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Winter magic begin

Holiday snowstorms a boon for area ski resort

By Ben Botkin **Times-News writer**

Amanda Wigington of Phoenix tried snowboarding for the first time this week at Magic Mountain Ski Resort.

The first day was rough, with lots of falls. By the second day, on Wednesday, she only fell down several times — usually to stop — and grew more comfortable with her snowboard.

"I've just been gliding down the mountain,"

With a plentiful snowpack, winter recreation enthusiasts are flocking to the slopes south of Kimberly at Magic Mountain Ski Resort. Some. like Wigington, are relatively new to snowboarding and skiing. Others have years of experience.

The resort recently opened for the winter season, and offers a couple of new features this year. The hillside used for tubing is expanded. Beginners who are learning to ski and snowboard on the bunny slopes have a new escalator — called a "magic carpet" — instead of a cable

"It's just a little bit of everything," said Gary Miller, owner of the ski resort.

Tubing, now in its second year at the resort, has become more popular than anticipated, he said. On Wednesday, snow tubing was in full swing, with participants sliding down the slopes, sometimes atop tubes spinning in lazy circles.

Kaleb Gambrel, a ski and snowboarding instructor, said the timing of the snowfall during the holiday season helped bring out loads of people who have time off from school.

When he's not teaching newcomers how to

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Photos by JUSTIN JACKSON/Times-News

Above, Samantha Breeding sits in a tube Wednesday on the way up the tubing hill at Magic Mountain Ski Resort south of Kimberly.

At top, Kaleb Gambrel, a ski and snowboard instructor at Magic Mountain Ski Resort, performs a flip Wednesday at the resort south of Kimberly.

To see a video of activities at Magic Mountain Ski Resort, visit Magicvalley.com.

On the Web: www.magicmountainresort.com

\$1 million won by **Buhl couple**

By Ben Botkin **Times-News writer**

For Gregg and Cathie Owen, 102,813 is a lucky number.

That's the number that was on the Buhl couple's winning ticket for the 2008 edition of the Idaho Lottery \$1 million Raffle.

Gregg, a foreman at Clear Springs Foods, purchased the winning ticket at Ridley's Food & Drug in Buhl the day before Thanksgiving while shopping for the holiday. On



the shopping list, his wife, Cathie, asked him to pick up two raffle tickets.

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ARIEL HANSEN/Times-New

Kenneth Quintana, charged with felony injury to a child and second-degree murder following the death of Sage Aragon, listens to the judge at the Lincoln **County Courthouse on Friday.**

Uncle charged in Christmas death appears in court

By Ariel Hansen Times-News writer

Kenneth Ouintana first heard the charges against him Friday at the Lincoln County Courthouse, when he appeared before District Court Judge Mark Ingram. Shaking his head repeatedly through the judge's reading, the 29-year-old Jerome man apparently didn't believe or didn't agree with the court's account of what befell his niece and nephew on Christmas Day.

Quintana is alleged to have contributed to the death of 11-year-old Sage Aragon and hypothermia of 12-year-old Bear Aragon.

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BSU coach repeats as Idaho pay champ

The Associated Press

BOISE — An annual report by the state controller's office lists Boise State football coach Chris Petersen as the state's highestpaid employee with a salary of

All top 10 of the state's highest paid employees work at universities, with four of the top five at

Greg Graham, BSU men's basketball coach, is second at \$343,678. School President Bob Kustra comes in third at \$299,416, while Idaho State University President Arthur Vailas is fourth at \$286,650. Rounding out the top five is Eugene Bleymaier, BSU's athletic director, at \$266,115.

The sixth-highest paid state employee is Aicha Elshabini, dean of the University of Idaho's College of Engineering, at \$230,838.

Idaho Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter, with a salary of \$108,727, is No. 311 on the list. Otter could have been higher but he turned down a 3 percent pay increase this year.

"He feels that if the other employees aren't getting raises, he shouldn't get a raise either," Otter's budget chief, Wayne Hammon, told The Spokesman-Review. "So he'll just turn it back."

Besides his salary, Otter receives a \$4,500 monthly housing allowance because Idaho has no official governor's residence.

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Chris Peterson protests a call from the sideline during the second half of the **Poinsettia Bowl in** San Diego on Dec. 23.

Late-December storms help Idaho snowpack

By John Miller **Associated Press writer**

BOISE — Seven of Idaho's 21 river basins now have average or better-than-average water content levels in their snowpacks after recent storms pummeled the state. Another 11 basins have at least 90 percent of average.

"We rebounded tremendously in the last two weeks December," Abramovich, with the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Idaho, said Friday.

The snow, however, has caused avalanche danger. On **INSIDE**

See the latest snowpack numbers from around Idaho.

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Friday, the Idaho Transportation Department reported road closures on State Highway 21 from Grandjean to Banner Summit, U.S. Highway 12 from Pete King Creek Road to near Papoose Creek Road, and State Highway 75 west of Stanley from Titus Creek

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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

"It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play" presented by Company of Fools, 8 p.m., Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St., Hailey, \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens and \$10 for children (ages 18 and younger), (208) 578-9122.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Christian Men's Fellowship and (optional) no-host breakfast, 7 to 8:30 a.m., Depot Grill, Twin Falls, no cost, 733-5501.

EXHIBITS

"The Russ Hepworth Restrospective," 1 to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for the Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, 315 Falls Ave., no cost, 732-6655.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "Planet Patrol" at 2 p.m.; "Journey to the Edge of Space and Time" at 4 p.m.; and "Here Comes the

Sun " at 7 p.m., Herrett Center, \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens, \$2.50 for students, no cost for children under age 2 and a special price package for families with five children or less; and Rock **Entertainment Show: "Lynyrd Skynyrd: Fly** On Free Bird" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin

SPORTS

Falls, \$4.50, 732-6655.

Canceled: Jerome Rod and Gun Club sporting clays shoot, due to weather conditions, 733-6045 (next shoot Jan. 18).

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail at sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O.Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

Raffle

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The number was selected on Tuesday from among 250,000 tickets sold throughout the state.

On Friday, the Owens returned to Ridley's, where lottery officials gave them their \$1 million check.

"This is going to make a little bit of a difference in your life," said Jeff Anderson, director of the Idaho Lottery, standing next to the Owens with an oversized check.

"A big difference," Gregg replied.

At about 10:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Cathie checked the numbers online. After checking the first ticket, she thought they lost the jackpot by one number.

Then she remembered that there was a second ticket — and that the tickets are sold in a numerical sequence.

"I started screaming because I realized we had two," she said.

checked and They rechecked the numbers just to be sure, and also watched the video on the Internet with the winning numbers. "We checked several



JUSTIN JACKSON/Times-News

Gregg and Cathie Owen, of Buhl, receive a prize check from Idaho Lottery Director Jeff Anderson at Ridley's Food & Drug Friday afternoon in Buhl. The Owens won the Idaho Lottery's \$1 million raffle.

times," Cathie said. "We were all stunned."

As for their plans with the winnings, the Owens intend to take a family vacation, pay for their two sons' college tuition and consult with a financial advisor.

'We've never had any huge savings," said Cathie, a hospital medical assistant. "We've done good for ourselves, but this is something way bigger."

After state and federal

taxes, the \$1 million prize will be about two-thirds its

Ridley's won a \$20,000 prize for selling the winning ticket. People in the community were thrilled that a Buhl family won the lottery, said Harvey Taylor, the store's manager.

"There's been a lot of excitement," he said. "People are excited that someone from Buhl won a big prize."

Quintana

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Quintana was riding with the children and their father – Robert Aragon, who faces the same charges as Quintana — on West Magic Road en route to the children's mother's house when Aragon's vehicle became stuck in a snowdrift at 9 a.m.

Robert Aragon and Quintana stayed with the vehicle, and are alleged to have allowed the children to attempt to walk the approximately 10 miles to their mother's house through the driving snow on an unlined road barely two lanes wide. A police search began at 7 p.m. and found Bear, hypothermic, in a rest area bathroom nearly five miles from where he started walking. Searchers also later discovered Sage, covered in snow, two miles southeast. She was pronounced dead a few hours Quintana is charged with

felony injury to a child in Bear's case, and seconddegree murder for Sage's death.

He previously told the *Times-News* that he feels the charges against his cousin

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WATCH: A video report from Kenneth Quintana's courtroom hearing, and a video interview about weather conditions on Christmas Day.

Robert Aragon — identical to the charges against him are unwarranted.

"I feel that Bob (Aragon) was wrongfully accused of murder," Quintana said earlier this week. "There's no way that he could have known what was going to happen."

Aragon, who had custody of the children, told authorities he thought their mother, JoLeta Jenks, who was staying next to the West Magic Lodge, was going to meet the kids on the road, court papers show. Quintana said he also thought she was going to retrieve the children.

At Quintana's first appearance in court, he was brought in wearing flip-flops, a black-and-white striped jumpsuit, an unkempt ponytail, and leg chains. He spoke up to answer the judge's questions about his employment as a gatekeeper for a cattle yard, along with his income and assets, and past

criminal history, and volunteered that the black vest Sage was found wearing was one he had given her.

Judge Ingram lowered Quintana's bond from \$500,000 to \$150,000, and assigned a public defender to his case. Quintana's next appearance in court will be for a preliminary hearing, scheduled for 2 p.m. Jan. 14.

The judge also issued an order forbidding officials involved in the case including the prosecutor and law enforcers — from speaking to the media about it. A similar order applies to the case against Robert Aragon.

"It's a very small county, and if this goes to trial I want to make sure we have as clean a jury pool as we can get," Ingram said in the courtroom.

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Pat's Picks ... Pat Marcantonio Three things to do today

• Load up the gear and go skiing or snowboarding at one of the many ski areas near you, from the famous Sun Valley to the Pomerelle Ski Resort past Albion. Check their Web sites for info. Many of the ski areas have packages that include lift tickets, rentals, clinics and more.

• Learn a new skill, namely calligraphy or computer technology through the College of Southern Idaho enrichment center in Burley. Calligraphy starts Jan. 7; the computer class starts Jan. 8. Both classes cost \$40. Call 678-1400 to register.

• For more indoor fun. visit the new indoor com-

munity pool at 315 Fourth Ave. W. in Gooding. For more information, 934-

Have your own pick you want to share? Something that is unique to the area and that may take people by surprise? E-mail me at patm@magicvalley.com.



A scenic view of the snow-covered South Hills can be seen Wednesday from the top of the ski lift at Magic Mountain Ski Resort south of Kimberly.

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keep their boards and skis on the snow, he takes his snowboard and practices aerial stunts off the resort's various ramps.

"It's all I do," he said. "I practice every day."

After snowboarders catch air, there's always the possibility that a landing will be less than smooth. But that's simply part of perfecting skills, Gambrel said.

"You never get good at anything unless you fall," he said.

Shane McMichael, 18, a senior at Twin Falls High School, was enjoying his winter break on Wednesday. "It's not too crowded, with

good snow," he said. "I can't complain."

He came with a friend, Steven Boomhower, 17, also a senior at Twin Falls High School. While McMichael has several years of experience with skiing and snowboarding, Boomhower went a few years without sliding down the slopes.

"I just remembered it was

a lot of fun," he said. That's what Wigington was

finding out, too.

"It's one of the funnest things I've ever done in my life," she said.

While learning how to snowboard includes a few bumps, it's worthwhile in the end, Wigington said.

"It's not so hard once you get a hold of it," she said. "It just feels free."

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Steve Shaw, a political sciat Northwest Nazarene University, said the difference in salaries show some "misplaced priorities" during a time when the state is making budget

"The coaches' salaries have just kind of exploded over the years," he said. Petersen directed the

Broncos to a 12-1 record this season, going undefeated in the regular season and a No. 9 ranking before losing 17-16 to No. 11 TCU in the Poinsettia Bowl on Dec. 23.

Other state workers making more than Otter are his chief of staff, the investment

manager for the state retirement fund, the director of the office of the state Board of Education, various university officials, physicians employed by the state Department of Health and Welfare, top executives of several state departments and divisions, and all of the state's district judges.

Snow

Continued from page A1 Road to before Smiley Creek

Airport Road.

The agency also reported difficult driving conditions across much of northern Idaho, which got more than 6 inches of snow on Thursday. Abramovich's office in

Boise is to release its latest forecast next week on how much water will be available to fill the state's reservoirs in 2009.

Interestingly, the mountains in northern Idaho, where residents are still digging out from an ongoing deluge of snow, are registering less-than-average water content at measuring stations, because much of the snow that hit the region fell in lower elevations.

Coeur d'Alene, at 2,152 feet above sea level, has received almost 96 inches this winter, while the mountains above the resort town are only showing 77 percent of their average snow-water content. The northern Panhandle mountains above Sandpoint and Bonners Ferry are at just 74 percent of average.

"When the storms came in, the warmer temperatures where above the colder air masses," Abramovich said.

"That allowed moisture to fall out earlier, in the valleys, all the way from the Spokane (Wash.)

area down to Boise."

Meanwhile, river basins in southern Idaho, where snowpack in the mountains is much more critical to the health of the region's drought-prone agricultural industry, are faring comparatively well.

Just how dramatically the situation has changed is illustrated at the measuring station at Mores Creek Summit along Highway 21 between Idaho City and Stanley. At the start of December,

there were a scant few inches of snow on the ground. Since then, about 80 inches of snow has fallen.

Despite the recent snowfall, Abramovich is still concerned that the soil across much of the state didn't absorb much moisture from rain during the relatively dry months of October and November. As a result, some of the existing snow will be absorbed into the ground once it melts, leaving less to gush into the rivers and reservoirs.

"The soil still needs 2 to 5 inches of snow melt, to be absorbed in the soils come spring," he said.

"Ideally, that's why we want to be above average on April 1, because of those lingering drought effects. If we can still be at normal levels in mid-February, then usually that means we're going to make it by April 1.'

Idaho's snowpack

Snow-water equivalent percent-

ages in snowpacks in the mountains above Idaho's 21 river basins, as reported Friday by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural **Resources Conservation** Service:

• Northern Panhandle region: 74 percent of average. Spokane River Basin: 77 per-

cent. · Clearwater Basin: 90 per-

cent. · Salmon Basin: 101 percent.

 Weiser Basin: 96 percent. • Payette Basin: 96 percent.

• Boise Basin: 100 percent. • Big Wood Basin: 97 percent.

• Little Wood Basin: 104 percent.

• Big Lost Basin: 100 percent. • Little Lost, Birch basins: 96 percent.

 Medicine Lodge, Beaver, Camas basins: 103 percent. Henry's Fork, Teton basins:

 Snake Basin above Palisades: 97 percent.

95 percent.

Willow, Blackfoot, Portneuf

basins: 91 percent. • Snake River above American

Falls: 96 percent. Oakley Basin: 95 percent.

· Salmon Falls Basin: 104 per-

• Bear River Basin: 87 per-

The Associated Press

cent.

• Bruneau Basin: 107 percent. Owyhee Basin: 97 percent.

T.F. Co. awards no-bid remodeling contract

By Jared S. Hopkins Times-News writer

Twin Falls County officials last month awarded a no-bid contract to a local architect to oversee remodeling of parts of the 98-year-old courthouse estimated to cost \$289,000, a decision officials said is based on his previous work with the county and still meets legal muster.

The contract to design upgrades to the third and fourth floors of the courthouse will pay Russ Lively 7 percent of the project's total cost. Lively — using figures from a county building he recently helped redesign estimated the total cost at \$289,000, of which he would receive \$20,230.

State law allows the award of no-bid professional services contracts if the value of the contract is less than \$25,000, said County Prosecutor Grant Loebs. Officials did not seek other architects but said they hired Lively, a longtime Twin Falls architect who served on the county's historical preservation commission, because they like his prior work for the county.

"We used him before and felt comfortable with the work he does," Commissioner Terry Kramer said.

Lively has done a handful of courthouse projects, includ-

"Our goal, all the time, was to scrupulously follow Idaho statutes and make sure that everything we did was legal and saved money on the project."

— County Prosecutor Grant Loebs

ing conversion of fourth floor jail cells into offices and helping remodel the clerk's offices. Most recently, he designed the remodeling of the Vollmer Building, which the county uses for counseling services.

"The courthouse has just kind of been one of my babies," Lively said.

The remodeling — part of the county's plans to create a government campus to meet space needs — will provide more office space and conference rooms for Loebs' employees. Employees of the county assessor on the third floor have moved to the old building clinic across Shoshone Street, and the commissioners will eventually move from the fourth floor.

Officials said Lively already has courthouse floorplans, and the remodeling is partly based on a space-needs study from a few years ago. Lively's done about \$5,000 of work on the remodel already, according to Commissioner George Urie, and Loebs said the bill will simply be absorbed into the new retainer contract.

Ultimately, the county

plans to remodel the first and second floors for the sheriff's office, and Kramer said the overall cost will likely exceed \$500,000. At that point, another contract will have to go to someone, but officials denied that they were splitting bids, a process in which public projects are broken into phases that are cheap enough to not

'We absolutely scrupulously followed Idaho statutes," Loebs said. "Our goal, all the time, was to scrupulously follow Idaho statutes and make sure that everything we did was legal and saved money on the project."

Lively said the contract was not structured for his specific

"They just got a hold of me because of the work I've done for them," he said.

The contract is a standard form by the American Institute of Architects, and Lively will oversee the competitive bidding for the construction process of the upgrades. Most of the work is dealing with heating and air conditioning, officials said.

When that time comes, Loebs said it only makes sense for Lively to be considered.

"He has a significant history in this building, the same as if you have an architect build vour house and you want him to redo the garage into a rec room," he said. "But if we build a new parking garage from here it's a different story because that's a whole new building."

The commissioners also approved a resolution for professional services - essentially a one-page authorization for the county to hire people on a retainer. Loebs said the county has never paid anyone on a retainer, aside from attorneys outside the county.

Kramer said the contract

similar infrastructure, and the county doesn't have a solid timetable for its overall remodeling project. He also said the remodeling is tied to shifting offices to the clinic building. But it's unclear whether \$289,000 will remain the cost, which could change

was structured because the

third and fourth floors use

Lively's total payout. "(The price) might go up, it might go down. It depends on what the sheriff wants to utilize the space for (on the first two floors)," Kramer said. "It's cosmetic; it's just there isn't major construction being done."

Loebs also said combining designs for all the floors wouldn't make sense because of the unclear schedule.

"Those things are way, way down the road," he said.

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Are you attending the inauguration of President-elect Barack Obama, or know someone from south-central Idaho who will?

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5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

TWIN FALLS COUNTY

Jessica M. Honea, 26, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; Jan. 9 preliminary hearing; \$10,000 bond; public defender appointed

Joseph J. Janusz, 29, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance, driving without privileges; \$500 bond; not guilty plea; public defender appointed;

Joseph J. Janusz, 29, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; Jan. 9 preliminary hearing; \$5,000 bond;

glary, conspiracy to commit burglary; Jan. 9 preliminary hearing; public defender appointed; recognizance

Mandy A. Rose, 32, Twin Falls; no insurance, fail to carry driver's license; fail to appear; public defender appointed; pleaded not guilty; Feb. 10 pretrial

Mandy A. Rose, 32, Twin Falls; two

Jeremy J. Brandell, 20, Twin Falls; sim-

without privileges, DUI; Feb. 10 pretrial; recognizance release; not guilty plea; to hire lawyer

Stephen Hess, 46, Twin Falls; malicious injury to property; Feb. 10 pretrial; \$200 bond; public defender appointed;

Andrew B. Lively, 25, Buhl; DUI, open container, resisting/obstructing; Feb. 10 pretrial; \$300 bond; not guilty plea;

ing/obstructing; \$200 bond; public defender appointed; Feb. 10 pretrial;

Clevis J. Webster, 30, Twin Falls; aggravated assault; Jan. 9 preliminary hearing; \$5,000 bond; public defender

Marcy L. Powers, 52, Twin Falls; domestic battery; recognizance release; not

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one with information about McCall call 208-735-1911 or Crime Stoppers at 208-732-5387 where tipsters can remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward.



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Saturday, January 24th

All male singers are invited to participate, including those from area schools and churches.

Since The Star Spangled Banner will be sung in four-part harmony, two short rehearsals will be held at First United Methodist Church in Twin Falls at

7:30pm Tuesday, Jan 13, and Tuesday, Jan 20

All singers will be admitted free to both women's and men's games on January 24th. For more info, call Chuck: 543-5480 or Fred: 324-5365.

FRIDAY ARRAIGNMENTS

Feb. 10 pretrial

public defender appointed Melissa F. James, 41, Castleford; bur-

counts possession of a controlled substance; Jan. 9 preliminary hearing; recognizance release; public defender

ple battery, illegal consumption; \$500 bond; not guilty plea; to hire attorney Michael J. Park, 31, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; Jan. 9 preliminary hearing; recognizance release; to hire lawyer

Michael J. Park, 31, Twin Falls; driving

not guilty plea

public defender appointed Jennifer Mower, 26, Twin Falls; resist-

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Jerome Highway District sues city, county over tax revenue

The Jerome Highway District on Tuesday sued Jerome County and city, alleging the city owes it more than \$245,000 in property tax revenue, the Jerome County clerk's office confirmed Friday.

The lawsuit was filed under the same principle the Twin Falls Highway District on Monday used to sue Twin Falls County and city, alleging that the city owes it more than \$350,000.

Both suits stem from distribution of property tax revenue collected in urban renewal areas. By law, area urban renewal agencies keep a portion of the money, with the remainder split between cities and highway districts according to a formula set by the state and overseen by the

Due to an error in distribution of property tax revenues that went unnoticed for years, the city of Jerome received money that should

have gone to the highway district, **T.F. Co. passes rates hikes** officials said.

Transportation department bolsters area leadership

The transfer of two administrative positions from the Idaho Depart-ment's Transportation headquarters in Boise to Hailey and Sublett is improving winter maintenance in southern Idaho, said ITD District Four Engineer Devin Rigby.

The department recently transferred 18 vacant administrative positions across the state to such critical services as bridge inspection, snowplowing and road and bridge maintenance, according to a press release.

"Both areas are consistently among our busiest areas for snow removal activities," Rigby said. "These positions allow us to improve our effort to improve safety, reduce accidents and address the concerns of our traveling public going to these destinations.

On Dec. 15, Twin Falls County commissioners increased three fee

Created a \$25 charge for bounced checks paid to the Department of Motor Vehicles for

• Created a \$200 fee to individuals or couples sharing a book as part of the Parenting Project in juvenile probation. A \$50 non-refundable deposit is due at registration.

 Increased charges for bounced checks paid to the Treasurer's office by \$5 to \$25.

Twin Falls wants your Christmas trees

The city of Twin Falls is still accepting natural Christmas trees as donations.

Trees may be dropped off anytime at 170 Maxwell Ave., just past County. If approved, construction the city's parks and recreation

On Friday, the city had collected between 75 and 100 trees, Twin Falls Sanitation Director Sherry Jeff said. Typical years draw 350 to 500 trees, she said. The city will accept the trees until Jan. 20, Jeff said. It will then chop them up and use the material for landscaping.

Call 735-7264 for more informa-

Simpson, Crapo push for Areva's approval

Idaho's Sen. Mike Crapo and Rep. Mike Simpson are urging the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to allow the French company AREVA to begin building a uranium enrichment facility near Idaho Falls, according to a press release from Crapo's office.

The company applied Monday with the NRC for the Eagle Rock Enrichment Facility in Bonneville could begin in 2011.

— Staff and wire reports

T.F. Sheriff's Office identifies fatal crash victim

TN Times-News, Twin Falls, Idaho

Times-News

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office on Friday identified the woman who died in a New Year's Eve collision with a semitrailer along 3300

Authorities said Kimberly resident Paula K. Schneider, 37, died at the scene of the crash.

"We believe she was at fault and failed to yield," said Lori Nebeker, the sheriff's office spokeswoman.

Witnesses told investigators Schneider didn't stop at a stop sign along 3300 East, then crossed the highway and was broadsided by a semi driven by Wallace W. Partiquin, 33, of Chester, said Nebeker.

Toxicology reports are pending. Deputies received the crash call at about 10:52 p.m., Nebeker said.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Recent activity in 5th District Court in included the following:

TWIN FALLS COUNTY **DRIVING UNDER THE**

INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS Victoria L. Wightman, 31, Buhl; driving under the influence; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 30 days jail, 30 suspended; two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; \$10,231.05 restitution to Idaho Power.

Nicholas D. Homolka, 22, Kimberly; driving under the influence; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 29 suspended, credit for time served; two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; possession of drug paraphernalia, dismissed.

MISDEMEANOR SENTENCINGS

Ashley M. Wilson, 22, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; six months

Mindy L. Roberts, 23, Buhl; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$500 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 28 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 90 days; 12 months

Elijah A. Halper, 21, Jerome; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 28 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months probation.

Donald G. Morris, 42, Kimberly; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 27 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 90 days; 12 months

Lora D. Jackson, 19, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$500 fine, \$500 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; 12

months probation. Marissa R. McKendry, 17, Filer; failure to notify upon striking unattended vehicle; \$500 fine, \$500 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; six months probation; \$184.25 restitution. Wesley J. Graf, 32, Twin Falls; grand theft; amended to petit theft; withheld judgment granted; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 10 days jail, eight suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; \$2,250

Benjamin A. Koch, 27, Wendell; one count battery; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 28 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; one count disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; \$100 fine; 10 days jail, eight suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation. Kendall W. Grant, 20, Eden; operate a watercraft while under the influence, under age 21; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; six months probation.

