ann Depew-Smith of Shoshone, memorial service and potluck dinner from 4 to 6:30 p.m. today and a celebration of life at 7 p.m. today at the Iron Horse Bar.

Mary Nolan Hog of Twin Falls, informal open house from 3 to 6 p.m. today at her home, 645 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls; sunset celebration from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. today at Mary Alice Park, 436 Main Ave. N. in Twin Falls (Sunrise Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

John Charles Manning of Greenville, N.Y., and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service at 1:30 p.m. today at the Aberdeen Cemetery in Aberdeen.

Michael Patrick Hurd of Murtaugh, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the Murtaugh LDS Church on Highway 30; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Davis-Rosse Mortuary, 170 Idaho St. in American Falls and 9 to 10:30 a.m. Monday at the church; interment at 3:30 p.m. Monday at the Aberdeen Cemetery in Aberdeen.

Wayne Lincoln, 80, of Filer died Friday, Sept. 26, 2008, at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Freda Arlene Dodson, 91, of Twin Falls died Friday, Sept. 26, 2008, at Snake River Rehabilitation Center. A graveside service will be held at a later date. Arrangements will be announced by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

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Fay Doris Fairchild, 78, of Castleford died Sept. 26, 2008, at her home in Castleford. Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

STOSHONE — Florene C. Silver, 88, of Shoshone died Sept. 26, 2008, in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Ronald Wesley Clark, 62, of Twin Falls died Thursday.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-2266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obituaries@timesherald.com. Obituaries are a free service and can be placed until 2 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."

Atheist soldier alleges discrimination by military

By John Hanna Associated Press writer
TORPEKA, Kan. — An atheist soldier says a federal lawsuit that his superiors required him to be present for Christian prayers, and that the military allows fundamentalist Christians to proselytize. Spc. Dustin Chalker, a combat medic with an engineering battalion, alleges he was required to attend three events from December 2007 to May 2008 at Fort Riley in Kansas City, Kan. It alleges violations of the soldier's religious freedoms. The lawsuit alleges the military allows religious discrimination by fundamentalist Christians who try to force

their views on others, especially subordinates. Its examples include programs for soldiers, presentations by "anti-Muslim activists" and "spiritual counselors" for soldiers endorsed by Gen. David Petraeus, the commander of U.S. forces in the Middle East. Defense department spokeswoman Eileen Lainez said Friday the department has received fewer than 50 complaints alleging religious discrimination in the past three years. The armed forces have more than 2.2 million active-duty and Reserve personnel. "The department respects (and supports by its policy) the rights of others to their own religious beliefs, including the right to hold no beliefs," Lainez said in a statement. "There are systems in place to provide a means to address and resolve any perceived unfair treatment." Lainez said the department does not comment on pending lawsuits.

Kennedy goes to hospital in ambulance from home

By Glen Johnson Associated Press Writer

BOSTON — Sen. Edward Kennedy, who has been in treatment for brain cancer, was taken by ambulance to a hospital near his Cape Cod vacation home Friday after complaining of feeling ill. A statement issued by his office attributed the episode to a change in medications and said he was expected to return home Friday night.

Sen. John Kerry said his fellow Massachusetts Democrat was well and hoped to be home to watch the evening's presidential debate between John McCain and Barack Obama. Kennedy "looks forward to watching the debate," the statement from his office said. A 911 call from the Kennedy compound in Hyannis Port came around 5 p.m., said Barnstable police Sgt. Ben Baxter. Kennedy was taken to Cape Cod Hospital and was "alert and responsive" during the trip, Baxter said. He had a seizure in May and underwent surgery in

June for a malignant brain tumor. After undergoing six weeks of chemotherapy and radiation treatment, he has been steadily increasing his public activity. Kennedy had told reporters visiting his Hyannis Port home on Tuesday that he was actively following the presidential race. "I'm going to be following it particularly next Friday," the senator said with a laugh.

He received a visit that day from Chilean President Michelle Bachelet at his home in his first public appearance since he gave a surprise speech in late August at the Democratic National Convention. Bachelet presented the senator with her country's highest civilian award — the Order to the Merit of Chile — in recognition of his opposition to the country's 1973 government overthrow and his work to cut off military aid to dictator Augusto Pinochet.

At a meeting, the senator stumbled momentarily as he tried to walk on the thick grass, but he quickly regained his balance. While he didn't take questions from



Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., speaks Tuesday at his home in Hyannis Port, Mass. Kennedy, who has been in treatment for brain cancer, was taken to a hospital Friday near his Cape Cod vacation home after complaining of feeling ill.

reporters, he departed from his prepared text to point out landmarks to Bachelet and a story about a friend in the crowd. "There's a wonderful relationship between our family and the sea that goes back a long time," he said as he listened to Nantucket Sound and the mooring where his schooner "Myra" rocked in the waves. In early September,

House seeks presidential pardon for boxing champ

By Jim Abrams Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The first black heavyweight champion should be granted a presidential pardon for a racially motivated conviction 75 years ago that blighted his reputation and hurt his boxing career, the House recommended Friday. Jack Johnson became world heavyweight champion in 1908, sparking a search for a white boxer dubbed "the Great White Hope," who could beat him.

In 1913, Johnson was convicted of violating the Mann Act, which outlawed the transportation of women across state lines for immoral purposes. Authorities had tried unsuccessfully first to charge Johnson over his relationship with a white woman who later became his wife. They then found another white woman who testified that Johnson had transported her across state lines in violation of the Mann Act.

Johnson fled the country, returning in 1920 to serve nearly one year at Leavenworth. He tried to renew his boxing career after leaving prison, but never regained his title.

The House resolution, passed by voice, states that Johnson paved the way for black athletes to participate and succeed in integrated professional sports and that he was "wronged by a racially motivated conviction prompted by his success in the boxing ring and his relationships with white women." It urged the president to grant Johnson, who died in 1946, a posthumous pardon.

"He was a victim of the times and we need to set the record straight — clear his name — and recognize him for his groundbreaking contribution to the sport of boxing," said Rep. Peter King, R-N.Y., author of the resolution. The measure now goes to the Senate, where Republican presidential nominee John McCain, a senator from Arizona, has a companion resolution.

World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Jack Johnson is shown in this undated photo.



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Spokeswoman: DJ AM released from burn hospital

By Meg Kinnard Associated Press writer

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Celebrity disc jockey DJ AM has been released from a Georgia hospital after suffering severe burns in a fiery plane crash a week ago, a spokeswoman for the musician said Friday.

While he is deeply saddened by the event, he is thankful for all of the love and support he has been receiving from fans and friends," spokeswoman Jenni Weinman said

in a statement. DJ AM, whose real name is Adam Goldstein, and former Blink-182 drummer Travis Barker were rushed to a burn hospital in Augusta, Ga., after their Learjet crashed on takeoff from a Columbia airport. Doctors have said they expect both men to fully recover.



