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Don't let moments pass by

By JOHN KATSILOMETES

Twenty years ago, Paul McCartney released an album called "Flowers in the Dirt," a good album for which he wrote many songs with Elvis Costello. "My Brave Face" was the first single off that album, a song about how to cope with sudden loneliness. "I've been breaking up, dirty dishes and throwing the away," was one line. McCartney used the release of "Flowers in the Dirt" to embark on his first U.S. tour in 13 years. There's a song on that album I've been thinking of a lot lately, and played it for the first time in forever one recent morning. It's called "This One." It's a strong song, but it won't make anyone forget "Eleanor Rigby." In that tune, McCartney lyrically reminds us to take this moment to do or say whatever it is we need to do or say to those close in our lives.

I remember him being interviewed about the album when it was released, saying that it was important to grasp that moment or it will slip away. "There never could be a better moment, than this one," he sang and said. This was a decade after John Lennon's murder; a decade before Paul would lose his wife, Linda, to cancer.

I've been thinking of that song and sentiment recently in the aftermath of Danny Gans' death this month and his tribute last week at the Encore Theater. I've spoken with many colleagues and friends of Gans' since he died May 1, a sudden, stunning and tragic event that has left the local entertainment scene shaken and confused. Repeatedly those who were Gans' contemporaries, especially Vegas entertainers, have recounted moments where they had planned to make a plan to have lunch with Gans, or spend time with him in some casual setting, maybe play 18 or share in a coffee. Those who would seem to have no regrets say that they regret not following through on plans to know Danny Gans. At the memorial, dozens of stars

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President Barack Obama and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid embrace during a fundraiser at The Colosseum at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas on May 26.

Obama praises Reid

President speaks at Caesars Palace for Senate majority leader

By MICHAEL MISHAK

On his first visit to Nevada since the November election, President Barack Obama played Fundraiser in Chief May 26, delivering a 20-minute speech to a sold-out crowd at Caesars Palace, all for the benefit of Sen. Harry Reid.

The event was expected to raise about \$2 million for the Senate majority leader's campaign.

Reid is up for re-election in 2010 and has proved a pivotal partner in helping Obama shepherd his agenda through Congress in the administration's first 100 days. And, even with Democratic majorities, the president will need Reid to corral a politically diverse caucus as Obama tackles the more difficult terrain of energy policy and health care reform.

Indeed, that's the case the president made, making reference to former Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott's book about life in the chamber, titled "Herding Cats."

"The last few years Harry has done an extraordinary job as the leader of the U.S. Senate, and that's not easy," Obama said. "Harry has consistently fought on those issues that matter not just to Democrats but to middle-class families. Good jobs. Health care. Clean energy. He makes decisions and chooses battles based on the values he was raised with in Searchlight, Nev. That's why we need to keep Harry Reid exactly where he belongs."

Obama thanked the attendees for their help on his campaign but said his election marked "not the victory we sought, but the opportunity to make change."

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President Barack Obama steps off of Air Force One as he arrives at McCarran International Airport on May 26.

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New city manager ready for challenge

By JEREMY TWITCHELL

Sitting in his office on the fourth floor at Henderson City Hall, newly appointed City Manager Mark Calhoun smiled as he talked about a conversation he had with City Attorney Shauna Hughes during contract negotiations.

She asked him if he was sure he wanted the job. It was meant as a joke, of course, but if there was ever a time to prove the old adage that there is truth in jest, this could be it.

With almost \$60 million cut from the current budget year, millions more in additional cuts being considered and the controversy surrounding his predecessor's tumultuous departure, it's at the very least a fair question.

Calhoun, however, said he's ready to help the city weather the economic storm. "We will do whatever we have to in order to keep the city viable, keep services in place for our citizens and minimize the impacts as much as possible," he said.

Calhoun moved to Henderson from Michigan in 1983 to take a job as city engineer. In 1988, he was hired as public works director, and in 2001, he was appointed as assistant city manager, a



Calhoun

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Sheriff: Officer was speeding at time of crash

By MARY MANNING

Metro Police officer James Manor, who was killed earlier this month while responding to a 911 call, was speeding and had no emergency lights or siren on at the time of the crash, police said.

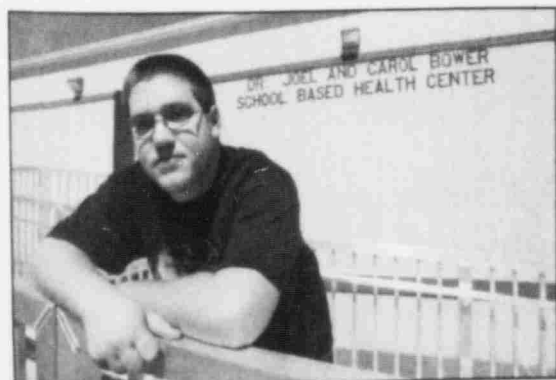
Sheriff Doug Gillespie said Manor was traveling east on Flamingo Road at 109 mph just before the collision, which occurred at 1:49 a.m. on May 7.

At the time of the crash, the officer's car was clocked at 90 mph, Gillespie said during a news conference on May 20. Manor wasn't wearing a seat belt.

The sheriff said officers must obey traffic laws if responding to calls

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Area schools' free health clinic in jeopardy over funding



RICHARD BRIAN/SPECIAL TO THE HOME NEWS

Basic High graduate and cancer survivor Nick Grayson, 20, at the Dr. Joel and Carol Bower School-Based Health Center. Grayson discovered he had a brain tumor as a result of his care at the center.

By JEAN REID NORMAN

The daily headaches during Nicholas Grayson's sophomore year at Basic High School hurt more than anything he had felt on the football field. In December 2004, he would visit Basic's student health center almost daily for a maximum dose of aspirin or ibuprofen.

It hurt so much he would cry. The nurse practitioners at the health center suspected it was more than stress and gave him a referral to St. Rose Dominican Hospitals.

Grayson put off the visit, but when he started to have double-vision, he went to the doctor and was diagnosed with a life-threatening tumor. "They told me at any moment, I could have had a stroke and gone into a coma," he said. "Slowly but surely, it was squeezing my brain."

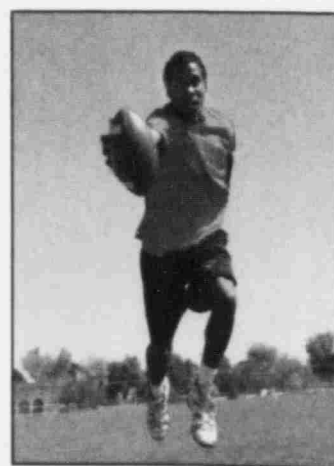
He had brain surgery and in 2005, after 17 rounds of radiation treatment, he was declared cancer-free. Officials of the Dr. Joel and Carol Bower School-Based Health Center at Basic point to Grayson when they talk about the good done by their facility, which operates out of a converted trailer in the high school parking lot.

Grayson, who graduated with his

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- May 16** 5:44 p.m. 500 block of Harris Street
- May 16** 5:57 p.m. 3000 block of St Rose Parkway
- May 16** 6:39 p.m. 600 block of South Boulder Highway
- May 17** 4:10 p.m. 1600 block of Athol Avenue
- May 17** 5:51 p.m. 1600 block of Palm Street
- May 17** 9:17 p.m. 100 block of West Victory Road

BURGLARY

- May 11** 4:06 p.m. 300 block of Eastminister Court
- May 11** 6:29 a.m. 600 block of West Lake Mead Parkway
- May 12** 5:09 p.m. 200 block of Meyers Avenue
- May 12** 9:12 p.m. 700 block of Center Street
- May 13** 6:28 p.m. 700 block of Alta Vista Place
- May 14** 7:15 a.m. 300 block of West Lake Mead Parkway
- May 15** 1:04 p.m. 800 block of Fireweed Drive
- May 15** 1:44 p.m. 800 block of Aspen Peak Loop
- May 15** 10:14 a.m. 0 block of Wyoming Avenue
- May 15** 8:02 a.m. 1100 block of Heavenly Harvest Place
- May 16** 12:03 p.m. 2300 block of Perrysburg Drive
- May 16** 8:44 p.m. 1800 block of Merze Avenue
- May 17** 1:45 a.m. 500 block of College Drive

FAMILY DISTURBANCE

- May 11** 10:11 p.m. 1800 block of Moser Drive
- May 11** 10:14 p.m. 1000 block of Center Street
- May 11** 10:50 p.m. 1000 block of Center Street
- May 11** 10:59 p.m. Trinity Pond Circle and Equestrian Drive
- May 11** 12:01 a.m. 800 block of Center Street
- May 11** 2:14 p.m. 1500 block of Palm Street
- May 11** 9:21 p.m. 500 block of College Drive
- May 12** 2:30 p.m. 400 block of Chateau Drive
- May 12** 4:37 p.m. 700 block of East Horizon Drive
- May 13** 12:46 p.m. 200 block of Lead Street
- May 13** 12:48 p.m. 200 block of West Rochell Drive
- May 13** 2:09 a.m. 400 block of Groft Way
- May 13** 5:09 p.m. 400 block of

- Richgold Street
- May 13** 6:21 p.m. 500 block of Sandbar Court
- May 14** 10:07 p.m. 500 block of East Lake Mead Parkway
- May 14** 11:51 p.m. 600 block of Fox Chase Street
- May 14** 11:52 p.m. West Lake Mead Pkwy. and South Water St.
- May 14** 2:34 p.m. 1900 block of Evelyn Avenue
- May 14** 3:14 p.m. 500 block of Landra Lane
- May 14** 4:56 p.m. 300 block of South Water Street
- May 14** 6:10 p.m. 300 block of Coronado Drive
- May 14** 7:56 p.m. 400 block of Wright Way
- May 14** 9:17 a.m. 700 block of Salt Flats Circle
- May 15** 2:34 a.m. 1300 block of Garden Gate Place

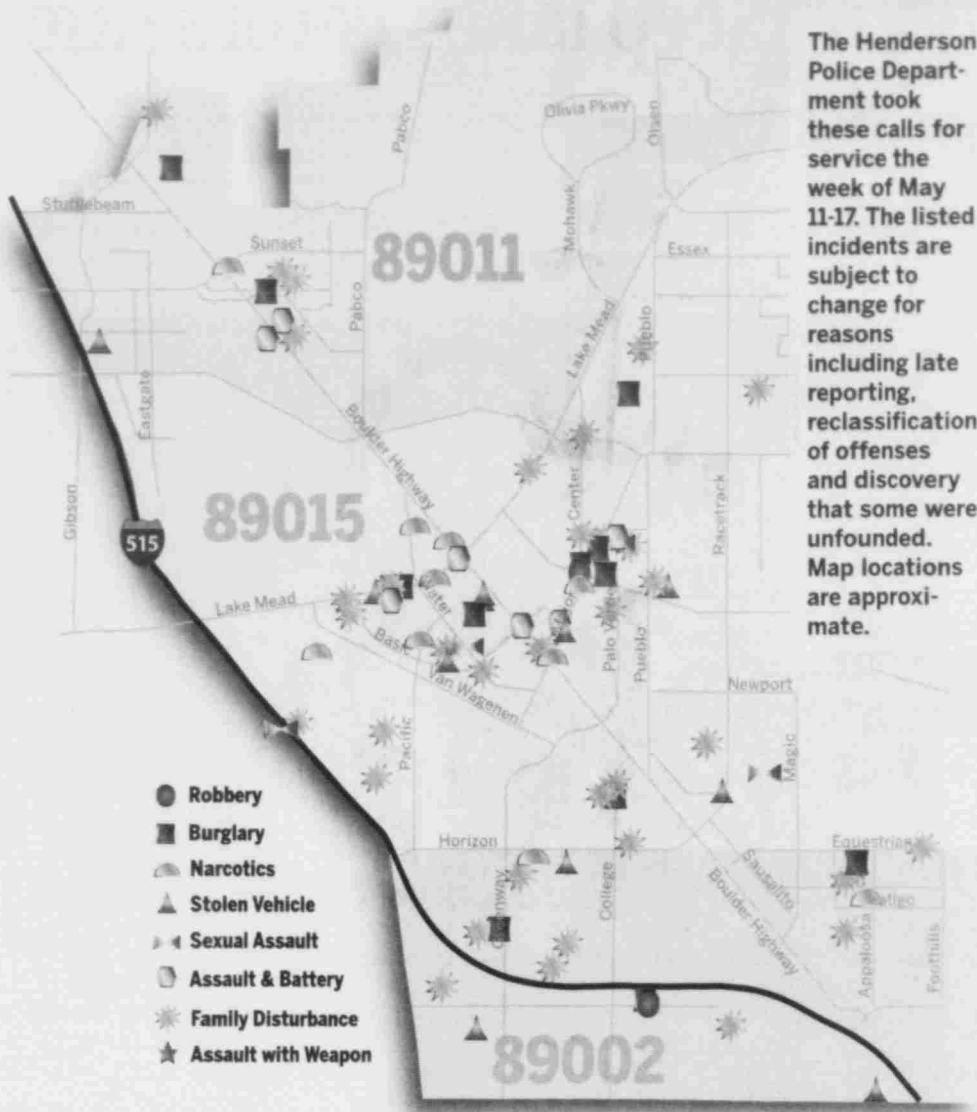
- May 15** 3:27 p.m. 200 block of Palmarosa Street
- May 15** 5:07 a.m. 1800 block of Thoroughbred Road
- May 15** 5:39 p.m. 800 block of Woodtack Cove Way
- May 15** 6:32 p.m. 2300 block of Aztec Ruin Way
- May 15** 7:58 p.m. 800 block of Woodtack Cove Way
- May 15** 9:41 p.m. 800 block of Woodtack Cove Way
- May 16** 11:02 p.m. 900 block of Pleasing Plateau Street
- May 16** 11:45 a.m. 800 block of South Boulder Highway
- May 16** 12:34 p.m. 300 block of South Milan Street
- May 16** 3:15 p.m. 2100 block of Savannah River Street
- May 17** 1:31 p.m. 800 block of Noble Street
- May 17** 10:51 p.m. 2500 block

- of Wild Ambrosia Avenue
- May 17** 10:55 p.m. 300 block of Eastminister Court
- May 17** 11:18 p.m. 800 block of North Major Avenue
- May 17** 11:41 p.m. 2100 block of Buckeye Reef Street
- May 17** 12:01 a.m. 200 block of West Middleton Drive
- May 17** 12:07 p.m. 1000 block of Klamath River Avenue
- May 17** 3:28 a.m. 400 block of Ilmenite Way
- May 17** 9:19 p.m. 300 block of Eastminister Court
- May 17** 9:48 p.m. 800 block of Crabapple Drive

NARCOTICS

- May 11** 11:40 a.m. N. Boulder Hwy and E. Warm Springs Road
- May 12** 11:32 p.m. Center

The Henderson Police Department took these calls for service the week of May 11-17. The listed incidents are subject to change for reasons including late reporting, reclassification of offenses and discovery that some were unfounded. Map locations are approximate.



