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Fatal accident discovered on Redemeyer Road

Ben Brown/The Daily

California **Highway Patrol** officers investigate the scene of a fatal accident on Redemeyer Road just south of El Dorado Estates where a Ford F-350 pickup truck overturned in a creek.



Driver may have drifted off the road Friday night

By BEN BROWN The Daily Journal

A 37-year-old man from Nice died in a single-vehicle accident on Redemeyer Road overnight when the green Ford F-350 pickup truck he was driving traveled off the side of the road and overturned in a creek.

California Highway Patrol Sgt. Dave Tafel said the victim appeared to have been Tafel said. "More than likely, traveling southbound on he drifted." Redemeyer Road on either Friday night or early Saturday morning when, for unknown reasons, he drove off the west edge of the road.

The truck crashed through a guardrail and overturned, coming to rest upside down in the creek just south of El Dorado Estates.

Tafel said the cause of the accident is not known, although alcohol may have been a factor. Tafel said there were several empty beer cans in the bed of the truck.

"There are no skid marks,"

The truck lay in the creek overnight until the broken guardrail was noticed by a passerby who found the truck and reported it to CHP 7:29 a.m. Saturday.

Tafel said the cause of death remained unknown. The victim's name is being withheld until his family can be notified. The accident remains under investigation.

The Ukiah Valley Fire District also responded to this call

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Each step means dollars

Students host walk-a-thon for playground equipment

By LAURA MCCUTCHEON The Daily Journal

Oak Manor School students can apparently talk the talk and walk the walk.

After gathering pledges for about a month, earning a combined total of \$10,000, more than 350 kindergarten-through-sixth-grade students





By Sue Straight That a superb county we live in! Saturday night April 23 (if you remember, it was cold, wet and windy) about 150 locals braved the elements to attend the "Spring Spree," a gala fundraising event to support Leadership Mendocino. The evening, kindly hosted by Redwood Valley Cellars, included two auctions, one live and one silent, gourmet food and an educational terroir-based wine tasting (yup, that's why I was there couldn't miss that!) with speakers from Barra, Bonterra and Parducci wineries. More on terroir and wine tasting later. Founded in 1992 by a small group of local businesses, Leadership Mendocino is an annual program that focuses on educating people who want to make a difference and strengthen the foundation of our community. They do this by offering a series of monthly classes. Topics include Business and Entrepreneurship, Team

on Friday made good on their con tracts.

To be more precise, the children spent 45 minutes circling cones set up in a field at their school, during a walk-a-thon intended to raise funds for new playground equipment, which could run in the neighborhood of \$40,000, according to PTO President Dana Franz, who said all fund-raisers combined, they have earned around \$27,000 so far.

Andy Porter, president of the Ukiah Police Officers Association, changed that figure Friday when he showed up at the event and, on behalf of the association, wrote a check for \$50. Franz said they have also applied for a grant and hope to be able to replace the 20-year-old equipment, located on the primary playground, this summer.

Not all of the students will benefit from the new equipment, but they still had fun earning the money that will purchase it.

Over 350 Oak Manor students, from kindergarten through sixth grade, participated in the walk-athon held at the school Friday to help raise money for new playground equipment.

Take the top earner, sixth-grader, Katelyn LaMalfa, for instance, who will go to a junior high school next year.

As she paused from walking to talk to the press, she didn't mention that she will receive a new iPod for her efforts, instead LaMalfa, who raised \$585 with her pledges, said, "I just like being known as the top seller."

Matt Eiffert, fifth/sixth grade combo teacher, in earshot, noted LaMalfa has worked hard to raise large amounts of money at other school fund-raisers as well. As for the walk-a-thon, he said, "It's a great way to raise money 'cause kids don't have to sell anything other than themselves and the effort they are willing to put out.'

Öthers didn't earn a lot of

money, but nonetheless, seemed to have fun Friday lapping the makeshift track, as they visited with friends and listened to music, courtesy of DJ Ken Steely.

This is cool," fifth grader Nina Tucker said, noting she raised \$1.

"You get to listen to music and walk with your friends," fourth

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Scrap metal bill could deter thefts

By BEN BROWN The Daily Journal

California Assembly members Tom Berryhill and Cathleen Galgiani have coauthored a bill designed to make it harder for those who steal copper and other metals to sell the metal to scrap dealers

Had such a law been in place last year, thefts of copper from the Ukiah Masonite plant site might have been

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By BEN BROWN The Daily Journal

A false report of a double-homicide caused law enforcement officials to close Laws Avenue from South State Street and South Dora Avenue for more than an hour Saturday morning. "Apparently it was a 14 year old

playing with the phone," said Mendocino County Sheriff's Sgt. Rust Noe.

The call came in at approximately 9:45 a.m. Saturday morning reporting the murder of two people on Laws Avenue. The caller did not give officers an address but said the bodies were in apartment 24, said Sheriff's Lt. Kurt Smallcomb. There are several apartment buildings on Laws

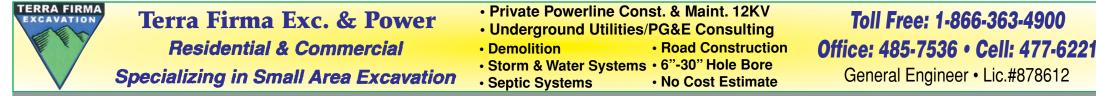
Officers from the California Highway Patrol and the Ukiah Police Department, as well as sheriff's deputies, responded to the call.

CHP officers closed off Laws Avenue between South State Street and South Dora Avenue for more than

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Ben Brown/The Daily Journal California Highway Patrol Officers block off Laws Avenue **Between South State Street and** South Dora Avenue while law enforcement officers look for suspects in a reported double homicide. Further investigation revealed the call to be false.





Editor: K.C. Meadows, 468-3526

The world briefly

Clashes with Taliban militants, NATO airstrike leave 21 insurgents dead

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) - Afghan and coalition forces clashed with Taliban militants Saturday in separate incidents in the east and south, killing 21 insurgents, officials said.

The police and Taliban engaged in a one-hour gun battle in the Alishar district of Khost province, said Wazir Padshah, a spokesman for the provincial police. He said NATO assisted with an airstrike, killing 11 militants. Three police were wounded in the violence.

Lt. Col. Angela Billings, spokeswoman for NATO's International Security Assistance Force, confirmed that NATO launched an airstrike early Saturday, causing some insurgent casualties. She said there were no NATO or civilian casualties.

The latest violence comes as NATO-led forces push forward with their largest ever operation in southern Afghanistan, to root out militants in the opium-producing heartland of Helmand province.

In Helmand, Afghan and coalition forces killed 10 suspected Taliban Saturday in a clash and airstrike, the coalition said in a statement.

U.S. targets al-Qaida in Iraq after capture of senior terror operative

BAGHDAD (AP) - U.S. forces detained 17 suspected insurgents in raids targeting al-Qaida in Iraq on Saturday, the military said, a day after the Pentagon announced the capture of one of the terror networks most senior and experienced operatives

Elsewhere, U.S. forces used fighter jets to destroy a truck bomb discovered in Anbar province, and conducted a raid south of Baghdad that netted weapons that insurgents apparently had imported from neighboring Iran, the military said Saturday.

U.S. and Iraqi officials in Baghdad declined to comment about Abdul Hadi al-Iraqi, who was captured last fall on his way to Iraq, where he may have been sent by top terror leaders in Pakistan to take a senior position in al-Qaida in Iraq, officials said Friday in Washington.

The insurgent group has claimed responsibility for some of the deadliest attacks in Iraq, including the bombing last year of a revered Shiite mosque in Samarra that touched off a fierce cycle of retaliatory sectarian violence.

After being secretly held by the CIA for months, al-Iraqi who was born in the northern city of Mosul and once served in Iraq's military — has been shipped to the Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, military prison for terror suspects, the Pentagon said.

Purported al-Qaida commander accuses Shiites of fighting alongside Americans

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) - A purported al-Qaida commander has accused Shiite Muslims of fighting alongside American forces in Iraq and claimed that mujahedeen would crush foreign troops in Afghanistan.

A video issued Friday by al-Qaida's media wing, al-Sahab, shows an interview with a bearded man with a white turban identified as Abu Laith al-Libi and describes him as an al-Qaida leader in Khorasan, or Afghanistan.

Pakistani counterterrorism officials say al-Libi is Libyan and has served as an al-Qaida spokesman and commander in eastern Afghanistan but have no information on his current whereabouts, which are not disclosed in the 45-minute video.

It was released by IntelCenter, a U.S. government contractor that monitors al-Qaida messaging. It describes it as al-Libi's first video appearance since 2005.

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his name surfaced in an investigation into a high-priced call-girl ring, said two people in a position to know the circumstances of his departure.

It was Tobias' own decision to resign, according to one of the people, who said the issue came up only in the past day or so. The people spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the investigation is still under way.

Tobias submitted his resignation a day after he was interviewed by ABC News for an upcoming program about an alleged prostitution service run by the so-called D.C. Madam.

ABC reported on its Web site late Friday that Tobias confirmed that he had called the Pamela Martin and Associates escort service to have women come to his condo and give him massages. More recently, Tobias told the network, he has been using a service with Central American women.

Tobias, 65, who is married, told ABC News there had been "no sex" during the women's visits to his condo. His name was on a list of clients given to ABC by Deborah Jeane Palfrey, who owns the escort service and has been charged with running a prostitution ring in the nation's capital.

NYPD arrests man in mugging of 101year-old woman; attack caught on tape

NEW YORK (AP) — Police arrested a man Friday in the the mugging last month of a 101-year-old woman with a walker.

Jack Rhodes, 44, was arrested on charges of robbery, grand larceny, burglary and assault, police said. He was also accused of robbing an 85-year-old woman the same day, police said.

Police began questioning Rhodes after noticing he matched a photo of a person wanted for questioning in robberies of women. He was initially held on a charge of possession of a crack pipe.

There was no phone listing for Rhodes in the New York area, and police did not know whether he had a lawyer.

Among the robbery victims was 101-year-old Rose Morat, whose holdup was captured on a surveillance tape that outraged New Yorkers.

Colorado doctors: Newborn girl doing fine after rare 2-lb. tumor removed

DENVER (AP) — Doctors removed a 2-pound tumor from the back of a newborn's neck and the baby girl appeared to be doing fine a day after she was born, her parents said.

An ultrasound detected the fast-growing, grapefruit-sized tumor on Monday during mother Kari Whittington's visit to her doctor's office. No abnormalities were detected in the previous ultrasound a month earlier.

Her daughter, Addison, was delivered by Caesarean section Thursday, five weeks premature, and stabilized before a nineperson surgical team started working on her.

'The mass itself started to spontaneously bleed ..." pediatric surgeon Steven Rothenberg said Friday. "If we'd been short one pair of hands, she wouldn't have made it."

Rothenberg said the growth, called a cervical teratoma, is rare and occurs in about 1 in 50,000 births. The blood-swollen tissue and veins made up 40 percent of Addison's weight.

Cremated remains of 'Scotty' to be launched into space

EL PASO, Texas (AP) - If all goes as planned Saturday, the cremated remains of the actor who portrayed "Scotty" aboard Star Trek's starship Enterprise will sail into suborbital space aboard a rocket launched from the southern New Mexico desert.

Actor James Doohan's remains, along with those of Apollo 7 astronaut Gordon Cooper and about 200 others, are aboard the second private rocket scheduled to be launched at Spaceport America, a commercial spaceport being developed in Upham, N.M.

UP Aerospace Inc. of Farmington, Conn., launched the first

Trump gives donation to Schwarzenegger after TV appearance

By SAMANTHA YOUNG Associated Press

SACRAMENTO Billionaire Donald Trump gave \$10,000 to Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger to help pay off his campaign debts, a little more than a month after the governor guest-starred on Trump's TV show "The Apprentice: Los Angeles," according to a campaign filing.

In an episode that aired March 18, Schwarzenegger hosted five of the show's contestants in his private conference room at the state Capitol.

The governor denies any link between the donation and the television appearance, but some political watchdog groups are skeptical.

"He's clearly using his personal friendships and his celebrity to pay off his campaign debt, and that's just wrong," said Jamie Court, president of the Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights, a Šanta Monica group that tracks campaign dona-

POLICE REPORTS

The following were compiled from reports prepared by the Ukiah Police Department. To anonymously report crime information, call 463-6205.

ARREST Larry McCracken, 54, of Ukiah, was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence in the 900 block of Marlene Street at 5:38 p.m. Thursday.

ARREST -- Kenneth Schleintz, 59, of Santa Rosa, was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence in the 600 block of North State Street at 8:41 p.m. Thursday.

ARREST -- Ortiz Arlie, 32, hometown unknown, was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence in the 400 block of East Perkins at 11:47 p.m. Thursday.

ARREST Sami Baughman, 34, of Ukiah, was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence in the 400 block of East Perkins at

11:47 p.m. Thursday.

tions.

Schwarzenegger spokeswoman Julie Soderlund said the April 20 donation was not connected to the governor's appearance on the NBC prime-time show. She added that the taping took place earlier in the year, but was unsure of the date.

"The governor appeared on the Apprentice because the show was filmed in California for the first time," Soderlund said. "Since the governor was elected, he's appeared publicly nearly a thousand times in different venues."

The contribution was first reported Saturday by the Sacramento Bee. Trump could not be reached Saturday at his company's headquarters in New York by The Associated Press.

The donation was Trump's first to Schwarzenegger, whom he described as great friend when he told a group of contenders that they would meet California's governor as a reward for winning.

suspicion of driving under the influence at the intersection of Cochrane Avenue and Alice Avenue at 4:09 p.m. Friday.

Those arrested by law enforcement officers are innocent until proven guilty. People reported as having been arrested may contact the Daily Journal once their case has been concluded so the results can be reported. Those who feel the information is in error should contact the appropriate agency. In the case of those arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of an intoxicant: all DUI cases reported by law enforcement agencies are reported by the newspaper. The Daily Journal makes no exceptions.

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1,6,9,19,25 DAILY DERBY: 1st: 06 Whirl Win, 2nd: 12 Lucky Charms, 3rd: 05 California Classic

LOTTO: 6,14,16,24,41.

In the interview, Al-Libi defends the conduct of Sunni Muslim mujahedeen in Iraq involved in sectarian fighting with Shiites, whom he accuses of fighting "shoulder to shoulder alongside the Americans.³

U.S. foreign aid coordinator resigns after his name surfaces in call-girl probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Randall Tobias, head of the Bush administration's foreign aid programs, abruptly resigned after

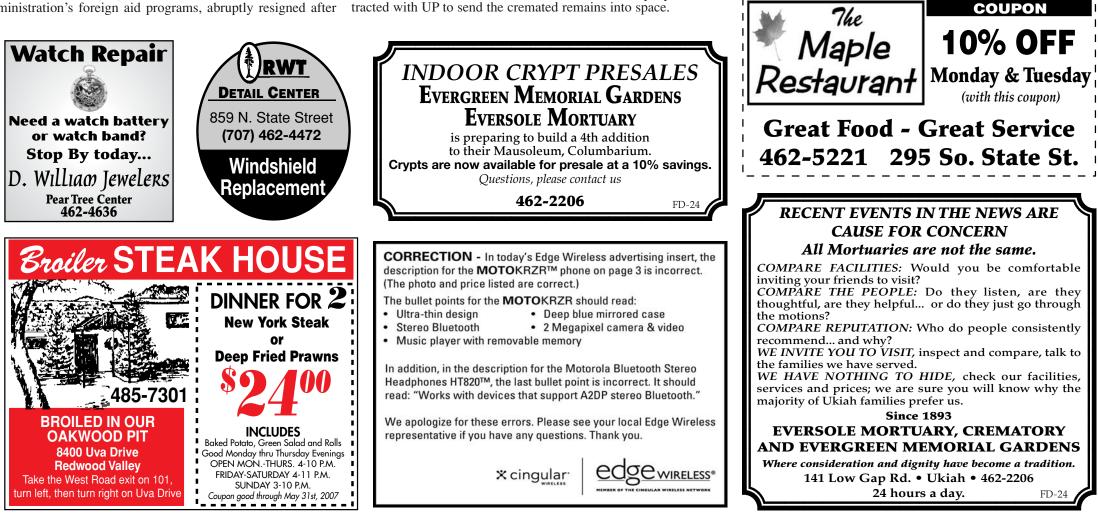
rocket from the desert site in September. But that Spaceloft XL rocket crashed into the rugged desert after spiraling out of control about nine seconds after liftoff.

Company officials blamed the failure on a faulty fin design. A Spaceloft SL-2 rocket, with a fourth fin added for stability, will carry the cremains, which were loaded into the rocket last month.

Family members paid \$495 to place a few grams of their relatives' ashes on the rocket. Celestis, a Texas company, contracted with UP to send the cremated remains into space.

ARREST James Kleinsorge, 47, of Ukiah, was arrested on suspicion of battery on a spouse in the 700 block of South State Street at 10:14 a.m. Friday.

ARREST -- John Garcia, 35, of Ukiah, was arrested on Mega number: 10 Jackpot: 35 Million



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In California, Clinton denounces Bush

BV BETH FOUHY Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Democrat Hillary Rodham Clinton denounced President Bush on Saturday for his "Mission Accomplished" speech and said his conduct of the Iraq war was "one of the darkest blots on leadership we've ever had."

Addressing delegates at the California State Democratic Party convention, Clinton said that if elected president in 2008, she would end the war. The New York senator also promised to "treat all Americans with dignity and equality no matter who you are and who you love." The pledge was a clear bow to California's politically active and influential gay communi-

Taking on Bush's policies, Clinton contended the president has ignored scientific evidence on global warming and stem cell research while also dismissing the concerns of the middle class. She said his administration had "lied" about the effects of toxic dust at the World Trade Center site in New York after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Her voice raspy from days of campaigning, Clinton brought delegates to their feet when she said she wished she could turn the clock back to a different time.



Clinton

he wished we could just rewind the 21st century and just eliminate the Bush-Cheney administration, with all their mistakes and misjudgments," she said to cheers. "People are ready for leaders who understand it is our votes who put them in power, our tax dollars that pay the bills."

She lambasted the Accomplished" "Mission speech nearly four years ago, in which Bush declared an end to major military actions in Iraq. He made the comment while on the deck of an aircraft carrier off the California coast.

That speech, Clinton said, was "one of the most shameful episodes in American hisferent time. tory. ... The only mission he accomplished was the re-elec-

tion of Republicans."

