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## Agencies return for 2nd round of well measurements

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

This time, at least, they've already met everyone. Starting Monday, the U.S. Geological Survey will again knock on doors across south-central Idaho as part of an effort

to measure groundwater levels in more than 1,300 wells over the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer.

USGS took similar measurements in the first two weeks of April. This fall's numbers will be combined with that data to provide a

picture of the aquifer before and after the 2008 irrigation system. It will also help recalibrate the aquifer model the state uses to track underground flows and resolve water disputes, said Sean Vincent, hydrology section manager for the Idaho

Department of Water Resources.

USGS employees will carry official identification with them when they visit private property, and will talk briefly with well owners about any changes made to their wells since spring. They'll use steel

tape or electronic water-level meters to measure water levels.

The two agencies value the access to private property, Vincent said, and were able to work with landowners to get

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SENATE RACE ROUNDUP

Find out more about the five candidates up for Crn's seat.

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FAMILY EMPowerMENT

Nurse's new book aims to aid families using long-term care.

FAMILY LIFE



KEEP THEM COMIN'

As economy sours, resorts offer incentives to skiers.

BUSINESS

## Health trust approves members, sets grant process

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

The board governing the Twin Falls Health Initiatives Trust will soon include a few new faces.

Board members voted Thursday evening to forward four names of potential board members to the Twin Falls County commissioners, who are tasked with appointing people to the board.

Assuming they are approved, Rene LeBlanc, director of the South Central Public Health District; Terry McCurdy, a local businessman who served as administrator of Sawtooth Surgery Center for several years; Ray Stroberg, an insurance agent who sits on the board of the Mustard Seed thrift store; and Jay Doods, chief financial officer for First Federal Bank, will help oversee an eventual \$20 million tabbed for grants to improve health care and related issues in Twin Falls County.

The money was set aside during the 2006 sale of then-Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Grant money comes from the interest earned on the full sum.

On Thursday, the four introduced themselves to the current board, answered questions about their interests in serving and stayed for the rest of the meeting to observe how the board works.

Board Chairman Curtis Eaton said the new members would join at an important time, when the board is preparing to evaluate its first round of grant applicants.

"We're just right now on the cusp of realizing some of the potential" of the trust, Eaton said.

The additional members would replace two vacancies on the now seven-member board and expand it by two more

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Courtesy photo

On the Square stands a marble reminder of a man who once called the city of Rupert his own.

A homeless man, John "Shorty" Tuminski, found a place for himself among the people of Rupert and left a legacy that lives on in the hearts of many of its residents.

After his death on April 20, 1981, a bench bearing his name appeared on the northwest corner of the Square.

# A place he called home



Rupert city worker Gabriel Hestery measures the seat length of the bench top for John Tuminski's memorial on the Square. The original top of the memorial for the homeless man, known by many residents as "Shorty," was vandalized last Christmas. Rupert officials are in the process of replacing the bench top, which stands as a reminder of a man whose differences inspired compassion within their city.

## Homeless man's memorial on Rupert Square vandalized, but his legacy remains

Story and photo by Laurie Welch • Times-News writer

Some say it was placed there through collected donations, but no one remembers for sure.

It now stands as a reminder for many of how small acts of kindness can sometimes sum up a life.

Around Christmas time last year, city workers found the bench vandalized. The marble top, which had been previously gouged, lay defaced and abandoned on the ground.

It was a fairly expensive thing, said Rand Fagg, rector at St. Matthews Church in

Rupert, who knew Tuminski well.

"He was overlooked and neglected in life because he was an alcoholic and so we didn't bother much with him," said Fagg.

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### The 'Mad Russian'

In the 1960s and 1970s, Tuminski would often be

seen going about his business in Rupert. Although no records confirm his age when he died, Fagg said at that time Tuminski was not a young man by any means. But he would show anyone who cared to watch how limber he was by placing the palms of his hands on the ground while he remained flat footed.

"He didn't have a house so he'd stop at all sorts of locations throughout the day," Fagg said.

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## Infected by the Internet

Officials worry that Web sites easing spread of STDs

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

A cluster of new HIV cases in southeast Idaho has led health district officials in the Magic Valley to make plans in case online hookups or other factors ease the disease's path west.

The state has recorded 37 new cases of HIV and AIDS so far this year, 23 percent more than this time last year, said Tom Shanahan, spokesman for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. Of those, 13 were in people under 25 years old, and 15 were in southeast Idaho — the health district just east of the South Central Public Health District. The numbers represent only those cases reported to state officials.

Many of the infections come from the usual sources:

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### Learn more

People at risk for HIV or other STDs are urged to get tested. Many doctors for at a health center in their area. According to 21 percent of infected people may not realize they have the disease. For more information on HIV and STDs, visit the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare website at [www.idaho.gov](http://www.idaho.gov).

On the Web  
Visit <http://www.twinnfallshealthtrust.org> for more information about the trust.



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# MORNING BRIEFING

## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

### ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

**Sun Valley Swing 'n' Dixie Jazz Jamboree**, includes more than 30 bands, singers, dance lessons, a marching band salute, tributes to the jazz greats, and an afterglow dinner dance, several sets, Sun Valley and Ketchum, day badges: \$40-50. [sunvalleyjazz.com](http://sunvalleyjazz.com)

**Douglas Jones and Ben Barnett's musical "Jack and the Beanstalk"**, suitable for ages pre-school and older; presented by Company of Fools, 11 a.m., Liberty Theater, 110 N. Main St., Haley, tickets: \$20 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and over) and \$10 for children (18 and under), 519-9122.

**West End Senior Citizens of Buhl Harvest Dance**, featuring the Idaho Old Time Fiddlers, 7 to 9:30 p.m., 1010 Main St., Buhl, \$9 per couple, \$5 per single, bring finger foods for intermission, 543-4577.

**Madewood's annual Barbershop Show**, "Seems Like Old Times," with music from the '20s and '30s performed by the Magichord Chorus along with barbershop quartets: The Crush from California and The River City Sound from Boise, 7:30 p.m., College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, \$12 each or \$10 for senior citizens, 732-6781.

**Beth Herley's Pulitzer Prize-winning play "Crimes of the Heart"**, presented by College of Southern Idaho Theater Department, 8 p.m., at CSI Fine Arts Center Theater, Twin Falls, \$8 for adults and \$6 for senior citizens and students, 732-6781 or [tickets.csi.edu](http://tickets.csi.edu).

### BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

**Blue Ladies Rotary Club 21st annual Pancake Breakfast**, menu: pancakes, sausages, hash browns and beverages, 7:30 to 11 a.m., Sawtooth Elementary School, 1771 Stadium Blvd., Twin Falls, \$3.50 per person, no cost for children age 3 and under, 733-5332 or 733-8765.

**"Pencils by the Inch" annual campaign**, Desert Sage Quilters of Magic Valley have prepared quilt top to be donated to local agencies; volunteers needed to tie and bind quilts; groups may be scheduled, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Magic Valley Mall Center Court, financial donations accepted for children and their families in need who go to the Primary Children's Medical Center from Magic Valley, 734-4366.

**Oktoberfest 2008**, includes German, Mexican and Portuguese live, raffle, silent auction, music and prizes, 5:30 to 11 p.m., St. Jerome Catholic Church Parish Hall, 216 2nd E., Jerome, tickets: \$15 for adults and \$5 for children, 328-8479 or [jeromechamber@questoffice.net](http://jeromechamber@questoffice.net).

### CHURCH EVENTS

**Filer United Methodist Church "Country Store and Cafe"**, with crafts, garden produce, holiday gifts, homemade candy and canned goods; in the kitchen: homemade soup, chili, breads and home-baked pies for sale, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., at the church, corner of Fifth and Union streets, 326-5424 or 326-6850.

### CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

**Daughters of the American Revolution meeting**, with program: "Honoring our pioneer founders," 10 a.m., Laker's Restaurant, 1598 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, prospective members welcome, 735-1205.

**Twin Falls Chapter of the Idaho Writers League**, with guest speaker College of Southern Idaho Associate Professor of History Russa Tremayne Ph. D., noon, Pandora's, 516 Hansen St. S., Twin Falls, guests welcome, no cost to attend, (208) 734-0557.

**American Legion Post No. 7 & Auxiliary business meeting**, center piece construction, 2 p.m., small meeting room, Post Home, 447 Stearns St., Twin Falls, 280-1292 or 734-1435.

### FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

**Harvest Festival**, includes local chef cook-off and a community corn bread contest, face painting, games, crafts, craft pressing, bouncy house, apple bobbing and dancing to live music by Dan and the Roots, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sawtooth Botanical Garden, 11 Garnet Road and Idaho Highway 75, Shoshone, org.

### HEALTH AND WELLNESS

**The AARP Driver's Safety Class**, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Idaho Heritage Senior Center, 2421 Overland Ave., Burely, \$10 per person for material, 678-9138.

### HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

**The annual Ten Thousand Village International Gift Sale**, featuring handcrafted items from all over the world, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., First Memorial Church, 109 Fifth St. S., 326-5150.

**National Pottery Day Open Pottery Day**, free Spin Art T-tee for the first 25 kids, mystery pottery sale

courts for all painters, preview of holiday blouse and designs, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Hands On, 147 Shoshone Street N., Historic Downtown Twin Falls, Snacks and prizes, 736-4475 for reservations.

**Magic Valley Model Railroaders group**, public is invited to bring and run their trains, (parental supervision for those under age 18), noon to 4 p.m., Model Rail Road Building, Filer Fairgrounds, Filer, 404-2151.

### HOME AND GARDEN

**Twin Falls Farmers Market**, as many as 40 vendors; recyclables drop off; bags, glass canning jars and vases, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., North College Road, across from Eldon Evans Expo Center, Twin Falls, assistance with purchases to car available, 316-1291 or [flfarmersmarket@yahoo.com](mailto:flfarmersmarket@yahoo.com).

**Kimberly Nurseries Free Seminar on Fall Decor/Preserving Flowers**, sharing decorating ideas and tips on preserving flowers, 10 a.m., Kimberly Nurseries, 2862 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, no cost, 733-2717.

**Mini-Casala Farmers Market**, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Gossner's Cheese Factory, corner of Highway 30 and Seventh Street, (184 east 211 and two miles south), Highway 218-88.

**The Salmon Tract Farmers Market**, includes live herb plants, hanging baskets, knitted and crocheted items, custom embroidery work, fresh produce and more, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Hollister City Park, Hollister, 655-4423.

**Community Festival Market**, farmers market, noon to 5 p.m., Jerome County Fairgrounds, 200 N. Ft. St., Jerome, (208) 320-1063 or (208) 324-4081.

### MILITARY SUPPORT

**Magic Valley Military Support Group meeting**, potluck dinner (table service and drinks furnished) with program: Ray and Chen Archibald of Oakley on Operation Rudolph, 6:30 p.m., Wendell City Hall, (three blocks east of stoplight), 536-6159 or 536-6111.

### MUSEUMS

**Fossilizer Planetarium "The Cowboy Astronomer"** at 2 p.m.; "Star Signs/Live Sky Tour" at 4 p.m.; and "Here Comes the Sun" at 7 p.m., Herrett Center, \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens, \$2.50 for students, no cost for children under age 2 and a special price package for families with five children or less; and **Rocky Entertainment Show "Arborea of Ghoulish Delight"** at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4.50, 732-6655.

### SEASONAL EVENTS

**Corn Maze and Pumpkin Patch**, includes old-fashioned hay ride through field of jack o' lanterns, obstacle course and activities, 1 to 5 p.m., and corn-ture (each weekend until Nov. 18), B&B Produce, Pole Line Road, Filer, 8.3/8 miles west of Costco, \$4 for adults and \$3 for children, (weekend tours available by reservation), 326-4935.

**Kimberly Nurseries Pumpkin Patch**, activities for children include straw pyramid, slide, straw maze, family games and activities, 1 to 5 p.m., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., daily except Sunday, Kimberly Nurseries, 2862 Addison Ave. E., no cost; pumpkins for sale, large groups welcome with prior reservations, 733-2717.

**"Scare Night"** surprises and spooky attractions throughout the maze; 8th annual College of Southern Idaho's Horticulture Club Corn Maze fundraiser, 7 to 10 p.m., north end corner of CSI campus, Twin Falls, \$3 for adults, \$2 for students with activity cards and no cost for children age 6 and under, (clubs selling hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs, hot chocolate and more), day tours may be arranged, 732-6431.

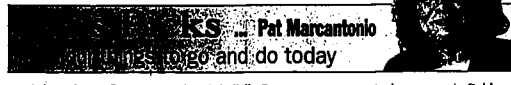
### SORTS

**Eagle Creek Disc Golf Course grand opening and tournament**, 200 hole-in-one stamped discs for grand opening, 10 a.m., College of Southern Idaho, Frontier Road entrance by the Ship Wheeler Field, Twin Falls, registration: \$20 community members, \$10 for youth, free for CSI students and employees, 732-6470 or [strogers@csu.edu](mailto:strogers@csu.edu).

### TODAY'S DEADLINE

**Reservation deadline for Oct. 21, Agape Interfaith Ministry luncheon**, with program: Jeanne Member on "Harvest of Love"; special music by Jack Hyder, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Boise Center, University Avenue, Gooding, \$8 lunch, no fee for program only, (208) 366-2974 or [neroads@MSU.com](mailto:neroads@MSU.com).

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Brogan by email at [strown@magicvalley.com](mailto:strown@magicvalley.com); by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.



**Pat Marcantonio**  
do and do today

- A down-home Country Store & Cafe is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Filer United Methodist Church at Fifth and Union streets. You'll find crafts, garden produce, holiday gifts, homemade candy and canned goods, while you can fill up on soup, chili, breads and home-baked pies.
- While you're in Filer, visit the new Monthly Magic Valley Flea Market inside Merchant Building No. 1 at
- the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds. It goes from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Admission is free and they boast baked goods, Indian art, crafts, collectibles, Christmas gift items and more.
- German, Mexican and Portuguese food — all together, plus a raffle, music and prizes at OktoberFiesta 2008 from 5:30 to 11 p.m. at the St. Jerome Catholic Church, 216 Second Ave. E. In Jerome, Cost is \$15 for adults and \$5 for kids.
- And one more in Buhl, the West End Senior Citizens will host a Harvest Dance, featuring the Idaho Old Time Fiddlers, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the center, 1010 Main St. Cost is \$9 per couple or \$5 per person. Bring finger food.

*Have your own pick you want to share? Something that is unique to the area and that may take people by surprise? E-mail me at [pam@mgvalley.com](mailto:pam@mgvalley.com).*

## CSI holds open house on Tuesday

The College of Southern Idaho will have an open house from 3 to 6 p.m. Tuesday to provide people with information about its programs.

The event will take place at the college's Student Union building. Aside from information about CSI's degrees, there will be information about programs offered through Boise State University, Idaho State University, University of Idaho, Northwest Nazarene University, and other graduate-level schools.

There will be refreshments and raffles for two \$500 CSI scholarships. For more information about CSI programs, visit [www.csi.edu](http://www.csi.edu).

## Police to give school zones more attention

Law enforcement officers throughout Idaho will be watching for speed limit violators in school zones through Oct. 26, the Idaho Transportation Department announced.

ITD reminds drivers that violating a speed limit in a school zone will cost at least \$116.50. In July, Idaho lawmakers set a \$75 minimum fine for speeding violations in a school zone. Court costs add \$41.50 on each citation. Previously, the state had no minimum fine.

The school zone enforcement campaign will be conducted through ITD's Office of Highway Operations and Safety, is held in conjunction with national Teen Driver Safety Week Oct. 20-24.

"Nationwide, Teen Driver Safety Week will focus on the dangers of passengers and teen drivers."

"Our goal is to reduce needless deaths and serious injuries caused by youthful drivers," said Margaret Goetts with ITD.

Research by the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia shows that when a 16 to 19-year-old driver adds just one passenger, risks of a fatal crash double. Add two passengers and the risk quadruples. Drivers younger than 18 can expect a fine of \$51.50 if they or any passenger under 18 are caught not wearing seat belts.

## Minico educator earns teaching award

By Laurie Welch  
Times-News writer

No matter what language is used, Minico High School students comprehend that the way Janet Johnson speaks above and beyond the job description of French teacher makes her truly "magnifique."

"She's like my mom," said Layla Anderson, French student at Minico High School. "You can tell she's really into her French. Just mention something about it and her eyes just light up."

Johnson was named the 2008 Foreign Language Teacher of the Year by the Idaho Association of Teachers of Languages and Cultures during the group's yearly convention held on Oct. 2-3.

Johnson said she was very surprised to receive the award although she knew she had been nominated by Max Allen, a fellow foreign language teacher at the school.

In his nomination Allen called Johnson fearless in her opposition of all who undermine foreign language education and commended her for her numerous roles and activities that she champions.

Allen said Johnson often goes above and beyond the tasks of a teacher and never backs down from anything. "She is a very hard-working lady," Allen said. "She responds very well to all the kids and they really like her."



Minico High School student Layla Anderson, right, and Layla Anderson along with teacher Janet Johnson teaches a French lesson during American Sign Language Thursday. Johnson was recently honored as the 2008 Foreign Language Teacher of the Year by the Idaho Association of Teachers of Languages and Cultures.

## Trust

Confused from page A1 people. The board can have up to 11 members. One of the current seven, County Commissioner Tom Mikeseal serves as an ex-officio member.

Though the health district submitted a grant application this fall, LeBlanc or any other member with a conflict would only have to recuse themselves from discussing the application to remove the conflict, he was told.

The board also discussed final plans for evaluating this fall's applicants. The 21 recipients will first be reviewed by a citizens' panel using a matrix to determine how each grant fits with the mission of the trust. The final award decisions will be made

by the board.

Five county residents who've taken classes in grant writing will evaluate the applications during an evening session the second week of November, said board member Monica Castaneda-Kessel. They include Randy S. McCoppin, Shelli Tubbs, Judy Thom and Dan Ben and Geoffrey Hicks.

Board members decided that they won't award multi-year grants this year, but will reserve the right to partially fund grants depending on how the scoring works out. About \$651,000 is available for the nearly \$1.43 million in requested grants.

"You don't walk away from any part of what's given," said board member Patty Meinkopf, describing seeking grants for Family Health Services.

Also Thursday, the board voted to invite four investment firms to give presentations on possible ways to invest the trust money. The money is currently held in a state pool that earns around 1 to 2 percent interest, Mikeseal said.

Though the trust contains public money, state law does allow for a few limited ways to invest it, Mikeseal and member Robert Valentine said. It would be "prudent" for the board to examine other options, Meinkopf said.

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**A Christian Tattoo Shop**

Anthony Raffaelli of Vivid Ink talks about the link between his faith and tattoos.

## 5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

**Twin Falls County**  
**FRIDAY ARRANGEMENTS**  
Gary Nathan Cronin, 36, Idaho Falls, youth/curfew check; Oct. 24 preliminary hearing; Anthony Hernandez, 36, Boise; arrest; Oct. 24 preliminary hearing; court-ordered; \$2,500 bond; public defender

Holly Lynn Koye, 21, Gooding; delivery of a controlled substance; Oct. 24 preliminary hearing; court-ordered; \$2,500 bond; public defender; Oct. 24 preliminary hearing; court-ordered; \$2,500 bond; public defender

# Filer school budget, building projects on right track

By John E. Swartz  
Times-News correspondent

An audit of the 2007-08 fiscal year shows Filer School District's finances are well-managed.

Raymond Ware, of Ware & Associates in Twin Falls, told school board members Wednesday that a check of records and internal control procedures resulted in an unqualified opinion.

"Just as you have done in past years, this is the highest possible rating we can give," he said. "It also qualifies you to receive federal dollars, and this past year you received about \$850,000."

However, Ware did point out that a \$1.3 million reserve in the general fund balance doesn't really meet the ideal standard.

"We like to see at least three or four months reserve in there, but you only have enough for about 1.5 months," he said. The general fund is probably the best indicator of how you're doing, but cash flow is short and it's really flat-lined right now."

The board was also warned that the current eco-

nomic downturn could impact district budgets through a reduction in the yearly \$650,000 property tax revenue levy.

"In the last recession delinquent property taxes ran from about 10 to 15 percent and that means a loss of about \$75,000," Ware said. "Things are tight and you need to be careful, but you're really no worse off than you were last year."

Don Hutchinson, from Boise-based Hutchinson Smith Architects, followed with an update on how plans for the construction of an \$11 million intermediate school, \$1.2 million high school expansion and a \$800,000 athletic facilities project are progressing.

Construction of the fourth- through sixth-grade intermediate school and an eight-room expansion at the high school are tentatively scheduled for completion in late 2009 or mid 2010. Work on the football field house and roofing projects at both elementary schools should be finished in 2009.

"We want the completed, state-approved drawings ready to hand out to bidders

sometime before Christmas," Hutchinson said. "Depending on advertising, we'll open bids on the intermediate school around the end of January and then bid the high school work a week later."

In other activity, the board has added a community concerns section to the format of its regular monthly agenda. Patrons who have questions regarding the district or school policy can fill out a form right before each meeting and have the chance to speak for a few minutes.

"What we'll do is ask people not on the agenda to write a brief statement on what they want to talk about," District Business Manager Kermit Lair said. "I'll group each one according to the subject matter and bring them to that discussion when we get to that point."

The school board will hold its next public meeting at 7 p.m. Nov. 19 in the Filer Elementary School library.

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# Twin Falls wreck injures woman

Times-News

A wreck Thursday night along Kimberly Road injured a local woman and may have involved alcohol and high speeds, Twin Falls Police said.

Authorities extricated Brenda Kennecker, of Kimberly, from a GMC truck at about 10 p.m. on Thursday after she drove

into the back of a semi truck pulling two trailers along the 2600 block of Kimberly Road, said Twin Falls Police Officer J.P. O'Donnell.

Kennecker, 40, was taken to St. Luke's Magic Valley

Medical Center. O'Donnell said. Alcohol and high speed may be involved, said O'Donnell, adding the case is under investigation. Kennecker was listed in fair condition Friday.

## WANTED in the Magic Valley

### Alex Eugene Boat

Age: 20  
Description: 6 feet, 250 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes  
Wanted for:

Failure to appear in court, original charge burglary, \$25,000 bond  
The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office asks anyone with knowledge of Boat's whereabouts call 735-1591 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387. Tipssters can remain anonymous and may receive a reward.

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# Bill Clinton to visit Elko Monday

Elko Daily Free Press

ELKO, Nev. — Former President Bill Clinton will be in Elko, Nev., Monday in support of Democratic Barack Obama's presidential bid.

The visit is one of a few "Change We Need" rallies the former commander in chief will host in Nevada. Doors to the event open at 8 a.m. at Great Basin College, 1500 College Parkway.

Jeff Gierz, Nevada deputy communications director, did not have information about

where on campus the event will be held, but said it would be "obvious," and did not provide a time when Clinton is expected to begin speaking.

Rallies are also scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Sunday in Las Vegas and 10:30 a.m. Monday in Reno.

The event is free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to not bring bags or umbrellas. Signs and banners are prohibited.

Clinton first appeared at a campaign event for Obama earlier this month in Florida.

# Soldiers' moms form support group in northern Idaho

POST FALLS (AP) — A group of northern Idaho women who have children in the military have formed a local support group called Blue Star Moms.

Jeannette Bangs, who formed the group that met for the first time Wednesday, has a 23-year-old son, Jared, deployed in Iraq.

"He's been shot a number of times, he's been stabbed, bitten by scorpions," Bangs told the Coeur d'Alene Press. "I've been filled with so many emotions. I've compared my heart to being shattered like a clay flower pot. I've been able to put it back together, but there are still many large cracks."

Bangs said she decided to form the group so that the women could talk about their concerns and not feel they were alone with their burdens.

Eight women attended the first meeting in Bangs' home.

and talked about what their children face while at war and their own worries.

Some of the women are mothers of veterans, while the children of others have just entered the military. They didn't talk about politics, but wanted others to be proud of their children's work.

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# Wells

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access to all the wells on their list in April.

"The world I got was that there was a great deal of cooperation on the part of well owners," Vincent said.

The data is only one part of ongoing efforts to revise the aquifer model, which has been criticized by some water users as exacerbating current water problems. IDWR is re-examining how the model is compiled. Vincent said, and could refine information on how much water flows into the aquifer, and from where. Regular predictions made using the model will also increase from twice a year to once a month, requiring a more-detailed model, he said.

IDWR will study and apply the well measurements to the model next year.

The agency's last measurement campaign came in 2002. Officials plan to repeat the current study every five years, Vincent said. This year's study was paid for as part of a \$557,000 special-funding program in 2008 legislative appropriation. IDWR will spend just a portion of that amount, Vincent said. Future measurements may be financed by a \$20 million appropriations package for water projects.

This month's study will last until Oct. 31.

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# Legacy

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He called himself the "Mad Russian" and may have been Russian by birth, although no one knows for sure.

"He was 4 feet, 10 inches tall and wore a duster, which was floor length for him. It didn't matter if it was summer or winter he was always wearing that big, long coat," Fagg said.

Bertman Bott Jr., who worked at the Peoples' Meat Market said Tuminski often came in and cleaned up the place.

I knew him a long time before I ever knew his last name," Bott said.

Tuminski was by all descriptions a good man, Bott said, and his day would often start while everyone else was still asleep.

Tuminski would be out around the Square with his little shovel clearing snow from in front of the businesses," Bott said.