Carey A. Matkovich, 31, Buhl; reckless driving; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 30 days; 12 months probation.

Erik R. Jonsson, 35, Twin Falls; one count unlawful possession of a slot machine; withheld judgment granted; \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 60 days jail, 60 suspended; six months probation; one count unlawful possession of a slot machine and two counts gambling dismissed.

Michael J. Milke, 40, Twin Falls; one count felony domestic battery; amended to misdemeanor; \$1,000 fine,

\$700 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days jail, balance suspended; 24 months probation; obtain domestic violence evaluation; one count; violation of protection order; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$85.50 costs; 180 days jail, balance suspended; 24 months probation; con-

Michael Y. Hill, 21, Buhl; one count domestic battery; amended to assault; withheld judgment granted; \$300 fine, \$150 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days jail, 87 suspended, credit for one day served, two days work detail; 12 months probation; one count possession of a controlled substance; amended to frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; \$300 fine, \$150 suspended; 90 days jail, 87 suspended, credit for one day served, two days work detail; 12 months probation.

FELONY SENTENCINGS

Anthony Valenzuela, 39, Fresno, Calif.; failure to register as sex offender; five years penitentiary; six months determinate; 4.5 years indeterminate; \$297.50 costs; consecutive with

Canyon County Case. Jimmy D. Combs, 46, Filer; lewd conduct with a minor under 16; 15 years penitentiary; 10 years determinate; five years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days in the Idaho State Penitentiary; \$310.50 costs; must register as sex offender; \$939 restitution.

James R. Easter Jr., 28, Eden; two counts lewd conduct with a minor under 16; 15 years penitentiary, per count; four years determinate; 11 years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days in the Idaho State Penitentiary; \$310.50 costs; must register as sex offender; \$300 public defender fee; \$979 court compliance costs.

Rodney H. Ragains, 32, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; seven years penitentiary; three years determinate; four years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days in the Idaho State Penitentiary; \$110.50 costs; \$616 restitution; \$300 public defender fee; \$648 court compliance costs; 100

hours community service. Brandi R. Lancaster, 32, Kimberly; grand theft; 14 years penitentiary; five years determinate; nine years indeterminate; judge granted retained jurisdiction; sentenced to 180 days in the Idaho State Penitentiary; \$110.50 costs; \$300

public defender fee. Charles M. Gollihar, 39, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver; five years penitentiary; two years determinate; three years indeterminate; suspended; four years probation; \$2,500 fine, \$2,000 suspended; \$110.50 costs; \$300 public defender fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or frequent any establishment where alcohol is the main source of income; 100 hours community service; \$1,034.29

CIVIL FILINGS

Paul and Frances AndrewsDavis vs. Venancio Urias-Luna. Seeking judgment against defendant for special and general damages in an amount not less than \$25,000, to be determined at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff's seeking reimbursement for injuries sustained by Frances when the vehicle she was driving struck a cow on the roadway. Plaintiffs allege that defendant was negligent in allowing his cows to enter the roadway.

Jeffrey A. Wade Jr. and Kathleen Wade vs. Renee D. Ryan. Seeking judgment against the defendant for special and general damages; amount to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff's seeking reimbursement for injuries sustained by Kathleen in a vehicle accident.

CHILD SUPPORT CASES

The State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare, Child Support Services have filed claims against the following:

Marie E. Gerhardt. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$134, \$193 and \$162 monthly support plus 100 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insur-

Sheldon P. Amos Jr. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$280 monthly support plus 81 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$776.78 for foster care and child support costs.

DIVORCES FILED Ashley M. Weeks vs. Brandon L. Weeks

Ginger D. Hanchett vs. Thomas P. Richard L. Summerhill Sr. vs. Shirley

CITY OF TWIN FALLS DRIVING UNDER THE

INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS Michael Witkowski, 29, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; withheld judgment granted; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 30 days jail, 30 suspended; two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol. Larry D. Kimbrough, 46, Twin Falls; one count driving under the influence; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 30 days jail, 27 suspended, credit for one day served, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; 30 days jail, 28 suspended, credit for one day served, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months probation.

Edward C. McNeill, 44, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days jail, 88 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol. Stefan T. Flores, 18, Gooding; one count driving under the influence, under age

21; \$1,000 fine, \$800 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count driving without privileges dis-

Jonathon C. Asher, 24, Jerome; one count driving under the influence, second offense; \$1,000 fine, \$800 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days jail, 80 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 365 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count driving without privileges; \$500

fine, \$300 suspended; 30 days jail, 20 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 365 days; 12 months probation; one count possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; 90 days jail, 80 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Jerime R. Tarpley, 19, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; \$500 fine, \$200 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 10 days jail, eight suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 90 days; 12 months probation; no

David J. Teuscher, 25, Jerome; driving under the influence; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 60 days jail, 60 suspended; two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12

months probation; no alcohol. Phillip R. Halfhill, 52, Filer; driving under the influence; withheld judgment granted; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 30 days jail, 29 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol. Christopher C. Bergman, 37, Twin Falls;

driving under the influence, excessive; \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 180 days jail, 170 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended 365 days; 12 months probation.

MISDEMEANOR SENTENCINGS

Jennifer L. Scott, 20, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$500 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 28 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 90 days; 12 months probation.

Andres S. Melendez Jr., 33, Twin Falls; one count failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days jail, nine suspended, credit for one day served; 12 months probation; one count possession of a controlled substance; \$1,000 fine, \$800 suspended; 90 days jail, 80 suspended, credit for one day served; 12 months probation; no alcohol. Leland W. McKelvy, 38, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days jail, nine suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation. Rachel E. Carlson, 22, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 30 suspended; 12 months

probation. lan M. Hart, 26, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 29 suspended, credit for time served; six months probation.

Patrick R. Leets, 43, Filer; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$200 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 30 days jail, 28 suspended; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months proba-

Arafat M. Ramirez, 26, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$500 fine, \$500 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 30 days jail, 25 suspended; 12

months probation. Caterina D. Jordan, 27, Idaho Falls; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 30 days jail, 28 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 90 days; 12 months probation.

Martin J. Arizmendi Jr., 18, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 60 days jail, 58 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12 months probation.

Raudel M. Arteaga, 20, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 28 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 180 days; 12

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Edward C. Michelli, 43, Twin Falls; one count driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 30 days jail, 28 suspended, two days work detail; driving privileges suspended 90 days; six months probation; one count no insurance; \$100 fine. Jeffery L. Stanley, 28, Twin Falls; petit theft; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended;

\$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; two days work detail; six months probation. Jordan A. McKinnon, 18, Gooding; one count possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$85.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 29 suspended, credit for time served; two days work detail; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count possession of drug paraphernalia dismissed.

Rangen M. Yi, 23, Twin Falls; one count possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$85.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 25 suspended, credit for two days served, three days work detail; 24 months probation; no alcohol; one count destruction of evidence dis-

Amy M. Jones, 26, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 30 suspended; 12 months probation. Emil B. Melkumov, 21, Twin Falls; racing on public highway; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 30 days jail, 25 suspended; 12 months proba-

Daniel L. Matthews, 18, Twin Falls; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$85.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; six months probation; no alcohol; one count possession of a controlled substance dismissed. Danielle Hall, 23, Twin Falls; one count

possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$85.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days jail, 26 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; no alco hol; one count provide false information to an officer dismissed. Angela D. Astorga-Zepeda, 29, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid dri-

ver's license; \$500 fine, \$500 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; two days work detail; 12 months

Stacy D. Randell, 29, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$85.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days jail, 88 suspended; 12 months probation; no Keith A. Gentry, 59, Hazelton; posses-

sion of a controlled substance; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$85.50 costs; two days work detail; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; 12 months probation; no Christina D. Drake, 18, Twin Falls; petit

theft; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; 12 months probation. Levi C. Paschal, 17, Filer; one count fail-

ure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 30 days jail, 30 suspended; six months probation; one count failure to appear; \$200 fine, \$150 suspended; two days work detail; six months pro-

Gregory S. Taylor, 43, Twin Falls; one count inattentive/careless driving; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; two days work detail; 30 days jail, 30 suspended; six months probation; one count failure to appear; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended; 10 days jail, 10 suspended; six months probation. Steven J. McAhren, 23, Hansen; one count possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended;

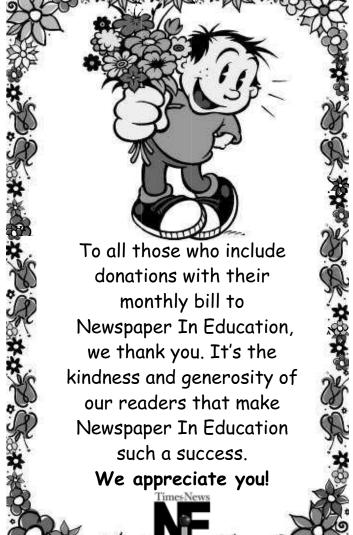
fee; 30 days jail, 28 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count possession of drug paraphernalia dismissed. Justin L. Holley, 20, Filer; frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; \$500 fine, \$250 suspended; \$85.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 60 days jail, 60 suspended; 12 months probation.

\$85.50 costs; \$75 public defender

Vanessa M. Hernandez-Perez, 21, Buhl; one count resisting/obstructing an officer; \$600 fine, \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days jail, 88 suspended, credit for one day served, one day work detail; 12 months probation; one count

disturbing the peace dismissed.





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No. 7 Utah beats No. 4 Alabama 31-17 in Sugar Bowl

The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Utah is the best of the BCS busters.

Brian Johnson threw for 336 yards and three touchdowns, and the No. 7 Utes fourth-ranked Alabama 31-17 in the Sugar Bowl on Friday night to finish

With the victory, Utah became the first team from a non-BCS conference to win two BCS bowls. The Utes beat Pittsburgh in the 2005 Fiesta Bowl under coach Urban Meyer, going for his second BCS national title with Florida when his Gators play Oklahoma on Thursday in Miami.

Johnson's pinpoint passing led Utah to a 21-0 first-quarter lead and the Utes refused

to 21-17 early in the second

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Utah's defense was equally impressive, intercepting John Parker Wilson twice and sacking him eight times, with the seventh sack forcing a fumble that sent crimsonclad Alabama fans streaming for the exits with just more than five minutes to go.

After surging to No. 1 in the rankings with a 12-0 regular season, Alabama closed the season with two consecutive losses, the first against Florida in the Southeastern Conference championship

Alabama could have used suspended All-America left tackle Andre Smith, but even he might not have been enough to stop a Utah

to wilt when Alabama pulled defense that played with speed, ferocity and discipline.

> The Utes' front seven was significantly outweighed by Alabama's offensive line, but refused to give ground to the Tide's normally powerful running game that averaged 196.5 yards per game coming into the Sugar Bowl. Glen Coffee was held to 36 yards on 13 carries, while Mark Ingram rushed eight times for only 26 yards.

> The Utes' array of stunts and blitzes appeared to upset Wilson's rhythm. He overthrew a couple of open receivers downfield and finished 18-of-30 for 177 yards and a touchdown

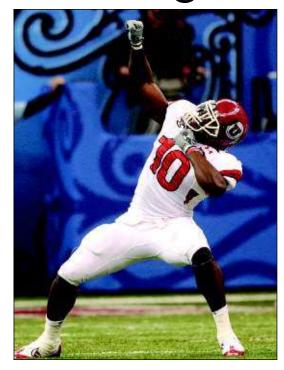
Utah didn't seem verv interested in running the ball, and who could blame

them the way Johnson adeptly spread the ball around to seven receivers? He hit Freddie Brown 12 times for 125 yards.

Johnson was 27-of-41 and was not intercepted. His touchdowns went for 7 yards to Brent Casteel, 18 yards to Bradon Godfrey and 28 yards to David Reed. Matt Asiata ran for a 2-yard TD, a score set up by Reed's leaping catch at the 2.

An Alabama comeback appeared to be building early in the second half, when Dont'a Hightower stripped Johnson and Bobby Greenwood recovered at the Utah 30. Wilson methodically drove the Tide for a score, hitting Coffee for an easy 4-yard

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Utah linebacker Stevenon Sylvester (10) celebrates after sacking Alabama quarterback John **Parker Wilson** Friday during the first half of the Sugar **Bowl in New** Orleans.

AP photo

Defense, balanced attack lift CSI past Westchester

By David Bashore **Times-News writer**

Bit by bit, these baby Eagles are starting to soar.

Romario Souza's 16 points led six players in double figures on Friday night, and the Brazilian teamed with Senegalese center Aziz Ndiaye for solid interior defense as the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team scored a comfortable 91-65 win over Westchester (N.Y.)Community College in the second round of the James **Ray Construction Shoot Out**

at CSI Gymnasium. It was the fourth consecutive win for the No. 18 Golden Eagles (12-2), who also had Byago Diouf add nine points and Max Carrier kick in seven.

The offensive effort was spurred on by CSI's defense, which created 15 steals from the Westcos (5-5) and largely stymied the interior play of 6-foot-11 big-man Jared Famous.

"I thought Romario and Aziz did a great job with their movement," said CSI head coach Steve Gosar. "They did a good job defensively, and they're starting to become good post presences offensively for us as well."

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The College of Southern **Idaho** guard **Louis Garrett** goes up for a shot during the first half of the Golden **Eagles match** up against Westchester Friday night in Twin Falls.

JUSTIN JACKSON/

Peyton Manning becomes three-time NFL MVP

By Barry Wilner Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Peyton Manning can tell Brett Favre to move over and make room for him atop the roster of NFL Most Valuable Players.

For the third time, Manning won the award by The Associated Press, tying Favre as the only players in that elite category.

The Indianapolis Colts quarterback was a landslide winner Friday in balloting by a nationwide panel of 50 sports writers and broadcasters who cover the NFL. Manning also was the league MVP in 2003, when he shared it with Tennessee quarterback Steve McNair, and in

Favre, then with Green Bay, took MVP honors in 1995 and '96 before sharing it with Detroit running back Barry Sanders in 1997. The award has been given by The AP since 1961.

"I know it's an individual award, but ... truly, in my opinion, a team award," said Manning, who received 32 votes, far ahead of Miami quarterback Pennington (4) and Atlanta running back Michael Turner

"It's been the most rewarding regular season that I've been a part of in my 11 years, and I have to believe a lot of the other players and even coaches might feel the same way."

This has been a most unusual season for the Colts, who normally have the AFC



Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning looks to pass the ball during an NFL football game against the New England Patriots on Nov. 2, 2008 in Indianapolis. Manning can tell Brett Favre to move over and make room for him atop the roster of NFL Most Valuable Players. For the third time, Manning won the award by The Associated Press, tying Favre as the only players in that elite

South just about clinched by Thanksgiving. Manning had two operations on his left knee in the preseason, cutting into practice time, blunting his usual precision as a passer and, eventually, leading to a 3-4 start.

From there, with Manning getting sharper by the week, the Colts won nine straight games to secure a wild-card berth and a meeting Saturday night with San Diego.

In that streak, Manning is

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Snead, McCluster lead Ole Miss past Texas Tech

The Associated Press

DALLAS — Ole Miss isn't just the team that handed Florida its only loss. These Rebels are seriously on the

Behind Jevan Snead's passing, Dexter McCluster's squirming runs and some big returns by Marshay Green, No. 20 Mississippi overcame an early deficit and beat No. 7 Texas Tech 47-34 Friday in the final Cotton Bowl played in the stadium of the same name.

The Red Raiders (11-2) converted a pair of early turnovers into a 14-0 lead, but Snead led the Rebels to touchdowns on their next three drives, followed by a goahead field goal shortly before halftime. Once Green returned an interception 65 vards for a touchdown early in the third quarter, Ole Miss (9-4) was well on its way to capping coach Houston Nutt's first season in grand

This was Mississippi's sixth straight win, matching its



Mississippi fullback Brandon Bolden (34) celebrates his third quarter touchdown against Texas Tech Friday with teammate Mississippi wide receiver Mike Wallace (2) at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas.

longest streak since 2003, when Eli Manning was a senior. That also was the last time the Rebels had been

This roll began when Ole Miss was only 3-4 and coming off consecutive losses following its stunning upset at

Although Texas Tech pulled off huge comebacks in its last two bowls, McCluster ended any such thoughts by barreling into the end zone with 4:34 left. When Rebels fans finished clapping, they began chanting "S-E-C! S-E-C!" They did so again with 1:37 left after Ole Miss snuffed out 2-point conversion attempt, then again following

a recovered onside kick. A little louder and the chants might've been heard at the Big 12 offices about 12 miles away. Still, the message that the fourth-best team in the SEC, according to the polls, is better than the thirdbest team in the Big 12 will certainly be noted as schools from these leagues — No. 1 Florida and No. 2 Oklahoma - meet next week in the national championship game.

The Red Raiders had a direct path to playing in that game until getting crushed by the Sooners in late November. At the time, they

were unbeaten and ranked second, the highest mark in school history.

Getting drubbed in two of the last three games takes some shine off Tech's season, and kept senior quarterback Graham Harrell from going out with the school's recordsetting 12th win.

Harrell's consolation was several statistical feats: most career touchdowns in major college football (four in this game made it 134 for his career, breaking the record of 131 set by Hawaii's Colt Brennan) and first player with two 5,000-yard passing seasons. Harrell was 36-of-58 for a Cotton Bowl-record 364 yards, giving him 5,111 yards this season. Only five other quarterbacks have cracked 5,000, including Brennan and two others from Texas Tech.

This was the 73rd Cotton Bowl and the last in its namesake home. The game is moving next year to the \$1.1 billion stadium being built by the Dallas Cowboys. The bowl founder's widow handled the pregame coin toss and the dates 1937 and 2009 were painted on the field between the words, "Celebrating 73 years."

KENTUCKY WINS THIRD STRAIGHT BOWL GAME, 25-19

MEMPHIS, Tenn. Ventrell Jenkins scooped up a fumble and barreled his 285pound frame 56 yards for the go-ahead touchdown, helping Kentucky win a programbest third straight bowl game with a 25-19 victory over East Carolina on Friday in the Liberty Bowl.

Kentucky (7-6) never led until the fourth quarter, when Myron Pryor forced a fumble with about 3 minutes left. In the scramble for the loose ball, Jenkins came up with it and rumbled down the right sideline untouched for the touchdown.

Lones Seiber's extra point attempt was blocked — the third blocked extra point of the game and second off Seiber's foot.

That gave East Carolina

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Celtics take down Wizards on Pierce's 26 points

BOSTON — Paul Pierce scored 26 points on nearly perfect shooting and the Boston Celtics roared back from a rough road trip to beat the Washington Wizards 108-103 on Friday night.

The Celtics went 1-3 on their West Coast swing after the best 29-game start in NBA history, 27-2. With the victory, they improved to 18-1 at home.

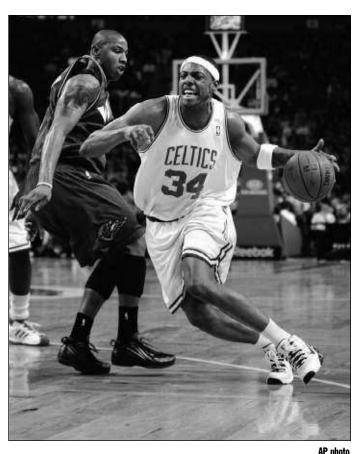
Pierce made his first nine shots and all five 3-point attempts before missing his final shot, a 3-pointer, but Kendrick Perkins converted the offensive rebound with 1:20 remaining in the third quarter. Pierce left the game with 48 seconds left in the period with the Celtics ahead 81-55 and never returned.

Nick Young led the Wizards with 15 points.

CAVALIERS 117, BULLS 92

CLEVELAND — Anderson Varejao scored a career-high 26 points for Cleveland, and LeBron James had 16 points, 11 assists and 10 rebounds for his first triple-double of the season and the 18th of his career.

Cleveland, 17-0 at home this season, learned before the game that center Zydrunas Ilgauskas will miss a month because of a frac-



Boston Celtics guard Paul Pierce (34) drives past Washington Wizards forward Caron Butler, left, Friday during the second half in Boston.

tured bone in his left ankle. Ben Gordon scored 22 points for Chicago.

NETS 93, HAWKS 91, OT EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. ning streak at six games.

— Vince Carter hit a long 3pointer at the buzzer in overtime and New Jersey overcame a 20-point halftime deficit to end Atlanta's win-

Devin Harris added 26 points and 11 assists, and Carter finished with 18 points. Mike Bibby led Atlanta with 22 points.

NUGGETS 122, THUNDER 120

OKLAHOMA CITY Carmelo Anthony's 3-pointer from the corner with 0.1 seconds left capped a 31-point outing for Denver.

Anthony's winner came after Oklahoma City's Kevin Durant hit a 3-pointer with 2.7 seconds left to put the Thunder ahead.

Nene had 27 points on 10of-11 shooting and 14 rebounds, and Chauncey Billups added 24 points for Durant Denver. led Oklahoma City with 33 points.

PACERS 105, KNICKS 103

NEW YORK — Jarrett Jack made a jumper with 0.9 seconds left and scored a season-high 29 points, and Indiana snap a four-game losing streak.

New York's Al Harrington scored 22 of his 27 points in the second half against his former team. David Lee added 26 points and 11 rebounds for the Knicks.

MAGIC 86, HEAT 76 ORLANDO, Fla. — Rashard

Lewis scored 17 points, Jameer Nelson added 16, and Dwight Howard had 15 points and 15 rebounds in Orlando's 10th straight win over Miami.

Dwyane Wade scored 33 points for the Heat, but was shut out in the fourth quar-

PISTONS 98, KINGS 92

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Rodney Stuckey scored 13 of his 38 points in the fourth quarter, and undermanned Detroit won its sixth straight game,

Allen Iverson Tayshaun Prince added 23 points each for the Pistons. Brad Miller led Sacramento with 25 points and 16 rebounds.

TIMBERWOLVES 115, WARRIORS 108

MINNEAPOLIS Jefferson had 32 points and 10 rebounds, and Ryan Gomes scored 13 of his 21 points in the third quarter and added 10 rebounds for Minnesota.

Stephen Jackson had 25 points and seven assists for short-handed Golden State. and Andris Biedrins had 18 points and 13 rebounds.

RAPTORS 94, ROCKETS 73

and Andrea Bargnani each scored 19 points to help Toronto snap a three-game

losing streak. Toronto, which had lost 13 of its last 17 games and four straight at home, held Houston to a season low in points. Von Wafer led the

MAVERICKS 96, 76ERS 86

Rockets with 18 points.

DALLAS — Ďirk Nowitzki scored 31 points, and Jason Terry added 21 in Dallas' sixth victory in its last seven

Andre Iguodala scored 22 points for Philadelphia.

SPURS 91, GRIZZLIES 80

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Tim Duncan had 20 points and 10 rebounds, and Tony Parker added 19 points for San Antonio.

Hakim Warrick led Memphis with 16 points, and Marc Gasol had 15 points and 11 rebounds.

BUCKS 103, BOBCATS 75

MILWAUKEE — Michael Redd scored 31 points, and Charlie Villanueva had 27 in Milwaukee's fifth straight victory over Charlotte.

Boris Diaw led Charlotte with 16 points.

— The Associated Press

Valley boys drop Carey

Times-News

The Valley boys basketball team defeated Carey 49-45 Friday in nonconference play.

The Vikings took a 30-17 lead after one half but went cold shooting during the third quarter, allowing Carey to catch up.

"We couldn't hit a basket," Valley coach Steve Hunter said. "We got good looks, but they wouldn't go in."

Montana Barlow scored 23 points for the Vikings, while three Carey players scored in double figures.

Valley (4-4) will travel to Gooding today. Carey will travel to Murtaugh on Tuesday.

Valley 49, Carey 45
Valley 12 5 18 10 - 45
Valley 12 18 8 11 - 49
Dillon Simpson 2, Brett Adamson 16, Trevor Peck 13, Jarred Cenarrusa 4, Wacey Barg 10. Totals 15 12-24 45.
VALLEY (49)
Crystian Orozco 4, Matt Garr 2, Brogen Reed 8, Daniel Burns 2, Juan Zambrano 4, Montana Barlow 23, Jacob Mikesell 6. Totals 21 7-11 3-point goals: Carey 3 (Adamson 2, Peck). Total fouls: Carey 12; Valley 15. Fouled out: Carey, Adamson. Technical fouls: none.

No. 13 Syracuse holds off South Florida 59-54

TAMPA, Fla. — Jonny Flynn made a key jumper with 2 minutes to go and Eric Devendorf hit two free throws in the closing seconds, helping No. 13 Syracuse hold off South Florida 59-54 on Friday night.

Andy Rautins scored 14 points and Arinze Onuaku added 13 for the Orange, who led by 16 at halftime but struggled to put the game away, in part because of poor free-throw shooting until Devendorf stepped to the line and calmly sank both ends of a 1-and-1 with 19.2 seconds remaining.

Syracuse (14-1, 2-0 Big East) scored the last 11 points of the opening half to take a 35-19 lead at the break and appeared to be headed for an easy victory before Dominique Jones made a pair of 3-pointers to

begin a methodical comeback.

USF (5-8, 0-1) pulled to 55-52 before Flynn's jumper gave the Orange breathing room.

SOUTH CAROLINA 85, NO. 19 BAYLOR 84

WACO, Texas — Zam Fredrick's layup with 5.1 seconds left lifted South Carolina to an 85-84 victory over No. 19 Baylor on Friday.