- Street and East Burkholder Boulevard
- May 12** 2:50 p.m. 200 block of Hillcrest Drive
- May 13** 12:15 p.m. 900 block of South Boulder Highway
- May 14** 2:14 p.m. 0 block of West Pacific Avenue
- May 14** 3:09 a.m. 900 block of South Boulder Highway
- May 14** 3:56 p.m. Brown Street and Titanium Street
- May 14** 7:31 p.m. East Flamingo Road and South Eastern Avenue
- May 15** 7:25 p.m. 0 block of Lake Mead To Autoshow
- May 15** 7:30 p.m. 1900 block of Appaloosa Road
- May 16** 10:01 a.m. 700 block of Emerald Idol Place
- May 17** 5:47 p.m. East Sunset Road and North Green Valley Parkway

ROBBERY

- May 17** 2:10 a.m. 700 block of Center Street

STOLEN VEHICLE

- May 13** 10:23 a.m. 100 block of East Pacific Avenue
- May 13** 4:55 p.m. 600 block of South Racetrack Road
- May 14** 1:38 p.m. 500 block of Harris Street
- May 15** 2:13 p.m. 200 block of Lead Street
- May 16** 1:38 a.m. 400 block of Mirror Court
- May 16** 1:59 a.m. 600 block of Fernbrook Drive
- May 16** 11:06 a.m. 1000 block of Paradise Coach Drive
- May 16** 12:32 a.m. 700 block of West Lake Mead Parkway
- May 16** 8:11 p.m. 800 block of Balinese Avenue
- May 16** 8:22 a.m. 1000 block of Twin Berry Court
- May 16** 8:50 a.m. 100 block of East Pacific Avenue
- May 17** 5:18 p.m. 700 block of West Lake Mead Parkway

SEXUAL ASSAULT

- May 11** 6:21 p.m. 500 block of West Horizon Ridge
- May 12** 1:25 p.m. 1000 block of Featherwood Avenue
- May 12** 10:15 a.m. 500 block of West Horizon Ridge Parkway
- May 14** 11:53 a.m. 200 block of South Water Street
- May 14** 6:58 p.m. 3000 block of Saint Rose Parkway
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PUBLIC SAFETY

Wardens helping keep lake visitors safe

By KYLE HANSEN

Lake Mead is a beautiful place to go boating, but it can also be dangerous.

Nevada Department of Wildlife Warden Karen Welden spends most of her day reminding people of the simple things they can do to make it safer.

On May 22, Welden and her partner, Randy Bond, found a group of visitors from Europe on personal watercraft devices riding too close together. They gathered the group around their boat and warned them to keep a safe distance.

Shortly thereafter, Welden and Bond found a group of boaters with young children jumping off the back of the boat into the water. It sounds innocent enough, but some of the youngsters were not wearing life jackets.

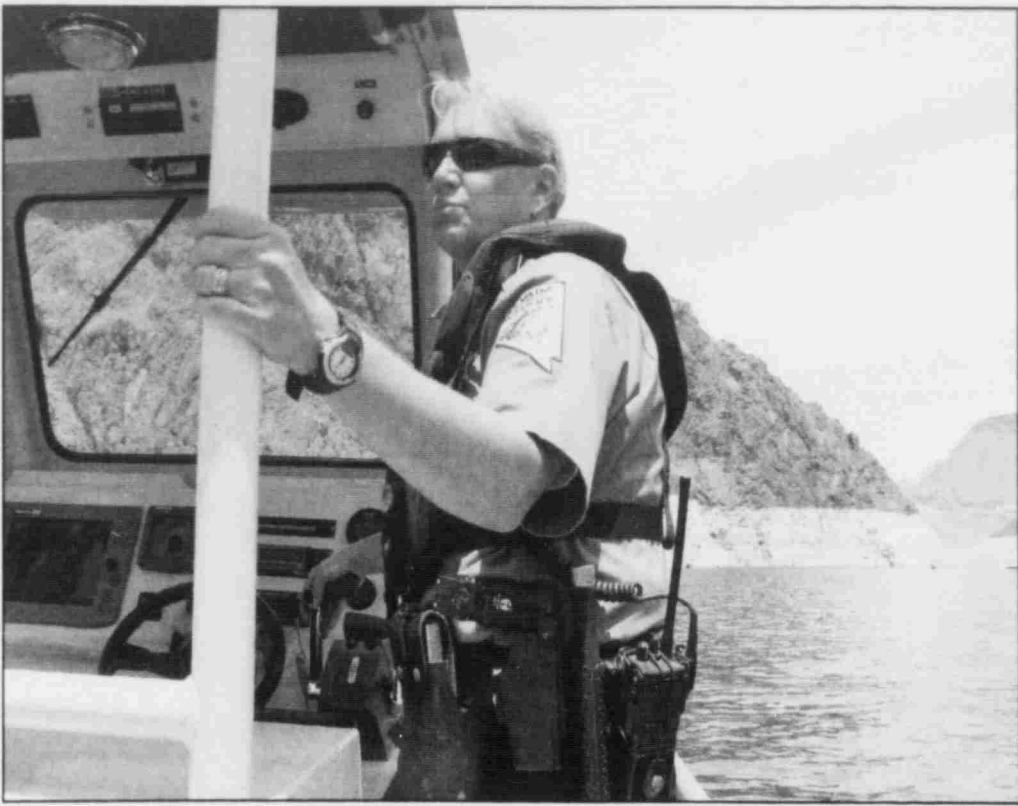
Welden warned them that all children younger than 13 are required by law to wear a life jacket whenever the boat is under way, even if it is drifting in open water.

The Department of Wildlife will have up to six boats enforcing laws on the lake this summer.

The Department of Wildlife is responsible for law enforcement on bodies of water in Nevada. On Lake Mead, the department shares jurisdiction with Arizona's wildlife department and the U.S. Park Service.

"Our purpose is not to write tickets," Welden said. "We're here to educate, but often we can warn someone two or three times and they don't take it seriously until we give them a monetary fine."

The wildlife department was one of the government agencies at Lake Mead National Recreation Area that participated in a boat safety event May 22 to kick off the



KYLE HANSEN/STAFF PHOTO

Nevada Department of Wildlife Warden Karen Welden watches boaters on Lake Mead.

Summer Boating Safety Program.

In addition to wardens on the lake enforcing the laws, officials from the Department of Wildlife will be at boat ramps and marinas throughout the summer handing out prizes to boaters who have proper safety equipment. People can also qualify for prizes by participating in safety events during the summer or by visiting the Web site, www.funon-thelake.com.

Prizes, provided by Lake Mead concessionaires, are valued at almost \$37,000 and include a grand prize of a week free rental of a houseboat and ski boat.

There were 685 boat-related fatalities in 2007, the most recent year statistics are available from the U.S. Coast Guard. Two-thirds of the deaths were from drowning,

and 90 percent of those who drowned weren't wearing life jackets.

"That's a lot of people who at least had a better chance of surviving if they had been wearing a life vest," said Nick Duhe, the wildlife department's boating education coordinator.

Duhe visits schools throughout the year to teach water safety. "We want kids to learn how to swim and how to wear a life jacket," Duhe said. "If they do those two things they will have a safer boating experience."

Duhe hosted a life jacket fashion show on the upper deck of a Forever Resorts houseboat recently.

The fashion show was to demonstrate new styles of vests that are more comfortable and fashionable than some of the more traditional models.

"We really want to push these new ones because we think more people will wear them," he said.

"No matter what you do, whether you wake board or paddle or sail, there's a vest that's comfortable for you to wear."

The Department of Wildlife also conducts sobriety and safety checkpoints. Last weekend, a checkpoint on Lake Mohave led to eight arrests on charges of driving a boat while drunk and 67 citations for safety violations, Welden said.

Lake Mead has about 8 million visitors annually. Most years, Memorial Day weekend alone can bring more than 200,000 people to the recreation area.

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Henderson police launch service to report drug activity

By MARY MANNING

The Henderson Police Department's Community Relations Unit has introduced a new anti-drug campaign designed for citizens to anonymously report drug activity.

The number 267-DRUG (3784) is the number to call when a person has information about drug activity within the City of Henderson, po-

lice said.

When someone calls that number, the call will be answered by a representative of Crime Stoppers of Nevada.

The 267-DRUG hotline is a partnership between the Henderson Police Department and Crime Stoppers.

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Driver indicted in death of student

By the Home News

A Clark County Grand Jury on May 20 indicted Vladimir Lagerev on charges of driving under the influence of alcohol in the April 15 death of UNLV student Lindsay Bennett.

Bennett was killed after her

2006 Honda was hit head-on about 9:30 p.m. on the Windmill Road off-ramp of Interstate 215.

Lagerev remains in the Clark County Detention Center on \$250,000 bail. He is scheduled to be arraigned at 9 a.m. on May 27 in District Court.

Chase ends with arrest at casino

By the Home News

A high-speed chase on Interstate 515 southbound May 22 ended with an arrest in the buffet line of the Railroad Pass Casino near Boulder City.

Kalani Pelekane Ahquin, 34, was booked into the Clark County Detention Center on charges of possession of a stolen vehicle, reckless driving, evading a police officer, assault with a deadly weapon on a police officer and two counts of battery, according to Boulder City police.

The chase began about 10 a.m., when Boulder City detective Sgt. Vince Albowicz and detective Brett Wibrew were driving from Henderson, where they had been on police business, back to Boulder City.

While going through a con-

struction zone on I-515 near Russell Road, a white Pontiac Grand Am sped past them going about 100 mph, Albowicz said.

They checked the license plate and discovered the car had been reported stolen in Las Vegas.

The car pulled into the Railroad Pass parking lot and the driver ran into the casino, hitting two security officers while being chased on foot by Boulder City officers.

He hit a female security guard first, but "she got right back up and started chasing him," Griffin said. A security supervisor who was hit also got back up and gave chase with the officers.

Ahquin was arrested in the buffet area and transported to the Clark County jail, Griffin said.

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Billing for utilities to offer more paperless options

By JEREMY TWITCHELL

Henderson utility customers will soon have the option of going paperless after the City Council unanimously approved a contract to make the Department of Utility Services' billing system electronic.

Customers can already pay their bills online. The new system will do away with the need for paper statements, which will be able to be delivered via e-mail.

The council on May 19 approved a three-year contract with local data management firm DIVDAT to create and manage the system for \$419,000 a year. The company was selected over three others because of its track record, capabilities and low price, according to a city memo.

DIVDAT will have to design a new billing system that will work in print and online formats, so the electronic billing system isn't expected to go live until January.

Presently, the city's utility bills are printed by the Henderson Finance Department. The move to an outside company and electronic system is expected to save the city \$73,000 in its first year, Utility Services spokeswoman Kathleen Richards said.

The savings should increase each subsequent year as more customers opt into the electronic system, Richards said.

Customers who still wish to receive paper statements will be able to do so. But 40 percent of the city's customers pay their utility bills online and the city is hoping at least the same number will choose receiving electronic statements, Richards said.

"E-billing has been one of our most highly requested residential services," she said.

The electronic billing system will still allow the city to



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communicate with residents via newsletter and alert them to additional information by providing links in the bill that go back to the city's Web site, which will allow the city to provide more information to customers, Richards said.

"We will have tools that will allow people to see in greater detail how much water they're using and better manage their conservation efforts," she said.

The electronic billing system will also allow for heightened security, she said.

"We're going to be able to better manage our privacy and security measures," Richards said. "I know a lot of our customers have expressed the desire to turn off receiving mail because of identity theft occurring from mail being stolen out of people's mailboxes."

The paperless plan is also an outgrowth of a citywide green effort. Henderson has hired an energy consulting firm to do energy-saving retrofits in all city buildings and directed departments to bring their efforts more in line with principles that the council outlined last year.

Richards said the Department of Utility Services has been evaluating solar energy applications in its operations and the paperless billing is just one of several potential changes that Utility Services may make.

"Using fewer natural resources is a big push in our department," she said.

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City preparing to move pipes for bypass

By JEREMY TWITCHELL

Boulder City's hopes for a new bypass to route heavy traffic around town are having financial ramifications in Henderson.

The Henderson City Council unanimously authorized \$100,000 May 19 for city engineers to plan the relocation of about one mile of city water and sewer lines that would be displaced if the project becomes a reality.

The lines are buried beneath the median of U.S. 93 in the vicinity of the Railroad Pass Casino and serve the casino and current and future development in Henderson's southeast corner, Henderson Department of Utility Services spokeswoman Kathleen Richards said. The city plans to find a way to move the lines and place them beneath the frontage road on the west side of the highway.

Plans for the bypass' first phase call for the Interstate 515 spur to be extended from Foothill Drive in Henderson to Railroad Pass and for the construction of an interchange at Railroad Pass.

The first phase has an estimated cost of \$140 million; the entire bypass, which would take traffic south of Boulder City and along its east side to reconnect with U.S. 93 at the new Colorado River bridge that



SAM MORRIS/LAS VEGAS SUN

Plans to route traffic around Boulder City would affect Henderson, which has authorized the relocation of one mile of water and sewer lines to accommodate the project.

is under construction south of Hoover Dam, has an estimated budget of \$500 million.

The state has received \$34 million in federal highway funds for the project and has spent about \$10 million on feasibility studies, according to a recent Sun story. Though the studies have failed to prove a conclusive cost benefit for the project and an effort to raise additional funds through the legalization of toll roads died in this year's legislature, the push for the bypass has been ongoing since the 1960's and

is likely to continue.

Bypass proponents want the road because they say the completion of the new bridge will bring an influx of heavy truck traffic that will clog Boulder City's stretch of U.S. 93, which serves as the city's main thoroughfare. Trucks have been banned from the Hoover Dam since the 9/11 attacks and have been driving around Boulder City and through Laughlin since then. The completion of the bridge, however, will reopen U.S. 93 in Boulder City to truck traffic.

Richards said Henderson's plan to relocate the lines is a precautionary measure and there is no indication of when, or even if, the work will happen.

"At this point, it's just for phase one of the project, so I don't have any data on whether or not the project is a go," she said. "What we're doing is preparing documents for that project to be able to go."

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COUNCIL IN BRIEF

City attorney honored

The Henderson City Council presented retiring City Attorney Shauna Hughes with a commendation at its May 19 meeting.

Hughes, who has held the position since 1983, accepted a buyout that the city offered veteran employees earlier this year as a cost-saving move. She plans to start a private legal practice.

Hughes said her time as city attorney was the best of her life.

"There really are no words to describe it," she said. "It's been magnificent."

HOA wins pride award

Residents of the Village Green Homeowners Association received the Community Pride Award from the City Council in recognition of their efforts to convert their neighborhood to desert landscaping.

The neighborhood is located at Green Valley Parkway and High View Drive. Homeowners have been removing turf and replacing it with drought-tolerant plants and bushes in an effort to save water.

To receive a Community Pride Award, an individual or group must be nominated. Henderson's Commemorative Beautification Committee decides who gets the award.

City award donated to literacy program

Last year, the National League of Cities honored Henderson's Development Services Center with the Gold Award for Municipal Excellence, an award that came with a \$2,000 prize.

On May 19, the city passed the award to the All People Promoting Literacy Excellence (APPLE) Partnership, a joint venture between the city, Clark County School District and Henderson Libraries that began in 2004.

The program aims to help every Henderson student to read at grade level by third grade.

Henderson to aid in census effort

The Henderson City Council formally responded to a request for help from the U.S. Census Bureau to help in Nevada's Census 2010 Campaign with a proclamation assuring the city's cooperation.

The proclamation calls for Henderson to play an active role in the census organization and promotion efforts that will be coordinated by the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Commission, which includes Henderson.

According to an analysis compiled by the Nevada State Data Center and Legislative Counsel Bureau, each Nevada resident missed in the census means \$917 less in federal funding for state and local programs.

The proclamation also states that Henderson, with its

growth, stands to gain more representation in the state Legislature with an accurate count of its population.

Stimulus money to fund improvements

The City Council accepted more than \$300,000 in federal stimulus funding to help pay for sidewalk upgrades in one of Henderson's oldest neighborhoods.