Goldstein

Two pilots and two other passengers who were close friends of the musicians were killed in the crash just before midnight Sept. 19. An officer who was among the first on the scene said the musician told him they escaped the burning wreckage by sliding down a wing. A hospital spokeswoman would not say when Barker was expected to be released. The head of the hospital said it can take up to one week to heal from the second- and third-degree

burns the men suffered. But Dr. Fred Mullins said he didn't expect it to take that long for the musicians to heal. "The Learjet shot off the end of the runway, ripped through a fence and crossed a highway before coming to rest. Officials with the National Transportation Safety Board have not said what caused the crash, but spokesman Peter Knudson said he expects the agency to release a preliminary report next week.

Child actor, activist Thomas 'Bud' McDonald, 85, dies

By Mary Rourke Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Thomas "Bud" McDonald, who appeared in some of the "Our Gang" movies as a boy and later helped to found popular alcohol and drug treatment programs in southern California, has died. He was 85.

McDonald died Monday at his home in Seal Beach of congestive heart failure, his son, Scott, said. He began his movie career at 8 after his parents wrote to the Hal Roach Studios suggesting an audition for their son. A few days later McDonald had a screen test and was cast as Buddy, the boy with the freckles and big ears in several "Our Gang" comedies including "School is Out" and "Teacher's Pet" in 1930. In 1932 he appeared in "Seal Skins," a Lautner anti-hardy movie where he played an office boy. He also sang on a daytime radio program, "Juvenile Review," in the

1930s. McDonald outgrew his career before he was a teenager. He dropped out of ninth grade, and when his parents divorced he moved with his mother and two brothers to Oregon, where they worked as fruit pickers. Eventually, they returned to southern California. At the start of World War II, McDonald joined the Marines, but a training accident disqualified him from active duty. He became a police officer with the Los Angeles Police Department, where he worked for about four years. By his late 20s, McDonald had developed a drinking problem. He left the LAPD, in part because of his alcoholism. "It was running with a bad crowd," his son said. He robbed a store at gunpoint, was convicted of a felony and sent to prison. There, he started attending Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. "At that point my

father was confronted with the fact that his life was going down the drain," Scott McDonald said. After serving six months of a longer sentence, McDonald was released from jail on good behavior. He took a job as a truck driver, paid restitution for the robbery he committed and returned to Alcoholics Anonymous. He often sponsored newer members and went to court with them to settle drunk-driving charges. He got to know several of the judges. Starting in the late 1960s, McDonald helped launch educational and treatment programs in public schools with Downey Municipal Court Judge Leon Emerson. They developed a system that allows offenders to attend alcoholism recovery meetings as part of their probation sentence. The system has been adopted nationally, Emerson said this week. In the early 1970s

McDonald and Emerson cofounded what is now called the Southern California Alcohol and Drug Programs. The agency sponsors rehabilitation programs for men and women and serves about 3,000 people each year. McDonald helped develop projects, raise money for them and continue mentoring recovering alcoholics. "Bud never forgot he'd been down and out and once needed a hand," Lynne Appel, executive director of the program, said this week. "His greatest satisfaction was having someone stop him and say they had a family, a car, and were paying their mortgage," years after they had been through rehabilitation. McDonald, who was born in Coalville on Oct. 1, 1922, was married twice. His second wife, Marcia, died in 1996. A daughter, Sharon, died in 2005. In addition to his son, he is survived by a daughter, Debra, and a brother, Alex.

# Fabricating friends



Linda Olsen arranges wire in one of the several dragons and gargoyles that stand guard outside her Burley home. Olsen and her husband, Robert Olsen, work on the projects together and take the colorful pieces to art shows.

## Couple designs unique creatures of glass and wire

By Laurie Welch  
Times-News Writer

With Halloween around the corner it is not unusual to see all types of creatures springing up in yards across Mini-Cassia — but one Burley home exhibits a variety of multi-colored dragons and gargoyles year round.

Linda and Robert Olsen, who live at the corner of 13th Street and Malta Avenue, receive their fair share of second looks from people who spot the unusual assortment of winged beasts that glow from between the bushes in their front yard.

"I was so excited to get that first dragon. I just knew that I was the only person in Burley who had a dragon in

their front yard," said Linda Olsen, who helps her husband put the finishing touches on the pieces.

Robert creates the shapes freeform using rolled steel wire and after the body, wings and feet take shape then attaches wire meshing across the wires. Linda takes it from there and fashions the body design with glass, creating colorful patterns and shapes that give the creatures their character.

What started with a sculpture given as a gift to Linda from Robert has turned into a creative outlet the couple both share.

"I gave me the first dragon after I was really close to dying once. He never left my side and afterward he presented me with it. It is a copy

of the dragon tattoo that is on my shoulder," Linda said.

Over the past five years they have produced a couple hundred of the pieces which they take to art shows around the area. One of the pieces they traded for a camper, which they now take on their sojourns.

The ones kept in their yard are chained down to prevent them from being stolen, which has been a problem.

"We had started a Yoda (a character from the movie "Star Wars"), and someone stole it. We put out flyers and someone brought it back," Linda said. During the period it was missing Robert started another one, but when he received the first one back, he changed the second one, giving it wings

and turning it into the first gargoyle.

Linda said Robert works quickly, often coming up with an idea and creating it within half a day. Along with the dragons and gargoyles he also has made frogs, butterflies, preying mantis and hummingbirds but during the past year his fancy has turned to aircraft, twirling the creation of a twin prop plane and a jet.

In fact, Linda says, he can make just about anything just by looking at a picture.

"He's really special," Linda said. "But, it's really about something that we can do together."

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Burley Fire Department holds breakfast

The Burley Fire Department will hold a breakfast to help celebrate Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 5-11) from 7 to 11 a.m. Oct. 11 at the Burley Fire Department, 1235 Miller Ave. Breakfast includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, hash browns, coffee and juice.

Suggested donation is \$4 per person or \$16 per family. All money raised will be used to purchase fire prevention materials that will be distributed free of charge throughout the community.

### M-C Retired Educators resume work

The Mini-Cassia Retired Educators returned from summer vacation to a new slate of officers: President Linda Croft, Vice-president Rollo Harrison, Secretary Ko Tateoka and Treasurer Ilina Welker.

Meetings have returned to the second Monday of each month, September through May, and will now be held at Connor's Cafe in Heyburn at 11 a.m. All retired educators in this area are welcome to attend the meetings.

The speaker for the September meeting was Ann Kimmett who has taken up quilting after retiring from many years of teaching. She brought in her underground railroad quilt that tells, as she explained, the history of the underground railroad and the slaves escaping to freedom in Canada. At this meeting, Tateoka paid tribute to Laura Mae Arthur, a founding member of the retired teachers chapter who recently passed on.

### Check out these books at Rupert library

Book notes from McClary Memorial Library in Rupert.

Mystery: "Nothing to Lose" by Lee Child

Within hours of arriving in Despair, Colo., Jack Reacher begins to make the connection between the town and a war that's killing Americans thousands of miles away. Because of this, citizens not only want him gone, but dead.