Devan Downey led the Gamecocks (10-2) with 23 points. Fredrick scored 19, Mike Holmes had 11 points and Dominique Archie and Brandis Raley-Ross scored 10 each.

Curtis Jerrells scored 22 for Baylor (12-2). Kevin Rogers had 14 points and 13 rebounds, Tweety Carter scored 18 and Henry Dugat 16.

— The Associated Press

Utah

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score on a rollout to close the gap to 21-

At the point, Alabama had scored 17 straight points, and it appeared to be only a matter of time before the Tide, favored by more than a touchdown, would overtake the underdog Utes.

Johnson had other ideas, opening Utah's next drive with a 33-yard pass over the middle to Brown. The completion kick-started a 71-yard scoring drive that ended with Reed's touchdown. The Tide drove right back into Utah

territory, but Ingram was stuffed for no gain on third-and-2 from the Utah 32. Leigh Tiffen then missed his second long field goal of the game, hooking a 49yarder just left of the upright.

Only a year ago, the Sugar Bowl saw its first BCS buster in Hawaii, which took a 41-10 beating from Georgia.

Utah calmly dismissed any comparisons to last year's game during the leadup to the game, and wasted no time proving it on the field.

opening drive by blitzing linebacker Stevenson Sylvester from the side vacated by the suspended Smith, resulting in a jarring sack from Wilson's blind side.

The Utes stalled Alabama's game-

Johnson then completed his first five outside and outrunning the rest.

passes for a combined 68 yards, the last his TD pass to Casteel.

The heavily outnumbered Utah fans had barely stopped cheering the TD when safety Robert Johnson intercepted Wilson in Alabama territory and returned it to the 32. Two plays later, Reed made a leaping, 30-yard catch along the sideline, setting up Asiata's plunge through the line for a 14-0 Utah lead with more than 8 minutes remaining in the opening quarter.

Tide coach Nick Saban was pacing and grimacing already— and things were about to get even worse. Replacement left tackle Mike Johnson limped off the field on Alabama's next series, forcing the Tide to move tackle Drew Davis to the left side and insert freshman lineman John Michael Boswell on the right. Soon after, Wilson was hurried into an incompletion, then sacked on the next play, forcing another punt.

Utah's 21-0 lead, the largest deficit the Tide faced all season, stood until Tiffin hit a 52-yard field goal on the first play of the second quarter. Alabama did not score an offensive TD in the half, but pulled to 21-10 when Javier Arenas returned a punt 73-yards for a score, bursting through three tacklers before breaking

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Ndiave finished with 10 points and 10 boards and was joined in double-figure points by Charles Odum (10), Jamelle Barrett (11) and Jay Watkins (10).

It was the second game all season, Gosar said, that he felt his charges got out to a fast start, something which will be important when the Scenic West Athletic Conference season rolls around next week.

"We've really been a slowstarting team for the most part, and I was really pleased that the guys could start fast and bring a lot of energy out there," Gosar said. "When conference play starts you're not going to have time for a slow start, you're going to be 10 or 12 points down if you start slow.'

Another of CSI's players who didn't start slow as freshman Cheyne Martin, making his second appearance after being ineligible for the first semester due to paperwork issues. He hit two early 3pointers to boost his confidence and finished with 12 points on the night.

Martin also added four assists, second only to Barrett's five for the team lead.

"I had a really long time to think about my first game, and all the buildup really added up," Martin said of his debut on Thursday evening. "Tonight I didn't feel quite as nervous, and those first two shots were an instant confi-

James Ray Construction Shoot Out

Thursday's games Sheridan College (Wyo.) 84, Westchester CC (N.Y.) 73 No. 18 CSI 98, Treasure Valley CC (Ore.) 71 Friday's games Sheridan 95, Treasure Valley CSI 91. Westchester 65

At CSI Gymnasium

Today's games Westchester vs. Treasure Valley, 5:30 p.m. CSI vs. Sheridan, 7:30 p.m.

dence boost for me."

CSI's lone returnee from last season, forward Daequon Montreal, sat out this one with an injury.

Even though the most seasoned of CSI players missed the game, the ones that did play left an impression that they were starting to forge precious chemistry amongst themselves.

"I'm really happy with the way the guys are sharing the ball, looking for the open shooter and knocking down good shots," Gosar said. "We've been telling them to get a good shot every possession and they're starting to do that."

SHERIDAN COLLEGE (WYO.) 95, TREASURE VALLEY CC (ORE.) 90

Three straight trips down the floor ended with thunderous dunks, two by Moustapha Diarra and the last by J.R. Cadot, for Sheridan as the Generals passed a stiff test from Treasure Valley, winning 95-90 on Friday evening.

Manny Lopez missed two free throws with a little more than 15 seconds left for the Chukars, who trailed 93-90 at the time. TVCC (3-10) got the rebound but Sheridan (10-1) stole the ball and Jake Lohof hit two free throws with 6.9 seconds left to ice it.

CSI 91, West lester 65 WESTO-BITE (65) Lateef Willis 0-2 0-0 0, Miles Nicholas 9-18 2-2 23, Chris Abney 3-13 2-2 8, Jared Famous 7-20 6-9 20, Jerome Alexander 4-9 2-2 10, Chaz Cribbs 0-0 0-0 0, Khalid Martin 2-3 0-0 4, Javon Holley 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 25-66 12-15 65.

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Byago Diouf 4-9 1-49, Aziz Milaye 4-9 2-6 10, Jamelle Barrett 3-8 3-4 11, Louis Garrett 1-7 3-4 5, Max Carrier 3-4 1-1 7, Cheyne Martin 5-10 0-45 16, Charles Odum 3-4 4-7 11. Totals 33-67 20-35 91. Halftime: CSI 43, Westchester 23. 7-point goals: Westchester 3-7 (Willis 0-2, Nicholas 3-4, Alexander 0-1); CSI 5-11 (Diouf 0-1, Barrett 2-5, Martin 2-4, Odum 1-1). Rebounds: Westchester 30 (Famous 9); CSI 53 (Ndiaye 10). Assists: Westchester 11, CSI 16. Total fouls: Westchester 23. CSI 20. Fouled out: Westchester, Martin; CSI, Ndiaye. Technical fouls: none.

Sheridan College 95,

Treasure Valley CC 90
SHERIDAN (10-1)
Josh Peery 3-7 1-2 8, Quintin Dailey 1-8 1-2 4,
Moustapha Diarra 10-17 2-4 22, Steve Ivory Jr., 2-2 2-4 6, Scottie Payne 4-10 0-3 8, Jake Lohof 3-5 4-5 12,
J.R. Cadot 5-9 0-4 11, Bryen Pyles 1-2 0-0 3, Sam
Iwueke 2-3 2-2 6, Antoine Protor 4-5 3-4 12, Charlton
Wilson 2-2 0-0 4, Totals 37-70 15-30 95.

wuke 2-3 2-2 6, Antoine Protor 4-5 3-4 12, Charlton Wilson 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 3-7-0 15-30 9.

TREASURE VALLEY (3-10)

Daniel Collins 6-10 0-3 13, Nick Brothers 2-5 1-2 7, Kyle Hart 3-11 0-0 6, Aaron Snooks 6-14 3-9 15, Jacob King 5-5 3-3 14, Jordan Jones 1-2 2-2 5, Mychal Harris 2-7 0-0 4, Austin Potts 0-1 0-0 0, Fabian Ybarra 0-0 0-0 0, Eric Gardzina 0-1 2-2 2, Manny Lopez 8-10 8-16 24, Pat Blanchard 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 33-66 16-28 90.

Halftime: Sheridan 4-15 (Peery 1-2, Dalley 0-2, Payne 0-2, Lohof 2-4, Cadot 1-3, Pyles 1-1, Protor 1-1); Treasure Valley 8-25 (Collins 1-2, Brothers 2-5, Hart 0-3, Snooks 3-9, King 1-1, Jones 1-2, Harris 0-3). Rebounds: Sheridan 4-10 (Peery 9): Treasure Valley 3-7 (Hart, King 7), Assists: Sheridan 24 (Payne 9); Treasure Valley 24 (Brothers 9). Turnovers: Sheridan 13; Treasure Valley 20. Total fouls: Sheridan 23, Treasure Valley 19. Fouled out: Treasure Valley, Gardzina. Technical fouls: none.

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209-of-290 for 2,248 yards and 17 touchdowns, with only three interceptions. He extended his NFL record with his ninth 4,000-yard season and finished with 27 touchdown passes, 12 interceptions and a 95.0 passer rating.

Manning called the award emblematic of what others, including owner Jim Irsay, president Bill Polian and coach Tony Dungy, did to help rally the Colts from a 3-4 start to make the playoffs for a seventh straight sea-

"I really accept this award on behalf of the team and the organization because there is no way we would be in the playoffs and bounced back without those three people creating a winning environment," he said.

The folks in Indianapolis might take for granted having Manning behind center, just as Packers and now Jets fans have assumed Favre would be there every week. Favre has started 269 straight regular-season games, the record for quarterbacks. Manning's string is 176 — every game since he was the No. 1 pick in the 1998 draft.

"In other years, everything started fast," Colts running back Dominic Rhodes said. "He's still breaking records. But this year, there were a bunch of negative things said in the beginning, and he brought his best when we needed his

"This is probably the best ball I've seen him play."

Tony Dungy would agree. The Colts' coach said several times he favored Pittsburgh linebacker James Harrison for MVP — Harrison tied with Minnesota RB Adrian Peterson with three votes. But after Manning's flawless work in the second half of the season, Dungy, while admittedly biased, changed his mind.

"I said after we left Pittsburgh (on Nov. 9) that I would vote for James Harrison," Dungy noted this week. "If I was voting today, for Peyton Ι'd vote Manning."

A vast majority of the voters did.

Also receiving votes were San Diego QB Philip Rivers (2), Tennessee rookie RB Chris Johnson (1) and Arizona QB Kurt Warner (1).



Continued from page A5 (9-5) plenty of time to drive

for the win, but the ensuing kickoff was downed at the 1. The Pirates wound up punting four plays later, and Kentucky picked up a first down before running out the clock. The victory, which came

on the heels of two straight wins in the Music City Bowl behind record-setting quarterback Andre Woodson, gave Rich Brooks a distinction in Kentucky history that even Bear Bryant couldn't claim. Bryant was the only other Wildcats coach to lead the team to three straight bowls, but he only won two of them.





Gill lands Buffalo on football map with bowl berth

TORONTO (AP) — For someone accustomed to big games and who won three national titles with Nebraska as an assistant, Buffalo coach Turner Gill was unable to contain his excitement in the days leading up to the International Bowl.

"Hello, ladies and gentlemen! Live at Rogers Centre ..." Gill announced, before breaking into a laugh as his players prepared for practice at the downtown Toronto domed stadium.

Yes, the Bulls have finally arrived, and the irrepressibly upbeat coach wanted to be sure everyone on either side of Lake Ontario heard about

Having produced one of the most unlikely turnarounds in college football this season, Gill has the Mid-





Buffalo vs. Connecticut

10 a.m., ESPN2

American Conference champion Bulls (8-5) — a team that won a total of 10 games from 1999 to 2005 — preparing to make their bowl debut against Big East upstart Connecticut (7-5)Saturday.

By national standards, this game is about as far removed as it could be from a BCS title matchup, and as foreign as the Canadian turf it will be

From the Bulls' perspective, however, it's like the Rose, Orange and Sugar bowls rolled into one because it is the program's first and Gill's first after only three seasons as a first-time head coach.

"This is special," Gill said. 'It makes for a special unique place in my heart and hopefully a lot of people's hearts because this is a very, very special year for a lot of peo-Connecticut is just as new

to the Division I-A ranks, making the jump in 1999, the same year as Buffalo. But that's where the similarities end.

UConn benefited from a wealth of resources courtesy of its successful basketball teams. The name recognition helped smooth the transition

for a football program now making its third bowl appearance in the past five seasons. The Huskies also feature the nation's leading rusher in Donald Brown.

Things have gone so well for Connecticut that this season is regarded as a disappointment. The team hoped to collect its second consecutive Big East title, but foundered down the stretch in losing five of its last seven

"Everybody 'Disappointing," Huskies coach Randy Edsall said. "Are you disappointed because you set your goals so high for yourself? Yes. But I mean. there's still so much that we've accomplished and that's part of our problem. We've gotten to where we are so quickly."

No one's complaining in Buffalo.

With little money or athletic tradition, the Bulls suffered through one double-digit losing season after another before Gill arrived to provide direction and instill confidence.

This has been very much a season of firsts at Buffalo.

The Bulls won the MAC championship game by beating previously undefeated Ball State, Buffalo's first win over a ranked opponent. The Bulls registered their first winning season since going 8-3 in 1996 as a Division I-AA program, while also winning five in a row for the first time since 1986.

And their high-powered offense, revolving around the triple threat of quarterback Drew Willy, running back James Starks and receiver Naaman Roosevelt, has set numerous school records, including most points (404). Those three players alone have combined to set 14 single-season marks.

"People thought it was impossible," Roosevelt said of the Bulls' turnaround. "They laughed at me and made fun of me when I told them that I was going to UB. But now it's a decision that I'm happy with."

The Huskies will present a tough test with a defense that's ranked 10th in the nation in fewest yards allowed (281 per game). The offense features Brown, the Big East offensive player of the year who's averaging 151.83 yards a game and has matched a single-season school record with 17 touchdowns.

SCOREBOARD

MEN'S COLLEGE

BASKETBALL

10 a.m.

Noon

FSPN — Tennessee at Kansas

2 p.m.

NBA BASKETBALL

6:30 p.m.

WGN — Minnesota at Chicago

NFL FOOTBALL

2:30 p.m.

6 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

11 a.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE

BASKETBALL

10 a.m.

Noon

CBS — Tennessee at Rutgers

CBS — LSU at Connecticut

All-American Bowl, at

NBC — Playoffs, Wildcard

Game, Atlanta at Arizona

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CBS — N.C. State at Florida

ESPN — Pittsburgh at

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Cleveland 117, Chicago 92 Boston 108, Washington 83 San Antonio 91, Memphis 80 Denver 122, Oklahoma City 120 Detroit 98, Sacramento 92 Minnesota 115, Golden State 108 Minnesota 1.15, Golden State 1.08
Milwaukee 1.03, Charlotte 75
Dallas 96, Philadelphia 86
L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, late
New Orleans at Portland, late
Utah at L.A. Lakers, late
Saturday's Games
Houston at Atlanta 5, p.m.
Sacramento at Indiana, 5 p.m.
Milwaukee at Charlotte, 5 p.m.
New Jersey at Miami, 5:30 p.m.
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NBA Boxes Cavallers 117, Bulls 92

Cavallers 117, Bulls 92
CHICAGO (92)
Sefolosha 4-11 2-2 10, Thomas 2-6 3-3 7, Gray 1-3 0-0 2, Rose 1-6 1-2 3, Gordon 7-13 8-9 22, Hughes 1-9 4-4 7, Nocioni 2-7 6-7 11, Noah 4-9 0-1 8, Hunter 4-10 2-2 13, Simmons 4-8 1-3 9. Totals 30-82 27-33 92. CLEVELAND (117)
James 3-8 8-8 16, Wallace 6-11 1-2 13, Varejao 9-14 8-13 2-6, M.Williams 2-9 7-7 11, West 6-11 0-0 14, Hickson 5-8 3-5 13, Gibson 1-3 2-3 5, Pavlovic 5-8 1-2 13, Jackson 0-2 0-0 0, Szczerbiak 1-2 0-0 2, Wright 2-2 0-0 4, Kinsey 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 40-79 30-40 117. Chlcago 17 30 25 20 92

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3-Point Goals—Chicago 5-18 (Hunter 3-7, Nocioni 1-3, Hughes 1-4, Sefolosha 0-2, Gordon 0-2), Cleveland 7-15 (Pavlovic 2-3, James 2-3, West 2-4, Gibson 1-1, Szczerbiak 0-1, M.Williams 0-3), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 47 (Noah 10), Cleveland 60 (James 10), Assists—Chicago 16 (Gordon 4), Cleveland 25 (James 11), Total Fouls—Chicago 22, Cleveland 26, Technicals—Nocioni. A—20,562 (20,562).

Nets 93, Hawks 91, OT

ATLANTA (91)
M.Williams 3-9 2-3 9, Smith 9-18 2-5 20,
Horford 5-9 0-1 10, Bibby 7-18 4-5 22,
Johnson 5-16 2-2 13, Pachulia 2-3 0-4 4,
Evans 1-1 0-0 3, Murray 3-6 0-0 7, West 1-1
0-0 3, Jones 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-81 10-20

NEW JERSEY (93) Simmons 5-7 0-0 12, Yi 4-13 0-0 8, Lopez 3-

10 1-1 7, Harris 9-22 6-7 26, Carter 6-18 1-2 18, Dooling 3-8 0-0 7, Boone 1-2 1-2 3, Hayes 3-8 0-0 9, Najera 0-1 0-0 0, Anderson 1-3 0-0 3, Totals 35-92 9-12 93.

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3-Point Goals—Atlanta 9-21 (Bibby 4-9, Murray 1-1, West 1-1, Evans 1-1, Johnson 1-3, M. Williams 1-4, Smith 0-2), New Jersey 14-30 (Carter 5-7, Hayes 3-7, Simmons 2-3, Harris 2-6, Anderson 1-2, Dooling 1-3, Yi 0-2), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 51 (Johnson 9), New Jersey 64 (Jone 11), Asside—Atlanta 61 Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 51 (Johnson), New Jersey 64 (Lopez 11). Assists—Atlanta 24 (Johnson 9), New Jersey 24 (Harris 11). Total Fouls—Atlanta 19, New Jersey 17. Technicals—Bibby, New Jersey Coach Frank 2. A—16,851 (19,990).

Magic 86, Heat 76 MIAMI (76)
Marion 1-6 2-2 4, Haslem 5-12 2-2 12,
Anthony 1-1 0-0 2, Chalmers 1-11 2-2 5,
Wade 16-29 1-2 33, Magloire 0-0 2-2 2,
Beasley 4-9 0-0 8, Banks 0-2 0-0 0, D.Cook 4-9 0-0 10, Quinn 0-0 0-0 0, Diawara 0-0 0-0 0.
Totals 32-79 9-10 76

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ORLANDO (86)

Urkoglu 1-14 5-8 7, Lewis 5-12 3-4 17,
Howard 6-11 3-5 15, Nelson 5-10 4-4 16,
Bogans 2-5 2-2 7, Lee 4-10 1-2 10, Battie 4-6
1-1 9, Johnson 1-4 1-2 3, Gortat 1-4 0-2 2.

Totals 29-76 20-30 86.

Miami

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3-Point Goals-Miami 3-16 (D.Cook 2-5,
Chalmers 1-7, Marion 0-1, Banks 0-1, Wade
0-2), Orlando 8-27 (Lewis 4-7, Nelson 2-5, Lee
1-3, Bogans 1-4, Johnson 0-2, Turkoglu 0-6)
Fouled Out-None. Rebounds-Miami 44
(Marion, Haslem 8), Orlando 61 (Howard 15).
Assists-Miami 15 (Wade 6), Orlando 19
(Turkoglu, Nelson 5), Total Fouls-Miami 20,
Orlando 13. A-17,461 (17,461). Pacers 105, Knicks 103

INDIANA (105) Granger 5-10 10-10 22, Murphy 5-14 4-6 15, Hibbert 5-8 0-0 10, Jack 10-14 5-5 29, Daniels 6-17 1-1 13, Foster 1-3 2-4 4, Rush 2-4 0-0 6, Ford 1-9 0-0 2, Diener 1-3 0-0 2, McRoberts 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 37-83 22-26

105. **NEW YORK (103)** Chandler 5-15 3-4 13, Lee 12-15 2-2 26, Jeffries 0-5 1-2 1, Duhon 2-7 1-2 6, Richardson 4-9 3-4 12, Harrington 10-21 3-5 27, Robinson 4-14 6-7 15, Roberson 1-2 0-0

27, Robinson 4-14 6-7 15, Roberson 1-2 0-0
3. Totals 38-88 19-26 103.
Indiana 27 26 30 22 - 105
New York 23 21 33 26 - 103
3-Point Goals—Indiana 9-22 Uack 4-7, Rush
2-3, Granger 2-4, Murphy 1-4, Ford 0-1,
Daniels 0-1, Diener 0-2), New York 8-24
(Harrington 4-8, Duhon 1-2, Roberson 1-2,
Richardson 1-3, Robinson 1-6, Chandler 0-3),
Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 52
(Murphy 18), New York 55 (Lee 11), Assists—
Indiana 20 (Granger, Murphy 5), New York 17
(Duhon 7), Total Fouls—Indiana 21, New York
21. Technicals—Granger, Indiana Coach
O'Brien, Indiana Gefensive three second. A—
19,763 (19,763).

Raptors 94, Rockets 73

McGrady 2-9 0-0 4, Scola 4-6 0-0 8, Yao 5-12 4-6 14, Alston 3-7 2-2 8, Head 0-6 1-2 1, Artest 4-11 0-0 12, Landry 1-7 0-0 2, Brooks 1-7 0-0 3, Barry 1-6 0-0 2, Wafer 7-9 2-2 18, Hayes 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 28-82 10-14 73. Hayes 0.2 1.2 1. Totals 28.82 10.14 73. TORONTO (94) Moon 3.5 1.2 7, Bosh 8.18 3.6 19, Bargnani 8.12 1.2 19, Calderon 2.3 0.0 5, Parker 3.8 2.2 8, Voskuhl 1.3 1.2 3, Kapono 2.7 0.0 5,

Graham 5-8 0-0 10, Solomon 4-6 0-0 8, Humphries 1-4 2-3 4, Ukic 1-5 0-0 2, Adams

Humphries 1-4 2-3 4, Ukic 1-5 0-0 2, Adams 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 40-83 10-17 94.

Houston 14 24 11 24 - 73

Toronto 25 23 20 26 - 94

3-Point Goals—Houston 7-27 (Artest 4-7, Wafer 2-3, Brooks 1-5, Alston 0-1, McGrady 0-2, Head 0-4, Barry 0-5), Toronto 4-9 (Bargnani 2-4, Kapono 1-1, Calderon 1-1, Ukic 0-1, Parker 0-2), Fouled Out–None. Rebounds—Houston 56 (Scola 13), Toronto 52 (Parker, Voskuhl 8). Assists—Houston 19 (Alston 4), Toronto 20 (Solomon 7). Total Fouls—Houston Toronto 20 (Solomon 7). Total Fouls—Houston 17, Toronto 20. A—19,800 (19,800).

Spurs 91, Grizziles 80 SAN ANTONIO (91)
Finley 27 (-0 5, Duncan 8-11 4-6 20, Bonner 7-9 0-0 16, Parker 7-15 5-6 19, Mason 1-11 -1 1, 3, Ginobili 4-9 5-6 13, Tolliver 1-4 0-0 3, Bowen 2-2 0-0 6, Thomas 1-1 0-0 2, Hill 1-2 2-2 4, Oberto 0-0 0-0 0, Udoka 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-71 17-21 91.

MEMPHIS (80)
Gay 4-13 0-0 9, Ross 3-6 2-2 8, Gasol 6-13 3-

GAME PLAN

Shootout Valley, 5:30 p.m.

> BASKETBALL 11 a.m.

Idaho Falls at Minico

Valley at Gooding Camas County at Community Dietrich at Hansen

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS **BASKETBALL** 6 p.m. Dietrich at Hansen

7:30 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

7 15, Lowry 1-7 3-3 5, Mayo 6-14 0-0 12, Buckner 0-2 0-0 0, Warrick 7-16 1-1 16, Arthur 3-5 0-0 6, Conley 1-2 7-8 9, Totals 31-78 16-21 80.

San Antonio

28 16 23 24 — 91

Memphis 20 30 48 24 — 91

Memphis 20 20 16 24 - 80 3-Point Goals—San Antonio 6-22 (Bowen 2-2, Bonner 2-2, Tolliver 1-3, Finley 1-4, Parker 0-1, Ginobill 0-4, Mason 0-6), Memphis 2-14 (Warrick 1-3, Gay 1-4, Ross 0-1, Mayo 0-3, Mayo 1-3, Gay 1-4, Ross 0-1, Mayo 0-3, Mayo 1-3, Gay 1-4, Ross 0-1, Mayo 1-4, Gay 1-4, Ross 0-1, Mayo 1-4, Ross 0-Charlet 1-3, 43-24, Russ or 2, may 0 to 3, Fouled Out–None. Rebounds—San Antonio 43 (Duncan 10), Memphis 50 (Gasol 11), Assists—San Antonio 22 (Ginobili 6), Memphis 11 (Gay, Lowry 3). Total Fouls—San Antonio 19, Memphis 16. Technicals—Memphis defensive three second. A—12,597

Celtics 108, Wizards 83 WASHINGTON (83)
McGuire 1.4 2.2 4, Jamison 6-20 2.4 14,
Blatche 2.4 0.0 4, James 3-10 2.2 9, Butler 39 2.6 8, McGee 3-6 0.1 6, Thomas 2.3 0.0 4,
Songaila 2-6 0.0 4, Young 4-6 7-7 15,
Crittenton 1.2 3.4 5, Dixon 2-6 0.0 4,
Peophory 2-6 1.2 6 1.2 6 1.2 6 1.2 8 1.2 Pecherov 2-5 1-2 6. Totals 31-81 19-28 83.

Pecherov 2-5 1-2 6. Totals 31-81 19-28 83.