He would then go about making his rounds, then knock him to Anne's Cafe which did his part to keep him well fed. Some days he'd stop by the Delt Inn, where then-owner Shirley Reynolds fed him a baked potato each day from the kitchen.

Then it was off to the local mortuary where he would sit down for some serious conversation several times a week with Arvin Hansen.

Arvin was in a newspaper service in World War I," Hansen said. "He was a decorated person. I don't think many people knew that."

Hansen said Shorly loved to tell him stories about the war and many of his tales were so narrow escapes from death.

"I never knew if it was gospel or not," said Hansen. "But he certainly left his legacy in town."

Hansen said Tuminski told a story of our being married, which ended due to his fondness for the drink.

"He said he came home one day and there was a note on the fridge that said 'The wine is on the fridge and another note on the piano that said 'I left,'" Hansen said.

# Home on the Square

Tuminski used to occasionally sleep in a booth at one of the local bars and they kept a little corner for him where he could stash his coffee bag. Sometimes he'd shuffle in a bed set up in the back at Ray's Sports Shop, which sold cigarettes and tobacco and offered card games and a pool table for diversion.

Apparently he traded locations often, so as not to wear out his welcome.

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More often than not, he was tattered and dirty but managed to find a little spot of glory once a year as he joined in the Rupert Fourth of July Parade, walking behind everyone else with a flower in his lapel, waving at the crowds.

One local photographer dressed him in his finest ratty suit before snapping his picture. That formal portrait stood in the photographer's window for a long time, Fagg said.

Without a doubt, Tuminski's simple way of life etched its mark on the city.

"I always thought it was strange that someone so neglected in life had a memorial like that bench," Fagg said. "It was always a reminder to me of what as a community or as individuals we should have done for him in life."

Today most people say they want the bench restored so as they pass by the northwest corner of the Square they can look over and remember a man everyone in town knew only as "Shorly," who made Rupert his home.

# Keep your change



David Ryzak, left, carefully examines a 1794 silver dollar during an Empty Pockets Coin & Currency Club meeting, while president of the club John Sayko watches.

# Area club gathers, sells, hoards coinage

By Laurie Welch  
Times-News writer

Often called the hobby of kings, coin collecting is gathering momentum in the Magic Valley.

Coin collectors buy, trade, sell and sometimes hoard all types of coins from the multi-million-dollar 1899 silver dollar to the recently issued and widely-collected state quarters.

"I started collecting coins when I was about 7 years old," said Doug Gagliardi, of Twin Falls, who travels to Paul each month for the Empty Pockets Coin & Currency Club meeting.

"My first coin was a penny I found in Portland and a coin dealer who was about three blocks away offered me \$11 for it," he said. "He even called my mom to ask if it was okay if he bought it. It was something that you would pay thousands of dollars for today. But back then \$11 was a lot of money."

Club Secretary David Ryzak said people who collect coins are as varied as the coins they collect. Often they

share an interest in American history and look at coin collecting as another way to grow their wealth — much like collecting rare dolls or paintings by famous artists.

Coins are attractive to many collectors because they are small enough to hold and many fit on a shelf or in a safe, Ryzak said.

"Most collectors don't collect everything. They will focus on something like Liberty quarters and try to complete that collection," Ryzak said.

Collection themes run the gamut from country of origin to mint marks, years of coins or types of metal used. Some choose variety collections which can include a wide range of different types of coins, like "coco" or bean money from Mexico or glass money of Egypt.

Generally the value of a coin is determined by its age, rarity and its grade with uncirculated coins usually fetching the highest grade and the highest dollar.

"If a coin is old, and in good condition, it will get a higher price," Ryzak said.

But an old, rare coin, Ryzak said, will always be worth a lot of dough.

Ryzak said it is definitely worth a collector's time to learn to grade coins because dealers are not always completely honest and will often bump their own coins a grade or two and drop the grade of their customer's coins.

"I've been snookered a few times," Ryzak said.

Club President John Sayko said the best advice for novice collectors is to stay with the lower-priced coins.

"You can't lose much on those," Sayko said.

Sayko said the U.S. Coin Digest is pretty much an

**Take part**

The Empty Pockets Coin & Currency Club meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month from September through May. Information: David Ryzak, 208-678-3938.

Bible for novice collectors and is commonly referred to as "The Red Book" by collectors.

A good collection bet for beginners is pennies because you can get a lot of coins without spending a lot of money, Sayko said.

Ryzak said many of the club's members started collecting when they could still pull silver coins out of circulation.

"Every once in a while a rare coin will turn up in circulation," Ryzak said. "Someone robs a house for drug money and uses the rare coins as currency. They don't care what the real value of it is or you have a kid who robs Mom and Dad's piggy bank to go to candy."

Although Ryzak has never found any rare coins in his own pockets, the potential always makes him look away.

"Coin collectors always check their change," Ryzak said.

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# HIV

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residents who regularly travel to Boise or Pocatello.

Many who use the sites don't want to be identified, hiding behind vague usernames, he said. And officials have identified HIV-positive users of some sites who pose as HIV-negative.

That's assuming officials can access the sites. Web site owners at state agencies can sometimes block the sites, Machala said, making it impossible for health officials to send out warnings about STDs.

State officials have been aware for several years that such Web sites existed, said state epidemiologist Dr. Christine Hahn. But she acknowledged that the sites were probably used earlier than officials knew.

The concern, she said, is that sparse HIV numbers are increasing, but that more people in their 20s seem to be using the sites, spreading HIV and other STDs through unsafe sex. That age group is

By the numbers:

HIV/AIDS cases so far for 2008, by health district:

District 1 (Maydon): 1  
District 2 (Lewiston): 2  
District 3 (Caldwell): 6  
District 4 (Boise): 5  
District 5 (Twin Falls): 4  
District 6 (Pocatello): 18  
District 7 (Garden Valley): 5  
One-third of cases were AIDS.

too young to remember when AIDS was far deadlier in the 1980s and early '90s and don't realize HIV is still a problem, she said.

"I think it seems far away and long ago," Hahn said. "They don't realize that this is a real risk now."

Exacerbating the problem is the fact that many young adults say they've learned about the need to use protection or abstain from sex, but don't believe that STDs actually exist in their area, Hahn said.

No one from south-central Idaho who had contact with the HIV-positive people in southeast Idaho has tested positive yet, Machala said. The district has not been able to reach every person.

HIV/AIDS cases are but a fraction of the STDs reported by Idaho doctors every year. Out of 2,008 STDs diagnosed between April and June of this year, for example, only 12 were HIV/AIDS. Only 1,000 STDs were reported for the same time period in 2007.

# Footprints of charity

Logs said Shorly did not have much money. But every time someone in town died, he would go over to Jane's Floral on the west side of the Square and buy a flower to take over to the mortuary.

"I'd be over there mourning people he did not know," Fagg said. "Some times he'd get so loud they would have to run him off."

Rupert City Clerk Carma Maxey, who worked at flowers at the time, said he also occasionally stopped by the clothing store.

"He'd come in and say 'The next stop: The Blue Room.' In case I needed to get a hold of him or something, I guess," Maxey said.

One time, Tuminski came into the store and wanted an expensive western hat, which the store owner allowed him to charge.

"He came in regularly until it was paid off," Maxey said.

John Petersen, who owns the Melody Bar, said he often stopped by and would buy the bartender's little trinkets as gifts.

He was very well liked by everybody," Petersen said. "In his own way, he was very

compassionate to people and we all enjoyed him."

Fagg said Tuminski would often go into Dick's bar and ask someone dressed in a suit if he could buy them a beer.

"They of course, would look at him and the way he was dressed and they would say 'Oh no, no, no.' Then he would ask 'Well, would you buy me one, then?'" Fagg said.

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# Feds declare beluga whale endangered

By Dan Joling  
Associated Press writer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — First there were the polar bears. Now beluga whales. Washington and Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin just don't see eye-to-eye on some wildlife protection.

The beluga whales of Alaska's Cook Inlet are endangered and require additional protection to survive, the government declared Friday, contradicting the Republican vice presidential candidate, who has questioned whether the distinctive white whales are actually declining.

It was the second environmental slap from the federal government this year. She has asked federal courts to overturn an Interior Department decision declaring polar bears threatened under the Endangered Species Act.

The government on Friday put a portion of the whales on the endangered list, rejecting Palin's argument that it lacked scientific evidence to do so. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said that a decade-long recovery program had failed to ensure the whales' survival.

"In spite of protections already in place, Cook Inlet beluga whales are not recovering," said James Balsiger, NOAA acting assistant administrator.

The decision means that before federal agencies can issue a variety of commercial permits, they must first consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service to determine if there are potential harmful effects on the whales.

That has the potential to

affect major Alaska projects including an expansion of the Port of Anchorage, additional offshore oil and gas drilling, a proposed \$600 million bridge connecting Anchorage to Palin's hometown of Wasilla and a massive coal mine 45 miles south of Anchorage.

The state does have serious concerns about the low population of beluga whales in Cook Inlet and has had those concerns for many years, Palin said in a statement. "However,

we believe that this endangered listing is premature," she said.

Palin in April successfully lobbied for a six-month delay in a listing decision until a count of the whales this summer could be included in deliberations. That count showed no increase over 2007 numbers — 375 whales, compared with a high of 653 in 1995.

Federal regulators and conservation groups said further

delay would be harmful. NOAA said Friday the Cook Inlet population declined by 50 percent between 1994 and 1998 and "is still not recovering" despite restrictions on the number of whales that Alaska's native population can kill for subsistence. It said recovery has been hindered by development and a range of economic and industrial activities including those related to oil and gas exploration.



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### Woman dies in collision with moose on I-15

BOISE — A 27-year-old Minnesota woman is dead after the car she was traveling in collided with a moose on Interstate 15 in southeastern Idaho.

Idaho State Police say Rachel Morris, of Aitkin, Minn., was a passenger in the car and pronounced dead at the scene of the accident on Friday.

The driver, 22-year-old Lisa Crowther, of Aitkin, Minn., was taken to Portneuf Medical Center in Pocatello and treated for minor injuries.

Idaho State Police and Bennecko County authorities are investigating and believe the women were college students.

Earlier this year, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game said as many as 150 moose in northern Idaho had been struck and killed by cars and trains in Bonner and Boundary counties.

The department also received many reports of injured moose, as well.

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EDITORIAL

# Jaquet's savvy benefits all south-central Idaho

There's a reason why Wendy Jaquet is the leader of the Democrats in the Idaho House of Representatives: She's easily the most effective Democrat in the House, and one of the most capable lawmakers in Boise.

That's why we're endorsing her for an eighth term in the Legislature. Jaquet, now 65, comes from a business background and ran the Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber of Commerce for 14 years. Tough and pragmatic, she often crosses the ideological chasm between Democrats and conservative Republicans in the House to tackle a wide range of issues.

### About this race

State Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, is being challenged for District 25 Seat A by Jeff Faulkner, a Republican from Gooding, in the Nov. 4 election. District 25 includes Gooding, Blaine, Lincoln and Camas counties.

She's being challenged by Republican Jeff Faulkner, a 42-year-old Gooding County rancher and the immediate past president of the Idaho Cattle Association. Faulkner has an impressive grasp of agriculture issues and a keen interest in education, in part because his wife is a teacher.

But we can't agree with Faulkner that Jaquet neglects the concerns of Gooding, Lincoln and Camas counties in favor of Blaine County's needs. She excels at constituent service, and is as conversant about the challenges facing Richfield and Hagerman as she is with problems of Main Street in Ketchum.

We especially respect Jaquet for her dogged efforts to persuade the Legislature to broaden local-option tax authority -- a bread-and-butter issue in District 25 where so many people work in Blaine County and live in the other three counties.

Blaine County needs the extra tax dollars to help create affordable housing for service employees and teachers.

We also like Jaquet's idea of expanding impact fees so local governments could require developers to provide more low-cost housing. As it's written, Idaho's impact fee law is cumbersome, limited and expensive to implement -- not a realistic option for fast-growing small cities in the Magic Valley like Kimberly that would benefit from fees.

The formula for Jaquet's success, it seems to us, is simple: She works hard, listens well and does her homework.

Few legislators, for example, better understand the road repair crisis facing local highway districts. Jaquet knows because she has eight such districts in her constituency, and she talks with folks in every one of them.

That's the sort of commitment we should expect from all lawmakers.

## Times-News

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### McFall best qualified candidate for sheriff

Next to the presidential contest, Jerome County residents are particularly interested in the race for sheriff.

Although I have no personal problems with any of the three candidates, I am especially interested in Mr. Doug McFall. Doug is a lifelong Jerome County resident, is very well liked and, most importantly, is the best qualified. Doug

has no skeletons in the closet and has an excellent record as an Idaho State Police officer. He received several promotions in his long career with the most respected law enforcement agency in Idaho, the ISP.

Joe Mama and his friends will be voting for the next Jerome County Sheriff, Doug McFall. We hope you will do the same.

JOE SKAUG  
Jerome

# Why McCain's campaign isn't working

It's time for John McCain to fire his campaign. He has nothing to lose. His campaign is totally over-matched by Obama's. The Obama team is well organized, flush with resources, and the candidate and the campaign are in sync. The McCain campaign, once merely problematic, is now close to being out-and-out dysfunctional. Its combination of strategic incoherence and operational incompetence has become toxic. If the race continues over the next three weeks to be a conventional one, McCain is doomed.



WILLIAM KRISTOL

It may be anyway. Bush is unpopular. The media is hostile. The financial meltdown has made things tougher. Maybe the situation is hopeless -- and if it is, then nothing McCain or his campaign does matters.

But I'm not convinced by such something very big. McCain isn't Bush. The media isn't all-powerful. And the economic crisis still presents an opportunity to show leadership.

The 2008 campaign is now about something very big -- both our future prosperity and our national security. Yet the McCain campaign has become smaller.

What McCain needs to do is junk the whole thing and start over. Shut down the rapid responses, end the frantic e-mails, bench the spinning surrogates, stop putting up new TV and Internet ads every minute. In fact, pull all the ads -- they're doing no good anyway. Use that money for televised town halls and half-hour addresses in prime time.

And let McCain go back to what he's been good at in the past -- running as a cheerful, open and accessible candidate. Palin should follow



suit. The two of them are attractive and competent politicians. They're happy warriors and good campaigners. Set them free.

Provide total media accessibility on their campaign planes and buses. Kick most of the aides off and send them out to swing states to work for the state coordinators on getting voters to the polls. Keep just a minimal staff to help organize the news conferences McCain and Palin should have at every stop and the TV interviews they should do at every location. Do town halls, do the Sunday TV shows, do talk radio -- and invite Obama and Biden to join them in some of these venues, on the ground that more joint appearances might restore civility and substance to the contest.

The hope for McCain and Palin is that they still have pretty good favorable ratings from the voters. The American people have by no means turned decisively against them.

The bad news, of course, is that right now Obama's approval/disapproval rating is better than McCain's. Indeed, Obama's is a bit higher than it was a month ago. That suggests the failure

of the McCain campaign's attacks on Obama. So drop them.

Not because they're illegitimate. I think many of them are reasonable. Obama's relationship to the Rev. Jeremiah Wright is, I believe, a legitimate issue. But McCain ruled it out of bounds, and he's sticking to that. And for whatever reason -- the public mood, campaign ineptness, McCain's alternation between hesitancy and harshness, which reflects the fact that he's uncomfortable in the attack role -- the other attacks on Obama just aren't working. There's no reason to think they're suddenly going to.

There are still enough doubts about Obama to allow McCain to win. But McCain needs to make his case, and do so as a serious but cheerful candidate for times that need a serious but upbeat leader.

McCain should stop unveiling gimmicky proposals every couple of days that pretend to deal with the financial crisis. He should tell the truth -- we're in uncharted waters, no one is certain what to do, and no one knows what the situation will be on Jan. 20, 2009.

But what we do know is that we could use someone as his president who's shown in his career the kind of sound judgment and strong leadership we'll need to make it through the crisis.

McCain can make the substantive case for his broadly centrist conservatism. He can explain that our enemies won't take a vacation because the markets are down, and that it's not important that he's ready to be commander in chief. I can remind voters that even in a recession, the president appoints federal judges -- and that his judges won't legislate from the bench.

And he can point out that there's going to be a Democratic Congress. He can suggest that surely we'd prefer a president who would check that Congress where necessary and work with it where possible. Instead of having an inexperienced Democratic president joined at the hip with an all-too-experienced Democratic Congress, leading us, unlettered and unchecked, back to 1970s-style liberalism.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Mini-Cassia's fuel prices higher than national average

I would like to know why fuel prices in the Mini-Cassia area are so much higher than in other places. The national average is \$3.15 per gallon and in many places fuel has dropped below \$3 per gallon. I encourage everyone to go to [flying.com](http://flying.com) and see for yourselves.

Fuel in Lewiston is \$2.77 a gallon in Japline. Ah, it is \$2.44 a gallon. That's a dollar less than our cheapest fuel. Why is that?

Even places in California, Nevada and Washington have cheaper fuel than we do. These places have been notorious in the past for their high-priced fuel.

Those of us who make our living in the travel and transportation industry find this to be absolutely

ridiculous! There is absolutely no reason that our fuel prices should be this high.

I would like a reasonable and logical explanation for this, and I think that the citizens of the Mini-Cassia area deserve an explanation.

SARAH GOIN  
JOHN GOIN  
Burley

#### Accusations against Carter unfounded

Candidate for sheriff Tom Carter is my brother. I am aware of accusations being bandied about by the Touseley entourage concerning integrity. Give me a break. Integrity, what a word coming from an individual whose policy is to fire anyone who dares run against him. He is the only sheriff in Idaho with that

policy, to my knowledge. If there is any single item that should trickle down from top to bottom it should be integrity.

This is the same man that supported the ticketing of those individuals that helped retrieve a suicide victim from the Snake River. Also the same guy that signed off on his under sheriff's \$1,443 per month (2006) overtime stipend until Tom brought it to the public's attention in 2007 and it was discontinued. He is apparently the same guy that is using county employees and resources to film his campaign ad, absolutely against county policy.

In regard to Tom's certification as a law enforcement officer, Tom is as certified as any law enforcement officer in the state of Idaho. Mr. Gudgell intimated

that POST initiated the proceedings to decertify. It was actually requested by Touseley and/or Gudgell when it became apparent that Tom was going to run for sheriff. Both the Office of Professional Responsibility and the lead POST investigator have recommended not decertifying.

In closing, let me say that at the Republican picnic this summer, I had the opportunity to visit with Mr. Bob Blass. He told me that his wife had asked him if he knew Tom and why he supported him. His answer was this, "No, I don't know Tom, but I knew his dad and two oldest brothers and no finer people ever lived. I believe Tom is cut from the same cloth." He is.

DAN CARTER  
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### Check out what local residents are saying about the upcoming election

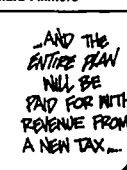
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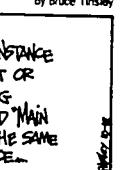
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# Unobstrusive Galena cell tower should be built

In response to Scott Phillips' letter regarding Idaho Tower Company's Galena proposal, ITC respectfully submits the following facts:

ITC's proposed stealth "monopine" facility will not be visible at all from Highway 75, south of Galena Pass. It will only be visible for less than a mile of highway north of the pass, and it will only appear as a taller tree. A similar facility was designed and installed by ITC in the Teton National Forest and won awards for visual sensitivity. The Forest Service acknowledges that ITC's facility would provide an indisputable benefit for public safety.

In her decision, (Sawtooth National Forest Supervisor Jane) Kolkey cites specific laws, goals and regulations from the Sawtooth Forest



READER COMMENT  
Jennifer Campbell

plan that give direction for wireless telecommunication facilities. Kolkey stated that she believes "the opportunities afforded to emergency services as a result of cell phones are invaluable" and that "cell phones have an important role in this day and age in emergency services." Unfortunately, her decision did not incorporate these values.

It is important for the public to know that all safety officials have given their support for the Galena facility. In a

recent meeting with Kollmeyer, Gene Ramsay, chief deputy sheriff for Blaine County, pointed out the Sawtooth National Recreation Area invites the public to recreate in the SNIRA yet has no obligation for responding to emergencies. Instead, the task of providing safety and emergency response to the almost 2 million annual visitors and residents within the SNIRA falls on the shoulders of the Blaine County Sheriff's office, the Keetchum Fire Department Search and Rescue, Sawtooth Emergency Medical Services and the Custer County public safety officials.

The facility will: 1) allow users to call 911 for help; 2) enable emergency responders to pinpoint the location of people who are often unfa-

miliar with the area; and 3) provide vital communication between persons involved with an emergency response. Galena is one of the locations needed by the county to install its own radio equipment. Walt Fleming, Blaine County sheriff, calls ITC's facility a "vital and necessary communication facility for both the public and emergency responder safety." Mike Eke, Keetchum fire chief, submitted a letter stating the proposed facility was absolutely necessary to protect the safety of firefighters and emergency service providers, as well as visitors.

The bottom line is poor communications can decrease the ability to deal effectively with emergencies and increases the risk of injury and/or death to firefighters and other public

safety officers. This is not a risk that should be asked of individuals working to protect the public and its lands from devastation.

ITC appreciates and shares Mr. Phillips' desire to protect the beauty and resources of the SNIRA. ITC believes its facility will work to preserve and protect land threatened by fire. ITC's stealth design further demonstrates its own desire to maintain the physical beauty of the SNIRA. People's enjoyment of the SNIRA can be enhanced by the convenience and safety of cell phone access. Courtesy signs at trailheads can easily handle concerns for the perceived "intrusion" of cell phones. Signs can also be posted asking drivers to only use phones for emergency use while operating a vehicle in the SNIRA.

Phillips' solution of an emergency landline phone at the Galena Overlook does not answer public safety radio equipment needs, nor does it help those who cannot reach the emergency phone. It also doesn't answer the demand for wireless services by residents and visitors within the SNIRA.

ITC encourages interested citizens to read ITC's appeal brief. It is important to have an informed opinion, whether as an advocate or dissenter of the Galena proposal. To view the appeal brief and understand the visual impact of ITC's Galena proposal, log on to <http://www.galenasthealth-tower.com>.

Jennifer Campbell is an owner of the Idaho Tower Company.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Cameron is an advocate for children and taxpayers

Sen. Dean Cameron has earned a reputation as a strong and effective advocate of the citizens in Minidoka and Jerome counties. As a Magic Valley educator, I've become well acquainted with Sen. Cameron and have been impressed with his abilities and record of advocating for Idaho children while vigorously protecting the interests of taxpayers.

When the school funding formula was recently changed to eliminate property taxes as part of the state educational foundation program, Sen. Cameron was insistent that a sufficient rainy day fund be set aside to protect public education from holdbacks in tight economic times such as we are experiencing today. There are great pressures to eliminate education and other needs, but Sen. Cameron prudently insisted on protection of schools and taxpayers in case of hard times.

Sen. Cameron has effectively advocated for many opportunities for our children so that they can earn a good wage upon completion of formal schooling. This includes funding for such programs as auto mechanics, diesel mechanics, health occupations, technology, business occupations and manufacturing. He convinced other legislators that technical funding for public schools needed to be broadened to many districts, including Jerome and Minidoka, could benefit rather than a select few. With no tax increase, Sen. Cameron has secured necessary funding for technical programs in Minidoka and Jerome school districts.

Sen. Cameron has been formally recognized by educational organizations including Phi Delta Kappa, Minidoka School District and ARTEC Regional Professional Technical Charter School for his leadership on behalf of public education. While exerting effective leadership on behalf of Idaho students, he has also insisted upon fiscal prudence with balanced budgets and taxpayer relief. We are fortunate to enjoy this rare combination with a senator who serves as an effective advocate for students as well as for taxpayers.

NICK HALLETT  
Rupert

### Hamblin should not disclose revenues

Another slow news day in Twin Falls — must be time to pick on the local golf pro.

Periodically over the past month or so, the Times-News has taken exception with Mike J. Hamblin and the contract he has with the city of Twin Falls. Yes, he operates as a private contractor at our golf course. Yet, he makes a profit, as do many other businesses that contract with the city of Twin Falls. Should he be required to report those revenues to the city? Absolutely not, your newspaper would have a field day with that story. Or would you just might find something you have failed to report.

### Tell us what you think

ON PAPER: The Times-News welcomes letters from readers on subjects of public interest. Please limit letters to 300 words. Include your signature, mailing address and phone number. Writers who sign letters with false names will be permanently barred from publication. Letters may be brought to our Twin Falls office, mailed to P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303; faxed, to (208) 734-5538; or e-mailed to [letters@magicvalley.com](mailto:letters@magicvalley.com).

### About election letters ...

The Times-News welcomes letters to the editor from and on behalf of candidates for the Nov. 4 general election. Deadlines for election letters is Wednesday, Oct. 29, at noon. Election letters received after that date will not be published. Letters must be 300 words or less, and the Times-News will publish one letter from each writer in October. Email letters to [ethomason@magicvalley.com](mailto:ethomason@magicvalley.com), fax them to 734-5538, or mail them to Letters to the Editor, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303. If you have questions, phone Opinion Editor Steve Crump at 735-3222.

With the exception of the course superintendent and maintenance staff, all other employees at the golf course work for Mike J. Hamblin, not the city of Twin Falls. He is responsible to staff the pro shop and restaurant. He is responsible to pay their wages, benefits and employment taxes. He is responsible to deal with the staffing issues and employment problems that arise during the year. He is also responsible for owning his own fleet of golf carts, purchasing range balls and stocking the restaurant's kitchen — none of which the city of Twin Falls has to worry about.