The Triangle Neighborhood, so named because of the shape that Water Street, Boulder Highway and Lake Mead Parkway make around it, is due to receive sidewalk and curb upgrades to bring the it up to code and make it more wheelchair-accessible.

The \$1 million project is also being funded by the federal government's Community Development Block Grant program and local gas tax funds.

Henderson has previously replaced sewer and water lines in the area, as well as aging fire hydrants. The new phase of work will include removal and replacement of 12,167 linear feet of curb and gutter, removal of 47,660 square feet of aging sidewalk and installation of 60,835 square feet of new sidewalk.

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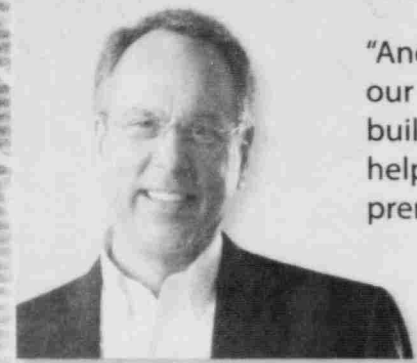
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Lawmakers consider new panel to oversee charter schools

By EMILY RICHMOND

Nevada lawmakers are considering creating a new entity to oversee the state's charter schools, a response to the State Board of Education's 2007 moratorium on new charter school applications.

Assembly Bill 489 would create the Nevada Charter School Institute, a panel appointed by the legislature to authorize new charter schools and supervise the eight charter schools sponsored by the State Board of Education.

Lawmakers say the institute — modeled on similar initiatives in Utah and Colorado — would ensure the application pipeline remains open and that adequate administrative support is available to help the alternative public schools flourish.

Nevada has been unfairly characterized as not being "charter school friendly," said Assemblywoman Bonnie Parnell, D-Carson City, chairwoman of the Education Committee, which wrote the bill. The institute "would, most likely, sponsor schools that may be having a difficult time chartering due to moratoriums established by school districts."

The bill, which would allocate \$716,000 over the next two years to fund the institute, would give charter schools currently sponsored by school districts the option of moving under the institute's supervision.

The state's school districts, State Board of Education and Nevada System of Higher Education are authorized to oversee charter schools, which have greater flexibility in staffing, scheduling and instructional methods than traditional public schools. (They receive the same per-pupil funding, but many supplement their budgets with public grants and private donations.)

To start a charter school, an organizing committee must submit a lengthy ap-



Edgar Juarez, from left, Diego Alcaide and Raimundo Crespo work this week on their model of the Golden Gate Bridge at Innovations International Charter School in Las Vegas. The exercise was part of the seventh graders' social studies class.

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plication, laying out an educational program and showing that it would not duplicate offerings available in traditional public schools. Once a preliminary charter is issued, organizers must secure appropriate facilities before final approval is granted.

Statewide there are 22 charter schools, including eight in Clark County, the nation's fifth largest district. Five charter school applications are pending with the state.

In 2007, the Clark County School District capped its charter school roster at eight, putting pressure on the state board to handle new applications. State officials said the sudden flood of proposals overwhelmed the Education Department's two employees assigned to cover charter schools. Soon after, the State Board of Education announced it was considering a moratorium on new charter schools, citing insufficient resources.

Despite pressure from legislators who argued that the State Board was acting beyond its authority and violating the spirit of the state's charter school law, the board approved the

moratorium. It was lifted nine months later, but not before lawmakers, long frustrated by the slow pace of the state's charter school growth, decided to change the system.

State Board of Education President Anthony Ruggiero said relieving the board of its charter oversight role and creating the institute would merely replace one charter school licensing organization with another, without providing additional avenues to accelerate the process.

It's "addition by subtraction," Ruggiero said. "If you are truly a charter schools advocate, you should want more authorizers, not fewer."

Ruggiero said he suggested an amendment to the bill that would allow the State Board to retain its authorization authority and work alongside the institute.

But state Sen. Maurice Washington, R-Sparks, said the State Board has indicated, "with its infinite wisdom in passing the moratorium," that it does not want the responsibility of authorizing charter schools. Washington said he opposes Ruggiero's proposed amendment because it would conflict

with the institute's responsibilities.

Ruggiero recognizes the State Board's moratorium infuriated some lawmakers, but the decision was made for "all the right reasons. We were trying to be responsible — managerially, administratively and fiscally," he said.

Managing the expected workload would require two additional full-time positions, said Keith Rheault, Nevada's superintendent of public instruction.

Rather than wanting to abdicate authority, Rheault said he made sure that oversight of charter schools' fiscal matters and student performance would remain with the Education Department under AB489, rather than moving to the proposed institute.

Matthew Ladner, a senior fellow at the conservative Goldwater Institute in Phoenix who recently completed a study comparing charter school programs in Arizona and Nevada, said the creation of a separate institute would be "a step in the right direction." At the very least, a separate entity to handle Nevada's charter schools would keep the application pipeline open,

Ladner said.

But he said the argument that Nevada's education department was overwhelmed by a few schools and pending applications "is laughable." Arizona's charter school institute has a staff of eight overseeing 463 schools, said Ladner, whose study was done in conjunction with the conservative Nevada Policy Research Institute.

The bill, which was awaiting a hearing in the Ways and Means Committee on May 22, would leave unchanged the state's requirements for charter schools, which are among the nation's most rigid and which critics say unfairly limit the educational options for the state's students and families.

"Nevada's laws almost treat charter schools as something the public needs to be protected against" even though charter schools come with a greater level of accountability and safeguards than traditional public schools, Ladner said. "The barriers are significant."

If Nevada lawmakers want to encourage more charter schools, the place to start is helping them find facilities, said LeAnn Putney, an associate professor of educational psychology at UNLV and a member of the Innovations International Charter School's governing board. It took Putney's group three years to find a suitable location, taking over Temple Beth Shalom's site on East Oakey Boulevard.

However, Putney and other officials at several locally sponsored charter schools told the Sun they are more than satisfied with the supervision they receive from the Clark County School District and wouldn't likely turn to the institute for oversight if the bill becomes law.

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High school graduation rate increases to 65.1 percent

By EMILY RICHMOND

Clark County's high school graduation rate was 65.1 percent in 2008, a gain of just over 2 percentage points, according to the latest data obtained by the Las Vegas Sun.

The district's graduation rate in 2007 was 63 percent, where it's hovered for several years.

At a recent district presentation on efforts to improve the graduation rate and reduce the dropout rate, School Board member Larry Mason expressed frustration that little ground has been gained in recent years. Mason, a 14-year veteran of the School Board, said there are programs and initiatives that are making a difference for some students, but he wanted to see more improvement on a broader scale.

Indeed, the breakdown of the latest graduation rates show a wide range of results for individual comprehensive high schools, from 41.3 percent at Western to 89.5 percent at Coronado. The district's magnet high schools, including Las Vegas Academy, Southeast Career and Technical Academy and Advanced Technology Academy all topped 90 percent.

And Nevada's overall graduation rate can vary widely, depending on the formula used. Outside researchers have put the Silver State's graduation rate as low as 45 percent in recent years, while the Nevada Education Department put it at 67.4 percent for the class of 2007.

In 2005 the nation's governors agreed to adopt a uniform formula for calculating graduation rates.

The class of 2011 — including in Clark County — will be the first measured using the new standard.

The new formula could be a challenge for the nation's fifth-largest school district, because it will be penalized for students who leave town without providing forwarding information indicating they are still in school.

In November 2007, the district went looking for the 3,791 high school students who had been enrolled the prior spring but did not return in the fall. The district was able to locate only 1,020.

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Committee reviewing Metro's lights and sirens policy

without using their vehicle's emergency lights and siren. The speed limit along the stretch of Flamingo where the crash occurred is 45 mph. "Officer Manor's speed was excessive and unsafe," Gillespie said. "Even with lights and sirens, that speed was excessive." A second patrol car responding to a 911 call also didn't use its lights or siren, Gillespie said. Investigators have not determined the speed of the second car, he said. Police said on May 22 that the actions of the second officer had been reviewed and "at this time there is nothing to substantiate the need for formal discipline." The investigation into the fatal collision continues and charges have not been filed

with the district attorney's office against Calvin Darling, who was turning at the time his pickup truck collided with the officer's cruiser. Darling, 45, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence after the collision. He was released the following day, however, after two blood-alcohol tests, drawn an hour apart, showed he had levels of .035 and .02 — below the legal limit of .08. Darling was turning his pickup truck left from Flamingo Road when the collision occurred at Ravenwood Drive. Darling had told police he had "three or four" beers after he got off work at the Bellagio. "It was a valid arrest," Gillespie said at the news conference, adding that Darling had failed a sobriety test.

Darling could still face a charge of failing to yield to an emergency vehicle, but police and the district attorney's office are investigating any possible charges, Gillespie said. Gillespie said "forensic evidence does not support" initial information given by officers after the crash, such as police reports that the emergency lights were in use. The police fatal investigation team examined filaments in the light bulbs of the patrol car lights to determine whether they were in use. The sheriff said there is "discretion" for officers responding to a 911 call, as Manor was, to either use or not use emergency flashing lights and sirens. "He believed a young woman was in danger and he responded," Gillespie said of Manor's actions before the crash. "He was a cop's cop." The 911 call from a 14-year-old girl that set the officers in motion is still under investigation, Gillespie said. Police released three separate 911 tapes with calls between the girl and dispatchers and the girl's mother and dispatchers. An executive level committee is reviewing Metro's lights and sirens policy and Gillespie issued a memo to all officers about the incident. Metro Police officers undergo a "robust" training program before they are assigned, the sheriff said.

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DEATHS

Julie Coca

Julie Jackson Coca, a Henderson native, died May 24. Born Feb. 5, 1969, at St. Rose Dominican Hospitals to Nile L. and Dolores G. Jackson, she spent most of her life in the Henderson and Las Vegas area. Julie worked for Marie Calender's for many years as a food server. She met Antonio (Bryan) Coca in May 1997 and they were married on May 5, 2005. They enjoyed traveling and camping with Julie's son, Julian Favela. In June 2008 Julie was diagnosed with breast cancer while carrying her daughter Sophia. She is survived by her husband, Antonio Coca, son Julian and daughter Sophia, father Nile L. Jackson. A Mother's Day video has been set up at youtube.com/juliecoca. Services were held May 27 at New Community Church, 6360 S. Pecos Road, Las Vegas. Palm Mortuary handled the arrangements.



Coca

Born July 22, 1930, she most recently lived in Toney. She is survived by her daughter Ann Parlato and husband Joseph of Toney, Ala.; sons Guy Griffin and wife Pattie of Swannanoa, N.C., Lee Griffin and wife Judy of Durham, N.C., and Bill Griffin and wife Ursel of Kitzingen, Germany; brother Paul Benton and wife Lola of Milton, Fla.; sister Agnes Donahoo and husband George of Albany, Ga. Services will be held at Laughlin Service Funeral Home in Toney, Ala. Burial will be held at a later date at Palm Mortuary, Henderson. Laughlin Service Funeral Home in Toney, Ala., handled the arrangements.

Marlene Keep

Marlene A. Keep, 73, a 37-year resident of Las Vegas, died May 20. She was born May 26, 1935, in Highland Park, Mich., and was a retired hairdresser. She is survived by sons James Kalbleisch of Henderson and Jay Kalbleisch of Las Vegas; stepdaughters Kim M. Keep of Las Vegas and Kristina L. McComas of Oakview, Calif.; sisters Barb McCormick and Cheryl Nielsen, both of Las Vegas; stepdaughter-in-law Janice Pirie of Las Vegas; six grand children and five great-grand children. A memorial service was held May 26 at Shadow Hills Baptist Church, where Keep was a member of the choir. The family requests that memorial donations be made to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation or Nathan Adelson Hospice. Palm Mortuary handled the arrangements.

Marion Oteri

Marion Louise Oteri, 82, a retired saleswoman, of Boulder City, died May 20. She was born Feb. 23, 1927, in Boston, and was a 20-year resident of Nevada. Marion was an active member of the St. Andrews Catholic Church Altar Society, the Community Club of Boulder City, the Senior Citizens Center of Boulder City, and the Dennis Bono Young At Heart Club. Marion is survived by her sister, Mary Veltman of Spokane, Wash.; daughter, Donna Oteri of Henderson; son, John A. Oteri of Boulder City; granddaughter, January Falcone and her husband, Daniel, of Henderson; grand-grandson, Giovanni Falcone of Henderson; best friend Nadine Johnson of Boulder City and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, John Oteri; and sister, Helen Dodson. A sharing vigil will be at 7 p.m. May 28 at St. Andrews Catholic Community, 1399 San Felipe Drive, Boulder City. Service will be at 10 a.m. May 29, also at St. Andrews. The family requests that memorial donations be made to Free To Live Inc. P.O. Box 5884, Edmond, OK 73083. Palm Mortuary handled the arrangements.



Oteri

Raymond Rhees

Raymond H. Rhees, 36, a lifetime resident, died May 18. He was born April 8, 1973, in Las Vegas to Kent and Catherine Rhees of Henderson. He is survived by his parents, sisters Diane VanEtten of Hayden, Idaho, Sharon King of Wilmington, N.C.; brothers Dr. Brian Rhees of Tracy, Calif., Steven Rhees of Henderson, and Michael Rhees of Las Vegas; and grandmother Elaine Langford of Brigham City, Utah. Services were held May 26 at the Arrowhead Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Henderson. He was buried in Palm Memorial Park in Henderson. Palm Mortuary-Henderson handled the arrangements.

Margaret Graham

Margaret V. Graham, 77, of Henderson died May 14, after a battle with ovarian cancer at the Odyssey Harbor House Hospice, surrounded by her loved ones. She was born Dec. 28, 1931, in Yuma, Ariz., to Ralph Valencia and Mary Redondo Lorona. A few years later, she moved to San Diego with her mother and stepfather, Joe Lorona, where she finished her schooling and met and married William "Bill" Graham, the love of her life, June 21, 1952, in a double ceremony with her sister Irene and her husband, Joseph Tursky. In 1960, the family moved to Henderson, where they remained. Margaret was a stay-at-home mother to their 10 children until the youngest was in school full time. In 1969, she went to work for the Henderson Home News, then owned by Morry Zenoff. She started as a part-time reporter and became office manager. In 1974, she worked for the Office of Veterans Affairs clinic as a purchasing agent. In 1990, she was hired as a purchasing administrator in the Bureau of Reclamation in Boulder City, one of the first women to hold the position. After her retirement in 1994, she worked for the Henderson Boys & Girls Club Worm Catcher program, then worked as a preschool teacher at Marsh Jeffries Preschool. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church and participated in various community projects. She enjoyed traveling, especially cruising, and being with her family. She is survived by her children, Valerie Compton, Terry Lee and her husband, Dave, Debby Brownell and her husband, John, Carol Watson and her husband, Terrill, David, Billy and his wife, Caren, Margie, Alicia Willburg and her husband, Joe, Chris and his wife, Amy, Vicki Archibeque and her husband, Fred; mother, Mary; sisters Irene and her husband, Joseph, and Lenore Stuart and her husband, Jerry; as well as 36 grandchildren and 37 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill, who died April 13, 2008, grandson Aaron Graham and great-granddaughter Audrey Clyde. The family requests memorial gifts go to Odyssey Hospice, 4011 McLeod Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89121. Services were held May 23 at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Henderson. Palm Mortuary handled the arrangements.