BOSTON (108)
Pierce 9-10 3-4 26, Garnett 5-9 0-0 10,
Perkins 4-7 1-1 9, Rondo 4-6 1-2 10, R.Allen
4-8 1-1 11, Davis 1-2 0-0 2, Powe 2-6 4-6 8,
Scalabrine 2-5 0-0 5. T.Allen 5-7 0-0 10,
House 4-8 0-0 11, Pruitt 0-4 2-2 2, O'Bryant
1-2 2-2 4. Totals 41-74 14-18 108.

Washington 14 20 21 28 - 83
Boston 14 20 21 28 - 83
Boston 2-8 30 28 22 - 108
3-Point Goals—Washington 2-12 (James 1-3,
Pecherov 1-3, Young 0-1, Butter 0-2, Jamison
0-3), Boston 12-20 (Pierce 5-6, House 3-6,
R.Allen 2-3, Rondo 1-1, Scalabrine 1-2, Pruitt
0-2), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—
Washington 44 (Jamison 9), Boston 52
(Perkins 10), Assists—Washington 22 (Butter

(Perkins 10). Assists—Washington 22 (Butler 5), Boston 31 (Rondo 14). Total Fouls— Washington 18, Boston 22. A–18,624 (18,624).

BETTING Glantz-Culver Line For Jan. 3 NCAA Football

ESPN2 — International Bowl. Buffalo vs. Connecticut, at

Toronto

LOCAL MEN'S COLLEGE

BASKETBALL James Ray Construction

Westchester vs. Treasure CSI vs. Sheridan College, HIGH SCHOOL BOYS

7:30 p.m. Buhl at Kimberly Filer at Declo

Camas County at Community

Buhl at Glenns Ferry Gooding at Filer Kimberly at Wendell

TV SCHEDULE

FAVORITE OPEN TODAY O/U UNDERDOG mationa. At Toronto \$1/2 (52)

6½ (5 Monday Flesta Bowl At Glendale, Ariz. Ohio St. Thursday nampionship Game

FAVORITE OPEN TODAY O/U UNDERDOG

Today 1 (51) at Arizona 1 (51) at San Diego Indianapolis Pk Baltimore 3 3½ (37½) at Miami Philadelphia 2½ 3 (41½)at Minnesota

FOOTBALL

NFL Playoffs
All Times MST
Wild-card Round
Saturday, Jan. 3
Atlanta at Arizona, 2:30 p.m. (NBC)
Indianapolis at San Diego, 6 p.m. (NBC)
Sunday, Jan. 4
Baltimore at Miami, 11 a.m. (CBS)
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 2:30 p.m. (FOX)
Dyblejonal Playoffs

Philadelphia at Minnesota, 2:30 p.m. (FO. Divisional Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 10
San Diego, Indianapolis or Baltimore at Tennessee, 2:30 p.m. (CBS)
Minnesota, Arizona or Atlanta at Carolina, 6:15 p.m. (FOX)
Sunday, Jan. 11
Philadelphia, Arizona or Atlanta at N.Y. Giants, 11 a.m. (FOX)
San Diego, Indianapolis or Miami at Pittsburgh, 2:45 p.m. (CBS)

Bowl Glance

11amsnow27 degrees PPmachine groomed 46 50 base 66 of 66 trails, 24 miles, 2600 acres 8 of 8 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p. Brundage — Fri 4 47amltsno32 degrees 1 new PPmachine

Idaho

Bogus Basin — Thu 9

groomed 45 52 base 42 of 46 trails, 25 miles 1500 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, 95% open, Mon-Fri: 9:30a 4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9:30a-4 30p. Kelly Canyon — Tue 4 11pmmixed cloud/sun27 degrees PPmachine groomed 24 30 base 22 of 26 trails, 4 of 5 lifts 90% open. Lookout Pass — Fri 6

50amsnow28 degrees 10 new PDR 72 91 base 34 of 34 trails, 4 of 4 lifts 100% open, Mon. Thu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p; open Thu-Mon.

Magic Mountain — Tue 5amPDRmachine groomed 43 53 base 14 of 14 trails 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

Pebble Creek — Fri 4:42amVC 8 45 base 3 of 3 lifts, 95% open Mon-Fri: 9:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: Pomerelle — Fri 7 25amltsno33

degrees 3 new PPmachine groomed 59 80 base 24 of 24 trails, 3 of 3 lifts 100% open, Mon: 9a-4p; Tue-Fri: 9a-9p-; Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p.

Schweitzer Mountain — Fri 2 40pmmcldy22 degrees 78 new PDRmachine groomed 60 73 base 91 of 92 trails, 2800 acres 10 of 10 lifts, 97% open, Mon-Thu: 9a-3:45p; Fri: 9a-8p; Sat: 9a 8p; Sun 9a-3 45p. Silver Mountain — Fri 4

21amsnow27 degrees 6 new PDRmachine groomed 55 70 base 63 of 73 trails, 6 of 7 lifts 86% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8a-4p. Snowhaven — Tue

5amWETSNmachine groomed 22 24 base 7 of 7 trails, 2 of 2 lifts 100% open. Soldier Mountain — Fri 8

15ammixed precip36 degrees WETPS 47 59 base 22 of 36 trails, 1147 acres 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; open Fri-Sun. Sun Valley — Fri 5 33amsnow30 degrees PDRmachine groomed 44

57 base 75 of 80 trails, 21 of 21 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-Tamarack — Fri 5 28amcldy36

degrees PPmachine groomed 30 54 base 42 of 42 trails, 7 of 7

At Dallas Payout: \$3 million Mississippi 47, Texas Tech 34
Liberty Bowl
At Memphls, Tenn.
Payout: \$1.8 million
Kentucky 25, East Carolina 19 At Glendale, Artz.
Payout: \$17 million
Texas (11-1) vs. Ohio State (10-2), 6:30

lifts, 100% open Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

Utah Alta — Fri 5:42amPPmachine

SKI REPORT

groomed 68 68 base 110 of 112 trails, 95% open 2000 acres, 7 of 11 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9:15a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9:15a-4:30p. Beaver Mountain — Fri 5amPPmachine groomed 35 44

base 30 of 30 trails, 100% open

5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Brian Head - Fri 5amPPmachine groomed 50 50 base 63 of 65 trails, 97% open 8 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9:30a-4p. Brighton — Fri 5:47amHPmachine groomed 57 57 base 60 of 66

Fri: 9a-9p; Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p Deer Valley — Fri 5:48amPPmachine groomed 61 61 base 91 of 99 trails, 95% open 22 of 22 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4:15p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a 4:15p. Park City — Fri 5:38amPPmachine

trails, 90% open 6 of 6 lifts, Mon-

trails, 95% open15 of 16 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-7:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-7:30p. Powder Mountain — Fri 5amPPmachine groomed 25 62 base 111 of 114 trails, 97% oper

groomed 32 32 base 104 of 107

Sat/Sun: 9a-10p. Snowbasin — Fri 5:42amPPmachine groomed 24 60 base 113 of 113 trails, 100% open 28 miles, 3200 acres, 9 of 12 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun:

7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-10p;

Snowbird — Fri 2:00pmPPmachine groomed 70 70 base 50 of 85 trails, 59% open 8 of 11 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Solitude — Fri 7:33amVCmachine groomed 56 56 base 62 of 64 trails, 97% open 8 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

Sundance — Fri 3:58amHPmachine groomed 35 35 base 42 of 42 trails, 100% open 4 of 4 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4:30p.

Wyoming

Grand Targhee - Fri 8:56am2 new PPmachine groomed 62 62 base 74 of 74 trails 100% open, 2402 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Jackson Hole — Fri 3:46pm9 new PDRmachine groomed 58 71

base 88 of 116 trails 80% open, 2000 acres, 10 of 11 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

At Toronto
Payout: \$750,000
Connecticut (7-5) vs. Buffalo (8-5), 10 Monday, Jan. 5 Flesta Bowl

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Boston Montreal Buffalo Toronto Ottawa	29 21 18 15 13	5 10 15 17 17	4 6 5 6 5	62 48 41 36 31	141 109 109 116 83	84 95 109 137 100
SOUTHEAST	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Washington Carolina Florida Atlanta Tampa Bay	25 19 16 13 10	11 15 16 21 17 VES	3 5 5 10 TERN	53 43 37 31 30	131 102 93 114 89	115 114 104 142 117
CENTRAL	W	L	OT	PIS	GF	GA
Detroit Chicago Columbus Nashville St. Louis	25 20 17 17 14	7 8 16 17 21	5 7 4 3 3	55 47 38 37 31	138 127 96 91 107	109 94 103 109 130
NORTHWEST	W	Ţ	OT	PTS	GF	GA

Dallas
Los Angeles 15 16 6 30 30
Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.

Thursday's Games Detroit 6, Chicago 4 Buffalo 4, Toronto 1 Buttalo 4, Toronto 1 Boston 4, Pittsburgh 2 Washington 7, Tampa Bay 4 Vancouver 2, Nashville 1 Friday's Games

Vancouver 2, Nashville 1
Fiday's Games
Carolina 2, St. Louis 1
New Jersey 4, Montreal 1
Atlanta 4, Vancouver 3, SO
Columbus at Colorado, late
N.Y. Islanders at Phoenix, late
Philadelphia at Anaheim, late
Philadelphia at Anaheim, late
Buffalo at Boston, 11 a.m.
Florida at Pittsburgh, 11 a.m.
Calgary at Nashville, 1 p.m.
Ottawa at Toronto, 5 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 5 p.m.
Carolina at Tampa Bay, 5:30 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 6 p.m.
Columbus at St. Louis, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Edmonton, 8 p.m. Dallas at Edmonton, 8 p.m. N.Y. Islanders at San Jose, 8:30 p.m. Philadelphia at Los Angeles, 8:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Agreed to terms with C
Josh Bard on a one-year contract.
National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Announced the resignation of chief executive officer Jeff Moorad, Promoted team president Derrick
Hall to chief executive officer. Agreed to terms with 1B Tony Clark on a one-year contract.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Agreed to terms with RHP Scott Proctor on a one-year contract.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

PHOENIX SUNS—Recalled G-F Alando Tucker from Iowa (NBADL). Trom Iowa (NBADL).

COLLEGE
MIAMI—Named Erik Book assistant athletic director for ticket operations.
SYRACUSE—Named Scott Shafer football defensive coordinator and Kevin Van Derzee director of featball consenting.

director of football operations.

Buckeyes QB Pryor a no-show at Fiesta media day

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Freshman Terrelle not the case," Junker said. "The present Pryor is the starting quarterback for Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl. Yet he isn't talking, at least for now.

The Buckeyes did not bring Pryor to the Fiesta Bowl media day on Friday, snubbing bowl officials who had hoped that Ohio State and Texas would make their starters available ahead of Monday night's game. Ohio State Jim Tressel said it would be bet-

ter for Pryor to attend meetings instead of

the 30-minute session with reporters on

Friday at the Fiesta's resort headquarters. "My feeling is he probably had something that would be more impactful on our cause and that was to spend time in the meeting room," Tressel said. "We were asked to bring 30 players and we sent in a list of players. We did get one call, 'Did you happen to miss

Pryor's absence was notable in the ballroom set aside for media day. Frustrated Fiesta Bowl officials had to tell reporters that the Buckeyes' starting quarterback wasn't present — and that there was nothing they could do about it.

Fiesta Bowl president and CEO John Junker said he'd like the Bowl Championship access to players.

"Any policy is workable only if there are consequences in place, which is currently

Series to provide clearer rules for media

arrangement puts the team in question and the bowl in question in a difficult circumstance." Tressel shrugged off the stir caused by

Prvor's absence. Asked if Ohio State fans would like to hear from their starting quarterback before the game, Tressel replied, "Well, I think we owe a

lot to our fans. Unfortunately, you can't do everything you'd like to do. "I would like all of our kids and coaches to be able to sign every autograph that every fan would like and, you know, all those kinds of things. But you can only do so many

Bills safety Simpson arrested outside SC bar

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Buffalo Bills safety Ko Simpson has been charged with hindering police after he refused to leave officers alone while they were arresting another man at a Rock Hill bar early Thursday. Simpson was in a car that was speeding

through the parking lot of the Celebrations bar about 2 a.m., police say. As officers tried

things. You have to make decisions. Some of them are well thought of, some of them aren't." NFL

for public urination BOISE — A U.S. aerials skier from Idaho

Olympics after a drunken brawl outside an Italian bar has been cited for public urination. Jeret "Speedy" Peterson, 27, was cited in October in Boise, his hometown. Peterson was found guilty and paid \$102 to

resolve the misdemeanor, according to 4th District Court records.

On Feb. 24, 2006, he was sent home early from Italy for "irresponsible" conduct,

according to U.S. Olympic Committee offi-Sports Shorts

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to arrest the driver, a police report says Simpson kept yelling, "I'm Ko Simpson with the Buffalo Bills. I am worth millions!" Officers asked Simpson to leave the park-

returned, yelling again. Simpson was arrested and taken to the **Castleford holding** Rock Hill jail. He was freed on a \$470 bond.

ing lot, and he started to walk away, but then

SKIING

Idaho aerials skier cited

who was dismissed from the 2006 Turin

Peterson, who was 10th in a Dec. 20, 2008

World Cup event in China, has had several legal scuffles. He was charged with breaking into an Idaho

home in 2005 and stealing weapons. Felony theft charges were reduced to misdemeanor unlawful entry and theft. He pleaded guilty.

Peterson couldn't be reached Friday.

MAGIC VALLEY

youth basketball signups CASTLEFORD — Registration for Castleford

Youth Basketball for boys and girls grades 2-4 will be held at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 10, in the Castleford gymnasium. Cost is \$25. Coaches are also needed. Information: Janet at 308-0770 or 543-5011.

Holiday open gym in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls Parks and

Recreation will offer holiday basketball open gym at Robert Stuart Junior High, from 6-9 p.m., today, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Open gym is free. Information: 736-2265.

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U.S. motorists' habits spur call for tax increases

Commission urges 50 percent increase

Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON Motorists are driving less and buying less gasoline, which means fuel taxes aren't raising enough money to keep

bridge and transit programs.

A federal commission created by Congress to find a way to make up the growing revenue shortfall in the program that funds highway repairs and construction is

talking about increasing federal gas and diesel taxes.

A roughly 50 percent increase in gasoline and diesel fuel taxes is being urged by the commission until the government devises another way for motorists to

pay for using public roads.

The 15-member National Commission on Surface Transportation Infrastructure Financing is the second group in a year to call for increasing the current 18.4 cents a gallon federal tax on gasoline and the 24.4 cents a gallon tax on diesel. State fuel taxes vary from state to state.

In a report expected in late January, members of the infrastructure financing commission say they will urge Congress to raise the gas tax by 10 cents a gallon and the diesel tax by about 12 cents to 15 cents a gallon. At the same time, the commission will recommend tying the fuel tax rates to inflation.

The commission will also recommend that states raise their fuel taxes and make greater use of toll roads and fees for rush-hour driving.

Although the cost of gasoline has dropped dramatically in recent months, such tax increases could be politically

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January is a good time to create sick leave policy

t the checkout counter of a Manhattan office supply store, there is a rack stocked with disinfectant spray, throat lozenges, tissues and Vitamin C supplements — reminders to small business owners that a new season, the flu season, is upon us.

Flu season inevitably means employee absences. And so the beginning of the year is a good time for company owners to think about their policy not just for sick time, but time off in general.

Many business owners might not think about a policy for sick or medical days until an employee starts taking a lot of time off. Or, when a prospective worker asks, "how much sick time do you give?"

Before formulating a policy, owners should be aware



SMALL TALK Joyce M. Rosenberg

that they're not required under federal or most state laws to grant employees paid time off when they're sick, but the federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, known as the FMLA, might require that companies give workers unpaid sick leave. However, not granting any paid sick time at all is probably a bad idea - not only is it a moralebuster, it will make it harder to recruit good workers.

Many owners trying to come up with a sick time

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HARD TIMES



Immigration attorney Tim Barker, partner at the law firm Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy, LLP poses for a photo at his office in Los Angeles.

to 2009 for relief Foreign workers face stress • The Dow Jones industrial average fell 33.8 percent as unemployment rises for the year and 38 percent from its record close of 14,165.53 in October 2007.

By Amy Taxin **Associated Press writer**

SANTA ANA, Calif. — For foreign professionals in the United States, the rising unemployment rate is especial-

ly daunting. Laid-off foreign workers are scrambling for temporary visas and seeking advice from immigration attorneys about how long they can legally stay in the country while hunting for jobs.

Even some foreigners here on visas or work permits are switching employers, fearing that an unstable job during a recession could ultimately lead to a one-way ticket home or kill

their chance of getting a green card.

Thirty-eight-year-old Caron Traub of South Africa panicked after losing her job as a business development manager for an envelope manufacturer. With plans for an April wedding in Atlanta to her Canadian fiance, who has a green card, Traub worried that she could be forced to leave the country before then and be unable to get back in.

"It's very scary stuff," said Traub, who applied for a temporary visa to stay in the country legally and look for

An undetermined number of foreign workers have been casualties of

the recession, which pushed the nationwide jobless rate to 6.7 percent in November, a 15-year high. Economists expect the jobless rate will continue to climb through much of

2009 and could surpass 8 percent. Foreign residents with valid visas that authorize them to work in the United States can qualify for jobless benefits if they meet the requirements of the state in which they file, accord-

ing to the Labor Department. Nearly half a million foreign professionals are working in the country on visas, known as H-1Bs, or have

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Recently released year earlier. • The Door numbers show

Wall Street looks

severity of 2008

The Associated Press

Many market analysts are predicting that 2009 will be a better year for financials. but that recovery will be slow as investors, shaken by the devastation to their portfolios, U.S. companies and the overall economy, remain reluctant to buy.

Wall Street's stats for 2008 provide evidence of how stunningly terrible the year

• The average price of a share listed on the New York Stock Exchange plunged 45 percent to \$41.14 by the end of the year from \$75.01 a

making it the Dow's worst year since 1931, when the country was in the midst of the Great Depression. • The Standard & Poor's 500 index, the indicator most watched by market

pros, slumped 38.5 percent in 2008 and 42.3 percent from its 2007 high of 1,565.15. • Investors lost \$6.9 tril-

lion as relentless selling reduced the value of stocks across the market. That amount, measured by the Dow Jones Wilshire 5000 Composite Index, represented 38 percent of the total value of U.S. stocks at the start of 2008.

Sept. 7: Government takes over Oct. 1: Senate Dec. 11: Senate 14,000 Nov. 23: approves a \$700 Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Government opposes plan to Daily closing value of the Dow Jones industrial average July 11: Crude billion financial gives Citigroup provide Detroit Sept. 14: Government allows all-time trading rescue package. an extra \$20 automakers with Lehman Brothers to go bankrupt billion in \$14 billion in loans. Oct. 12: Wells high of \$147.27 Merrill Lynch sells itself to loans and Fargo, beating May: The U.S. Dec. 19: Bank of America backstops 12,000 government out a bid by President Bush hundreds of starts sending out \$150 billion Citigroup, gets offers \$17.4 billions worth March 16: billion in rescue approval to of mortgages **JPMorgan** 11.000 worth of stimulus and other Sept. 16: Government automakers, July 15: The assets. takes over American International Wachovia demanding euro hits an 10,000 concessions from Group, the world's largest all-time high insurer, and provides it with the companies of \$1.6038 Investors welcome the end of a down year and their workers. <mark>an initial \$85 billi</mark>on loan. against the 9,000 tumbling U.S. Sept. 25: Washington Mutual The stock market's decline between October 2007 and November 2008 wiped out more than becomes the largest bank ever \$10 trillion in stockholder wealth. Governments around the world responded to the financial to fail. The Federal Deposit 8,000 crisis by injecting trillions of dollars into the system. Signs are emerging that rescue plans Insurance Corp. sells its businesses to JPMorgan Chase Dec. 31 are beginning to stick, but the market's road to recovery promises to be a long haul. 8,776.39 7,000 Feb March

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MARKET SUMMARY

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ConAgra	.76	7	16.80	+.30	+1.8	Sensient	.76	14	24.34	+.46	+1.9
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Heinz	1.66	14	38.93	+1.33	+3.5	WalMart	.95	17	57.18	+1.12	+2.0
HewlettP	.32	11	36.81	+.52	+1.4	WashFed	.20m	21	15.03	+.07	+.5
HomeDp	.90	14	24.13	+1.11	+4.8	WellsFargo	1.36	15	30.00	+.52	+1.8
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HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Name: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Company names made up of initials appear at the beginning of each letters' list.

Div: Current annual dividend rate paid on stock, based on latest quarterly

or semiannual declaration, unless otherwise footnoted. **Last:** Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day. Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ... mark.

Fund Name: Name of mutual fund and family **Sell:** Net asset value, or price at which fund could be sold. **Chg:** Daily net change in the NAV.

Stock Footnotes: cc - PE greater than 99. dd - Loss in last 12 mos. d -New 52-wk low during trading day. g- Dividend in Canadian \$. Stock price in U.S.\$. n- New issue in past 52 wks. q- Closed-end mutual fund; no PE calculated. s- Split or stock dividend of 25 pct or more in last 52 wks. Div begins with date of split or stock dividend. u – New 52-wk high during trading day. v – Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf – Preferred. pp – Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt – Rights. un – Units. wd – When distributed. wi – When issued. wt – Warrants. ww – With warrants. www – Without warrants.

Dividend Footnotes: a – Also extra or extras. b – Annual rate plus stock dividend. c – Liquidating dividend. e – Declared or paid in preceding 12

mos. f – Annual rate, increased on last declaration. i – Declared or paid after stock dividend or split. j – Paid this year, dividend omitted, deferred or no action taken at last meeting. k – Declared or paid this year, accumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m – Annual rate, reduced on last declaraissue with dividends in arrears. In Annual rate, reduced on last declaration. p – Init div, annual rate unknown. r – Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos plus stock dividend. t – Paid in stock in last 12 mos, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or distribution date. x – Ex-dividend or ex-rights. y – Ex-dividend and sales in full. z – Sales in full. vj – In bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.

• Most active stocks above must be worth \$1 and gainers/losers \$2.

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Mutual Fund Footnotes: e – Ex-capital gains distribution. f – Previous day's quote. n - No-load fund. p – Fund assets used to pay distribution costs. r – Redemption fee or contingent deferred sales load may apply. s Stock dividend or split. t – Both p and r. x – Ex-cash dividend.

Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial

AROUND THE VALLEY

3,481,719,394 Volume

Manufacturing index drops to 28-year low

Volume

NEW YORK — Signs that the economy could turn even weaker in 2009 grew Friday, as an index of December manufacturing activity sank to its lowest point in 28 years. Every corner of the sector was down, from bakeries to cigarettealuminum makers to smelters.

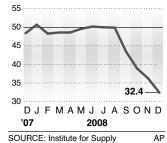
The Institute for Supply Management, a trade group of purchasing executives, said Friday its manufacturing index fell to 32.4 in December, a greater-thanexpected decline from November's reading of 36.2. Wall Street economists surveyed by Thomson Reuters had expected the reading to fall to 35.5.

Manufacturing

356,101,914 | Volume

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Purchasing Managers' Index readings of greater than 50 indicate growth in the manufacturing economy.



Components of the index hit historic lows. New orders fell to their lowest level on records going back to 1948. Prices fell as the number of

respondents saying they had

paid more in December than

in November sank to its low-

est monthly reading since 1949.

A reading for the overall index above 50 signals growth, while a reading below 50 indicates contrac-

Debt trouble at Lee triggers warning

NEW YORK Enterprises Inc., publisher of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and other newspapers, said in a regulatory filing that it will have trouble paying its debt over the next two years because of severe reductions in revenue.

The company also disclosed that its outside auditor is questioning Lee's ability to remain a "going concern" if the company is unable to refinance some loans.

Industry analysts said Friday, however, that the auditor's assessment was largely a technicality, one likely to be mirrored as other newspaper companies file annual reports over the next few months that reflect a disappointing 2008.

Like the rest of the industry, Lee has seen advertising drop sharply as the recession compounded declines that began with the migration of readers and advertisers to the Internet. Lee depends on advertising for about threequarters of its revenue.

Lee's daily papers include the Post-Dispatch, the Times-*News* in Twin Falls, the Wisconsin State Journal in Madison, Wis., and the Quad-City Times in Davenport, Iowa.

— Wire reports

COMMODITIES REPORT

GRAINS

POCATELLO (AP) — Idahe Farm Bureau Intermountain Chain Report of Fidely.

POCATELLO — Tuesday pricing - White wheat 4.30 (up 5); 11.5 percent winter 5.08 (up 7); 14 percent spring 7.18 (up 4); barley 5.65 (steady)

BURLEY — Wednesday pricing - White wheat 4.40 (up 1); 11.5 percent winter 5.26 (up 9); 14 percent spring 6.79 (down 1); barley 5.75 (steady)

OGDEN — Friday pricing - White wheat 5.18 (down 1); barley 5.75 (steady)

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02): 11.5 percent winter 5.40 (up 2): 14 percent
spring 7.25 (down 8): barley 6.85 (down 10)
PORTLAND — White wheat 5.70 (steady): 11 percent
winter 6.44-6.57 (up 1 to 4): 14 percent spring 8.50
(steady): barley n/a
NAMPA — White wheat cwt 7.75 (down 8): bushel
4.65 (down 5)

LIVESTOCK

POCATELLO (AP) — Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountali Livestock Rusert on Filter. LIVESTOCK AUCTION — Blackfoot Livestock Market Report. Utility and commercial cows 35,00-41,00; canner and cutters 20.00-36.00; heavy feeder steers

canner and cutters 20.00-36.00; heavy feeder steers 74.00-85.00; light feeder steers 75.00-104.00; stocker steers 82.00-107.00; heavy holstein feeder steers n/a; light holstein feeder steers n/a; heavy feeder heifers 69.00-81.00; light feeder heifers 73.00-91.00; stocker heifers 75.00-97.00; slaughter bulls 43.00-52.00; Remarks; Cows and bulls 2 better, feeder cattle 1-2 better.