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with the Walktober walking campaign. Walktober is designed to:

- Guide participants through the benefits of walking.
- Help incorporate walking into their daily routine.
- Dramatically boost the amount participants walk.
- Inspire everyone to make walking a priority in October and beyond.

October is a perfect time to get into a regular walking routine. Walktober is designed so everyone can start walking and experience success from inactive individuals to those already making strides toward better health.

If you are interested in starting a walking program go to Impact Athletic at 7 p.m. Monday for more information. Participants will then meet once a week throughout October to update their walking progress, share healthy recipes and walking information.

The program is free to the public. Participants of Walktober may use Impact Athletics walking track at no charge from 1 to 4 p.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays during the month of October. Information: Amy, 312-1529.

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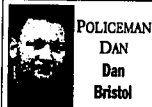
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# Anything you say can be used against you

Q: My son went to the police and they asked him questions about an incident he was involved in. He was arrested a day or two later because of that interview. He told me that he was never read his rights when they talked to him. Doesn't he have anything he said unusable in court?

A: No, your son gave information voluntarily to the police and was not under arrest at the time. What is called is a non-custodial interrogation.



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which you son had the right to get up at any time and leave. When he chose not to leave all the information he gave the police was admissible for criminal and court proceedings.

There have been arguments about where the interviews take place but the main issue is that unless the police detained your son from leaving then he was free to leave at any time. One example would be that your son was told he could not leave unless he told the police something. That could be determined to be a custodial interrogation in which your son would have to have been given his Miranda Rights.

One other thing to mention here is that, when people demand a lawyer before they will speak to the police, that is usually a good sign that they are afraid they will give away too much information that would put them in the Gray Bar Motel.

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### Walktober campaign held in Burley

October is national walking month and Impact Athletic of Burley has joined with Cassia Regional Medical Center to help residents get walking

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# Pay and benefit eligibility for veterans

The Veterans Disability Benefits Commission wants Congress to consider amending eligibility rules for Social Security Disability Insurance because younger veterans severely injured in combat may not meet the current work requirements.

A 24-year-old must have worked at least 18 months

over the previous three years to qualify for a government benefit intended to help those unable to work due to disability. Only 54 percent of veterans rated 100 percent disabled by the Department of Veterans Affairs can qualify.

Social Security benefits are hard to pass. While the panel makes a case that vets

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are being denied help because they're injured too young to have a long work history, lawmakers worry that an attempt to fix benefits for vets would open the door to proposals for

other Social Security plans that would bow down under partisan bickering.

GI bill education

GI bill education benefits could be used to cover the cost of training required as part of the purchase of a

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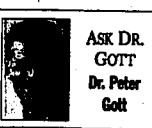
## OAKLEY STUDENTS GO TO CRATERS OF THE MOON



The 5th and 6th graders at Oakley Elementary School recently enjoyed on a field trip to Craters of the Moon National Monument northeast of Carey. They explored the historically recent lava bed and saw how the forces of nature change the land. Kyle Wilcox, Bryce Battista and Dalen Cooper are pictured inside Indian Tunnel, a lava tube formed by a lava flow that hardened on the outside and flowed through, leaving a tunnel.

# Medication doubles chances of atrial fibrillation in women

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a 67-year-old nonsmoking, nondrinking female who lives a very healthy lifestyle with exercise, good nutrition, average weight, etc. I have no history of heart disease in my family, yet three weeks ago, I wound up in the emergency room with atrial fibrillation that required an overnight stay for observation, followed by a nuclear



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**Gott**

stress test and the wearing of a heart monitor. I'll meet with a cardiologist in a few

days to discuss the results. I've taken Fosmax for almost seven years for mild bone loss and recently read of a scientific study indicating the drug can cause heart abnormalities — including atrial fibrillation, congestive heart failure, blood clots and strokes. I stopped taking the Fosmax immediately.

Is my atrial fibrillation a chronic condition now, or

does the discontinuation reduce and eventually end the symptoms? Is there a safe bone-loss drug available? Have you any idea why this important information for women is not well-known? Is there some sort of pharmaceutical cover-up?

DEAR READER: Atrial fibrillation is a condition that presents as rapid, abnormal, irregular heartbeats. The

irregularity results in a decreased amount of blood pumped to the body. The disorganized contractions of the upper heart chamber can cause clot formation.

Now, for the Fosmax. I don't know of any medication that does not have the potential for side effects. On the flip side, research has shown that Fosmax reduces the incidence of hip fracture

by 63 percent. This is a significant finding for postmenopausal women. Now comes the downside. Fosmax appears to double a woman's chances of developing atrial fibrillation, even if no history of heart abnormalities is present. This was not known when the drug was test marketed, nor was it

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By Johnny Hart

Baby Blues



By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

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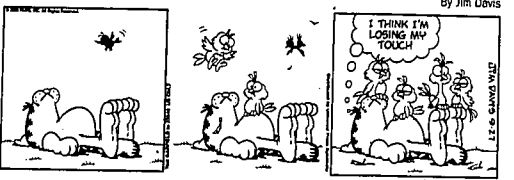
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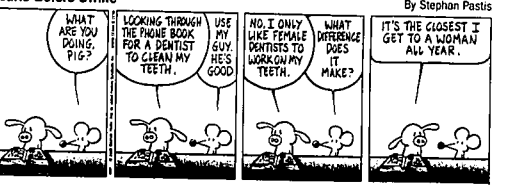
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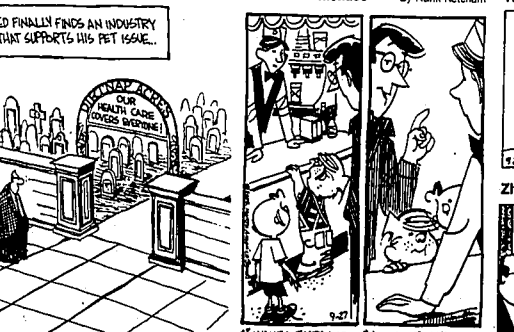
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By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

# Popular Chinese candy linked to tainted milk

By Tim Tran  
Associated Press writer

BEIJING — They were Premier Zhou Enlai's favorite late-night snack. He loved White Rabbit candy so much he gave a bag to President Nixon during his historic visit to China. But the iconic brand, beloved by generations of Chinese, took a hit after it was linked to the tainted milk scandal.

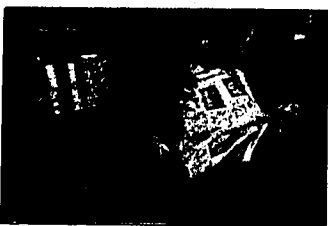
The Shanghai-based maker of the candy said Friday it had halted production because of suspected melamine contamination. The chewy vanilla-flavored White Rabbit sweets have already been pulled from shelves around Asia and in Britain.

The Guan Sheng Yuan Co. was still waiting for test results on samples of its exported products, but all sales have been stopped as a precaution, said Ge Junjie, a vice president of Bright Foods (Group) Co. Ltd., which owns the Shanghai maker.

