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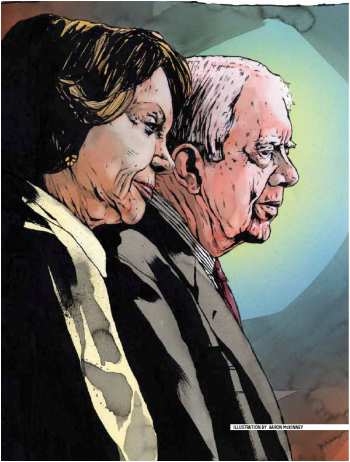
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JIMMY & ROSALYNN CARTER

Fighting Guinea Worms in the South

I have never seen two people as devoted to their country as Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter. They have been married for 50 years, and their love for each other is evident in every word they say. Jimmy is a man of great faith and courage, and Rosalynn is a woman of great strength and compassion. Together, they have made a difference in the lives of many people, and their legacy will live on for generations to come.

"It's nauseating to see, and it's difficult to sleep at night knowing that diseases like this are totally unnecessary."

a Guinea Worms in coming out of a small child, they were and even through all their suffering years. "Mr. Carter said, 'In 1966, when the Carter Center was set up to eliminate Guinea Worms using health education and water filtration, they studied a working list of infected villages. The total, approximately 10 million, were located in 14 African villages in 10 countries in Asia and Africa. To eradicate the disease, the Carters knew they would have to visit every

single village. Last year, 1,500 cases of Guinea Worms remained in four African countries. The first determined to eradicate Guinea Worms in their lifetime. If they succeed, it will be the second infectious agent after measles to be eradicated." "You have one step—step in the jungle or farm in the desert—and it's a very difficult and hazardous task." Mr. Carter says. "The emotional about it, because when we started out it was very difficult and hazardous task." Guinea Worms is not the only global health issue the Carters are working. The Carter Center teaches, advises, organizes, educates, and empowers people in using health education and simple, low-cost methods. To lift what the Carters call "wonder" in global health, the Carter Center works only in areas that major health organizations have not reached.

These places are often in hard-to-reach, poverty-stricken regions of the world, making for a demanding road for the former first couple. Still, despite the road, they are the only couple to sign off on doing so, and when they do, they are the only couple to sign off on doing so.

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When the bugs bite back

Nevada's U.S. Attorney Daniel Bogden has come under recent scrutiny in his handling of a high-profile corruption investigation. Is it part of an inside job to discredit the prosecutor — and derail the case?

BY GEORGE KNAPP

Four lawyers were sipping coffee in a downtown eatery when a fifth attorney walked in and pointed to the morning headline.

"Did you read this about Dan Bogden leaking information to Nancy Quon? It says the Department of Justice is pursuing a criminal investigation of Bogden's office and I heard they are also looking at whether prosecutors Dan Schless and Steve Myhre are also leaking stuff," the new arrival said.

The four coffee-drinkers looked at each other, cracked smiles, then busted up laughing.

Anyone with more than a cursory knowledge of the office of Nevada's U.S. attorney would likewise find it preposterous that any of the top people are leaking sensitive information. True, the Department of Justice launched an inquiry into an alleged unauthorized release of information concerning high-powered construction defects attorney Nancy Quon, a central figure in a massive, ongoing investigation of political corruption within local homeowner associations — and now a figure under indictment on a felony drug charge related to the alleged scheme. The investigation concerns whether local homeowners association boards were infiltrated and then manipulated into filing multi-million-dollar construction defects lawsuits against homebuilders, funneling the legal lucre to certain lawyers and the repair work to certain contractors.

But recent news reports about the department's probe of a possible leak were blown completely out of proportion, according to multiple law enforcement sources (none of whom are currently employed by the U.S. attorney). It's a lesson in how disgruntled insiders can enlist credulous journalists to push their own agendas.

Perhaps you saw the front page story in the March 2 Review-Journal. It featured side-by-side photos of U.S. Attorney Bogden and the comely Quon, as if to imply that Bogden and Quon might have something else going on the side. The report claimed that "at least one" federal prosecutor had been questioned as part of a "criminal investigation." Subsequent versions of the story appeared online and exaggerated the facts even more, claiming that "several federal prosecutors" were under criminal investigation for leaks. One story quoted a prominent Washington lawyer

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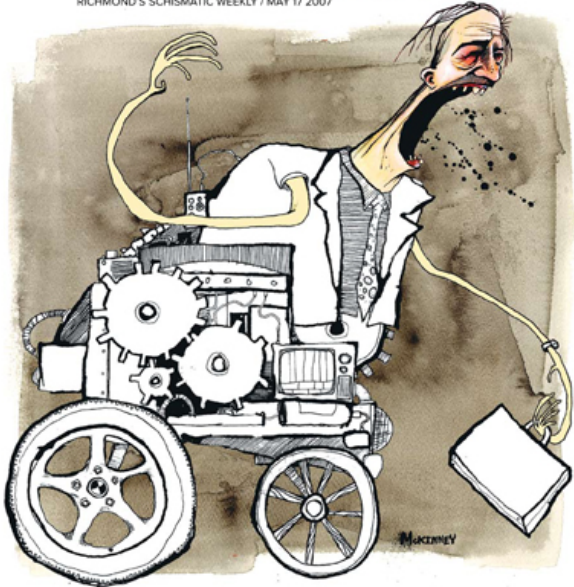
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Denied