California is poised to play a greater role in the presidential nominating process, having recently moved its primary to Feb. 5 to join several other large states in holding contests that day.

Most of the top Democratic presidential contenders planned to address the convention during the weekend.

Delegates were to hear Clinton's main rival, Illinois Sen. Barack Obama, later Saturday afternoon, in addition to Connecticut Sen. Chris Dodd and Ohio Rep. Dennis Kucinich.

Former North Carolina Sen. John Edwards and New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson were on Sunday's schedule.

Clinton's speech was wellreceived among the generally left-leaning delegates who typically attend this state's Democratic gatherings.

Four years ago, former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean then a little-known figure in the 2004 Democratic field thrilled convention delegates with his fiery denunciation of the war. His rivals at including the time, Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, who eventually won the nomination, were loudly booed for defending their 2002 vote to authorize the war.

Clinton cast the same vote in 2002, but met with only

sporadic heckling during her speech.

Some candidates who attended South Carolina's party convention Saturday said they thought the United States has lost its global standing during Bush's presidency. America, they said, needs a Democratic commander in chief to restore its place in the world.

"We are today internationally and domestically a nation that is no longer a leader," Richardson said.

Edwards, the 2004 vice presidential nominee, said the world needs to see that "America can be a force for good."

"What their perception is that America is a bully and we only care about our short-term interests," Edwards said. "The starting place is to end the bleeding sore that is the war in Iraq.

Richardson, Edwards and Delaware Sen. Joe Biden said they would make ending the war a priority.

"The American people are looking for us as Democrats," said Biden, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. "They're looking for someone literally, not figuratively, to restore America's place in the world."

Associated Press writer Nedra Pickler in Columbia, S.C., contributed to this report.

SUNDAY NEWS SHOWS

By The Associated Press Guest lineup for the Sunday TV news shows:

ABC's "This Week" _ Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice; Sens. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., and Sam Brownback, R-Kan ; actress Natalie Portman.

CBS' "Face the Nation" _ Rice; Rep. John Murtha, D-

NBC's "Meet the Press" _ Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del., presidential candidate.

CNN's "Late Edition" Rice; Reps. Adam Putnam, R-Fla., and Jane Harman, D-Calif.; Hoshyar Zebari, Iragi foreign minister; European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso.

"Fox News Sunday" _ Presidential candidate Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., and wife Cindy McCain.

U.S. military deaths in Iraq at 3,337 Friday

By The Associated Press

As of Friday, April 27, 2007, at least 3,337 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count. The figure includes seven military civilians. At least 2,720 died as a result of hostile action, according to the military's numbers.

The AP count is two lower than the Defense Department's tally, last updated Friday at 10 a.m. EDT.

The British military has reported 145 deaths; Italy, 33; Ukraine, 18; Poland, 20; Bulgaria, 13; Spain, 11; Denmark, six; El Salvador, five; Slovakia, four; Latvia, three; Estonia, Netherlands, Thailand, two each; and Australia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Romania, one death each.

The latest deaths reported by the military:

• Three Marines died Thursday in Anbar province.

The latest identifications reported by the military:

• Marine Cpl. Willie P. Celestine Jr., 21, Lafayette, La.; died Thursday while conducting combat operations in Anbar province; assigned to 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

U.S. and European Union to emphasize cooperation at summit

By DESMOND BUTLER **Associated Press**

WASHINGTON — Unable to agree on major issues like global trade and climate change, the leaders of the United States and the European Union look to highlight smaller signs of improving ties when they meet next week at the White House.

Expectations are modest for the annual US-European Union summit set for Monday. German Chancellor Angela Merkel and European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso will get President Bush's support for a proposal to boost trans-

Atlantic commerce by eliminating some bureaucratic hurdles. They also will sign an agreement to open up trans-Atlantic air routes.

"People have been searching hard for issues that don't involve Iraq or the war on terror," said Julianne Smith, director of the European program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies think tank.

U.S. relations with the European Union have shown signs of improvement after years of disputes over the Iraq war and the U.S. treatment of terror suspects. U.S. and EU diplomats have been working together on issues such as Iran's nuclear program

and the Israeli-Palestinian peace ulations, such as those governing process.

Relations were boosted when Merkel assumed the EU's rotating presidency in January. As British Prime Minister Tony Blair prepares to leave office, she is considered Bush's best friend among European leaders, and the White House has welcomed her entreaties to repair European ties.

Merkel has specifically sought out a project that would engage the two sides as a priority for her presidency of the 27-nation bloc. Her proposal to harmonize European and U.S. reg-

automobile safety standards or business takeovers, is designed to increase trade and lower costs. Trade between the European Union and the United States already accounts for about 40 percent of all global trade.

"With the necessary political commitment and follow-up on all sides, the new framework will deliver lower costs for businesses and consumers on both sides of the Atlantic," Barroso said in a statement Friday.

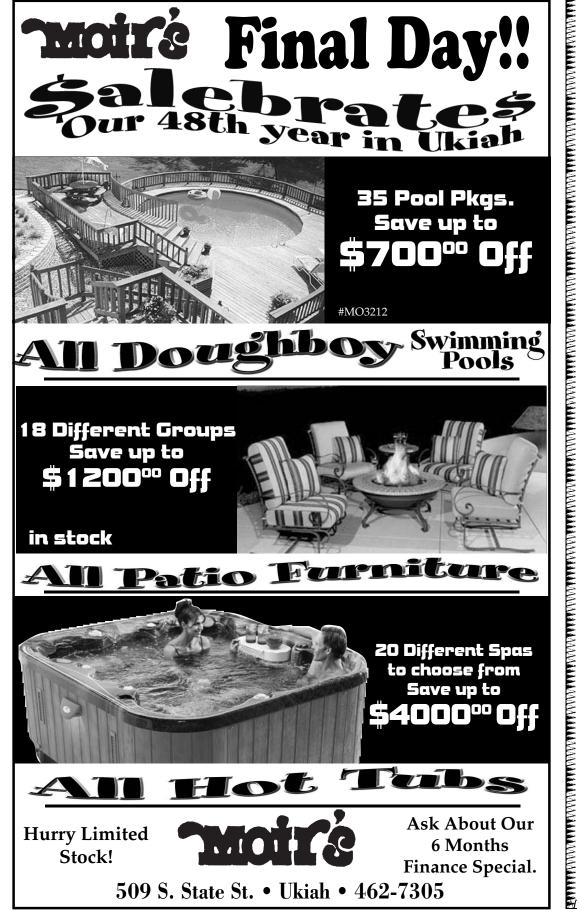
Merkel's proposal comes at a time that the EU and the U.S. have been unable to resolve differences and

revive the Doha Round of multinational free trade talks.

Both sides believe Merkel's trans-Atlantic proposal is achievable because it avoids many of the sticking points, such as disputes over agricultural subsidies, that have held up Doha. Officials plan to announce an agreement Monday to establish a body to oversee the negotiations.

The summit also is expected to touch on energy security, with both sides worried about Russia's leverage over parts of Europe because of its dominance of the natural gas market.

Editor's note: Jody Martinez' Reminisce page will be back May 13.





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The Ukiah Daily Journal

Upset that vote was discounted

To the Editor:

I recently received a notice from the County Clerk-Recorder's office which contained some disturbing information.

It appears that in the recently-held special DA election my vote (and likely the votes of others) was not counted due to a discrepancy between the signature on my mail-in ballot, and that of my voter registration card on file.

While I acknowledge the effort to avoid counting fraudulent votes, and recognize the inconsistency between my John Hancock the year 2007 and that of 12 years prior (my first and only voter registration), I can't help but wonder if the County's new (almost entirely mail-in) voting practice takes us a step further from democracy.

I can only assume that this process of voting by mail is temporary. I'm sure there is a reasonable explanation, and that is has something to do with computers and state-mandated election requirements that our physical polling places have yet to meet. I will only say that in previous elections, when I cast my ballot in person, I left the poll with a reasonable assurance that my vote would be counted. After this last election, I wonder, exactly how many voters were disenfranchised by these computer-generated (or were they human generated? Hmmm) doubts of voter identity, when an in-person vote could have simply and decisively proven voter identity?

Let's fix this please, ideally before next year's general election. If you received from the County a "Dear Voter: cannot count the ballot"letter, accompanied by an 8 1/2 x 11 copy of your file signature please let me know at tiosamuel@hotmail.com.

> Sam Kircher Ukiah

> > Ukiah

Shooting case should not include deal

To the Editor:

I am writing on the article yesterday about the death of Brittney Syfert. I am a friend of the family's on her mom's side and I can't believe that the D.A. wants to give this creep a deal. Brittney had her whole life ahead of her. What if it was your daughter or granddaughter, would you want the person to get out in 17 to 20 years? She was killed with her family and friends right there at her birthday party. Look at Scott Peterson: no witnesses or physical evidence and he is sitting on death row. And there are so many witnesses that saw Brittney's shooting. I think if you take a life, your life should be over too. Who is the victim here? Look what ner family oing through. Let the justice for Brittney and her family. **Terri Stout**

Letters from our readers In our opinion

A homegrown economy?

Once again, the farmers in Mendocino County are showing the rest of the world the way.

In two stories this week we highlighted great environmental practices being pioneered in our county.

The Mendocino Wine Company has created the first carbon neutral winery in the nation. And at our UC Hopland Field Station, sheep are being taught to chomp at vineyard groundcovers, while ignoring the tasty grapevines just over their heads.

As our elected bodies wrangle with the desire for strategic and smart growth, creating housing and keeping industrial options open, let's not forget that one of this county's most valuable assets is its agricultural base

We appear to be looking everywhere but here for ideas for good manufacturing jobs.

We believe there's lots of potential for our growers and ranchers and the generations of growers and ranchers we would love to see coming along, in agriculturally based manufacturing.

We still believe an environmentally sound

slaughterhouse in our area would be great. We could produce high quality organic meats and leathers. And how about high quality organic pet foods? Seems like there'd be a market there these days. What about a juicing plant for our apples and pears? It's been discussed before. How about high quality woolens from Mendocino County sheep? More wineries established here in this county would give our growers and local wine labels a boost. And let's not forget quality sustainable redwood harvesting.

All of these things can benefit from the sustainable methods being pioneered right here. We have the Hopland Field Station. We have lots of alternative energy experts. We have good ag land and dedicated landowners who want to keep agricultural land intact.

If this county is serious about finding a future for our young people, let's put a real effort into making our agricultural base the economy of our future. Put our resources, our efforts, our money into that.

It could pay off for generations to come.



Take care of uninsured children

April 23-28 marked national "Cover the Uninsured Week," which

has traditionally sought to

raise awareness about the

erage for all Americans.

This year, however, is the

need to insure one of our

most vulnerable popula-

State leaders have

declared 2007 as the "year

of healthcare reform,"and

and reinvigorate the real

healthcare system. And it

acknowledgment that no

healthcare reform is suc-

cessful unless lawmakers

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this week should serve as a

spring board to set priorities

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perfect time to highlight the

need to provide health cov-

Another voice BY ALLLYNE BROWN

Killer getting too much press

Another voice BY ROBERT KIGGINS

On April 16, Cho Seung-Hui, a Korean immigrant and student murdered 32 people at Virginia Tech, and thanks to our national media, he will get the attention he was seeking. We will undoubtedly be reading and hearing of this tragedy for years to come and he will become legendary, and to some an anti-hero, for what he has done. We will be subjected, again and again, to photographs and clips from the video he sent to NBC. Stories will be told of how the system let him down, how he was laughed at and bullied and how society is to blame.

Others will lay the blame solely on the proliferation of guns in our country, and seek to add to the myriad of laws that were unable to keep Cho from their access, ultimately giving rise to political agendas in upcoming elections. Reporters from Great Britain, Australia and several other countries have already pronounced our society responsible because of our failure to ban guns, as their countries have.

Accusations will be leveled against the school, on the counselor, on the psychiatrist, on the court system and in the end, the responsibility for what Cho Seung-Hui did will be shifted from his shoulders to those of society. He will become a martyr for thousands of disturbed individuals who believe our society is base and unjust, thusly deserving punishment. Some of those will seek the same road to glory that was taken by Cho, and in doing so, attempt to outdo him.

Reports that he was teased, laughed at and bullied while in high school, because of his quiet demeanor or accent, will place blame for what he did on that community. It will not be considered that he was quiet, withdrawn and maltreated because he was a mentally disturbed sociopath, but that his sociopathic behavior was created by this mistreatment. Such is not a justification for his maltreatment by classmates, for whatever his demeanor toward them may have been, their behavior was wrong. Their cruelty may have helped to intensify his sociopathy, however blaming them for creating it is unfounded, for his behavior at that time indicated a flaw in his social character.

We are a society that has a need for the justification of all things. We are always seeking to attribute responsibility to someone, some event or some thing that can explain why tragedies such as this occur. It is beyond societal acceptance, that there are people who are evil, for whom there is no help, and there are events of evil that cannot be stopped no matter the number of restrictions society allows to be placed on itself. Indeed, in such instances as this, the restrictions placed on information protecting personal freedom had a part to play in the tragedy. Is that to say the whole of society would be better off with less protection of personal freedom, on the very slight possibility that such access would have averted the deaths of 33 people? Who can say if, were access available, the information contained in it would have been passed through the various systems to ultimately avert what happened? The likelihood of that occurring is probably less than that of the horrific event itself.

In large part, a certain amount of blame for tragedies such as this can be attached to the media, and particularly the television news. In reporting such news, they

Don't overdo 'warming' crisis

To the Editor:

All we seem hear about lately is global warming and more global warming and how we humans are the cause of it all. There is however, scientific data that would call this into question. Yes, humans do effect the environment, but the problem is we seldom think long term.

There is strong evidence that over geologic time, the Sun has played a major role in Earth's climate. Change its output by just one percent and we will see big changes in our weather.

Even in recorded history we have evidence of this. During the years 1645 to 1715, the sun had virtually no sunspots magnetic storms on the solar surface in 11 year cycles. This was known as the Mauder Minimum and you can check this out on the Web. It was also believed that by measuring the rotational speed of what few sunspots there were, that the sun may have rotated faster. This time was also known as the "Little Ice Age" and resulted in glaciers over the world rapidly advancing. The sudden cold snap helped cause famine in Europe due to a very short growing season at that time. Worldwide, the global temperature dipped about 2 degrees F. There was even snow in April and May in England.

As for global warming, around 3000 BC, something drastic and sudden happened to the Earth's climate. The Earth warmed dramatically. Tropical plants have been found in fossilized form in rocks in the Arctic and other evidence indicates that the Earth has warmed suddenly in the past, without human cause and effect.

Tree ring patterns in trees in England covering growth of some 7,000 years, indicate wide swings in the growth and therefore temperature changes during that span of time.

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ON EDITORIALS

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pass a solution to provide health insurance for every California child.

California voters are counting on our state leaders to tackle this important issue. In a November 2006 poll commissioned by the United Ways of California, 81 percent of voters responded that they support ensuring that all kids have health insurance. Working parents hope they do too. Many hard-working families make too much money to qualify for MediCal or Healthy Families, but not enough to pay for health insurance for their children. In fact, 71 percent of uninsured kids are in families where the head of household works full time all year.

Locally, many people in our community are working hard to accomplish health care for all California children, including Untied Way of Sonoma-Mendocino-Lake and Healthy Kids Mendocino. Last May, Healthy Kids Mendocino launched a new affordable insurance product, CalKids, for children not eligible for Medi-Cal or Healthy Families.

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promulgate stories like this to an extent they create an international sensationalism which give sociopaths such as Cho Seung-Hui a means to leave a legacy that would otherwise have gone unremembered on all but a local scale, save for those whose lives were tragically affected. Were we not bombarded for weeks, months or even years with images of these events, there would be no legacy, no anti-hero, no martyr for the mentally disturbed fringe to identify with or attempt to outdo. There would be loss, experienced by families of the victims, which would be long and painful, and there would be loss by society, for senseless death of any person diminishes us. Finally, there would be loss to those wishing to make a name for themselves, for they would be but a short byline of tragedy and death, being virtually unremembered by all except those few whose lives they tragically entered into. With lack of sensational media attention, it might just be that a number of those nameless individuals might safely, and thankfully, remain nameless to us all.

Robert C. Kiggins is retired and a long time resident of Ukiah.

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SUNDAY VOICES The looming drought

Earlier this month, Australian Prime Minister John Howard warned his constituents that water that supplies to the continent's food bowl -- the Murray-Darling basin which supplies 40 percent of the country's produce -- will be shut off unless they get some heavy rain in the next few weeks. None is in the forecast. The area's two biggest rivers can only supply drinking water, and nothing else. It's Australia's worst drought on record, attributed to a combination of global warming and a government that is only now waking up to the grim severity of the situation. Farmers and ranchers in the basin say the situation is likely to put them out of business.

Many Australians are asking why the crippling water shortages are only now being addressed with any sense of urgency. In recent years Australia was warned by the UN that the problem was only going to get worse if nothing changed. Yet Australia blandly continued business as usual as the problem worsened. Although, as the UN said, "The region has substantial adaptive capacity due to well-developed economies and scientific and technical capabilities, there are considerable constraints to implementation. Natural systems have limited adaptive capacity."

Now Mendocino County is facing a similar, if smaller scale, warning. Despite some occasional spring showers, drought is upon us and a serious water crunch is inevitable.

This year, it looks like Lake Mendocino is going to be drained to its lowest possible point by Sonoma County which owns most of the water in that lake. Even conservation isn't expected to make up for the reduced flows due to the drought.

So far Mendo has made it clear that even though there are already water hookup moratoriums and restrictions on new water appropriation permits, nothing is going to be done to change water-asusual until something like an Australian style parched earth situation develops.

Third District Supervisor John Pinches has proposed that a small percentage of the high flows from the Middle Fork of the Eel be skimmed to supplement or replace the water now diverted from the main stem of the Eel through Potter Valley and into Lake Mendocino.

Pinches, who lives on the Middle Fork of the Eel, noticed years ago that the middle fork's high flows last longer into spring than the main stem flows because the middle fork is fed by snow runoff from the high elevations in northeastern



Mendocino. Skimming a fraction of this high flow (which is still a lot of water) would allow Lake Mendocino to be refilled in the Spring, particularly if the Lake was low due to light winter rain.

Pinches proposes a pipeline from Dos Rios along the railroad right-of-way up through the Willits valley and then down into Lake Mendocino. Pumps to push the water on the uphill portion of the run could be energized by hydroelectric generators driven by those same high flows.

The Dos Rios Pipeline Project could generate thousands of acre-feet of usable water without changing Lake Mendocino's physical capacity. It would simply use existing capacity more efficiently.