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Hectic schedule a big part of family reunion at Indy 500

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go. It falls at an inopportune time, I've got all this work to do, blah-blah. But I did travel to see them, to spend time with them at a sporting event and cultural phenomenon I'd never experienced. At this writing we are taking a break from the hectic schedule of visits with each other (eatin' family bonding — Indianapolis, for the Indy 500. At first I honestly didn't want to

Speedway. It's funny how life works. Sometimes the moment, this one, is in the form of a spontaneous lunch, or a car race in Indiana. But wherever and whenever that moment arises, you know it. Take it. It won't last forever.

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Health-care center seeking \$175,000 annually to stay open

class in 2007 and qualified for the Millennium Scholarship, may be the most dramatic success story for the health center, but officials say he is only one of many successes. The health center provides the services of nurse practitioners for free to students in 40 Henderson-area schools five hours a day, four days a week. The center treated 1,200 students in the 2006-07 school year, and that number is expected to double this year. With the struggling economy, the number of students who used the clinic from

September to December went from 600 in 2007 to 1,000 last year, said Dr. Joel Bower, the co-founder of the health center. "If the economy doesn't change, we will see more students," he said. "If they don't get care in our center, they will end up in the emergency room, urgent care or a private doctor's office, and they will be a big problem for everyone." The state budget crisis is being felt at the health center, which has been funded largely by Nevada State College. In late December, health center officials realized that

the funding it had relied on in the past may not be available in the future. A grant that has helped keep the center open is running out, and state higher education funding is looking scarcer and scarcer. In response, the center has been turning to the community for help. There have been fundraisers, a charity golf tournament and private donations. The center needs \$175,000 to \$200,000 a year to maintain its current level of services and, if the funding is available, would like to add mental and dental services, he said. Clinics like the one at Basic are a cost-effective way to provide health care, University Medical Center spokesman Rick Plummer said. Uninsured people tend to wait until a problem gets so serious that they end up in the emergency room, Plummer said. "It costs seven times as much money to treat the same injury or illness in the emergency room than in a Quick Care or clinic like Basic has," he said.

A report released in March by the health advocacy group Families USA showed that more than one-third of Nevadans under 65 were without health insurance for all or part of the years 2007 and 2008. Basic High Principal David Bechtel said the health center is about more than just health care. The clinic also is improving education by improving attendance, he said. For Grayson, the treatment that began in the health center has given him a new outlook on life. "Every day, I do remember that nothing is guaranteed," said Grayson, who is now a baggage handler at a Strip resort. He recently got a tattoo on his shoulder of a pair of dice showing the number 7, and he wants to get another of a phoenix, the mythical bird that comes back to life. "I'm lucky to be alive," he said.

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OUR VIEW

Military report giving backing to renewable energy

For about 18 months Nellis Air Force Base has operated a 140-acre solar facility that generates more than 30 percent of the base's power needs. This is the direction in which the entire country should be going, according to a dozen retired generals and admirals.

The officers collaborated on a report that states that national security will be threatened in the coming years if we do not get serious about kicking our oil addiction and developing much more renewable energy, setting an example for the world.

Included in the report released recently is this quote from Vice Admiral Dennis McGinn, a former deputy chief of naval operations. "Increasing demand for, and dwindling supplies of, fossil fuels will lead to conflict. The U.S. cannot assume that we will be untouched by these conflicts."

The generals and admirals make up the Military Advisory Board of the Virginia-based Center for Naval Analysis, which produced the report. The center, known as CNA, is a nonprofit research organization.

This CNA report, titled "Powering America's Defense," is a follow-up to its 1997 report about ways the United States should prepare for the high probability that climate change will bring instability to many parts of the world.

Renewable energy is now the focus because converting to it is one of the essential preparations. Projections show that the finite nature of fossil fuels will result in a dwindling supply of oil in the coming decades. They also show that unchecked climate change will bring ever more droughts, storms and wildfires, causing dwindling supplies of food and fresh water.

The report correctly points out that our own national security would be gravely threatened if global conflicts arise — and they almost certainly will — over the vanishing resources. Rapid conversion to renewable energy, however, could both reduce stress on oil supplies and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, a primary cause of climate change.

As military officers might say, we should get going on this conversion — double time.

Schools need federal help for swine flu

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says seasonal flu each year sickens about 200,000 Americans and leads to about 36,000 deaths.

That puts swine flu in perspective. The CDC says fewer than 5,200 confirmed and probable cases have been reported nationwide, resulting in eight deaths.

Yet swine flu is caused by the H1N1 virus, which has never been seen and for which a vaccine will not be available until at least July.

So the disease is highly troubling, at the least. Particularly so since Dr. Margaret Chu, a medical doctor and director general of the World Health Organization, said the relatively low lethality of swine flu could be "the calm before the storm."

Naturally, with the daily reports that swine flu is continuing to spread around the world, people are asking how to contain it. The question increasingly comes from school officials, as schools are places where the virus is easily spread.

The New York Times recently wrote that there is little guidance for school officials if a student contracts swine flu. The CDC first said officials should close their schools, and later said they shouldn't. The officials have been opting for closing them, as the swine flu virus can live on surfaces for only three days.

But this decision has led to complications. The Times reported that parents of children in schools that have not closed fear their children may be in danger, and that parents of healthy children in schools that have closed often think officials overreacted.

Additionally, a closed school means a free day for students to get together somewhere else, and still possibly expose each other.

"There is no right answer," New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who heads the city's school district, told the Times.

Swine flu is serious enough for federal health officials to write a standard operating procedure for the nation's school officials, and they should do it quickly.

A version of these editorials first appeared in the Las Vegas Sun. For more, go to LasVegasSun.com.

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ONE MAN'S VIEW Tim O'Callaghan

Reid getting ready for next big fight of his life



Like any seasoned fighter, Harry Reid is in for the fight of his life. That's the way it is in square ring of boxing, and it is no different

in the political ring. The next fight is always the biggest fight.

Today, Harry is the champion the crowd loves to hate. Like any good fighter, the Senate Majority Leader has a few scars — I'm sure one or two going back to when he first trained as a boxer under the tutelage of my father, former Nevada Gov. Mike O'Callaghan.

Big Mike, the most popular governor to serve the state of Nevada, saw something in the kid from Searchlight that perhaps others didn't see.

He had plenty of opportunity to get to know Harry well as a youth, both at the Henderson Boys Club, where Mike taught Harry boxing, and in the classroom at Basic High School, where he taught U.S. history and civics.

He saw enough in Harry to ask him to run as his lieutenant governor in 1970. He kept up with the incredible demands of Gov. O'Callaghan, who worked all hours of the day and night, especially during legislative sessions.

We have not always agreed on every issue, but when it comes to issues concerning Nevada, Harry is a world-class fighter.

Harry Reid is training for the next big fight of his life. He may not be running in front of my dad's car on the dusty road between Henderson and Railroad Pass, as he used to as a boxer, but he is running the tough and demanding campaign trail in Nevada.

This campaign trail will be different from any other he has run before. Today he doesn't have a definitive opponent to speak of; yet, he has more challengers from beyond the state lines of Nevada than any candidate here has ever faced.

A likely challenger will emerge from outside the state of Nevada in the form of a carpetbagger. Don't discount any challengers from within the state of Nevada either, because there are plenty of sacrificial lambs roaming the open ranges of the state who would gladly get slaughtered for a chance at the U.S. Senate or 15 minutes of fame to use as a stepping stone in political gain.

The challengers, carpetbaggers and little lambs are busy building rhetorical land

mines to scatter along the trail to VOTE 2010, such as convincing voters Harry is unpatriotic, out of touch or bad for Nevada.

The job of majority leader of the Senate is a thankless job for any member of the Senate no matter what party they are from. The leadership has to pull the entire party agenda no matter how liberal or conservative, leading the electorate at home to believe that is what the leader has become. The national spin begins to weigh heavier than 16-ounce gloves in the 12th round of a prize fight.

The reality is the numbers look bad, and the special interest groups are foaming at the mouth, thinking they have Harry up against the ropes before the first bell has rung. They don't give a hoot about Nevada or the people who live, work, are raising a family or have retired here. Their only concerns are their own agendas and how Harry Reid stands in their way.

Nevada is one of the least influential states in the

Congress of the United States. Without Harry Reid, Sen. John Ensign and Rep. Shelley Berkley, we would have little clout on a federal level. Nevada has a growing influence with Rep. Dean Heller, who would be wise to remain focused on his House seat to continue cultivating his growing leadership in Congress. Rep. Dina Titus is perfectly positioned to accelerate in a Democratic house.

Party politics has little influence on me, and it shouldn't on you. Rather, the politics on Nevada should be a main concern.

Although I have known Harry my entire life, I'm no Reid apologist. We have not always agreed on every issue, but when it comes to issues concerning Nevada, Harry is a world-class fighter.

When I said this would be a fight like no other, I meant it. Harry is no longer fighting in the square ring but rather the caged octagon with no rules and multiple challengers in all eight corners.

I can't predict the outcome, but I do know for sure Harry Reid will put up "The Good Fight."

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A CITIZEN'S VIEW Judy Miller Gerard

We need to work together in these troubling times



We are living in troubled, uncertain times. A number of people have lost their jobs, others have lost their homes; some

have lost both. The lifetime savings of others acquired over a period of many years is gone, and they approach retirement with the fearsome question of how they are going to get along. There is fear, anger and confusion.

Our government is looking for ways to provide financial help and housing to those in need, and beginning the huge task of replacing the many jobs that have simply disappeared through the loss of business.

The political world seems to become more divided and vocally vociferous than ever. We have a president who is very popular and a Congress moving into a place of one-party majority which can bring into being

We are a "can-do" people and many of us are already looking for ways of helping ourselves and each other.

the programs the president needs to implement his plan. A huge amount of money will be needed and is being authorized. When you put it all together, it is more than a little scary.

And yet there is hope. We are a "can-do" people and many of us are already looking for ways of helping ourselves and each other. Although politically we are divided, when the chips are down we come together to do what is necessary to help.

A house divided against itself falls, taking everyone with it, so we can begin by first identifying and focusing on what unites rather than what divides, and build on those strengths. Then we can deal with those areas in which we are not in agree-

ment, and earnestly look for solutions on which we can work together.

We can help by giving up the need to place the blame for what has happened. Blaming is a total waste of time and energy.

We can help by being mindful of the power of the spoken word and always speak only the truth as best we can discern it. It is especially important to be disciplined in what we say about other people, never mindlessly repeating anything we do not personally know to be true.

We can help by being part of a local group that works to promote programs that have a positive focus, are concerned with looking for answers and are willing to

work to implement those answers.

We can help by living our lives responsibly, spending wisely, taking care of our family, our home, our work, and being willing to make necessary changes in our lifestyle as we go along, so we are in a stable position.

We can reach out to others in need. Ask yourself "What can I share that would be helpful?" It might be money, it might be shelter. It might be a ride somewhere or a ticket to visit ailing friends or family. It might be making it possible to get needed medication. It might be prayer or another form of support.

This is a time when we can and must support and encourage each other, helping in whatever way is most needed, and finding our way together.

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Car show driving business to plaza

By JEREMY TWITCHELL

For a Saturday, it's early. It's not yet 9 a.m., the temperature is still comfortable and traffic is still flowing on Eastern Avenue. It will be at least another hour or two before the influx of shoppers turns the road into parking lot.

But since about 7 a.m. on May 23, the parking lot has been full at the Sansone Park Place shopping center on the east side of Eastern Avenue at Richmar Avenue. And it's not SUVs and minivans, either.

Under the morning sun, a dazzling array of painstakingly maintained classic cars, muscle cars and exotics shine in the sun.

In the Cars and Coffee show, a free event held every Saturday, cars are not judged by their color, their country of origin or their options package, but rather by the number of heads they turn and jaws they drop.

"You get the Mustang Club members talking to the Lamborghini Club people, and that's something you don't usually see at a show," organizer Salomon Braun said. "It begins with cars, but it's really about people."

All the automobile alliances aside, there's some-

To go

WHAT: Cars and Coffee Las Vegas car show
WHEN: Every Saturday, 7-10 a.m.
WHERE: Sansone Park Place, 9500 S. Eastern Ave., Henderson
COST: Free
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thing more, and in some ways much bigger, to this show.

Developer Roland Sansone, who built the center, said occupancy was down to about 40 percent when Cars and Coffee started last June. In the one year since, he said, it has risen to 98 percent.

Nearby business owners are enamored with the event.

"They bring a lot of business to my business," said Mamad Nafissi, owner of the Pasha women's boutique. "They're great neighbors to have. They bring culture — great American culture — to our shops."

Recently, Cars and Coffee's growth caught the attention of the city of Henderson, which notified Braun that he would need a conditional use permit to continue to operate the event.

At a hearing earlier this month for the permit, Nafissi showed up to speak in favor of the permit, and other business owners in the complex

submitted letters of support.

Heather Dunn, general manager of the nearby Einstein's Bagels, wrote that Cars and Coffee brings in an extra \$1,000 to \$1,500 in sales each Saturday.

"This show is a fantastic opportunity for all the businesses located in this complex to help increase sales, my store included," Dunn wrote. "It would be a huge disappointment if they were to move somewhere else."

Henderson Planning Commissioner Debra March, who lives near the show, said she passes it on morning walks and is a fan from a community development point of view.

"I think it has a vibrancy and brings a lot to the surrounding businesses and to the city," March said.

The Planning Commission unanimously approved the permit.

Braun said he got the idea for a local version of Cars and Coffee when attending an event in Orange County, Calif., a couple years ago. That show is packed by 6:30 a.m. each Saturday, half an hour before it even starts, he said.

And while he didn't expect the same level of enthusiasm in Henderson, he said the response has been far greater than anticipated. The event draws an average of more than 200 cars and 600 people every week.

"We knew that there was a hunger for auto enthusiasts to pursue their passion," Braun said. "We had no idea, and we were taken aback, as to how it has taken on a life of its own."

In addition to Las Vegas-Henderson, Cars and Coffee

holds weekly shows in 10 other major U.S. cities and three cities in Europe.

Braun, president of the local Porsche club and a member of several other auto clubs, said the event is a labor of love and is not meant to be a business. Cars park for free, there is no admission fee and the only people paying him are the few advertisers who purchase booth space.

"This is not really a moneymaker," Braun said. "The booths keep the cost down so that my wife lets me do this for free every week."

Car owners who come from all over the valley and beyond each week show Cars and Coffee is the car show for car people.

"This is great," said Las Vegas resident Dane Carter, who had his '68 Chevelle Malibu parked alongside a Lamborghini convertible. "It's a lot of fun and this is the kind of thing you want to do with your car. You don't want fill out a lot of paperwork, you just want to roll up in your car, look at what other people are doing and talk to friends."

Cars and Coffee also strives to fit in with the community by working with local groups. Braun frequently hosts Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts for their fund-raising activities, and today, he put on a raffle to benefit Never Alone, a local non-profit that provides activities for the families of local military personnel deployed overseas.

"That's what we want — to create a family environment," Braun said.

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Festival whets appetite of cooking competitors

By JEAN REID NORMAN

Cooks fired up their grills and smokers in downtown Boulder City on May 22, aiming for glory and cash prizes in the Best Dam Barbecue competition and festival.

Teams set up movable kitchens along Colorado Street and were prepared to cook through the night, with RVs and tents close by for a few minutes' rest while the meat smoked.

The festival featured barbecue, live music and dancing through the weekend.

