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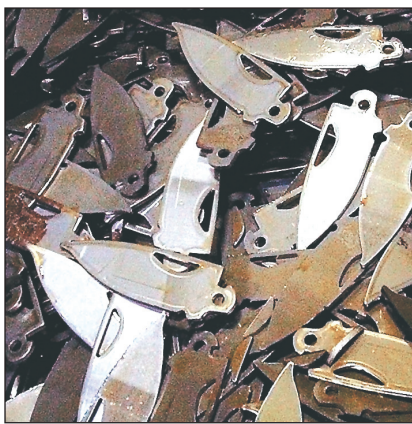
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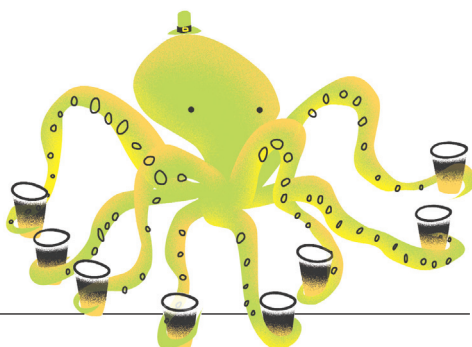
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S-R's annual Limericks Contest pulls no punches



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## The road stops here

Gonzaga's NCAA dream comes to sudden end in Tucson



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Gonzaga forward Ronny Turiaf and guard Erroll Knight walk off the court after a heartbreaking loss to Texas Tech in the second round of the NCAA Tournament. It was Turiaf's final game in a Gonzaga uniform.

## Energy subsidizes as 'real world' beckons



The Spokesman-Review

TUCSON, Ariz. — John Rupp sits alone on the balcony at Gentle Ben's pub Saturday morning drinking a Bloody Mary and gazing into the rain. His crutch leans against the wall beside him. He's a member of Gonzaga University's Kennel Club, one of only a handful of students to find their way here.

For Rupp, the \$500 plane ticket for a solitary flight down to Tucson was money well spent. It's his senior year. The civil engineering major hopes to work for the FBI after he graduates. Next week, three large tests loom.

"It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to come as a senior, and I figured I'd splurge," Rupp says. So what if he fractured his femur playing intramural basketball several weeks ago. He's down to only one crutch now.

Saturday begins with a Northwest-style rain, here in the Sonoran Desert, where Becky Nappi and I pursued our ZagQuest adventure this week. The raindrops seem not a dire omen at all, but a welcome splash of home.

We file into McKale Center. The Gonzaga men's basketball team quickly energizes its fans. Even the older ones with deep pockets leap to their feet. The pep band, wearing red and blue wigs and painted faces, yells valiantly to make up for the



Gonzaga's Adam Morrison looks at the scoreboard during a timeout late in the game against Texas Tech. Moments later, he misfired on a 3-point attempt.

missing Kennel Club.

As we clap and cheer, "Go G-U, Go G-U," Becky, the Zag novice, turns to me.

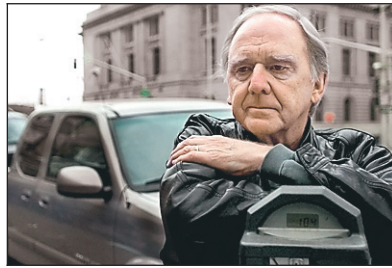
"I just in this moment got what it means to be a fan," she says. "It's a full body experience."

At halftime, the band members exult. We're up by nine points. Paul Belknap, a baritone sax player from

Ashland, Wis., says, "I feel their pain when they lose, and I'm pumped up when they win."

Psychologist Lynn Kahle, a professor at the University of Oregon, says live sports provide real drama in real time. "We escape from the monotony of daily life by

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Gerald Hanson had \$1.2 million invested in Metropolitan Mortgage.

## Investor seeking answers

Nevada man travels to Spokane, trying to fathom Met's collapse

By John Stucke  
Staff writer

Gerry Hanson stands to lose more than \$1 million in the Metropolitan Mortgage & Securities fiasco, and he wants some answers.

Hanson, who lives in Sparks, Nev., was recovering from prostate cancer when the company he entrusted much of his money with began to stumble.

He was too sick to ask questions then. As one of the largest creditors in Metropolitan's bankruptcy case, he might even have qualified for a seat on the official creditors' committee.

He did write a couple of letters explaining his medical condition and asking the company to refund his investment to ease the sting of medical bills.

"I didn't even get a reply," he now

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## Health care crisis may run deeper

By Benjamin Shors  
Staff writer

Early one morning last week, a group of Spokane mental health professionals gathered to hear the day's cases and wrestle with how best to handle them.

Connie Tedrow, a mental health supervisor, opened the file on an elderly woman who had driven kitchen knives into her door frame to ward off the people she believed were living in her walls. After a brief discussion, the team moved on to a man who believed laser beams were being used to broadcast his negative thoughts. Then they discussed a mentally ill teenager who threatened to kill his classmates.

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## Congress takes quick action in Schiavo case

By Mitch Stacy  
Associated Press

PINELLAS PARK, Fla. — As a deal in Congress was worked out to have federal courts decide Terri Schiavo's fate, emotions swelled outside the brain-damaged woman's hospice room Saturday, with protesters arrested after they symbolically tried to smuggle in bread and water on her second day without a feeding tube.

As supporters maintained a vigil outside the hospice, Schiavo's mother pleaded for the 41-year-old woman's life.

"We laugh together, we cry together."

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Insurgents kill an Iraqi police officer and then bomb his funeral procession on the second anniversary of the U.S. invasion.

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### Too little, too late

It snows on the last day of winter, but not enough to quell drought fears.

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### Managing windfall

Someone dies and leaves you a half-million dollars, and it's a problem? Well, it can be.

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### Scare tactics

Horror films have become less about blood and more about bumps in the night as studios seek lucrative kid-friendly ratings.