POTATOES

CHICAGO (AP) — USDA — Major potato markets FOB shipping points Friday. Russet Burbanks Idaho 50-lb cartons 70 count Russet Burbanks Idaho 50-lb cartons 70 count 11.00: 100 count 10.00.
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Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 9.50-10.75.
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Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 7.00-8.00. Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 7.00-8.00. Round Reds 50-lb sacks Size A Wisconsin 10.50-11.50.

METALS/MONEY

GOLD
Selected world gold prices, Friday,
London morning fixing; \$869,75 up \$4,75.
London afternoon fixing; \$874.50 up \$4,75.
NY Handy & Harman: \$874.50 up \$4,75.
NY Handy & Harman fabricated: \$944.46 up \$5.13.
NY Engelhard: \$876.64 up \$13.53.
NY Engelhard fabricated: \$942.38 up \$14.53.

CURRENCY CHANGE NEW YORK (AP) — Key currency exchange rates Friday, compared with late Wednasday in New York: Dollar vs. Exch. Rate Pvs Day Yen 92.17 90.90 41.3054 Euro \$1.3854 Pound \$1.4471

Swiss franc 1.0793 Canadian dollar 1.2141 Mexican peso 13.7455

NEW YORK (AP) — Handy & Harman silver Friday \$11.500 up \$0.480.

H&H fabricated \$13.800 up \$0.676.

The morning bullion price for silver in London \$10.790 off \$0.0400.
Engelhard \$11.400 up \$0.320.
Engelhard fabricated \$13.680 up \$0.600.

NY Merc silver spot month Friday \$11.465 up \$0.195.

NEW YORK (AP) — Spot nonferrous metal prices Frida Aluminum \$0.7305 per lb., N.Y. Merc spot Fri. Copper \$1.4500 Cathode full plate, U.S. destinations

NONFERROUS METALS

tions.
Copper \$1.4440 N.Y. Merc spot Fri.
Lead - \$948.00 metric ton, London Metal Exch.
Zinc - \$0.5379 per Ib., delivered.
Gold - \$874.50 Handy & Harman (only daily quote).
Gold - \$878.80 troy oz., NY Merc spot Fri.
Silver - \$11.500 Handy & Harman (only daily quote).
Silver - \$11.465 troy oz., NY. Merc spot Fri.
Mercury - \$650.00 per 76 Ib flask, NY.
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treacherous for Democratic leaders in Congress. A gas tax hike was one of the reasons they lost control of the House and Senate in the 1994 elections. President-elect Barack Obama has expressed concern about raising fuel taxes in the current economic climate.

But commission members said the government must find more road and bridge building money somewhere.

"I'm not excited about a gas tax increase, but the reality is our current gas tax doesn't pay for upkeep of the system we have now." said Adrian Moore, vice president of the Reason Foundation, a libertarian think tank in Los Angeles, and a member of the highway revenue commission. "We can either let the roads go to hell or we can pay more.

dilemma The Congress is that highway and transit programs are dependent for revenue on fuel taxes that are not sustainable. Many Americans are driving less and switching to more fuel-efficient cars and trucks, and a shift to new fuels and technologies like plug-in hybrid electric cars will further erode gasoline sales.

According to a draft of the financing commission's recommendations, nation needs to move to a new system that taxes motorists according to how much they use roads. While details have not been worked out, such a system would mean equipping every car and truck with a device that uses global positioning satellites and transponders to record how many miles the vehicle has been driven, and perhaps the type of roads and time of day.

"Most if not all of the commissioners have a strong belief and commitment that we need a fundamental transformation of the current system," said commission chairman Robert Atkinson, president of the Information Technology and Innovation Foundation, a technology policy think

tank in Washington.

Small

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policy might not be sure how many days to give staffers. Rick Gibbs, a senior human resources specialist with Administaff, a Houston-based company that provides human resources outsourcing, said owners need to decide "how many days a year can they afford not to have people working from a productivity standpoint."

But they also need to be sure that their policies will make them competitive with other employers in the same industry and community.

"Ask around other business owners what they typically offer," Gibbs said.

He also noted that typically, companies link sick time to tenure — the longer workers have been with a business, the more time they are likely to get.

Sick time gets more complicated when employees

use up their allotment. Should the boss dock their pay? Make them dip into vacation time or personal days? Borrow from next year? Or should the owner just shrug and keep paying them?

This can be a thorny issue, but generally, the advice from human resources consultants and small business owners alike is to be flexible, but also fair to the entire staff. Keep in mind that docking an employee's pay may come across as punishment and could motivate a good

staffer to leave. One solution that many companies are turning to is to grant employees paid time off that in effect lumps together sick time, personal days and vaca-

At LVM Group Inc., a New York-based public relations firm, "we've had a system whereby you can be sick or you can take a personal day or you can take vacation and we allotted X number of days for each," President David Grant said. "Over a period of time, it occurred to us that it made more sense to bundle it together."

One advantage of paid time off that doesn't differentiate between sick, personal or vacation days is that no one needs to keep track of why an employee is taking a day off.

But Diane Bates believes in separating vacation and sick time at her New Yorkbased PR firm, Blue Sky Marketing

Communications. 'Vacation is part of someone's compensation package" that they negoti-

Joyce M. Rosenberg writes about small business issues for the Associated Press.

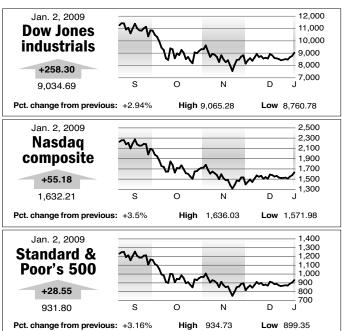
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WALL STREET THE WEEK ON WALL STREET **Dow Jones** 15.000 industrials 12,000 For the week ending Friday, Jan. 2 +519.14 J F M A M J J A S O N DJ 9,034.69 Nasdaq composite For the week ending 2,000 Friday, Jan. 2 +101.97 J A S O N DJ 1,632.21 Standard & 1,500 Poor's 500 For the week ending Friday, Jan. 2 +59.00 J F M A M J J A S O N DJ 931.80 SOURCE: SunGard

A DAY ON WALL STREET

SOURCE: SunGard



The Dow rose 258.30, or 2.94 percent, to 9,034.69, finishing the week up 6.1 percent. The blue chips last closed above 9,000 on Nov. 5, when they stood at 9,139.27.

Like the Dow, broader stock indicators also advanced for the third straight session. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 28.55 percent, or 3.16 percent, to 931.80, its highest close since Nov. 5. The Nasdaq composite index rose 55.18, or 3.50 percent, to 1.632.21.

For the week, the S&P 500 finished up 6.8 percent, while the Nasdag rose 6.7 percent.

percent, to 505.82.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies rose 6.37, or 1.28 Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by about 5 to 1 on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume came to a light 1.04 bil-

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applied for green cards with support from their employers, said Stuart Anderson, executive director of the National Foundation for American Policy, a policy research group in Arlington, Va. Many came to the United States to pursue graduate degrees and have lived and worked here for years.

Those who lose their jobs in the downturn may head home or move to countries that have more lenient immigration rules. That could drive much-needed innovation in technology and engineering overseas in the years ahead, Anderson said.

"What you may find is there are people who could be future entrepreneurs in the United States who end up starting these companies in other countries," he said. Companies are required to

notify the U.S. immigration agency when a visaholder stops working for them, but the government does not track how many skilled professionals leave their jobs because of layoffs, said Bill Wright, an agency spokesman. There are many reasons a foreign worker might leave a company in

good economic times as well as bad — for example, to move to a better job, he said.

Immigration lawyers say they have received an increasing number of calls from foreign professionals who have been terminated - many in the financial services industry as investment banks slash payroll to stay

Cyrus Mehta, an immigration attorney in New York, said he was fielding a call a week from foreign workers who lost their jobs in the last year.

Carmita Alonso, a partner at corporate immigration law firm Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy, said she's worked with at least 100 visaholders in the same predicament since late 2007. "This is definitely worse than we've seen in quite some time,' Alonso said.

Following the dot-com

bust in 2000, many high-tech workers were laid off and some foreign workers returned overseas. This time, immigration attorneys say the pain began primarily in the financial sector though manufacturing and technology companies have also started eliminating jobs.

lenges for laid off visaholders is the lack of a grace period to leave. Companies must provide a return ticket home for workers, who may try to switch to another visa, such as a six month tourist visa, to buy time to pack their bags

or look for another job. Immigrants seeking green er, no green card.

Harsh Dharwad, a 31-year old electrical engineer from India, said he made a quick move to California with his wife and 1-year old daughter motive supplier where he worked in Alabama began

make but I didn't want to get win situation,"

One of the biggest chal-

cards — which would let them remain in the country permanently — face different problems. If they are laid off, they can stay and look for a new job but must find one before the government reviews their paperwork, which could take months or years, depending how far along they are in the process. The bottom line: no employ-

in September after the autoshedding workers. "It was a tough decision to

stuck in a position where if I got laid off, I could be in a nosaid Dharwad, who now works for a medical device compaTIMES-NEWS • OPINION EDITOR STEVE CRUMP: (208) 735-3223 SCRUMP@MAGICVALLEY.COM

Why should highway districts have to go to court?

IEERS: To the cities and counties of Twin Falls and Jerome, for forcing the Twin Falls and Jerome highway districts to sue to collect \$600,000 in property tax revenues that the city owes them.

Because of an error in distribution of property tax revenue that went unnoticed for years, Twin Falls city and county received \$350,000 that should have gone to the Twin Falls Highway District. Meanwhile, the Jerome Highway District is likely to seek \$245,000 from Jerome city and county for the same reasons.

The problem stems from distribution of property tax revenue collected in urban renewal areas. By law, urban renewal agencies keep part money, with the remainder split between the cities and highway districts according to a formula set by the state and overseen by the

But a glitch in the Idaho Tax

Commission's calculation program resulted in Twin Falls and Jerome receiving too much

It was the state's error, but the cities and counties clearly owe the money to the highway districts. They shouldn't waste more taxpayers dollars contesting it in court.

CHEERS: To the College of Southern Idaho, for not collecting foregone property taxes as its sister institution in Couer d'Alene has done.

North Idaho College is claiming taxes it did not collect earlier in order to pay for a land acquisition project. Under Idaho state law, a community college can increase the amount of its levy by 3 percent over the previous

CSI's annual levy from Twin Falls County and Jerome County taxpayers is \$8.2 million. Because of \$2 million the college received from the state for tax relief, CSI has not charged



that amount in property taxes. With the economy struggling, it's nice to know that a public agency is watching out for tax-

JEERS: To the Idaho Department of Education, for renewing its contract with a trouble-plagued Minnesota company that supplies computer tutoring programs for math, reading and language.

The state has paid PLATO Learning, Inc., more than \$5 million in the past four years. In 2008, public schools chief Tom Luna found fewer than a third of the programs met statewide standards.

The company was given two

90-day contract extensions this year to bring at least 80 percent of its programs up to Idaho standards, which PLATO Learning did earlier this month.

The state Board of Education originally signed the contract with PLATO in 2004 to improve student test scores that determine how Idaho schools are performing under the federal No Child Left Behind law. Many public schools now rely on the programs to help students in second through 12th grades do better on the Idaho Standards Achievement Tests.

The Department of Education began supervising the programs in 2007, when Luna discovered they had never been held up against Idaho requirements.

The department paid PLATO Learning \$600,000 for a oneyear contract that ended last year. After finding only nine of the 33 programs being used in Idaho schools met state standards, Luna refused to renew

the contract.

Instead, he offered the company \$150,000 and a 90-day extension this summer to align the programs with state requirements. When that contract expired, Luna gave the company another 90-day extension and warned school district superintendents in an Oct. 30 memo that the tutoring programs could be pulled.

In a review of the programs earlier this month, the state found the company had aligned 84 percent of its language programs with statewide standards. In math and reading, at least 90 percent of the programs met Idaho criteria.

That's not good enough. The state board hired PLATO during a dubious power struggle with then-Superintendent of Public **Instruction Marilyn Howard** over control over testing. The company has had four years to get its act together; Luna should find another vendor.

Banks resist concept of accountability

e know where some of the

Even though banks that have received billions in bailout funds from the government have refused to reveal how they're spending the money, we can track some of it.

Earlier this week the Associated Press scoured financial fillings for the bailout recipients and found that \$1.6 billion went for salaries, bonuses and other perks for top executives last year, even as many of the banks were heading for cri-

That money would have covered the amount the government gave to 53 of the more than 100 banks that have applied for the bailout, the AP found.

Instead, our bailout cash went to fill in the hole created by the banks' willingness to reward failure. Keep in mind that by the end of last year, banks were racking up billions in losses.

Even worse, most of the banks that received government money feel they owe taxpayers no accountability for how it was spent. In fact, they act as if such an explanation isn't even possible. Banks contacted by the AP said they weren't tracking it or that they manage capital "in aggregate."



LOREN STEFFY

One, JP Morgan Chase, simply said it was declining to disclose the information to the public.

Banks, of course, demand a host of information from us before they'll give us any money — Social Security numbers, job history, financial data. They require repayment schedules and impose fees or change rates if we don't live up to them.

Yet they refuse to offer us the same reassurances. So we are left to piece together how they spend the money.

Consider, for example, Merrill Lynch, once a pillar of the brokerage business and now a crumbled and humbled division of Bank of America. In the year it failed, chief executive John Thain, who joined the firm last December, collected \$83 million. Even if we discount stock options, many of which may now be worthless, Merrill still gave him a \$15 million "signing bonus" for what amounted to the job of selling off the venerable firm.



To pull the sale, though. Thain needed the government's help. It orchestrated Merrill's sale to Bank of America and greased the deal with \$10 billion in bailout money.

What Wall Street doesn't understand is that the rules have changed. Their industry is in a shambles of their own making. Once they take government money our money they can't simply decline to tell the public how they're using it.

Congress may need to remind them. Last week,

Sen. Diane Feinstein, D-Calif., and Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, reintroduced a bill that failed to pass in the last session requiring bailout recipient to file quarterly spending reports with the Treasury Department and prohibiting them from using bailout money for lobbying or political contributions.

Banks that took bailout funds are now public companies in the truest sense of the word. Never mind that they had an obligation to reveal to shareholders how

they used the capital infusion, they now have the same obligation to taxpay-

So, of course, does our government, which made a hollow promise of transparency in appropriating the bailout funds and has since failed to honor it.

Meanwhile, other stories emerged this week that some bailout recipients have continued operating their corporate jets.

Companies have long made the case to shareholders, successfully, that corpo-

rate aircraft actually save money because executives can use time more efficiently. They save time in getting through security, avoid flight delays and allow CEOs to fly directly to places where commercial jets often don't. They also offer privacy. Do you want your CEO looking over confidential financial data on a public

While they are quick to cite benefits, few executives understand the public's perception. Private jets are seen as the epitome of executive opulence, as something executives do because they think they're too good to fly commercial with the rest of us. Auto executives learned this lesson the hard way.

We gave money to banks in hopes that they would lend money and get the economy moving again. We wanted them to fix what they broke. So far, there's little sign of that happening.

This bailout comes down to a simple principle: You want our money, we want to know how you're spending it. We know where some of it

So far, we're not impressed.

Loren Steffy is a columnist for the Houston Chronicle. Write to him at loren.steffy@chron.com.

LETTERS OF THANKS

Christmas carolers were lovely Thank you so much to the

group of girls who came to my house Wednesday evening (Dec. 24) with cookies and Merry Christmas wishes. Your caroling was lovely and the cookies were delicious. Thank you. **JUDY MEYER**

Burley

Blue Lotus has Christmas spirit

I would like to share a story of hope and kindness. A friend gave me a gift certificate to Blue Lotus for a massage she hoped would help with pain I have had for several years. It was wonderful, so I prepaid for another mas-

Before Thanksgiving, I lost my job due to increasing pain and declining physical condition. I called Blue Lotus and asked f I could get the money back. I received an envelope with a refund check from Jerri, then realized she had given me a certificate for another massage.

I want our community to know the Christmas spirit is alive and well and embodied in Ms. Jerri Levine at Blue Lotus. I cannot thank her enough for bringing me back hope for the future I had lost.

Thank you, Jerri. You really are a blessing from God, and I will never forget your love and kindness.

SUE MURRAY Jerome

M.C. veterans thank supporters

The Mini-Cassia Veterans Organization would like to thank Jerry Voss Modern Woodman, Rupert Elks, Rupert Lions, Rupert City

Council, police force, city employees, Burley City Council, Snyder's Surplus, Ridley's, Hansen Mortuary, Burley Reminder, T&L Printing, Gary Schorzman, Zeb Bell, KBAR Radio, John Johnson, KUMC Radio, Times-News, 116th National Guard, Bob Jackson, Coreen Hart, Redhat Ladies Society, Patriotic Riders, Weekly Mailer, Vaughn Egan, D.R. Curtis, Randall Dexter, Jessica Mark, Brandon Hodge, Grandpa Richard, Joyce Lusk and the Munchkins, Natalie Cohen, Nicole Bergland and everyone that bought a POW- MIA flag.

A special thank you to the veterans that help out at the funerals.

LARRY COTTOM Commander Mini-Cassia Veterans Organization Rupert

Organizations donate coats

The Optimist Club of Twin Falls "Coats for Kids" was the recipient of both the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors and the Magic Valley Corvette Club's Christmas

generosity.

The two organizations gave an abundance of coats, hats and gloves to the Optimists for children in the valley. The need for outerwear for children and their families has been overwhelming this year. The cold weather turned so fast many were not prepared.

We with the Optimist Club can't express our thanks enough to all of the community for its support of Optimist "Coats for Kids."

PATSY BLANDING Co-chairman **Optimist Coats for Kids** Twin Falls

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

By Garry Trudeau

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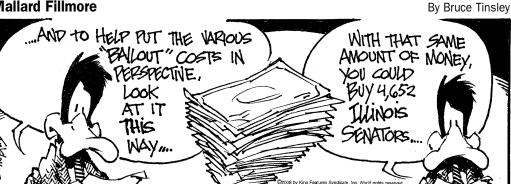












Narrow escapes from snow-caused roof collapses

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Snow-related roof collapses were spreading across Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho on Friday, and although no significant injuries have been reported the close calls were getting closer.

Falling snow and the threat avalanches kept Washington's three main eastwest mountain passes closed for most of New Year's Day. Snoqualmie Pass reopened Thursday night while Stevens and White passes were reopened before noon Friday.

In Cheney, southwest of Spokane, Eastern Washington University officials announced Friday that "excessive accumulations of snow" in that city had made them decide to cancel classes for Monday. On its Web site, the university noted that parking on and near the campus is severely limited under the snowy conditions.

Eastern Washington said it hoped to resume classes Tuesday if snow conditions

Washington has had at least two weather-related deaths in the past week, while 10 people have been killed in recent British Columbia avalanches.

Jeff Roma had been up clearing snow off the roof of his Spokane business, Buck's Tire and Automotive, on Friday morning when the roof started to collapse.



Coeur d'Alene Press/AP photo

Bob Miller, owner, and Brian Rice, manager, of Bedrock Jewelers survey the damage of an adjacent building where the roof collapsed due to heavy snow, Friday in Coeur d'Alene, Record snowfall and warmer temperatures are causing problems for local businesses,

had to get off," Roma told The down," said Brian Rice, owner Macine headed for the door roof. In addition, three Wal-Spokesman-Review.

He was not injured.

In nearby Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, a business owner and his dog escaped just as a building roof caved in.

"My shop dog, Macine, and "I heard it start to go and I I ran out as it was coming

of Bedrock Jewelers, one of two tenants in the building.

The roof collapsed over a vacant space and the building was empty except for Rice and his yellow Lab.

Rice said he heard popping and cracking sounds, and with her tail between her legs. He followed her out while the eastern section of the building fell.

The risk of roof collapse caused a Spokane-area Costco to close Friday and hire a contractor to shovel its

Mart stores were closed in the region while snow was cleared from their roofs, The Spokesman-Review reported.

About 4 to 5 inches of snow fell in Spokane Friday, bringing the season's total to 69 inches. More snow was expected Sunday.

An 85-year-old woman who lived about 15 miles southeast of Spokane died last weekend, suffocating when snow apparently fell from her roof and buried her as she shoveled her sidewalk, the Spokane County sheriff's office said.

On Wednesday, Megan Kinsella, 24, of Redmond, was killed after she was struck by an ice slide while climbing near the Crystal Mountain ski resort north of Mount Rainier, Pierce County deputies said.

At British Columbia's Whistler Blackcomb resort, a 26-year-old snowboarder was killed Thursday in an avalanche on Whistler Mountain, and a 37-year-old man died Wednesday in an avalanche on Blackcomb Mountain. In both cases, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police said the men were in areas that were marked off-limits.

Last Sunday, eight men were killed in avalanches near Fernie in southern British Columbia.

The National Weather Service forecast colder temperatures and wind gusts of up to 36 mph in Eastern Washington and northern Idaho over the weekend.

More snow was expected in the Cascade and Olympic mountains over the weekend and more rain or rain mixed with snow was possible in the Western Washington lowlands, the weather service said.

Green energy meets obstacles in Idaho

BOISE (AP) — Companies looking to tap into the state's alternative energy sources should consider the possible obstacles, the director of Idaho's Office of Energy Resources says.

"There are real issues out there that can thwart any project," Paul Kjellender told the Idaho Statesman. "If we wait until after there's been millions of dollars of project money spent, it makes it difficult to take a corrective step."

One example of an alternative energy plan running into a problem is a proposed geothermal development in western Idaho in an area where state officials want to build a

A Colorado-based company called Agua Caliente drilled wells 12 miles west of Weiser as part of a plan to produce up to 179 megawatts by tapping into the underground hot water.

The company paid nearly \$1.5 million in 2007 to lease an area the U.S. Department of Energy identified as one of the most promising places in Idaho to tap into geothermal

But then the Idaho Water Resource Board renewed a plan to build a dam on the Weiser River, which would flood the site.

The company asked the board to scrap the plan. But David Tuthill, director of the state Department of Water Resources, said he doubts flooding the area would harm the underground resource, and that the geothermal project could benefit with access roads and transmis-

Tuthill said has met with officials from Agua Caliente, Bureau of Land

Management and Kjellender. "We are moving forward with the idea of a mutually beneficial project," Tuthill said. Trying to tap wind energy has also become problematic for companies in southern Idaho amid concerns the wind turbines could mar scenic views and possibly harm

Renewable Energy Systems America Developments has proposed a 185-turbine wind farm, called China Mountain, on 9,000 acres between Twin Falls and Jackpot, Nev. Power from that project would be used by Nevada utilities.

Dave Parrish, a regional supervisor with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, was demoted after state lawmakers complained about a letter he wrote in The Times-News, in which he said the China Mountain project would harm sage grouse, mule deer, antelope and other

Another wind farm has been proposed in eastern

Idaho by Ridgeline Energy, which wants to put up 150 turbines on 20,000 acres along a popular recreation area called Wolverine Canyon.

Neighbors are fighting the project amid concerns the turbines could mar sce-

Developers of alternative energy say obstacles can be overcome by avoiding wildlife habitat and making sure opponents don't have grounds to stop projects.

"Responsible developers are anticipating those conflicts so they avoid them," said Rich Rayhill, Ridgeline Energy vice president. "That's just good business. If you don't do that, they'll stop you in court."

However, Laird Lucas, lead attorney for Advocates of the West, said he's preparing to challenge several projects.

Driver survives 193-foot plunge in Eastern Idaho

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — An steep bank to the road. Idaho Falls woman has largely recovered from minor injuries suffered when her sport-utility vehicle plunged nearly 200 feet into a State Highway 31 ravine between Swan Falls and Victor.

Brittany Brooks was battered and bleeding when she left her Ford Explorer — and her 4-month-old Great Dane puppy — to clamber up the

Once she reached the

highway, four cars passed without seeing her before a vehicle finally stopped. Authorities say Brooks

likely survived on what's a deadly stretch of road because her SUV bounced off several trees, slowing it before it landed wheelsdown.

The dog also lived.



Forest Service to investigate Western resort avalanche deaths

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — U.S. Forest Service officials say they plan to re-examine local and nationwide avalanche control procedures following avalanche deaths at Western ski resorts.

Already this season, three people have been killed while skiing in-bounds at resorts. They include 31-year-old David Nodine, of Wilson, who died Saturday at Jackson Hole Mountain Resort.

Avalanches have killed others at the resorts in Snowbird, Utah, and Squaw Valley, Calif. Nonfatal avalanches have caught skiers or ski patrollers at Jackson Hole; Mammoth, Calif.; and Colorado's Vail, Telluride and Arapahoe Basin resorts.

Ray Spencer, winter sports administrator for Bridger-Teton National Forest, said he would investigate two avalanches at Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, including a slide Monday that damaged a restaurant.

"Any fatality on national forest land we're required to investigate," he said. "We're cooperating with (the resort) and the Teton County Sheriff's Office.

"Public safety is going to be the first and foremost for the administration of the ski area permit."