The annual event, sponsored by the Boulder City Rotary Club, is sanctioned by the Kansas City Barbecue Association. The winner, Blake's BBQ, received an invitation to the big events in barbecuing: the Jack Daniels Invitational Barbecue in Lynchburg, Tenn., and the American Royal Barbecue in Kansas City, Mo. — considered the national championship.

Thirty-six chefs came to Boulder City, all with a passion and competitive drive.

Dave Bennett and his Dave's Fabulous Las Vegas Barbecue team were in their first competition. Bennett has been selling his family-recipe sauce since 2005 and says all three Las Vegas Whole Foods stores sell it.

"We are coming into it blind," Bennett said. But fellow competitors were nice, offering to help with whatever Bennett's team needed.

His neighbor in the Casual Smokers booth, Ted Aggeler, and his wife, Vicki, of Kansas City, Mo., drove down from Utah, where Aggeler is on a job with his engineering and construction company. He planned to cook 100 pounds of meat but submit only 10 of it to judges, he said.

He doesn't sell food, as many competitors do, so the leftovers will probably end



Lynn Jeffrey of the Montana Bar-BQ Co. of Lewistown, Mont., shows off chicken on the grill that she says can hold 400 pounds of meat. She was set up on Colorado Street May 22 for the Best Dam Barbecue competition and festival.

up at a company lunch meeting next week, he said. His co-workers "all know where we are this weekend," he said.

In addition to the Grand Champions, Blake's BBQ, the following teams won awards in the competition:

Reserve Grand Champion, who would go to the national competitions if the winner is not able: BLQUE Cuttin' Edge BBQ.

Chicken: Rhythm 'n Que, first place; Smokin' Goatheads, second; Toys 4 BBQ'n, third.

Pork ribs: McFrankenboo BBQ, first place; Rib Tickler Barbeque, second; Papa's Smoke House BBQ, third.

Pork: Blake's BBQ, first place; All Hogs Go To Heaven, second; Rib Tickler, third.

Brisket: BLQUE Cuttin' Edge, first place; Smokin' Goatheads, second; Toys 4 BBQ'n, third.

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Goatheads, first place; Papa's Smoke House BBQ, second; Cecil's Smok'n BBQ, third.

Desserts: One Smoke Over the Line, first place; Toys 4

BBQ'n, second; All Hogs Go to Heaven, third.

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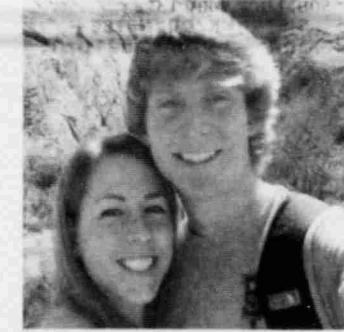


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Engagement

Aspen Nicole Holloway and Andrew Bellatti Green have announced their engagement. Holloway is the daughter of Foster and Deena Holloway of Henderson. She was a graduate of Green Valley High School in 2006 and plans to graduate from college in 2009 with a bachelors' degree in nursing. Green is the son of William Walter Green Jr. and Susan Anne Green of Henderson. Green plans to graduate from Baylor University with a bachelors' degree in studio art and pursue a master's degree in architecture. The couple are planning to wed March 13, 2010.

Cirque shows offering deal

By AMANDA FINNEGAN

After a string of local deals, Cirque du Soleil has introduced a deal for everyone in honor of their 25th anniversary.

The quintessential Vegas shows are offering \$25 tickets with the purchase of a regular price ticket. The deal is good on all Vegas shows - "O," "Mystere," "Love," "KA," "Believe" and "Zumanity."

While tickets for most shows are available during the next few weeks, tickets for "O" are not available until August with the promotion.

The offer is valid on shows from now until Oct. 11, 2009 for available days and times in select seating areas. All tickets must be purchased in pairs.

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John Thomas, a driver for Republic/Silver State Services, poses by his roll-off truck at the Henderson Transfer Station. Thomas was named the Industrial Driver of the Year from the National Solid Waste Management Association. It is the third consecutive win for the Henderson Transfer Station.

Garbage truck driver honored

By **BRENDAN BUHLER**

John Thomas is happy to tell you, again and again, that despite the award and the large banner of congratulations that hangs outside his workplace, he has an easy job.

Thomas drives a garbage truck. He is, in fact, the Environmental Industry Association's garbage truck driver of the year — industrial class, large company division.

Meaning, Thomas doesn't drive the kind of truck most people think of when they think of a garbage truck, the snail-backed compactor that rolls through your neighborhood. What Thomas drives is a little more like a flatbed truck, often called a roll-off truck, after the shipping-container-sized trash bins that roll on and off the bed.

Thomas drives this truck to hospitals, casinos, grocery stores and construction sites — 10 or 11 stops a day. He picks up a container, drives it to Republic Service's Henderson Transfer station, empties it and drives it back to where he got it. He does this for 10 hours and 150 miles a day, four days a week. He drives alone.

What separates an average garbage truck driver from a

garbage truck driver of the year? Safety and customer satisfaction.

Thirteen of the businesses on Thomas' route wrote letters recommending him for the award. Thomas has never been injured on the job and, in his 22 years with Republic Services (Thomas has been driving for 32 years, all told), he's never been in an accident. Well, there was one time, 21 years ago and half a million miles ago, when a guy ran a stop sign and hit the side of his truck. It was nothing big and not his fault, but Thomas can still describe the intersection.

This, mind you, in a lifetime of driving trucks that weigh 15 tons when empty and carry loads of up to 10 tons — a proportional weight increase that makes turning and stopping activities fraught with interest.

But there are skills besides safety and customer satisfaction, skills that don't appear on a driver's record and therefore are not taken into account when a driver of the year is selected.

Consider the loading of the container.

The first thing to know about a roll-off container is that its rollers are mounted in two

rows with guardrails on either side of each. The truck bed has two rails on it. When the truck bed is tilted and the container is winched onto the bed, the rollers ride upon these rails. But first, the truck bed's rails must be aligned with the rollers. To line them up, Thomas must reverse his 30-or-so-foot truck, often while turning in a small space and with nothing but his side mirror to guide him. The margin of error is about 2 inches.

Thomas lines up container and truck on the first try, every time.

And then it's back to the transfer station, where he must unload the container, drive around it and load it up so it's facing in the opposite direction. He drives it inside the transfer station's concrete warehouse, opens the container's doors, tilts the truck bed and shakes out several tons of trash.

"It's a real easy job; that's why I like it," Thomas says, after shaking a load into the transfer station's reeking maw.

"It's nice, being outside, you know?"

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Iconic Las Vegas sign on history registry

By **AMANDA FINNEGAN**

The "Welcome to Las Vegas" sign is now officially etched into history.

Clark County officials announced May 21 that the famous Las Vegas landmark has been accepted into the National Register of Historic Places.

The sign, which has welcomed visitors since 1959, was inducted into the register

on May 1 after months of research and paperwork by Clark County officials. A plaque was placed at the sign, marking its place in the registry.

"The sign is one of the few landmarks on the Strip that has lasted 50 years," Clark County Commission Chairman Rory Reid said. "In fact, I think it's one of the few things in this valley, other than the people, that is over 50 years (old)."

The sign itself has seen very few changes in the past 50 years, except for some energy renovations made by NV Energy. In 2007, the county installed artificial turf underneath the sign and in January, 12 parking spaces were added to accommodate tourists.

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Underwater mortgages continue to rise

By BRIAN WARGO

More than 80 percent of the homes bought in Las Vegas from 2005 to 2007 are underwater, a reflection of the danger that still lingers for the housing market.

The real estate Web site zillow.com released a report that shows 67 percent of Las Vegas homeowners owe more on their homes than the houses are worth — the No. 1 ranking in the nation. Stockton, Calif., was second with 51 percent. Twenty-one percent of the nation's homes are underwater, the report said.

"Considering the bulk of those homes were bought in 2004 to 2007, that is not a surprising figure," said Steve Bottfeld, executive vice president of Marketing Solutions. "The key question is how long can those people hold on and how rapidly prices come back. Nobody has the answer to either of those questions."

The rising number of homeowners underwater has raised the specter that many will walk away from their homes and let them go into foreclosure. Las Vegas is ranked No. 1 in the nation in foreclosure filings, and that has prompted prices to fall more than 50 percent from their peak in June 2006.

"I think we are getting to the point where people are realizing they don't want to be stuck in this house where they literally are buried and the prices aren't going to come back in any realistic time frame," said Richard Plaster, president

of Signature Homes. "What I see is the number of foreclosures are definitely going to increase."

Under the Obama administration's plan, homeowners can only be underwater up to 5 percent to receive assistance. For those greater than 5 percent, lenders would have to agree to assist homeowners but that has been rare, Zillow spokeswoman Katie Curnutte said.

"I have to be worried about these people walking away because pundits are telling them that is the thing to do and go to the end of the block and buy something cheaper," Bottfeld said, adding that that is a mistake because people will take a hit on their credit.

Plaster has been one of the people urging others to walk away even though he said he would never do so because he needs good credit for his business.

Banks aren't interested in helping out homeowners and reducing the loan amount, and they are the ones who are benefiting from the bailout, Plaster said. It can take several months for banks to foreclose and, in the meantime, the homeowners can horde their cash, he said.

These people only need to wait three years to qualify for a Federal Housing Administration loan and four years for a conventional loan and prices should remain low for a while, he says.

Plaster said he doesn't understand the criticism leveled

against people who walk away from their homes. Local developers have done it on master-planned communities and no one bats an eye. And when casinos are unable to make debt payments, no one criticizes them, Plaster said.

Plaster said the more people who walk away from their homes, the quicker the housing market and prices will stabilize.

"If you are paying \$2,500 a month on something that you can rent across the street for \$1,200, it is not the brightest course to stay in that house," Plaster said. "The banks have been bailed out. Why should the homeowners be the ones to suffer?"

Dennis Smith, president of Home Builders Research, said the high number of homeowners underwater doesn't bode well for the housing market's recovery anytime soon. Many of those homeowners won't be in a position to sell their house and move up to a pricier home.

"We may not see any changes in the move-up market for some time," Smith said. "Maybe two years."

The boost in home sales has been driven by houses at the lower end of the scale. The median price of existing-home sales was \$125,000 in April, according to SalesTraq.

The inventory is already expected to swell because of the 10,000 to 25,000 homes in foreclosure that banks are holding out of the market for now, Smith said.

"I don't think anyone expects the foreclosure part of the market to change significantly for three years, and we haven't even heard from high rises yet," Smith said.

Markets such as Las Vegas that had a lot of construction have had the highest number of homes underwater, Curnutte said. There is no indication the Las Vegas housing market is recovering because prices continue to fall at the same rate, she said.

According to Zillow's numbers, the median price has fallen 49.3 percent between the first quarter of 2006 and first quarter of 2009.

"Vegas is one of those markets that is not showing improvement (in terms of prices)," Curnutte said.

Over the past five years, 75.4 percent of homes purchased are underwater, according to zillow.com. Ninety-five percent of homes lost value but the median percentage of owner equity was 29.6 percent, it reported.

Homes bought in 2007 had the highest percentage of homeowners underwater at 82.7 percent. Eighty percent of the homes bought in 2005 are underwater. That lessened to 65.4 percent for homes bought in 2008. In a reflection of falling prices, 22.6 percent of the homes bought in 2009 are underwater, zillow.com reported.

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This faulty IpeX water pipe fitting was taken from a Pulte home in Anthem. The corroded fittings can cause declining water pressure and leaks.

More settlements reached in Kitec plumbing lawsuit

Three plumbers, two builders yet to reach agreement in class-action suit

By JEFF POPE

Attorneys in a class-action plumbing defect lawsuit said they have reached tentative settlements with all but three plumbers and two builders.

Of the more than 40 home builders, plumbing contractors, distributors and related parties sued after installing Kitec-brand plumbing systems in the valley, only Sharp Plumbing, Classic Plumbing, Majestic Plumbing, H&H Developments Ltd. and LBM Development Co. Inc., have yet to reach settlement agreements.

District Court Judge Timothy Williams granted the preliminary approval of 10 settlements May 20 and set a fairness hearing for Aug. 3, at which time the agreements could be officially accepted.

The details of the agreements were not immediately available.

Williams set a mandatory settlement conference for Tuesday for the remaining five defendants to try and reach an agreement and avoid a trial, which has been rescheduled to begin June 2.

Bill Coulthard, of the firm

Kemp, Jones and Coulthard, represents the thousands of homeowners whose houses contain the Kitec system, which has leaked in some homes due to dezincification.

Dezincification is a process in which water removes zinc from brass plumbing fittings and turns it into silt that collects in the pipes. Over time, the accumulated zinc causes blockages that can potentially rupture water lines.

Coulthard said the remaining two builders and Majestic Plumbing did work on only a small number of homes in the valley.

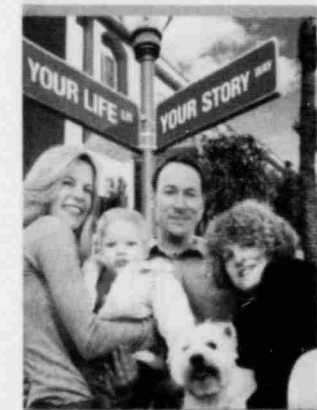
"In the meantime, we're working hard to continue to reach settlements where possible but also preparing our witnesses and evidence to go to trial," Coulthard said.

Notices of the recent settlements will be mailed on Tuesday to residents for review. Residents will have until July 15 to issue written comments or objections to the preliminary deals.

IPEX, the maker of Kitec, settled its claims for \$90 million in January. Several home builders appealed the settlement to the Nevada Supreme Court. A decision on whether the court will hear arguments on the appeal is pending.

The firm of Lynch, Hopper & Salzano also represents the homeowners.

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ENTERTAINMENT



"Human Nature" is an Australia show that performs the hits of Motown, replacing "Legends in Concert" at the Imperial Palace.

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Strip gets Motown by way of Australia

By JERRY FINK

Producer Adam Steck is evacuating Australia one act at a time.

The crown jewel in his Aussie-tiarais "Thunder From Down Under," the male strip show at the Excalibur, which has been tantalizing the ladies in Vegas for a dozen years.

Five years ago he imported "Aussie Angels" — the female answer to "Thunder."

And now it's "Human Nature" — Australia's answer to Motown.

"My partner in Australia sent me a video of the group and said it would be a great act for the States," says Steck, who was skeptical. "I popped the DVD into the player and wasn't paying any attention until they came on and I got goose bumps. I immediately placed a conference call and

To go

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WHEN: 8 p.m. Saturdays through Thursdays. Dark Fridays.
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signed them up."

That was two years ago. "There weren't any rooms available on the Strip back then," he said. "I brought them to the Tropicana in Atlantic City for two months and the reaction was amazing."

The quartet of clean-cut, energetic singers has been creating hit records in the land of kangaroos and Vegemite for almost 20 years.

Human Nature made its debut May 23 at the Imperial Palace, filling the hole left when

the long-running "Legends in Concert" moved from the IP to the Flamingo.

Four white guys from Australia singing Motown classics may be a stretch for some fans, but not Smokey Robinson, the King of Motown. Robinson attached his name to the production: "Smokey Robinson Presents Australia's Human Nature — the Ultimate Celebration of Motown," which is the longest title for a show in Las Vegas.

"Very seldom do I get really excited about something musically," Robinson said when he recently introduced his newfound Motown singers. "But these guys blew me away. They are singers' singers. In their area of the world they are the Beatles. They haven't been exposed in the United States yet, but they're getting ready to take us by storm."