Last month we heard about a weird exercise involving the declaration of an "emergency" because Potter Valley winegrape growers complained that they were being deprived of "frost protection" water because of federally-mandated reductions in Eel River diversions at Scott Dam through the Potter Valley tunnel. Exactly how frost protection qualifies as an "emergency" escaped not only the government's attention, but raised the question of why the Potter Valley grape growers grow freeze-sensitive grapes and why they don't already have frost protection water in ponds if it's so important to them. But that didn't stop the Supervisors from declaring an "emergency.

Has Mendocino County become so dependent on grapes and associated booze sales that they even have to destroy their credibility by declaring an "emergency" for frost protection? What's next? A "tourism emergency" if Highway 101 is overly congested?

Now that Ukiah's electrical generators at Lake Mendocino are back in service, Ukiah is even more dependent on outflows from Lake Mendocino, further increasing the need for maintaining Lake Mendocino with late spring high flows.

In their latest newsletter, Humboldt County-based Friends of the Eel pointed out that the fish screen (formerly the "fish ladder") which is supposed to keep the few remaining fish in the main stem of the Eel from being pureed in PG&E's turbines at Scott Dam is "broken." (Even when the Rube Goldberg thingamajig is "working" it doesn't do much good.) And PG&E says it will take at least until June to repair it.

Among the many obstacles to making a dent in this ever-worsening water problem are the many alphabet soup water agencies involved. If these organizations won't even open discussions of practical ways to address inland Mendo's water management problems in the Eel and the Russian, the low-flows of the Eel will continue to be overtaxed, the fish will effectively disappear, and hook-up moratoriums will remain in place for almost everyone in Mendocino County who has access to the existing Eel diversions into the Russian River.

The best way to deal with the inland Mendocino water shortage would be to simply remove Scott Dam and the summer diversion it creates altogether and use high flows from the Middle Fork to supply Lake Mendocino. This might require the small number of grape growers in Potter Valley to fend for themselves for frost protection. (Or maybe the County could consider helping them increase their on-site storage capacity. The Russian is naturally dry in the summer without the diverted Eel River water.)

Without Scott Dam, those concerned about the Eel being a wild and scenic river would get the already-compromised main stem back because the diversion would be gone, and the fraction of the high flows from the Middle Fork could more than make up the difference.

It might even be a solution to the problem of Sonoma owning most of the water in Lake Mendocino, giving Mendo significantly greater say in how the (new) water is allocated, assuming Mendo comes up with the lion's share of the funding for the Dos Rios Project.

Although the Supes recently decided to explore the Dos Rios Project, the overall water status quo is tied up with incompetence, non-existent planning, lawyers, self-interest and miscellaneous bureaucratic red tape. So the likelihood of actually going beyond the discussion stage is about the same as a the North Coast Railroad ever running again in the Eel River Canyon where the water would come from.

If nothing is done, however, the problems will be much bigger than lack of frost protection, and more like Australia. We can do something about it -- or go back to old (not-so) reliable Plan B: Pray

for rain. Mark Scaramella is a Philo resident.

ON THE STREETS

If you could have any super power what would it be?



Austin McMillen Ukiah Financial adviser

"I'd have to say I want to make time stop. If I could stop time it would be easy to get a lot more accomplished."

Ashley Rodriguez Willits Sixth grade

"I would want the ability to talk to animals. I have always thought it would be cool to know what animals are thinking and feeling."

Minnilick Sandars Calpella Engineer

"I would want to manipulate the weather. One of the few things on Earth that we can't control is weather, so I think it would be a useful power."

Shannon Wickliffe Ukiah Teacher

"I would want to be able to be in two places at once. It would be kind of like 'The Flintstones' where the Great Gazoo makes a copy of Fred."

> William Sigler Ukiah Truck driver

Letters

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We also know that the Great Lakes and flat plains of the upper midwest were carved out by mile high glaciers during the vast ice age thousands of years ago.

Something caused their rather rapid retreat to the Arctic Circle, leaving behind much of the fresh water we have in our Great Lakes. Obviously there were very few humans around to cause this, least of all thousands of gas gulping SUV's.

Today, we do see glaciers retreating in Alaska and in other parts of the world, and there is evidence that our planet is indeed warming - at least in some areas. We also saw a fairly active sun during the last sunspot peak of activity a few years ago. Astronomers

are predicting an even more active solar storm peak in the next maximum in a few years.

The point is that we have only been able to measure the output of our sun for some 300 years or so - not much considering our star is said to be halfway through its 10 billion year lifespan.

Do we need to cut back on pollution? Of course we do. Are there ways to protect our environment, of course. But we humans seem to have a tendency to go to excesses.

Before we rush to judgment and put in place controls that would severely cripple our way of life, let's start looking at the long term picture.

Perhaps "Mother Nature" has more control over the climate than we do.

Oh yes - lets find ways of using solar power more cost effectively. After all, our star is the only real long term source of life giving energy we have.

Bill Smith Ukiah

Stan still the man

To the Editor:

I enjoyed Bill Wallis' piece in Sunday's paper (4/22) except for the misspelling of Stan "Musiel" (sic).

Having grown up in St. Louis, I spent countless afternoons and evenings cheering for Stan "The Man" Musial. "Just time to drink one more 'fore Stan puts it on Grand Avenue," the beer man would wail as he worked his way through the crowd.

Misspelling the name of one of the all-time greats is an error that must be corrected!

Dan Hamburg Ukiah

THANK YOU LETTER POLICY





"I'd want to be able to run as fast as the Flash. It would cut down a lot on my travel time. I could get a chance to see the world."

Tony Torres Redwood Valley Eighth grade

"I would want X-ray vision. If I had X-ray vision I would know a lot about what's going on that other people wouldn't."

Photos and interviews by Zack Sampsel.

Betting the farm

It started out, according to one of the participants, as "just a bunch of two doggoned drunks bluffing to see who could talk the biggest and say the most." It ended as a court battle that has become a primer on how NOT to handle one's personal - or business - affairs, especially when something like the family homestead is involved.

The "two doggoned drunks" were a man named A.H. Zehmer and another named W.O. Lucy (the records contain only their initials) who sat down one Saturday night shortly before Christmas in 1952 at a restaurant in Virginia and began the drinking and the bluffing. Zehmer and his wife, Ida (the only person involved whose first name is disclosed) owned a farm of nearly 500 acres in Dinwiddie County known, for reasons not apparent from the record, as the Ferguson farm.

At some point during the evening's merriment, Lucy apparently offered \$50,000 cash for the Ferguson farm. Zehmer, so he claimed later, agreed to the sale and to have it written up because he thought it was made in jest, and wanted to bluff or dare Lucy into admitting he didn't have \$50,000 in cash. Both men apparently had had several drinks - Zehmer claimed that, at the time, he "was high as a Georgia pine" and therefore not responsible for his



actions.

So - our first lesson is that, if you're as high as a Georgia pine, that's NOT the best time to start negotiating the sale of the family farm.

Actually, in just about every state in the union, being drunk when you enter into a contract will allow you to get out of it later. The problem with Zehmer's claims, forestry references notwithstanding, is that it was contradicted by, among other things, Ida's testimony that, when they left the restaurant, she was concerned enough about Mr. Lucy that she suggested that her husband drive Lucy home!

Hence, our second lesson: if you're going to claim that you were "high as a Georgia pine" when you entered into a contract, make sure the person you're going to accuse of misleading you wasn't high as a California redwood.

Actually, Ida's involvement was crucial to the transaction, which started out in a trial court and ended up before the Supreme Court of Virginia in 1954. Her testimony not only confirmed that, if anything, Lucy was the more "doggoned drunk," but she also agreed that the matter was discussed for about forty minutes when finally committed to writing.

Mr. Zehmer, for his part, wasn't particularly helpful to his case, either. His claim of being intoxicated to the point that he couldn't be held responsible for his actions, the court said, was "inconsistent with his attempt to testify in great detail as to what was said and what was done."

Still, Zehmer's biggest mistake was undoubtedly letting the whole transaction be put in writing - because it's also the law in every state that real estate contracts must be in writing to be enforceable. Not only did Zehmer go to the trouble of negotiating the "sale," but when Lucy decided to put the whole thing in writing, Zehmer chose a bad way to (as he claimed) call Lucy's bluff - he signed the agreement and got Ida to sign it as well! Since she was a half-owner of the property, her lack of signature might still have kept the deal from going through but, thanks to her husband's request, she signed, too.

Both Zehmers claimed that when he presented the paper to her to sign, he whispered to her that it was a joke, and made sure that Lucy didn't hear. This allowed the Virginia Supreme Court to write a lengthy lecture about how, legally, all that matters in contract matters is the outward demonstration of intent; the fact that someone (or, in this case, two someones) secretly don't really want to go through with a deal means nothing.

The final point the court discussed was simply that, for whatever reasons that the Zehmers developed - quite literally - sellers' remorse, the \$50,000 sale price was apparently a reasonable figure for 500 acres of Virginia farmland in 1952. If the sale had been, say, for \$500 or \$50, that might have bolstered their claim that the whole thing was a joke, and the court wouldn't have enforced the bargain. But back when \$50,000 was serious money, it was enough to convince the court that the Zehmers knew - or should have known - that Lucy was a serious bargainer.

Or at least as serious as someone slightly higher than a Georgia pine can be.

Lucy v. Zehmer, 196 Va. 493, 84 S.E.2d 516 (1954)

Frank Zotter is a Ukiah attorney.

Editor's note: The Daily Journal welcomes letters of thanks from organizations and individuals. However, thank you letters must be kept short. For that reason we have a 20-business name limit per letter. Those wishing to thank long lists of people and businesses are welcome to contact our advertising department for help with a thank you ad.

Who's moving in next door?

Ukiah has been for a very long time a city of natural beauty, clean air, and preserved history. This is a town people choose to live in, choose to raise their children in, choose to retire to, and choose to visit for several wonderful reasons. But all that will cease if we allow this proposed meat plant to be built.

New jobs will open here in Ukiah but that would be the sole benefit for our lovely town. Several completely unrelated businesses will be put out of business. How? I'll quote to you a passage from the book, "Chew On This": "The smell is hard to forget ... a combination of live animals, manure, and dead animals being turned into dog food. Think of rotten eggs mixed with burning hair and stinky toilet, and you get the idea..." So forget about opening your windows to let in that wonderful coastal breeze or the fragrant spring and summer blooms.

Why would travelers stop for any reason in a place that smells like that? Sure, Starbucks, Chevron, McDonalds and other easy-access places lining the 101 will be OK. Tourists will drive through and spend only a few minutes enduring the horrid smell, if they even stop. Hotels will loose customers, our wonderful family-owned businesses will loose customers, and there will be a huge effect on our farming.

One of the most beautiful sights we have in Ukiah is fog rolling over the mountains from the coast. Sadly we will come to know fog as a trap for the pollution pumped out of the plant. Harmful toxins will be trapped in the air we have available to breathe, the air we walk through, the air that supports everyday life in our valley. Ukiah will be covered in smog, which is what we decided we didn't want after the closing of Masonite let in some much needed clean air. That smell, those pollutants will seep into every corner of our valley and affect everything we stand for.

With little regard for surrounding communities, it's expected that the plant would at least care for its employees. Unfortunately the meat plant industry has 'friends in high places' who make sure OSHA inspections are rare, fines imposed for breaking the rules are kept low, and executives are almost never punished for deliberately putting workers at risk.

According to OSHA, meat plant employees can expect to be burned, cut, stabbed, loose a finger, loose an arm, loose an eye, or loose their life, all by any number of cruel means. This doesn't happen often, but the risk is present every second of every day, and isn't unheard of.

Since meat plants typically choose small towns that pose even smaller risks of developing a union, most likely one will not be formed, so they expect wages to be low, risks high, and permanent effects from working, common. The plant will target illegal immigrants to populate its workforce because they generally won't complain about unfair conditions or injuries. And did I mention that employees can be fired for any reason without warning? If an employee is injured on the job, they're encouraged not to report it, assigned an easier (but more unpleasant) task, pay and health benefits will be cut and they'll be 'encouraged' to quit, thus trapping once very hard workers permanently in poverty. In other

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words, disabled and homeless for the rest of their life.

What happens to cause all this damage? Buildup of waste is a large contributor. Held in feedlots for typically 3 months in order to fatten up, cattle are getting little exercise from being in a very packed area and must live with dirty water, dirty food, and are constantly standing in waste. Because of this E. coli 0157:H7 is passed through a large percent of the cattle, and can survive in cattle manure for up to 90 days. A steer (male cow) produces up to 50 pounds of waste a day while held in a feedlot, and this stuff doesn't go to a treatment plant like human waste.

So where is it going to go? Unfortunately it usually goes into either a big ditch or sits in a pile comparable to a small mountain. In this 'big ditch' it can 'accidentally' leak out and poison our well water, streams, soil, plants including the majestic redwood, grapes and pears, and even the beautiful Russian River with E. coli and salmonella amongst other things! Buildup of waste like this in any form will release harmful gasses into the air including Ammonia and Hydrogen Sulfide (which inhaled through the air can cause permanent damage to the nervous system and the brain).

In a giant pile, waste can spontaneously catch fire, thus releasing poisons such as methane into the air. With the average temperature raising steadily, this is almost a guaranteed occurrence during each and every summer. There isn't anything we can do about a huge burning mass of excrement but endure it. Commonly piles burn for months at a time, and attempts at putting these out could make matters worse. If we attempted to douse it with water we would pollute all other sources of water. So during a typical summer, our firefighters would have to monitor the burning pile during it's duration as well as rush off to help anybody else who has a problem. Basically it's a waste of a greatly needed and appreciated commodity.

Most harmful to Ukiah however, our citizens will move on. With smog and pollution, with the danger of being poisoned by every source of water that comes in contact with the plant, why stay where land is overpriced anyhow? Wines and pears will have difficulty growing, forcing wineries and even the pear sheds to shut down completely. If that happens, land values will drop. Homeowners won't get much from selling their houses and moving on, but that won't stop them. If we bring in this plant we loose our citizens, we loose our businesses, we loose what makes us unique, we loose that little bit of magic we still possess.

I believe Ukiah needs to come together as a city and say 'No' to loosing our individuality, 'No' to losing our town, and 'No' to loosing our valley. Certainly we can represent ourselves effectively to the decision makers of this city and let them know this plant is the last thing our valley needs. Rose Summers is a Ukiah resident.

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easy to come to the conclusion that any meaningful healthcare reform must include covering all California children - it's not only the right thing to do for our kids, but it's the right policy for the state as a whole.

Covering all kids will help reduce costs on the entire system and make healthcare more affordable for everyone – which is a major goal of healthcare reform. Countless studies have shown that children who have health insurance are more likely to get the care they need to ensure healthy development, including preventive care, immunizations and basic check-ups - all of which helps identify or prevent problems before they gets serious and more costly. For example, every dollar spent on childhood immunizations saves \$13 down the road.

We're already paying for the cost of caring for uninsured children who wind up receiving care in the emergency room, so we should do

Children

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If you look at the facts, it's

Providing all kids with access to immunizations and regular checkups can help prevent serious public health hazards down the line. With increasing numbers of emerging and reemerging diseases, the best way to safeguard everyone's health is to ensure the health of all children.

it in a more cost-effective and humane way by providing health insurance. The cost of insuring a child is less than \$100 per month, while the average emergency room visit is \$435. Why wait until a child is so sick that he or she requires emergency care or hospitalization when a simple vaccine or well-child visit could have prevented a serious illness in a child?

Moreover, covering all children is good for public health. As the saying goes, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Providing all kids with access to immunizations and regular checkups can help prevent serious public health hazards down the line. With increasing numbers of emerging and reemerging diseases, the best way to safeguard everyone's health is to ensure the health of all children.

Luckily, providing health coverage for every child in our state is a goal within reach that the legislature and Governor could accomplish this year.

Ninety percent of California's 10 million children are already insured. Roughly half of the 763,000 who remain uninsured qualify for existing public programs like Healthy Families and Medi-Cal. It would cost relatively little - about \$330 million – to finish the job.

Clearly it's time to complete the job on children's health. Even one year without healthcare coverage could have life-long implications for a child, as well as a life's worth of increased costs on the entire system. Ensuring all kids have comprehensive, reliable coverage is a reform that is long overdue. What better time than this week – cover the uninsured week to make a rallying cry for our children's health.

Our kids can't wait any longer.

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 Temporary Urgency Change in Agency's Water Right Permits, State Water Board Decision 1610

Dates and Locations:

May 1, 2007 – Ukiah City Hall, 300 Seminary Ave, Ukiah, CA May 2, 2007 – Healdsburg City Hall, 401 Grove St., Healdsburg, CA May 3, 2007 - Guerneville Veterans Memorial Hall, First and Church Sts., Guerneville, CA

<u>Time:</u>

7p.m – 9p.m.

The Sonoma County Water Agency will hold three public meetings to discuss its petition for temporary urgency change in the Agency's water right permits with the State Water Resources Control Board to request lower minimum flows in the Russian River

Conditions in the current water year are even less favorable than conditions in water vears 2004 and 2002, when Lake Mendocino storage levels declined to dangerously low levels. Unless some action is taken, the Agency predicts that storage in Lake Mendocino will decline to about 14,000 acre-feet at the beginning of the fall Chinook migration, and to 8,000 acre-feet by the end of the fall. Reduced minimum flow requirements would provide the Agency with sufficient flexibility to balance releases from both Lake Mendocino and Lake Sonoma to meet peak water supply demands, while preserving much of the fishery and recreational benefits that the river provides.

Agency staff will provide a formal presentation. Written comments may be submitted at the meetings or thereafter to the General Manager/Chief Engineer of the Sonoma County Water Agency, PO Box 11628, Santa Rosa, CA 95406.

For more information about the meetings visit www.sonomacountywater.org, or contact Brad Sherwood, water agency programs specialist, at 707.521.6204 or Sherwood@scwa.ca.gov.



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LOCAL CALEND

MONDAY APRIL 30 Freshman baseball at home against Windsor, 4 p.m. JV golf against Lake County Teams, 3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY MAY 1

JC baseball at Yuba College, 2:30

Potter Valley at Round Valley, 4

Softball at Montgomery, 4 p.m. UHS games unless otherwise noted

WEDNESDAY MAY 2

UHS Freshman Baseball away at Rancho Cotate 4 p.m. Potter Valley Baseball and Softball Home against Roncon Valley 4 p.m.