He said the resort had fully cooperated with the inquiries and the Forest Service would recommend policy changes if necessary. He said the Forest

Service already would have about avalanche control are closed the resort for public addressed in the resort's ski safety if it felt the resort wasn't adhering to the agency's instructions.

Spencer said the Forest Service guides the resort's activities, including avalanche control, through an Ketchum, Idaho, said the operations plan that is updat- recent avalanche activity is ed every year. He said details unusual.

patrol manual, which is not kept on file with the Forest Service.

Doug Abromeit, director of the Forest Service National Avalanche Center





Orpheum Theater

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Jerome Cinema 4

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Twin Cinema 12

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Down these mean streets a man must come

I was Born Under Unusual Circumstances

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Including Best Picture, Best Actor -Brad Pitt Now Showing on 2 screens at Twin Cinema

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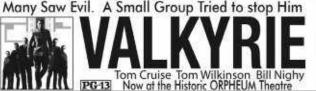
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Nominated for 4 Golden Globes - Philip Seymour Hoffman, Best Actor

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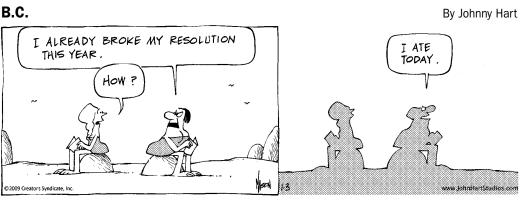
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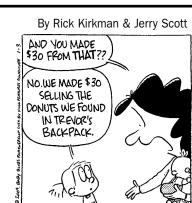
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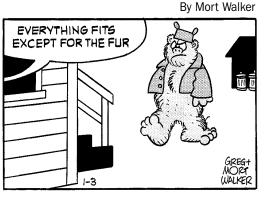


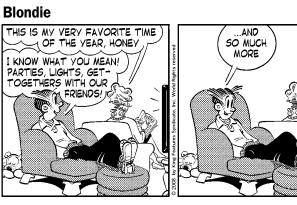




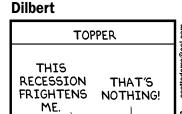




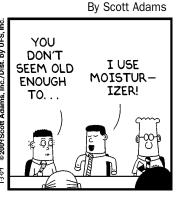


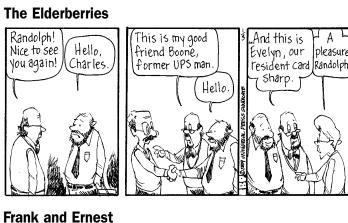














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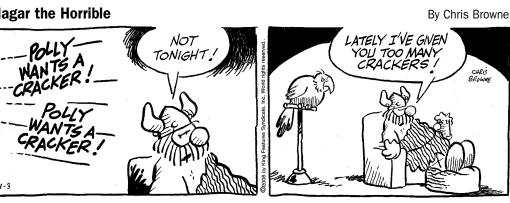




















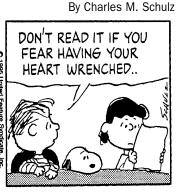
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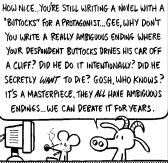


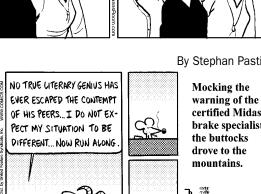


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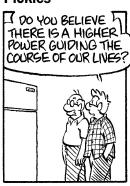
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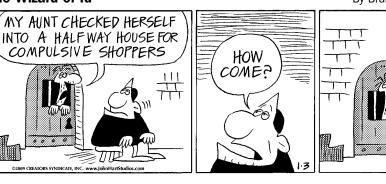
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I'LL TAKE YOUR SILENCE

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU GUYS, BUT I ENJOY TAKING DOWN THE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS AS MUCHASIDO PUTTINGTHEM UP!

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Transfer between services a boon for Army

\$2,500 bonus for transferring between branches of the military has been a boon to the Army, according to the Pentagon's top personnel official.

The bonus, which requires a three-year commitment to serve, has led 1,500 service members who otherwise would have left the military to switch from their original branch to the Army, said David S.C. Chu, undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness.

VETERANS CORNER **George Schwindeman**

Lawmakers are deciding if the \$2,500 bonus is enough. One of the program's chief benefits is that the Army adds experienced people who don't need to be trained in critically needed skills. The 1,500 transfers between branches saved the government more than \$50,000 per person, which leaves room to possibly pay more in order to encourage more transfers.

Oregon Senator calls for post-traumatic stress disorder committee

Sen. Gordon Smith, R-Ore., wants a commission appointed to look at how the government is handling post-traumatic stress disorder and other mental health problems in service members and veterans.

The commission would include active-duty troops, Pentagon and U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs officials and medical specialists, and veterans, including some who have been treated for traumatic brain injury, PTSD or other disorders connected to their military service.

The commission proposed by Smith would report to Congress with recommendations on what the government could do to provide support, including help during the transition from military to VA health care.

The hurdle facing his idea, part of a bill he introduced July 31, is convincing lawmakers that another commission is needed when recommendations from previous commissions are still pending.

George Schwindeman is a veteran who lives in Rupert.

Minidoka 4-H honors leaders

Minidoka held its 4-H Award Banquet on Nov. 15 at the McGregor Center in Rupert where local leaders were recognized for their years of service and outstanding performance.

One-year Leaders: Susan Biggins, Debra Branaum, Brenda Broner, Andrew Casey, Brenda Chandler, Dixie Dennis, Stephanie Long, Jodi Nye, Beth Parkinson, Deborah Thomas, Michael Toner, Nicole Toner

Five-year Leaders: Heidi Condie, Stacey Jackson, Julie Roseborough

10-year Leaders: Eric Baro, Zelma Woodward 15-year Leaders: Bob

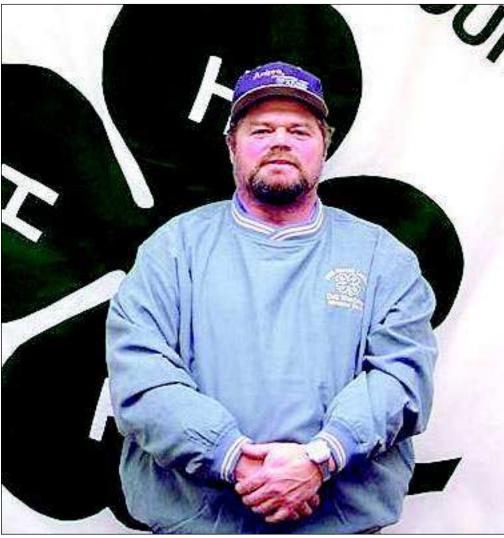
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Branaum Outstanding 2008 Overall 4-H Leader: Dell Woodward

year

Leader: Debra

Dell Woodward was recently awarded the 2008 Outstanding Overall 4-H Leader Award at the Minidoka 4-H Award Banquet.





Julie Hulet

Hulet earns 4-H award

Julie Hulet was awarded the Distinguished Service Award at the Minidoka County 4-H Awards Banquet held recently.

Hulet has been a valued leader in Minidoka County for seven years. She is the organizational leader of a large club and an advisor for the Minidoka County 4-H Teen Association. She is the president-elect of the District III 4-H

Leaders' Association, has attended the State 4-H Leader's Forum, taught a class at the Western Regional 4-H Leader's Forum and at an Idaho Falls teen day and helps each year with Jump Into

She is also the 4-H food superintendent, helps with the style revue and manages the 4-H food booth during the fair.

DEMARY MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOOK NOTES

Here are the most recent book notes try's history who faced challenges of from DeMary Memorial Library in Rupert

Large-print fiction: "The Hollow" by Nora Roberts

For seven days every seven years, madness descends on the small town of Hawkins Hollow. But three men bound by blood and three women bound by ancestry to a demon have pledged their souls, and their hearts, to stop it.

Large-print nonfiction: "Ladies of

Roberts turns her journalistic eye toward several women from our coun-

Liberty" by Cokie Roberts

their time and laid the groundwork for a better society. Drawing from personal correspondence, private journals, and other sources, she discusses the roles women like Rebecca Gratz, Dolly Madison, Theodosia Burr, and Sacajawea played in making our nation great.

Fiction: "Arctic Drift" by Clive Cussler

NUMA director Dirk Pitt has reason to believe there's a connection between a potential breakthrough discovery to reverse global warming, a series of unexplained sudden deaths in British Columbia, and a rash of inter-

national incidents between the United States and one of its closest allies. Their only real clue might be a mysterious silvery mineral traced to a long-ago expedition. But no one survived that doomed mission, and if Pitt and his colleague aren't careful, the same fate may await them.

Large-print titles: "The Pagan Stone" by Nora Roberts, "Leaving Whiskey Bend" by Dorothy Garlock, "You, the Smart Patient" by Michael Fl Roizen, M.D., "Good Woman" by Danielle Steel.

Nonfiction: "Mission, the Men, and Me: Lessons from a Former Delta Force Commander" by Pet Blaber.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Free coupon class offered in Burley

Grocery bills got you down? If you know the secrets of the coupon divas, you can cut them drastically. A free coupon class will be held at 2 p.m., Jan. 17 at Calvary Chapel of Burley, 1100 Overland Ave. To reserve a seat, Coreen Hart, 436-1186.

Firefighters plan Jan. 10 tree burn

The West End Firemen will hold their annual Christmas tree burn and hot dog roast at noon, Jan. 10 at the Paul City Park, under the water tower.

Anyone who has a tree that needs burning should bring it to the burn; if not, come and enjoy the fun and company of your neighbors as you eat a hot dog. Everything will be provided by the West End fire-

Rupert holds **Christmas tree burn**

The city of Rupert and Rupert City Fire and Rescue is sponsoring a Christmas tree burn and hot dog roast at noon, Jan. 10 at the K Street Park between Second and Third Street by the old canning kitchen at noon.

Hot dogs and punch will

Rupert will pick up Christmas trees placed near regular garbage pickup sites.

be provided. The city of

Minidoka Memorial Hospital scholarship applications taken

The Minidoka Memorial Hospital Volunteers are accepting scholarship applications through Jan. 16. Applicants must be attending college in a health-related field.

Applications can be picked up from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the information desk. For more information or to have an application emailed, 436-8155.

We want your community news

Do you have community news you would like to have published in the Times-News' Jerome, North Side, Mini-Cassia and Twin Falls Community sections?

E-mail the information and a photo, if you have one, to frontdoor@magicvalley.com. Please put the word "community" in the subject line.

If you are announcing an upcoming event please send the information at least two weeks in advance.

Getting to know Heyburn's new police

ince it's a new year and I'm preparing to take on a new duty as Heyburn chief of police, I thought I'd start out with a reprise of my very first column, with some updating. This ran (and stumbled and tripped) in the old sisterpaper, the South Idaho Press, in June 2006.



POLICEMAN DAN Dan **Bristol**

Let's start from the beginning. I was born in a backwater ... oh wait, that was my dad's story. I come from a long line of law enforcement. My dad, Bruce Bristol, got me interested but before that is was my Uncle, Cary Bristol, who got us all yearning to be in law enforcement — maybe insanity really does run in our family.

I've been asked why I got into law enforcement. To that I would say, "Because the door was open." That has been the tale of my life.

What do I mean, you ask? Well, let me tell you. The door theory was there at a young age, 18, when my goal was to play pro football, period. I didn't look at the other opportunities or check the doors to see if they could be unlocked. Instead I chose only the door I saw.

That door quickly shut before I could get to it and that dream went away. It was not until that door shut on me that I found the door to law enforcement was open.

I often thought about getting into law enforcement but costs and the sentiment that "We don't need three Bristols working here" curtailed that desire. But a door opened to the Job Training Partnership Act. I have to thank Donna Fletcher for showing me that door, for it gave me the tools to become

I looked for the door into the Idaho State Police but at the time of my graduation from CSI (the college, not the show) that door was locked. I looked for any open door and found one at the Rupert Police Department. When I started what I found was excitement and the gift of helping people — even those that didn't want it.

Life, however, had other plans for me — divorce. I never thought I would open that door, which seems to open for many in law enforcement. The upside here is that the door opened for me to meet the best woman in the world, my wife, Beth.

After four years with Rupert I found a door to the Heyburn Police Department.

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Vitamin O not a real vitamin but a supplement

DEAR DR. GOTT: Could you tell me about vitamin O? I have COPD and heard it is very good for my condi-

DEAR READER: Vitamin O is not a true vitamin. Rather, it is an expensive supplement composed primarily of salt water and some germanium, a trace element that can be dangerous to your health.



claim that disease occurs

because the human body is

GOTT **Dr. Peter** Gott

ASK DR.

tific evidence to document such claims. Proponents of the "vitamin"

In fact, in 2000 one manufacturer agreed to pay \$375,000 to settle charges of claims for false statements in promoting the product.

lacking oxygen. They claim

it can be a cure for cancer

and heart and lung disease.

However, there is no scien-

Many supplements have not been tested for their

plements, prescription medications, over-thecounter meds and herbs. Because of this, I urge you to speak with your primarycare physician or the pulmonologist treating your COPD for his or her opinion before taking it. He or she may be able to recommend supplements or vitamins that are safe for you to take.

interactions with other sup-

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Herbs and Healing Fads". Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed, stamped, No. 10 envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, PO Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm an older gentleman with a

question. Can you tell me about testosterone?

DEAR READER: Males (and females, in smaller amounts) produce a hormone known as testosterone. This hormone helps maintain bone density, muscle mass and strength, sex drive, the production of red blood cells and sperm.

Please see DR. GOTT, Page A14

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Recent activity in Cassia County 5th District Court included the follow-

FELONY SENTENCINGS Karen Grace Clark, 54, delivery of controlled substance, guilty, \$360.50 costs, \$300 restitution. 3 years probation, 3 years determinate time, 7 years indeterminate, 31 days credited; delivery of controlled substance, guilty; possession of controlled substance, guilty. Jonathan George Plaster Jr., 37, lewd conduct with child under 16, guilty, \$288.50 costs, 20 years determinate, 20 years indeterminate; lewd conduct with child under 16, guilty; sexual abuse of child under 16, guilty; 20 years determinate time, 5 years indeterminate, credit 1,267 days, all charges to run concurrent, DNA and thumbprint, must register as sex offender. Steven Filo Grenz, 18, burglary, guilty, \$350.50 costs, \$120 restitution, 3 years probation, 18 months determinate time, 24 months indeterminate, 11 days credited, sentence suspended: grand theft, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; malicious injury to property, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; petit theft, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; burglary, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; petit theft, dismissed on motion of prosecutor. Cruiz Anthony Bales, 18, burglary, guilty, \$350.50 costs, \$120 restitution, 3 years probation, 1 year

dismissed on motion of prosecutor; petit theft, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; burglary, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; petit theft, dismissed on motion of

prosecutor. Jose Mario Alvarado, 28, battery on correctional officer/iailer, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; disturbing the peace, guilty, \$100 fine, \$75.50 costs, 24 months probation, 180 days jail, 144 suspended, 36 days credited.

FELONY DISMISSALS Joseph Douglas Denning, 64, weight exceeds allowable gross loads, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; failure to appear for misdemeanor citation, dismissed on motion of prosecutor, \$890.50 forfeited bonds

Billy Rancie Oldham Jr., 39, attempted strangulation, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; battery domestic violence/traumatic injury, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; enhanced domestic violence/child present, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; enhancement persistent violator, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

MISDEMEANOR SENTENCINGS

Braylin P. McIntyre, 19, aggravated assault amended to exhibition or use of deadly weapon, guilty, disposition withheld: use of deadly weapon in commission of felony, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; disturbing the peace, dismissed on motion of prosecutor. Oscar Morin, 27, driving without privileges, guilty, \$200 fine, \$90.50 costs, 180 days drivers license suspension, 12 months probation, 30 days jail, 28 days suspended, must report to jail at 6 p.m. Dec. 19 and to be released at 6 p.m. Dec. 21; fail to provide proof of insurance, dismissed on motion of prosecutor. Miguel Castillo, 24, driver's license

or commercial drivers license violation, guilty, \$68.50 fine, costs \$75.50.

Ryan J. Payne, 19, possess/consume/purchase alcohol by minor, guilty, \$1,000, \$800 suspended, costs \$75.50, 12 months probation.

Jimmy M. Gallegos, 48, domestic violence amended to disturbing the peace, guilty, disposition withheld.

Jalissa Simmons, 18, battery amended to disturbing the peace, guilty, \$74.50 fine, \$75.50 costs. Andrew Aguero, 18, reckless driving amended to inattentive driving, guilty, \$500 fine, \$300 suspended, \$75.50 costs, probation 12 months, 30 days jail suspended. Casey D. Simmons, 20, possess/purchase/consume alcohol by minor, guilty, \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$75.50 costs, 12 months probation, 10 days community service suspended. Ralph Martin Hubbard IV, 19, possession of controlled substance, guilty, \$1,000 fine, \$700 suspended, \$85.50 costs, 12 months probation, 365 days jail, 361 suspended, 2 days credited; possess drug paraphernalia with intent to use, dismissed by motion of prose-

Crystal A. Woodard, 19, possess/consume/purchase alcohol by minor, guilty, \$100 fine, \$75.50 costs.

Phillip Duran Nester, 25, driving

without privileges, guilty, \$1,000 fine, \$200 suspended, \$90.50 costs, 180 days drivers license suspended, 12 months probation, 180 days jail, 159 days suspended, 1 day credited time. Pascual Diaz-Vasquez, 24, resisting or obstructing officers, dismissed on motion of prosecutor; drivers license or commercial drivers license violation, guilty, \$100 fine, \$75.50 costs, 12 months proba-

tion, 60 days jail, 24 suspended,

36 days credited; driving under the influence, guilty, \$300 fine, \$90.50 costs, 12 months probation, 90

Sergey S. Shatalov, 35, maximum driving and on-duty time, guilty, \$42.50 fine, \$75.50 costs. Felipe Arizmende, 18, fail to carry drivers license on person, guilty, \$10.50 fine, \$78.50 costs. William James McCall, 66, inattentive driving amended to following too closely, guilty, \$33.50 fine, \$44.50 costs.

Andranik Grigorian, 21, motor carrier logbook violations, guilty, \$43.50 fine, \$75.50 costs.

MISDEMEANOR DISMISSALS

Eliazar Gonzales, 20, driver's license or commercial drivers license violation, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

DRIVING UNDER THE

INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS Daniel J. Mae, 36, driving under the influence, guilty, \$285 fine, \$90.50 costs, 90 days license suspended, 12 months probation, 60 days jail, 58 suspended, 1 day credited. Megan L. Watkins, 21, driving under the influence, guilty, \$300 fine, \$125.50 costs, 90 days drivers license suspended, 12 months probation, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 1 day credited. Jose Sierra, 18, driving under the influence, guilty, \$300 fine, \$90.50 costs, 90 days drivers license suspended, 24 months probation, 60 days jail, 58 suspended, 1 day credited, 2 days McWork to be completed by 1/16/2009. Robert Carlos Magana, 36, driving under the influence, guilty, \$1,000, \$700 suspended, \$125.50 costs, 180 days drivers license suspended, 12 months probation, 180 days jail, 172 suspended, 6 days credited; fail to carry drivers license on person, dismissed on motion of prosecutor.

dismissed.

Loretta Lynn Arthurs, 24, petit theft, bond forfeiture-case dismissed.

Donald K. Brink Jr., 50, pedestrian under the influence, dismissed by court; failure to appear for misdemeanor citation, dismissed by court.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Fredrico Orozco-Hurtado, 28, driving under the influence (excessive), \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended, \$90.50 costs, driver's license suspended 365 days, 18 months probation, 180 days jail, 170 days suspended, 1 day time credited; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, \$100 fine, \$75.50 costs. Rogelio Cortes-Sanchez, 21, driving under the influence, 4300 fine, \$90.50 costs, driver's license suspended 90 days, 12 months probation, 90 days jail, 88 days suspended, 2 days other time, 1 day time credited, 2 days McWork in lieu of jail. Anthony Jake Granillo, 21, driving under the influence (under age 21) second offense; driving without privileges, \$300 fine, \$100 suspended, \$90.50 costs, driver's license suspended 365 days, 12 months probation, 90 days jail, 88 days suspended, 4 days other time, 1 day time credited, 4 days McWork in lieu of

James Teancum Morrison, 22, driving under the influence, \$300 fine, \$90.50 costs, driver's license suspended 180 days, 6 months probation, 30 days jail, 29 days suspended, 1 day time credited.

DIVORCES FILED

Terry Brian Teeter, Malta, vs. Jewel Teeter, Rupert.

new materials

Burley library has

New items at the Burley Public Library include:

Adult fiction

"Ender in Exile" by Orson Card Scott, "Arctic Drift" by Clive Cussler, "The Hour I First Believed" by Wally Lamb, Salvation in Death" by J.D. Robb, "Just After Sunset" by Stephen King, "Your Heart Belongs to Me" by Dean Koontz, "The Bodies Left Behind" by Jeffery Deaver, "A Mercy" by Toni Morrison.

Nonfiction

"Stolen Innocence" by Elissa Wall, "Dewey: A Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World" by Vicki Myron, "Rachael Ray's Big Orange Book" by Ray, Rachael Mother Warriors: A Nation of Parents Healing Autism Against All Odds" by Jenny McCarthy, "Smoke, Mirrors, and Murder: and Other True Cases" by Ann Rule, "City of Rocks: A Climber's Guide" by Dave Bingham.

Juvenile and young adult fiction

"The Berenstain Bear's New Kitten" by Stan Berenstain, "The Dodgeball Chronicles" by Frank Cammuso, "Feast of Fools" by Rachel Caine, "Medusa Jones" by Ross Collins, "Playing With Fire" by Derek "Frostbite: Landy, Vampire Academy Novel" by Richelle Mead.

Juvenile nonfiction

"Close to Shore: The Terrifying Shark Attacks of 1916" by Mike Capuzzo, "The Legend of the Kite: A Story of China" by Jiang Hong Chen, "The Story of Charles Atlas, Strong Man" Meghan McCarthy, "Polar Bear Alert" Debora Pearson.

DVDs

"Hancock," "The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 2," "Kung Fu Panda," "Tinker Bell," "Get Smart," "Journey to the Center of the Earth," "Trader."

Chief

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After a little more than 10 years with Heyburn the door has now opened for me to be the Heyburn chief of police. I made sure I went through that door but just think what I would have missed had I been afraid to open the one to Heyburn in the first place.

Now you might be asking yourselves (or not) why all this talk about doors? Well the moral to the story is to focus on all the doors in your life and not walk past the one that could lead to happiness and fulfillment. Sometimes those show up again and sometimes they don't, so check all the doors you come to and don't be afraid to look into the unlocked ones - sometimes the keys to the locked ones might be there.

Officer down

I am glad to report that more than 50 less officers were killed in the line of duty this year as compared to last year. Keep up the prayers.

Please put these officers, killed in the line of duty, and their families in your prayers. God bless them

- Deputy William K. Chadwell, Pickaway County Sheriff, Ohio
- Officer Mason Samborski, Oak Park Police Department, Michigan

Be safe, I'll talk to you next week. E-mail your questions to policemandan@yahoo.com

Dan Bristol is a Heyburn Police sergeant detective.

Dr. Gott

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during adolescence and early adulthood. Then at the age of 40 or so, production is lessened. As a general rule, the decline is gradual.

A higher-than-normal testosterone level has been linked to an increased risk of prostate cancer or an enlarged prostate. Lower than normal levels have been associated with memory loss, mood changes, erectile dysfunction and depression.

Synthetic testosterone is available by prescription. While studies reveal the supplemental form can bring levels back to normal in those with low counts, there is no evidence to document any benefits. Therapy can cause sleep apnea, fluid retention, enlarged breasts, baldness and a decrease in the production of sperm. It can also lead the body to produce too many red blood cells, which can increase the risk of heart disease.

If you are exhibiting symptoms and feel you have a testosterone deficiency, speak with your urologist to determine whether a simple lab test is in order to rule out the condition.

Because I mentioned prostate problems and ED, I am sending you copies of my Health Report "The Prostate Gland" and "Erectile Dysfunction."

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Recent activity from Minidoka County 5th District Court included the following:

determinate, 2 years indetermi-

nate, 1 day credited; grand theft,

dismissed on motion of prosecu-

tor; malicious injury to property,

FELONY SENTENCINGS Craig Guy Nielsen, 25, driving under the influence (felony), \$1,000 suspended fine, \$115.50 costs, driver's license suspended 1 year, 4 years probation, 30 days jail, 2-8 years penitentiary time, 3 days time credited, penitentiary suspended; leaving the scene of an accident (felony), dismissed by court. Nicholas Arrendondo, 38, possession of controlled substance, \$94.50 costs, \$125.59 restitution, 3 years probation, 1-7 years prison time, modified sentence; probation violation, retained jurisdiction; probation violation,

Hugo Fredrick Kerns Jr., 50, arson, \$100.50 costs, 3-15 years prison time, 110 days time

FELONY DISMISSALS

Valentine Michael Ward, 37, failure to register as a sex offender, dismissed after deferred prose-

MISDEMEANOR SENTENCINGS

Anselmo Reyes Gonzalez, 43, willful concealment, \$300 fine, \$100 suspended, \$153.50 costs, 12 months probation, 30 days suspended jail, 4 days McWork program. Donald Allen Markley, 28, driving

without privileges, \$200 fine, \$227.50 costs, driver's license suspended 180 days, 12 months probation, 60 days jail, 58 suspended, 4 days McWork in lieu of 2 days jail; contempt of court, 5 days jail, 3 days suspended, 2 days time credited; contempt of court, dismissed by court.