What's next, should all private contractors and developers holding agreements with the city of Twin Falls give "full disclosure" of their annual revenues I think not. However, have an idea: The city of Twin Falls could contract the golf course to the Times-News, your staff reporter could be the head professional and course manager, your

editorial board could assume the responsibilities of the city-appointed golf advisory board, and at the end of each golf season your newspaper could publish your list of donors, with "full disclosure" of revenues associated with your business operations.

SCOT MCNEILEY  
Twin Falls

### Care for your own pets

This letter is to the person or people who keep finding it necessary to donate their unwanted dogs to my family. Please do not assume that because I live in a rural area and on a farm that I or my family want a dog!

I happen to have a feral cat problem as it is. If I wanted a dog, I would get one and, unlike you, I would get it and shun it and spay or neuter it. I think you do what most animal lovers do and simply take care of it. If you do not want your dog, chances are you should have never taken it to begin with, but please

stop dropping them off at my house.

In the last two months, I have been blessed with six dogs that I never asked for or wanted. I woke up in one running straight in my back door this morning. These dogs are tame, so you must have cared for them at some point in time! Do the right thing — these animals don't deserve what you are giving them! Be a responsible pet owner or don't get a pet! But most importantly, as I said before, I don't want a dog so don't bring me yours!

MICHELLE CHAVEZ  
Wendell

### Sheriff's commercial crosses the line

I saw the "soon-to-be-ex-sheriff's" commercial Monday night. I do think that at the end of the commercial, he should have stated, "Paid for and supported by you, the Twin Falls county taxpayers." I'm offended by him using our money to support his weak election efforts and astounded that he is able to do so.

STASIA MONROE  
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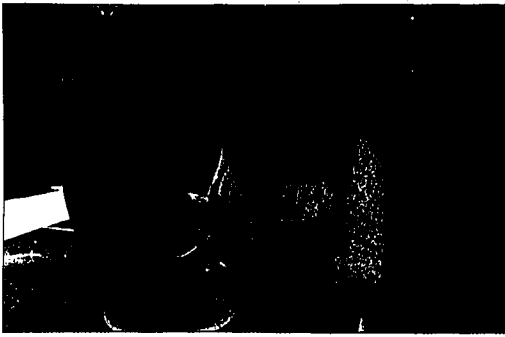
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**AP photo**  
Vegan foodist Margaret Oakley prepares her lunch outside the Santa Monica Public library, Friday in Santa Monica, Calif. Oakley is part of the 'Living Library' project where patrons can 'check out' one of 14 people for up to 30 minutes to engage them in conversation.

# Santa Monica library offers books that talk back

By John Rogers  
Associated Press writer

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — You know those people you can read just like a book? Well, on Saturday you will be able to borrow one of them when this city turns its main library into a "Living Library."

Fourteen "living books" will be on hand in this trendy, liberal city, representing an encyclopedia of knowledge on such subjects as nudism, Buddhism and foodism. That's because one of them is a real, live nudist, two are Buddhists and another is a vegan.

Library visitors will be allowed to check out any of the 14 people for up to 30 minutes. The hope is that library patrons will learn something about the culture and beliefs of other people, erasing stereotypes in the process.

"A personal conversation breaks down barriers and connects two strangers who might not otherwise have the opportunity to speak to each other," said Rachel Foyt, an administrative analyst at the Santa Monica Public Library.

Want to know what it's like to be homeless? There will be a couple of folks who can speak volumes about it. What are celebrities really like? Ask the celebrity publicist. What are Oaxacan-Americans like? Ask the person whose roots are in the Mexican state of Oaxaca (wah-HAH-ka).

This being a library, the talking books will have to do their talking outside in the courtyard, or in study rooms, so they won't disturb readers.

People who can't finish in 30 minutes may book another session if no one else has placed a hold on the person. Patrons who return their living book late won't be fined, but Foyt said the library may revoke the souvenir T-shirt they get for taking part.

The idea was thought up by a group of young people in Copenhagen, Denmark, in the 1990s after one of their friends was stabbed during a night out. Since then, Living Libraries have brought people of different backgrounds together in numerous countries.

"Everyone wants to know if the nudist will be wearing clothes," Foyt said with a laugh. (Sorry, yes, he will be.)

There won't be any bra-burning by the feminist, either. That went out in the 1970s, said Lindsey Horvath, the 26-year-old president of the Hollywood chapter of the National Organization for Women. But Horvath said she is surprised at how many people still cling to that image.

"Something I frequently encounter is that people feel that we're of a previous generation," she said. "Or we're really angry or not part of the

mainstream culture or we all hate men. I couldn't be more different than that. I'm originally a Midwest American. My family's Catholic and I taught catechism at my church.

Margaret Oakley will be there with some of her favorite vegan recipes, in part to show meat-eaters that she doesn't really hate them. Lesleigh Owen will be there, too. She is a self-proclaimed "fat activist," who stands up for the rights of plus-size people. She concludes her e-mails with a quote from the Muppets' Miss Piggy: "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder, and it may be necessary from time to time to give a stupid or misinformed beholder a black eye."

Not that any trouble is expected Saturday. But just to make sure, library officials are issuing a set of rules borrowers must agree to:

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## New home construction continues decline in S.C. Idaho

### National figures indicate further slump

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

New home construction has continued to fall in south-central Idaho despite efforts by local bankers and builders to calm fears of potential home owners.

The number of new homes built in the region during the first eight months of 2008 is down almost 20 percent com-

pared to the number of homes built during the first eight months of 2007, according to the Wells-Fargo Idaho Construction Report.

The City of Jerome reported the largest decline, with new home construction falling nearly 50 percent compared to 2007.

The continued decline in new home construction seems to indicate that people

are still weary about buying a new home — although it's still unknown why they are reluctant.

Bankers and builders in south-central Idaho have been trying to dispel beliefs that the credit is unavailable or that housing prices are declining.

But construction numbers have dwindled despite their efforts.

Regional officials say potential homeowners may be more concerned about job security than credit availability.

Although south-central Idaho has one of the lowest unemployment rates in the nation — the Department of Labor reported that the unemployment rate in the Twin Falls micropolitan area was around 3.7 percent in August — there have been some reports of job reductions at retailers and manufacturers in the region.

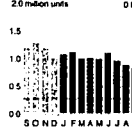
National home construction figures for September, which were released Friday, indicate that the slump could continue in south-central Idaho.

Construction of new homes plunged by a bigger-than-expected amount in September as builders slashed production yet again, putting the country on track to build the fewest homes this year in more than six decades.

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### Housing starts

New privately owned housing units started: Seasonally adjusted annual rate



SOURCE: Department of Commerce AP



## New vending machines cook hot dogs, count calories

By Betsy Taylor  
Associated Press writer

ST. LOUIS — Gee-whiz vending machines may not be the first corporate perk companies think of, but a trade show offers proof that if your office machines just dispense chips and soda, it may be time for an upgrade.

The National Automatic Merchandising Association says 100 million Americans use a vending machine each day. The Chicago-based trade organization hosted an industry event in St. Louis this week, showing the latest advances in vending and coffee machines.

One used a robotic arm with vacuum capabilities to retrieve ice cream treats from a cold storage chest inside the machine.

Another grilled hot dogs inside the machine, warmed the bun and dispensed packets of ketchup and mustard resulting in surprisingly tasty hot dogs. One of the hot dog machines is already available to Red Sox fans at Fenway Park, said Andrew Shoaff with JHD Vending Systems, based in Alexandria, Va. Brawnstow, soy dogs and kosher hot dogs are among the variations.

Other technologies on display, while not all brand new to the industry, were intended as solutions to the more common vending machine problems — stuck treats or not enough pocket change. Kevin Caid of Bridgeton, Mo.-based Crane Vending Solutions said machines can now contain infrared sensors that detect whether or not a snack has been dispensed.

If stuck, the machines will try two more times to release

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Linda Teter poses for a photo at Midway Motor Co. in Herman, W. Va. For 32 years, she has father and grandfather before her, Teter has managed the car and truck dealership the family started in 1923.

## As economy tanks, small car dealer in a slow slide

By Vicki Smith  
Associated Press writer

HARMAN, W.Va. — When times were good, Linda Teter kept 30 Chevrolet trucks on the narrow roadside show lots at Midway Motor Co. Today, fewer than 10 gleam under the autumn sun.

Next month, when snow comes to the Allegheny Mountains, there will be even fewer.

"You're lucky to sell maybe five a month now," she says, waiting at her desk for the phone to ring, the door to open. "The economy's so upside-down, people have no money. They're scared to buy."

For 32 years, like her father and grandfather before her, Teter has managed the car and truck dealership the family started in 1929. Each year, she rode out the seasonally slow first quarter until the uptick that always came in March or April.

"Then in the last few years, it got up to May, and then June. It's clean into the summer now," she says. "And

Hard Times is the first in a weekly series of stories about people caught up in the recession. The series will be published each Saturday through December.

this year, it's been the whole year."

With an unrelenting credit crisis, breathtaking swings in the stock market and mounting consumer ruckus, Teter now wonders if winter will ever end; she trusts that her conservative instincts will keep her in business, but there's no guarantee.

Last month, the biggest Chevy chain in the country — Georgia-based Bill Heard Enterprises Inc. — went bust and closed 13 dealerships in six states. High gas prices and the other problems that thousands of small dealers face every day were

magnified by its size — too much inventory and overhead, too few people qualifying for loans or even trying.

"It's the big ones, the small ones. We're all in the same boat afloat," Teter says.

"Even your retired people that have saved their money, they're not buying new vehicles," she says. "At one time, they used to come in every three years like clockwork and buy a new vehicle. But they're getting the attitude now. I'm scared to death. I'm not gonna buy I'll just keep my old one."

For Midway, that means fewer sales and more service.

"Last month," Teter says, "we fixed things that wasn't worth fixing."

In Harman, customers are harder to come by even when times are good. The town of 200 is nestled in a valley in the Monongahela National Forest, near tourist attractions like the Dolly Sods Wilderness Area and

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## Woman's house, and once-neglected lawn, for sale

The Associated Press

OREM, Utah — The struggling economy has hit a woman who was arrested, handcuffed and briefly jailed in July 2007 after she refused a ticket for failing to water her lawn.

Betty Perry's three-bedroom, two-bathroom Orem home has been put on the market for \$155,000 due to foreclosure. Perry, who was 70 at the time of the incident, has left the state.

"I need to take a cruise or something. I need to get away," she said from a cell phone somewhere in Texas. "When push comes to shove, maybe this is what it took to get me out of that stupid house."

Perry said there was a negatively amortizing mortgage on the property, meaning she

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

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#### First Federal seeks 501c3s for grant

First Federal is currently seeking applications from 501c3 not for profit organizations for the upcoming grant period.

All applications must be post-marketed by Nov. 17.

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#### Mini-Cassia center to offer Publish It

BURLEY — The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia center is offering a Publish It with Office 2007 course from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, Oct. 22 to Nov. 12. Students will work with the newest version of Publisher and Word programs and the many new features.

Microsoft Office Publisher 2007 is a business publishing program that helps you create, design, and publish professional-looking marketing and communication materials. The cost is \$40.

For more information: Mini-Cassia center at 678-1400. — Staff reports

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Oct. gold	785.10	▼	16.4	Oct. silver	9.31	▼	.29

Monday in business

WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke testifies before the House Budget Committee.

NEW YORK — Conference Board releases leading index for September.

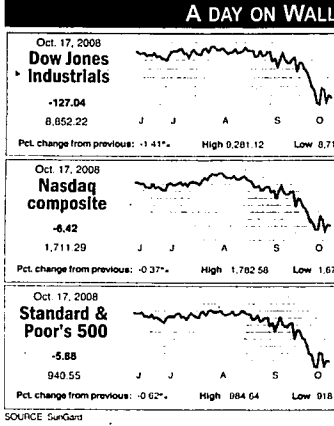
WASHINGTON — Weekly Treasury auction.

MARKET SUMMARY

Table with columns for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ. Sub-sections include 'MOST ACTIVE' and 'GAINERS' for each exchange, listing stock names, last prices, and percentage changes.

Table with columns for 'INDEXES' and 'STOCKS OF GLOBAL INTEREST'. Lists major indices like Dow Jones Industrial, S&P 500, and Nikkei, along with specific international stocks and their performance.

Table titled 'HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT'. Provides a detailed legend for symbols and abbreviations used in the market report, such as 'N' for New, 'C' for Closed, and 'P' for Profit.



The Dow Jones industrial average fell 1.07%, or 1.41 percent, Friday to 8,852.22, after falling 261 points in the early going and rising 302 points to a 563-point range. Broader stock indicators showed more modest declines...

Table titled 'COMMODITIES REPORT'. Lists various commodity futures including soybeans, corn, wheat, and oil, with columns for name, contract size, and price change.

Cars Continued from page B1. The scenic climbing cliffs of Seneca Rocks. The nearest city is 23 miles away. (Elkins, population 7,000), but it has the kind of expansive, open-filled car lots that buyers have come to expect. Many of the local mining jobs have vanished, and even timber-driven industries like Bruce Hardwoods are cutting back...

how will you get home? Some customers thanked her for her honesty. Some traded anyway. "And I know come January or February, these people are gonna be back in here." In the 1980s, Teter says, car dealers required 20 percent down before agreeing to finance a purchase. Today, too many people overextend, financing 100 percent of a vehicle they can't really afford...

Table titled 'CLOSING FUTURES'. Lists various futures contracts such as soybean oil, soybean meal, and corn, with columns for name, price, and change.

Homes Continued from page B1. A barometer of future building also dropped, falling to the weakest level in more than 25 years. Analysts blamed the renewed swoon on the financial crisis which erupted with force this fall, raising new anxieties among potential home buyers and making it harder for builders to get construction loans...

Vending Continued from page B1. by U-Select-It of Des Moines, Iowa allows parents to go online, view what the vending machine at their children's school are stocked with, and decide which snacks and how many they'd like available for their kids. Students use an ID card or a PIN number to identify who's at the machine and what they can purchase...

Lawn Continued from page B1. stung her with fluoride, she fell and injured her nose. Hygate was suspended. A state investigation found Hygate's actions were proper, although his bosses have said the situation could have been handled differently. The incident also sparked a review of Orem's landscape policy and Stan Sainsbury, development services director, said the policy is being reworked to make it possible to have a more water-wise yard...

# Wyoming targets laid off Mich. corrections workers

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — The Wyoming Department of Corrections is targeting laid off workers in Wisconsin, Michigan, New Hampshire and Virginia as it seeks to fill about 435 positions around the state.

Wyoming, which relies heavily on revenues from coal, natural gas and other minerals, is one of the few states

that has escaped the national economic crisis.

While other states are cutting programs and imposing hiring freezes, the Wyoming Legislature is expected to find another budget surplus when lawmakers come to Cheyenne in January for the 40-day general legislative session.

The National Council of

State Legislatures said the recent national economic problems make most states' fiscal situations precarious.

"This situation is so bad as I've ever seen it," said Bill Pover, NCSL executive director. "The states have been confronted with bad economic circumstances in the past, but not so many and not all at once. State budgets have

a very rough road ahead."

General Motors is closing plants in Michigan and Wisconsin, New Hampshire is cutting back its budget and Virginia is closing prisons and laying off more than 300 corrections workers.

The Wyoming Department of Corrections is looking to fill 79 positions immediately and is building a new prison that

will create 357 new jobs, said Brenda Reed, recruiting manager for the Wyoming Department of Corrections.

The new prison is scheduled to open next summer.

Other jobs are available in Wyoming, also.

The state is seeing a 17 percent increase in the number of applicants for state jobs this year compared to last

year, said Dean Fausset, administrator of the state human resources division.

"We are seeing more applicants applying for jobs, but we still have jobs that are difficult to fill," Fausset said.

The hardest to fill are in the nursing field and highway jobs, the latter because of competition from the mineral industry.

# Food companies keep prices high



Consumers price food items at Stiefenell & Sons Italian Imports Thursday, in Blue Island, Ill. The U.S. Agriculture Department expects food prices to increase as much as 5 percent next year, following an estimated 6 percent gain this year.

# Food prices expected to surpass inflation rates next year

By Lauren Elder  
The Wall Street Journal

Grain and soybean prices have fallen by about 50 percent since their summer highs. But don't expect grocery prices to drop anytime soon.

Food companies are typically quick to pass along higher commodity costs on the way up, slower to reduce prices on the way down. That could bring a continuing run of profits for packaged-food companies even as consumers add higher food prices to the pressures they face from falling housing values and shrinking credit.

Retail grocery-store prices fell 7.6 percent last month from a year earlier, driven in part by a 14.2 percent rise in cereal and bakery prices, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported Thursday. The average price of ground beef in the U.S. increased to \$2.41 a pound last month from \$2.37 a year earlier.

The U.S. Agriculture Department expects food prices to increase as much as 5 percent next year, following an estimated 6 percent gain this year.

The price of a 20-ounce loaf of Sara Lee Soft & Smooth Classic White bread was \$1.97 at a Wal-Mart Supercenter in Waukegan, Ill., Wednesday.

Nestle SA, the world's biggest food company by revenue, increased global prices an average 5.4 percent in the first half. In the U.S., Canada and Latin America, the figure was 8 percent. But the Vevey, Switzerland, company doesn't plan on big cuts now that costs are falling.

"Prices might come down a little, but I don't think it will be anything spectacular," Nestle Chairman Peter Brabeck-Letmat said in an interview.

Hershey Co. Chief Executive David West told investors Thursday that consumers can expect to see higher prices on its chocolates, including for products for which supermarkets run promotions.

The Hershey Pa., candy maker in August announced a 10 percent price increase across its U.S. product line. Mr. West said Thursday that while the cost of such ingredients as milk, cocoa and sugar are still higher than they were a year ago, he said he expects Hershey's commodi-

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ty costs to increase more than \$200 million next year from 2008.

There are deceptively simple reasons that food prices remain high even as ingredient costs fall. "People still need to eat. I don't know how else to say it," said Joseph Victor, vice president of marketing at Chicago-based commodity research company Allendale Inc. Many consumers aren't as savvy about the costs of food ingredients as they are, say, about the price of oil versus the price at their corner gas station.

Also, some food companies' costs remain higher than this week's commodity prices because the companies locked in contracts this summer when, for example, corn was selling at more than \$7.50 a bushel. This week, corn dipped below \$4 a bushel for the first time since last December. It closed Thursday at \$3.84 a bushel.

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Over the past two years, prices for corn, soybeans and wheat more than doubled as global demand for biofuels soared and rising demand for grain-fed pork and beef climbed in China, India and other developing countries. Food companies raised prices on everything from cereal to ketchup, frequently attributing increases to higher commodity costs.

But as the credit crisis has intensified, crop prices have fallen along with the stock market and prices for other commodities.

Some investors worry that a slowing global economy will sap global demand for U.S. agricultural exports.

But so far, there's little evidence of that happening. The Federal Reserve's so-called beige book survey of regional economies said Wednesday that "exports continued to boost agricultural demand." Since Sept. 1, U.S. soybean

exports to the top-five importing nations are up about 6 percent from a year earlier, said Mr. Victor, of the Allendale research firm.

Analysts say food companies with strong brands tend to have the strongest pricing power, as point to General Mills Inc., H. J. Heinz Co. and Kellogg Co. as food makers who have raised prices without losing market share.

Food companies have outperformed the broader stock market in the last three months, with their shares down 18 percent versus a 29 percent decline for the Dow Jones U.S. Total Market Index.

Soleil Securities analyst Edgar Roesch estimated that General Mills' profit will jump to \$4.18 a share next year from \$3.81 a share this year and sees Kellogg's profit rising to \$3.32 a share from \$3.02 a share.

Nestle's earnings before interest, tax and amortization should increase 11 percent to 17.6 billion Swiss francs (\$15.5 billion) next year from 2008, according to

forecasts by Sanford C. Bernstein analyst Andrew Wood.

Earnings at Hershey, which has struggled against Mars Inc. and other rivals, aren't as strong. The company expects sales growth next year of just 2 percent to 3 percent as lower volume partially offsets higher prices. Credit Suisse analyst Robert Moskow estimates that Hershey earnings will rise just a penny next year, to \$1.85 a share.

Some supermarket chains have seen profit growth slow or decline because of food inflation and the weak U.S. economy. SuperValu Inc., Safeway Inc. and Belgium's Delhaize Group are among grocers that have cut profit or sales forecasts.

Although the grocers generally pass along higher prices from vendors, some shoppers have switched to store brands and other lower-priced goods. Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and Kroger Co., the No. 1 and No. 2 U.S. food retailers by sales, have fared better than most.

# Bush: Credit thaw 'going to take awhile'

By Jeannine Aversa  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The government's drastic economic rescue efforts will eventually push off, President Bush insisted Friday, offering calming words to anxious Americans but no suggestion of a quick revival as Wall Street braced for another wild day.

The economy didn't falter overnight, "and it's going to take a while for the credit system to thaw," Bush said just before the markets opened, speaking across a park from the White House at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce building, a symbolic headquarters of American business.

Despite a flurry of radical actions by the Bush administration and the Federal Reserve, banks in the United States and abroad are still wary of lending money to each other and to their customers. The credit log is depriving the wheezing U.S. economy of oxygen.

Financial and credit problems have dragged on for more than a year and took a dangerous turn for the worse last month. All the fallout threatens to plunge the U.S. economy — as well as the world economy — into a painful recession.

That has led to erratic trading on Wall Street, where the Dow Jones industrials have swung wildly, slashing a trillion dollars of wealth from the markets one day, only to rise some of it back on the next. The flow saw-sawed between positive and negative territory in afternoon trading Friday.

Before Bush spoke, there was more grim news: Home builders cut back sharply, dropping new-home construction to its lowest point since January 1991, when the country was in a recession and going through a similar painful housing slump.

Bush defended the government's recent interventions into private business, which would have been extraordinary for any U.S. administration but have been particularly so for a Republican president.

"I would oppose such measures under ordinary circumstances," Bush said. "But these are not ordi-

nary circumstances."

Seeking to calm fearful investors, Bush said the steps are "big enough and bold enough to work."

Earlier this week, the Treasury Department announced it would inject up to \$250 billion in U.S. banks in return for partial ownership stakes, something that hasn't been done since the Great Depression of the 1930s. The government hopes banks will use the capital infusions to rebuild their reserves and bolster lending to customers.

"We took this measure as a last resort," Bush said. "I had the government not acted, the hole in our financial system would have grown larger," he warned.

Bush and his top economic aides have repeatedly asked Americans to be patient and give the government's relief efforts time to work. Democrats on Capitol Hill, though, insist another round of economic stimulus is needed.

So far this year, 15 banks have failed, compared with three last year. And Wall Street's five biggest investment firms were swallowed by other companies, filed for bankruptcy or converted themselves into commercial banks to weather the financial storm.

At the same time of the Treasury announcement, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said it would temporarily guarantee new issues of bank debt — fully protecting the money even if the institution fails.

The FDIC also said it would provide unlimited deposit insurance for non-interest bearing accounts, which are mainly used by small businesses to cover payrolls and other expenses. Frequently, these accounts exceed the current \$250,000 insurance limit, so the expanded insurance should discourage nervous companies from pulling their money out.

Last week, the Fed and the world's other major central banks joined forces to slice interest rates, the first coordinated action of that kind in the Fed's history. The United States and other top economic powers adopted a five-point action plan last week and pledged to do all they can to stem the crisis.

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# Florida's Rep. Mahoney admits affairs, but no crimes

By Brian Skoloff  
Associated Press writer

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — U.S. Rep. Tim Mahoney, embroiled in an adultery scandal and a tight race for re-election, admitted Friday to having at least two affairs but insisted he broke no laws and will not resign.

The first-term Democrat conceded that one of the affairs began as he was running on a family values platform to replace Mark Foley, a Republican who resigned amid revelations that he sent

lurid Internet messages to male pages who had worked on Capitol Hill as teenagers.

Mahoney, 52, apologized to his wife, his daughter and his constituents, even as he maintained he hadn't been hypocritical.

"I can understand why people would feel that way and for those people, all I can say



Mahoney

is, 'I'm sorry I let you down.'" Mahoney said in his first set of interviews since news broke this week that he had a sexual relationship with Patricia Allen, 50, whom he met while campaigning in 2006.

Allen went to work for Mahoney's congressional office, then his campaign. Mahoney said she was fired for performance issues, not because of the affair.

Allen threatened to sue Mahoney for sexual harassment, and they reached a settlement to avoid a public airing. Her payout came

from Mahoney's personal accounts, not from campaign funds or federal dollars, he said.

Allen has not returned repeated telephone calls. Mahoney also acknowledged he had an affair with a high-ranking Martin County official in his district around the time he was lobbying the Federal Emergency Management Agency to give the county a \$3.4 million hurricane clean-up reimbursement. The funds were awarded last year.

He insisted, however, that

he did nothing more for Martin County than he did for others in his district.

Mahoney confessed to "multiple" other affairs, though he wouldn't say how many.

"You're asking me over a lifetime? I'm just saying I've been unfaithful and I'm sorry for that," he said.

The multimillionaire venture capitalist maintained a distinction between his behavior in office and Foley's, though he wouldn't specify.

"With respect to the former congressman, I think that his

situation is different from my situation," Mahoney said. "I don't want anybody to misinterpret that as me saying that somehow I'm more proud or whatever. I'm not saying that at all."

