

anywhere within 10,000 meters of a second lieutenant.

But if I had to report a war, embedded would be the only way to go.

Embedded is a really scary ride-along program. You travel with a military unit and try to do your job while staying out of the way of theirs.

The positive benefit of being embedded is that at least one side in any given battle will be familiar enough with your face that they won't simply shoot you out of hand.

On the negative side is, well, just being there. There is also the process of becoming embedded, which takes longer than a U.N. resolution having anything to do with France.

When the war broke out, I briefly considered becoming embedded with either a highly secret military unit in charge of setting up officers clubs in Hawaii or possibly a USO tour featuring Sandra Bullock.

The Pentagon sent me a stack of forms the size of a Michener novel, a list of required vaccinations that would terrify a heroin addict, and directions on how to purchase and don a chemical suit.

Heck with that. There is still plenty of important news to be

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Mila Mizhritskaya shows off a maternity shirt to her 17-month-old son, Declan, while browsing Target's new maternity line of clothing. "You wear maternity clothes for such a short time that you don't want to spend a whole lot of money on them. But you still want them to look nice," said Mizhritskaya, who is 37 weeks pregnant.

buying relatively inexpensive clothes they actually like to wear.

When shopping for maternity clothes, "We know a lot of women think, do I really want to invest \$80 in a blouse that might rip next week depending on how big my stomach gets?" Heath said.

Unlike some other retailers, which have expanded their maternity offerings only online, Target's rollout has focused on its stores.

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## Earth Day Award Nominees Go 'Beyond the Call of Duty'

By MIKE GORRELL  
The Salt Lake Tribune

Co-op Mining Co. developed an aerial conveyor belt to remove coal from its Emery County mine without damaging a fragile wetland.

After acquiring a Box Elder County quarry, Northern Stone Supply owner Gary Mullard spent more than \$500,000 cleaning a mountain of waste rock left from decades of previous mining. The cleanup restored a stretch of stream now being used by Bonneville cutthroat trout.

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management took a lead position in a joint

federal-state effort to go into Cottonwood Wash in San Juan County, conduct surveys on issues from bat populations to cultural resources, and to seal hundreds of abandoned mine portals and drill holes.

All three projects have been nominated for Earth Day awards presented annually by the Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining.

"The board likes to recognize operations that go above and beyond the call of duty, good work done by people in the mining, oil and gas industries," division director Lowell Braxton said. "These were some of the best [nominations] I've

seen."

Awards will be presented to one or more at the board's April 30 meeting.

Co-Op Mining started developing new tunnels in 1998 for its Bear Canyon Mine near the base of Huntington Canyon.

Division reclamation biologist Susan White noted that the company cut these portal entries beneath a dominant sandstone ridge to minimize surface disturbance, but faced a bigger challenge installing a coal-carrying conveyor belt across a wetland watered by hillside seepage and an ephemeral stream. The wetland was home to several types of wildflowers, most notably a columbine

subspecies.

"Co-Op recognized the importance of this seep. The division didn't have to tell them not to disturb it," she added.

The company avoided the wetland by suspending the conveyor belt from cables hung over the canyon. Crews assembled the belt in the air and enclosed it to prevent dust from being blown into the environment, said Co-Op Mining engineer Charles Reynolds.

Coming out of Oakley, Idaho, Northern Stone acquired the Turquoise Stone Quarry in 1992 and has been excavating a green-shaded quartzite from the site in

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### WEEKLY PLANNER

TUESDAY

**Orientation:** The Utah Microenterprise Loan Fund will hold an orientation session on its program, which provides loans and management support to small businesses, 9:30 a.m., UMLF office, 3595 S. Main St., South Salt Lake. Free. Information: 801-269-8408.

WEDNESDAY

**Class:** Community Development Corp. of Utah will present a class, "Making Home Ownership a Reality," 6 p.m., Magna Library, 8339 W. 3500 South, Magna. Free. Register: 801-994-7222.

THURSDAY

**Meeting:** The Utah Information Technology Association will hold its annual meeting, 11 a.m., Hilton Salt Lake City Center, 255 S. West Temple, Salt Lake City. Cost is \$25. Information: 801-568-3500.

SATURDAY

**Luncheon:** The Utah Democratic Women will hold a monthly luncheon featuring a discussion with female legislators, noon, Sheraton Hotel, 150 W. 500 South, Salt Lake City. Cost is \$14. RSVP: 801-942-2312.

## Earth Day Awards Given on April 30

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Park Valley.

Division reclamation specialist Lynn Kunzler said Northern Stone owner Gary Mullard did not feel a pile of waste rock dumped into Rock Canyon since the 1950s reflected well on his company, especially since it buried a perennial stream.

So he found ways to dispose of the waste rock and installed a culvert to restore the stream

flow. As a result, upstream populations of relatively rare Bonneville cutthroat trout "have moved back down and can be seen now on the site where restoration has occurred," Kunzler said.

The Cottonwood Wash project combined the resources of the BLM, Forest Service, Utah Division of Water Quality and the division's Abandoned Mine Reclamation Program on a complex fix-up project that covered 143,000 acres of desert canyonlands ranging in elevation from 4,500 feet to 9,500 feet.

Uranium mining had impacted water quality in the semi-arid wash and left behind waste piles and unprotected openings to potentially dangerous mine shafts and tunnels.

Nominator Mark Mesch of the division's Abandoned Mine program said BLM led the way in helping the agencies overcome structural differences to cooperate on a program that sealed 122 mine portals, 24 vertical shafts, 200 drill holes, re-claimed five miles of roads, removed 61,000 cubic yards of dirt and reseeded 124 acres of disturbed lands.

The team also did radiological and water quality studies documented prehistoric and historic cultural resources, surveyed bat populations and produced a number of reports on the area's assets and characteristics. "The partnership," said Mesch "let us look at the whole watershed in a more holistic way."

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### TAKE A BOW

William Neville, a senior theater major at Davidson College, N.C., and a graduate of Rowland Hall St. Mark's School, has been awarded \$22,000 as one of 48 Thomas J. Watson Fellows for 2003-2004. The grant is awarded to students who excel in their field of study.

Gov. Michael O. Leavitt and first lady Jacalyn Smith Leavitt will be honored with the award.

hosted earlier this year by Junior Achievement of Utah, yielded over \$150,000. The money was donated by various local companies. Junior Achievement seeks to provide Utah's youth with an understanding of the free-enterprise system.

Brenda M. Anthony, Logan, was named Mother of the Year and Sheri McKenna Egbert