COMMUNITY

Rusty Bowl BMX Exciting BMX bicycle racing is open to children of all abilities with classes for beginners to experts. The Rusty Bowl would like to encourage parents and children to come and experience BMX. Practice sessions will take place on Thursdays from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m., weather permitting

Racing takes place on Sundays starting in March and signups from happen at 1:30 p.m., with racing at 3 p.m.The Rusty Bowl track is located at east end of Gobbi st., adjacent to south little location adjacent to south little league fields.Call 462-0249 for up to date ack schedule and info

UHS Athletic Boosters

The UHS Athletic Boosters will be meeting on Monday, May 7th at 5:30 p.m. in the Career Center located in Building A. Parents of athletes encouraged to attend. Uniform requests on agenda. **MC football 2007**

The Mendocino College football team is looking for assistant coach-es for the 2007 season. Anyone interested, please contact Mendocino College head coach Tom Gang at 707-468-3141. Colt sign-ups

Colt Sign-ups Players must be between the ages of 15 and 17 on, or before, April 30. An original county-certi-fied birth certificate is required for age verification. The cost is \$75 for the first child and \$65 for each additional sibling. Tryouts will be on April 29 at 10 a.m. at Anton Stadium. Late signups will also be Stadium. Late signups will also be taken at 9:30 a.m. If there are not enough players for sign up, there will be no Colt League this year. So call Kris at 468-3800 to sign-up or for more information.

SULL scorekeepers

South Ukiah Little League needs South Okian Little League needs scorekeepers Monday through Saturday. The league pays \$12 for Major Games, \$10 for Minor Games and \$8.00 for Machine Pitch Games. Anyone interested please call 468-8800 for more information formation

Girl's youth softball

There is a need for girl's youth softball umpires. Pay is \$16 a game and work two games and get paid for three with a 90 minutes maxi-

Strong pitching from Damien Porter and the batting of Daniel Arevalos kept the Eagles within striking Daniel Arevalos distance Saturday, but the bats of Yuba College proved

provided quite an offensive to be too strong as the Eagles spark for the Eagles going 2-for-3 with one RBI.

fell 4-3. Arevalos provided quite an offensive spark for the Eagles going 2-for-3 with one RBI. Tyler Scaturro also

helped going 1-for-3. Jason Chapman had a triple and an RBI going 1-for-5 Saturday.

Porter pitched six full innings before coming out of the game. Justin Bautista relieved Porter and pitch 2/3 of an inning. Lucas Peters finished out the gan for the Eagles pitching 2 1/3 innings. The Eagles will travel to Yuba College again on Tuesday for a rematch starting at 2:30 p.m..







Photos by Jeff Trouette

Above, Mendo's shortstop Travis Mather, makes a diving catch in the fifth inning with runners on first and second, which ended the inning. Below, Tucker Mesker makes a sliding catch in left field. Defensive plays like these ,kept the eagles close. Middle, Daniel Arevalos takes a cut for one of his two base hits.

Eagles fall to Yuba College

Strong hitting, defense keeps Mendo close throughout The Daily Journal



Mendocino Co. Sheriff's Youth Activities League (SAL) and the Redwood Health Club of Ukiah are sponsoring a "KIDS ONLY" fun and fitness program at the Redwood Health Club, on Thursday nights from 5:30 P.M. to 6:30 PM, in Court #3, for ages 7 6:30 PM, in Court #3, for ages 7 years to 12 years, coed, and free of charge. Learn strength training, gain endurance, stability and build confidence. Personal Trainers "MJ and Nick" will exhaust your kids and send them home sweaty. For more info call RHC at 468-0441 or drop by the Club. There is an annual \$5.00 insurance and administration fee for SAL pro-grams, but it may be waived for cause.

cause

Hopland Karate Kids Winter Program: Mendocino Co. Sheriff's Youth Activities League Karate Program (SAL) is teaching "Free" youth, teen and adult karate programs at the Hopland Shorin-ryu Dojo, 14200 Mountain House Rd., Hopland on Monday and Wednesday nights at 4:30 PM for ages 6 years to 12 years and at 5:30 PM for teens and adults. SAL membership/insur-ance dues are \$5.00 annually. You do not have to be a member of the do not have to be a member of the Hopland Dojo to participate. For more info call the SAL Voice Mail at 468-4288 or Hopland Dojo -Instructor: Sensei Jim Milone at 744-1837, and we will get back with you. All classes are co-ed. You may also register at the class/dojo.

Lifeguard training

The City of Ukiah Community Service Department would like to announce the beginning of regis-tration for the American Red Cross lifeguard training course.

mum time limit. Season runs May through June. Games are played through June. Garries are played Monday through Thursday evenings. Previous experience pre-ferred. Minimum age is 15. Applications available at the City of Ukiah, 411 W. Clay St. or call 463-6714 Deciding is April 27 6714. Deadline is April 27

Jones Hoop Camps

The Jones Hoop Camps has announced their Ukiah camp will be August 6-10. The camp is for boys and girls ages 7-15. Each day, the camp is from 8a-4p at Eagle Peak Middle School. Included in the camp: t-shirt, water bottle and workout DVD. You can register online at www.basket-balljonescamps.com or call for a color brochure at 1-800-348-3803.

Youth Cheerleading

Youth Cheerleading Ukiah Lions Youth Football and Cheer will be holding CHEER sign ups on April 28. The sign ups will be begin at 9 a.m. at Anton Stadium. The child must be seven on or before Aug.1, 2007 and can not be older than 15 as of Aug 1, 2007. If you have any questions please contact Stephanie Dunken at 485-8848 or Katrina Gonzalez at 485-1640 485-1640

Senior bowling league Summer league senior bowling starts Tuesday, May 8. Any senior over the age of 55 interested, please contact Connie at 462-

5210.

Soccer Scholarship Applicants Wanted The scholarship committee is

looking for applicants for the Ryan Rones Dickey Memorial Soccer Scholarship Fund. This scholarship is available for attendance at soccer camps.

Applicants must be dedicated to the game of soccer, hard-working and have a good team attitude. Please pick up an application at 601 N State St or call 468-5711. Please submit the applcation at least two weeks before the start of the camp. Donations will be grate-fully accepted at 601 N State St. Shane Huff's Norcal

Soccer Academy

A soccer Academy A soccer camp for youth from ages 5 to 18 at Pomolita Middle School Track from July 30 to August 3. A full day session is offered from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for ages 10 and up for \$135 (includes ball and T-Shirt); Half Day session for 7 to 9-year-olds from 9 a.m. to noon for \$80 (includes ball) and Half Day session for 5 and 6-year Half Day session for 5 and 6-year-olds from 9:30 a.m. to noon for \$70 (includes ball).

Registration is under way. Register early (by July 6th) and pay only \$120 for the all day session. Call Pam at 468-5088 to register or email for an application at pronescpa@pacific.net. Team discounts are available.

UHS GOLF UPDATE | OAKMONT A strong finish to a strong season

Ukiah Varsity Golf finishes season with win, personal bests The Daily Journal

Ukiah put together a strong team performance at the par 63 Oakmont East course to win it's final league match of the

year.

J.J.

"The kids played very McMillen and Kirk Little well today and matched the finished up the best 18 hole season on a score shot at Oakmont East strong note. I'm this season. looking forward Ukiah finished to seeing how the season at 12 wins and 2they play at losses and sec-Foxtail North in ond place in the Rancho the North Bay League. Cotate

"The kids played very well today and

-Coach Chris finished up the Philbrick season on a strong note." Coach said

Chris Philbrick. "I'm looking forward to seeing how they play at Foxtail North in Friday's Rancho Cotate tournament."

Tournament"

Some of the 'Cats top performers included: 66 J.J. McMillen, 66 Kirk Little, 70 Max Brazill, 71 Brett Walker, 72 Jared Hull, 74 Carson Sheppard and 76 Ben Bertelsen.



James Arens/The Daily Journal

Kirk Little makes it look easy as he takes an approach shot during a golf match earlier this season. Little, along with J.J. McMillen matched the best 18-hole score shot at Oakmont this entire season.

NULL UPDATE Little Caesars undefeated in NULL play

Justin Guitini. Dylan Lancaster combine for victory The Daily Journal

Little Caesars from the North Ukiah Little League Majors Division continued its winning ways by shutting out their opponents, the Lions,

Great pitching from Justin Guintini and Dylan Lancaster helped to record the win for Little Caesars. Guintini allowed one hit and struckout eight in the winning effort.

Eric Guevara provided the big blow of the game with a three-run homer in the first inning. Tano Garza, Anthony McCarthy and Dylan Lancaster each collected two hits. Noah Taxis, Garrett Johnson also had hits for the winners.

Michael Kinz also singled for Lions.

Little Caesars is now 8-0 this seasons

This classes will begin April 14 and will run from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on April 14, April 15, April 21, and April 22 all are mandatory for new

April 22 all ale mandatory for new lifeguards. The class is free to those who are seeking employ-ment with the City Pool. For others not interested in employment with the City Pool, the cost is \$310, which includes all books and materials. The miniall books and materials. The mini-mum age for this class is 16. Come join the fun and learn important life-saving. Pre-Registration must be completed at The City of Ukiah, 411 West Clay Street. Re-certifications must be scheduled in advance

scheduled in advance. Please call the City of Ukiah Community Services Department for more information: 463-6201.

Umpires needed

The North Ukiah Little League needs umpires. The qualifications are a strong desire to work with kids. Experience is a plus but not necessary. Applicants must be 14 or older. Umpires will earn from \$15-22 each game. If interested contact Sonny Garza (707) 524-8844, (707) 467-9044.

SAL drop-in volleyball

SAL drop-in volleyball The Mendocino Co. Sheriff's Activities League has a drop-in volleyball clinic every Saturday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Baecthel Grove Middle School Gymnasium, 1150 Magnolia St., Willits - for ages 11 years to 17 years old, co-ed, no cost, sign-up at the gym. There is an annual \$5.00 insurance/admin fee. But, it is waivable for good cause. Coach Jon Jessup. For more info contact Mike Tobin, SAL President at 354-0565 or home #459-0475. Were 0565 or home #459-0475. Were all about the KIDS first!

SULL Pancake Breakfast South Ukiah Little League is having a Pancake Breakfast and having a Pancake Breakiast and Steak BBQ on Saturday May 5th from 8:00am to 4:00pm along with our annual Hit-A-Thon fundraiser. Pancake breakfast is \$4.00 until noon. Steak BBQ is \$7.00 until 4:00pm Jubilee Jumps will be there all day. All proceeds go to there all day. All proceeds go to operate the League.

Eagles' soccer tourney

The Mendocino College Women's soccer program will host their 4th annual seven-versenament on Saturday, May 12.The first eight teams will be accepted and are guaranteed at least three 40-minute games.The cost for each team is \$100.00 and all games will be played at the Mendocino College stadium.Contact Head Coach Duncan McMartin at 468-3006 or dmcmarti@ mendocino.edu to register for the tournament or for additional information.

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UHS GOLF UPDATE | RANCHO COTATE

UHS qualifies for postseason

McMillen shoots 72;Golf team wins tournament by more than 20 strokes The Daily Journal

The UHS Golf Team has continued to gain momentum all week with continually strong performances and the showing at Rancho Cotate was just icing on the cake.

Ukiah shot an outstanding 381 to win the tournament by 20 strokes. Sonoma was 2nd at 401, Rancho Cotate 3rd at 409, and Maria Carrillo 4th at 414.

"It was great to see our boys shoot 28 strokes better than they did 3 days earlier on the same golf course." said Coach Christ Philbrick. "We're all looking forward to the postseason competition."

J.J. McMillen won 2nd place individual honors with an even par 72 and Max Brazill finished 3rd with a 73. With it's secondplace NBL league finish, Ukiah qualified for postseason play at the NCS Regionals at Chardonnay in Napa on May 7.

McMillen continued to lead the pace for the 'Cats by shooting 72, but other top performers included: 73 Max Brazill, 75 Kirk Little, 80 Jared Hull, 81 Brett Walker, 85 Carson Sheppard and 87 Ben Bertelsen.

The Wildcats season continues at the NCS Regionals on May 7.



J.J. McMillen prepares to sink one of his many puts earlier this season. McMillen lead all UHS Golfers friday when he shot a 72.

NFL DRAFT UPDATE | RAIDERS SELECTIONS Russell was easy choice for Raiders

By JOSH DUBOW **AP Sports Writer**

ALAMEDA — The debate about the No. 1 pick in the NFL draft ended for Raiders coach Lane Kiffin as soon as he sat down and talked with JaMarcus Russell.

impressed with As Russell's leadership as he was with his spectacular play at LSU, Kiffin chose Russell as the player to rebuild the Raiders around.

"There was no doubt in our mind this was the direction we wanted to go," Kiffin said Saturday. "This is someone who's coming in here to compete to play. We know from what we've seen on film and when we've met with him and all the research we've done, going back to when he was extremely young, that this is someone who can come in and help us win games." Russell was the choice over Georgia Tech receiver Calvin Johnson and Notre Dame quarterback Brady Quinn. He was the first quarterback the Raiders have taken in the first round since drafting Todd Marinovich with the 24th pick in 1991. The Raiders had passed on Ben Roethlisberger, Philip Rivers, Matt Leinart and Jay Cutler in recent years but felt Russell was too good to pass up. Kiffin said he'd compete for the starting job right away but put no timetable on when he expected Russell to win the job. The competition got a little tougher later Saturday when the Raiders acquired quarterback Josh McCown and receiver Mike Williams from Detroit for a fourth-round pick Oakland got from Arizona earlier in the day. McCown, who visited the Raiders as a free agent a year ago, made 22 starts with Arizona before backing up Jon Kitna with the Lions last

Russell was the choice over Georgia Tech receiver Calvin Johnson and Notre Dame guarterback Brady Quinn. He was the first guarterback the Raiders have taken in the first round since drafting Todd Marinovich with the 24th pick in 1991.

season.

Walter, a third-round pick in 2005, completed just 53.3 percent of his passes and threw three touchdown passes. He also threw 13 interceptions, lost nine fumbles and was sacked 46 times.

"I just want to go in and be prepared to compete for the job first off," Russell said.

"It seems like people really started to recognize that after the bowl game, when I'd been doing that all along," Russell said.

The biggest questions about Russell heading into the draft were about his work ethic and leadership skills, doubts Kiffin put to rest with his face-to-face meetings and watching how he interacted with his college teammates. "The film made it great, made it real easy," Kiffin said. "But it's more than the film. He has to lead this offense, he has to lead this team. That's what the quarterback does. ... When you went down to the pro day and you watched him work out and you watched the players around him before he worked out, and how they responded to him, it was very obvious that this guy is a natural leader." Oakland scored just 12 offensive touchdowns last season, allowed 72 sacks and scored just 168 points — the fifth fewest in a 16-game sea-The Raiders predictably targeted offensive players Saturday, also picking tight end Zach Miller out of Arizona State in the second round. They then chose defensive end Quentin Moses out of Georgia with the first pick of the third round. The team has made some improvements on the offense, signing running back Dominic Rhodes and offensive lineman Cooper Carlisle, Jeremy Newberry and Cornell Green, but there still is plenty of work

needed to do.

"I feel that was then and this is now," Russell said. "This is a new year coming up and I can't wait to get in and work with the guys, just show them I'm ready to work. And I want them to work as well, so we can get some things changed around. It's part of a process, but we got to go through that process starting out this year." Kiffin also acknowledged he's held talks with other teams about a possible trade of disgruntled wide receiver Randy Moss. New England and Green Bay are the teams most interested in acquiring the former Pro Bowl receiver, who has struggled in two seasons with Oakland. Moss, who made five Pro Bowls in seven seasons with Minnesota, has 102 catches for 1,558 yards and 11 touchdowns with the Raiders. He expressed a desire to be traded last season and has not participated in any of Oakland's offseason workouts or minicamps "We have had a number of calls about Randy and we've fielded those calls and had conversations but I'm not going to go any further than this because that's not what this day is about," Kiffin said. From Russell's perspective, he'd like to have a player like Moss to throw to. "He is still Randy Moss," Russell said. "It's going to be exciting to go one-on-one with each other. I just can't wait to get in and get the opportunity to do that.



"It's a great chance and opportunity for me to go out and try to prove myself and compete for the job. Whether it's right now or I sit behind a guy and push him through practice for however long it takes, I'm just ready to go and compete."

Williams, who played for Kiffin in college at USC, struggled in two NFL seasons since being drafted by Detroit with the 10th pick in 2005. He has started only six games in Detroit, making 37 catches for 449 yards and two touchdowns.

The Raiders are counting on a lot from Russell, whose impressive physical tools had scouts salivating. Russell stands 6-foot-6, 263 pounds, is mobile and can throw the ball 80 yards. Kiffin said Russell can make throws he's only seen made on video games.

Russell went 25-4 and as LSU's starting quarterback, capping his career by throwing for 332 yards and two TDs in a 41-14 Sugar Bowl win over Notre Dame. While that game increased Russell's prominence leading into the draft, it played only a little role in the Raiders' choice to draft him.



By GREG BEACHAM **AP Sports Writer**

OAKLAND — Lucky is the name of Don Nelson's charming pound puppy — and not the reason his Golden State Warriors have the Dallas Mavericks in the playoff doghouse.

The brown-and-white pooch is usually at his master's heels at the Warriors'

including practices, Saturday's headache-free workout at their downtown training complex following the party of the season in Oakland.

But there was no luck involved in Golden State's 109-91 victory Friday night to take a 2-1 lead in the best-ofseven series. On both ends of the court, in nearly every

quarter of the first three games, the Warriors simply have been better than the 67win Mavericks, whose championship hopes could be made or broken in Game 4 Sunday night.

"We can definitely play with them," said Baron Davis, whose playmaking and leadership pushed the Warriors to comfortable leads in both victories. "I can admit we're confident, but everybody can still play better in Game 4. Game 3 was an energy game, an emotional game for us. We just have to ride that emotion the rest of the way."

With Lucky sitting obediently at his feet, Nelson

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NFL DRAFT UPDATE | 49ERS Niners land LB Willis, then

trade up for OT Staley

By GREG BEACHAM **AP Sports Writer**

SANTA CLARA — Three months after the San Francisco 49ers' coaching staff spent a week at the Senior Bowl, they landed two big souvenirs in Patrick Willis and Joe Staley.

The 49ers selected Willis, the award-winning Mississippi linebacker, with the 11th overall pick in Saturday's draft. San Francisco then pulled a surprise, trading next year's firstround pick and a fourthrounder this year for New England's 28th overall selection — which they used on Staley, a powerful offensive tackle from Central Michigan.