"It's a tragedy for the Chinese food industry and a big lesson for us as it ruined the time-honored brand," Ge was quoted as saying by the Shanghai Daily.

The popular sweets are sold in more than 50 countries throughout Asia and the world, including most of the Chinatowns in the United States. Overseas sales have reached \$160 million over the past five years.

The U.S. Food and Drug



A Philippine police officer pulls packs of White Rabbit candy off the shelves of a grocery in Manila, Philippines, Thursday. AP photo

Administration recommended Friday that consumers not eat White Rabbit candy and that retailers remove it from sale. The agency also recommended avoiding Mr. Brown instant coffee and milk tea products being recalled by Taiwan's Car Food Industrial Co. Ltd., though it said it was not aware of any illnesses in the United States linked to either the candy or the coffee and tea products.

Tests in Singapore and New Zealand this week found White Rabbit sweets were tainted with melamine, the industrial chemical that has already been found in milk and other dairy products in China. Used in making plastic and fertilizer, it has been blamed for causing kidney problems in infants and young children, sickening some 54,000 and killing four babies. About 13,000

remain hospitalized. The widening scandal has dealt a huge blow to China's leading candy maker, which has been producing the hugely popular sweets for about a half-century.

"White Rabbit is a famous brand, with huge brand assets. It's almost an icon and carries lots of memories. Imagine if the same thing happened to Coca-Cola," said Kara Chan, a professor in the communication studies department at Hong Kong Baptist University who studies branding.

White Rabbit was first produced in 1959. "In celebration of the 10th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China," according to the company Web site.

Its historic pedigree got an even bigger boost in 1972 when the Chinese premier gave the candy, along with

two pandas, as a state gift for the visiting President Nixon as a sign of friendship.

Virtually all Chinese have fond memories of the sticky, taffy-like confection wrapped in edible rice paper. With its distinctive red, white, and blue packaging and wide-eyed name-sake, White Rabbit candies are ubiquitous, routinely offered up in homes throughout China.

"When we were in school, all my classmates liked White Rabbit," said Su Yan, a 19-year-old sales clerk. "Girls would ask their boyfriends to buy it for them and the candy would be served on occasions like holiday receptions, a graduation party and wedding ceremonies."

Retailer Carrefour and supermarket chain Jingjue in Beijing said their stores have pulled the candy off their shelves, but other grocers, including one in the popular Silk Market, still stocked it on Friday.

Tea stall owner Yuan Yaqi, a self-described White Rabbit fan, had a 5-pound bag open beside her as she waited for customers Friday. "I loved White Rabbit when I was a child, because I liked milk products," she said. "I remember at every Spring Festival, my parents prepared a big dish mixed with melon seeds, peanuts and candies to be served to visiting friends. I often picked out the White Rabbits and hid them somewhere for myself."

# Baby cereal latest problem in China milk scandal

By Anita Chang  
Associated Press writer

BEIJING — The list of products caught in China's food safety scandal has grown to include baby cereal in Hong Kong and snack foods in Japan, and Taiwan has reported three children and a mother with kidney stones in the island's first cases possibly linked to the crisis.

The Japanese government also said Friday it had suspended imports of milk and milk products from China, where some 54,000 children have developed kidney stones or other illnesses after drinking baby formula contaminated with the industrial chemical melamine. Four deaths have been blamed on the tainted milk.

The latest problematic foods were Heinz baby cereal and Slang House steamed potato waffle crackers. The Hong Kong government said in a statement Friday it found traces of melamine in the products, which were both made in mainland China.

Hong Kong urged the manufacturers to stop selling the products in the Chinese territory. U.S.-based Heinz ordered a recall of the baby cereal as a precautionary measure following the government's announcement, it said in a statement on its Web site.

Hundreds of international food companies have set up operations in China in recent years, exposing them to the country's notorious product safety problems. Melamine-tainted products have turned up in an increasing number of Chinese-made exports abroad — from candies to yogurt to rice balls.

The Chinese territory of Macau said it detected melamine at 24 times the safety limit in products from Japan-based Lotte. Lotte, a company, Kona's March cookies made by Lotte China Foods Co. The company is a member of a Tokyo-based conglomerate, Lotte Group.

An official at Lotte (China) Investment Co. Ltd. in Shanghai said Friday previous inspections had not shown any problems.

Some Hong Kong supermarkets pulled the chocolate-filled cookies off shelves Friday after the announcement by Macau authorities late Thursday. Cookie packages list whole milk powder as an ingredient.

Only some types of milk powder and milk have been recalled in mainland China so far, but the maker of one of China's most popular candies said Friday it had halted sales because of suspected melamine contamination. White Rabbit candies have already been pulled from shelves around Asia and in Britain.

# Lynwood Shopping Center

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## Hill, Highland run over Bruins

By David Bashore  
Times-News writer

Twin Falls head coach Allen Reynolds was displeased, to say the least, after the Bruins' loss to a beatable Century team last week. This week his team was simply overmatched, and he knew it. Tayson Hill scored five times, Jerry Castillo added two more touchdowns and Class 5A No. 4 Highland cruised past Twin Falls 66-14 at Bruin Stadium on Friday night.

"That's a good football program," Reynolds said of Highland. "They've got a man among boys out there (in Hill), and he happens to play quarterback for them."

"Last week we weren't prepared. This week we just ran into a better football team." All of the touchdowns for the Rams (2-2, 1-0 Region Four-Five-Six) were scored on the ground. Hill found the end zone on runs of 6, 1, 1, 19 and 60 yards. He finished with 152 yards on just eight carries, and threw for 132 yards.

"To round out his weapon, Hill\* touched in a 36-yard field goal."

Castillo forged the second half of Highland's deadly partnership with a 66-yard effort on 11 rushes, plus three catches for an additional 64 yards. "We've got a lot of weapons in this offense. Jerry's probably one of the best (running backs) in the state, and on another day it could have been him with the five touchdowns," Hill said. "We just came out with the mentality that we were going to play hard, and the rest just takes care of itself. We expect to win (every game) but the bot-

tom line is that we play our hearts out every time." Highland played its first three games of the season against out-of-state opposition. The Rams split against a pair of Utah teams and lost to a California squad in the Rocky Mountain Rumble. But that schedule perhaps made things easier for Highland down the stretch as it returned to in-state foes. "There'll be people that say 'Hey, Highland's just 1-2,' but if a couple breaks go our way we could be 4-0 now,"



Twin Falls High School's Zak Sletten (4) attempts to tackle a Highland player during their match up Friday night in Twin Falls.

## Vandals, Aztecs return to basics

By Grant Joki  
Times-News correspondent

The Idaho Vandals and San Diego State Aztecs will be showing off basics tonight as both teams search for the key that can bring success. Idaho (1-3, 0-1 Western Athletic Conference) and 0-3 San Diego State University have plenty in common and both head coaches want a showing in

fundamentals to lift them out of the doldrums. Akey lectured his defense after its poor efforts last weekend in a 42-17 loss at Utah State. "You tackle the guy who has the football," Akey said. "You be where you're supposed to be even if the guy who's usually there isn't." Idaho gave up 580 yards to the Aggies in the loss. Leading 17-14 late in the third quarter, the Vandals fell into that all too familiar second-half slumber as the Aggies chalked up 28 unanswered points. Fundamentals have been stressed this week in hopes of ending a 19-game losing streak against Football Bowl Subdivision opponents and a 14-game skid versus WAC foes. Aztecs head coach Chuck Long is 7-20 in his first year and sees Akey's challenge in program building no different than his own.