Foley was cleared of criminal wrongdoing and left Congress to go into real estate. The FBI has contacted Mahoney as part of an investigation into whether he hired Allen to keep his mistress out of the affair and whether he showed any preferential treatment to Martin County in exchange for sex.

## Experts question benefit of time-out rooms

By Michael J. Crumb  
Associated Press writer

DES MOINES, Iowa — After failing to finish a reading assignment, 8-year-old Isabel Loeffler was sent to the school's time-out room — a converted storage area under a staircase — where she was left alone for three hours.

The autistic Iowa girl wet herself before she was finally allowed to leave. Appalled, her parents removed her from the school district and filed a lawsuit.

Some educators say time-out rooms are being used with increased frequency to discipline children with behavioral disorders. And the effects are probably doing more harm than good, they add.

"It really is a form of abuse," said Ken Merrell, head of the Department for Special Education and Clinical Services at the University of Oregon. "It's going to do nothing to change the behavior. You're using it as an isolation booth."

Segregating children removes them from the positive aspects of the classroom and highlights that they're different from other children, said Stephen Camarata, director of the Kennedy Center for Behavioral Research at Vanderbilt University. And isolating an autistic child might be particularly counterproductive.

"They don't like being around other people so they might increase their negative behavior because they view it a reward," he said.

Though there are no data on the use of time-out rooms, Camarata speculates that they've become widespread as schools confronted a growing enrollment of children with behavior disorders.

"I believe it's because classrooms are much less flexible with more focus on compliance," he said.

The Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund in Boston recently received calls from parents across the country who complain about time-out rooms, said Cheryl Theis, an education advocate for the organization.

"Parents call and say their child's disability has been exacerbated by this and are traumatized by this," she said. Merrell said he's encountered time-out rooms he felt were unsafe.

"I once consulted with a school in another state and had a weekly appointment with a child to do some counseling and when I got there they told me he was in a time-out room," he said.

# Fighting for Florida

## McCain challenges Obama's tax cut promise

By Glen Johnson  
Associated Press writer

MIAMI — Republican John McCain told crowds in this battleground state Friday to "hold onto your wallet" because his Democratic presidential rival, Barack Obama, has talked of spreading the wealth around.

McCain suggested voters could not rely on Obama's promise of tax cuts, while returning once more to the story of Joe the Plumber, a regular part of McCain's speeches since the Arizona senator first mentioned the tax concerns of Ohio plumber Joe Wurzelbacher in Wednesday's presidential debate.

Florida was McCain's first stop on a two-day tour through states, including North Carolina and Virginia, where he has surrendered his lead in polls during the past month despite their history of supporting Republican presidential candidates.

Last Sunday as Obama walked through Wurzelbacher's Holland, Ohio, neighborhood, Wurzelbacher asked him whether his plan to



Republican presidential candidate Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., gives two thumbs up as he and his wife Cindy give supporters, Friday during a rally at the Maxwell C. King Center in Melbourne, Fla.

increase taxes on those earning more than \$250,000 a year would impede his ability to buy the plumbing company where he works, Obama replied that those making over \$250,000 would be taxed more but that money would be returned to the middle-class through tax cuts. "I think when you spread the wealth around, it's good for everybody," Obama said.

The McCain campaign seized on that remark.

"When politicians talk about taking your money and spreading it around, you'd better hold onto your wallet," McCain told a Miami rally crowd. "Sen.

Obama claims that he wants to give a tax break to the middle class, but not only did he vote for higher taxes for the middle class in the Senate, his plan gives away your tax dollars to those who don't pay taxes. That's not a tax cut; that's welfare."

McCain, who bestowed the nickname "Joe the Plumber" on Wurzelbacher during the debate, claimed Friday that "the response from Sen. Obama and his campaign yesterday was to attack Joe."

In fact, Obama, his running mate Joe Biden and their campaign have lauded the mentioned Wurzelbacher. Obama and Biden both attacked McCain for portraying Wurzelbacher as representative of most blue-collar workers, asking how many plumbers make \$250,000 a year.

Nonetheless, McCain elicited boos from a fired-up crowd when he said of Wurzelbacher, "People are digging through his personal life and he has TV crews camped out in front of his house. He didn't ask Sen. Obama to come to his house. He wasn't recruited or prompted by our campaign. He just asked a question. And Americans ought to be able to ask Sen. Obama tough questions without being sneered and targeted with political attacks."

## Palin keeps up attacks on ACORN voter registration

By Dan Sewell  
Associated Press writer

WEST CHESTER, Ohio — Vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin on Friday kept up the Republican ticket's attack on a community activist group that registers voters and cited an Ohio plumber's encounter with Democratic Barack Obama as indicative of his tax policies.

Campaigning in one of the swing state's conserva-

tive strongholds, Palin said Obama hasn't been forthcoming about his ties to ACORN, the Association of Community Activists for Reform Now. The group faces allegations of voter registration fraud in Ohio and other states.

Obama has said he doesn't have any significant links to the group. "You deserve to know," Palin told thousands surrounding her stage in a suburban community park

"This group needs to learn that you here in Ohio won't let them turn the Buckeye State into the ACORN State. The FBI is investigating whether ACORN helped foster voter registration fraud around the nation before the presidential election, according to senior law enforcement officials who spoke to the Associated Press Thursday.

The Obama campaign on Friday rejected claims of any ties to the group.

"They are not...an agent of this campaign, they did not perform registration services for this campaign," Obama campaign lawyer Robert Bauer said.

In a letter to Attorney General Michael B. Mukasey on Friday, Bauer asked that any investigation into registration irregularities be turned over to a special prosecutor, curbing investigating parties' political fringes of U.S. attorneys nearly two years ago.

# Scientists find new clue to mystery of Confederate sub

By Bruce Smith  
Associated Press writer

CHARLESTON, S.C. — It's long been a mystery why the H.L. Hunley never returned after becoming the first submarine in history to sink an enemy warship in 1864, but new research announced Friday may lend credence to one of the theories.

Scientists found the eight-man crew of the hand-cranked Confederate submarine had not set the pump to remove water from the crew compartment, which might indicate it was

not being flooded. That could mean crew members suffocated as they used air, perhaps while waiting for the tide to turn and the current to help take them back to land.

The new evidence disputes the notion that the Hunley was damaged and took on water after ramming a spar with a charge of black powder into the Union blockade ship Housatonic.

Scientists studying the sub said they've found its pump system was not set to remove water from the crew compartment as might have

been cranking and moving and it was a miscalculation as to how much oxygen they had."

In excavating the sub, scientists found little intermingling of the crew remains, indicating members died at their stations. Those bones likely would have been jumbled if the crew tried to make it to the hatches in a desperate attempt to get out.

"Whatever occurred, occurred quickly and unexpectedly," McConnell said. "It appears they were either unconscious because of the concussion (from the attack)

or they were unconscious because of a lack of oxygen."

Archaeologist Maria Jacobson cautioned that scientists have not yet examined all the valves to see if the crew may have been trying to surface by using the pumps to jettison ballast.

"Can we definitely say they weren't pumping the lead to get water out of the tanks? No we cannot," she said. "I'm not really at a point where I think we should really be talking about what these guys were doing at the very end because we simply don't know all the valve settings."

## Grandfather could be link to missing Nevada boy

By Ken Ritter  
Associated Press writer

LAS VEGAS — Investigators were looking for the grandfather of a kidnapped 6-year-old boy Friday, saying they believe the abduction may be linked to the man's drug dealings with Mexican nationals.

The boy, Cole Puffinberger, was abducted from a Las Vegas home Wednesday morning by three men

officers. Police said they believe the men were Mexican drug dealers and that the kidnapping at gunpoint was a "message" to his grandfather, Clemens Fred Timmeyer, said Timmeyer has stolen a large sum of money, all proceeds from illegal drug activity," Las Vegas police Capt. Vincent Cannito said.

Police believe methamphetamine was involved, said Officer Chris Johnson, a Las Vegas police spokesman.

Timmeyer, 51, may have stolen millions of dollars from the Mexican nationals, said Officer Chris Johnson, a Las Vegas police spokesman. Johnson declined to say what role Timmeyer played in the drug operation or whether the kidnappers were seeking a ransom. Timmeyer was last seen in May and reported missing Sept. 11.

A nationwide Amber Alert remained in effect after two men tied up Cole's mother and her boyfriend at their home Wednesday and abducted Cole. Cannito said a third man was believed to be involved.

He said police had "several" other persons of interest in the case, but no suspects in the abduction.

Meanwhile, authorities weren't pumping the lead to get water out of the tanks? No we cannot," she said. "I'm not really at a point where I think we should really be talking about what these guys were doing at the very end because we simply don't know all the valve settings."



Timmeyer



Puffinberger

# Americans are too afraid to visit bloody Juarez

By Alicia A. Caldwell  
Associated Press writer



Suzana Gonzalez, a Juarez municipal police bike officer passes by a closed business in Juarez, Mexico, Oct. 3. The city, normally bustling with tourists and El Pasoans, has seen a number of businesses close due to drug-related violence and killings.

EL PASO, Texas — Mexican officials are trying to persuade Americans to visit Ciudad Juarez, routing the city in a new billboard campaign as a "land of encounters." But on this side of the border, that sounds like a cruel joke.

More than 1,100 people have been killed this year in Juarez, population 1.5 million, in a drug-related bloodbath so staggering that the city has been declared off-limits to U.S. soldiers looking to go bar-hopping. El Paso's public hospital is seeing a spillover of the wounded; and residents on the American side are afraid to cross over to visit family, shop or conduct business.

"We all like to make money, but the money I was making isn't worth it," said Fernando Apodaca, who spent at least one day a week for the past 18 years working in Juarez as an auto industry consultant. After his Cadillac Escalade SUV was seized in a carjacking last month, Apodaca vowed he wouldn't go over the border again.

"I had a gun with me, but there's no law over there," he said.

Juarez, situated just across the Rio Grande from El Paso, has had more murders this year than New York and Chicago together had in all of 2007 — and those two cities have seven times the population of Juarez. Last weekend alone, Juarez had 37 killings.

Juarez has always been a tough town, but one where many Americans felt safe enough to play, shop and work. Violence began to mount early this year after Mexico's president launched a national offensive against drug lords.

Initially, the bloodshed involved drug cartels fighting each other. Then, military troops, law enforcement officers and government officials became major targets.

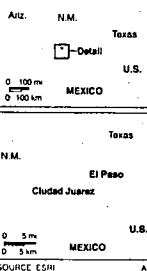
Assassinations have become more brazen and more and more innocents have been killed. Masked gunmen stormed a drug rehab center in August and killed eight people. Six men were gunned down last weekend at a family party. A 12-year-old girl was shot and killed in June while riding with two men targeted by hitmen. The second-in-command of the Juarez police department was killed in a hail of more than 50 bullets near his home in May.

Armed robberies, carjackings and kidnappings for ransom are also rampant.

"The government isn't in control, and that makes for a very dangerous situation,"

## Border violence

More than 1,100 people have been killed in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, this year in drug-related violence.



Tony Paycan, an expert on border crime at the University of Texas-El Paso.

"Anyone at any time can commit a crime and anyone at any time can become a victim."

While the bloodshed hasn't yet spilled over to the American side, the violence is costing El Paso, a city of about 600,000, where only 17 homicides were reported in 2007.

Dozens of shooting victims, several of them U.S. citizens or legal residents, have been treated at Thomason General Hospital — the only facility for 250 miles that is equipped to handle such patients — at a cost to local taxpayers of more than \$1 million.

"The hospital has had several lockdowns because of fears that hit men would realize a victim was still alive and cross the border to finish the job — something that has happened in hospitals on the Mexican side.

Soldiers at the Army's Fort

Bills are no longer allowed to travel to Juarez, whose nightclubs were once a popular place to party.

Mexican Consul General Roberto Rodriguez Hernandez said the number of visitors crossing into Juarez from El Paso this year is down about 20 percent. "Business has been off because we lost the students on weekends, and the soldiers," Rodriguez said.

Businesses in Juarez are shutting down or cutting hours because of both the violence and the drop in visitors.

The U.S. State Department issued a travel advisory on Tuesday warning Americans of daylight shootings at shopping centers in Juarez and suggesting applicants for U.S. visas at the consulate in Juarez not pay in cash to avoid getting mugged while in line.

Rosa Flores, 30, has lived on both sides of the border and used to travel to Juarez twice a month to visit family with her 9-year-old son and 11-year-old daughter. With killings on the rise this summer, she insisted the children not play video games or listen to music in the car so they could be alert for gunfire.

Flores said her aunts gave her practical advice: If she hears shooting or sees gun in park, dusk and wait for the gunfire to stop.

"You don't know when they are going to just stop and shoot," Flores said. "You just don't know."

She has not been back with her children since two deadly shootings took place within 10 blocks of a relative's house while the family was visiting.

"It's sad that I can't take my kids to see where I grew up," Flores said.

## Stevens testifies oil services firm did not renovate house

By Del Quentin Wilber  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A feisty Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, sparred with a federal prosecutor Friday, testifying at his corruption trial that he always paid his bills and that an oil services company played no role in remodeling his Alaska house.

Stevens, one of the most powerful Republicans in the Senate, took the witness stand in his own defense to counter charges that he lied on financial disclosure forms to hide more than \$250,000 in gifts and renovations to his Girardwood house provided by a close friend, Bill Allen, who headed the now-defunct oil services company Veco.

Federal prosecutors have alleged that Stevens turned to Allen and Veco for the work because Stevens knew the labor would be free.

The 81-year-old lawmaker, who is running for reelection to a seventh full term, lived up to the combative reputation he has earned in Congress. A former prosecutor himself, Stevens repeatedly criticized the way he was questioned by Justice Department attorney Brenda Morris.

"I am not going to get in a numbers game with you," he said at one point. "You are not listening to me," he said, criticizing another of her questions as "antagonistic." Stevens' defense hinges on his ability to convince jurors that he never falsified the disclosure forms. His legal team, led by defense attorney Brian Sullivan, has asserted that the senator and his wife paid \$160,000 for work on the house — a fair market price for the job. They have also said that Stevens' wife oversaw the project.

In many ways, the case will come down to whether jurors believe Stevens and his wife or Allen, who has pleaded guilty to federal bribery charges in a wide-ranging probe of corruption in Alaska politics. Allen has testified that he provided the workers and materials for much of the project, which started in 2000 and transformed a small cabin into a two-story house with two wraparound decks, a whirlpool and a garage.

Veco records show the company spent tens of thousands of dollars on labor and material, and Veco workers have testified about how they renovated the house on the firm's dime.

Stevens testified Friday that he was unaware that Veco workers assigned to the remodeling project were on the company payroll. He said he enlisted Allen's help in 1999 to find him an architect and workers and paid the workers through a general contractor, which ran the project.

The contractor testified that he reported to a Veco foreman and Allen.

## In many U.S. airports, guns OK outside security

By Shannon McCaffrey  
Associated Press writer

ATLANTA — Flying in the U.S. has been transformed since Sept. 11, with passengers forced to remove their shoes, take out their laptop computers and put liquids and gels in clear plastic bags. Yet it is perfectly legal to take a loaded gun right up to the security checkpoint at some of the U.S.'s biggest airports.

An Associated Press survey of the 20 busiest U.S. airports found that seven of them — Philadelphia, Phoenix, Minneapolis/St. Paul, Dallas/Fort Worth, Los Angeles and San Francisco — let people with guns permit carry firms in the general public areas of the terminal.

Some anti-terrorism experts say that is a glaring security loophole that could endanger airport workers, passengers and people waiting to pick them up or see them off. Some suggest that allowing guns in terminals is practically asking for them to be smuggled aboard a plane.

"If your airport is not secure, then the security of your airplanes is jeopardized," said Rafi Ron, former security chief at Ben Gurion Airport in Israel who now works as an aviation consultant. "You cannot separate the two."

Other authorities say the nonsecure areas of the terminal are no different from other public venues and do not warrant special restrictions. "It's really not more of a concern than at a mall or a train station," said Philadelphia police Lt. Louis Liberati.

Under federal law, it is illegal everywhere to try to carry a gun through a security checkpoint. The rest of the terminal, however, has long been the domain of state and local authorities.

Jon Allen, a spokesman for the federal Transportation Security Administration, said the TSA has not taken a position on guns in airports and has no authority under federal law to ban them.

The issue has led to a clash in Georgia between a new state law that allows carry on public transportation and the Atlanta airport's ban on loaded weapons. Last month, a federal judge dismissed a lawsuit brought against the city by a gun rights group. At an earlier hearing, he warned that guns at the world's busiest airport could pose a "serious threat to public safety and welfare." The gun group has appealed.

Rep. Ronnie Thompson, a Democrat and the chairman

of the House Homeland Security Committee, was surprised to learn that airports have been allowing weapons for years, and warned that Congress could move to ban the practice. In a July letter to TSA, Thompson called guns in terminals "a threat to the safety of airline travelers."

However, even at those airports that ban guns, officials are not frisking people or using metal detectors on them as they enter the terminal. Experts say an additional layer of security like that would be unworkable at America's bustling airports.

In 2002, an Egyptian immigrant killed two people and wounded several others near a ticket counter at the Los Angeles airport before he was shot to death by an El Al Israel Airlines security guard.

Some gun owners who take their weapons to the airport cite the need for protection. Others carry a gun frequently and say they do not want to be bothered finding a place to stash it if they go to the airport.

In Texas, the Houston George Bush Intercontinental Airport has a strict no-guns ordinance. "It's posted everywhere," said Marlene McClinton, from the airport. She said the airport has cited some visitors for violations. Unlawful carrying of a weapon is a misdemeanor in Texas, punishable by up to a year in jail and a \$4,000 fine.

Gun rights supporters say law-abiding citizens with guns could fight back and cut short a gunman's rampage. But Ron, the Israeli security expert, said the last thing airport security agents need is a hail of bullets and no idea who the bad guy is. "That leads to chaos," he said, "and that can lead to tragedy."

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Today: Mild despite cloudy periods. Highs low 70s. Tonight: Partly cloudy. Lows upper 30s to near 40. Tomorrow: Cooler and partly sunny. Highs middle to upper 60s.

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Map of Idaho showing forecast for various regions including Boise, Idaho Falls, and Burley. Includes temperature and precipitation data for each area.

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Table with 7 columns: Today, Tonight, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, City. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges for Twin Falls and other cities.

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Table showing moon phases for Oct 21, Oct 28, Nov 5, and Nov 13.

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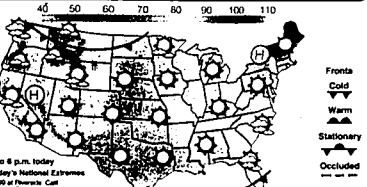
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Table showing UV index levels (Low, Moderate, High) for various locations.

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Advertisement for Margaret Middlekauff's quote: 'It is your attitude, not your aptitude, that determines your altitude.' Includes a photo of her.

CANADIAN FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists Canadian cities like Calgary, Edmonton, and Vancouver with their respective weather forecasts.

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Armyworms attack Texas pastures, wheat in formidable numbers

DALLAS (AP) — Texas farmers are once again battling armyworms and the voracious creatures are attacking fields and pastures in formidable numbers. 'There are probably more armyworms this year than in previous years,' Allen Knutson, an entomologist with the Texas A&M University System, said Thursday.

The armyworm, which is actually the caterpillar, or larva of the night-flying moth, do the most damage in the fall, when they're at their peak, nearly fully grown at about an inch-and-a-half long. They'll chomp on any plant, but prefer grasses, especially the lush and well-fertilized hay meadows and pastures in North, East and Central Texas.

'Unless the farmer is looking very closely, he won't realize he has a problem' until it's too late, Knutson said. 'Almost overnight a field can be consumed by armyworms. A farmer drives by and says 'Oh my goodness, I've lost my crop.' The armyworm gets its name from its method of operation. The larvae occur in large army-like numbers and when they eat all the food in

one area, they "march" en masse, across roads and fence lines, to the next field for feeding, unseen in the darkness and cool of the night. 'When small, they eat very little,' Knutson said. 'But after 10 days to two weeks, they turn into eating machine.'

He said armyworms consume about 80 percent of all the food they will eat in the last two to three days of their 30-day life cycle as a caterpillar. The cool temperatures in the fall and generally higher rainfall are favorable for armyworm outbreaks.

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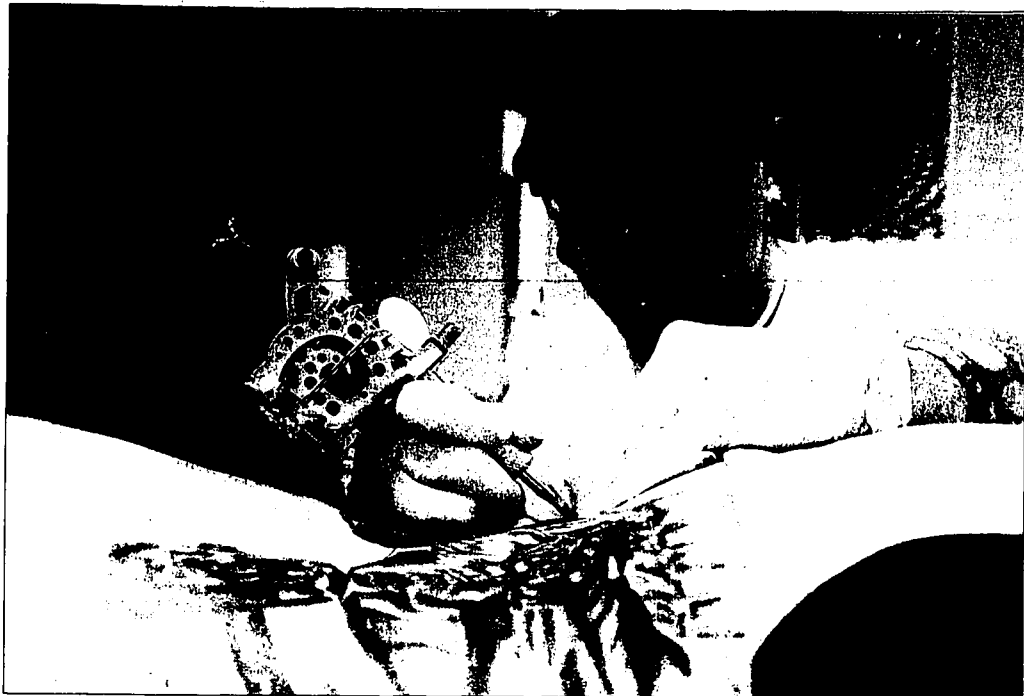


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Anthony Raffaelli Jr., owner of VIVID Ink in Twin Falls, works on a tattoo of Jesus Christ being nailed onto the cross on Sept. 13.

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"It shows people exactly what he went through for us."

— George Friel Jr., speaking about his tattoo that depicts Christ's crucifixion

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Watch Anthony Raffaelli discuss his faith and tattoos at magicvalley.com.

# Christian tattoos:

## Wearing your faith on your sleeve

By Melissa Davis  
Times-News writer

If you're lucky, George Friel Jr. will lift up the back of his shirt and show you his well-crafted body art.

But be prepared. The intense tattoo depicts Christ's crucifixion, with blood dripping out of the wounds.

Friel isn't trying to shock anyone, nor is he trying to make a statement. For him, the unfinished tattoo is a testament to his faith.

"It shows people exactly what he went through for us," Friel said.

Friel is one of many Magic Valley Christians who sport tattoos. Whether the tattoos are religious pieces of art or they just happen to grace the body of a believer, they're on the rise. According to the Food and Drug Administration, 45 million Americans have at least one tattoo. And with 77 percent of Americans identifying themselves as Christian, there's bound to be some overlap. Religious tattoo sites pepper the Internet, and Christian tattoo shops are opening across the country — including one in Twin Falls.

In March, Anthony Raffaelli Jr. opened VIVID Ink, a Christian tattoo shop on Hansen Street. The walls are decorated with pictures of Jesus and ichthyuses (Christian fish symbols). Business is steady, he said.



Britany Wherry, 13, an apprentice at VIVID Ink, looks back on the crucifix in the Twin Falls tattoo parlor. "It's not just like a tattoo shop, it's like art in general," says Wherry as she talks about the shop's atmosphere. "It's friendly. It's not like other tattoo shops where you walk in and it has like a hostile feeling."

Many people are interested in sporting their faith on their sleeve.

But how does that jibe with Christianity? The most commonly cited passage against tattoos is Leviticus 19:28, which according to the Bible in Basic English says, "You may not make cuts in your flesh in respect for the dead, or have marks printed on your

body: I am the Lord." But in a March 2007 sermon, Pastor Greg Padness of Twin Falls' Lighthouse Christian Fellowship argued that the only black-and-white rules in the Bible are the Ten Commandments. He calls culture laws, like the ones found in Leviticus, gray areas. People must decide for themselves what is right, he said.

"It used to be that tattoos were taboo," Padness said in the sermon. Today, celebrities and athletes glamorize body modifications, making them mainstream for young people.

"It's normative now. It's culturally acceptable," he said. He noted his two daughters both have tattoos.

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Vince Sanchez, an apprentice with VIVID Ink in Twin Falls, sports tattoos on his chest of the Virgin Mary and Jesus.



George Friel Jr. displays his large tattoo of Jesus Christ on the cross.



**CHURCH NEWS**

**Youth group attends MAD meeting**

The youth group of the Twin Falls First United Methodist Church will travel to Boise today to attend a "Making a Difference" (MAD) meeting at Whitney Young United Methodist Church.