Jesus Jaramillo, 25, disturbing the peace, 12 months probation, 30 days suspended jail, modified sentence; contempt of court, guilty.

Levi James Prince, 27, driver's license violation, \$200 fine, \$75.50 costs, 12 months probation, 30 days suspended jail; failure to appear for misdemeanor citation, dismissed by prosecutor; IPV probation violation, 8 days suspended jail. Miguel Angel Otaegui Jr., 29, driv-

ing without privileges amended to driving without privileges (third offense), \$300 suspended fine, driver's license suspended 365 days, 24 months probation, 120 days jail, 93 days suspended, 27 days time credited, probation revoked and reinstated, credit jail time toward fines/costs; contempt of court, guilty; probation violation, guilty.

Larry Charles Hathaway, 27, possession of controlled substance, \$200 fine, \$85.50 costs, 24 months probation, 365 days suspended jail, 20 days other time, 20 days McWork ordered, 20 days suspended.

Charles Dean Brix, 24, driving without privileges amended to driving without privileges (third offense), \$200 fine, \$125.50 costs, driver's license suspended 365 days, 24 months probation, 365 days jail, 316 days suspended, 49 days days time credited.

Devin Robert Beckmon, 18, inattentive/careless driving, \$100 fine, \$110.50 costs, 6 months probation, 15 days suspended

Jeff Arlyn Krohn, 40, grand theft (felony) amended to petit theft, \$200 fine, \$63.50 costs, \$2,000 restitution, 24 months probation, 180 days suspended

Vincente Martinez, 19, possession of controlled substance, \$200 fine, \$120.50 costs, \$100 restitution, 24 months probation, 180 days suspended jail.

Miguel Angel Otaegui Jr., 29, providing false information to an officer, 30 days jail, 27 days suspended, 3 days time credited. Jose Alfredo Del Toro-Chavez, 24, failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, \$200 fine, \$75.50

costs. Gene Roy Bailey, 34, violation of domestic violence protection order, \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$85.50 costs, 6 months probation, 30 days jail, 28 days suspended, remanded for service of 48 hours jail; probation violation, guilty; contempt of court, guilty. Marcos Antonio Martinez, 25, leaving the scene of an accident amended to failure to notify upon striking fixtures on highway, \$400 fine, \$450 costs, 12 months probation, 180 days jail, 178 days suspended, 4 days other time, 4 days McWork in lieu of jail; contempt of court, dismissed by court.

Kale L. Satterwhite, 19, disturbing the peace, \$73 fine, \$177.50 costs, 3 months probation, 10 days suspended jail; contempt of court, dismissed by court. Elizabeth Hill, 26, providing false information to an officer, deferred prosecution.

Cherrie Martin, 19, failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, \$20 costs; contempt of court, 5 days jail in lieu of fines. Eugene Leo Shear, 51, violation of no contact order amended to alcoholic beverage violation, \$100 fine, \$75.50 costs, 12 months probation, 90 days suspended jail, 20 days other time,

20 days McWork/20 days suspended. Jamie Ceja, 29, driving without privileges amended to driver's license violation, \$99.50 fine, \$75.50 costs; Failure to provide proof of insurance, dismissed by prosecutor.

Jose Luis Garcia-Dijar, 30, failure

to purchase/invalid driver's license, deferred prosecution; providing false information to an officer, deferred prosecution. Rory L. Webb, 30, driving without privileges amended to driver's license violation, \$100 fine,

\$75.50 costs. Patrick S. Rogers, 20, unlawful transportation of alcohol, \$50 fine, \$75.50 costs.

> beverage violation, case type transfer; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, \$100 fine, \$75.50 costs. Victor Villeda Herrera, 31, driver's license violation, \$100 fine,

Geovanny Reyes, 17, alcoholic

\$75.50 costs. Kaleb J. Dessel, 18, alcoholic beverage violation, \$100 fine, \$75.50 costs, driver's license suspended 60 days.

Antonio Arevalo, 16, failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, \$100 fine, \$75.50 costs. Antonio Vazquez-Osorio, 34, driver's license violation, \$100 fine,

\$75.50 costs. Damian Martinez, 17, driver's license violation, \$150 fine,

\$75.50 costs. Jesus Delgado Acosta, 24, driver's license violation, \$100 fine,

\$75.50 costs. Fernando Vazquez Sanchez, 29, driver's license violation, \$300 fine, \$75.50 costs, 12 months probation, 180 days jail, 175 days suspended, 2 days time

credited. Jorge Luis Olivarez, 25, driver's license violation, 4300 fine, \$75.50 costs, 12 months probation, 180 days jail, 175 days

MISDEMEANOR DISMISSALS

suspended.

Luis Gutierrez Mungia, 65, failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, dismissed by prosecutor, \$132 forfeited bonds.

Wenceslado H. Escobedo, 31, failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, dismissed by prosecutor.

Carolyn Merrick, 58, fraud, insufficient funds check, dismissed by prosecutor, \$132.79 restitution. Wallace E. Morgan, 45, junk on city premises, dismissed by prosecutor.

Col Daniel Murray, 23, failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, dismissed by prosecutor. David Mark Jones, 42, 2 counts of malicious injury to property, dismissed by prosecutor. Marina Shantay Gomez, 17, reckless driving, bond forfeiture-case

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Defender of faith



This cross, made from wood taken from the old Episcopal Church of the Ascension in Twin Falls, was given to Dean Hodges by his son, Mick, as a keepsake. Hodges displays it in his home office.

T.F. man leaves **Episcopal** Church, defends Anglican faith

By Andrew Weeks Times-News writer

ome people believe the Bible is a figurative book with multiple meanings. Others believe there is only one interpretation that it is the word of God and should be taken literally. For Twin Falls resident

Dean Hodges, the Bible is infallible. But his former church isn't.

Two reasons why he left the Episcopal Church a little more than five years ago.

Though not an official member of any church today — he's not on any church rolls — Hodges considers himself an Anglican and, at least once a month, travels more than 200 miles round trip to attend a one-year-old Boise parish because it feels a lot like going home again.

"I attend the parish proudly — and thankfully," he said.

Hodges is one of thousands of former Episcopalians across the country standing up for traditional Christian beliefs, including stances against abortion, gay marriage and demeaning the divinity of

Jesus Christ. The Episcopal Church in 2003, for instance, appointed an openly gay bishop, V. Gene Robinson, to lead a New Hampshire congregation. Hodges — who says he is not prejudice against gays themselves but against



Photos by JUSTIN JACKSON

Dean Hodges, a former Episcopalian, poses for a portrait in his home office Friday afternoon in Twin Falls. Hodges left the church in 2003 because he felt the church was not living up to traditional biblical teachings. He now supports a new movement to unite Anglican Christians across the globe.

Interested?

To find out more about the Anglican movement: http://www.united-anglicans.org/

attacks aimed at traditional marriage and the priesthood - doesn't like the message the church is sending by that

appointment. The Episcopal Church has

taken a fork in the road to the left, while we continue on the one to the right," he said. "We (Anglicans) believe the Bible contains the inspired word of God, whereas Episcopalians believe the scriptures are secondary to the Holy Spirit." Because holy writ is treated secondary, he said, the church has taken positions on issues not in harmony with the Bible.

"Gays are welcome into

our church. That's between them and their God. But when you start to change the leadership of the church, that's when a split is going to happen," he said, referring to the number of diocese that have already split from the 2.2-million-member U.S. Episcopal Church.

But the gay topic is only one issue. He said the Episcopal Church has also lessened the value of Jesus

Christ, portraying him more like a fallible man than the infallible Son of God.

"I couldn't in good conscious be a member anymore," Hodges said.

In early December the Common Cause Partnership, a federation of more than 100,000 Anglican Christians, released a draft constitution

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Dean Hodges is one of thousands of former **Episcopalians** across the country standing up for traditional Christian beliefs.

What do you want to read today?

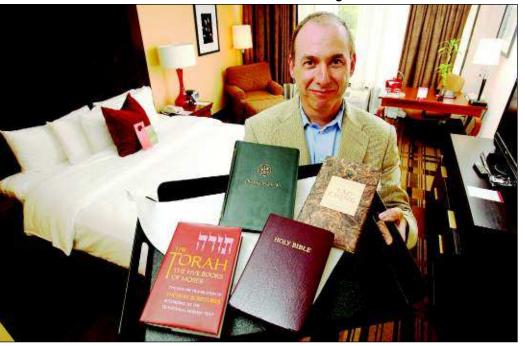
By Rose French **Associated Press writer**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. Leave your Bhagavad-Gita at home while traveling out of

If you're staying at the Hotel Preston, you can get a copy of the ancient Hindu text for your room from a "spiritual menu" that includes the Quran, the Bible and other religious texts.

Provenance Hotels, which Nashville's Hotel Preston and four other boutique hotels, is part of a new trend in the hospitality industry: appealing to visitors from a wide variety of cultural and religious backgrounds by going beyond tucking a Gideon Bible in guestroom nightstands.

"One of the emerging things we started to hear on a regular basis from guests was a need for spiritual offerings other than just the Bible," said Howard Jacobs, chief operating officer for Provenance Hotels based in Oregon. "In all



Howard Jacobs, chief operating officer for Provenance Hotels, poses with a serving of spiritual texts in a room at the Preston Hotel in Nashville, Tenn, Aug. 21. Jacobs' idea of a Spiritual Menu, which awaits hotel guests in their room, is a menu listing of a range of spiritual texts the hotel offers their guests upon request in their room.

of our cities there's a growing from other countries coming international draw. Within the to work here or for leisure U.S., there's so many people travel."

The overwhelming majority of hotels offer religious materials in their gue-

the traditional Gideon Bible strooms, according to a 2008 northern Europeans. survey by the American Hotel Lodging Association.

Researchers didn't ask what texts were provided, but the best known is the Gideon

Hotels offer more than just

The Gideons International, a nondenominational evangelical ministry run by businessmen, began the practice of leaving Bibles in hotel rooms a century ago.

Its early founders and members were traveling salesmen who "wanted spiritual nurture themselves and to help others who desired the same," said Mark Noll, an expert in religious history at the University of Notre Dame.

"They were aware of temptations to immoral behavior on the road and they thought the Bible would be a good counterweight to that," Noll said.

But since the Gideons began, the religious landscape of the U.S. has transformed, mainly due to a 1965 change in immigration rules that had previously favored

While the U.S. population today remains overwhelmingly Christian, many other faiths, including Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism, have a significant presence in the country.

And a fast-globalizing economy has created new American links with the international community.

Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa in Atlantic City, N.J., which opened in 2003, offers the Bible and several other religious works in its lobby.

Niki Leondakis, chief operating officer with Kimpton Hotels and Restaurants based in San Francisco, said the chain's 42 boutique hotels began to offer a range of spiritual texts in addition to the Bible nearly a year ago. Every hotel has at least four spiritual texts: the Old and New Testaments, the Hebrew Bible, the Book of Mormon, and Buddhist text. Many other hotels in the chain offer

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CHURCH NEWS

T.F. Methodist Church to hold preview meeting

A preview meeting for the Financial Peace University course will be held 1 p.m. Sunday in the Fireside Room at the Twin Falls First United Methodist Church. Sessions will begin at 7 p.m. on Jan. 8. The public is invited. For information: Kay Baltz at 736-

Jerome church hosts healing service

Life Church of the Magic Valley in Jerome will host a healing service on Sunday. The church holds this specific service the first Sunday of every month and totally dedicates it to healing the sick.

Services start at 6 p.m. with pre-service prayer at 5 p.m. The public is invited to attend all services. Since beginning these services in August 2008, the church has seen God heal fibromyalgia, arthritis, chronic fatigue syndrome, diabetes, cancer, back pain, knee/neck/muscle pain.

All services are open to the general public and anyone who needs to be healed. All faiths are welcomed to come, learn and participate. Life Church is located at 425 East Nez Perce (100 South) in

For more information: 324-5876 or lifechurchmc.com.

Church celebrates with Epiphany services

Ascension

Church will feature the serv- BYU-Idaho ice of Lessons and Carols on Tuesday, Jan 13. The class Sunday, with singing of Christmas carols and readings about the coming of Christ. Worship services are held at 8 and 10 a.m. at 371 Eastland Dr. North, Twin Falls. Christian Education for adults and children will be held from 9 to 9, and child care will be available for children 5 and younger from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

On Tuesday, Jan. 6, the congregation will celebrate Epiphany at 5:30 p.m. with a bonfire, followed by a warm meal and Epiphany cake. Please bring your Christmas trees or wreaths to burn at the bonfire.

Wednesday Eucharist services are held at 7 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Bible study will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday.

More information about Ascension: 733-1248 or www.ascension.episcopalidaho.org.

Wendell Methodists host luncheon

The Wendell United Methodist Church, 175 E. Main St. in Wendell, will host a first Sunday of the month luncheon from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Sunday. The event is free, but a free-will offering is suggested.

For more information: 536-

New Testament class scheduled in Burley

Episcopal Testament, sponsored by and the early brethren of the

will be held from noon 1p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday at the Burley Institute Building., 1700 Parke Ave. in Burley.

This semester will cover Acts through Revelation in the New Testament, instructed by C. Mark Petersen.

Adults 31 years and older are invited to attend. For more information: 670-5976.

Church hosts fireside on Book of Mormon

"Archaeology in North America," a fireside on the Book of Mormon, will be held at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 4 at the Heyburn LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel, 530 Villa Dr.

Wayne May will demonstrate an archaeological "parallel timeline" between two culture groups in North America with the Jaredites and Nephites of the Book of Mormon. The main focus will be comparing the similarities of the Nephites with ancient Hopewell Culture of North America, circa 300 B.C. to A.D. 400.

A direct comparison of the Nephite culture with the Hopewell culture of the Midwest shows amazing similarities in the artifacts, mounds and earthen ditches, along with the traditional accounts from the Native American Indians as to the last great war of extermina-

Also included is special An adult continuing educa- attention to the early statetion class on the New ments from Joseph Smith

begin church, who testify to the location and identity of the remnant of Jacob to be spared for the latter days.

This will be a slide and lecture presentation. Participants are encouraged to bring their Book of Mormon. Information: Alice Spackman, 436-0929.

Family History Library offers classes

The LDS Family History Library is offering an all-day series of classes beginning Jan. 10 on "Getting Started" with your research. Topics include "Starting Your Family History," "How to Guess Where to Start," "Research Logs: A Tool for Organizing Your Research," and "Family History and the Internet." Classes go from 9 a.m. to 2:15

To view a series poster and the class schedule, visit www.familysearch.org. Classes will be held in the Main Floor classroom of the Family History Library, located to the west of Temple Square on West Temple. Parking is free to library patrons and is located behind the Museum of Church History and Art.

To register: 801-240-4950 or send an e-mail FHLClassReg@ldschurch.org.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information toThomason at ellen@magicvalley.com. Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication in the Saturday religion

New CD honors Mormon prophet

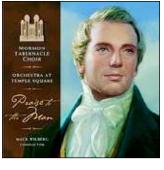
In honor of Joseph Smith, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir has released its newest CD, "Praise to the Man: Songs Honoring the Prophet Joseph."

The 12-track album is a musical tribute to the life and mission of Joseph Smith, first prophet of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Praise to the Man is permore uniquely haps Mormon than any album the Choir has released to date.

album's release, The which coincides with the 203rd anniversary of Joseph Smith's birth, which just passed Dec. 23, is also timed to complement church curriculum, focusing for the second year on the Prophet Joseph.

Though Mormons worship Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of the world, they acknowledge Joseph Smith as a modern prophet, much like Moses and other biblical leaders, who they believe was the instrument God used to



restore his church in the last

"This is a unique project, which we are very honored to bring to Latter-day Saint homes and families," Mack Wilberg, the Choir's music director, said of the CD. "Our hope is that this wonderful music will uplift and inspire individuals as they study the life and times of this remarkable man."

This is the 16th album produced by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir on its own label. The 360-member choir is accompanied by the 110-member Orchestra at Temple Square.

For more information about the Choir: www.mormontabernaclechoir.org.

Alamo seeks removal of religious language in suit

By Peggy Harris **Associated Press writer**

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — A lawyer for jailed evangelist Tony Alamo asked a federal court Tuesday to remove religious references from a lawsuit against his client, saying they have the potential to draw the court into theological debate to decide the case.

John Hall of Little Rock said in a court filing that claims made by two former members of the Tony Alamo Christian Ministries were based on religious beliefs and not matters for argument in a court of law.

Hall gave as examples claims that Alamo engaged in practices to intimidate church members by withholding food, marrying young girls and performing severe beatings. Hall said Alamo's defense to each of these allegations was based largely on the Bible, and the filing cites numerous biblical passages.

"All of these fall within the ambit of defendant's religious beliefs," the filing says.

The suit, filed Nov. 25 in federal district court at Texarkana, claims that Seth Calagna and Spencer Ondrisek were beaten and subjected to abuse as teenagers in the church. The suit says the former church members, now adults, suffered physical pain, emotional distress, scarring and disfigurement. It seeks more than \$75,000 in damages.

Hall said in Tuesday's filing that the Bible requires spanking unruly children, and he suggested that Alamo had permission from church parents to discipline their children.

"This case will involve

The suit says the former church members, now adults, suffered physical pain, emotional distress, scarring and disfigurement.

inquiring into religious doctrine in determining whether this was a 'spanking' or a 'beating' and whether the plaintiffs or their parents consented to them," the filing says. "One of the spankings came when Ondrisek threatened to punch defendant Alamo, over 70 years old at the time. Seems justified to the defendant."

Fasting also appears throughout the Bible and has physical and spiritual benefits, the filing says. In addition, the Bible refers to the marriage of 10-year-old Rebecca to 40-year-old Isaac and to allowing younger women to marry.

"To the extent that this court is asked to adjudicate or determine or even argue over theology or the doctrine of the Bible or Tony Alamo Christian Ministry, it is barred by the free exercise clause of the First Amendment," Hall wrote.

Alamo, 74, also faces criminal charges in federal court. He remains jailed without bond awaiting trial in February on counts that accuse him of raping and sexually abusing girls in the ministry, and taking them across state lines for purposes of sex. He has pleaded not guilty to the charges.

SPIRIT OF GIVING

Church operates on shoestring budget to help the needy

By Sophia Tareen **Associated Press writer**

SCHAUMBURG, Ill. — The members of Waterfront Community Church attend weekly services in a high school auditorium. Their Christian contemporary music rock band practices at someone's home. And the pastor relies on a laptop and Starbucks for an office.

The nondenominational suburban Chicago church operates on a shoestring budget and under an unusual financial setup so it can stick to a mission: Give 100 percent of offerings gathered from the collection plate to those in need.

"We found how little we know about the people around us. We started asking around, 'What are the needs of the community?" said the church's pastor and founder Jim Semradek. "When you present that need to people, they're very responsive. People have very generous

hearts." Churches typically use at least part of the money collected at worship services for administrative costs, including heating the sanctuary and paying the pastor's salary.

Waterfront is instead funded by eight sponsors; half attend the church and the others are outsiders who support the mission. Their combined contributions, along with some fundraising, pay for renting the school auditorium and salaries. In addition, several of the church's nearly 200 members donate their services as accountants and financial planners to make it all work.

Not only does Waterfront give away what it collects, it also develops relationships with the people who benefit.

Since the church started in October, it has raised about \$11,500 for a 29-year-old single mother to help her get on her feet, a cause church members chose together.

For Christmas, they also decided to help a single mother of two who recently had her salary cut in half, and a woman who needs brain tumor surgery.

Waterfront's setup is rare, though it could become a

model for others.

Dave Travis, managing



Dec. 14. Since it started in October, Waterfront has raised more than \$11,500 for charity.

director of Leadership Network, which works with pioneering churches around the country, said more churchgoers are seeking congregations that put generous giving at the center of their community.

"What this church is starting with is very on trend with the culture right now and the desire to be very integrated and involved with communities," Travis said. "People are looking for a church that authenticates the Gospel."

At a recent Sunday service, Semradek did a "reverse offering," passing out bags each with \$5, \$10, \$20 or \$50 bills. Congregants were instructed to choose how the money could be used in their community. Semradek reminded congregants that there would come a day when they would stand in judgment before God.

"How much of your bank account will matter on that day?" he asked those gathered in Schaumburg High School's auditorium, a room resembling a small movie theater.

Ted Novaczyk, 50, a medical manager analyst from Waukegan, Ill., pulled \$20 from a bag.

"I'm going to save it for somebody that needs it really bad," he said. "Knowing that it's coming from the congregation itself, it really feels like

the true meaning of

Christmas." Sandi Henderson, 41, had participated in the exercise before. The executive assistant drew \$10 that time and added some of her own money to buy toiletries like Band-Aids and socks for homeless people she sees on her way to work in

Chicago's downtown. The church's approach also has its drawbacks.

Newcomers might not join because the church doesn't have its own building. And sustaining the church's level of giving over time could be challenging.

But Semradek, who has a background in consulting and is a former pastor at nearby megachurch Willow Creek Community Church in South Barrington, Ill., said he has confidence in the model.

"If we can put our resources in the people, a lot of things will start happening," he said.

The life of at least one woman has already been changed by the church. Shenell, who declined to

give her last name, is a single mother who grew up in the projects on Chicago's West Side. Shenell's mother, a cocaine addict, was largely absent from her daughter's life. That also left Shenell to take care of her younger sis-

At 18 she became a single mother herself. Shenell's daughter has cerebral palsy and finding affordable housing in a desirable neighborhood that accommodated her daughter's needs was difficult.

"It's been a rough road," said Shenell, who works at a passport processing compa-

Waterfront gives money to Shenell through Fellowship Housing Corp. which pays about half of Shenell's approximately \$900 monthly rent so she can focus on the future. For two years, she gets parenting tips and help planning a budget. After that, she will be on her own.

Shenell, who does not attend Waterfront but is grateful for the help, wants to re-establish her credit, save money and provide a better environment for her daugh-

Already, Shenell said she is chipping away at credit card debt and has noticed improvements in her daughter, who is now able to attend a better school.

and give back."

"I've never been able to save a quarter because I've always had to buy something for my mom or sister or pay the rent," she said. "My goal is to have a nice nest egg for my daughter. ... Hopefully one day I can help someone else

Hotels

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close to a dozen options.

Leondakis said the hotels have received only a few requests for the books so far. Still, she said that, "offering a menu that includes as many philosophies and beliefs and spiritual perspectives was much more in keeping with the culture of our company."

At Hotel Preston, among the other books offered are the Book of Mormon, Buddhist texts, the Chinese Tao Te Ching and the Hebrew Bible. Guests can choose from the works on a laminated "menu" in their rooms and then call the front desk to request a copy.

The concept of diversity is not entirely new. The Marriott hotel chain, which was founded by Mormon businessmen, many years ago began offering the Book of Mormon in addition to the Gideon Bible. However,

few other hotel chains offered any broader choices in the U.S. before now.

The Gideons, who rarely speak to reporters about their work, did not respond to a request for comment. Noll said that the trend of offering more religious texts in hotels "sounds to me like a tribute to the Gideons."

The Gideon Bible still has a place of prominence in at least one of Provenance's hotels — Hotel Preston in Nashville, the home of Gideons International, and offices of several major Christian groups, including Southern Baptist Convention and the United Methodist Church.

"It was important here ... to have that offering in every room, but we also offer the spiritual menu," Jacobs said. "Gideon still is really the anchor text across all hotels.

W. Virginia group travels in the footsteps of Saint Paul

By Lynnellen Winkler **Weirton Daily Times**

WEIRTON, W.Va. (AP) — From Nov. 5 to Nov. 21, a group of 17 Christian-minded individuals traveled "In the Footsteps of Saint Paul" through the islands of Greece, Malta and Sicily, and the countries of Turkey and Italy. The pilgrimage began with a trans-Atlantic flight to Athens, Greece, and followed with a variety of cruises, land tours and excursions concluding at the Saint's tomb, and included the Rev. Larry Dorsch, pastor of St. Paul Catholic Church in Weirton.

When asked what was his favorite part of the cruise, Dorsch replied, "The cruise was so much more than I expected. It was beautiful to see all the cities that we visited where our parish patron St. Paul walked, preached I can't possibly pick out one thing. We saw so much. We were together for 16 days and in 16 days it was phenomenal what we saw. We were blessed to be at the places where St. Paul preached."

Each evening tourists met to share Christian fellowship, read pertinent scriptures referring to the places visited, and listen to lectures, Christian music and international entertainment.

Diane Pastoric and Betty Mentzer, members of St. Paul Parish, as well as retired Rev. the Ron Getsinger, all from Weirton, accompanied Dorsch on the tour. During the trip, Dorsch e-mailed greetings back to St. Paul Parish that were shared

"It was beautiful to see all the cities that we visited where our parish patron St. Paul walked ..."

- Rev. Larry Dorsch

street of Ephesus, through its 'shopping malls,' past its

magnificent library and on to

its huge (24,000 seats) the-

ater," said Dorsch. "One

woman in our group took a

photo of her feet just to

actually on the streets where

St. Paul and the first-century

ancient Neapolis, Dorsch

photographed an elaborate

mosaic replicating the saint's

first step onto the European

continent on the coast of

Thrace with St. Timothy and

St. Silas. Having heard in a

dream a call from a

Macedonain to come help

"From that first step, the

his people, Paul responded.

message of Christianity

spread throughout Europe.