"They (Idaho) compare to us in a lot of ways. They have a young team," said Long. "They have a lot of sophomores out there. I know Coach Akey is trying to build that team like I am here — playing a lot of youth, new guys trying to find their way, trying to find the best matchups."

Long wants to reverse the losing trend after a home loss to Football Championship Subdivision team Cal Poly (29-27) and road defeats at Notre Dame (21-13) and San Jose State (35-10). A bye week before the Idaho game saw the Aztecs re-learning the game. "We went into the bye week with a new attitude,"

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When: 6 p.m., Saturday  
TV: KWTF Radio: 1330 AM  
Lines: SDSU by 11.

## Tigers roll in GBW opener

Jerome too much for Burley

By Ryan Howe  
Times-News writer

Burley turned on the lights for the first time at its new stadium this week. Jerome paid a visit Friday night to make sure all the lights on the new scoreboard are in working order, as well.

Jerome's high-powered offense racked up 459 total yards as the Tigers earned their first Great Basin Conference West win of the season, 42-7. Playing in its homecoming, Burley put up a fight. While the final outcome was never really in question, the Bobcats made strides in frustrating the Tigers' game plan for most of the night.

"Burley's kids played hard, and we couldn't keep the ball very long on offense," said Jerome coach Gary Krumm. "Burley did a nice job of slowing things down. We're used to running 40 plays a half, and we didn't do that tonight. We might have panicked a little bit because we're used to scoring more points. We had to battle."

Jerome quarterback Jake Lammers completed 22 of 30 passes for 302 yards and four touchdowns. He added 36 yards rushing on seven carries. But the stat of the night came from the officials, who threw more flags around than the Burley color guard did during the halftime performance: more than 40 yellow flags thrown. Jerome and Burley each had more yards in penalties than they had rushing. Jerome had 12 penalties for 130 yards and Burley had 14 penalties for 157 yards. In the first quarter alone, 12 penalties were called.

"There were a lot of mistakes that were made and the referees were on top of it," said Burley coach Eugene Kramer. "I wasn't happy about all the late hits. That should never be in a football game. You should play clean, good football and walk off with some respect and I don't know if that happened tonight on both sides."

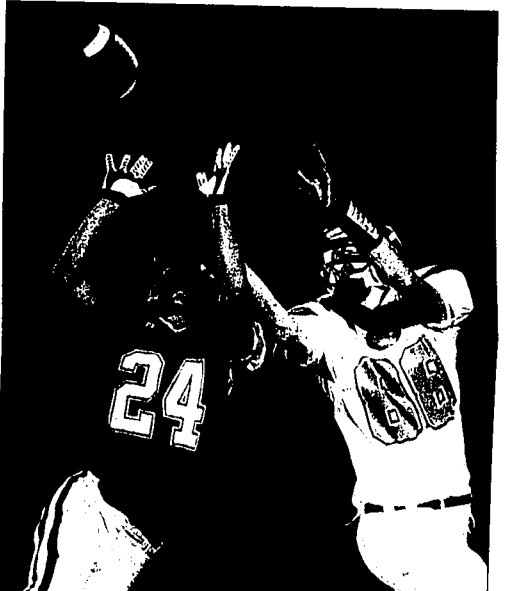
Said Krumm: "We had a lot of adversity in the penalty area — I've never seen that many penalties in a football game. But we need to get better. If we're going to beat Minico and go where we want to go, we've got to get a lot better than that."

Jerome (4-1 overall, 1-0 GBW) got two touchdowns from Zach Ingraham in the first quarter. Lammers threw TD passes to Nolan McDonald and Gus Callen in the second quarter to give Jerome a 20-0 halftime lead. "We were sloppy all game," said Ingraham. "We were overconfident and thought we'd come in here and whoop them without showing up. Blocking, defensive schemes — everything was sloppy. We weren't doing what we're supposed to do."

Burley (0-5, 0-2) rushed for more yards (93) than Jerome (88), but was Lammers' near-perfect passing that did Jerome in. Burley's aggressive pass rush was countered beautifully by Jerome's effective screen passes.

The Bobcats had a solid third quarter as their toss sweep was most effective as Burley kept the ball out of Lammers' hands by moving the ball. Burley picked up its first downs in the game to Jerome's 20.

"We moved the ball, but



Jerome receiver Kevin Williams (188) goes up for the ball while Burley's Jordan Rasmussen defends Friday.

we hit that 30 yard line sometimes and it's like a freeze zone," Kramer said. "But we are getting better and we'll get over it. I'm proud of the kids right now." Burley was able to get into the end zone and avoid a shutout when A.J. Hunter found Jared Judd for a 31-yard touchdown late in the fourth quarter. Hunter finished 9 for 20 passing for 173 yards.

Jerome 42, Burley 71  
0-5-1-0-2  
The game  
1 - Zach Ingraham 28 run (Gus Callen) (Jerome) 1:07  
2 - Eugene (G) pass from Jake Lammers (Nolan McDonald) 4:34  
3 - Gus Callen 8 pass from Lammers (Nolan McDonald) 5:40  
Fourth quarter  
1 - Luger Parker 42 pass from Lammers (Nolan McDonald) 1:07  
2 - Ross Miller 2 run (Nolan McDonald) 3:18  
3 - Nolan McDonald 15 pass from A.J. Hunter (Nolan McDonald) 1:08

## CSI COACHES CLINIC Gillispie absent, but others entertain

By Mike Christensen  
Times-News writer

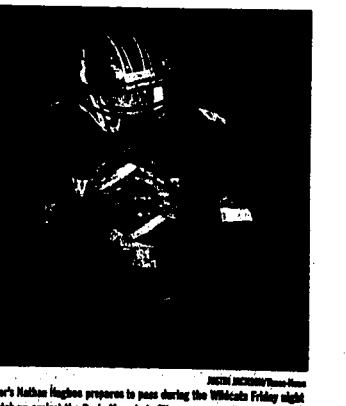
The headliner was absent, but the entertainment was plentiful at the Fourth Annual CSI Basketball Coaches Clinic dinner Friday evening at Canyon Crest Dining Center. Kentucky head men's basketball coach Billy Gillispie was expected to take part in the dinner and today's clinic, but had to scratch his visit at the last minute Friday. The Kentucky Athletics 2008 Hall of Fame class is being inducted this weekend and the class includes former Wildcats hoops star Tony Delk. While Gillispie planned to be in Twin Falls, Kentucky's

Director of Athletics Mitch Barnhart told the second-year coach he needed to stay in Lexington. The news was a blow to CSI coach Steve Gosar, but the other former and current NCAA Division I coaches at the dinner provided plenty of anecdotes and a lot of laughs. Legendary coach Boyd Grant, who led the Golden Eagles to a NCAA national title in 1976, shared his connections with each of the other coaches at the dinner. When one of his lines failed to deliver a laugh, he said, "Where's the humor in this town? I'm usually a very funny speaker."