A Welcoming Coffee hour will be held at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 25 in the Fireside Room at the Twin Falls United Methodist Church.

Stephanie Crumrine of the Ascension Episcopal Church will present a session to help the church welcome newcomers.

Information: 733-1804.

**Presbyterians host potato dinner**

The First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls, will host a "Hotatoga Extravaganza" following worship Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is asked to bring in a potato dish to share.

The Mission Committee will have its "Highway Cleanup Day" on Nov. 1. Participants should meet at 9 a.m. at the church. A sign-up sheet will be posted in Fellowship Hall following worship at 10 a.m. Sunday.

An adult and youth fellowship night will be held at 7 p.m. today in the Fellowship Room. **Paper Clips:** Changing the World — One Classroom at a Time will be shown. Those attending are asked to bring a snack to share.

Information: 733-7023.

**Buhl Methodists conclude celebration**

The Buhl United Methodist Church, 908 Maple St., will conclude its Centennial Celebration with a special worship at 10:30 a.m. this Sunday. The regular time is 9 a.m. Bishop Robert Hoshibata will deliver the message. Refreshments will be served and a social hour to meet Hoshibata will follow worship.

Very one is welcome. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend worship and study every Sunday.

Information: Pastor Jerry Peters, 316-2576.

**Agape ministry holds luncheon on Tuesday**

The Agape Interfaith Ministry will hold a luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Basque Center on University Avenue in Gooding.

Jeanne Mcambler will present the program, "Harvest of Love." Special music will be provided by Jack Hyder of Love.

Member and her husband moved from California to Burley four years ago. They are the parents of seven adopted children. She will share her story of God's

unconditional love in an unconventional family. Lunch reservations should be made by Sunday by calling Carolyn Herzberg at 934-572. The Agape Interfaith Ministry will hold a luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Basque Center on University Avenue in Gooding.

**Church presents 'Ring Praise' concert**

A unique and beautiful blend of handbells and piano will sound at a free Ring Praise concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Hollister Community Presbyterian Church, 2451 Central Ave. in Hollister.

Woven with history and scripture, Phyllis Tincher, a handbell soloist, and Sean Rogers, pianist and organist, will present a variety of songs of praising God. The audience will have an opportunity to ring hand chimes as everyone sings.

The concert is sponsored by the First Presbyterian Church in Nampa and a grant from the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Tincher and Rogers have made three CDs together, which will be available at the concert. Cost is \$15 per CD; all proceeds will go to the Ring Praise Ministry. Rogers has two solo CDs available at \$15 each.

Tincher has been solo ringing since 1997 and is the director of two handbell choirs at the Presbyterian Church in Nampa. Rogers is the minister of music at the Nampa First United Presbyterian Church, executive director of the Center for the Arts in Caldwell and professor of Choral Studies and Opera at the College of Idaho in Caldwell.

Information: 655-4246 or 655-4216.

**Methodists offer annual turkey dinner**

The Crossroads United Methodist Church, 205 Madison E. in Kimberly, will serve its annual turkey dinner 4:30-7 p.m. Wednesday. Take-out dinners will be available. Suggested donation is \$8 for adults and \$3 for children 10 and under. Information: 733-4931.

**Idaho Friends of Jung host lecture, workshop**

Idaho Friends of Jung will host a lecture and workshop featuring distinguished Jungian analyst, author and lecturer James Hollis. 7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25 at Boise Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 6200 N. Garrett, Clwy. Cost for the evening lecture is \$12; for the workshop, it's \$75.

Hollis will address the importance of soul work in the second half of life, a peri-

od when many people begin to reflect on paths taken and opportunities lost. His talk suggests participants that this is a time for examining core values and reconciling dreams and expectations with the process of aging and mortality.

Tickets are available at the Spirit at Work Bookstore, 710 N. Orchard or at the door. Information: 344-9368 or by email to marcyaggett@fiber-pipe.net.

**Library offers indexing classes**

The Family History Library is offering free classes on indexing on Oct. 25 in the main floor computer lab at the library.

"How to do Indexing" will be 9-11 a.m.; "Arbitrating Indexing Batches will be from 12:30 to 2 p.m.; and "Indexing Administration" will be from 2:15-3:45 p.m.

The library is located west of Temple Square. Free parking is available in the lot behind the Museum of Church History and Art, 119 W. North Temple.

FamilySearch Indexing is an easy-to-use online program for indexing genealogical records and making them available to the public at no charge. Anyone with a computer and access to the Internet can help index records.

To register for the classes, send an email to FHLClassReg@familysearch.org.

**Lighthouse Fellowship holds book fair**

Lighthouse Christian Fellowship will hold its Second Annual Book Fair from noon to 5 p.m. Oct. 25 at Barnes and Noble, 1239 Pole Line Road E., Twin Falls. The event features live painting, animal balloons, strom, puppets and more. Tractors will help purchase books for the media center at the new Lighthouse campus, 960 Eastland Drive. Information: 737-1425.

**Valley Christian Church hosts harvest dinner**

The Valley Christian Church will hold its annual Harvest Dinner 5-7:30 p.m. Oct. 25 at the church, 1708 E. Idaho Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Suggested donation is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 10 or \$25 for a family. Take-out dinners will be available.

The Country Store will be open to offer home-baked goods and wine. Raffle tickets for a homemade quilt will be available at \$1 each or six for \$5.

Information: 733-3222 or Judy Steinmetz at 733-2588.

**Association sponsors marriage conference**

The Mini-Cassia Min-



Emerson and Sarah Eggerichs

isterial Association is sponsoring a marriage conference video seminar featuring Emerson and Sarah Eggerichs from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 8 at the West Minster Junior High School Auditorium.

Emerson Eggerichs has discovered one word that can revolutionize any marriage: Respect.

When Eggerichs told the Focus on the Family audience about the Love & Respect connection last year, more than 17,000 calls flooded the phone lines in the first 48 hours — with more than 50,000 hits on their Web site. It was the No. 1 requested program of the year. Eggerichs has conducted more than 100 broadcast and print interviews to date, and his book, "Love & Respect," sold 100,000 copies in its first three months of release.

In his book, Eggerichs says happiness and harmony are not achieved by love alone. Love is vital, especially for the wife, but the author says a husband's need for respect is equally important — he is designed to need respect.

Two good-willed people may end up on what Eggerichs calls the "Crazy Cycle: without love she reacts without respect, without respect he reacts without love." It is a painful, negative cycle that has thousands of couples spinning out of control, Eggerichs says.

Information: www.loveandrespect.com or www.paulcongregational.org.

Cost for the conference is \$10 per person which includes lunch and materials. Send names and registration fee to the Mini-Cassia Ministerial Association, P.O. Box 14, Paul, ID 83347. Questions: 438-5657, ask for Vince Frank.

**Twin Falls church group donates quilts**

The Hearts and Hands, a quilting group from Our Savior Lutheran Church in Twin Falls, heard about a need for quilts from a worker at the College of Southern Idaho Refugee Resettlement Program for 73 refugees who came through the program in September.

The group responded with 26 quilts for the refugees.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information to Ellen Thompson at ellent@magicalvalley.com. Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

**MISSIONARIES**

Five young men from the Magic Valley area have been called to serve or returned from serving missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

**Called to serve:**

Elder Taylor Spaulding will serve in the Arizona Tempe Mission.

Spaulding is the son of Jim and Annette Spaulding of Twin Falls and is in the Twin Falls 1st Ward. He is an Eagle Scout and has received his Duty to God Award. He graduated from Twin Falls High School in 2008 and participated in the Nauvoo Pageant this past summer. During high school, he was active in the Twin Falls Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and Mixed Martial Arts Club. He will enter the Mission Training Center on Oct. 29.

**Returned from serving:**

Elder Eduardo Nicolas Hernandez served in the Guatemala City, Guatemala Mission.

Hernandez works as an apprentice machinist and plans to attend Boise State University in January. He is the son of Eduardo and Tina M. Hernandez of Heyburn.

Elder Casey Richard Waddor served in the Philippines Angeles and Nevada Las Vegas missions. Waddor graduated from Burley High School in 2005, where he played four years

of varsity soccer, and at a t e n d e d from serving missions for BYU. He will return to BYU in January and apply to M o r t o n College of Business to pursue a degree in international business. He is an Eagle Scout and is in the Burley 8th ward. His parents are Richard and Shaumna Wassom of Burley.

Elder Daniel C. Hansen served in the Mexico North Mission.

Hansen will continue his education in business management at Brigham Young University-Idaho. His parents are David and Debbie Hansen of Burley and Patricia Hansen of Twin Falls.

Elder Devon Terry served in the Peru Trejillo mission.

Terry is a 2008 graduate of Decla High School and an Eagle Scout. He will attend BYU-L. He is the son of Randy and Nancy Terry of Burley and is in the Springdale 2nd Ward.

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**RELIGION LETTERS**

**Congregation lauds story on banners**

Relating to your Saturday, Sept. 13 edition of your newspaper, specifically the religion section covering the handmade Christian symbol banners which our church family all played a part in their production. On behalf of Rock Creek Community Church, I wish to extend our most appreciation to your Times-News Religion section editor, Ariel Hansen, for the outstanding pictorial and dedicated article that was bestowed upon our church congregation. It was an awesome article and a job well done. As a side note, these quilted banners will be entered into the Desert Sage Quilters April 2009 Quilt Show. Thank you for the coverage.

**DAYLE CLICK**  
Twin Falls  
(Editor's note: Dayle Click serves in the Outreach Ministry for the Rock Creek Community Church in Twin Falls.)

**Church and state should be separate**

They're freemasons, these religionists who are meddling their thinking with God's then insist the government enforce it.

Historically, religion has a poor track record at governance. Eighty percent of wars are rooted in sectarian animosity. Acquaintance with church-entrenched government inspired the founding fathers to put strict constitutional limits on religious authority. Consider the case of Annie Besant, 19th century British reformer. Her minister-husband browbeat her with his interpretation of the Bible.

Her personal misery opened Annie's eyes to the poverty and legal oppression suffered by 90 percent of Londoners. Influenced by the churches, Britain had

banned the dissemination of birth control information. This was at a time many women had 10, 14, even 18 pregnancies. My third-great-grandmother bore 21 babies. Ten survived to adulthood. She didn't know not to introduce babies to prehistoric prenatal and obstetric care, undernourishment, unclean water, lung-eating parasites, and so on. She and other Victorians were partly to infanticide by the millions.

Then they conspired to make it taboo to write and think about it.

Annie Besant thought about it and wrote pamphlets teaching methods of birth control to factory men and wives. For this she was harassed, spat on by affluent Christian women, barred from patronizing restaurants and public museums, jailed and dispossessed of her children. Fortunately, many poor begged for the pamphlets, read and learned from them. And Annie's son and daughter, the day they came of age, rejoined their mother.

America is at risk from Islamic extremists without and Christian extremists within. What's the difference between a fanatical over-mullah and a fanatical evangelical?

Both prize dogma above any truth, both spread fear, hate and murder. Freedom survives only when liberty has enough moderate citizens to reason-able citizens to offset their damage.

**REBECCA BARTHOLOMEW CASTLEFORD**

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less from readers. Letters should include the writer's signature, mailing address and telephone number. Letters containing obscenities or in bad taste will be rejected, and the Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

**The word 'Muslim' shouldn't be a slur**

Excuse me, but when did the word "Muslim" and "Arab" become acceptable epithets? I'm not a Muslim, and perhaps I was slow to see this coming. Four months ago, I briefly advised a group at a local mosque not to obsess over the anti-Muslim undercurrents of the presidential campaign. At that point, Barack Obama was defending his Christian bona fides against "accusations of being a Muslim" as if he had suddenly become a Class-D felony, but was doing so without condemning the implicit slurs against Islam, Muslims and Arabs.

In a "don't worry, be happy" tone, I briefly noted that although the stereotyping of race and xenophobia was a cherished tradition of American politics, I really didn't think that this time around the candidates would permit the wholesale slander of Islam or Muslims.

Apparently, I was wrong. The undertones have become screaming overtones. And it's past time to object. It wasn't clear before. It became crystal clear the week in the aftermath of

Republican rallies. Fomenting fear to shore up drooping support. Republicans sadly used heated demagogues about "palling around with terrorists," about "Barack Hussein Obama" and about how Obama doesn't "see America like you and I," words that mixed subtly to confuse "Muslim" and to whip crowds into xenophobic anger. After his enraged supporters were recorded uttering death threats and racial slurs, McCain was forced on several occasions to try to tamp down the anger of the audience and to defend his opponent.

That was a good step one — until McCain blew it. A woman stood up in the audience and said that she just couldn't trust Obama because, as she put it, "he's an Arab." McCain shook his head, took the microphone and said: "No, ma'am. He's a decent family man, citizen, that I just happen to have disagreements with on fun-

Would it be so hard for McCain to say: "There is no room in my campaign or in America for religious or ethnic intolerance — that's what we're fighting against?"

So, what is he saying? Arabs aren't decent family men? They can't be citizens? The fact is, neither McCain nor Obama — who continues to combat absurd attacks on his Americanness — has been willing to speak out against the implicit slurs against Arabs and Islam.

It is really too difficult for Obama to respond: "For the hundredth time, I am a Christian, and if you are suggesting that I am something wrong with Islam or being a Muslim, you are wrong?"

Would it be so hard for McCain to say: "There is no room in my campaign or in America for religious or ethnic intolerance — that's what we're fighting against?"

Maybe I missed the denunciations amid all the hoopla over field-dressing moose, but it looks like the next few will be positive. Before the NAACP, the National Conference of Christians and Jews or the Anti-Defamation League loudly objects to the implicit defamation of Muslims and Arabs that has seeped into this presidential campaign. Women rightly protested gender bias during Hillary Rodham Clinton's run, but we failed to strongly challenge the earlier bias against Mormons during Mitt Romney's bid, and we are currently failing to refute the anti-Muslim bias embedded in the assaults on Obama.

It is a failure we need to correct now.

Rice is a civil rights attorney in Los Angeles. This column was distributed by the Los Angeles Times.



# Jesuit representative responds to N. Idaho abuse allegation

LEWISTON (AP) — A representative of the Jesuit order of Catholic priests says the Jesuits will fully investigate the allegations by a north Idaho woman who has filed a lawsuit contending she was raped by a priest when she was 7 years old.

The Society of Jesus, Oregon Province, issued a statement Tuesday in response to the lawsuit filed last week in 2nd District Court by Kim "Mia" Sonneck, who is asking for damages in an amount exceeding \$10,000.

"The Oregon Province takes these allegations seriously and will investigate them to the fullest extent," Provincial Rev. Patrick Lee said in the statement, the Lewiston Tribune reported. "The Province is committed to a just and healing course in all cases of priest misconduct."

Sonneck, now 41, said she

never told anyone about the abuse and that she repressed the memories until last year. She said she decided to speak out as part of a healing process.

In the lawsuit, Sonneck alleges the Rev. A.J. Ferrel started abusing her around 1973, when she was about 7 years old. Ferrel served as a priest in and around Lapwai in the 1970s. He died on June 29, 1982, according to the Oregon Province.

While serving as a Catholic priest in Lapwai, Ferrel provided marital and spiritual counseling to her family, Sonneck said, and he would get her away from her parents under the pretext of giving her parents time alone.

Lee said he prays that legal proceedings bring reconciliation and healing.

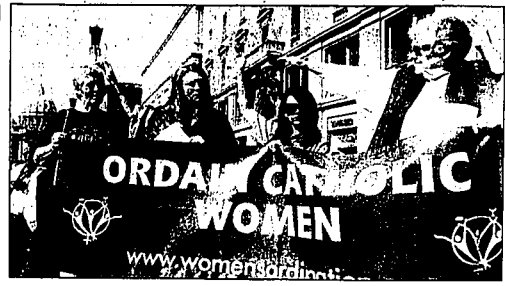
The province encompasses the states of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and

Washington, according to its Web site.

According to the lawsuit, the Jesuits' Oregon Province knew or should have known the priest "would use his clerical cloak as a cover for the sinister and perverted purposes of grooming and sexually exploiting said vulnerable children."

Sonneck also alleges the Jesuit order knew or should have known that Ferrel was a danger to children and that Indian children in particular were vulnerable to sexual exploitation by priests. Sonneck is a member of the Nez Perce Tribe.

The lawsuit is being pursued under an Idaho statute that allows lawsuits concerning child sexual abuse claims to be filed within five years of the time the person discovers the abuse and its relationship to an injury the person suffered.



A small group of women representing Catholic organizations from around the world protest on Wednesday against the exclusion of women from ordination along Via della Conciliazione avenue, which leads to St. Peter's square, seen in the background.

# Catholic women march in Rome for female priesthood

By Alexandra Pizzo  
Associated Press writer

ROME — Catholic women seeking to become priests denounced the church's ban on female ordination as sexist and unjust, bringing their campaign to the Vatican on Wednesday during a worldwide gathering of hishops.

The small group of women protesting Catholic organizations from around the world marched across the Tiber River close to St. Peter's Square, some wearing signs with the names of prominent women in the early days of the Roman Catholic Church.

"Ordain women! Ordain women!" the women chanted.

Aisha Taylor, the executive director of the Women's Ordination Conference in the U.S., said the women wanted to call attention to the issue during the synod, a meeting of 253 bishops under way. She said the group handed out fliers in St. Peter's Square and delivered a petition to the Vatican's police.

But the Vatican is not likely to drop its long-standing pro-

hibition on women in the priesthood.

In May, the Vatican insisted that it is properly following Christian tradition by excluding women from the priesthood and issued a new warning that women taking part in ordinations will be excommunicated.

The church has always banned the ordination of women by stating that the priesthood is reserved for men. The decree issued in May was explicit in its reference to women.

Pope Benedict XVI led the doctrinal office in 2005, becoming pontiff in 2005. Like his predecessor, Pope John Paul II, he has consistently rebuffed calls to change traditional church teachings on divorce, abortion, euthanasia, gay marriage and the priesthood, that priests be male and celibate.

Taylor conceded that no discussion on women's ordination was likely to open — and certainly not at the synod, a gathering convened by the pope when he deems necessary — and devoted this time to discussing the relevance of

the bible for contemporary Catholics.

Taylor did take the presence of 25 women, either as observers or experts, at the synod as a mildly encouraging sign, but — with the women representing just 10 percent of the synod and none having a vote — she said it was not enough.

"The exclusion of women from the priesthood is a grave injustice in our church ... (and) a blatant example of sexism," she told reporters in Rome. "Even though leaders have come out saying no, and it's over and over again, I do believe that cannot continue for too many decades."

# Welfare agency drops cases for 29 sect kids

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Texas child welfare officials have dropped a cluster of cases involving 29 children from a polygamous church.

Department of Family and Protective Services spokesman Patrick Crimmins says the cases were dropped Wednesday. It's the largest number of children

dropped in a single day.

In April, Texas took custody of 440 children from the Learning for Zion ranch. The Eldorado ranch is home to members of the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

A raid of the ranch came after an allegation of abuse

involving a teenage girl.

To date, the state has ended the cases of 338 children.

Cases end when officials decide the children are safe or have turned 18.

Nine FLDS men now face criminal indictments on charges related to underage marriage and bigamy.

# Tattoos

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"In those areas we have to figure out: Is it OK for me to do or not?"

In a phone interview with the *Times-News* on Monday, Fadness said his congregation received the sermon well.

"It was controversial, but really, nobody was mad," he said. "Nobody was upset or anything like that." If anything, it encouraged people to get tattoos, he joked.

Terry McCurdy, spokesman for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, said the church discourages its members from getting tattoos or excessive piercings. Latter-day Saints believe the body is a temple of God, he said, and tattoos would deface that temple. However, the church has no official stance on it.

"People make their own choices," McCurdy said. "We try not to make choices for them."

The Rev. Phil Price of First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls said the Presbyterian denomination also has no official position on tattoos. Some of the church elders have body art, he said.

"One of my favorite quotes about the Presbyterian church is we take the Bible seriously, but not literally," Price said. He would counsel church members against getting offensive tattoos, he said, but generally, he views them like other hobbies and cultural influences: They're only dangerous if they get in the way of a Christian's relationship with God.



Britany Werry says she wears her heart on her sleeve. And this is a literal statement for the 19-year-old nature lover. She is in the process of completing a "sleeve" — a tattoo that spans the length of the arm — that is all about animals and nature.

As for Raffaeli, he refuses to tattoo racist or demonic symbols on his clients. He even offered to cover up one woman's gay-pride Nation tattoos for free, she refused and promptly left the shop, he said.

"It's on my conscience what I tattoo," he said while working on Friele's design. "One day, I'm going to face the Lord." Not all of his art is religious, but he often finds himself in religious discussions with his clients, asking if they have a relationship with Jesus.

It scares some people away, but many are attracted to his business because of its strong Christian ties.

"Most people come in and they love our shop," Raffaeli said. "It's comfortable. They

can kick it."

Friele took a break from the tattoo session — "I kind of sting," he said — and sat on the couch to talk about his faith. He pulled out his wallet and flipped it open to a photo of his smiling children, who are at the center of a custody battle between him and his estranged wife.

"I don't think I could get through it without Jesus," he said.

And once his tattoo is finished, he said, Jesus will literally have his back.

Melissa Davlin may be reached at 208-735-3234 or melissa.davlin@lee.net.

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**Karen Wahliquist Yanke**

BELLEVUE — Karen Wahliquist Yanke of Bellevue, Idaho, Jackpot, Nev., and Las Vegas, Nev., died Sunday, Oct. 5, 2008, at home in Bellevue at the age of 72. Karen had been suffering with esophageal cancer. Karen was born July 27, 1936, in Murray, Utah, the daughter of Carl and Lucille (Green) Wahliquist.



Karen attended schools in Pocatello, Idaho, graduating from Pocatello High School. Shortly after graduation, her Dad was transferred to Boise, Idaho, and she moved with her family and worked for the Idaho First National Bank at the Boise downtown office. Karen met her husband of over 52 years, Sheldon Yanke, at "The Cellar" in McCall, Idaho, on Oct. 4, 1956. They were married three months later on July 13, 1956, in Boise, Idaho. Karen and Sheldon had three children, Mark, Stanley, and Tracy.

During her married life, Karen briefly owned a sewing shop with Josie DeChambeau, but she was mainly a homemaker extraordinaire. She helped to run the ranches with Sheldon—she was his right hand. He would not have been able to run his operation without her. She did all the cleaning and cooked many, many meals for all the hungry cowboys and ranch hands.

Karen loved to decorate her homes, making many of the curtains herself. She was very good at wallpapering and painting and had a one of a kind special touch when it came to decorating. No one can duplicate her very unique style. It was hers only.

Karen is survived by her son, Mark Yanke and his wife, Pamela Yanke; her granddaughter, Abigail Yanke; and her very special employees, Mario, Gelin, Karen, Cassandra, Mario Jr., and Alma Regalado, who were her extended family. Mario and Gelin Regalado have been managing the ranch for many years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sheldon, on April 1, 2008; her daughter, Tracy Lynn Yanke; her son, Stanley David Yanke; and her mother and father.

The family wishes to thank Wood River Hospice, especially Carolyn, Cathy and Nancy. They also wish to thank Karen's wonderful caregivers, Annie, Norika, and Maira.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Society, 2676 S. Vista Ave., Boise, Idaho 83705.

There will be a viewing for Karen from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, at Summers Funeral Home, 1295 W. Bannock St., Boise. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Oct. 20, also at Summers Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Dry Creek Cemetery.

**Robert O. Hamilton**

Bob, "Papa Bob", age 55, of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away Monday, Oct. 13, 2008, near his country home. He was born Feb. 10, 1953, in Murray, Utah, to Dave and Rita Hamilton. He lived his first 12 years in Riverton, Utah, before moving to Twin Falls, where he remained the rest of his days.



He graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1971 and married his high school sweetheart G'Lynn Ward on July 9, 1972. Together they have four wonderful children who have grown up around his family, his two businesses, and his love for God's great outdoors.

Through his life of service, he coached numerous baseball and softball teams, received dozens of young men receive their Eagle Scout award and took opportunities to help anyone and everyone in need.

"Making Memories" was his passion and he spent most of his time finding opportunities to do the things he loved. His hobbies included riding mules, hunting, spending time with family and friends and looking for ways to make people laugh. He had the ability to touch people's hearts and was fueled by the reaction he would receive from serving others. Bob cherished the

time he was able to spend with his grandchildren and was in the process of building them a huge playhouse to show that love for them.

Bob is survived by his children, Kipp (Lance Williams) Hamilton of San Francisco, Calif.; Alice (Matt) Carter, Chloe, Mason, and Josie Kear of Rio Rancho, N.M.; Travis (Hebeck) Simpson, Drew, and Bria Hamilton of Flagstaff, Ariz.; and Margie (Kris) Riley and Madelyn Scott of Twin Falls, Idaho; and their mother G'Lynn Hamilton.

Bob also survived by his father, David Hamilton; his mother, Rita Robbins; and his siblings, Tom Hamilton, RuAcana Christiansen, Kent Hamilton, Kim Hamilton (Hebeck) Simpson, Drew, and Bria Hamilton of Flagstaff, Ariz.; and Margie (Kris) Riley and Madelyn Scott of Twin Falls, Idaho; and their mother G'Lynn Hamilton.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, at the Twin Falls Stake Center on 421 Maurice N. St., with Bishop Scott Smith conducting. A viewing was held Friday, Oct. 17 at White Mortuary Chapel by the Park. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 9 to 9:45 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, prior to the service at the church. The burial will follow the services at the Sunset Memorial Cemetery.