During the introduction ceremony, the group members — dressed in tightfitting suits, white shirts and thin ties — demonstrated their considerable choreographic skills, their chilling a cappella harmonizing and their grasp of the Motown sound, singing several of Robinson's hits, including "Ooh Baby Baby" and "Get Ready."

Human Nature is Toby Allen, Phil Burton and brothers Andrew and Michael Tierney. In 1989 the four formed a doo-wop group called 4Trax when they were high school students in Sydney. Its repertoire included some Motown numbers, and the songs were so well received the group eventually focused on that music.

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Crowd celebrates Gans at memorial

By JERRY FINK

As in life, in death Danny Gans filled the showroom.

More than 1,000 fans, friends and family members said goodbye to the much adored impressionist on May 20 at the Encore Theater, which had been his home for barely four months when he died at his house unexpectedly on May 1 of unknown causes.

Celebrities such as George Wallace, Rita Rudner, Louis Anderson and Carrot Top shared the sorrow and the joy with fans from all walks of life.

In true Las Vegas style, it was a 90-minute memorial production filled with music and laughter and tears and reminiscing.

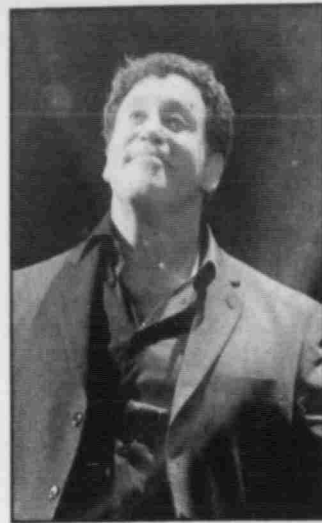
Elaine Wynn opened the private service with the observation, "Today, sorrow and joy share the same stage."

Gans, 52, spent 15 years on the road before settling in Las Vegas in 1996.

His first show was at the Stratosphere. It lasted seven months and then he went to the Rio for three years, then he moved to the Mirage, where he stayed for almost 10 years. His show at the Encore started in February.

Steve Wynn recognized Gans' talent early on. He owned the Mirage when he brought Gans there to headline. And then he brought him to the Encore. "I marveled at the remarkable ability this man had to entertain," Wynn told the audience.

Speakers at the memorial also included pastors Gary Morefield and Benny Perez, Mayor Oscar Goodman, Donny Osmond and Gans' children, Amy, 21, Andrew, 19, and Emily, 14.



FILE PHOTO

Entertainer Danny Gans died May 1.

In proclaiming May 21 Danny Gans Day, Goodman noted he was "the quintessential entertainer, and to the city of Las Vegas he was a wonderful partner ... If you asked Danny to do anything, he never said no."

Osmond and his sister Marie perform at the Flamingo in a show that was produced by Gans and his partner, Chip Lightman.

Osmond announced that he would be hosting the Danny Gans Run for Life in October, a charity that raises money for childhood cancer research. "I have been honored to keep his legacy alive in this one specific area," he said.

"The loss is so devastating and hard to comprehend," Amy Gans said. "The only way I can be at peace is to have faith in the Lord. My dad would not want me to be sad. He would want me to rejoice knowing he was with the Lord."

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Calhoun felt timing was right to be able to contribute

position where he was tasked with overseeing public safety, utilities and development.

As city manager, he replaces Mary Kay Peck, whom the City Council unanimously fired last month after listing a number of grievances, including that she mismanaged the city budget, directed staff not to talk to council members and created a "culture of fear." Peck disputes the allegations and has filed a lawsuit against the city, saying she was never made aware of any problems with her job performance.

Calhoun and Peck know each other well, having worked closely together in various capacities at the city for almost 14 years.

But given the nature of their relationship now, Calhoun is mum on the issue of Peck's departure. "I think I'd better leave that one alone for a while," he said.

When former Henderson City Manager Phillip Speight left in October 2007, his two assistant city managers — Peck and Calhoun — were the only two candidates the city considered to replace him.

When Calhoun withdrew his name from consideration early in the process for personal reasons, it opened the door for Peck to sail into the position on glowing references from Speight and the entire City Council.

When things didn't work out as planned between the city and Peck, Calhoun said, he felt ready when the council came calling.

"It was because of the situation we're in with the economics that I'd figure I'd have something to contribute," he said.

And when asked about how he plans to move forward, Calhoun said he is reaching out to city staff and trying to put the messy divorce behind the city as quickly as possible.

"I've always had good relationships with the staff," Calhoun said. "Our staff is



New Henderson City Manager Mark Calhoun sits in his office at City Hall as he discusses the challenges facing the city.

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what makes the city. There's a lot of trepidation, obviously, and a lot of concern that changing the guard again in such a short amount of time could lead to drastic changes. ... I just want to let (the staff) know that whatever happened back then, happened back then. This is a new day."

Calhoun already has made some changes in the city's upper levels. Assistant to the City Manager Richard Derrick, who previously served as the budget director, has moved to be assistant finance director under Steve Hanson.

Hanson had planned to retire in July but agreed to stay on until February, given the city's economic challenges.

In addition to streamlining operations in the city man-

ager's office, Calhoun said the move will bring extra experience to the city's financial planning and assure continuity in the finance department when Hanson retires.

Earlier this year, the city tasked each department with coming up with a plan to cut up to 15 percent of its budget. This week, those recommendations begin coming into Calhoun's office, where he and his staff will begin the process of evaluating and prioritizing them.

Though the city's budget is balanced at the moment, a further decline in tax revenue or hits from the state Legislature in its effort to balance the state budget could require additional cuts.

"Once we have a plan put

together, we will be meeting with the council to get their positions and their priorities," Calhoun said.

Despite all that has happened and all the work that remains to be done, Calhoun still retains an engineer's enthusiasm for working and planning the growth of what has been, during his 25-year career, one of the nation's fastest growing cities. Henderson has mushroomed from a population of 31,000 in 1983 to an estimated 265,000 today.

"It's been a blast," he said. "I've had a lot of fun being here, and it's been a great career move."

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President Barack Obama speaks during a fundraiser at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas.

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President throws support behind Reid at fundraiser

in realizing its image, equal justice under the law. I'm inspired by her, and I know that Harry Reid and others in the Senate will make sure she's confirmed."

Still, when it comes to his administration's agenda, Obama said he was far from satisfied.

"We have come a long way. We see light on the horizon. But we've got a long journey ahead," he said. "That's why you are here tonight. I know you're going to be at the polls next November. I know you'll be making those phone calls and knocking on those doors, so Harry Reid can continue his service to this great state. That's why I'm here tonight. I can't bring the change I promised all by myself. I need partners in Congress, leaders who are willing to make a difference. Right now, more than

ever before, we need their help."

Obama promised great strides in education and renewable energy and reiterated his campaign pledge to enact health care reform by the end of the year.

He implored the crowd: "Stand with me. And stand with Harry Reid."

"I know that years from now we will look back on this time and this moment and say that's when the American people came together and reclaimed our future, to write the next great chapter of the American story."

The president planned to visit Nellis Air Force Base May 27 to discuss the economic recovery package.

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SPORTS

Rebels finalize hoops schedule

By RYAN GREENE

In 23 seasons as a college head coach, Lon Kruger has never coached on the visitor's bench in Manhattan, Kan. — the home of his alma mater, Kansas State.

That won't change in the 2009-10, but for the third time in his career, he'll do battle with the Wildcats. An intriguing matchup with Kansas State is a key piece of UNLV's upcoming non-conference schedule which was released recently.

The pre-Mountain West Conference slate also includes matchups with Louisville, Arizona, UNR, Southern Illinois and a trip to the Diamond Head Classic in Honolulu over Christmas.

The Kansas State game, which will be played at the Orleans Arena on Dec. 12, wraps up maybe the toughest 15-day stretch the Rebels will face all season. It begins with a home game against Rick Pitino's Cardinals on Nov. 28 — the same day as UNLV's regular season football finale at home against San Diego State.

In between the two will be road trips to face Arizona on Dec. 2 and Santa Clara on Dec. 5.

What adds some spice to the contest against Kansas State, however, are the deep connections to the school with the UNLV coaching staff.

Kruger played for Jack Hartman from 1971-74, and his number currently hangs in the Bramlage Coliseum rafters. He then served as head coach for the Wildcats from 1986-90.

Assistant Steve Henson played point guard for Kruger from 1986-90, while assistant Greg Gensing was a Kansas State aide from 1986-94. Director of Basketball Operations Mike Shepherd was a student manager for Kruger in Manhattan before graduating in 1992.

But there won't be much room for sentiment when Frank Martin's club comes to town. The Wildcats, who finished 22-12 and an NIT berth last season, return four starters and have a loaded incom-

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Bishop Gorman celebrates after beating Cimarron-Memorial 3-1 for its fourth straight title.

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Gorman captures title

Gaels knock off Cimarron 3-1 to cap near-perfect season

By STEVE SILVER

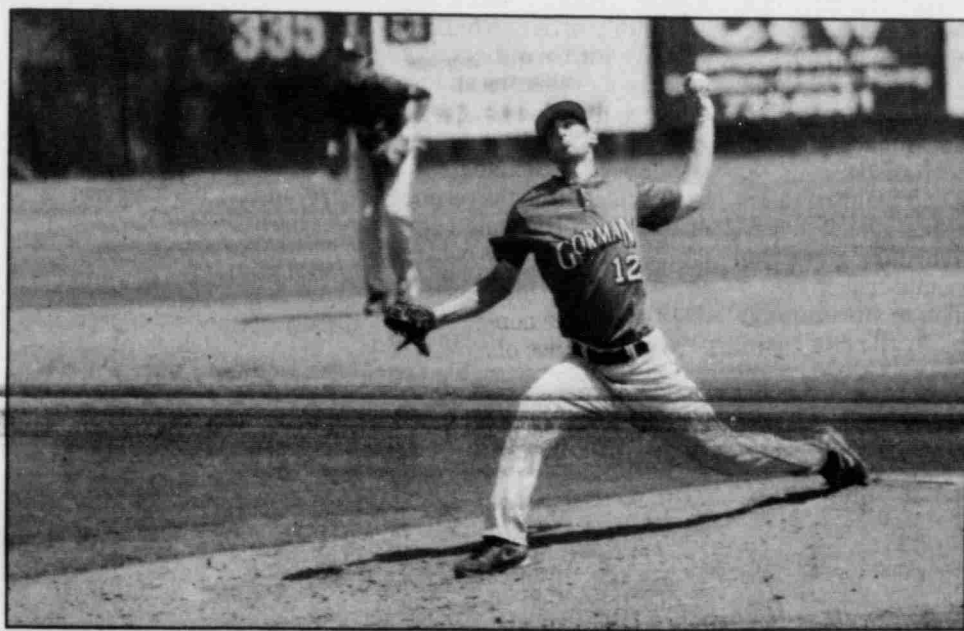
Although winning state championships for Bishop Gorman is becoming as routine as shagging ground balls, the Gaels could not contain their emotions as they captured their fourth consecutive 4A state title May 23.

Tears flowed freely and Gatorade bucket showers were aplenty following the final out of the Gaels' 3-1 victory over Cimarron-Memorial at the College of Southern Nevada's Morse Stadium.

Gorman is now second all-time in Nevada history with the most consecutive state championships behind Green Valley High, which captured six straight from 1993-98.

"Every year they ask which one is the most special and for a lot of reasons this is the most special by far," said Gorman coach Chris Sheff. "It's a great group of kids and for personal reasons and a lot of other things, it's been a really special, special year. It's a great thing."

Perhaps the darkest blemish on an otherwise dream 40-4 season came one week



Bishop Gorman's Joey Rickard fires a pitches to the plate to the 4A state championship baseball game. Rickard allowed one run on three hits in 5 and 1/3 innings for the win.

RICHARD BRIAN/SPECIAL TO THE HOME NEWS

ago in the Sunset Regional championship in which Cimarron blasted Gorman 10-2.

After having to win a play-in game just to enter the state tournament, the Gaels seemed destined to exact revenge on the Spartans after dropping Green Valley 2-1 and blasting Douglas 8-0.

"It was a great revenge game," said Saturday's

starting pitcher Joey Rickard, who also started in last week's loss. "We knew we had to leave everything on the field against these guys. It's definitely the best feeling to go out like this. What better way is there?"

Rickard held the Spartans to just three hits in five and one-third innings of work.

"The Joey Rickard in Sunset title game wasn't the real Joey Rickard," Sheff

said. "He just had a bad day. But he showed his true self today. I thought he was in command. Obviously our pitching the whole tournament was dominating."

Jeff Malm entered in the sixth inning to relief Rickard as the Spartans put two men on base with only one out. Malm struck out the next two batters to escape

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Lake Mead coach's approach helps baseball team move to head of the state

By RAY BREWER

When Lake Mead Christian Academy baseball coach Doug Johnson took over the high school program three years ago, his task of building a winner seemed impossible.

The Eagles had only fielded a team for two years and those seasons produced limited memorable moments.

Competing in the 1A classification, Lake Mead didn't win a game during its initial year in 2005. The following year, they finished last among five teams in the 1A Southern League and was the league's lone team not in the playoffs.

Enter Johnson and his year-round approach to the game.

Instead of breaking out the bats and mitts each spring, Johnson implemented a full schedule of games and workouts in the summer and fall.

The result is something that seemed impossible — a state championship.

Lake Mead went 7-1 in league games this spring to earn the top seed for the playoffs. The Eagles won all six of their postseason games, capped by a 7-2 victory against Carlin High at Arbor View on May 23 in the 1A state title game.

"We really had some kids with some good character who wanted to play the game," Johnson said. "Through the grace of God it all fell into place."

Johnson, who was an assistant coach in UNLV's football program from 1974 to 1980, used Lake Mead's successful basketball program as a model for success. The basketball team has won the past two state championships and reached the title game in six of the last seven seasons.

"Lake Mead is a basketball school," Johnson said. "They are always competing for the state championship. So, we played AAU over the summer just like the basketball team."

Jeff Newton, Lake Mead's athletic director and basketball coach, gave credit to Johnson for getting

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Sprinter breaks state record in 100-meter dash

By RAY BREWER

Valley High junior Garic Wharton can call himself the fastest high school sprinter in Nevada.

Ever. Wharton's time of 10.39 seconds in the 100-meter dash May 22 during the large-school state track meet at Del Sol shattered a two-decade-old record of 10.54 seconds set by Las Vegas High's Charles Smith in 1983.

Wharton's time ranks No. 10 nationally according to Dye-Stat.com, a Web site that documents times for all states. It also helped Valley claim the state championship with 47 points to edge second-place Reno High by three points and third-place Chaparral by four points.

"I just wanted to win the race," Wharton said. "The times and records come as they come. I race to win, not to set records."

This is not the first time Wharton has broken a state record. His time of 21.1



Valley High's Garic Wharton broke the 200-meter dash 4A state record with a time of 21.1 seconds at last year's state track meet. That speed has led to interest from major college football programs. He topped that this year by running 10.39 seconds in the 100-meter dash May 22.

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win the 200 at last year's state meet is also a record.

That performance put him on the map as a top-tier college football prospect. The 5-foot-11, 160-pound wide receiver has received offers from the likes of Utah and Nebraska and is ranked as the nation's No. 66 receiver by recruiting Web site Rivals.com.

"It's a combination of natu-

ral ability and learning how to run the race," Valley coach Mark Salzman said. "He has been a real technician this year and executed at various parts of the race."

Wharton wasn't the only sprinter with an impressive time in the 100.