## Declo wallops Wildcats 41-12

By Nathaniel Covarrant  
Times-News correspondent

Still looking for their first win of the season, the Filer Wildcats brought all the necessary intensity to homecoming Friday night. Unfortunately for the hosts, visiting Declo brought all the necessary offense, doubling the 'Cats 41-12 in non-conference play. Big plays on consecutive drives set the tone for the Hornets midway through the first quarter as several long passes from junior quarterback Jeremy Jenkins set up a pair of short touchdown runs by senior running back Tanner Field to go up 15-0. With the Filer offense failing to gain any traction, a 33-yard scamper early in the second quarter by Declo junior McCoy Stoker then opened up a 22-



Filer's Nathan Hughes prepares to pass during the Wildcats Friday night match up against the Declo Hornets in Filer.

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AUTO RACING
NASCAR Sprint Cup
World 750 Lineup
Race 1: 11:30 p.m. EST

GAME PLAN
LOCAL
COLLEGE BASEBALL
CSI of St. Luke's Co. D.H. Round 1
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
CSI at Utah Valley tournament, Green, Utah

ESP CLASSIC - Northwest in Iowa 10:30 a.m.
VBC - Army at Texas A&M 6:30 p.m.
AEC - Regional coverage, Colorado vs. Florida St. at Jacksonville, Fla.

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All-Time W-L
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Los Angeles 78 69 .529

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AUTO RACING
SPEED - NASCAR, Nationwide Series, qualifying for Kansas City 200
ESP2N - NASCAR, Nationwide Series, Kansas City 200

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PITTSBURGH BRIS - Signed Lou DeBacker executive vice president and chief marketing officer

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UConn rallies to beat Louisville with late interception return

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Lawrence Wilson returned an interception 45 yards for a touchdown with less than three minutes to play to give Connecticut a 26-21 victory over Louisville on Friday night.

The Seattle Mariners got some good news Friday night as pitcher Erik Bedard revealed no tears in the labrum or rotator cuff.

Seattle's Bedard has surgery



SPORTS

SCOREBOARD

AUTO RACING

NASCAR Sprint Cup Champion

World 400 Lineup

Table listing drivers and their starting positions for the World 400 race. Includes names like Tony Stewart, Jimmie Johnson, and Jeff Burton.

LOCAL

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Table of college baseball scores from the CSI at Sahalee Col. DN, COLLEGE FOOTBALL, and other local games.

GAME PLAN

LOCAL

Table of local game plans including ESPN CLASSIC - Northwest in Iowa, VARSUS - Army at Texas A&M, and various other matchups.

ESPAN CLASSIC

Table of ESPAN CLASSIC scores for various teams including Northwest in Iowa, Army at Texas A&M, etc.

FOOTBALL

Table of football scores for various teams including Idaho, Washington, Oregon, etc.

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Table of American League baseball scores for various teams.

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TV SCHEDULE

AUTO RACING

Table of TV schedule for auto racing events.

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MAJOR LEAGUE

Table of Major League Baseball scores for various teams.

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Table of West football scores for various teams.

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Donald Brown ran for 190 yards and a touchdown for the Huskies (5-1, 0-Big East), while the legs of the nation's leading quarterback to stay in it after starting quarterback Tyler Lorenzen was sidelined by a foot injury.

Sophomore Zach Fryer threw for 90 yards and a touchdown in place of Lorenzen and wisely let Brown do most of the work.

Louisville (2-2, 0-1) moved the ball effectively at times and tied up 500 yards of total offense but squandered several opportunities to put the game away.

Seattle's Bedard has surgery

SEAATTLE — In a season of disappointment, the Seattle Mariners got some good news Friday when surgery on the left shoulder of pitcher Erik Bedard revealed no tears in the labrum or rotator cuff.

Mariners brass must decide what this means for Bedard's future in Seattle.

Dr. Lewis Youder removed a cyst from Bedard's pitching shoulder and performed minor cutting away of tissue on the labrum.

Recovery time from that procedure typically is six months. A more precise timetable will be known when Bedard starts rehabilitation, but he could be fully recovered before the start of the 2009 season.

JRD holds hoops sign-ups

JEROME — Jerome Recreation District will hold sign-ups for women's basketball Sept. 29 through Oct. 17. Team fees are \$180, while player fees are \$15 for those in the district and \$20 for those outside the district.

The eight-week season begins Oct. 17. Registration may be done by phone (324-3389) or at the JRD office.

A preseason meeting will be held at 6 p.m., Nov. 5 in the JRD Conference Room.

Information: JRD at 324-3389.

CSI Basketball Bash news

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho men's and women's basketball teams will take the floor at 7 p.m. at the CSI Basketball Bash Tuesday at the CSI Gymnasium.

The first 400 people in attendance will get free popcorn and Coke. The court will have two pre-game dunk contests and performances from the dance and cheer teams.

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Information: JRD at 324-3389.

Staff and wire reports





# Stewart within sight of Chase leaders

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — So far, 2008 hasn't been Tony Stewart's year.

The two-time NASCAR Sprint Cup champion is winless this season and, although he did make the Chase for the championship, Stewart hasn't done much in the first two races of the postseason to make anybody's list of favorites to win the title.

Even so, heading into Sunday's Cup race at Kansas Speedway, Stewart is one win — or at least a couple of top-fives — from becoming a serious contender despite beginning the Chase in 10th place.

After finishing eighth at New Hampshire and 11th last Sunday at Dover, Stewart is seventh in the standings, just 113 points behind series leader Carl Edwards with eight of the 10 Chase races remaining.

So, considering he hasn't yet had one of his typical streaks of top-five finishes this season, is Stewart going to be a factor over the next two months?

"Qualifying 42nd Friday for the 43-car field wasn't a good

start to the race week, but a grim-looking Stewart tried to remain philosophical.

"I think Jeff Burton said it best last week — it was my favorite quote of last week-end's race is that we're 20 percent into this, so there's 80 percent still to go. That's a big percentage still to go."

But Stewart said that the biggest thing in getting a streak going is finding the key to the so-called Car of Tomorrow, the bigger bulkier car in its first full season and making its first start at Kansas. The new cars have been a handful for some teams, with the balance seemingly on a knife's edge.

"I think we can [get a streak going], but you never know," Stewart said. "From week to week, these cars are so sensitive that if you find something it's normally pretty big. So, it's just a matter of one day at a time right now."

But Stewart does have an interesting history on the 1.5-mile Kansas oval, where he has five top-10 finishes in seven starts, including a win two years ago when he was not part of the Chase and a tough loss a year ago, when he was a contender.