Any monetary donations and contributions can be deposited in the Wells Fargo Bank in the Bob Hamilton Memorial Fund. Please join the family in celebrating Bob's life by signing the online guest book at www.MeM.com.

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Hyrum Ray Christensen**

CALDWELL — Hyrum Ray Christensen, 89, of Caldwell and formerly of Wendell died Thursday, Oct. 16. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, Oct. 20, at the Caldwell LDS Stake Center, 3015 S. Kimball Ave. Arrangements are being handled by Dakan Funeral Chapel, www.dakanfuneralchapel.com.

**Keith Lamar Wright**

DECLO — Keith Lamar Wright, age 82, of Declo died Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2008, from natural causes. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21, at the West Warren LDS Church, 858 N. 5900 W. in Ogden, Utah. Burial with military rites will be in the West Warren Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Tuesday at the church in West Warren, Utah.

**Beverly Beadz**

WENDELL — Beverly Beadz, 68, of Wendell died Friday, Oct. 17, 2008, at her residence. Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel.

**Lucille G. Willard**

WENDELL — Lucille G. Willard, 82, of Wendell died Friday, Oct. 17, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel.

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**Dorothy Lois Newberry**

Dorothy Lois Newberry, 75, Twin Falls, passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2008, at St. Luke's MVMHC. She was born in Clay Center, Kan., to Homer Lee and Gladys Gilbert. She and her mother moved to Twin Falls in 1940.



Dorothy married Dewey Newberry on March 27, 1957. To this union were born four children: Valencia, Laura, Gendron, and Bill. She was manager of MH Kongs Department store in Burley, Idaho. Dorothy was a loving, hard working, dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She will be greatly missed.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Jim of Twin Falls; daughter, Valencia (Ston) Garrett of Meridian, Idaho; daughter, Laura Pike (Mitch) Campbell of Twin Falls; son, Glendon (Janet) of Nampa; Bill of Twin Falls; seven grandchildren, Jason, Nathan, Jennifer, Chelsae, Duell, Jackson, Madison and Raiden; two great-grandchildren, Nova and Veja; extended family, Mai, Michael, Martin and Kevin Tran of Twin Falls.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m., Monday, Oct. 20, at Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl. Viewing will be from 9 a.m. to noon the same day.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to Idaho Home Health & Hospice, HQ, Box 513, Twin Falls, ID 83403. Online condolences may be made to family @ www.magicalvalley.com.

**Corienne Louise Roemer**

Corienne Louise Roemer, 83, of Twin Falls, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2008. Corienne was born in Rupert, Idaho, on Aug. 22, 1925. She was married to Marius and Evelyn Giraud. She attended school in Acquia and graduated from Acquia High School in 1943. She then attended Albion State Normal School and graduated with a degree in Education May 31, 1944.



On Feb. 15, 1947, she married Richard Roemer in Burley. Corienne and Richard farmed in the Kasota area. She was a member of the Home Health & Hospice, bowled on numerous leagues. Corienne and Richard raised four children, Diane (John) Neale, Richard (Therese) Roemer, Ronald (Debbie) Roemer, all of Twin Falls, and Robert (Mary) Roemer of Moses Lake, Wash.

She is survived by her children, her grandchildren, Ryan (Gretchen) Neale of Bellingham, Wash., Staci (Todd) Miles, of Long Beach, Calif., Keri (Christopher) DeLuca of Las Vegas, Nev., Kristen (Peter) Coates of Davis Calif., Kelli Roemer of Twin Falls, Lori Roemer and Amy Roemer of Twin Falls, and Emily and Annie Roemer of Moses Lake, Wash. She is also survived by her two sisters, Jeanne Hirling of Lynnwood, Wash., and Justine Biss of Pocatello, Idaho; and one brother, Maurice Giraud of Twin Falls, Idaho.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Richard. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 20, 2008, at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 909 7th St. in Rupert with Pastor David Poovey officiating. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Viewing will be from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. prior to the funeral at the church.

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**Janyce Lee Tucker**

Janyce Lee Tucker, 48, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Janyce was born on Dec. 1, 1959, in Redding, Calif., to Christine and Richard Mang. She learned to apply her caring nature working in the geriatrics field of nursing for 17 years. She spent much of her life in northern California before moving to southern Idaho in later years. She was married to Richard Tucker on Aug. 23, 2005.



Janyce was very much a central and important figure in her family and neighborhood. She was a good wife, mother, grandmother, neighbor, and friend. While she may have only given birth to three children, there were many more individuals that she accepted into her heart who called her "Mom." In love and appreciation for the role she played in their lives. This was due to her very caring, forgiving, and generous nature. While Janyce suffered many afflictions in her life, she was always willing to give whatever she could to others in need. She remained very active in her children and grandchildren, always there to help them in any way, just to listen, or to lend her strong opinion when needed.

She had a warm, soft spot in her heart for animals in need as well. She was a member of the ASPCA and could often be found caring for orphaned or ailing animals, taking them in, sharing her home with them, and giving each its own special care and special privileges. Janyce enjoyed walks, time enjoying nature in a park, taking a boat ride, or simply sharing a cold beer with one of her many friends. She had a wonderful, vibrant, life loving spirit in her personality that attracted so many people to her. She will be both lovingly remembered and sorely missed. Janyce is survived by her husband, Richard of Twin Falls; her three children, Janyce (Gary) Huntsman of Twin Falls, Jadean (Joe) Bingham of Rupert, Levi (Brenda) Dahl of Twin Falls; 12 grandchildren, Seth and Taylor Sullivan, Melissa, Charlene, Tasha, and Lance Bingham, Ryan and Mystyria Kyle, Kenzie and Hailey Hoshaw, and Sean and Luke Gehr; her father, Richard Mang of California; a brother, Mike (Tudy) Borman; and a sister, Julie Tumina both of California. She was preceded in death by her mother and a son. The life of Janyce Lee Tucker will be honored and celebrated at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, 2008, at Rock Community Church, 262 5th Ave. E. Twin Falls. Services are under the direction of Serenity Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 20, 2008, at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 909 7th St. in Rupert with Pastor David Poovey officiating. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Viewing will be from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. prior to the funeral at the church.

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**SERVICES**

Marguerite Stevens Merritt of Wendell, funeral at 2 p.m. today at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Wendell; visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. today at the church.

John Owen Stimpson of Starbuck, Utah, and formerly of Shoshone, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Shoshone LDS Church, 507 N. Greenwood St.; visitation from 11 a.m. to noon today at the church (Hindquist's Clayton Mortuary in Layton, Utah).

Linda Lee Peterson Baughman of Shoshone, memorial service at 10:30 a.m. today at Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Arlene Afton Buchanan of Tracy, Calif., and formerly of Burley, service at 11 a.m. today at the LDS Church in Wendell.

Garrin Elizabeth Warr of Hermiston, Ore., funeral at 11 a.m. today at Burns Mortuary Chapel, 645 Hermiston Ave. in Hermiston, Ore. (PO. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838).

Darrel Tim Hanks of Idaho Falls and formerly of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Idaho Falls LDS 4th Ward Chapel, 955 Memorial Drive in Idaho Falls; visitation one hour before the funeral today at the church; burial at 4 p.m. today in the Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley.

Helen E. Payne of Burley, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at the Ebenezer

Congregational Church in Paul (Hansen-Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Eunice Elizabeth McClellan of Hagerman, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Hagerman LDS Church; visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. today at the church (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

Clarence Pratt Parker of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Janyce Tucker of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Rock Creek Community Church, 262 Fifth Ave. E. in Twin Falls (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Betty Jewell Lemmons of Filer, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Calvary Assembly of God in Buhl; visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday at the church in Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Pauline Shippen of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Monday at the First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Ruthella Freer Maughan, former resident of Burley, funeral at noon Monday at the Burley LDS Stake Center, 2050 Normal Ave.; visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in the Gem Memorial Gardens. (Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley).

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### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### Turkey shoot to be held Nov. 1 in Burley

A Turkey shoot fundraiser for the Community Young Life Teens will be held at noon on Nov. 1 at the Burley Trap Club on West Miller Road. There will be turkey giveaways and much more. Cost of the shoot is \$5 per round. Lunch will be available for \$5.  
Information: Laura Cyr at 312-0168.

#### Golden Heritage plans Pumpkin Caper

The Third Annual Pumpkin Caper event will be held Oct. 30 at the Golden Heritage Senior Center, 2421 Overland Ave., Burley. The fundraiser for Meals-on-Wheels will begin at 8 a.m. at the center with a radio-music auction during the 9 a.m. field show. Bell will be doing a live remote show from the center that morning. Prizes will be awarded for the largest, heaviest, smallest and most unusual pumpkins brought in. There will also be prizes for the best recipes using pumpkin as the main ingredient. Entries must include the recipe. The grand prize is a stay at the Canopus Green in Albion. Many more prizes will be awarded or auctioned off.  
For more details or registration information: Sharon Hardy-Mills, 878-8646 or Omar Alvarez, 312-7025.

#### Woodmen to donate books to seniors

Each year on the fourth Saturday in October, volunteers from coast to coast pull out their can-do spirits and vow to improve their communities on Make A Difference Day, a national day of service. On Oct. 25, local Modern Woodmen of America members will join their nationwide brethren. Members of the Rupert Modern Woodmen 15614 will make a difference by collecting and purchasing large print books, puzzle books and magazines for Parke View Care Center.  
"On Make A Difference Day, our members can look forward to feeling good by doing good and being part of a nationally recognized event," said Jerry Voss, local Modern Woodmen contact person.

#### Severson makes ISU summer dean's list

Stacie M. Severson of Rupert has earned a place on the Idaho State University 2008 summer semester dean's list for the College of Arts and Sciences, announced Scott S. Hughes, Ph.D., dean of the college.  
To qualify for the dean's list, students must complete at least 12 semester credits and receive a grade point average of 3.66 or higher.

#### Veterans service officer to visit Burley

Milt Smith, the state service officer from Boise, will be at the Burley Veterans Office from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Burley Airport.  
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# 'Cats care for community

## Burley High football team helps repair sidewalk as service project

By Danon Hunziker  
Times-News writer

It's much easier to tear out a sidewalk with a football team.

The City of Burley recently fixed the curb in front of the Community Support Center, a nonprofit outpatient mental-health clinic for disabled people, which allowed better access and limited the number of people struggling to get inside or tripping on the concrete.

After some controversy erupted last month about the city's appropriation of funds for curb improvements, everyone — Burley, businesses, Bohreans — came out looking good.

The city is only responsible for the curbs and gutters, though, and the sidewalk on the corner of Oakley Avenue and West Main Street was weathered and eroded, making wheelchair access difficult, even with the new curb-cut.

"We were looking for a service project. We usually do one each year," Eugene Kramer, Burley High School football coach, said. "A friend of mine from the Chadwick across the street called me and said that it was really hard for people in wheelchairs on the sidewalk because it was so cracked-up and dilapidated."  
So Kramer assembled the varsity and junior varsity football players — about 70



A.J. Hunter, right, uses a sledgehammer Monday while Kace Redder mans a jackhammer as the Burley High School football team tears out the old sidewalk in front of the Community Support Center in Burley.

teenagers armed with sledgehammers and jackhammers — and spent Monday afternoon breaking up and hauling out the old concrete.  
In a matter of three hours, we had it loaded out of there," Kramer said. "It wasn't easy. It was in there tight and compacted. I was real pleased with the kids' effort — this

was their practice for the day, and they got a lot of exercise." Afterward, they cleaned the inside of the building. Businesses contributed, too. K & R Remal & Sales donated jackhammers to the project. Klopfer Concrete reduced its price and will begin pouring cement Saturday.

Hill Aldrich, the facility's executive administrator, said. "The community saw that there was a need and came together to fulfill that need... it makes a big difference for us and the others in the area. It improves the city overall."  
The project will cost the Center between \$1,000 and \$1,500 — which, because of

the donated labor and time, is much less than anticipated.  
"It would have been twice that much if people hadn't stepped up — including the city. They did their part with the curb and made it all possible," Aldrich said. "We should be able to walk on it by Monday or Tuesday."

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### SNOW AT THE RANCH



The women's snow blankets the Idaho Youth Ranch northeast of Rupert.

### Girl Scouts help with candlelight vigil

On Oct. 9, Girl Scout Troop No. 210 participated in the Survivor Candlelight Vigil Ceremony to help support the Mini-Cassia Women's Shelter. The girls, ranging in ages from 7-13, and their families helped make over 300 purple ribbons in support of this event, and sold 45, earning \$45 for the cause.  
The girls are also collecting scarves, hats and gloves for women and children and have a "Traveling Container" that has several items collected already.  
It is currently at the Girl Scout Troop No. 210's home, Rupert United Methodist

Church, and will soon be seen around the Rupert area businesses.  
The girls ask for the public's help with gathering items for this community service. If you would like to donate items for the container (either be new or used items) or would like to purchase a ribbon, please contact Stephanie Casner at 312-4135.  
They hope to have sold all the ribbons and gathered enough items to be able to give them to the shelter before Thanksgiving.  
All donations will be given directly to the Mini-Cassia Women's Shelter.

### Talking to your school board

By John Fennell  
For the Times-News

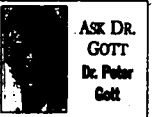
The Minidoka County School District's board members volunteer many hours of their time for the benefit of our community's students and children. They know they represent large numbers of citizens who elected them to their positions, and they want to hear from those citizens about issues that are critical to all students they represent.  
At the same time, they are aware that their role is to hire the superintendent, set policy and adopt goals — the superintendent and other administrators are responsible for day-to-day operations.  
When considering taking a concern to a board member, ask yourself if the board is the proper place for this concern. Here's a quick checklist to help with that decision:

- If I am concerned about something, have I already talked to those closest to the problem?
- If it wasn't resolved there, have I followed the chain of command through the superintendent or president?
- Does my concern all students in my district or region, rather than one student, one classroom or one school?
- If my concern is an idea, comment or question about daily operations, have I talked with the appropriate administrator?
- If the answer to these questions is yes but you are still not satisfied that the problem has been solved, you have probably followed the right chain of command and should think about contacting the board.

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# Too many hernias and operations leave reader frustrated

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have had eight abdominal hernias and six operations in the past three years. The same doctor has performed these operations using mesh each time, and each time another hernia comes on from a different location of my stomach. This is highly rare to have so many surgeries. My stomach looks like a 60-tac-toe board.



mail for 34 years. I retired at the age of 55. I don't know if my occupation has anything

to do with my weak stomach lining or not.  
Should I change doctors? Is there any other new procedure besides mesh? Does wearing a truss help any, and how many surgeries can be done on a stomach without causing further damage?  
DEAR READER: Hernias occur when soft tissue protrudes through a tear or weakened area of the lower

abdominal wall. This can occur because of strenuous activity, coughing that accompanies smoking or when muscles weaken later in life.  
While some hernias go unnoticed, don't cause any problems and aren't discovered until physical examination, others cause great discomfort and are quite painful.

While anyone of any age — including infants and pregnant women — can develop hernias, they are more common in men.  
One reason might be that with the male fetus, the testicles form within the abdomen and proceed down the inguinal canal into the scrotum. After birth, the canal tightens, leaving adequate room for the spermatic

cord to pass through, but inadequate room for the testicles to move back into the abdomen. A weakened area develops when the canal fails to close properly.  
There are numerous reasons for a hernia to develop, including obesity, chronic coughing or sneezing, straining during defecation or urination.

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# What to do if you're robbed

I hope you never have to deal with subject of robbery. But if you do I hope the simple advice I give helps you know what to do.

First I'll define that robbery is when someone taking is taken from you by force or fear of force.

The first and most important thing to remember is to stay calm. If you are excited then the robber may become even more excited and that's when bad things can happen. Most robbers only want the money and once they get it they leave. Remember the money can be replaced but you can't.

The next important thing to remember is to pay as much attention to the details of the robber as you can. The gun may help catch the robber but more than likely it will be a small detail like a physical feature or type of clothing worn. It's best to look more at the robber than what he is using, remembering that robbers rely more on the creation of fear than the weapon used to get money.

If the robber tries to take you as a hostage, it's perfectly fine to use whatever method you can to do as few desirable hostages — including bodily functions (Yes, just what you're thinking). If the robber leaves, please stay inside unless there are circumstances that don't allow it. Do not enter a door if there is no one there. It is nonetheless dead.

When the robber is gone

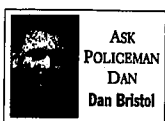
try to do your best to preserve evidence. Don't walk where the robber was or let anybody touch what the robber touched. Locking the doors is OK. Leaving the crime scene intact will help the police have a better chance of catching the robber.

One last important thing to remember is that all witnesses should not discuss the event with each other. Sometimes people can be made to feel the need to go along with somebody else's relating of the event even if that relation is wrong. There will be plenty of time to talk after the facts have been gathered and I implore businesses to have a debriefing after an incident so that any and all witnesses can help to decompress the stress they might have.

Prior planning can also be a plus to help know what to do in a robbery. Most police departments can give advice to make your business safer. That can include making your business more visible to police or potential witnesses.

## Dumb Criminal: Paying with the wrong green

A McDonald's cashier called 911 after a Verco Healf, Fla. drive-thru customer allegedly offered to pay for his meal with marijuana. The Indian River County Sheriff's Office said the cashier called Monday with a description of



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the vehicle the suspect had been riding in.

A deputy spotted the vehicle, found marijuana in the car and arrested its occupant, 27-year-old Shawn Alexander Pannullo.

Pannullo was charged with possession of cannabis and posted \$500 bail. It was unclear if he had an attorney.

A Sheriff's report did not say what the suspect ordered at McDonald's or if he ultimately purchased the meal using something other than marijuana.

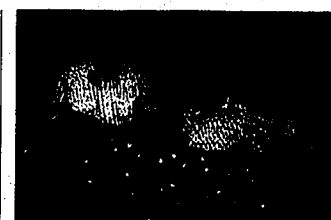
## Officer down

Please put these officers, killed in the line of duty, and their families in your prayers.

- Officer David Gilstrap, Oconee County Sheriff's Office, Georgia
- Game Warden George Whitley, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
- Officer J. Parnell Bruce, W. Hannelle, Arizona Department of Public Safety

Be safe. I'll talk to you next week.

Dan Bristol is a Heyburn Police Sergeant Detective.



Bob and Neida Lowder are volunteers who helped make quilts for humanitarian efforts.

# Rupert volunteers aid in humanitarian effort

Volunteers from Rupert got together Sept. 20 to assemble school kits, hygiene kits and to make quilts to be donated to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Humanitarian organization. The group assembled and donated 350 school kits, 250 hygiene kits and close to 200 quilts.

Also donated were leprosy bandages, hand-knit baby booties and hats and other needed items. The donations will be taken to the Sort Center in Salt Lake City where they will be distributed all over the world where the need is greatest.

Cookies for the meal were made and donated by the

# 5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

**Cassia County**  
Driving under the influence sentencing: Aaron L. Herrera, 24, driving under the influence, pleaded guilty; \$300 fines; \$90.50 court costs; driver's license suspended for 90 days; two days in jail; two days credited. Misdemeanor, driving without privileges, dismissed by prosecutor. Misdemeanor, transporting an open container of alcohol, dismissed by prosecutor.

**Felony dismissed**  
Robert Fueston, stalking, dismissed by prosecutor. Misses News R. 26, grand theft, dismissed by prosecutor.

**Misdemeanor sentencing**  
Aaron L. Herrera, 24, driving without privileges, pleaded guilty; \$200 fines; \$90.50 court costs; driver's license suspended for 90 days; two days in jail; two days credited. Misdemeanor, driving without privileges, dismissed by prosecutor. Misdemeanor, transporting an open container of alcohol, dismissed by prosecutor.

**Commercial driver's license violation**  
Kenneth Melvin Deeter, 55, commercial driver's license violation, pleaded guilty; \$263.50 fines; \$75.50 court costs. Joaquin Chavez, 22, driving without privileges, pleaded guilty; \$200 fines; \$90.50 court costs; 12 months probation; 30 days in jail; 28 days suspended; 20 days credited. Michael A. Cotton, 45, exceeding weight loads, guilty; \$134 fines; \$75.50 court costs. Misdemeanor operating with un-developed suspension, guilty; \$74.50 fines; \$75.50 court costs. Misdemeanor failure to appear for a station, dismissed by prosecutor.

# Dr. Gott

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nation and lifting heavy objects.

The most common, successful hernia repair performed today is hernioplasty, where a physician inserts synthetic mesh into the abdomen to cover the weakened spot. The mesh patch is secured with staples, clips or sutures. It is often done using a laparoscope so the surgeon can make several small incisions rather than one large one. This allows the patient to heal faster, with less discomfort, and to return to normal daily living sooner.

I cannot say whether your 34 years as a mail carrier is the cause for your multiple hernia sites. Perhaps you

returned to normal function too quickly, strain too often or have other reasons for your many hernias. I must admit that I have never heard of anyone who has had eight hernias and six surgical-repair procedures.

In terms of wearing a brass, this is probably not in your best interests. Some surgeons recommend wearing one once a hernia is discovered until a surgical procedure can be coordinated, but they aren't recommended for daily use.

I suggest you return to your surgeon and present your list of questions to him or her. If you don't receive the appropriate answers, go back to your primary care physician and ask for refer-

ral to another surgeon. A second opinion is to go

to give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "An Informed Approach to Surgery." Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed, stamped, No. 10 envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, PO Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

*Peter Gott is a retired physician and the author of the book "Dr. Gott's No Flair, No Sugar Diet," available at most chain and independent bookstores, and the recently published "Dr. Gott's No Flair, No Sugar Cookbook."*

# Craig calls for more PTSD treatment

Two Senate Republicans are sponsoring a bill that would put treatment ahead of compensation for veterans filing claims for post-traumatic stress disorder. Sen. Richard Burr, R-N.C. and Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho propose paying vets money if they agree to take part in rehabilitation.

Then bill, the Veterans Mental Health Treatment First Act, is certain to be controversial but holds an idea approved last year by two commissions studying veterans' disability benefits. It reported that PTSD could be treatable with rehabilitation and counseling.

## Extending benefits to non-VA hospitals

A Senate bill requiring the Department of Veterans Affairs has for emergency care for veterans at non-VA hospitals would cost \$20 million in 2008, with the annual cost rising to \$62 million by 2011, according to an estimate from the Congressional Budget Office.

## Talking

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Those who want to talk or write to school board members may call the school district office at 208-436-4727 for the board members' names, addresses, phone numbers and the zones they represent. Trustees' e-mail addresses can be found on the Internet at the District Web site, www.mindokaschools.org.

The Board of Trustees also welcomes public comment at the regularly scheduled meetings. People who want

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George Schwindeman

The low first year cost is based on the expectation that the bill would be enacted before the end of the current fiscal year. Costs would pick up as private hospitals and services realize the bill's potential. The bill would also require the VA to pay for the cost of the bill's implementation.

Some veterans and private hospitals support the plan, a limited program that either pays the hospital or reimburses a veteran. Emergency treatment at a VA hospital, it seems likely to pass — as long as it is strictly limited to veterans who are eligible to use the VA system because of a service-connected disability, or who meet other eligibility criteria.

## 'Expeditions' not as fast in Washington

In its all for a sweeping overhaul of personnel poli-

cies for reservists, the Independent Commission on the National Guard and Reserve, said an integrated active and reserve pay and personnel system should be built "as expeditiously as possible" to eliminate problems for activated reservists.

"Moving from reserve status to active status and back is often a nightmare," commission members said in a Feb. 7 statement provided to the Senate Armed Services Committee.

In Washington, "expeditions" does not necessarily mean fast. Retired Marine Reserve Maj. Gen. Arnold Punaru, who headed the commission, said he remembers all too well that it took the Defense Department four years to prepare an overhaul of officer personnel programs known as the Defense Officers Personnel Management Act, and it took Congress another four years to approve it before it was enacted in 1991.

George Schwindeman is a veteran who lives in Rupert.

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For appointments call Dick Dalton at 678-3599 (office) or 678-2565. If no answer, leave your name and phone number.

## BJ Duplicate Bridge announces winners

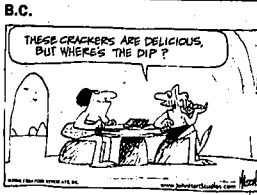
The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club in Rupert has announced the results of play for October 14.

North-South: 1. Steve Sarna and Kent Gillespie; 2. Barbara

Larney and Luncie Merrigan, 3. George and Nancy Gibson, 4. Vera Mai and Nanette Woodland.

Last West: 1. Dot Craason and Elze Heun; 2. Marlene Terpie and Shirley Harris; 3. Leo and Donna Moore; 4. Dona Kunau and Peggy Payne.

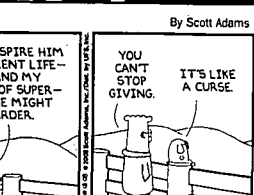
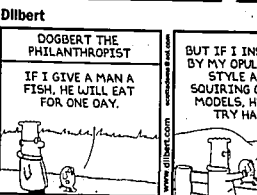
Games are held at 1 p.m. Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks. For partners and more information, Steve Sarna, 678-3997 or Vera Mai, 436-4163.