Second-place finisher Joel Hotchkins of Chaparral finished in 10.43, the 12th fastest

time nationally, and Liberty's Shaun Murray had the nation's 14th best time of 10.45 in taking third.

Both Hotchkins and Murray would have had times fast enough to break the state mark.

"I got out of the box fast and ran a good race," Hotchkins said. "I was happy with my time and place."

The trio will squared off again in the finals of the 200 on May 23. Wharton, who was at a small disadvantage because he was racing out of the second position, edged Hotchkins by one hundredth of a second to take second place at 21.48.

Murray won the race in 21.24, but Wharton's efforts in what was the meet's final event clinched the team title for Valley.

"Racing against those guys brings out the best in me," Wharton said.

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FROM THE PRESS BOX Ray Brewer

Faith golfer takes team to top



Yuki Kato could not help thinking about what could have been.

The Faith Lutheran junior golfer

dominated the 3A classification all spring, golfing with a chip on his shoulder from the way his season ended last year in leading the Crusaders to the state title last week.

Kato, like he has done all season, captured medalist honors at state with a 3-under-par 139 during the two-day event at the par-71, 6,302-yard Spring Creek Golf Course.

The effort helped Faith Lutheran edge Winnemucca's Lowry High by three strokes

for its second team title in three years.

It's a title Kato feels Faith Lutheran should have also won last year. But a freak accident during conditioning drills in his physical education class led to a nasty fall and a season-ending broken collarbone.

So, with Kato shelved from the injury, the Crusaders took fourth.

Using the disappointment from the way last year ended, Kato earned medalist honors in nine of the 10 events he played in this spring.

Quite simply, Kato's opponents were playing for second place each tournament.

"Golf is life for Yuki," said

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Matchup with Kansas State key to non-conference schedule

ing class, including McDonald's All-American forward Wally Judge.

"Kansas State's gonna be picked third or fourth in that league coming here, so I think it's a great opponent, the Orleans is a great place to play and it should be a good opportunity to test ourselves against a very good Big 12 club," Kruger said. "We were there a long time ago. It's your alma mater, of course, and those ties. But there's nothing personal about it."

Five consecutive home games open the schedule. Following an exhibition with Washburn on Nov. 10, the Rebels will get the regular season going against another opponent from Kruger's home state in Pittsburg State on Nov. 14.

UNR comes to the Thomas & Mack Center on Nov. 18, followed by Southern Illinois on Nov. 21. The contest with the Salukis is part of the inaugural Challenge Series between the Mountain West and Missouri Valley conferences.

On Nov. 21, UNLV hosts Holy Cross before kicking off the aforementioned 15-day stretch.

The marquee matchup in that set, obviously, is Louisville's trip to Las Vegas.

UNLV knocked off Pitino's bunch on New Year's Eve Day last season, 56-55 in Freedom Hall. Louisville eventually advanced to the Midwest regional finals, where it fell to eventual national runner-up Michigan State. The Cardinals should be loaded once again.

That series has been officially extended through the next four seasons.

"Rick was interested in doing it, we were, and it's something that worked out pretty easily," Kruger said. "A national, quality program like that, it's a good oppor-

UNLV non-conference hoops schedule

- NOV. 10: vs. Washburn (exhibition)
- NOV. 14: vs. Pittsburg State
- NOV. 18: vs. UNR
- NOV. 21: vs. Southern Illinois
- NOV. 25: vs. Holy Cross
- NOV. 28: vs. Louisville
- DEC. 2: at Arizona
- DEC. 5: at Santa Clara
- DEC. 12: vs. Kansas State (Orleans Arena)
- DEC. 15: at Southern Utah
- DEC. 17: vs. Weber State
- DEC. 19: vs. South Carolina-Upstate
- DEC. 22: Diamond Head Classic*
- DEC. 23: Diamond Head Classic*
- DEC. 25: Diamond Head Classic*

*Matchups for the Diamond Head Classic in Honolulu have yet to be set. So far, the field includes UNLV, Southern Cal, SMU, College of Charleston, St. Mary's and Western Michigan. The eighth and final team is still to be determined.

tunity to measure yourself against the very best, and that's great."

The Rebels wind down for a bit after facing Kansas State with a Dec. 15 road contest at Southern Utah, a Dec. 17 home tilt with Weber State and a home non-conference finale against South Carolina-Upstate on Dec. 19.

Closing out the non-conference portion of the schedule is a trip to Honolulu for the Diamond Head Classic.

The eighth and final team in the field is still yet to be determined. Those games will be played between Dec. 22 and 25, with the off day coming on Christmas Eve.

"You'd always, quite frankly, rather have everyone home at Christmas time, but even though we won't be home Christmas Day, they'll be able to get home the following day and spend 3 or 4 days at home following the tournament," Kruger said.

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Bishop Gorman baseball losing five key seniors

the scoring threat. He finished the game striking out four of the final five batters to bring his tournament total to 19.

Gorman's pitching staff held opponents to just two runs on eight hits in three games with a 0.64 ERA.

"These guys are great," Malm said. "I was just trying to shut the door on (Cimarron) for my teammates. They had two runners on and it's just incredible. To be able to win four state championships, I don't know. It's incredible."

The Gaels jumped out to a

quick 2-0 lead in the first inning when Erik Van Meetren singled to center field to score Stephen Manthei. The following batter, R.J. Santigate, singled to right to score Malm.

In the bottom of the third inning Van Meetren drove in Johnny Field with another single to put Gorman on top 3-0.

Cimarron scored its only run in the fourth inning as Kaz Smith smacked a double to deep left field to score Kris Kaplan, but that was as close as the Spartans would come.

Spartans' pitcher Sam Lindsey pitched the entire game, allowing those three runs while striking out five.

"Sammy threw a great game against them and that's all we can ask of him," said Cimarron coach Mike Hubel. "Keeping (Gorman) to three runs is good. We just couldn't capitalize on the couple of times we had runners on."

Once the celebration subsides, Gorman will have to find a way to replace the loss of five key seniors who never knew what it felt like to not

win a state championship.

Malm (USC), Manthei (Arizona), Santigate (Long Beach State), Rickard (Arizona), and Tyler Wagner (Utah) will all head to the NCAA Division I level next year.

"They were a special group of seniors that have obviously done some great things here at Gorman," Sheff said. "I can't tell you how elated I am for that group."

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JOHNSON from Page 14

Baseball program modeled after school's basketball program

his players to buy into the year-round approach.

"It was a combination of a good coach and kids willing to work," Newton said. "It was neat to see the transition that came once we got some consistency in the coaching staff."

The 1A often features

doubleheader road trips to remote parts of the state and Johnson didn't hesitate calling on several players on his 14-man roster to play multiple positions.

Senior Junior Mora, junior Drew Erickson, senior D.J. Johnson and senior Josh Brat-

ton were four of the Eagles' top players, coach Johnson said.

D.J. Johnson, the coach's son, pitched out of trouble against Carlin to earn the win the championship game. Bratton and Erickson each scored in the fifth inning as Lake

Mead build its lead to 5-2.

Six outs later, the basketball school had its first baseball championship.

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BREWER from Page 14

Injury had sidelined Faith golfer's progress last year

Bret Walter, Faith Lutheran's athletic director and assistant golf coach. "He is just a tough golfer. He can hit any shot that needs to be hit."

Kato coasted to the individual state title with a seven-stroke victory against Yerington High's Vince Arrighi.

It was the perfect ending to a special season — even if it was one year late.

"I worked hard to come back strong," Kato said. "Winning as a team was more important (than individually) because everyone can share in the accomplishment."

Kato also made amends for his lone non-medalist performance of the season.

Ryan Baeza of Mesquite's Virgin Valley High, who beat Kato during a 3A Southern League match at Boulder City Municipal Golf Course, finished 19 strokes back.

"He was obviously very hungry to get back to where he was last year," Walter said.

Kato plans to ride the momentum from his dominating spring into the summer season. He's one of the top junior golfers in town and will test his skills in several tournaments against golfers from out of state.

He's already received interest from Xavier, Hawaii and Wisconsin and knows his scores on the competitive American Junior Golf Asso-

ciation circuit this summer will attract more recruiters.

If he continues to golf with the same motivation he had this spring, it could be an

equally memorable summer.

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BIDS WANTED FOR HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Director of the Nevada Department of Transportation at the Las Vegas Headquarters, 123 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89101, until and opened at 1:30 p.m., local time, on June 11, 2009 for Contract No. 3383, Project Nos. STP-0574(002), STP-0574(003) and STP-0574(004), construction of a portion of the Urban Highway System on SR 574, Cheyenne Avenue, from US 95 to Losee Road, from Civic Center Drive to Nellis Boulevard and from Rancho Drive to I-15, Clark County, a length of 10.33 miles.

SPECIFIC DESCRIPTION OF WORK COVERED BY THIS CONTRACT CONSISTS OF: COLD MILL AND PLACE PLANTMIX BITUMINOUS SURFACE WITH OPEN-GRADE, RE-STRIPE FROM 4 TO 6 LANES INCLUDING MEDIAN ISLAND, SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS AND RIGHT TURN LANES.

Plans and specifications may be examined and purchased at the office of the undersigned. Non-bidding documents may also be examined or purchased at the Department of Transportation District Offices in Sparks and Las Vegas, Nevada. Plans, form of proposal, contract and specifications may be secured by prequalified bidders through the office of the undersigned. A fee of Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) is required for the purchase of each copy of the plans with proposal form. Plans, proposal form and specifications obtained on this basis are non-returnable and no refund will be made. Bids must be on the proposal form of the Department of Transportation and must be accompanied by a bid bond, a certified check, a cashier's check, or cash in the amount of five percent (5%) of bid.

Right is reserved to reject any or all bids, or to accept the bid deemed best for the interest of the State of Nevada.

Contractors desiring to bid on this work, if not already qualified under the State Law, shall file with the Department of Transportation at Carson City, Nevada, not later than five (5) days prior to the date for opening of bids, a complete application for qualification on form furnished by the Department.

The minimum wage to be paid on this contract shall be as determined by the Secretary of Labor or the State Labor Commissioner and are set forth in the contract documents.

The attention of bidders is directed to the State Contractors' License Law requirements (NRS 624 as amended to date), that a contractor hold a valid license of a class corresponding to the work to be done. Requests for license may be directed to the Secretary of the State Contractor's Board, 2310 Corporate Circle #200, Henderson, Nevada 89074.

This is a Federal-aid project and as such, any contractor otherwise qualified by the State of Nevada to perform such work, is not required to be licensed nor to submit application for license in advance of submitting a bid or having such bid considered; provided, however, that such exemption does not constitute a waiver of the State's right under its license laws to require a contractor, determined to be a successful bidder, to be licensed to do business in the State of Nevada in connection with the award of a contract to him.

The State of Nevada Department of Transportation will on its own initiative, take affirmative action, including the imposition of contract sanctions and the initiation of appropriate legal proceedings under any applicable State or Federal law to achieve equal employment opportunity on Federal-aid Highway Projects and will actively cooperate with the Federal Highway Administration in all investigations and enforcement actions undertaken by the Federal Highway Administration. In conjunction with the above statement, the Department of Transportation will issue plans to an irresponsible bidder. Subsection (B) of the section 112 of Title 23 United States Code has been amended by adding the end thereof, the following: "Contracts for the construction of each project shall be awarded only on the basis of the lowest responsive bid submitted by a bidder meeting established criteria of responsibility".

SUSAN MARTINOVICH, P.E., DIRECTOR
Nevada Department of Transportation
Carson City, Nevada 89712

H - May 28 & June 4, 2009

CITY OF HENDERSON OFFICIAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that on June 11, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City of Henderson, 240 Water Street, Henderson, Nevada, the Planning Commission will consider the following application requests.

Application No.: VAC-09-690506; Applicant: Lake Las Vegas Joint Venture; Staff Contact: Linda Gooley

Petition to vacate a portion of the Non-Exclusive Utility Easement within the private road cul-de-sac within Parcel 24 of Lake Las Vegas SouthShore in the Northwest Quarter of Section 23, Township 22 South, Range 63 East, generally located northeast of Lake Las Vegas Parkway and Grande Mediterra Boulevard, in the Lake Las Vegas Planning Area.



Application: CUP-09-540032, DRA-09-550022; Applicant: Jiffy Smog; Planner: Greg Toth
A) Vehicle/Equipment Service (Service Station/Emissions Testing); and B) Review of an 84-square-foot emissions test station; on 1.3 acres located at 10611 S. Eastern Avenue, in the Westgate Planning Area.



H-May 28, 2009

The information above is considered to be accurate; however, there may be minor variations involved. This file may be viewed at the Community Development Department or on the City's website. All persons interested will be heard at the above time and place, or prior to the hearing may file written approvals or objections to the Community Development Department. Approval or objections are forwarded to the Planning Commissioners. Please refer to the application number on all correspondence. For more information contact Community Development at (702) 267-1500 or visit the City's website at www.cityofhenderson.com.



LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF EARLY VOTING CITY OF HENDERSON 2009 MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that registered voters may vote early in the City of Henderson Municipal General Election scheduled for June 2, 2009 on the following dates and times listed below:

CITY OF HENDERSON PERMANENT EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS & SCHEDULE Saturday, May 16- Friday, May 29, 2009

Location	Hours
Henderson City Hall Office of the City Clerk 240 Water Street, 1 st Floor Henderson, NV 89015	Monday*-Friday Saturday Sunday *Closed Memorial Day
Galleria at Sunset Lower Level, Next to Gordon's Jewelers 1300 W. Sunset Road Henderson, NV 89014	Monday-Saturday Sunday
	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. CLOSED 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

CITY OF HENDERSON MOBILE EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS Hours Open: 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Location	Date
Albertsons 190 N. Boulder Highway (Boulder Highway/Lake Mead Pkwy.)	Saturday, May 16
Vons 2511 Anthem Village Drive (Anthem Village Dr./Eastern Ave.)	Sunday, May 17
Albertsons 201 S. Stephanie Street (Stephanie St./Horizon Ridge Pkwy.)	Monday, May 18
Albertsons 575 College Drive (College Dr./Horizon Dr.)	Tuesday, May 19
Vons 2667 Windmill Parkway (Windmill Pkwy./Pecos Rd.)	Wednesday, May 20
Vons 45 E. Horizon Ridge Parkway (Horizon Ridge Pkwy./ Horizon Dr.)	Thursday, May 21
Solera Anthem Community Center 2401 Somersworth Drive (Anthem Pkwy./Somersworth Dr.)	Friday, May 22
Albertsons 2650 Horizon Ridge Parkway (Eastern Ave./Horizon Ridge Pkwy.)	Saturday, May 23 & Sunday, May 24
Albertsons 2851 N. Green Valley Parkway (Green Valley Pkwy./Sunset Rd.)	Monday, May 25
Desert Willow Community Center 2020 W. Horizon Ridge Parkway (Horizon Ridge Pkwy./Green Valley Pkwy.)	Tuesday, May 26 & Wednesday, May 27
Anthem Sun City Center 2450 Hampton Road (Anthem Pkwy./Hampton Rd.)	Thursday, May 28 & Friday, May 29

MAIL PRECINCTS

Mail precincts have been eliminated for the 2009 Municipal Elections. All Henderson voters have the opportunity to vote at any Vote Center, Early Voting site or by requesting a mail ballot.

Mail Ballot Request Forms are available at the Henderson City Clerk's Office, 240 Water Street, Henderson, Nevada, 89015, or by calling 267-1400. Completed mail ballot requests for the General Election must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2009.