Both players spent a week in January with coach Mike Nolan and his staff in Alabama, where the 49ers' coaches have twice served as volunteer coaches at the Senior Bowl, the all-star game where dozens of prospects show off their skills.

After watching Willis and Staley during those practices three months ago, the 49ers decided both players can be cornerstones of the future ---even though Staley had no idea he made such an impression on the 49ers.

"There's a common theme here," Nolan acknowledged. "From a character standpoint, a work ethic standpoint, all those things we look for in somebody — things you can only find by spending time with people — are really important.

With the 76th overall pick in the third round, the 49ers selected Washington State receiver Jason Hill — a San Francisco native whose 200person draft party in the city exploded with excitement at the news.

Willis spent several hours after Senior Bowl practices with 49ers assistant Mike Singletary, who knows linebackers. Offensive line coach George Warhop had glowing reviews for Staley, so the 49ers made a move to acquire two first-round picks for the second straight season.

Once Willis got over the excitement of being around the former Chicago Bears star, he realized Singletary has It's been a dream of mine since I was a little boy.'

In Willis, Nolan claimed he got the top player on his draft board — a physical, speedy tackler with all the skills necessary to fill any role on the defense. The 49ers figure Willis eventually will form a formidable linebacker tandem with Manny Lawson, their first-round draft pick last season

"He'll make an impact right away as a third-down linebacker," Nolan said. "On first and second downs, he'll compete for a spot, but he should make an impact on us right away.'

Singletary praised Willis' work ethic and enthusiasm, but stopped short of comparing Willis to himself.

"He certainly makes our defense faster," Singletary said. "He certainly adds speed. It gives us some versatility. Wherever the ball is, there's a good chance he's going to be around it. He has good vision, and he has all the intangibles — the speed, the desire and the instinct to find the football."

The Niners' biggest surprise was their risky move to get Staley, a converted tight end who became a dominant 310-pound left tackle with the Chippewas of the Mid-American Conference.

Nolan sacrificed his 2008 first-round pick and this season's 110th overall pick to land Staley, who probably will replace Kwame Harris as the 49ers' starting right tackle this fall. Nolan then swung a deal with his second-round pick to acquire Indianapolis' firstround pick next season.

Staley, whose 4.7-second time in the 40-yard dash made him the fastest offensive lineman at the combine, was as surprised as San Francisco's fans to hear he was headed to the West Coast. He enjoyed playing for Warhop at the Senior Bowl, but never thought the partnership would continue.

"I didn't really know that they were interested," Staley said. "I'm glad the 49ers traded up and picked me. I got a little taste of their offense when I was down at the Senior Bowl, and I'm just

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Monday, April 30: Utah at Houston, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 3: Houston at Utah, TBD, if necessary Saturday, May 5: Utah at Houston, TBD, if neces∘ sary

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NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

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plenty to teach him.

"I got to know him really well," Willis said. "I'm ready to go there and give him everything I've got, and give the organization everything I have.

Willis was named the SEC's defensive player of the year after leading the league in tackles for two straight seasons, and Nolan believes he'll eventually become the ballhawking weak-side linebacker that's critical to San Francisco's 3-4 defense. He'll compete with 11-year starter Derek Smith for the No. 1 job in training camp — and Willis believes he'll win it.

"I still can't even believe it," said Willis, who also won the Butkus Award as the nation's top linebacker. "My heart's still beating hard. I'm just so excited to get out there.

excited to get started.

Hill, who attended Sacred Heart High School, earned a reputation as a gutsy big-play receiver at Washington State despite an injury-plagued senior year. He turned scouts' heads with a dizzying 4.32second time in the 40-yard dash at the combine, but was frustrated when several receivers were chosen ahead of him.

"I'm happy to stay home, and playing in front of my family means the world to me," said Hill, who grew up with five siblings in the city's Fillmore district.

"I was motivated as it was, but you can times that by 10. I plan on making a splash. I plan on not playing like a third-round pick. I plan on playing like a top-10 pick, and that's my word.'

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Spies wins first leg of **Fontana Superbike**

The victory extends Spies' series lead to 14 points over Mladin.

The Associated Press

FONTANA — Ben Spies rallied to win the first leg of AMA Superbike the Championship doubleheader on Saturday at California Speedway, beating Suzuki teammate Mat Mladin of Australia.

Spies, the defending series champ, passed Mladin on the 10th lap and pulled away to a 6.739-second margin — the largest margin of victory of the season.

Mladin was coming off a

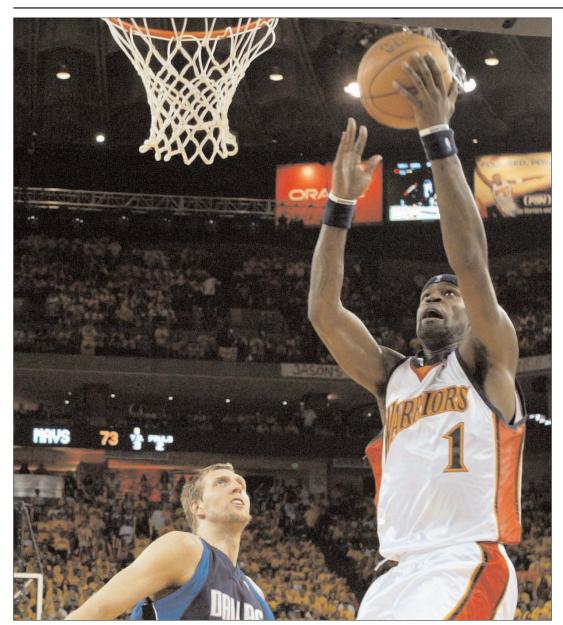
doubleheader sweep last weekend in Birmingham, Ala., that pulled him within eight points of Spies in the standings.

"I got beat pretty good last week and I had to regroup," Spies said. "It took a little longer than I wanted to get around Mat, but I finally did and had a pretty easy race after that. I know it won't be so easy tomorrow."

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Eric Bostrom finished third on a Yamaha, the first AMA Superbike podium finish for Yamaha in five years.

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Sean Connelley/The Oakland Tribune Stephen Jackson drives by Dallas Mavericks Dirk Nowitzki in the fourth quarter during their first-round playoff game at Oracle Arena on Friday.

Underdogs

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refused to change his underdog stance even after watching the Warriors dismantle Dallas in Golden State's first home playoff game since 1994 — although Nelson grinningly acknowledges he has fibbed about such things before.

"We're not the best team in this series," Nelson said. "To have a chance, we've got to play over our heads. ... It's not a philosophy. It's true. We're the underdog. I don't have to prove it."

But as anybody in the deafening crowd at Oracle Arena on Friday night could attest, for all but a few minutes in this stunning first-round playoff series. Golden State is playing aggressive, carefree basketball, with Davis and fellow starters Jason Richardson, Stephen Jackson and Monta Ellis taking turns dissecting Dallas' defense with ball movement and drives to the hoop. Though the Warriors depended on proficient 3point shooting during the regular season, they're struggling behind the line (20-for-73) and even those misses haven't mattered. The Mavericks were considerably more subdued during a workout at the Warriors' arena. With probable league MVP Dirk Nowitzki struggling to wreak his usual offensive havoc, Dallas seems disoriented and reactionary against the Warriors' freeflowing offensive attack. Just a week ago, this matchup with former coach Nelson was an intriguing detour on their expected path back to the NBA finals. It has become a nightmare — and a big test of the Mavs' playoff toughness and leadership early in the two-month postseason. "(Game 4) is a must-win for us as we look at it," said Jerry Stackhouse, who had 10 points on 3-of-9 shooting Friday night. "Because either we go back home and protect home, or come back here with the chance of possibly dropping the series with this type of crowd and atmosphere that they have here." Stackhouse, Jason Terry and Devin Harris were a combined 11-for-31 from the field in Game 3, and nobody on the

Anybody in the deafening crowd at Oracle Arena on Friday night could attest, the Warriors have been a better team than the Mavericks for all but a few minutes in this stunning first-round playoff series.

Mavericks' roster made more than 50 percent of his shots. But Dallas has sometimes survived such struggles thanks to Nowitzki, whose unorthodox offensive brilliance is the center of Dallas' game plan.

But the Warriors have marginalized and frustrated the German star, usually with Jackson leading a pesky defensive effort. And when Nowitzki got frustrated as the Mays fell behind in Game 3, the Warriors have been a bet- he took just four shots in the ter team than the Mavericks second half - a surefire recipe for disaster in Big D. "I'm just making him work, putting my body against him," Jackson said. "You can't stop him, but you've got to make him work. And it's not just me, it's a bunch of guys. We're not doing anything that everybody else hasn't done, but we're just having some success.' Nowitzki's subdued manner after Game 3 reflected the pressure sitting squarely on his shoulders. He knows anything less than a championship will be a huge disappointment in Dallas after the best regular season in franchise history.

Citing the Mavericks' poor starts in both losses and their decided lack of resilience late in the games, coach Avery Johnson is wondering about his team's mental state when faced with such a surprising challenge so early in the playoff schedule.

"I graduated in psychology, and I had this professor named Dr. Kessler, and she really stretched me mentally," Johnson said. "Let's think about that. If you get to the finals and you lose, then what are you supposed to do coming into next season?

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Detroit News/David Guralnick

San Jose goalie Evgeni Nabokov in the third period, as the Detroit Red Wings play the San Jose Sharks in Game 2 of the second round of the Western Conference Stanley Cup playoffs at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit on Saturday. The Wings won 3-2.

Sharks fall in close game

By LARRY LAGE AP Sports Writer

DĖTROIT Pavel and Henrik Datsyuk Zetterberg answered the call for the Detroit Red Wings' top players to be at their best.

Datsyuk scored off a rebound with 1:24 left and Zetterberg's goal started a comeback in Detroit's 3-2 victory over the San Jose Sharks on Saturday that evened the Western Conference semifinal at a game apiece.

"Zetterberg and Datsyuk won us the game," said Daniel Cleary, who scored the tying, short-handed goal.

Early on, the Sharks were dominant and looked as if they were headed to a 2-0 lead in the series. Joe Thornton had a goal

and an assist in the first 4:17, and San Jose held onto the two-goal lead until Zetterberg scored late in the first period. It took Detroit nearly 13 minutes to get a shot.

The Sharks made a rare mistake early in the third period with a Detroit-like giveaway. Cleary made them pay for it with the shorthanded goal that made 2-all.

San Jose had two power plays midway through the

"We had opportunities throughout the game and Hasek made some great saves," San Jose coach Ron Wilson said. "But I think about the dumb mistakes we made in the third period that you can't make in a playoff

game.' Game 3 is Monday night in San Jose.

Joe Louis Arena was quiet when the Sharks jumped ahead early again, but the fans got revved up as Detroit rallied unlike the series opener when it lost 2-0.

The crowd collectively screamed and jumped to its

feet when Datsyuk scored. Zetterberg carried the puck behind the net and got it to Mikael Samuelsson, whose shot from the left circle deflected toward a swooping Datsyuk in front of crease and he beat the sprawled Nabokov.

Detroit finished strong after a second straight awful start.

After turning the puck over 27 times in Game 1, the Red Wings had two giveaways right away and Kirk Maltby's led to Jonathan Cheechoo's goal.

Hasek made a lackluster pass from behind the net toward the right circle, leading to Milan Michalek's deflected by San Jose defenseman Kyle McLaren, giving the Red Wings the type goal they scored rarely during recent playoff flops. "It gave us belief and the momentum," Cleary said.

San Jose's Christian Ehrhoff and Bill Guerin combined for a giveaway that led to the tying goal.

"He was looking to give it to me, but I wasn't expecting it," Guerin said.

Ehroff's weak pass in the Sharks' zone was wasn't handled by Guerin, and Cleary pounced on the puck and wound up for slap shot that found the back of the net 1:23 into the final period.

After the game, Cleary shook his head in disbelief when asked about the external pressure placed on Datsyuk and Zetterberg young stars leading the Red Wings' new-look franchise.

Notes: Detroit was without F Tomas Holmstrom (eye) and D Brett Lebda (ankle). ... Red Wings D Chris Chelios played in his 236th playoff game, tying Mark Messier on the career list and trailing only Patrick Roy (247). ... Thornton has at least one assist in five straight games. ... The Red Wings, Pistons and Tigers

"I don't know what other approach we should have taken in terms of coming back and talking about doing all the detail and the little things and giving ourselves a chance. ... This last game, we got off to a poor start, and we didn't have a good anything the rest of the game. We weren't looking internally to see what's wrong with our team."

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final period, but took only one shot on the first opportunity and three on the second.

Detroit's Dominik Hasek made 17 saves, and Evgeni Nabokov stopped 19 shots.

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assist for Thornton.

"On all the goals, we turned the puck over when we didn't have to," Babcock said.

played simultaneously Saturday. ... Detroit had 24 giveaways and San Jose had 12. ... San Jose was 0-for-6 on the power play and Zetterberg's goal was Detroit was 0-for-3.





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Alaska politicans fight to block polar bear protections

By DAN JOLING **The Associated Press**

ANCHORAGE, Alaska --A proposal to list polar bears as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act has Alaska politicians seeing green, as in the color of money that could be lost if a bear recovery plan hinders the state's resource development.

Gov. Sarah Palin and a majority of legislators strongly oppose the listing, and say the acknowledged intent behind it -- curbing greenhouse gas emissions nationally -- should be debated in another forum, not a law aimed at protecting animals.

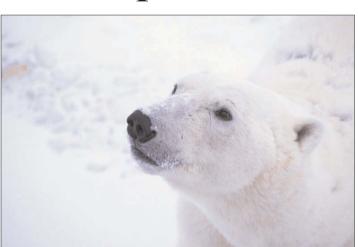
"I'm not comfortable with Alaska being used as a pawn in that game," said state Rep. Craig Johnson, R-Anchorage, a leading opponent.

But the rules of the listing game call for a decision to be based on science, and the official Palin administration response says polar bears are thriving, that global warming science is inconclusive and that bears are not threatened by human activity -- a claim conservation groups have labeled "ridiculous."

"No one who purports to have even a moderate understanding of the climate literature could possibly fail to be aware of this research, and therefore I must conclude that it is a deliberate attempt to mislead," said Kassie Siegel, an attorney for the Center Biological Diversity, and the author of the original 154-page petition laying out the original case for listing polar bears.

Polar bears are classified as marine mammals because they spend most of their lives on sea ice, using it to hunt seals, breed and travel. The proposed listing is based to a large extent on the threat to sea ice.

The National Snow and Ice Data Center at the University of Colorado September reported minimum summer sea ice for 2006 at 2.2 million square miles. Since satellite monitoring began in 1979, the summer sea ice minimum has declined 8.59 percent per decade, a rate that will make the Arctic Ocean ice free by 2060, according to NSIDC research scientist Julienne Stroeve. The Fish and Wildlife Service in December determined that listing polar bears as threatened -- in danger of extinction in a significant portion of its range -- was warranted, pending further review and public testimony. Palin, elected in November,



claims the agency did not use the best scientific and commercial information available.

The official state testimony claims sea ice is melting, but the Fish and Wildlife Service picked out the most extreme climate models to predict future effects. State officials say scientists disagree over human's role in warming, a more comprehensive evaluation is needed and that polar bears can adapt to less ice.

The application for this listing is based on the unfounded, unproven scientific hypotheses that climate change is caused by human activity, in the form of increased release of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere," said House Speaker

John Harris, a Valdez

Republican. That's a view in contrast to world climate experts who made up the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. They reported in February that global warming "very likely" is caused by human use of fossil fuels such as oil, gas and coal. Environmental groups

say that unless countermeasures are taken, warming will melt the prime habitat of polar bears. Even if sea ice does not disappear, they say, warming could push its edge well beyond the continental shelf, creating a watery barrier or hazard for polar bears trying to reach

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Yellowstone grizzlies 'recovered;' fight over their future continues

The Associated Press

BILLINGS, Mont. -- One of the most pristine expanses of wilderness in the lower 48 states grew even wilder over the last two decades, with the resurgence of grizzly bears across 9 million acres in and around Yellowstone National Park.

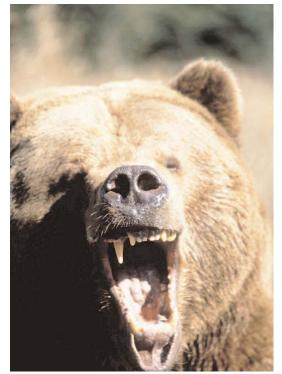
On Monday, those grizzlies will be cut loose from protection under the federal Endangered Species Act. The move is being hailed by the Bush administration as a landmark in the drive to protect the bears' vast habitat.

But a lawsuit to reverse the administration's ruling already is being drafted, illustrating that the bitter fight over grizzlies -- and the wild lands they roam -- is far from over.

The preservation groups behind the pending legal challenge claim the administration is delisting grizzlies as part of its agenda to expand logging, oil and gas exploration and grazing on Western lands. They also argue the administration is ignoring new perils for grizzlies, in global warming and the boom in vacation home construction that is sweeping across the West.

"This is politics pure and simple. This is an animal that needs a significant amount of habitat, and there's a lot of interest in using some of that room and some of that habitat" for other purposes, said Louisa Wilcox, who heads the Wild Bears Project for the Natural Resources Defense Council, one of eight groups preparing a joint lawsuit over Yellowstone-area grizzlies.

Federal wildlife officials and some conservation groups say the litigation could throw a cloud over the entire endangered species program, obscuring one of the program's rare suc-



cess stories.

"I don't think the Endangered Species Act has to be the club to always hold over peoples' heads," said Mitch King, regional director for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "What we need to do is turn populations around, get them on the right track, and then work with states and other agencies to keep them on the right track.'

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Polar

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Sea ice loss so far has not meant fewer polar bears, Johnson said. According to testimony submitted by Palin administration officials, even a 30 percent decline in the total population of polar bears within 35 to 50 years, as predicted by the polar bear group of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources, the world's largest conservation network, is not enough to warrant a listing. Such a drop "does not result in a population that is threatened with extinction," they contend.

Polar bears have survived two historic periods of warming and likely can do it again, Johnson said. He not so sure, he said, that Alaska could survive the polar bear being listed.

Alaska's economy is fueled by petroleum and elected officials fear that a polar bear recovery plan, plus the third-party lawsuits it would spawn, could gum up Arctic resource development and the next hoped-for boom, a pipeline to carry 35 trillion cubic feet of natural gas to customers in the Lower 48 states.