By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott



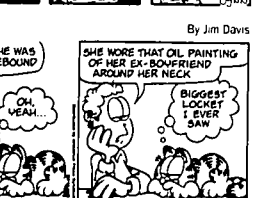
By Dean Young & Stan Drake



By Phil Frank & Joe Troise



By Bob Thaves



By Chris Browne



By Greg Evans



By Stephan Pastis



By Pat Brady



By Hank Ketchum



By Brent Parker & Johnny Hart



By Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott



# Chinese family deals with tainted milk scandal

By Andra Drang  
Associated Press writer

**YONG'AN VILLAGE, China** — At the height of the corn harvest in the long muggy days of August, 10-month-old Zhang Peng began refusing to drink his milk, crying fitfully at night as he struggled to sleep. Soon his twin sister Zhang Xue fell ill, too.

Several times, their parents brought the sick babies, who had trouble urinating, to the nearest hospital 20 miles from their farming village. Doctors could not diagnose the problem, but gave the children herbal powder and injections.

Then last month, Chinese media revealed that infant formula contaminated with melamine, an industrial chemical used to make fertilizer and plastics, was sickening babies nationwide. The news shocked the Zhang family and so began a month-long ordeal that would see them shuttling back and forth between their home in Shandong province and a hospital in Beijing, 450 miles away.

"We had no idea what was wrong. We were so frightened and worried," the children's mother, Liao Shanfang, told The Associated Press this week from the family's simple home in this village in eastern China's corn belt.

"Even when I saw the news that milk powder had been poisoned, I could not believe it. We never imagined that would be the problem."

amid China's worst food-safety crisis in years, thousands of parents have jammed into hospital emergency rooms. More than 50,000 children have been treated for kidney ailments and nearly 6,000 more hospitalized, the Health Ministry said this week. Four deaths have been linked to the toxic milk.

Experts say the long-term effects of prolonged exposure to high levels of melamine have not been studied in humans, but infants and young children are most vulnerable.

"They start off with the simplest immune system, the nervous system still developing," said Peter Dingle, a toxicology expert at Murdoch University in Australia. "They don't have the biochemistry in their body to break down the chemical and eliminate it the way adults do."

After the tainted milk scandal broke in mid-September, Liao and her husband Zhang Rongwei took their twins yet again to their local hospital in Linyi.

This time, Zhang Peng, the boy, was admitted for a five-day stay but he only got worse. He began vomiting and when he could urinate, it came out in a thin, blood-tinged stream. His sister's symptoms weren't as serious; she had sporadic fevers.

From birth, both babies had been given breast milk and formula. The Zhangs first gave a cheaper brand that gave the children diarrhea, then switched to one made by Sanlu Group Co., although it was the most expensive.

Sanlu was the first company implicated in the scandal, going public with word of contamination on Sept. 11, and the Chinese government later confirmed it was widespread. Unscrupulous suppliers are suspected of adding melamine to watered-down milk to make it appear protein-rich in quality tests.

"These people working at the milk powder companies have no conscience and only care about making money," Liao said angrily. "I'm just disappointed because the government should have done more to protect its citizens."

Plump and round-headed, the Zhang twins had been healthy and affectionate at first. Zhang Xue loved to gnaw on her fingers and smile, showing off her baby teeth. Zhang Peng was more serious but always curious. By September, both babies were limber.

Unable to do more to help them, doctors in Linyi told the Zhangs to seek treatment in Beijing.

The couple hastily arranged for a car ride — at a cost of 100 yuan, about \$15, a small fortune — to the Children's Hospital in the capital, where they arrived Sept. 23.

Hours later, Zhang Peng was diagnosed with two large kidney stones that needed surgery. His sister had a single stone the size of a grain of rice — not serious enough to warrant a hospital stay.



Liao Shanfang, left, holds Zhang Xue, as the baby's father, Zhang Rongwei, displays the packaging of tainted milk products at their home in Yong'an, eastern China's Shandong province, Wednesday. The couple's twins both suffered from kidney stones after drinking tainted milk powder products.

"My heart stopped when I read the test results for Zhang Peng," Liao said.

With no choice but to split their lives — and their children — the couple brought their daughter home to her paternal grandmother. Then they returned to Beijing, where they spent the next three weeks, sleeping at a relative's home an hour-long bus ride from the hospital.

While hospital treatment was free under a central government mandate, the trip to Beijing was not without significant cost. The burden of harvesting the family's corn fell to Zhang's parents. Travel between their village and Beijing took 10 hours each way.

In a good year, the couple's income is about \$1,300. Liao estimated that while they were in Beijing, the family spent about \$1,000 and with Zhang unable to work, their losses mounted further.

Ever since the twins were born, the couple, who also have an 11-year-old daughter, have worried how they would support their larger-than-expected family. As rural Chinese, they were permitted

by China's strict one-child policy to try for a second child. They ended up with twins.

To make ends meet, the couple worked their fields, while Zhang, a slight 31-year-old, also took odd jobs — repairing floorboards, construction work, ferrying pas-

sengers in his motorcycle cab. Child care was split with Zhang's parents, who took in the baby boy when he was 7 months old.

Liao, 32, cared for the baby girl and their older daughter.

Despite the weeks of heartache, the twins, who turn 1 this month, are now on

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— Liao Shanfang, the mother of twins who were sickened by infant formula in China's Shandong province

the road to recovery. Zhang Peng was discharged from the hospital Monday; his sister was treated with a remedy prescribed by a traditional Chinese medicine doctor.

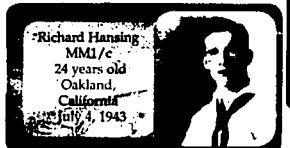
The toddlers still drink milk but only brands unaffected by the scandal — Red Star, made in China's northeast, and the U.S.-based Welch Nutrition. They cost nearly five times what Sanlu milk cost.

## THEIR COURAGE LIVES ON

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# German millionaire fair open despite global crisis

**MUNICH, Germany (AP)** — The millionaire fair, a trade show offering luxury goods for the ultra-rich from jewelry to helicopters, opened to the public Friday with few in attendance amid a global financial meltdown.

Fair director Klaus Obama said the event is not to pity people but to attack existing social conditions. "Liszt said, 'Riches are the cause of poverty.'"

But while a small group of protesters gathered outside the Munich event, the center for a gala dinner on Thursday, space reserved for demonstrators was empty as the fair officially opened on Friday.

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"I think it's quite the opposite," Obama said. "People want something nice to look at in their age or living room, something to help them forget their troubles."

The four-day fair markets itself as a place for the rich to shop for the most beautiful and exclusive products and services.

For 39 (US\$52) admission visitors can visit the stalls of some 100 exhibitors selling everything from jewelry to private helicopters.

Obama said he expects some 20,000 visitors despite the meltdown, although more journalists than shoppers perused the floor of the exhibition hall on Friday afternoon.

Simon Schaefer, who was working at a booth for Italian shoemaker Giorgio Debach, said he suspected that deflated markets and investment woes were keeping well-off customers at home.

"I think people are depressed about what's been happening in the banking sector," said Schaefer, surrounded by pairs of shoes priced at between 600 and 2,500 (US\$806 to US\$3,360).

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## Broncos dominate Hawaii to stay perfect on season

### Moore throws 3 TDs in victory

By Todd Drorak  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Boise State cornerback Brandyn Thompson can finally forget about his performance last season against Hawaii.

As a freshman, Thompson was picked apart by standout quarterback Colt Brennan in the Warriors' Western Athletic Conference title-clinching victory in the regular season finale.

Thompson erased those bitter memories Friday night with three interceptions, two that led to 10 second-half points that helped the 15th-ranked Broncos to a

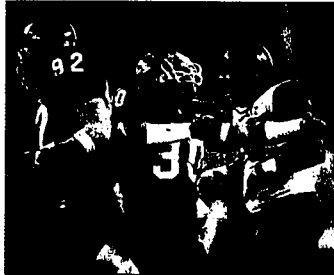
27-7 victory.

"I've had this game circled on my calendar," Thompson said after keying another dominating performance by the defense of Boise State (6-0, 2-0).

"Last year as a freshman, they took advantage of me. So it was nice to be able to get all of those picks. I just saw the ball today."

Thompson wasn't the only Bronco motivated redemption. All week, Boise State players talked about returning the favor after losing in Honolulu last season, a defeat that snapped the

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AP photo/The Idaho Statesman, Joe Jaszczak  
Boise State defensive tackle Billy Wins celebrates after sacking Hawaii quarterback Inoke Funaki in the first half during an NCAA college football game on Friday in Boise.

### BSU defense earns some love

Five times Friday night, Hawaii quarterback Inoke Funaki threw to the wrong team. Five times the No. 15 Broncos (6-0, 2-0 WAC) intercepted the passes and three times the Broncos turned the tables and scored.

"The quarterback wasn't as good as Colt Brennan," Jeron Johnson said. "They are the defending WAC champs... I'm quite sure they had all the confidence in the world. It was a statement game. We're back."

BSU sophomore Brandyn Thompson recorded three of those coveted picks — something that hadn't been



DUSTIN LARPAY

done since Corey Hall had three on Sept. 10, 2004, against Oregon State.

Funaki's five interceptions tied a Hawaii individual school record.

Thompson's three picks were three different kinds: a deep overthrow, a tip-toe

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RUTH HICKSON/Times-News  
Kimberly's Eric Marvix runs the ball during the first half of play against the Boise Indians Friday night in Buhl.

## Bulldogs batter Buhl in blowout Kimberly takes control of SCIC

By Bradley Cairns  
Times-News writer

The Kimberly Bulldogs took advantage of multiple Buhl turnovers to rout the Indians 44-7 Friday and close in on the 2008 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference football championship.

Kimberly running back and defensive back A.J. Schroeder came up with three touchdowns, including a 22-yard score and a 50-yard fumble recovery during the first half. He returned an interception for his third score during the second half.

"Our defense played really well," Schroeder said. "We were two undefeated teams (in conference), and we knew we had to show something and had to start quick."

Bulldogs scored 30 unanswered points through the opening half, a trait that the Indians had possessed until this game. The Indians fumbled three times and quarterback Cader Owen threw three interceptions. Of the six turnovers, four of them led to Kimberly scores.

"It all boils down to execution," Buhl linebacker Kurran Kelly said. "We didn't do it well."

The Bulldogs defense held Buhl to less than 200 yards of offense. Eric Sengvanhpheng had a 27-yard scoring scamper to deny the Bulldogs their fourth straight shutout. Kimberly coach Kirby Bright said he didn't anticipate winning the game in this manner and credited his coaching staff.

"Our defensive coordinator Rich Bishop and Gary (Hulse) and Tony (Schroeder) did a heck of a job preparing these kids," Bright said.

On offense, the Bulldogs rushed for nearly 200 yards. Blake Rodeman accounted for 71 yards and a touchdown, and Eric Marvix carried for 62.

Now Kimberly has Buhl to contend with. The 5-2 (3-0 SCIC) Bulldogs will host

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# Best in the West

## Morgan, Spartans claim another GBW crown

By Ryan Howe  
Times-News writer

After Minico quarterback Chris Joyce's final kneel-down, Skyline "Poke" Morgan and Landon Barnes began dancing at the 40-yard line.

No music was playing at Bill Matthews Field, just the rhythm of the clock ticking down to the Spartans' fourth straight Great Basin Conference West championship as the Spartans hammered Jerome to the tune of 42-28 Friday night.

For Minico (6-1, 3-0 GBW) it was Poke left, Poke right, meet Poke in the end zone. Morgan rushed for 221 yards on 31 carries and scored a school record six touchdowns.

"We played smashmouth football — we played Minico football," Morgan said. "I don't think Jerome thought we were that physical. We knew it was going to be a tough one, but mentally I think we were more ready for the game."

Morgan stood at his locker several minutes after the game. He had his helmet and shoulder pads off, but still spoke to reporters with his mouthpiece in. He definitely needed it during the game, as the Jerome defense keyed on stopping and pounding him. But Morgan and his offensive line and fullback Barnes delivered more hits than they took.

"We got our butts kicked," said Jerome coach Gary Kruman. "(Minico) played a great game and we did not. They deserved to win and hopefully we get to see them later on in the year."

As memorable as the night was for Morgan and the Spartans, it was just as forgettable for Jerome and its star quarterback Jake Lammers. Sure, the senior QB completed 38 of 53 passes for 478 yards and two touchdowns, but his three interceptions and fumble were



RUTH HICKSON/Times-News  
Minico's Landon Barnes outruns the Jerome defense on his way to a touchdown Friday night in Buhl. Minico went 42-28 to claim its fourth consecutive Great Basin Conference West title.

too costly.

Jerome took the lead 14-7 in the second quarter on Lammers' second TD toss of the night to Zach Ingraham.

Minico reeled off five unanswered touchdowns after that, including a nifty hook-and-roll.

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## Bruin backs batter visiting Skyline

By David Bambara  
Times-News writer

The last time Braden Box returned the opening kickoff for a Twin Falls touchdown, it helped end an 18-game losing streak.

On Friday, his 100-yard scamper kick-started the Bruins' 34-24 win over visiting Skyline, a victory that moved Twin Falls within one well-timed win of making the Class 5A state playoffs.

In addition to his coast-to-coast kick return to start the proceedings, Box finished with 211 yards and two touchdowns on the ground. He also hooked up with Devin Bryant on a 37-yard half-back pass for another score.

But it was the Bruins' potent running game, led by seniors Box and D.J. Gilbert, that served as the game's unquestioned dominating force.

"Coach (Allyn Reynolds) talked a lot about senior leadership this



RUTH HICKSON/Times-News  
Twin Falls senior Braden Box runs with the ball as Skyline defenders pursue him Friday night in Twin Falls.

week," Box said. "We came out there to hit them in the mouth, and that was going to be our statement."

And hit them in the mouth the Bruins did. Twin Falls (2-5, 2-1 Region Four-Five-Six) chewed up 374 yards on the ground, a Bruis-

ing total that was balanced out by a remarkably poised Tyler Myers.

The sophomore quarterback looked far more composed than in prior games, and made sound decisions with the football.

"He's spent a lot of time working hard," Reynolds said of Myers. "This was the right game for him. He likes the option (offense), and we saw that they had some trouble against that."

The Grizzlies wouldn't go away, matching the Bruins almost score for score after spotting them the opening kickoff. But the defensive front seven made big plays when it needed to, staying disciplined and sticking to lane assignments against a troublesome, misdirection-oriented run offense.

"Basically, they did everything we asked them to do," Reynolds said. "We told them they had to

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# Young Rays expect to rebound in ALCS

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — The young Tampa Bay Rays shrugged off question after question about team pessimism. They find it laughable that anyone believes they may not have the resolve to close out Boston in the AL championship series.

"It really is funny," pitcher James Shields said Friday, some 15 hours after the defending World Series champion Red Sox forced Game 6 in the ALCS with the second-biggest comeback in postseason history.

"I know where we've come from, where we're right now, and I have total faith that we're going to finish this thing off," manager Joe Maddon said, reflecting on



## Game 6 Red Sox at Rays 6 p.m., TBS

Boston's 8-7 win in Game 5. "It's about one moment at a time. We lost that game. That's over with. There's nothing we can do about that, and there's nothing constructive we can take out of that, except I thought we played really well. I think that's being overlooked."

Despite blowing a 7-0 lead over the final three innings, the Rays won two of three at Fenway and are up in the series, three games to two.

Now they've got two cracks at winning the pennant at Tropicana Field, where they

compiled the best home record in baseball this season.

Shields, whose nickname is Big Game, will pitch Game 6 Saturday night against Josh Beckett, Boston's struggling postseason ace who was lit up by Tampa Bay's suddenly potent offense in Game 2.

"That was a tough loss. It was disappointing, but I woke up this morning feeling pretty good," Shields said. "When it comes down to it, they have more pressure than we do. They're the defending champions. We're a team that finished in last place last year."

Even before the Rays left Fenway for the airport and a long flight that landed in Florida in the wee hours of the morning, Maddon had a good feeling about the way his players were handling the loss.

The Rays were seven outs from their first trip to the World Series before a seem-

ingly comfortable lead slipped away.

The Red Sox rallied from a 3-0 deficit to beat the New York Yankees in the 2004 ALCS and were down 3-1 to Cleveland before coming back to win last year's ALCS. Both times they went on to win the World Series.

"You don't want to get to the situation where you are 1-and-3," Red Sox slugger David Ortiz said. "But you get to it, you've got to keep on trying. You've got to bring everything you've got into it and we have."

The Rays are undaunted by history. They've seen no reason why they won't play well in Game 6 and, if necessary, Game 7 Sunday night, when you back it up and push us into the ball, that's when we come out."

But they also believe there just as much pressure on the Rays.

"We like our chances," closer Jonathan Papelbon said. "It's almost like, when you back it up and push us into the ball, that's when we come out."

The Rays have an unwritten rule that they don't dwell on losses for more than 30 minutes following a game. When his players were talk-

ative, even joking one with another, when they got on the plane, Maddon was confident they were leading a bold fight.

"I know what it's like, and again, I know we lack experience in a lot of ways. But we're gaining it right now. My experience with our group is that we've been very resilient all year," the manager said.

"I never wanted to have a sense of desperation. That's my whole point. I feel like if I'm doing my job right, they're not going to feel that. If I'm doing my job inappropriately, they are going to feel that."

Beckett, who battled injuries this season, became the first Red Sox pitcher to win four games in a single postseason of any year.

The 31-year-old pitcher has struggled in both of his postseason starts this year. Terry Francona's confidence in him isn't shaken.

# SCOREBOARD

## AUTO RACING

**NASCAR Sprint Cup Series**  
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At Tallahassee, Fla. (Oct. 18)  
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2. Tony Stewart, 2008  
3. Jimmie Johnson, 2008  
4. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 2008  
5. Clint Bowyer, 2008  
6. Kevin Harvick, 2008  
7. Matt Kenseth, 2008  
8. Greg Biffle, 2008  
9. Casey Mears, 2008  
10. Scott Speed, 2008  
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12. Travis Kvapil, 2008  
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## GAME PLAN

**LOCAL**  
5:30 p.m.  
ABC — Regional coverage, North Carolina at Virginia, Ohio St. at Michigan St., or Kansas at Oklahoma.  
6:30 p.m.  
CBS — National coverage, Mississippi at Alabama.  
7:30 p.m.  
ESPN2 — Regional coverage, North Carolina at Virginia or Ohio St. at Michigan St.  
8:30 p.m.  
ESPN — Southern Cal at Washington St.  
9:30 p.m.  
ESPN — Oregon St. at Washington.  
10:30 p.m.  
ABC — Midwest of Texas.  
11:30 p.m.  
ESPN2 — LSU at South Carolina.  
12:30 a.m.  
ESPN2 — Virginia Tech at Boston College.

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## TENNIS

**ATIP Tour World Masters**  
Masters Madrid  
At Madrid, Spain (Oct. 18)  
Rafael Nadal 2-0  
Novak Djokovic 2-0  
Andy Murray 2-0  
Nicola Pietrangeli 2-0  
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## BASEBALL

# SCIC teams battle for state volleyball berth

By Bradley Gair  
Times-News writer

Given the parity of the top volleyball teams in the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference and the slim 1.5 seeds to the Class 3A state tournament, coaches agree that this year's district tournament will be tougher than ever.

"There are a lot of good teams out there that can win this," Kimberly Cochrane, Lawrence Pfeiffer said. "You can't afford to have a bad

night." The Bulldogs led the regular season with a 7-1 record and earned the right to host the tournament as long as they keep winning. They will play the winner of Wendell-Gooding.

Kimberly is led by Alex Pfeiffer with 22 kills and 12 assists per five-game match and Roxanne Kreiger with 15 kills.

Tellighor Raft averages 27 tips, Kaylee Wright averages 2.7 blocks and Jessica Funk two. Coach Pfeiffer said it will all come down to focus.

## Class 3A District IV volleyball tournament

Kimberly hosts Saturday's games

Match 1: No. 4 Gooding vs. No. 5 Wendell, 11 a.m.

Match 2: No. 2 Filer vs. No. 3 Buhl, 12:30 p.m.

Match 3: No. 1 Kimberly vs. Winner 2, 2 p.m.

Match 4: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday's games

Match 5: Winner 4 vs. Loser 3, 5 p.m.

Match 6: Winner 2 vs. Winner 3, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday's games

Match 7: Winner 5 vs. Loser 6, 4:30 p.m.

Match 8: Championship, Winner 6 vs. Winner 7, 6 p.m.

Match 9: Second championship, 7:30 p.m. (if necessary)

"We have to play consistent. We have to execute.

We have to pass and play defensively," the added. Buhl will face Filer in a chance to advance to a semifinal match.

The Indians are on a four-match win streak with three victories against conference opponents and Wednesday's victory over Great Basin Conference West River senior champion Wood River — the Wolverines finished 6-0 in the conference.

Buhl coach Denny Moretto said that the Indians need to avoid letdowns mentally and

emotionally through matches, something that plagued them earlier in the season. But Moretto noted the recent victories as progress.

"It's starting to pay off," she said. The tournament is double-blind in format. The champion will receive a guaranteed berth to the state tournament in Bonneville. The runner-up will play the runner-up from District III on Oct. 25 in Mountain Home for a state berth.

# 1A volleyball tourneys open today for local teams

By Mike Christensen  
Times-News writer

It's time for the 2007 Class 1A state champion to get down to work to win the new Division I title.

The Hagerman Pirates enter today's Snake River Conference Volleyball Tournament as the No. 1 seed from the SHC North division. But the eight other teams would love nothing more than to knock off the Pirates, including the SRC South champion Raft River.

First-year head coach Carrie Chizum said there were some growing pains for the Pirates this fall, but as tournament time arrives, Hagerman is ready.

"We're definitely right there where we were last year (at this time)," said Chizum. "We're definitely coming around."

While Hagerman, Raft River, Castledorf and Challis are the most likely teams to earn one of District IV's two seeds to the Division I state

## Div. I Snake River Conference

All Hagerman High School Saturday

Play-in: No. 5 South Sho-Bn vs. No. 4 North Lighthouse Christian, 1 p.m.

Match 4: No. 2N Challis vs. No. 3S Delley, 2:30 p.m.

Match 1: No. 1N Hagerman vs. No. 4S Hansen, 4 p.m.

Match 2: No. 2S Castledorf vs. No. 3N Shoshone, 5:30 p.m.

Match 3: No. 1N Raft River vs. Lighthouse-South winner, 7 p.m.

Monday

Match 5: Loser Match 1 vs.

Match 6: Loser Match 2 vs.

Match 7: Winner Match 1 vs. Loser Match 4, 5:30 p.m.

Match 8: Winner Match 1 vs. Loser Match 2, 7 p.m.

Match 9: Winner Match 3 vs. Winner Match 4, 8:30 p.m.

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Match 11: Championship, Winner Match 7 vs. Winner Match 8, 8 p.m.

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## Class 1A volleyball tournaments

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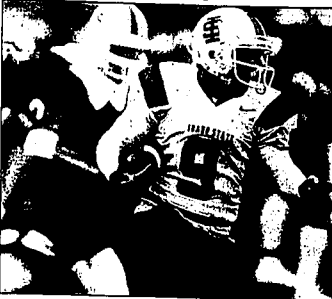
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# Struggling Idaho State faces staunch NAU defense



Idaho State's J.D. Ponceano returns the ball against Northern Colorado in an NCAA college football game Oct. 11 at Nottingham Field in Greeley, Colo. The wireless Bengals took Northern Arizona today.

By Mark Lipnik  
Times-News correspondent

POCATELLO — The Idaho State Bengals simply can't catch a good break this season.

After battling a slew of injuries, inconsistencies and the stigma of losing at Northern Colorado last week — a team that had lost 25 of its previous 27 games — the Bengals (0-6) now host one of the Big Sky Conference's hottest teams for homecoming.

The 5-1 Northern Arizona Lumberjacks come to Pocatello with a defense that is becoming the talk of college football.



**N. Arizona at ISU**  
When: 6:30 p.m.  
TV: none  
Radio: 930 AM

NAU is No. 1 nationally against the run, and hasn't allowed any foe, including Arizona State, to rush for more than 100 yards this season.

For the season, NAU has allowed a total of 46 yards on the ground.

Needless to say, those numbers have Bengal head coach John Zamberlin's attention.

"Their run defense is real good," he said. "They've got some pretty good players manning those positions, especially on the defensive line."

NAU runs a 'double eagle' defense, more of a flex than isn't seen much anymore. Its heyday came when Tom Landry was still running the Dallas Cowboys and it's difficult to figure out in only a week's time.

# Vandals ride improved play into Ruston

By Grant Joki  
Times-News Correspondent

Smiles and optimistic spirits were seen throughout the Vandal Nation this week after Idaho's competitive performance at Fresno State last Saturday.

With offensive production that outgained the Bulldogs (452-443) and third-down conversions (11 of 17) hitting on all cylinders, the Vandals may have made that long sought after breakthrough.

The scoreboard showed a 45-32 loss for the Idaho 14-6, 0-3 Western Athletic Conference, but until a 46-yard Fresno State field goal at the 4:57 mark in the fourth quarter, Idaho enjoyed its confidence in moving the chains at will.

Huddle head coach Pat Hill was quick to praise Idaho for his harassing effort from start to finish.

"I got to give a lot of credit to Idaho. Idaho did a good job on third downs to keep the ball alive," he said.

Hill liked the play of Vandal sophomore quarterback Nathan Enderle. Enderle ended up 22-for-39 for 237 yards, the North Platte, Neb., product scrambled three times for 19 yards and on a successful 2-point pass conversion dodged defenders with jukes, jabs and spins.