A key Nevada Supreme Court decision stopped a tax-starved state from raiding local coffers. It just may change the way our state government is run

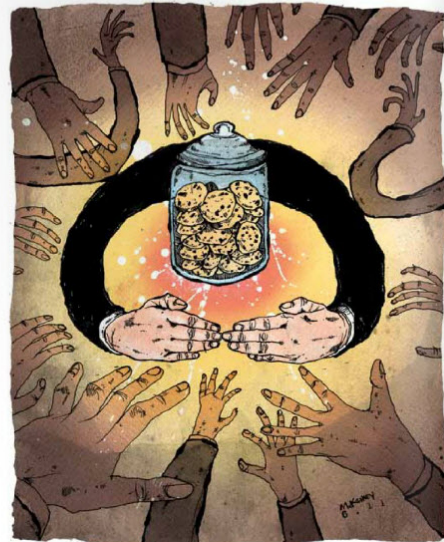
BY STEVE SEBELIUS

Most of the attention during the 2011 Legislature was focused either on the legislative building or across the tree-lined courtyard at the state Capitol, where Gov. Brian Sandoval works in an expansive office.

But the most significant event of the session actually happened at a third building that lies between the other two, set far back from Carson Street behind monuments, trees and graffiti. It was at the Nevada Supreme Court's building that justices composed the court ruling that turned a session headed for certain disaster into a collaborative lovefest that ended on time.

Prior to that, first-term Gov. Brian Sandoval, first-time Assembly Speaker John O'Guerra and state Senate Majority Leader Steven Horsford were headed for a standoff, a special session and perhaps even a government shutdown.

But the session turned on a pivotal case, which gave both sides the incentive they needed to compromise with less than two weeks before the final day of the session. Had the justices not ruled the way they did — or had they



announced their decision after the Legislature had adjourned — things could have gone very differently indeed.

A NEW HOPE

Sandoval was elected in 2010 on a pledge to not raise taxes, a pledge he modified to include allowing a set of temporary taxes passed in 2009 to "sunset," or expire. But the pledge left him in a tough spot: If he built the budget only on the revenue the Economic Forum predicted, he'd have to cut far too deeply into education and health care budgets. So he decided to find new revenue without

taxes, a time-honored practice in Carson City that usually leaves local governments nervous — and poorer. He proposed diverting local property tax money to the university system, and sweeping school district bond reserve money into school operations, relieving the state of the obligation. The locals would protest, but the state had always won the day.

That was the case back in 2009, when the Democratic majority in the Legislature took \$62 million from the Clean Water Coalition, a group formed to build a pipeline to carry treated wastewater deep into Lake Mead. The need for the project had dimmed since

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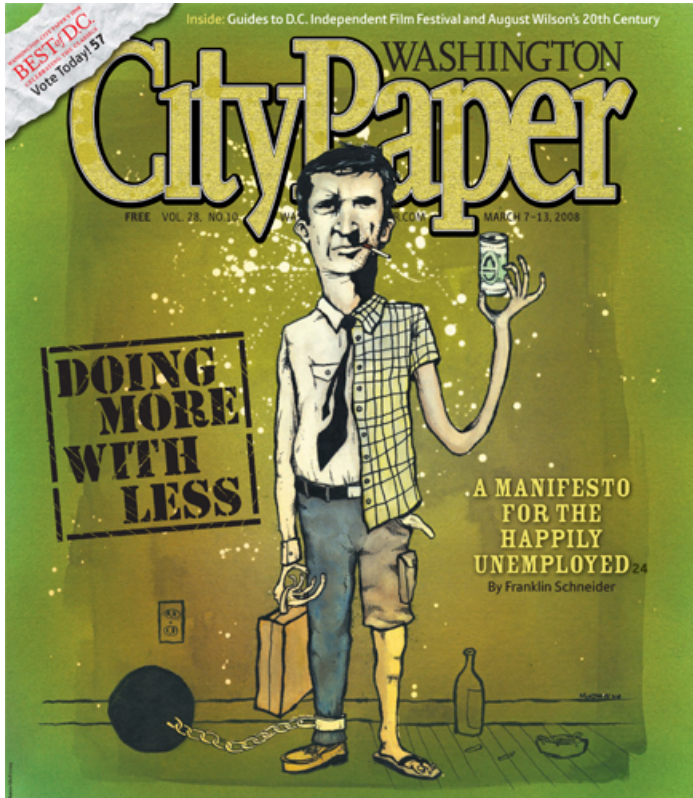


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