The victory came in a race where Stewart stretched his final lap of gas to the limit, coasting across the finish line with a dry tank.

It appeared he would be the winner last year, too, when heavy rain, accompanied by lightning and thunder, stopped the race past the halfway point with Stewart leading. But NASCAR restarted the race after a 2½-hour delay and Stewart wound up crashing out and finishing 39th.

Instead of coming away from Kansas leading the points, Stewart found himself fourth, 117 points behind eventual champion Jimmie Johnson. Stewart went on to finish fourth in the points. And his winless string now stands at 42 races, dating to Watkins Glen in August 2007.



NASCAR Sprint Cup drivers Tony Stewart, left, and Ryan Newman converse in the garage during practice at Kansas Speedway Friday, Sept. 26, 2008, in Kansas City, Mo.

So, does Kansas owe him a win?

"Racetracks don't owe you anything," Stewart said. "You do the best you can and sometimes it works for you, and sometimes it doesn't."

"We could have won that race last year, but we didn't. We won the year before, and somebody else would have won it if we had run out (of gas) sooner. You just go out and race."

The way the 26-race regular season went, nobody could have predicted that Stewart would be in the best position of the three Joe Gibbs Racing entries after the first two Chase races.

# Montoya wins pole; Johnson fastest of Chasers

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — Juan Pablo Montoya is finally getting a little joy out of a difficult season.

After a strong test earlier this week at Charlotte, the former open-wheel star who has struggled to be competitive in 2008, won the first pole of his NASCAR Sprint Cup career Friday at Kansas Speedway.

"There's times where it's getting darker and cooling down and you run at the end and all of a sudden you pick up a half a second and you're up there. But we were in the middle of

the pack and the track didn't really change that much. We were genuinely fast."

Montoya, driving a Dodge for Chip Ganassi Racing, backed up a strong day of practice with a lap of 172.150 mph to earn his first pole in 66 tries. He was followed at 172.007 by two-time reigning Cup champion Jimmie Johnson, the fastest of the 12 drivers competing in the Chase for the championship.

His best previous qualifying effort was second in July 2007 at Indianapolis. "It's exciting," said

Montoya, 24th in the season points. "We were good in testing in Charlotte this week, both days. It's exciting to see where the team's going and the progress we've made the last few weeks."

Matt Kenseth, another of the Chasers, was fourth, but none of the other 10 were able to break into the top 10 and six of the contenders wound up 20th or worse.

"It was a very, very good effort for us," Johnson said. "Everybody knows how important track position is, I thought, that the 18 (Kyle

Busch), the 99 (Carl Edwards) and the 31 (Jeff Burton). I thought some of those guys were much stronger than they posted today in qualifying. I thought they were better than that in practice. I was shocked to see some of those guys on the right side of the (timing) screen and at the bottom of it."

"But this is just one day of three and the important day is Sunday. It doesn't mean it's a lap weekend where we pick up points on the other Chase competitors, but every little bit helps." Among the Chase competi-

tors, Dale Earnhardt Jr. was 12th, an ailing Jeff Gordon qualified 14th, Greg Biffle, winner of the first two events of the 10-race Chase, was 19th and Clint Bowyer 25th.

The disappointments were Busch in 28th, Denny Hamlin 31st, Edwards 35th, Kevin Harvick 37th, Burton 38th and Stewart slower than all but one of the 45 entries.

Biffle was just one of a number of unhappy drivers after his qualifying run on the slick 1.5-mile oval. "We were hoping for a little bit better than that," said Biffle.

teammate of Kenseth Edwards, 13th-place David Ragan and 17th-place Jamie McMurray at Roush Fenway Racing. "We've just got something wrong with our cars here, all of us do, the whole group. I guess we've got one more day to figure it out."

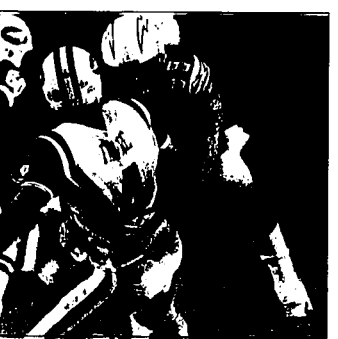
The disappointed Stewart, seventh in the standings and hoping push his way into contention with eight races left in the Chase, couldn't explain his poor qualifying effort. "We've been decent here, he said. "We've been decent all the way up until that quali-

# Favre listed as questionable for game vs. Cardinals

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Brett Favre was listed as questionable Friday for the New York Jets' game against Arizona with a sore left ankle, but is expected to start against the Cardinals.

The 38-year-old quarterback twisted his left ankle Monday night in New York's loss at San Diego. His ankle was tightly wrapped, but he appeared hardly hobbled during the half-hour of practice the media were allowed to watch Friday.

"I felt pretty comfortable a few days ago," coach Eric Mangini said of Favre's progress. "He hasn't missed many games in the last however many years."



New York Jets quarterback Brett Favre is hit by San Diego Chargers' Igor Olshansky after releasing a pass during the Chargers' 48-29 victory Monday in San Diego.

safety Bob Sanders, already out with a sprained right ankle, has had arthroscopic surgery on a knee.

The NFL Defensive Player of the Year last season injured his ankle Sept. 14 at Minnesota and was initially

expected to miss four to six weeks. Colts owner Jim Irsay said the recovery period for the sprain would likely be longer than that for the knee, so the surgery was scheduled during his absence.

— The Associated Press

## Eway to merry former Raiders cheerleader

DENVER — Denver Broncos Hall of Fame quarterback John Eway is engaged to a former Oakland Raiders cheerleader.

The Rocky Mountain News reported Friday that the two-time Super Bowl winner proposed to 41-year-old Paige Green during a trip to Italy last week.

Eway told the newspaper he was "looking forward to a long life together" with Green.

## Packers' Harris could be back after 3 weeks

GREEN BAY, Wis. — The outlook for injured Green Bay Packers cornerback Al Harris is encouraging.

Packers coach Mike McCarthy said Friday that Harris, who suffered a serious spleen injury Sunday night, could return to the team before the midpoint of the season.

"I would say it's going to be at least three to four weeks," McCarthy said in a timetable for when Harris might be ready to return to the field.

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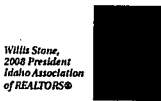
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## FANNIE, FREDDIE, AND AIG: WHAT IT MEANS FOR IDAHO'S REAL ESTATE MARKET



**Willis Stone, 2008 President of the Idaho Association of REALTORS**

Government bailouts of private industry such as the \$1.5 billion loan guarantee to Chrysler in 1979, and the \$125 billion S&L Crisis of the late 1980s and early 1990s are always controversial. In this most recent case of government intervention into private markets, however, the failure of three major players in the mortgage market had consequences too significant to ignore. Or, as the old adage goes, AIG, Freddie Mac, and Fannie Mae were simply, "too big to fail."