Roughly 85 percent of Alaska's general fund money comes from royalties and taxes on the oil industry, but the trans-Alaska pipeline has for years been

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running less than half full as reserves dwindle down. It has been political suicide for a politician to suggest instituting an income tax or tapping the earnings of the Alaska Permanent Fund, a \$38 billion bank account that provides residents with an annual check. So the Legislature and the governor are pushing for a natural gas pipeline that will provide continued pain-free income, not to mention jobs.

"It is important that we prevent listing the polar bear as threatened, not only because the designation is not clearly supported by science, but because it will be used as leverage to stop development projects across the country, including our own natural gas pipeline," said Sen. Gary Wilken, R-Fairbanks.

Conservation groups call the state's position an attempt to manufacture uncertainty where none exists.

"Overall, the state of Alaska has completely lost any credibility it might have had on this issue by submitting this outrageous letter," Siegel said.

Deborah Williams, a former Interior Department special assistant for Alaska and now president of Alaska Conservation Solutions, a group aimed at pursuing solutions for climate change, called the state response misguided and regrettable.

"This is the state of Alaska," she said. "They ought to be speaking from the most complete set of scientific evidence that have, and they ought to speak to it fairly."

The state's submission fails to counter or even address recent Alaska polar bear research showing fewer Beaufort Sea cubs surviving, smaller body weights and skull sizes, plus drownings, cannibalism and starvation, she said. That's in contrast to the Fish and Wildlife Service's own initial review published Jan. 9 in the Federal Register.

The agency is sifting through more than more than 400,000 electronic comments plus boxes of written comment lining a wall in an Anchorage office. Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne is required to render his decision by January.

On the Net: Fish and Wildlife Service polar bear profile and proposed listing: http://ecos.fws.gov /speciesProfile /SpeciesReport.do?spcodeA 0IJ

State of Alaska polar bear comment: http://www.adfg.state.ak.us /special/esa /polarbears/state--comments4-9 -07.pdf

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Grizzly

Continued from Page A-11 Four other grizzly populations in the Northern Rockies will retain their "threatened' status.

As many as 50,000 grizzlies once ranged the western half of the United States. Adults can top 6 feet tall and reach 600 pounds, -- striking terror in early European settlers who routinely shot, poi-soned and trapped grizzlies until they were reduced to less than 2 percent of their historic range.

The Yellowstone-area population has grown from an estimated 200 animals in 1981 to more than 600 today in parts of Montana, Wyoming and Idaho.

Their rebound followed a lengthy effort to reduce human influences within the lush river valleys, sprawling mountain ranges and dense where bears woodlands reside.

Grazing permits for thou-sands of sheep were retired. Federal agencies removed more than 1,000 miles of forest roads. Logging was decreased. Backcountry travelers were instructed to store food and trash that could otherwise lure bears into fatal conflicts with humans.

Even then, the bear's return was painfully slow. Females reproduce on average every three years, sometimes bearing only a single cub. And grizzlies need ample room to thrive -- up to 600 square miles for adult males.

After grizzlies were listed as a threatened species in 1975, conflicts with humans

remained the No. 1 source of bear deaths. From poaching to rural highway collisions, human activity accounted for 303 of 414 bear deaths in the Yellowstone area from 1973 to 2004, according to the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Federal wildlife officials say the recent habitat improvements around Yellowstone will ensure grizzlies a permanent retreat.

U.S. Forest Service documents indicate at least 476,000 acres of the grizzly's habitat is available for future logging and 794,000 acres for oil and gas exploration. But Chris Servheen, the biologist who led the grizzly recovery effort, said almost 80 percent of suitable bear habitat in the region is considered "secure" meaning it is away from roads and unlikely to be developed.

"These changes are institu-tionalized now," Servheen said.

He added that money now spent on Yellowstone grizzlies, more than \$20 million to date, would be better directed toward the four remaining threatened grizzly populations or toward other species on the endangered list.

A spokesman for U.S. Sen. Craig Thomas, R-Wyo., who spent years prodding federal wildlife officials to lift protections for Yellowstone-area grizzlies, said their change in status would allow ranchers and others who live near grizzlies to resume working the land without fear of government intrusion.

But critics say Yellowstone's bears have been abandoned just as new threats to their existence emerge.

Global warming is blamed for the death of vast stands of whitebark pine trees that are a staple of the bears' diet. And mountain vacation homes are pressing ever closer to Yellowstone, increasing the potential for run-ins with humans that inevitably result in dead bears.

On April 10, an eastern Idaho man was mauled by a grizzly that was guarding a moose carcass near a rural subdivision. Five days later, game wardens captured and killed the bear.

To Wilcox, the incident underscored her contention that 9 million acres could prove too small an enclave for an animal that could be forced to look elsewhere for food as warmer weather alters its habitat.

That could prove impossible in at least in one state: Wyoming has drawn a line around occupied grizzly habitat and made clear any bears that cross it will be removed or killed.

Montana has adopted a more flexible plan, with the of encouraging hope Yellowstone grizzlies to link up with another bear population to the north, along the Continental Divide. That migration is considered key to maintaining the bears' genetic diversity. If it doesn't happen, federal biologists say they may be forced to transplant new bears into Yellowstone once a generation.

For now, though, King said the Yellowstone population remains strong.

"If 15 years from now something shows up as a problem, let's deal with that 15 years from now," he said.





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Parents and children are invited to an afternoon tea party with the kindergarten teachers. Experience play in a Waldorf kindergarten while enjoying tea and cookies. Children will make a Mother's Day present to bring home, while parents learn about the Waldorf kindergarten program.

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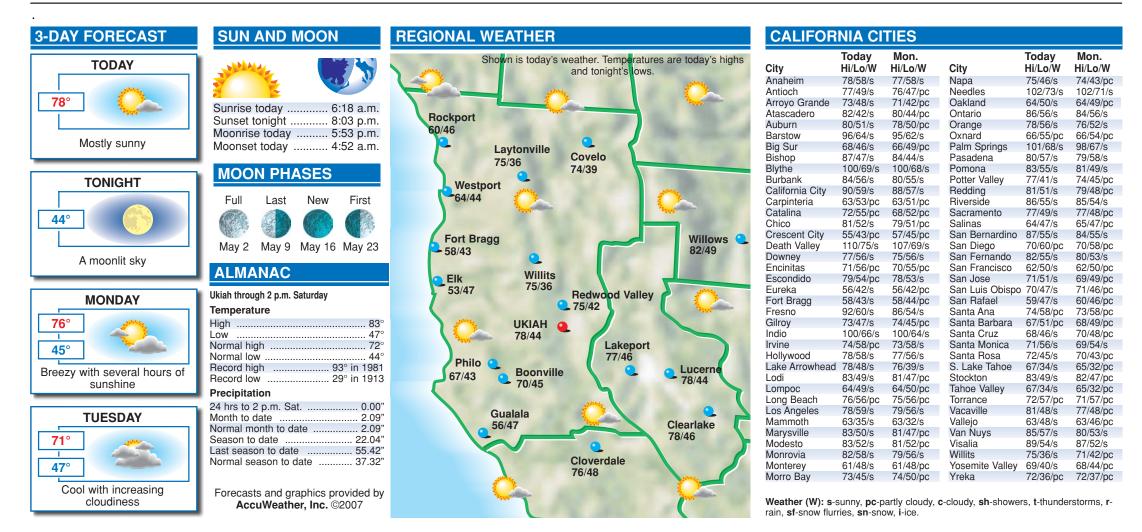
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deterred.

The bill would require that junk-metal dealers and recyclers pay sellers of scrap metal by check, 10-days after the sale. Dealers would also have the choice of keeping a visual recording, either a photograph or video, of everyone who sells scrap metal, or holding the metal for 15 days in the state it was purchased in.

"This bill will be of great assistance in stopping metal theft in California," Berryhill said. "While there are several existing regulations for the purchase of metals by junk dealers and recyclers, it is clear that more is needed."

The theft of copper has increased dramatically in recent years as the price paid by scrap dealers has gone up. Farmers, utility companies and construction companies have suffered as thieves have striped the copper wiring from houses and stolen copper components from irrigation pumps.

According to the California State Sheriff's Association, the primary driving factor behind metal-theft is drug abuse. Enforcing a 10-day waiting period on payments would mean thieves who steal to support a drug habit could not get their money quickly, thus making the theft a less desirable way of getting cash to buy drugs.

"The alarming increase in these thefts is a result of the ease of getting cash in order to buy drugs, and the drug of choice is methamphetamine," Galgiani said.

Requiring scrap-metal dealers to keep pictures or video of those who sell scrap metal, or making them keep the metal for 15 days, is expected to help in criminal investigations.

In Ukiah, two different groups of men have been arrested on suspicion of trying to steal copper from the old Masonite site on North State

Street.

Michael Estrada, 25, and Angel Valenzuella, 23, both of Vallejo, were arrested on suspicion of burglary and parole violations in November of 2006 for allegedly breaking into the Masonite building to steal copper wiring

Later that same month, Victor Renderos, 44 and Raymond Moody, 48, both of Vallejo, were arrested on suspicion of burglary and conspiracy to commit a crime after they were found on the grounds of Masonite.

Joseph Garcia, 39, David Latt, 38, and Alexander Posadas, 43, all of Vallejo, as well as Neil Kollar, 41, of Suisin City, were found on Kunzler Ranch Road and arrested on suspicion of burglary for allegedly trying to steal copper from Masonite.

Local scrap dealers pay about \$1 per-pound for clean copper. Bay Area recycling centers will pay between \$2.20 per-pound and \$3 perpound.

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Investigation led officers to

Noe said the boy was cited

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"It's tiring," sixth-grader

Bradley Ryan admitted, and

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Wine

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Building Retreat, Health and Human Services and Government and Planning, just to name a few. These classes are always offered the third Friday of the month. Each class day is different, but the classes always present information and ideas of current and historical significance to Mendocino County leaders. Cool, huh?

According to Leadership Mendocino Executive Director, Suzanne Pletcher, "We consider our program a work in progress. We are adding more leadership development and focusing more on communication." Classes are still available - for more info about Leadership Mendocino or to sign up for classes, check out their web site at www.leadershipmendocino.co m. You'll probably see me at some of those classes - I came away from the evening very impressed with the whole program.

OK, on to talks of terroir nd the wine tasting. Terroir (tehr-WAHR) is a French word that literally means "soil," but it really encompasses more than that the type of soil (gravelly, chalky, sandy, etc), water drainage, the angle of the hillside and microclimate are all factors that influence the finished wine. In a nutshell, or a wine glass, if you will - that's terroir. Martha Barra was the first of the three speakers to explain talk about the effects of terroir on their wines at Barra Vineyard. "Terroir transcends the winemaker's signature. The sunny days and cool nights we have here create wines with higher acidity and good tannic structure" she

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said with a smile. Her hus- tasty food and conversation, band, Charlie Barra has been growing grapes here in Mendocino County for 61 years. Put that in your glass and drink it!

Speaking of drinking, as Martha was discussing terroir, servers started walking around the tables, pouring wines. Participants were poured a selection of six wines from Barra, Bonterra and Parducci during the talks on terroir. One common terroir thread that I noticed in the wines was that they all had excellent structure with balanced acidity (the feeling that makes your mouth water for another sip). All of the wines were absolutely delicious, too.

As we were sipping the wines, Bob Blue, winemaker for Fetzer Vineyards and Mark Beaman, winemaker from Mendocino Wine Company (formerly Parducci Vineyards) spoke about their wines, wineries and how terroir plays its role in their winemaking.

I did have a couple of favorite wines of the evening -The Barra 2003 Cabernet Sauvignon is a \$60 Cabernet in a \$21 dress! Alluring aromas of black cherry, mocha, cedar and vanilla lured me into a luscious mouthful of consistent flavors that lingered through the finish. I also absolutely loved the Bonterra 2005 Roussanne. This white Rhône varietal is zippy and crisp, with mouthwatering scents of citrus, baked apple toasted almonds, minerals and tea. The mouthfeel is bright and juicy and loaded with similar flavors that continue through the finish. A steal at

and collectively contributed over \$10,000 to support Leadership Mendocino. We rock!

Check back here next Sunday for the results of our Zinfandel tasting!

Question of the week: Q: What is a "Meritage" wine?

A: Meritage (rhymes with heritage) is a term that was coined in 1988 and trademarked in 1989 by a group of American vintners (called the Meritage Association) who wished to institute standards of identification for a category of American blended wines made with traditional Bordeaux grape varieties. In order for an American blended wine to meet Meritage standards, it must conform to the following qualifications:

1. It must be a blend of two or more Bordeaux varieties – for red wines these are Sauvignon, Cabernet Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Petite Verdot and Malbec. For white wines these are Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon and Muscadelle.

2. No more than 90 per-

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an hour while UPD officers sheriff's and deputies searched buildings, both for victims and for potential suspects.

Due to the belief that an

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grader Nicole Adams said.

"I think it's a great source of exercise," sixth grader Kirstie Harmon said, as she did just that with the rest of the students. Harmon made \$10, she said.

Second grader Keana Pulido, walking hand-in-hand with her friend Mercedez Abel, also in second grade, said she raised \$182 for the walk-a-thon which she was clearly enjoying, hot outside or not.

Asked what she liked best about it, Pulido said simply, "The walking."

Over-hearing the question, a young passerby said, "It's good exercise for you."

Anthony Rynearson, in the



the area, officers spread out down the street, carrying rifles a 14-year-old boy who had and using buildings and patrol made the call on a cell phone vehicles for cover. as a prank.

armed suspect might still be in reported the crime.

"It certainly got people's attention," Smallcomb said. When a door to door search

of Laws Avenue did not reveal any victims, officers began to look for the person who

third grade, said, "I can't returned their pledge sheets really run or skip, but it's would get ice-cream cones, courtesy of McDonald's in

"And the walk-a-thon is really sweaty," his third-grade friend, Andrew Burris, added.

fun.'

Yuliana Gonzalez, also in the third grade, said she, too, was sweaty, but having fun. Why?

"Cause at the end of this you get tickets for free ice cream," she said, referring to the fact that students who



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The evening was a smash success - 150 happy locals (including one Wine Wench) got out of the rain, learned about terroir, tasted some excellent wines, enjoyed some

cent of any single varietal may go into a Meritage wine.

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4. It must be produced and bottled by a U.S. winery from grapes that carry a U.S. appellation.

5. Its production is limited to a maximum of 25,000 cases per vintage.

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Questions or comments?

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Eight Enchanting Gardens Creative Garden tour to



Ernie Fine's garden has olive trees and roses, as well as a variety of vegetables

By REBECCA LANDRUM-RAMA Special for the Journal

The Garden Tour is on Sunday, May 20 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for Eight Enchanting Gardens and can be bought at Mendo Book Co. Delicious refreshments will be served and we will have gardeners to answer your questions at each garden. Proceeds for this fund-raiser will help the Ukiah Garden Club expand it's services, as well as help the Hospice of Ukiah, another volunteer organization.

While we love children, please, no children under 12, and absolutely no pets, for obvious reasons. We do recommend sensible shoes, a sun hat and your camera. You're going to see some really beautiful things and you're going to want to remember them. This is the perfect opportunity to get ideas for your own yard and garden as well as talk to a Garden Club member about what we do.

This is the fifth in a series about the gardens on the tour.

Ernie Fine has a name to match his character. He starthomes and has added the love

buildings on the eastern side of town and out of site of the road or public view, is a little world unto itself.

He has put his hardscape in first, which is very wise. (Hardscape is the term for walkways and buildings, and anything that isn't a plant.) He's got a wonderful large covered patio as well as a smaller paved sunny one, walkways in crushed gravel just like a Mediterranean garden and wonderful vineyard views.

He's been concentrating on planting his flowerbeds for the last couple of years and is learning, as we all do, what works and what doesn't. He's getting the hang of it pretty quickly and has filled them with roses, perennials and annuals that do very well in our special climate. Up the poles of the covered patio are Cecille Brunner roses that will, in no time, cover them as well as the rooftop with her glorious pale pink blossoms everywhere and filling the air with her luscious scent. There are irises, as you can see from the photo, in addition to salvias, lavenders, veronica ed by helping people find their and daisies. There are blooming annuals too, as well as herbs of course. He has a raised bed off to the side of the covered patio filled with asparagus, artichokes, and other veges just begging to be cut and cooked. Around a corner and down a little ways are rows of tomatoes, and squash and berries, some in ground, others in raised beds. Ernie has big dreams of creating a country gentleman's vegetable garden, and he's got a great start on it. As one of our newest members to the Ukiah Garden Club, Ernie's soaking up knowledge like a sponge, taking it directly out to his gardens and putting it to good use. Twenty seven roses went in this year, and he has over 30 olive trees expressly for table olives. He's been taking agriculture courses at the college and will keep going until he knowledge is complete. His future plans for the garden include installing trellises and

more seating as well as improving the structure of the gardens and as always, more plants. If you garden, you know that getting more plants is one of the constant joys of being a gardener. Another is getting to spend a lot of time outside.

"I love being outside early in the morning, communing with nature. The earlier the better. It's one of my favorite things. I also love entertaining and sharing the wine I make." He has created a perfect place to taste his wine in full view of the beautiful blooms that fill his garden beds. "The flower and vegetable gardens are a natural extension of growing grapes and it's amazing when it works!"

This garden is a direct result of an incredibly generous and intelligent man who's showing us all that learning new things and sharing them with others is one of the greatest joys of life. It's so fine, just like Ernie.

benefit Ukiah Junior Academy



The Daily Journal

The public is encouraged to mark their calendars for Ukiah's first garden tour of 2007 season.

On Sunday, May 6, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., participants may visit through 10 local gardens never before seen on a tour. The garden tour is benefiting the Ukiah Junior Academy remodeling project. Ukiah Junior Academy is a Seventh-day Adventist Christian school providing Christian education to the Ukiah community for over 50 years. UJA is located at 188 Stipps Lane, just off South State Street in Ukiah.

Nickel Creek Nursery and Lorenzi Landscaping have donated the grand raffie prize, a water fountain. The fountain is a classic style that would go with any garden, It has two lev-

Ukiah Valley Medical Center

els, a bubbler on the top, and stands approximately four feet tall. Pictured above is the fountain, certainly a center piece for the Garden Shop.

Dr. Shelly Cheneweth has donated the first raffie prize, Zoom Whitening, a professional in-office teeth whitening treatment. The Oak Valley Nursery has donated the second prize for the raffle a lovely Shirofugen Cherry Tree, a double flowering cherry tree, pictured above, next to the fountain, Many other additional items have been donated to the Garden Shop and raffle.