For additional information or questions, please visit www.VoteHendersonNV.com or contact the Office of Henderson City Clerk at 267-1400 or the Clark County Election Department at 455-VOTE (8683).

Dated this 14th day of May, 2009

MONICA MARTINEZ SIMMONS, MMC, CITY CLERK
monica.simmons@cityofhenderson.com
(702) 267-1414

H-May 14, 21, 28, 2009

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION DECISION OF DENIAL AP-04-09

VAA-09-650002 - VARIANCE
DRA-09-550009-A1 - DESIGN REVIEW
APPLICANT: HENDERSON INDUSTRIAL PARK LLC
APPEAL FILED BY: HENDERSON INDUSTRIAL PARK I.L.C
PROJECT: HENDERSON INDUSTRIAL PARK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Application for Appeal of the Decision of denial by the Planning Commission has been filed with the Clerk of the Council of the City of Henderson, Nevada, by Henderson Industrial Park LLC, regarding the request to reduce the minimum 25-foot landscape buffer along Lake Mead to 0 feet; reduce the minimum 5-foot landscape buffer adjacent to non-residential property to 0 feet; reduce the open space landscape requirement from 15 percent to 8 percent; and reduce the required minimum setbacks for Building 2 (reduce the rear setback from 20 feet to 5 feet and the interior side setback from 20 feet to 18 feet) and Buildings 3 and 4 (reduce the rear setback from 20 feet to 0 feet and the interior side setback from 20 feet to 0 feet); and deny the design review request to amend a design review to add four new buildings; generally located south of Lake Mead Parkway on the east and west side of Industrial Park Road, in the Downtown Redevelopment Area and Townside Planning Area.



A PUBLIC HEARING on said Appeal will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2009, at the hour of 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as practicable, in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 240 Water Street, in the City of Henderson, County of Clark, Nevada.

ANY AND ALL persons may appear before the City Council either in person or by counsel, and may object to or express approval of this application, or may prior to the Public Hearing, file with the City Clerk written objection thereto or approval thereof.

DATED May 27, 2009, and published in the Henderson Home News on May 28, 2009.

MONICA MARTINEZ SIMMONS, MMC
CITY CLERK
H-May 28, 2009

CITY OF HENDERSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ACT ON RESOLUTION TO AUGMENT BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Henderson Redevelopment Agency will act on a resolution to augment the budget for the 2008/2009 fiscal year in order to appropriate the excess in previously budgeted resources. The funds will be augmented as follows:

FUND	AMOUNT	RESOURCE
Redevelopment Agency Fund	\$4,670,110	Additional Resources and Beginning Fund Balance

At a meeting to be held at 240 Water Street, Henderson, Nevada, in the City of Henderson Council Chambers, on June 9, 2009, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as practicable, the Resolution to Augment the 2008/2009 Budget will be adopted. All interested persons may attend this meeting and be heard. Prior to the meeting, written comments may be filed with the City Clerk for consideration by City of Henderson Redevelopment Agency at 240 Water Street, Henderson, Nevada 89015.

Dated this 18th day of May, 2009.
Monica M. Simmons, MMC
Secretary

H - May 28, 2009

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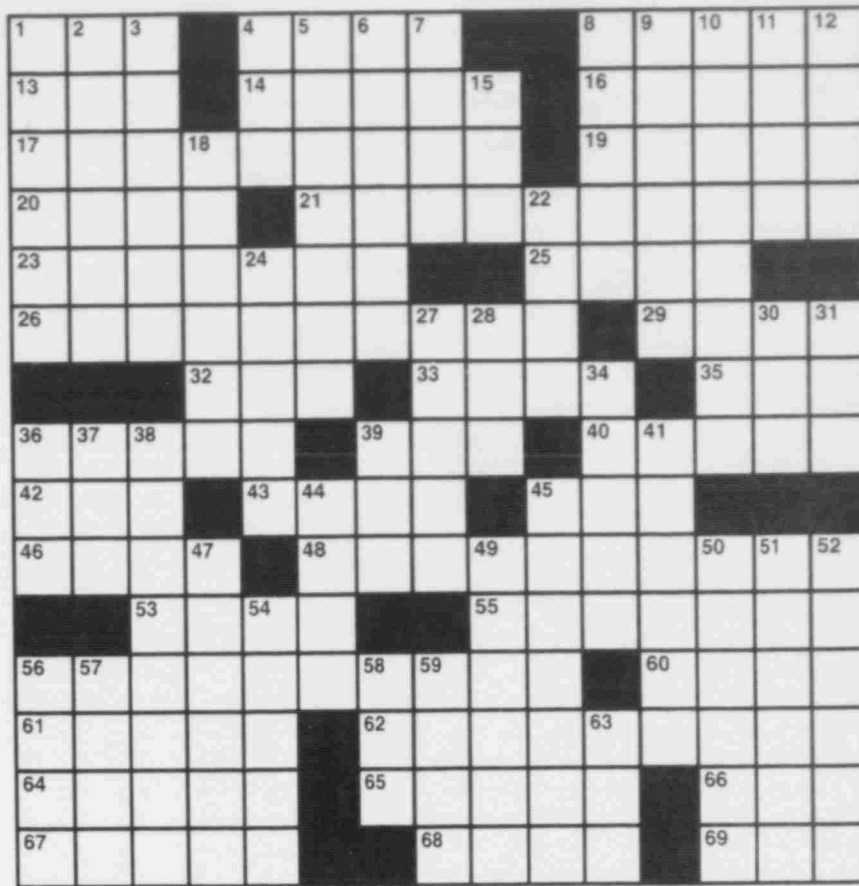
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- 14 "So ...!"
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Can a genealogist be too book-dependent? I couldn't work without "The Chicago Manual of Style 15th Edition" (CMOS) and Elizabeth Shown Mills's "Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace" (EE). The two works sit side by side on a 14 inch shelf next to my computer. I consult them almost daily, and I often need them when I travel. But because the books together weigh more than five pounds, I generally don't stick them in my suitcase.

To ensure I have access to both works from my computer I purchased "Evidence Explained" as an e-book from Footnote.com (<http://www.footnote.com/evidenceexplained/>), and I subscribe annually to The Chicago Manual of Style Online (<http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/home.html>).

I prefer real books—the kind I can savor and feel as I turn each page. I use the e-book EE as a quick index to the hard-bound version. I enter my search term in the e-book, click until I find what I need, and note the page number. I locate the appropriate entry in the hard-bound edition, where I might mull over the explanation, read the adjacent entries, and write some notes. The two editions complement each other, and they enable me to consult EE at any time.

My annual subscription to The Chicago Manual of Style Online not only provides me online access to the standard humanities style guide, but it also sends monthly Questions and Answers. I was most intrigued the first time I received the monthly Q&A by e-mail that included a link to the answers on the Web site. Questions deal with a variety of topics, and I find the answers helpful as well as amusing. I won't give away the answer (in this case useful, but not funny), but I will paraphrase the first question from the May Q&A, because it relates to the type of genealogical writing we do: Do we place footnotes after every sentence within a paragraph, even when the footnotes cite the same source

and page? I use CMOS when I need help with abbreviations, capitalizations, or numerations and to find rules for en dashes, em dashes, or hyphens. It tells me how I should spell Web site, Internet, and e-mail, and how I should format a cover sheet for a manuscript. If I'm unsure about a construct or grammar rule I check CMOS.

I refer to EE for my citation models because "most Evidence models treat original or electronic sources not covered by [CMOS], as well as some modifications that better meet the analytical needs of history researchers" (42). In other words, Evidence Explained helps us craft a citation for Aunt Rebecca's birthday quilt that she made during the Depression and now hangs in Cousin Mary's living room in Iowa City.

Mills explains the fundamentals of citation and evidence analysis in her first two chapters. She writes that genealogists need the explicit citation forms recommended in EE because "[m]odern standards for family history ... require more precision and rigor than commonly applied in social sciences, where individual oversights or errors on common folk tend to cancel each other out in the broader interpretations of society" (19). Further, Mills stresses in her book and in her lectures that "[c]itation is an art, not a science" (41). By that she means that her book offers models for genealogists to create their own citations for source lists (bibliographies), reference notes, and source labels. She presents the elements authors need to 1) to record where they found each source, and 2) to present information so others might be able to evaluate that source (43).

The two reference works anchor our genealogical writing. We need to present our work clearly and ensure that others can identify and evaluate our sources. I can't curl up with the e-book EE and CMOS online, but they make dandy travel partners.

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HOROSCOPE

The coming week is likely to present a few too many situations that demand immediate attention — at least as far as some people are concerned. It's not so much the number of situations that arise but rather the gravity of those situations; this is likely to be a serious week, with a great many serious issues rising to the surface, all demanding a good deal of serious attention — whether one is ready to give it or not. What may actually come as a surprise is that perhaps the single most pressing issue is likely to be one that most, if not all, individuals thought had been dealt with once and for all in the past.

Fatigue is sure to be a factor at this time; those who know how to catch rest when and where they can will fare best, and those who only know how to keep the wheels turning at all times will experience a dramatic decrease in both creativity and productivity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 6) — It's time for you to arrange that special encounter for a friend or loved one. Let the opportunity pass you by now, and it may never return. (June 7-June 20) — Those who gravitate toward you may well be in a position to offer you valuable assistance.

CANCER (June 21-July 7) — You can be quite shrewd and still miss out on an important opportunity or development. You may be too smart for your own good. (July 8-July 22) — Fight against any temptation that leads you away from your immediate goals. Stay on track.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 7) — The more casual you appear, the more likely it is that you're dealing with something important. You're cool under fire. (Aug. 8-Aug. 22) — You may not feel like mixing and mingling with the same people. Get out and explore your options.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 7) — You won't be able to drop everything to tend to a surprise development, but if you prioritize ahead of time, you can fare quite well. (Sept. 8-Sept. 22) — You're approaching a period of hard work and increased tension. Can you afford a little time off first?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 7) — You want people to tell you what is going on in honest, straight talk. Anyone who employs deception at this time is not for you. (Oct. 8-Oct. 22) — Work can also prove socially satisfying, as you and others let personal dynamics evolve.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 7) — You're not the kind to need a great deal of attention at this time, but you will be craving a good deal of hands-on involvement. (Nov. 8-Nov. 21) — Your confidence is high, and productivity is increasing. You don't need others to sing your praises.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 7) — Clear, logical thinking can keep you from making the same mistake over and over again. What others do may not be for you. (Dec. 8-Dec. 21) — Think about combining both style and substance. You'll find that a few doors may open up.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 6) — Are you letting your emotions guide your financial decisions? You can't afford any knee-jerk reactions. (Jan. 7-Jan. 19) — What others intend merely as observations you're likely to consider criticism. Why be so hard on yourself?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 3) — You may be unusually uncooperative and disagreeable for a time. The cause and the result are actually closely linked. (Feb. 4-Feb. 18) — Some things are open to discussion, and some things are simply off limits. Which is which?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 5) — It's important to get to the bottom line. Financial developments favor your instincts and thinking — but they won't forever. (March 6-March 20) — The big picture tells you one thing, but the details may tell a different story.

ARIES (March 21-April 4) — Don't let your imagination run wild; be sure that you're dealing with things in a realistic way. Focus on fact, not rumor. (April 5-April 19) — While others are getting caught up in the emotions of a particular situation, you must continue to remain aloof.

TAURUS (April 20-May 5) — You're trying something new at this time, and a current key relationship is likely to benefit. Certain changes are to be expected. (May 6-May 20) — You may be slow to realize what must be done, but once you do, you'll surely swing into action.

DESERT GARDENER Angela O'Callaghan

Simple shade structure can help save plants



No one can miss the start of summer here in the Mojave. Starting with cool clear mornings, by the end of an afternoon, days can easily have become 30 or 40 degrees warmer. The cool evenings and mornings are a salvation to many landscape and garden plants, including vegetables, all of which suffer when temperatures are more than about 85 degrees. From the end of May through the end of August, gardeners confront serious challenges trying to keep their plants thriving despite the cruel heat.

It is more than the extreme warmth that causes such problems for gardeners and their charges. The air in the desert is dry, which pulls water out of leaves. This obviously is a strain for them.

As if that were not enough, sunlight in this region is far more intense than many other places, so much so that unless plants are acclimated, they will experience sunscald. The larger and thinner the leaves, the more susceptible they are to getting fried, especially when they are exposed to the afternoon sun.

Gardeners can adjust their irrigation systems to compensate for the lack of precipitation, but short of installing air conditioning (not an option outdoors), how can they help plants with the problems of heat and light? For some garden areas, especially vegetable gardens, there are a few steps that can prevent some of the worst damage our summer does to vegetable plants.

What do we do when we want to escape the sun? We go into a shady spot, first of all. Placing gardens so that most of the light comes from the east and southeast is ide-

al, but not always practical; one puts it where there is space and once the garden is installed it is not going to be moved. This begs the question, what to do for plants to ameliorate the effects of the summer's extremes?

We can provide shade for growing plants. Tomatoes often become sun bleached, turning a pale whitish green, in extreme light, especially when that light is accompanied by temperatures in the 100s. A little shade can protect them, thus extending the growing season.

Shade cloth can come in a number of colors, from beige or green to black. Each of them blocks a certain amount of light. A temporary shade structure does not need to be elaborate. It is possible to build large kite type affairs that look like diagonal sails over the garden, but for small plots, this might be overkill. In my very little garden, I have learned

that upright rebar between three and four feet apart can make a reasonable support for shade cloth that I secure with plastic anchors. The result is a small area where the sun is diminished. It is cooler than its surroundings, but bright enough to maintain plant growth and production. Existing fruits — peppers, okra and tomatoes — ripen perfectly well. Removing the shade cloth is easy at the end of the season.

A structure like this may not be enough to keep a plant growing successfully throughout the worst of the summer, but adding a little shade can help it through at least part of it.

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The players at the Dyspeptics Club are united by a common lack of respect for one another's game. East in particular has been known to speculate that West got into the gene pool while the lifeguard was not watching. But

he got his comeuppance in today's deal. After East opened a tactical strong no-trump, South elected to overcall in spades, and subsequently was not going to let the chance of a vulnerable game escape him.

West led his singleton diamond, which East won with the ace to return the suit-preference two, ruffed by West. A club to East's ace saw the diamond queen ruffed by declarer's ace. What should West discard?

Had West discarded a club, declarer would have cashed the club queen, ruffed a club with the spade nine, played a spade back to his ace, and ruffed another club with the spade king. Now declarer would simply have had to cash the heart ace, ruff a heart back to hand, and draw trumps. The clubs would all be good.

It is no better if West discards a heart, because declarer changes tack and ruffs two hearts in hand to set up that suit.

However, West found the right defense when he underuffed the spade ace. (It spoiled the performance a little when he tried to gather in the trick, thinking South had ruffed low.) Declarer now did not have the entries to set up dummy's hearts, and he could not ruff three clubs in the dummy without letting East score his lowly spade five.

NORTH
♦ K 9 4
♥ A 10 7 5 3
♦ 10 7 5 4
♠ K

WEST
♦ 8 7 3
♥ Q 9 6 4
♦ 8
♠ J 9 7 5 3

EAST
♦ 5 2
♥ K 8 2
♦ A Q J 6 3 2
♠ A 2

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

VULNERABLE: North-South
DEALER: West
The bidding:
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
Pass Pass 1 NT
2♣ Pass 3♠ Pass
4♠ All pass
OPENING LEAD: ♦ 8

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♥ A 10 7 5 3
♦ 10 7 5 4
♠ K
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1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass

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