The current wave of bailouts began last week with the Federal government takeover of secondary mortgage market giants Freddie Mac, and Fannie Mae. Neither had sufficient capital to face the increasing number of mortgage defaults burdening their portfolios. It is also important to note that neither Freddie Mac nor Fannie Mae are private entities, but described by

financial experts as quasi-governmental mortgage groups.

Fannie and Freddie jointly hold \$5 trillion worth of mortgage debt. To put that in perspective this is the total publicly held debt of the U.S. Government. If one of these organizations purchased your mortgage, a federal takeover means that your mortgage payment is now going to Uncle Sam. If all that is not enough to shake an already hard-hit real estate market,

This week's financial news unveiled the fact that AIG, which provides default insurance on [www.bloomberg.com/apps/news](http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news) \$57.6 billion dollars worth of subprime mortgage debt, was in a similar situation. A collapse of AIG would have furthered weakened a real estate market that has already taken its lumps. [www.forbes.com](http://www.forbes.com) AIG has over 100,000 employees, and holds over one-trillion dollars in assets.

This crisis started when global capital markets began pouring cash into the real estate market



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when stocks slumped. Ratings agencies gave their blessing to what we now know are subprime portfolios originating from products created by mortgage brokers offering no-doc, and no down loans to risky borrowers. At the same time, builders overbuilt to meet demand. As the housing market slowed inventories rose, and home values

declined. People were left holding assets that had lost substantial value. In the macroeconomy, unemployment rose and loans made to uncredit-worthy borrowers began to become delinquent.

What does all this mean for the statewide real estate market? Mortgage rates are likely to drop while unemployment hovers around six percent. GDP

growth slows, and builders drop home prices to attract buyers. As inventory levels reduce home prices should stabilize.

So far, rates have dropped again to below [www.usatoday.com](http://www.usatoday.com) 6% on a 30 year fixed and to an average of 5.54% for a 15 year fixed mortgage. Those not impacted by rising unemployment will find it an opportune time to either refinance or buy a new home.


Indeed, many people are already taking advantage of lower interest rates. Mortgage issuers saw a huge spike in refinance applications following the government's rescue of the mortgage giants. [www.businessweek.com](http://www.businessweek.com). Further, the FDIC may implement the same type of restructuring package that it offered to IndyMac mortgages holders - offering to refinance mortgages at capped rates. [www.sfgate.com](http://www.sfgate.com) They may also offer to extend the term of some loans in order to reduce monthly payments which should also help curb mortgage defaults.

And what about the cost of the bailout to the taxpayers of Idaho? It is helpful to remember that the vast majority of mortgages are current. If mortgage defaults slow or cease, and low interest rates stimulate demand in the market and reduce inventories, these bailouts could end up not costing taxpayers any money. But even if the housing market does not achieve the expected rebound by the middle of next year, the loss of jobs and purchasing power caused by the failure of these three giants would potentially have thrown the U.S. and Idaho economies into further declines. So here at the local level we look with hope on the actions taken by the U.S. government to stabilize these giants, and anticipate a return to more favorable conditions as the year progresses.

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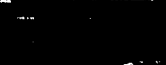
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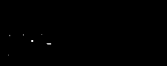
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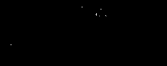
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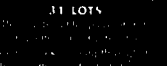
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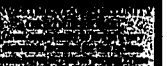
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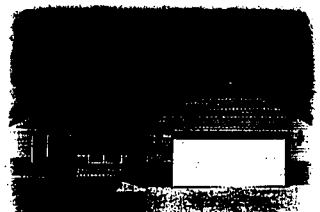
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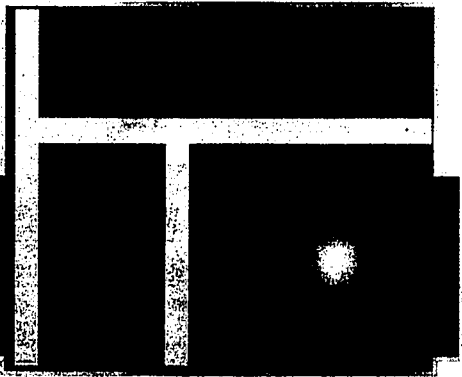
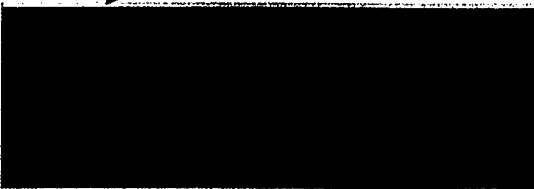
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	3	1		4	6
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7	8	9			5
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**HARD #75**

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for todays puzzle on page E-16.

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ACROSS

1 Tango teams 5 Basin blocker 9 Finished napping 14 Coglio sum 15 Weapon in Clo 16 Orange 17 That Cat 18 Tail tale 19 Dance line 20 Asparagus unit 22 Disabled through injury 24 Viscous liquid 26 Winter maity 30 Persistent problem 34 Sexless 35 Afr. nation 36 Eastern religious figure 39 Singer Braxton 40 Speak softly 41 Say again 43 Individual 44 Numbered musical piece 46 Circulator 47 Alamog, NM 48 Paradise Lost poet 50 Not severe 52 Legal right-of-way 55 Sermon topic 56 Vacation spot 58 Logan and Fitzgerald 62 Online notes 65 Place to hang a shingle 67 Wyalit 68 Lara Flynn or Peter 69 Extra amount 70 Small combo 71 Cosby kid Lisa 72 Went fast 73 32-card game

15 Day crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-73.

Friday's Puzzle Solved

Solved crossword puzzle with words like QUACK, BAH, JUDAS, UNCLE, LET, AGILE, IDEAS, OOP, SLATE, POSITRON, MINOR, PREFERRED, MARIASS, OLE EMOTIONS, PEARL RACKETER, AGRIDANKE AXLE, LONGRANGE BRIBE, TOTVEE MELD, OXALIS CONGALS, PITON FLU INDIA, ZEROS RYE METES.

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**NORTH** 09-27-A  
 ♠ K Q 10 6 3  
 ♥ 9 5 2  
 ♦ 9 7 3  
 ♣ K 6

**WEST**  
 ♠ A 8  
 ♥ 4 3  
 ♦ A J 8 5 2  
 ♣ J 10 9 7

**EAST**  
 ♠ 7 5 4 2  
 ♥ A 8  
 ♦ 10 4  
 ♣ Q 8 5 3 2

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ J 9  
 ♥ K Q J 10 7 6  
 ♦ K Q 8  
 ♣ A 4

Vulnerable: Both  
 Dealer: South

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

Opening lead: Club jack

## BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:  
 ♠ K Q 10 6 3  
 ♥ 9 5 2  
 ♦ 9 7 3  
 ♣ K 6

South West North East  
 2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass  
 3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass

**ANSWER:** Having transferred into spades, do you pass, invite, or drive to game? A decent five-card suit is worth at least one extra point when facing a no-trump opening. I would bid only two no-trump without the spade 10, but that card makes it much easier to set up the spades, so I would bid three no-trump and let partner pick the game.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolf," contact kay1972@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.  
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