The Garden Shop will be located at the Tandy Garden, Plants, garden items and raffle tickets will be for sale at the Garden Shop, All ticket holders automatically receive a raf-

the Ukiah Jurnior Academy stand around the grand prize of the raffle being held at their Garden Tour. The fountain was donated by Nickel Creek Nursery.

Students of

fle ticket. You need not be present at the drawing to win. Come have questions answered by garden expert, Noni Chaney.

There is a map for the garden tour on the tickets. Brenda Porco-Smith will cater a wonderful luncheon at the Tandy garden, located at 900 Doolan Canyon Road. There are only 50 tickets available for this luncheon, so tickets should be purchased soon.

Tour and additional raffle tickets are available at the Mendocino Book Company, Rod's Shoes, the Living Water Bible House, Ukiah Junior Academy and the Ukiah Seventh-day Adventist Church office.

For further in information, contact Noni Chaney 468-5816 or Karen Stewart 467-9538.

of growing things. This year he's celebrating his 30th year in real estate sales as well as property management. Hailing from good Midwestern stock, he found his home here in our valley in 1971. Twenty years ago he started planting a vineyard that produces what he calls, "heavy red country wine" and two years ago, he followed the natural extension of things and put in flower and vegetable gardens. Of course, it's not just any ol' garden. It sings with possibility and promise.

The garden sits behind a group of buildings and, like in the Mediterranean where on the street side you see just a stuccoed wall, if you can get inside, ah well, then you begin to understand. Go past the front door and there are gardens and oasis and peace away from the world. Ernie's garden, hidden behind some



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Hospice grief recovery support group to start May 7

Hospice of Ukiah will be offering a new Grief Recovery Support Group starting Monday, May 7, and running for 8 weeks through June 25. Open to the public, this 2hour weekly meeting will convene from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Hospice of Ukiah office at 620 S. Dora, Suite 101.

The series is open to any adult who is grieving a death. This is an opportunity to express feelings of loss in a safe atmosphere and to learn information and techniques for moving through the bereavement process. The group is educational as well as supportive. Each week focuses on different aspects of the grieving process, and includes helpful written handouts to take home as well as suggested exercises to work on during the week.

What's "normal" when you are grieving? How do people handle feeling depressed, stuck, angry, guilty, and stress? How can memories be healing and not just painful reminders? What's the best way to approach upcoming holidays and anniversaries? Simply committing to coming to the Grief Group once a week and being with others going through a similar experience can be an important component of moving forward into one's new life without the person who has died.

There is no charge for participation in the group. Hospice of Ukiah, Inc., is a volunteer hospice supported by donations which are always welcome. For more information and to register, call 391-8013.

La Vida Charter School to hold annual open house and performance today

On Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m., La Vida Charter School is set to hold it's annual open house and performance. The performance begins at 2:30 p.m. All are welcome.

La Vida is a free public Charter School that offers independent study supported by culturally rich, child centered onsite classes one to two days per week for all grades, Kindergarten through Twelfth. La Vida is now enrolling for next year. La Vida Charter School is located on Ridgewood Ranch between Willits and Ukiah.

For more information, call 459-6344.

Scholarship available to college-bound St. Mary's alumni; deadline Tuesday

Each year the St. Mary's School Foundation awards a scholarship to a graduating high

school senior who is a St. Mary's alumni. Scholarship forms are available at Ukiah High School from the office of Vice-Principal Dan Stearns. The form may also be downloaded from St. Mary's School's website, St. Mary's from website, www.stmarysukiah.org.

In addition to graduating from St. Mary's, in order to qualify for the scholarship, the student must: exemplify the ideals of the St. Mary's philosophy in the areas of spirituality, academics, extra curricular activities, and community service; be in their senior year of high school; be Catholic or a baptized Christian; be registered at a college for the freshman term.

The scholarship is awarded at the UHS graduation awards ceremony. Interested alumni are invited to pick up an application and apply. For more information, contact Kathy Ault, 485-8219.

The deadline for receiving completed applications is May 1. They may be returned to Vice-Principal Stearns' office or mailed to the St. Mary's School Foundation's office at 493 S. Highland, Avenue, Ukiah.

Weight Loss Surgery Group to meets May 4

The Weight Loss Surgery group (GR-DS Gastric Reduction Duodenal Switch) will hold their May meeting at Bartlett Hall, at the Ukiah Senior Center Complex, 499 Leslie St., Ukiah at 6 p.m.

The DS surgery has been performed on more than 100 citizens in the Ukiah Valley since 2001 and thousands in the world. The procedure should not be confused with "gastric bypass surgery" or "lap band" surgery as the DS procedure is not a food reduction surgery but instead changes the way the body absorbs food and fat, therefore causing an obese person to lose weight and keep it off.

Because the surgery results in a 90-100 percent symptom reduction for diabetes, and resolves cholesterol, high blood pressure and other chronic health issues, it has changed the lifestyle and longevity of many patients. Although the DS surgery is the main topic, this group encourages and supports those who have had other types of weight loss surgery.

The meeting begins at 6 p.m. Pre-op patients or investigators of the surgery are encouraged to come to listen the post-op patients who have much to teach those who have not yet gone through this experience. The floor is open to all at 6:30 p.m. for information and questions..

For more information, call Kathy Davidson at 468-0251, 468-8763 or e-mail her at kathlyn@pacific.net.

Hopland School to host **Cinco de Mayo celebration**

On Friday, May 4 from 5 to 8 p.m., Hopland Elementary School will be hosting its annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration to raise funds for school activities and classroom projects.

This year's festivities will include numerous activities geared towards the whole family including folklorico dancers from Mendocino College, music, Opportunity Drawings, piñatas, Bake Sale, taco booth, and lots of carnival-like games and activities. Dinner tickets will cost \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Game booth tickets will be priced at 25¢ each.

The Cinco de Mayo Celebration, sponsored by the Hopland PTA, will take place on the campus of Hopland Elementary School, located at 1 Ralph Bettcher Drive, just off Hwy 101 and Mountain House Road. For more information, call Hopland School at 744-1333.

Anderson Valley plant sale set for May 5

On Saturday, May 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. the Mendocino Coast Botanical Garden, hosted by the Anderson Valley Horticultural Forum, will travel to the Anderson Valley and bring many wonderful plants to sell. Local Nurseries and the Boonville Farmers Market will be participating in this Plant Sale day. Annuals, perennials, roses, California natives, succulents and vegetable starts will be available for purchase in town. This event will take place at Stoney Bottom Gardens, 13450 Anderson Valley Way, in Boonville. The farmers market will be at the Boonville Hotel.

For more information, call Ginger at 895-9424.

College Springtime Plant Sale to take place May 4 and 5

The Mendocino College Agriculture Department will be holding their annual twoday Springtime Plant Sale on Friday, May 4, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Saturday, May 5, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Greenhouse on the Ukiah Campus, 1000 Hensley Creek Road. Proceeds from the sale benefit the Mendocino College agriculture program.

The public is invited to stroll down and check out the large selection of plants available this year. Featured plants include annuals, colorful perennials, vegetables and vines, herbs, California natives, shrubs and trees, ground covers, and rare and unusual plants.

Also on Friday, May 4, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Mendocino College Ceramics Club will be having their spring sale for one day only at the greenhouse. This is a great opportunity to purchase some wonderful pots or garden sculptures, all produced by Mendocino College students, to go with new plants. The Culinary Arts Club will be offering food and beverages.

For more information, contact the Green House at 468-3148. A listing of college events is online at www.Mendocino.edu.

Native American video documentary showing May 7

A Native American Perspective on Public Education is a video documentary presenting the views of local Native Americans in regards to education in the Ukiah area. It was created by Karen Rifkin and will be shown at the Eagle Peak Middle School Cafeteria on May 7, at 5:30 p.m. The address is 8601 West Road in Redwood Valley.

For more information and questions, call 462-2789.

Martin Luther King 2007 **Citizenship Award** nominations due May 9

The Mendocino County Martin Luther King, Jr. Organization, invites the public to submit your nominations for the 2007 Martin Luther King, Jr. "Citizenship Award". The award is given each year (for the past 10 years) to an individual in Mendocino County who is working toward the struggle for peace, justice and equality for all persons in Mendocino County.

To nominate an individual please submit the following info to McMLK P.O. Box 1004, Ukiah, CA 95482: Name of Nominee; Nominee contact info; Nominee's address; Name of Nominator; Nominator contact info; and the reason for the nomination (please be descriptive).

McMLK citizenship award selection committee will select a recipient to receive the award. The 2007 MLK citizenship award recipient will be honored at the 5th annual Mendocino County Multi-Cultural Diversity Dinner event to be held on Sunday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m. at Todd Grove Clubhouse in Ukiah. All nominees of the 2007 MLK citizenship award will be recognized at the event. Deadline for nominations is Wednesday, May 9, 2007. Nominations can also be emailed to: McMLK@yahoo.com.

Redwood Iris Society to hold Iris Show on May 12

The Redwood Iris Society is planning their upcoming Iris Show. An Iris Kaleido is set for May 12. The event will be held at Yokayo Elementary School from 1 to 4 p.m.

Each year the society displays a variety of different iris. Many people in the public may not know that some iris have beards while others are beardless, that some come in different heights -- tall, medium, intermediate, dwarf and border. The public is invited to come and experience the many different types of iris. There will also be an iris plant sale and information on the rhizome (iris bulb) sale this summer.





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Editor: Richard Rosier, 468-3520

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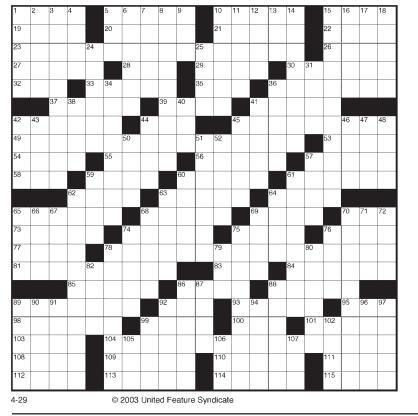
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Birthday

Monday, April 30, 2007 Things might start off a bit slow, but you only have to remain patient. As favorable events gradually unfold, they will start to accelerate to desirable speeds and contribute nicely to your security and success.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- There are plenty of work-related opportunities around you, but the only way you will gain anything from them is by putting forth the necessary effort. Nothing comes free.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- You'll recognize that a new acquaintance you make at this time can play a helpful role in your affairs, but you could end up being disappointed if you unrealistically expect too much.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- A matter that has concerned you is moving in the right direction toward a resolution. But in your haste to deal with it, you may do something foolish and throw it off track.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- In order to please someone who possibly doesn't even deserve it, you could agree to do something that does not serve your best interests. Be discerning about your commitments.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Your financial involvements should work out rather well for you, unless you start listening to someone who

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By Bernice Bede Osol

this support for granted, he or she could hold back on you. Show your appreciation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Should a delicate matter be discussed, you shouldn't have to be told to keep it to yourself. If you start broadcasting sensitive facts to others, it will anger the people involved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. **23-Dec. 21**) -- Although it might be quite safe to discuss your problems with trusted, proven allies, it may not be too smart to do so with just anybody out there. Some people are just plain gossipers.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- You're more than capable of achieving some significant objectives, provided you don't saddle yourself with an individual who does nothing but deplete your energy and interests.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- You'll achieve exactly what you set out to do, so there is no need to fret wondering if you could have done better. Don't negate all you have accomplished with negative thinking.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Don't sit around waiting for what you think are optimum conditions before you make any moves. You only have to make the most of what's at hand in order to realize success.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Unless you are careful, you could pay more attention to one friend over another, causing a second pal to feel slighted. Make a concerted effort to treat everyone equally.

Taurus, treat yourself to

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doesn't know what he or she is talking about. Be a birthday gift. Send for careful with whom you counsel.

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Today is the 119th day of 2007 and the acquitted of beating Rodney King. 41st day of spring

of Arc lifted the siege of Orleans, France.

In 1992, riots broke out in Los Angeles after four police officers were

În 2004, President George W. Bush TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1429, Joan and Vice President Dick Cheney met with the 9/11 Commission in closed hearings.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Thomas Beecham (1879-1961), orchestra con-

ductor; Duke Ellington (1899-1974), jazz musician; Jerry Seinfeld (1954-), comedian, is 53; Daniel Day-Lewis (1957-), actor, is 50; Michelle Pfeiffer (1958-), actress, is 49; Uma Thurman (1970-), actress, is 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1987, outfielder Andre Dawson of the Chicago Cubs hit for the cycle in an 8-4 win over the San Francisco Giants.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "A bookstore is

one of the only pieces of evidence we have that people are still thinking." --Jerry Seinfeld

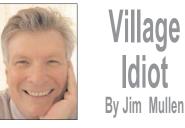
TODAY'S FACT: Duke Ellington's father worked as a butler at a number of homes in Washington, D.C., including the White House.

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (April 24) and full moon (May 2).

The evolution of the tube and the boobs that watch them

Will I be the last person in the world to buy a \$4,000 flat-screen plasma TV? I see the ads in the paper every day and all I can think is "Where is everyone getting \$4,000?" The last time I had an "extra" \$4,000 I wasted it on food, taxes and health insurance. What was I thinking? I could have had a TV. Not that I could have afforded to watch it. Once you get the \$4,000 TV, you've got to subscribe to cable or satellite or there's no point. And you don't want the basic package, you want the HDTV package with all the sports and the movie channels, so let's add a \$150 each month to the cost of your television. Face it, once you've seen "Deal or No Deal" on a giant, flat-screen plasma TV, there's no going back to the 27incher.

When I was a kid, there were only three channels on television.



Unless you lived in a big city where they might have one or two extras. And there was the "educational channel" on the UHF dial. We could never figure out what that UHF dial was for, it never seemed to work.

But there were problems. Some people didn't like the stranglehold the three networks had on the news. Some people thought shows like "Petticoat Junction" and "The Beverly Hillbillies" proved we were a culture in decline. I thought Lawrence Welk was old and hokey.

But I watched him because whatever was on the other two stations was even older and hokier, which is hard to imagine. Half of Ed Sullivan's audience watched to see the Beatles and the Rolling Stones. The other half watched to see plate spinners and Senor Wenceslas. To this day, his two audiences have a hard time speaking to each other.

People complained about how bad all three channels were, how nothing was on. Now we have hundreds of channels and thousands of shows. And guess what? People complain about how bad television is. They don't like the cable news channels, they don't like the shows, they don't like the violence, they don't like what the kids are seeing, they don't like the music videos. How buying a \$4,000 TV will solve those problems is beyond me.

For me, the biggest change in

TV since I was a kid hasn't been what's on it, but how we watch it -- with the clicker in our hands. The invention of the remote control, the clicker, changed TV and it changed us. When they first came out, comedians used to make fun of the people who had remote control channel changers. How lazy can you get? Pretty lazy, as it turns out.

In "The Powers That Be," David Halberstam tells a story about Walter Cronkite watching TV at the home of his boss, the founder and president of CBS, Bill Paley in the mid-'60s. At one point they want to change the channel and Cronkite says, "Bill, where's the clicker?"

Paley, one of the richest and most sophisticated men in the country, touches a button, the butler comes in, changes the channel then leaves the room.

Now we would feel lost without

the clicker. Don't like the channel? Click. If only it stopped there. Don't like your job? Click. Don't like your nose? Click. Don't like your spouse? Click. I don't blame TV, we do it to ourselves.

Now TV's changing again. I was at the movies last week and waiting for it to start, I noticed a bunch of teenagers in the seats in front of me with their cell phones out. They weren't talking on them; in groups of twos and threes, they would gather around someone's cell phone and watch TV shows they'd missed on the tiny screen.

They seemed to be enjoying TV on the tiny 2-inch screen as much as they would on a brand new \$4,000 80-incher. Go figure.

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Filtering made more simple

By the Editors of Consumer Reports

A flood of new water filters is making it easier than ever to remove impurities in your tap water. And not all of them require a major investment: Consumer Reports' recent tests found two Best Buys at less than \$60 a piece.

Want to know what's in your water? One way to find out is to check your Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires all water systems to provide to their customers every year. It is usually mailed to you, printed in newspapers or posted on local government Web sites. CR's recent analysis of CCRs from the 25 largest U.S. cities revealed that some samples from 22 systems contained significant quantities of contaminants -things like lead, chlorine and E. coli bacteria.

But CCRs don't cover water from private wells, and municipal flow can pick up contaminants en route to or passing through your home's plumbing. To learn what's actually coming out of your tap, one option would be to hire a state-certified testing lab; a cheaper alternative would be to do it yourself with a low- or no-cost kit from your local health authority. (For the names of labs and Consumer reports 🖌 health agencies, call the EPA's

Safe Drinking Water Hotline, (800) 426-4791, or check out www.epa.gov/safewater/labs.)

CR tested several models of water filters -- ranging from refillable carafes to reverseosmosis systems -- and found several that proved effective at ridding your water of impurities and bad taste. Note that they're designed to work with cold water only.

Filtering out the hype

Among the highest-scoring water filters in CR's tests were countertop models that attach to a faucet by replacing the fixture's aerator. Countertop units are best for filtering large quantities of water without plumbing modification. Tops in this category: the Kenmore 34551, which earned high marks for removing lead and chloroform (an indicator of how well the filter will capture organic compounds), rate of flow and eliminating bad taste. At \$50 (from Sears, not including an estimated \$20 per year for filter replacement), it's a CR Best Buy.

Although they didn't perform as well overall as countertop models, carafes and faucet-mounted filters also require no plumbing modification. Carafes are best for filtering small amounts of drinking water and can be stored in the refrigerator.

Tops at removing chloroform and lead among carafes: the Pur Ultimate CR-900 (\$25). However, its filters clogged frequently, and you can expect to spend \$90 a year to replace them. The Brita AquaLux (\$25; \$48 annual filter cost) was more economical, a very good model overall but one that only scored fair at removing lead.

The faucet-mounted Pur Horizontal FM9400 (\$40) proved very good at removing lead, and excelled at capturing chloroform and eliminating bad taste. But the filter is prone to clogging, and the annual filter cost is \$80 a year for replacements. Like all faucet mounts, it allows easy switching between filtered and unfiltered water.

Some plumbing required

Water filters that require plumbing modification and/or

professional installation are undersink models, reverseosmosis systems and wholehouse units. Although it only scored "good" at removing lead, the undersink Kenmore 38454, scored excellent overall, with comparatively low (\$34 per year) filter-replacement costs. At \$55 (from Sears), it's a CR Best Buy.