"(He) did it down accurately and maintained the game well," said Idaho coach Bobb Akcy. "He did well keeping alive on the 2-point conversion."

Still, enough haunting glitches appeared on both sides of the ball.

In the second quarter, the Vandals were pulled by penalties, yielding big plays and two costly fumbles kept the Vandals from pulling the upset.

Idaho's offense showed more improvement than its defense, but the Vandals did record two sacks and several critical third-down stops.

In the grand scheme of things, we didn't win the game and we've got to continue growing these young kids up," said Akcy. "If we do things a little better early we wouldn't have to scramble so hard."

Questions will be answered today in Ruston, La., as the Vandals visit Louisiana Tech (2, 1-0, 2WAC).

Will Idaho continue to improve with another road trip, another team of Bulldogs to face and another dou-



Make's Daniel Hardy (68), Princeton McCarty (22) and Preston Davis (7) watch from the bench after San Diego State scored a touchdown during the third quarter Sept. 27 in San Diego. After a season filled with lopsided losses, the Vandals showed signs of life in a 45-32 setback at Fresno State last week. That has Make hoping for a win at Louisiana Tech today.

**Idaho at Louisiana Tech**  
When: Today, 5 p.m. (MDT)  
TV: Altitude Sports Radio: 1310 AM  
Line: La. Tech by 20.5

ble-digit underdog role.

Said Akcy: "We're closer to getting this thing over the edge than we were a week ago."

Second-year La. Tech coach Derek Dooley believes Saturday's game will be a tough one.

"It will be a good match-up. They're going through tough times like we are."

TeCh's tough times have come largely on offense.

"The inability to score points is our Achilles' heel," said Dooley. Idaho hopes to keep those struggles in place for Tech.

"We're working together as a family," said Vandal outside linebacker Jonathan Farnimo. "This effort (Fresno State) will still go on."

The sophomore from Sacramento led the Vandals with 13 tackles and a sack last week.

"When I'm outside the box I can see everything and I can fly faster and it is easier for me to read," said Farnimo on the possibility of playing inside for the injured Tre' Shawn Robinson.

"Our D-line, linebackers and secondary are ready for (La. Tech). We got to keep it up — stop people from looking down at us."

True freshman Preston Davis had a highlight night against Fresno State, with six catches for 77 yards

and two scores.

"I'm confident we're getting better as a team — things are picking up here," said Davis, who hails out of Las Vegas. "The chemistry's there and the team as a whole is progressing. We know what we can do now."

Davis agrees that the Vandals may have broken through against Fresno State.

"We drove down the field, we got sacks, we got turn overs, we got pressure on the quarterback. Once you see that from your teammates, your feeling more confident. We all started feeling that and then we started rolling. Our heads are here, we're definitely going in the right direction for sure."

Notes: Strong safety Shiloh Keo is out for the season with a shoulder injury, while Robinson is done in 2008 with a knee injury.

# New No. 1 Texas clashes with No. 11 Missouri tonight

MINN., Texas (AP) — Mack Brown knows it's coming.

At some point during warnings before No. 1 Texas wraps No. 11 Missouri on Friday night, Longhorns freshman safety Blake Gideon will seek out the coach who has won a national championship and say, "I hope you're not nervous."

Gideon does it every week and it's a pretty funny line coming from a guy who has played six games. But Brown and the Longhorns have plenty to worry about if they expect to hold on to their first regular-season No. 1 ranking since 1964 for long.

The Missouri game is just the second in a brutal stretch for the Longhorns. Including last weekend's win over (Oklahoma, the Longhorns are in the middle of four straight games against opponents currently ranked No. 11 or higher.

"We do have a difficult schedule but it may be good for this team. They're going to have to keep their foot on the pedal," Brown said.

A Missouri win would start yet another ripple throughout

the polls, just in time for the first Bowl Championship Series ratings to be released on Sunday.

Texas (6-0, 2-0 Big 12) has never before played four ranked opponents in a row. Considering three of them are rivals in the Big 12

South, the Longhorns should be focused as much on chasing the division championship as the national title right now.

"We have the most ridiculous schedule ever," quarterback Colt McCoy said. "We can't slip up."

Neither can Missouri (5-1, 1-1 Big 12) if the Tigers plan to be in the national title hunt. Missouri might have been No. 1 this week if it hadn't lost at home against No. 8 Oklahoma State last week, when quarter-

back Chase Daniel threw three interceptions.

"We can't lose another game," said Missouri wide receiver Jeremy Maclin. "We want to finish everything that happened last week and move on." Daniel said.

**No. 3 Penn St. hopes to end Michigan win streak**

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — No team has frustrated Penn State over the last 12 years the way Michigan has.

Nine games, nine losses to the Wolverines.

But Michigan's time may finally be over.

College football's winstreak program is unraveling, in danger of ending a bid for the first time 30 years. Now coach Rich Rodriguez's glaring criticism by implying fans, his speed offense and the

Michigan at Penn St. game, 2:30 p.m., ESPN. Penn State is the Big Ten, though the game in the waning half of the season. If it's a rivalry, it's been very one-sided.

For Michigan, there have been blowouts, shutouts and, most recently, close calls — like the 27-25 victory at the Big House in 2005 clinched by Chad Henne's 20-yard touchdown pass to Mario Manningham as time expired.

It's always going to be a big game," Penn State defensive tackle Oke Ogo said. "This is definitely a 'Get the monkey off your back' kind of game."

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It was the only loss hung on Penn State that year, but this time the History Line says a national title contender.

planned to sign McCoy and Ryan Perrilloux in 2009.

Texas didn't extend a scholarship offer until Perrilloux — who is listed at Jacksonville State — committed to LSU.

Daniel stuck with his decision to play at Missouri, a move that Brown says only bol-

## College standings

Through Thursday, Oct. 16

Western Athletic Conference		
Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
San Jose St.	2 0 50 24	4 2 320 102
Boise St.	1 0 38	5 0 188 56
New Mexico St.	1 0 45	3 1 58 164
Hawaii	2 1 73	3 1 26 281
Fresno St.	1 1 74	4 2 199 269
Nevada	1 1 94	5 2 228 206
Utah St.	1 1 49	4 1 514 232
Idaho	0 0 110	1 0 43 231

Mountain West Conference		
Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
UT	3 0 112	5 7 0 263 333
TDS	2 0 80	17 6 1 226 80
BYU	1 1 47	3 2 2 227 61
Air Force	2 1 81	4 3 2 180 111
Colorado St.	1 1 55	3 4 3 213 116
New Mexico	1 2 30	4 7 4 137 183
UNLV	0 2 49	8 3 3 160 200
San Diego St.	0 2 17	7 1 5 112 216
Wyoming	0 4 10	11 2 5 62 209

Big Sky Conference		
Conference	All Games	
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N. Arizona	3 0 104	49 5 1 204 123
Wyber St.	3 0 115	47 1 2 208 153
Montana	1 1 47	48 5 1 190 145
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Idaho State	1 1 34	4 1 2 128 144
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Pacific-10 Conference		
Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
California	2 1 90	11 2 209 127
Oregon	3 1 48	9 2 5 278 171
Stanford	1 1 12	11 2 4 370 189
Nevada Cat.	1 1 11	4 2 1 176 106
Oregon St.	2 1 02	48 4 2 241 200
Arizona	2 1 22	70 3 3 208 153
Arizona St.	1 2 55	6 1 2 162 128
UCLA	1 2 82	2 6 4 120 184
Washington	0 3 23	5 9 9 210
Washington St.	0 4 32	6 11 2 118

Atlantic Coast Conference		
Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
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Boston College	1 1 54	50 4 1 51 57
Florida St.	1 1 44	5 1 1 198 179
Miami	1 2 50	48 4 2 208 128
Clemson	1 2 51	41 2 0 140 92
N.C. State	0 2 40	65 2 4 114 188

Big 12 Conference		
Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
Georgia Tech	2 0 40	34 5 1 144 113
Virginia Tech	2 0 33	4 5 1 152 64
North Carolina	1 1 41	6 1 2 162 128
Duke	1 1 31	30 3 2 122 92
Virginia	1 1 21	30 3 3 102 148
Miami	0 2 63	69 3 3 137 129

Big 12 Conference		
Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
Kansas	2 0 65	47 5 1 206 128
Oklahoma	1 1 50	41 1 1 171 113
Kansas St.	1 1 72	88 4 2 260 179
Colorado	0 2 29	68 3 3 135 162
Nebraska	1 2 55	69 3 1 198 147
Iowa St.	2 0 43	7 2 4 171 169

Big East Conference		
Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
Penn St.	1 1 59	62 6 1 217 127
Ohio St.	2 0 70	6 6 1 170 120
North Carolina	1 1 48	6 1 2 162 128
Northwestern	1 1 42	54 5 1 143 99
Michigan	1 1 47	70 1 1 123 149
Illinois	1 1 46	6 2 1 162 128
Indiana	1 2 09	85 3 1 196 172
Pittsburgh	0 2 36	2 3 1 104 141
West Virginia	1 1 42	6 2 1 162 128
Colombia	0 3 26	5 2 4 125 63
Yale	0 3 23	5 2 4 125 63

Big 10 Conference		
Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
Penn St.	1 1 59	62 6 1 217 127
Ohio St.	2 0 70	6 6 1 170 120
North Carolina	1 1 48	6 1 2 162 128
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Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
Florida	1 1 59	62 6 1 217 127
Georgia	2 1 78	84 1 5 147 90
Georgia Tech	2 1 72	82 1 5 147 90
Alabama	1 1 48	6 2 1 162 128
Kentucky	0 2 36	4 2 3 125 63
Tennessee	0 3 29	2 4 1 104 141

Southeastern Conference		
Conference	All Games	
W L PF PA	W L PF PA	
Alabama	3 0 67	90 6 0 284 181
Louisiana	2 1 52	96 4 1 302 147
Arkansas	1 1 48	6 2 1 162 128
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Mississippi St.	1 1 78	84 1 5 147 90
South Carolina	1 1 48	6 2 1 162 128

# Cowboys still aren't saying whether Romo will play

IRVING, Texas — Tony Stewart has basically a spectator in the middle of the field when the Dallas Cowboys started practice Friday. Nothing changed after that.

The Cowboys listed their to-tune Pro Bowl quarterback as questionable for Sunday's game after he didn't participate in practice, the last one before playing at St. Louis. Romo has a broken pinkie on his throwing hand.

During the early portion of practice open to reporters, Romo mimicked throwing motions and lobbed only a couple of balls, but mostly stood and watched with his injured right hand hanging to his side or clasped behind his back.

Tight end Jason Witten didn't answer questions, and offensive tackle receiver Patrick Crayton responded, "You're not getting anything out of me."

Romo, who hasn't commented all week, didn't appear in the locker room when it was open to reporters. Neither did Brad Johnson, the 40-year-old backup who is in line to get his first start since 2006 for Minnesota.

While on the field, Romo's hand was wrapped with a fabric covering whatever protective device being used to apparently stabilize the pinkie. Only the tips of three fingers were exposed, with the index finger and thumb free.

Johnson and third-teamer Brooks Bollinger threw passes during early drills, with Romo standing nearby watching.

Before practice, Phillips said the team has been considering "a lot of different scenarios" since Romo started throwing Wednesday, three days after the injury that was initially expected to keep Romo out up to three games.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said in a radio interview earlier Friday that there was no chance that Romo could reinjure the pinkie because of the cast-like protection on his hand.

When Phillips was asked if he had been told Romo couldn't do further damage to the finger, the coach responded, "Dr. Jerry. Whatever Jerry says, I'm going with."

Jones also said the decision if Romo will play will depend on how the quarterback feels Sunday.

"It will be up to him. If he is feeling good and the pain is good, then it's likely he'll

play," Jones said. "It's down to can he handle the pain?"

**NFL FINES BUY FOR COMMENTS ON OFFICIALS**  
ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — The NFL fined Broncos cornerback Dre' Bly \$20,000 on Friday for inappropriate remarks about officials after Denver's 24-17 loss to Jacksonville last weekend.

Bly was agitated over an illegal contact call he drew in the third quarter, plus a pass interference call on Broncos safety Marlon McCree in the winning moments of the game.

The Broncos have caught their share of breaks from the officials this season, most notably on Ed Hochuli's blown call in a 39-38 win over San Diego, and Bly hinted that things were evening out.

"I guess they're being evaluating us and we've won games we shouldn't have won. So I guess they're going to get a call against us," Bly said of referee Bill Carroll's officiating crew after the game Sunday.

"Bly wasn't available for comment after the fine was announced Friday."

**HUFF DEMOTED FROM RAIDERS STARTING LINEUP**  
ALAMEDA, Calif. — Michael Huff's move from strong safety to his more natural free safety position this season was supposed to revive the former first-round pick's career with the Oakland Raiders.

But after Gibril Wilson was signed as a free agent, Huff moved back to free safety and the early reports were positive.

He performed well in off-season workouts as well as preseason games as both the coaching staff and Huff talked about his increased comfort with a familiar position, which translated into more confidence and success.

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— The Associated Press

## GOLF Turnesa eagles to share lead at Shriners Open

LAS VEGAS — Marc Turnesa holed out from 159 yards for eagle on the par-4 11th hole to offset a 17th-hole double bogey and maintain a share of the lead Friday in the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.

Tied for the first-round lead, Turnesa followed his opening 62 with a 64 to match Matt Kuchar at 10-under 126 — one off the PGA Tour's 36-hole records for total score and relation to par. Kuchar had his second round at 63 at TPC Summerlin.

Zach Johnson, the other first-round leader after winning the Texas Open last week, was third at 17 under after a 65 in Sunday, calm conditions.

Turnesa, a PGA Tour rookie, birdied Nos. 14-16, then dropped two strokes on the par-3 17th after hitting into the water. He got the strokes back on 18 with the eagle after a 303-yard drive. Kuchar, who missed the cuts in his last seven starts, had nine birdies — five on his last seven holes — in his bogey-free round.

**BEAN IN FRONT AT ADMINISTART SMALL BUSINESS CLASSIC**  
THE WOODLANDS, Texas — Andy Bean hit all 18 greens in regulation and shot a 7-under 65 to take the first-round lead in the Administart Small Business Classic.

The 55-year-old Bean, the Regions Charity Classic winner in May, had a one-stroke lead over Jay Haas and Joey Sabolar in the Champions Tour event.

Andy Lytle, Louie Nielsen, Brad Fryer and Wayne Grady opened with 67s at The Woodlands Country Club.

Hal Sutton shot a 71 in his Champions Tour debut.

# Burton wary of dangers at Martinsville

MARTINSVILLE, Va. (AP) — They got through Talladega, the biggest trouble spot in the 10-race playoff, virtually unscathed. But as the leaders in NASCAR's Chase for the Sprint Cup prepare to do battle at Martinsville, Jeff Burton fears something is bound to happen.

Of all the drivers in the Chase, he should know. Two years ago, Burton reached the midpoint with the lead, then came to the track about 60 miles from where he grew up and saw his luck run out. Engine trouble found him in the garage less than halfway through the race, and Jimmie Johnson assumed the points lead and won the title.

Burton, then, arrives this weekend wary of NASCAR's smallest, trickiest track, and he can reel off the litany of potential trouble spots as though he's lived them over and over again.

"It's so easy to drive into Turn of the race and guys get together in front of you and then there's nowhere to go and the guys behind you have nowhere to go," Burton said Friday before qualifying was washed out for Sunday's race. Johnson took 500, the sixth of 10 Chase races.

"It's easy to drive in the corner underneath a guy and get free and have to chase the car up and hit him. It's easy for you to be the guy on the outside getting run into," he said.

"So this is just really, really difficult racing."

Burton, a notoriously poor qualifier, got a break when rain washed out all on-track activities, giving him the second spot on the starting grid and, more importantly, the second selection of pit stalls.

On the narrow pit road, only a few offer simple, clear departures.

"I'll be honest, I came here today not looking forward to the questions. 'How are you going to run any good from qualifying back there?'" he said, laughing.

But the danger of Martinsville is hardly minimized by a good pit stall. The 0.52-mile oval is the dirtiest short track in the series, and one mistake can cost a team dearly.



Jimmie Johnson (left) and Jeff Burton, NASCAR Sprint Cup Series points leaders in the Chase for the Championship, speak to reporters at the infield press room at Martinsville Speedway Friday in Martinsville, Va.

Just getting into a wreck or causing a wreck that you really didn't want to be involved in happens very easily here," Burton said. "More easily than at most tracks we go to."

"Honestly you can run well here and get on the wrong pit sequence and finish 15th. It's so hard to pass, but if you get in the back at the wrong time, you're done. Everything has got to work out," he continued. "You've got to have the cautions fall the right way; you've got to run well; you've got to stay out of trouble; you've got to keep from causing a wreck; you've got to not have mechanical problems. There's a lot of stuff going on."

It all adds up to make Johnson's record here all the more remarkable.

He's won four times at Martinsville, including three in a row before Denny Hamlin won in March of this year. And he's finished in the top 10 in 12 of his 13 starts at the track.

Because of his record, Johnson thinks it's critical to boost his 69-point lead over Burton before the series heads for Atlanta next weekend, and then Texas after that.

"I'm just hopeful to stretch

it out. If it's 10 points, or 15 points, or whatever it is, my goal leaving here is to try and get a few points on those guys," Johnson said. "And this is a track where I feel we can do that."

**NASCAR qualifying washed out**  
The NASCAR Sprint Cup qualifying at Martinsville Speedway was canceled due to rain. The lineup for Sunday's race will be set according to the poleman standings, which lists Chase leader Jimmie Johnson on the pole. See page D3 for lineup.

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## HOUSE SALES ARE UP IN THE WEST

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With the American stock market sliding and countries around the world enacting bailout plans for their own financial markets, it might seem that all the financial news is bad. Not discounting the fact that much turmoil still exists in the global financial system, the real estate market this week saw some unexpected good news.

At the national level the Pending Home Sales Index (PHSI), a forward-looking indicator based on contracts signed in August, jumped 7.4 percent to 93.4 from an upwardly revised reading of 87.0 in July, and is 8.8 percent higher than August 2007 when it stood at 85.8. The index is at the highest level since June 2007 when it stood at 101.4.

Closer to home, the PHSI in the West surged 18.4 percent to 109.5 in August and remains 37.8 percent above a year ago. So in the midst of all the bad economic news, how did this happen?



The Chief Economist for the National Association of Realtors Lawrence Yun offers this explanation: "Home buyers in July were hampered by overly stringent lending criteria in the months before the government takeover of Fannie and Freddie," he said. "August shows some unleashing of pent-up demand before the credit crisis accelerated in September."

Recent and continuing actions on the part of the federal government will gradually help capital flow more smoothly. The Congressional bailout package gave added flexibility to the Fed and the Treasury Department to improve liquidity in the market and shore up the balance sheets of banks in order to get financing into the hands of qualified homebuyers.

All the indicators point to continued intervention by the Feds with more direct involvement in individual banks likely. That is the national picture.

So what in Idaho is contributing to a strengthening real estate market? First, Idaho's unemployment rate is still a full percent below the national average. By comparison, the national unemployment rate is the

same as it was in 2003-2004 when the real estate market was booming. Another positive factor is that inflation is trending downward at the producer and consumer levels. Workplace productivity is up, and last month so was average hourly earnings; inflation-adjusted disposable personal income is forecasted to grow 1.7 percent this year and 1.0 percent in 2009.

All of those economic factors will affect housing markets. Forecasters believe that housing starts, including multifamily units, will fall 28.2 percent to 973,000 units this year, and to 843,000 in 2009 as builders reduce inventory. Following national declines of 5 to 8 percent in 2008, home prices are projected to increase 2 to 3 percent next year. For those that have been concerned about the declining value of their home - this is good news.

Talking about good news in this time of financial strain may sound a bit Pollyannaish, but I think we should celebrate the good news where we can get it. For most Americans, their largest asset is their home. While we follow the wild ride of the stock market and await the next action of the Fed or the Treasury Department we can at least take some comfort in the fact that as far as our homes are concerned there appears to be some light at the end of the tunnel.

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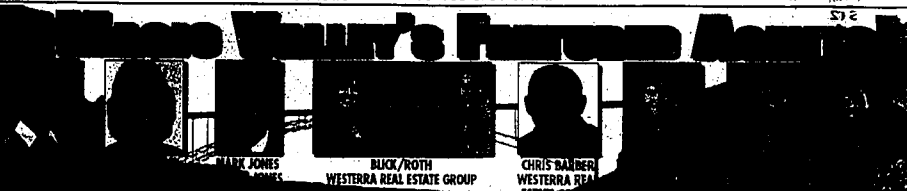
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DEAR ABBY: Our financial adviser, "Wally," who has managed our finances for a number of years, sent us a letter asking us to donate to charity by starting...

We feel like we are being held hostage because he knows how much money we have and how we spend it. We feel Wally has crossed the line of professionalism. What do you think and what should we do? —SOLICITED IN OHIO

DEAR SOLICITED: You are entitled to your feelings, and here's how to handle it. Write Wally a small check for his new charity and enclose with it a short note wishing him success with his new-found cause. Close by telling him that everyone has causes that are close to their hearts — including you and your husband — and because you know this is important to him, you are sending him a ONE-TIME donation. If he solicits you after that, find another financial adviser.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 15 and live with my mom. We often paint our nails. The problem is my mom shakes the nail polish more than anyone. I heard recently that shaking a bottle of nail polish creates air bubbles and makes the polish thinner. (This came from a professional manicurist.) But my mom won't

DEAR ABBY  
**Jeanne Phillips**

believe. She thinks this professional is crazy. Can you please tell everyone that there is a reason why you never see manicurists shake their bottles? It's a horrible habit, and it drives me nuts... FEEBED IN GREENVILLE, N.C.

DEAR FEEBED: Before judging your mother so harshly, you might be wise to talk to more than one professional manicurist about what causes bubbles. I have seen many professional manicurists shake the bottles of polish before applying it to their clients. And I have been told that applying polish that is not fresh, or applying it too thickly can cause a bubble.

DEAR ABBY: The letters I see you print about "acts of kindness" always give me a lift, so I thought I'd tell you about mine. I was nine months pregnant and had a few moments to run — taking some clothes to the laundryroom, cashing my husband's paycheck, etc.

While I was transferring laundry from the washing machine to the dryer, I turned around to find that my purse, detergent and a magazine I had been reading were all missing. I frantically searched everywhere, including the trash bins inside and outside. Because I had just cashed the paycheck, the things got away with almost \$600 in laundry. A woman who had just walked in and witnessed my frantic search, came over and handed me \$20 to "get by." Being stressed out and hormonal, I was floored by her kind gesture and started to cry. She gave me a big hug, and her kindness got me through the day.

I went into labor that night and gave birth to a gorgeous baby girl. I will never forget the woman's gentle nature, or the fact that even though I was victimized by someone who could not miss the fact that I was extremely pregnant, I also encountered an act of kindness. I hope she knows what a difference she made and that I still remember her, 15 years later. —CHRISTY IN GREENEVILLE, N.C.

DEAR CHRISTY: Considering the fact that you not only got a hug and \$20, but also a precious bundle-of-joy from heaven, I'd have to say you came out a winner that day, wouldn't you?

## HOROSCOPE BY JERALDINE SAUNDERS

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CANCER (June 21-July 22): Bask in the winds. You can bask up if someone is overbearing because you know that the intentions are good. You might prefer privacy, but you can capitalize on a chance to appear in public.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Trade on a personal trademark. Your ability to charm others may depend upon unique qualities. This might be a fine time to make purchases that are especially apparel that enhances your good looks.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Set the stage; light the lights. Soft lights and soothing music could put someone in the mood for a romantic romp. You can appear in a starring light if you attend a public function or community affair.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Stay faithful to your word. If you have promised to do something, you will be expected to follow through. If you are a good lighted soldier, people will respect you for being true blue and dependable in a crisis.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Embrace whatever comes your way with enthusiasm, but do go before you squeeze it to death. Accept with open arms whatever good fortune comes your way, whether it is a person or just a kind thought.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Take a deep breath. The aroma of love may preface every pore and awaken hidden yearnings. This might be a great time to impress others with your sense of fun and flaunt your desirability.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A spoonful of sugar helps the medicine go down. You know how to soften bad news or criticism in the most delightful way. All the same, you should not let anyone take advantage of your kindness.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Inspiration is instrumental to your success. Repeat those personal mantras that keep you buoyant and optimistic. Your fun-loving side is a valuable asset, but don't overstep the boundaries of propriety.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Saturday, Oct. 18, the 292nd day of 2008. There are 74 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Oct. 18, 1848: James W. Watson of the U.S. and Dr. Francis Crick and Maurice Wilkins of the Nobel Prize for Medicine and Physiology for their work in determining the double-helix molecular structure of DNA.

On this date: In 1685, King Louis XIV signed the Edict of Fontainebleau, revoking the Edict of Nantes that had established legal toleration of France's Protestant population, the Huguenots. (The French Parliament rescinded the new edict four days later.)

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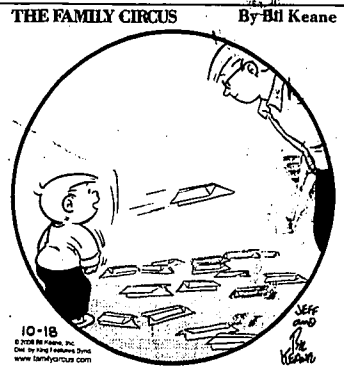
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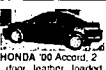
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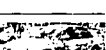
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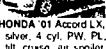


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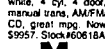
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