Reverse-osmosis filters are excellent at removing common contaminants and are the only system certified to capture arsenic. Still, they are extremely slow and create three to five gallons of wastewater for each gallon of filtered water. At \$160 (from Lowe's), the Whirlpool Gold WHER25 is a CR Best Buy. Expect to pay \$62 per year in filter-replacement costs.

A good bet for inexpensively removing sediment, rust and some chlorine, wholehouse filters typically won't capture most other contaminants and do a poor job of eliminating bad taste. Models range in price from \$35 to \$80, excluding installation and infrequent cartridge replacement. Best of an unimpressive lot that CR tested was the Whirlpool WHCF-DWHV (\$35, from Lowe's).

Visit the Consumer Reports Web site at www.consumerreports.org.



In search of dinner

For the past few weeks, I've been in jail. Book jail. That's where authors go when it appears they may be dangerously close to missing the last, final deadline. In my case, it was not solitary confinement. I did attempt to get a meal or two on the table, and, in that challenge, I made a fabulous discovery -- the "ingredients search" function at the Web site www.allrecipes.com. (Click on "More Searches" for this option.) Here's how it works: Instead of searching for recipes -- and running to the market to get items you'll need -- you input the ingredients you have on hand.

I typed in chicken, cheddar cheese and rice, and up popped several possibilities. All of the recipes required a few additional ingredients. I had everything I needed to make the following tasty dish.

Potato Chip Casserole

- 2 cups chopped, cooked chicken
- 1 cup cooked white rice
- 1 (10.75-ounce) can condensed cream-of-chicken soup
- 2/3 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons grated onion
- 1/2 cup chopped celery 1 (8-ounce) can sliced water chestnuts
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/4 cup water salt and pepper to taste
- 1/2 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- 2 cups crushed potato chips

Preheat oven to 400 F. In a large bowl, combine the chicken, rice, soup, mayonnaise, onion, celery, water chestnuts, lemon juice, water, salt and pepper. Mix well. Spread mixture into a greased 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Cover with cheese, then potato chips. Bake for 20 minutes or until the potato chips are lightly browned.

Serves 6.

For dessert, I found this recipe by inputting odd stuff hanging out in my pantry. I was suspicious, but not for long. This pie is so yummy you won't believe it.

Funeral Pie (see Cook's note)

- pastry for a 9-inch double-crust pie cups raisins
- 2 cups water
- 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 3 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1-1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground allspice
- 1 pinch salt
- 1 tablespoon cider vinegar
- 3 tablespoons unsalted butter

Cook's note: Because it is easy, quick and made from nonseasonal ingredients, the Amish often take it to a family grieving over the death of a loved one, thus the title. Feel free to rename it.



and real estate is taking a dive. I read your article on selling versus renting and would rather sell instead of rent my current house. I need to sell mine so I can move to a new home. Is now a good time to sell my house, or should I stay put?

A: You're asking me to tell you if you'll get a higher price by selling today than if you sell six months or a year from now. I do not know the answer to that question. Nobody does. So, let's examine a question we can answer: If you sell your house today, would the amount of money you receive be sufficient to meet your goals? If so, sell. If not, perhaps you need to change your goals. But I couldn't evaluate that part without knowing much more about your situation. Q: My newborn daughter has been diagnosed with an extremely rare liver disorder called Biliary Atresia. She will need a liver transplant in a few months. My wife and I are pretty young (27 & 32) and make a decent living (together we make \$100,000 plus per year), and we have saved money anticipating the birth of our child (about \$35,000). We have owned our townhouse for two years. We began receiving the first round of medical statements (not bills) two weeks ago, and so far they have totaled

money By Ric Edelman

about \$400,000. We are just at the beginning of this whole billing process. I've always tried to be financially responsible, and it is very scary that all I have worked so hard to accumulate could be taken away. We have health insurance, but will I still end up owing tens of thousands of dollars or even more to cover medical costs?

A: To my readers: I asked a member of my staff to speak with this new dad's insurance company; we verified that Dad's policy has a "stop loss" provision. This means that once he pays \$2,000, the insurance company will pay 100 percent of the remaining bills (up to the policy max which often is between \$1 million and \$5 million). Make sure your health insurance policy has a similar feature. Thanks to the stop-loss provision, it would seem (if only from a financial perspective) that the story has a happy ending. However, that might not be the case. When an insurance company is forced to pay such a large bill, it increases the premium for everyone in the company. When that happens to a large company, the cost increase is spread across thousands of workers; the result is that the increase in cost per worker is negligible. But for small employers, the cost increase to each employee could be huge. To prevent that from happening, the company would probably fire him. That would leave him with no insurance, no job, and hundreds of thousands of dollars of medical bills. Because 60 percent of Americans work for small employers, this scenario occurs often. That's why medical costs often force people into bankruptcy -- even for those who have health insurance.

you're doing a great job of being diligent. (In December, the owner of a business was found guilty of stealing money from his employees' 401(k) plans; instead of depositing their money into their accounts, he took the cash. So these things happen). You might consider talking with other employees to see if the same problem has occurred in their accounts. When your firm fixes the problem they must do so on as as-of" basis if that would be to your financial advantage. In other words, if the money should have been invested six weeks ago, you should get the prices as that time if those prices are lower than today's prices.

to the 401(k) provider. My 401(k) providers

say that they have not received any money

for my account from my company since

August. Any idea what I should do now?

Also, once the money is found, do I have

any recourse as to lost interest income? If it

401(k) plans be made within 15 days. Tell

your HR manager that if the problem is not

resolved by the end of the week, you are

going to contact the U.S. Department of

Labor (which is the federal agency that reg-

ulates 401(k) plans). That's a phone call

your company does not want you to make.

tive mishandling (rather than fraud) but

Hopefully, this is merely an administra-

A: Federal law requires that deposits to

is not found, who is at fault?

Q: My wife and I would like to sell our house and move to a bigger one; however, half my block is for sale. I live in Florida

Preheat the oven to 400 F. Line a pan with half the pastry and chill. Place the raisins and 2/3 cup of the water in a saucepan and heat over medium heat for 5 minutes. Combine the sugars cornstarch, spices and salt in a bowl. Add the remaining 1-1/3cup water and mix well. Add this mixture to the heating raisins. Cook and stir this until the mixture starts to bubble. Add the vinegar and butter, and heat until the butter is melted. Cool until just warm.

Pour into the prepared shell and top with the second crust. Bake 25 minutes or until golden. Cool.

Serves 6.

I was released from book jail, and I have proof. My newest book, "Tiptionary 2: 2300 More Ways to Save Time and Money Every Day" (DPL Press, 2007), will be in bookstores everywhere in May 2007 and by mail order at (800) 550-3502.

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Title insurance is the way to go when buying a home

DEAR BRUCE: We are buying a new home in a subdivision that was once a farm. The subdivision is in its fifth phase, so it has been around for several years. My husband and I understand the need for title insurance on existing homes that are purchased. However, I'm not certain of its need on the purchase of a new home when the developers have already had the title evidence examined. Additionally, my husband and I plan to have an attorney perform a title search for us. Do you think it is a wise investment to purchase title insurance on a new home? -- N.D., via e-mail

DEAR N.D.: Under almost any circumstance I can imagine, I would recommend title insurance. The fact that the developer did it doesn't necessarily demonstrate he didn't make an error. The same thing is true if your attorney makes a search. Title insurance is one of the few types of insurance where you make one payment, and it lasts for as long as you have an interest in the property. In all of the properties I have purchased in my lifetime, each has had title insurance placed upon it.

DEAR BRUCE: I have 50 shares of stock in a company that recently had a class-action lawsuit filed against it. The



lawsuit includes anyone who has owned or purchased stock during a certain time frame, which I did. I have received communications from the attorneys, and they say all I have to do is sign and I'm part of the class-action lawsuit. How much can I expect to receive on the small amount of shares that I own? -- D.L., Detroit, Mich.

DEAR D.L.: You have neglected to tell me what the lawsuit is all about. What are the plaintiffs claiming the company has done? In the absence of that, nobody can tell you what kind of money is involved. If the attorneys handling the suit have contacted you, and you have filled out the appropriate forms, I'm con-fident you are "in." Whether or not you will make any important money in this matter is another question.

DEAR BRUCE: I have a credit card in collection. In the past two years, it has cost me almost \$2,000 in interest and late

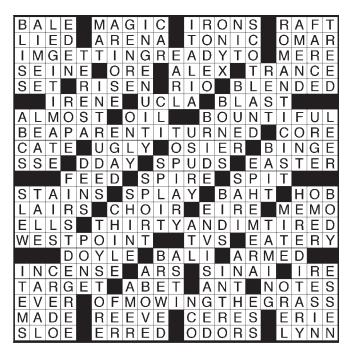
fees. Can you recommend what my options are to stop the interest on that end? -- R.T., via e-mail

DEAR R.T.: As long as you legally owe the money and you are not making payments, they are going to continue adding the interest and late charges. You might wish to go to one of the nonprofit credit-counseling agencies, such as the Consumer Credit Counseling Service. Often, they can negotiate a lower interest rate and the succession of fees.

I am at somewhat of a loss as to why you have done nothing over the past two years. Just because you haven't had the wherewithal to make payments does not mean ignoring the problem is a good course of action. This is not going to go away; it will just become a larger problem. When you don't correspond with the company, it feels you are a deadbeat and will come after you any way it can. Understandably so.

Send your questions to: Smart Money, P.O. Box 2095, Elfers, FL 34680. E-mail bruce@brucewilliams.com. to: Questions of general interest will be answered in future columns. Owing to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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Busy Real Estate	Counselors -Entry/	IN-HOME CARE	LIKE	Maintenance	New construction	PHARMACY CLERK/	Red Fox Casino	ROUTE DRIVER	SCHOOL
office seeks reliable	Advance position. In-	Providing in-home	CHILDREN?	Mechanic G & G	plumbing contractor	TYPIST in training.	NOW HIRING	Must have class B	COUNSELOR
Administrative	prison treatment pro- gram in Solano. Ex-	care doesn't just	This might be	Specialty Foods. Competitive comp &	is in need of plumb- ers w/ all exp. levels.	Computer, typing, MATH, people skills,	 Auditor - P/T 	w/hazmat. Full bene- fit pkg. incl. 401K.	Work with Middl
Assistant	perienced w/criminal	pay in dollars, it	the job for you.	benefits including a	Excellent pay & com-	P/T 3-9, F/T 1-9, F/T	 Kitchen 	Ukiah Oxygen	and High Schoo
to support our	justice, group/individ-	also pays in joy - in	CHILDCARE	signing bonus. The	pany benefits. Please	9-1, 9-5:30 Sal. DOE,	 Tech 	3470 N. State St.,Ukiah	Students. One F
team. The right	ual counseling. Fax	a job well done for	WORKERS,	successful applicant	fax resume:	drug test. BLUE	 Security, 		
candidate will be	resume:	someone who gets	ALL SHIFTS.	should have previous	925-825-6003 or call	DRUG 707-468-5220	 Cashiers 	SALES POSITION.	position split bet-
detailed oriented,	415-499-1912.	to stay in their own	F/T 4 day week.	exp. with food pack-	925-825-6005		 2 Floor Managers 	Retail exp. helpful. Apply in person	ween Laytonvill
organized, have exceptional com-		home because of	Starting salary	aging and processing		PHARMACY	 Exp. promotions 	Motosports of Ukiah	and Potter Valley of
munication skills as	DIESEL MECHANIC:	you. Part and full	\$9.40 per hour.	equipment, 3 phase	Night Staff-FT,	TECHNICIAN	& marketing	1850 N. State St.	2 positions. Reqs
well as being able	FT/Pay DOE/Full	time jobs available. Flexible hours.	On call \$9 per hour.	electrical-220/480,	32 hr. & 40 hr. shifts.	Full or part time.	person.	Ask for Jimmy. No	valid CA PPS
to problem solve.	benefits. Experi- enced, tools, clean	Flexible hours. \$9.00 per hour.	Qualifications:	PLCs, boilers and	Full benefits. \$9.40 to	Willits Rexall	Friendly attitude	phone calls please	Credential OR b
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330 HOMES FOR RENT	380 WANTED TO SHARE RENT	440 FURNITURE	480 MISC. FOR SALE	500 PETS & SUPPLIES	590 GARAGE SALES	620 MOTOR- CYCLES	680 CARS FOR SALE	770 REAL ESTATE	770 REAL ESTATE
2 bdrm 1 bth Quiet,	3bdrm, 2.5bth	Sofa Sleeper &	BROKEN		Construction	2001 BMW K1200RS	BMW Z3, '98, Road-	(2) Fixer Uppers	Custom '01, 1,887 sq
Charming W. Side,	Private, \$700 + bills.	mtchng ovrszd chr	CONCRETE	 ♥ KITTENS ♥ Have arrived at 	materials & misc.	Graphite metal flake	ster, 6 cyl., exc.	Undermarket for the	ft 3bdrm 2bth many
Fenced yd. \$1300 + dep. 569-6706	16 acres. No S/D. 367-7883	w/ottmn. Neut color w/revsble pillows	Great for lining creek walls. FREE - YOU	the Ukiah Shelter.	Sat. & Sun. 8-? 7253 N. State. 1mi.	gray, excellent cond. 130 HP, 4 cylinder-	cond., prem. int., pkg., power top.	Right Per son 5Bdrms \$390k ea.	upgrades. \$589k Call to see. 462-8518
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3 BD/2 BA Ukiah Fenced yards.	Looking for female roommate. 2bdrm,	ACO WANTED	Elect. Hospital bed.	and small and need	FREE GARAGE	drive, six speed, heated grips, anti-	937-1671	Owner Motivated 707-642-0637	Empire Gardens
\$1250/mo. + Deposit.	1 bth. bckyd,	450 WANTED TO BUY	Single w/power incline & recline at	to go into foster care before they	SALE SIGNS.	lock brakes, system	Ford Taurus '97	Have equity in your	Home. Office Exclusive -3bd1ba.
N/S; 265-4318	\$500/mo. Avail. early	Cash for junk cars	head, incl. matt. Like	can be adopted.	Realty World Selzer Realty. 350 E. Gobbi	hard cases, BMW top	149k/needs brakes- tires/\$1000 firm.	property? Income	Bonus rm. frplc., nat
3bd 2 ba. Westfork	May 205-7375	Call for details. Se habla Espanol.	new. \$500. 489-0342 FREE PAINT	Some will come		case. Includes: Ohlin shocks, Wunderluch	Lynne 485-7637	or credit problems?	gas ht, \$309,000.
Sub. \$1400/ mo. No pets. No smoking.	Quiet professional woman has sleeping	546-7553	Recycled latex, 5 gal.	with nursing moms, some are all alone.	HUGE MOVING Everything goes!	tank bag, Corbin cus-	HONDA	Unusual property Fixed rates in the 5's	Call Agt. Shirley Rity World Selzer Rity
462-1896	room for rent, kitchen	460 APPLIANCES	buckets, white, tan,	Can you open your	Sat & Sun 7-? 1225	tom seat + original seat, new Metzler	ACCORD	Need cash out? Can do! RATES STILL LOW!	467-3647
3bd1ba. Refrig.	priv. Great back yard, pref. female. \$450/		brown, gray. Tues- days only, 8am to	heart and home, for a few weeks, to	S.Main Willits 101.	tires, bike cover, very	1997	Call Larry Wright	Must Sell New
Range, W/D HU. No	mo. Util incl. 467-1169	Built in DISHWASHER	2pm, 298 Plant Rd.,	some little ones in	HUGE BLOCK SALE!	dependable and fast. 25k miles. This is the		GOLDEN BEAR MORTGAGE	Custom built hm, in Lucerne Riviera,
pets, N/S. \$1300/mo. \$1300 dep. 462-1396	ROOM FOR RENT	Oldie But Goodie.	Ukiah (behind animal shelter).	need? If so call Sage to see how	Mohawk Trail off West Rd. Rwd Vly.	most bike you can	New brakes, tires, timing belt, tinted	707-239-8080	3bdrm 2bth, 268k
3bdrm, 2bth, Central	\$400/mo., util incl.,	Works great! \$75 468-1445	Loewe 55" Articos	you can sign up to	Lots of Furn., clothes,	get for \$8,000.00	windows, sun roof.	3bdrm 2bth, \$499k	obo. 530-682-4366
H/A, \$1500/mo.	1st & last, house	USED	HI-DEF DLP TV.	be a foster home.	brick brack, some an- tiques. Fri., Sat. Sun.	Dale (707) 275-2018	151K miles. Plum. \$4600	Views, Rogina	Project House
\$1200 dep. No pets.	priv., 463-0270	APPLIANCES	Made in Germany, 3 yr's old, new bulb.	467-6453	8-4. LOTS MORE!	630 AUTO PARTS & ACCESSORIES	489-7713	Heights, 1/2 ac. 825 Isola Way. Open	Westside Ukiah Make Offer
468-9135 Don't lose	Room Rwd. Vly. Pvt.	& FURNITURE. Guaranteed. 485-1216	Fantastic picture &	Male goose looking	Moving-Various misc.	<u>'97 Chevy Venture</u>		house, Sun 4-29,	707-462-7255
your house	Ent. 7 ac., share house. Lg. garden.	Washer & Elect.	color. Perfect condi- tion. Paid \$8000,	for female goose. Lrg. acreage & water	Refrig., Wt. bench.	runs, bad trans	Merc Wagon. '99 70k runs great.	1pm-3pm, 467-9639	
to foreclosure.	20 min. Mendo col-	Dryer. \$300 for both.	sell for \$6000.	hole to share. Will	1451 Reisling Ct. Sat. 8-4 & Sun. 8-12	\$1200. <u>'88 Isuzu</u> <u>Trooper</u> runs \$1000.	\$4500. OBO 707-		
I can keep you in it! Call Burk for details	lege. 1 quiet person. No sect. 8. Must	Good shape. 621-3779	Leave mess at	pay \$. 459-5236	Yard Sale 4/28&29	485-8249	263-4362 aft 6 pm		
at (707) 462-9000	have car. \$485 +		485-6088 Moving Sale,	Pygmy goats kids ready in June also	9-4, 1451 Despina	LIKE NEW! 16" 6- lug	Mitsubishi Eclipse '00 GT-V6 fully loaded.		
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tage. Nr. center of		SURPLUS	equip. and tools. Must sell! 462-8245	707-462-5991 or 738-5725	kitchen, baby, etc.	only 2500 miles.	\$8,500 485-7990		
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