It is overwhelming to imag-

ine that my own personal

journey to Christianity

began with that first step.

Did I get my Christian call-

ing because of their quest?

'We laughed as we trav-

eled on jets, tour busses and

cruise ships for our 16-day

journey. St. Paul traversed

these same miles over some

15 years walking or riding a

donkey. Paul and his com-

panions shipwrecked and

washed ashore on the island

Overwhelming,"

Dorsch.

In Kavala, Greece, the

Christians walked."

with the congregation in the the marble-paved main weekly bulletin.

Pastoric added, "I could picture scenes from the movies 'Quo Vadis' and 'The Robe' as we walked where St. Paul walked. My favorite event was an outdoor mass that Father Larry presided in the ancient city of Corinth and the excursion to Philippi where St. Paul lived, preached and was imprisoned. We also visited the Baptistery of Lydia, where the first baptism on European soil took place."

"The outdoor masses we celebrating the shared. Eucharist at the Basilica, just the simplicity of those Christian actions was so spiritual. Father actually used one of the stones at the ruins as an altar," said Pastoric.

They recalled sitting quite some time in this Spirit-filled

"I could not but think of the font we are about to construct at St. Paul Church," said Dorsch.

Both Dorsch and Pastoric agreed that one of the most beautiful, breathtaking views was from the Acropolis into the Aegean Sea and St. Paul's Bay, where the Apostle was shipwrecked during his voyage to Ephesus, Paul's headquarters for the latter part of his missionary journey.

"Words cannot describe what it is like to walk down of Malta where they spent

three months before traveling to Imperial Rome," said Dorsch.

The group visited the Coliseum, Circus Maximus, Roman Forum, the Arch of Titus and the Mamertina Prison, where both St. Peter and St. Paul were imprisoned. More tours of the Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel, and Tre Fontane, where St. Paul was beheaded, continued the journey.

Dorsch continued, "There were so many places where remind herself that she was you got a sense of St. Paul's presence. We ended the journey at St. Paul's tomb. To be able to kneel and pray for the St. Paul Parish in Weirton, West Virginia was amazing. I looked forward to praying there for our parish community dedicated to his name and memory. What a closeness to our patron I have developed over the course of this journey. We were part of something so much bigger than our-

selves." While visiting St. Paul's Basilica in Rome, outside the walls of the Apostle's tomb, Dorsch purchased an outer vestment, the garment worn by the presiding minister during the worship service. Vestment makers are situated along a certain street in the business section near the Basilica. Dorsch wanted to purchase a vestment similar to the ones worn during services at the Basilica.

"I wanted something very special for the Parish to celebrate 'The International Year of St. Paul.' The vestment is embellished with the likeness of St. Paul."

By Sean Yoong Associated Press writer

LUMPUR, KUALA Malaysia — A Catholic newspaper warned Friday it might take Malaysia's government to court for allegedly violating the rights of religious minorities by refusing to let the publication use the national Malay language.

Catholic paper fights

Malaysia government

language restriction

The Herald, the main Roman Catholic weekly in Muslim-majority Malaysia, received a letter from the Home Ministry on Tuesday restricting it to English, Mandarin and Tamil for its multilingual editions. The newspaper typically uses four languages including Malay.

Lawrence The Rev. Andrew, editor of the Herald, said the newspaper sent a letter to the ministry Friday to appeal the order. If there is no response in seven days or the decision is not retracted, the Herald will consider legal action against the government, Andrew said.

prohibition "The amounts to persecution," Andrew told The Associated Press. "It curtails our freedom of expression and diminishes our rights as citizens. ... We are perplexed and we do not think that the prohibition is on solid legal ground."

The ministry has said the language curb would be in effect until a court rules on a dispute between the Herald and the government over the use of the word "Allah" as a Malay-language translation for "God." The Herald has sought a court order to chal-

lenge the government's ban last year on its use of "Allah." A hearing is scheduled for next month.

The government has said the use of the word could confuse Muslims, while the Herald insists "Allah" has been used for centuries to mean "God" in Malay.

Abdul Razak Abdul Latif, an official with the Home Ministry's publishing unit, declined to say whether the latest language restriction might be lifted.

He added the Herald has the right to pursue further legal action, but stressed that the ministry "does not consider the decision to be a violation of any rights.'

The ministry's letter to the Herald this week was meant to confirm its publishing license would be extended for another year. All publications must renew a license approved by the government annually, but the newspaper had feared it would be banned for continuing to use "Allah" and highlighting political issues instead of only religious ones.

The Herald's troubles illustrate concerns among many minority Christians, Buddhists and Hindus in the multiethnic country that their rights have been undercut by government efforts to boost the status of Islam.

Dissatisfaction among minorities over sporadic demolition of Hindu temples, court rulings about the right to leave Islam and other religious disputes contributed to the government's poor performance in national elections last March.

Defender

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of an emerging Anglican Church in North America. It in turn began forming the new church movement in response to a request from leading archbishops of the Global Anglican Future Conference held last June in Ierusalem.

By the end of the conference, Anglican leaders had released the Jerusalem Declaration and GAFCON Statement, which outlines their Christian beliefs and goals to reform.

The Jerusalem Declaration, which lists 13 of 39 articles of faith for the traditional church and the new movement, says in part: "We uphold the Thirty-nine Articles as containing the true doctrine of the Church agreeing with God's Word and as authoritative for

Anglicans today." The 77-million-member Anglican Communion, which includes the U.S. Episcopal Church, has roots in the missionary work of the Church of England.

Anglicans believe the doctrine of the church is grounded in the Bible, teachings of the ancient fathers and councils, the Book of Common Prayer and other doctrines listed in the Jerusalem Declaration, according to GAFCON.

So far at least three conservative diocese — in Fresno, Calif., Pittsburgh, Pa., and Quincy, Ill. — have split from the liberal Episcopal Church because they believe the church has not remained true to traditional beliefs.

Rev. David Baker, pastor of the Boise Anglican parish that Hodges attends, said the parish is not now nor has it ever been a part of the Episcopal Church, so it cannot split from it. It does, however, seek to become a member of the Anglican Church in North America. To do that, it needs first to become part of a diocese.

But the parish, which is only a year old, has only about 35 members, so it will likely be a while before even that happens. A parish must have at least 50 members to be considered for a diocese; a diocese is comprised of 12 or more parishes, Baker said.

Hodges joined Trinity

Episcopal Church in Rupert in 1967 and, because of various moves that followed, attended congregations in Twin Falls, Boise and Topeka, Kansas.

But in August 2003 he received a letter from thenbishop of Boise Harry Bainbridge, informing church members that although the Episcopal Church — first by the House of Deputies, then by the House of Bishops — had appointed a gay clergyman, it did not affect the church in

The letter was an eyeopener for Hodges.

"As our discussions went forward (about Robinson's appointment)," Bainbridge's letter explained about the voting process, "the most persuasive argument offered was that 'it is time we quit living a lie.' What this meant to me was that we already have clergy, even bishops, who are gay or lesbian ... Why then do we find ourselves offended when Canon Robinson is public about

who he is? ... "Those who opposed Canon Robinson's ordination as bishop, do so because they love the Lord and his church. While at the same time, those who support the ministry of this man do so for the very same reason,"

Bainbridge's letter continued. Bainbridge had voted for Robinson's ordination. But, he explained in his letter, no matter the stance taken by church members or its clergy, "the church in Idaho will continue its mission of being the hands and heart of Jesus in the world."

Hodges is not trying to demean the faith of others, he said, but is taking a stand for what he believes is right. He doesn't believe the Episcopal Church, for the most part, in Idaho or elsewhere, is the "hands and heart of Jesus" anymore. Not in the long-standing traditional sense, anyway.

But Rich Demarest, Dean of St. Michaels Cathedral in Boise, a church Hodges used to attend, said he has not seen any shift in church doctrine — Christ is acknowledged as "all human" and "all divine," just as the church has labeled him since AD 325 when the Nicene Creed

was accepted, he said — and the controversy caused by Robinson's appointment in New Hampshire has little affected the Boise church.

"We're fine, healthy and growing," Demarest said.

Controversy, in fact, is nothing new to the church, he said. He's seen it happen in the 1970s over changes with the church's prayer book and with discussions about appointing women to the clergy. But he thinks the best way to deal with issues is by staying involved with the church, not by leaving it.

"Quitting is a very bad way about making your voice heard," Demarest said. "When people leave, they are no longer a part; their voice is not heard. We're a very democratic church, where people's voices do make a difference."

In fall 2003, Hodges and his wife wrote their own letter, asking that their names be removed from church membership rolls.

"We're not a bunch of goonies taking off on a wildgoose chase, but we're trying to defend the faith," he said about members splitting from the Episcopal Church and parishes joining the new Anglican movement.

Hodges doesn't want to offend, belittle or hurt anyone, he said, especially since he has family members who still attend the Episcopal Church. But he says he has found his own peace by following the prompting of his

And yes, he noted, leaving a church for something better is making his voice heard. He's not quitting — "I didn't leave the church, it left me," he said — he's just defending his faith.

"I love the Anglican liturgy," he wrote in a statement to the *Times-News*. "I have found a church where I feel at home — Grace Orthodox Anglican Church in Boise, Idaho."

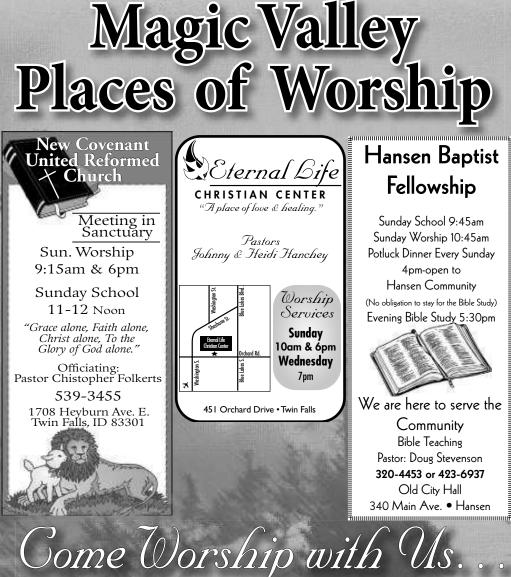
He will likely ask for his name to be included on its membership rolls, he said, but hopes to one day see a mission church built in the Magic Valley.

Andrew Weeks may be reached at 208-735-3233 or aweeks@magicvalley.com.

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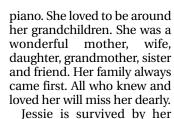
Jessie Loera Hazard

Jessie Loera Hazard, 61 of Twin Falls, returned back to her Heavenly Father on Saturday, Dec. 27, 2008, after a courageous

battle with breast cancer. She was with the presence of her family. Jessie was

born Aug. 28, 1947, in

Bisbee, Ariz., the daughter of Ramon and Aurora Loera. She was the youngest of four children. She graduated from Lincoln High School. She worked for the State of California for 25 years. She moved to Twin Falls in 2005 to be close to her daughter and grandchildren. She became a born again Christian in 1985 following the death of her only brother. Jessie loved to read her bible and play the



husband, Peter Hazard of Twin Falls; son, Elias Lopez of California; daughter and sonin-law, Sharon and Craig Abbott of Kimberly; three grandchildren, Reylene, Jeremy, and Zakery of Kimberly; her sister, Yolanda of Washington; sister, Josie of California. She was preceded in death by her mother, Aurora Loera; her father, Ramon Loera; and brother, Raymond Loera.

Cards and letters may be sent to S. Abbott, 3884 N. 3614 E., Kimberly ID 83341. Arrangements are under the care of White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

Kenneth M. Hettenbach

MERIDIAN — Kenneth M. Hettenbach, 60, of Meridian

died Dec. 29, 2008, at a Boise hospi-

tal. Ken was born to Lee and Pearl Hettenbach on May 16, 1948, in Twin

Falls, Idaho. Ken enjoyed fish-

"happy hour at the local pub!" Ken is survived by his wife Jeannie, kids, grand kids, and great-grand kids.

ing, golf, restoring old cars and

A funeral service will be held at 3:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 5, 2009, at Cloverdale Funeral Home in Boise.

Condolences for the family may be submitted online at www.cloverdalefuneralhome.com.

Rebecca Jean Stimpson

BURLEY — Rebecca Jean Platts Stimpson, 92, of Burley and formerly of Nampa, passed away on Dec. 30, 2008, at the Warren House in Burley, Idaho.

Jean was born on Aug. 29, 1916, at Eight Mile Ranch, Cassia County, Idaho, the

daughter of Lyle W. and Mary Barnes Platts. She graduated from Paul High School in 1934. Jean married Orville Η.



Stimpson of Heyburn, Idaho, on March 15, 1935, in Riverdale, Utah. They were sealed for eternity in the Idaho Falls Temple on March 15, 1956. They raised five sons and two daughters in Paul and Nampa, Idaho.

Jean and Orville owned and farmed 240 acres N.W. of Paul for 25 years. They then moved to Nampa where they bought and operated a country store, Lake Shore Service, on Highway 45. They were well known for their willingness to help all in need. Following retirement, Jean and Orville spent their summers at their cabin in Southern Utah and winters in Nampa.

Jean was an active member of the LDS Church. She served in many callings and enjoyed them all. Her greatest joy was her family. She was happiest at family gatherings surrounded by loved

Jean is survived by four children, Sharlene (Erich) Bretthauer, Las Vegas, Nev.: Richard (Jeannie) Stimpson, Rupert, Idaho; Forrest (Peggie) Stimpson, Melba, Idaho; and Norris (Vicki) Stimpson, Melba, Idaho; two daughters-in-law, Shirley Stimpson, Las Vegas, Nev., and Sandra Stimpson, Meridian, Idaho; a son-inlaw, Brad Frehner, Spanish Fork, Utah; 26 grandchildren, 86 great-grandchildren and 18 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by Orville, her husband of 68 years; two sons, Reid Stimpson and Lonny daughter, Stimpson; Rebecca Jean Frehner; grandson, Lyle Stimpson; great-granddaughter, Bethany Svedin; one brother and three sisters.

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to The Warren House and Idaho Home Health & Hospice for the loving care Mother received from the very capable staff.

A Funeral Service to honor and celebrate her life will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 5, 2009, at the Nampa 17th Ward, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 607 W. Locust Lane, in Nampa. Burial will follow at the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Caldwell. Friends may call at the Alsip & Persons Funeral Chapel, 404 10th Ave. S., Nampa, at 466-3545 from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday. The family will greet loved ones and friends at the church from 12 to 12:45 p.m. Monday.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Idaho Division, P.O. Box 16228, Boise, Idaho 83715-

Peter Rudolf Martens

passed away peacefully on New Years Day 2009 at BridgeView Estates in Twin Falls, Idaho,

97. Rudy was born on Dec. 15, 1911, in Avondale, Colo., to Emil

at the age of



and Lena Martens. As a young child, he moved with his family to Utah, where his father farmed for one year. The family then moved to southern Idaho, first settling and farming in Kimberly and later in Eden. It was there that Rudy met and fell in love with Lois Charlotte Westendorf. They were married on Christmas Day 1936, and their marriage lasted for nearly 66 years, when Lois passed away in 2002.

The first few years of their marriage were spent farming west of Twin Falls. They then moved south of Kimberly, where he farmed leased land as well as his own farm. During the early years of his farming career, he farmed with horses and was later able to purchase his first steel-wheeled tractor. Taking great pride in all the land that he farmed, he always had the straightest rows and weed-free fields. Rudy won many awards from local seed companies for the crops he grew, especially his garden

After retiring at the age of 72, Rudy and Lois moved to Twin Falls. He started delivering "Meals on Wheels," which he continued until the

Peter Rudolf Martens age of 90 when macular degeneration forced him to stop driving. Rudy was a member of the Lions Club, the Walking Club at the Magic Valley Mall and a lifelong member of the Lutheran Church.

Rudy is survived by his children, Kenneth (Ann) Martens of Las Vegas, Nev. Joanne (Dee) Hepworth of Twin Falls, Betty (Butch) Johansen of Warden, Wash., and Marilyn (Jerry) Sorensen of Boise, Idaho; 12 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; one brother, Randolf (Carole) Martens of Seattle, Wash.: and numerous nieces and nephews.

Rudy was preceded in death by his parents; his loving wife, Lois; one daughter, Shirley Martens; his twin brother, Herman, as well as brothers, Ulrich and Winfred; sisters, Eunice Jones, Emilena Meyerhoff and Marie Mason; his sonin-law, Marvin Hurless; and one grandson, Todd Michael Hepworth.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 5, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls, with Pastor Vedder officiating. Interment follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 6 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 4, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park." The family suggests memorials to the "Rudy Fund" for the hearing and visually impaired at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2055 Filer Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83301. Family and friends may share their thoughts and memories at www.MeM.com.

SERVICES

Marie Blacker Green of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Burley 2nd and 4th wards LDS Church, 515 E. 16th St.; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church.

John "Jack" L. Rasmussen of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Twin Falls Reformed Church; visitation from 9 to 10 a.m. today at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Thomas Howard House of Burley, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Paul United Methodist Church, 127 W. Clark St. (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Marjorie Lee Glenn Newman of Rupert, service at 2 p.m. today at the Rupert United Methodist Church on the corner of Sixth and H streets (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

WillaDean Nielsen of Twin Falls, funeral at 2 p.m. today at the Harrison Street LDS Stake Center; visitation from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. today at the church; (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Adine Valate Givens of Kimberly, funeral at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Kimberly LDS Stake Center, 3857 N. 3500 E. in Kimberly; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home,

LISBON, Portugal (AP) —

A woman who lived to see

five of her great-great grand-

children born and was

believed to have been the

world's oldest person living,

has died in northwest

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De Jesus, who outlived

three of her six children, had

11 grandchildren and 16

great-grandchildren, had

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said Friday.

2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the

Valeria Hobdey Gooding, memorial service at 5 p.m. today at the LDS Church in Gooding (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Rudy Frank Prudek of Castleford, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl; visitation one hour before the funeral Monday at the mortuary.

Jean Stimpson of Burley and formerly of Nampa, funeral at 1 p.m. Monday at the Nampa LDS 17th Ward Church, 607 W. Locust Lane; visitation from noon to 12:45 p.m. Monday at the church (Alsip and persons Funeral Chapel in Nampa).

Marjorie Eleanor Renfrow of Mesquite, Nev., and formerly of Wendell, memorial service at 2 p.m. Monday at Mesquite United Church Methodist Mesquite, Nev. (Virgin Valley Mortuary in Mesquite, Nev.)

Elsie Jane Cummins of Nuevo, Calif., and formerly of Jerome, graveside service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Wendell Cemetery; visitation from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

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because of a swelling, her daughter Maria Madalena

told state news agency Lusa.

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Tomar, 66 kilometers (40

miles) north of the port city

of Porto, confirmed the

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World's oldest woman

dies in Portugal at 115

DEATH NOTICES

Dewey W. John

HAZELTON — Dewey W. John, 41 of Hazelton died Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Edwin Davis

BUHL — Edwin Davis, 63 of Buhl died Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin

Martha Robertson

GLENNS FERRY — Martha Mary Robertson, 83, of Glenns Ferry died Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, at a local hospital. Arrangements will be announced by Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain Home.

Charles Printz

GLENNS FERRY — Charles Printz, 88, of Glenns Ferry, died Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, at a Gooding hospital.

Arrangements will be announced by Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain Home.

Galen Cleverley

Galen Cleverley, 62, of Twin Falls died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2008, at his home in Twin

prior to the services at the church. Services are under the direction of Revnolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

DENVER, Colo. — Arlon Blaine "Duke" Earl of Denver, Colo., died Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, at the University of Colorado Medical Center.

announced by White Mortuary "Chapel by the

Mason Covey

BUHL - Mason Covey, 78, of Buhl, passed away Jan. 2, 2009, at the Mountain View Care Center in Kimberly.

announced by Farmer

Harry E. Reed

JEROME — Harry E. Reed,

Arrangements will be

72, of Jerome, died Jan. 1, 2009, at his home.

announced by Farnsworth

TV show host mistakenly declares friend dead

By David Bauder **Associated Press writer**

NEW YORK — Filmmaker George Butler wants his friends to know he's very much alive, despite a premature obituary on "The Charlie Rose Show"

During Rose's annual New Year's Eve tribute on PBS to notable figures

this week.

who during the

year, he included Butler, whose 1977 film "Pumping Iron" featured a then-unknown bodybuilder named Arnold Schwarzenegger. The screen even flashed a Butler tombstone, 1943-2008.

The PBS show had confused him with another George Butler, a longtime jazz record executive who signed Wynton Marsalis, who died April 9.

What's odd about the mistake is that Rose and Butler are old friends through Rose's first wife, meeting shortly after they graduated from college in North Carolina. Butler, who lives in

Holderness, N.H. and is making a film on Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans, didn't see his obit but learned about it when a fellow filmmaker called. He found out that some friends in New York were even planning a wake.

"I am bemused," he said. "Charlie did a great job in retracting the huge error. Still, it's very disconcerting."

At least he was in good company, Butler said, noting that he was featured with Paul Newman, Tim Russert and William F. Buckley. A contrite Rose was on the phone with him three times on New Year's Day to apologize, he said.

Rose, who did not immediately respond to e-mail messages seeking comment, apologized at the opening of Thursday's show. "The George Butler who is

my friend is alive and well and living in Hampshire," Rose said. "We apologize to him and his friends, and look forward to having him on the program in the new year."

John Travolta's 16-year-old son dies in Bahamas

By Juan McCartney **Associated Press writer**

NASSAU, Bahamas — John Travolta's teenage son, Jett, died in the Bahamas after apparently suffering a seizure and hitting his head at his family's vacation home, authorities said

A house caretaker found Jett, 16, unconscious in a bathroom late Friday morning. He was taken by ambulance to a Freeport hospital, where he was pronounced dead, Police Superintendent Basil Rahming said in a state-

The teenager had last been seen entering the bathroom on Thursday and had a history of seizures, according to the statement. An autopsy is planned.

Family attorney Michael Ossi said in a statement that Jett died suddenly on Friday. Publicists Samantha Mast

and Paul Block released the statement but could not be reached for additional com-

local Α police source said Jett apparently hit his head on the bathtub.

Jett was the oldest

from



of Travolta, 54, and his wife, actress Kelly Preston, 46, who also have an 8-year-old

daughter, Ella Bleu.

the

Preston has said that Jett became very sick when he was 2 years old and was diagnosed with Kawasaki disease, an illness that leads to inflammation of the blood vessels in young children. She blamed household cleaners and fertilizers, and said that a detoxification program based on teachings

Church

of

People magazine.

for his seizures. The Scientology Celebrity Center in Los Angeles

A spokeswoman for Rand Memorial Hospital in Freeport said she could not release any information

because of privacy concerns. The family had arrived in the Bahamas on a private plane Tuesday and was vacationing at their home in the Old Bahama Bay resort com-

"The Travolta family has become like family to us at Old Bahama Bay and we extend our deepest sympathies to them," said Robert Gidel, president of Ginn Resorts, the property's

Family friend and Tampabased attorney Michael McDermott told the Ocala Star-Banner on Friday that Travolta was "broken up" and noted that "Kelly's very

them," he added. "That's all

of Travolta's close associates was making funeral arrangements in Ocala, Florida, where Travolta has a home. Travolta, who gained fame

television show "Welcome Back, Kotter" and the 1977 film "Saturday Night Fever," went on to become one of Hollywood's biggest names. He married Preston

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2008, at the 1st Ward LDS Church, 847 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls; visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, and one hour

Arlon B. 'Duke' Earl

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Arrangements will be Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

Mortuary of Jerome.

Scientology helped improve his health, according to It is unclear whether Jett was taking any medications

declined to comment. Both Travolta and Preston are practicing Scientologists.

munity.

quiet." "Just say a prayer for

you can do at this point." McDermott said that one

as Vinnie Barbarino on the 1970s in 1991.

A television actress, Preston appeared Travolta in the 2000 film "Battlefield Earth," based on a novel by Scientology founder L. Ron Hubbard.

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AROUND THE WORLD

TEXAS

Texas jail closes, inmates moved amid FBI probe

FORTWORTH—A jail in northern Texas has been closed and its nearly 60 inmates transferred as authorities investigate what they call dangerous conditions for jailers and those behind bars including cells that locked from the inside or contained recliners.

Five inmates had already been moved from the Montague County jail to one in a nearby county this month after an FBI raid, said Jack McGaughey, disattorney trict Montague, Clay and Archer counties.

McGaughey declined to say what prompted the investigation, also being conducted by the Texas Rangers. But he said authorities found contraband in the jail. New Sheriff Paul Cunningham moved the inmates to the Wise County jail on Thursday a few hours after he was sworn in.

BRITAIN

British couple has 'black-and-white twins' twice

LONDON — A mixedrace British couple has defied the odds - twice by producing two sets of twins in which one sibling appears to be black and the other white.

Dean Durrant's newborn daughter Miya has dark skin like him. Twin sister Leah has fair skin like her blue-eved, red-haired mother, Alison Spooner.

Their older siblings Lauren and Hayleigh, born in 2001, also have strikingly different skin tones and eye colors.

"There's no easy way to explain it all. I'm still in shock myself," Durrant, 33, told Sky News Wednesday.

Both sets of twins are fraternal rather than identical, meaning they are the product of two separately fertilized eggs, so it is not unusual that they don't look alike. Miya's skin color was more influenced by her father's genes, while Leah takes after her moth-

But scientists say it's rare for a couple to have two sets of twins, end even rarer for them to have such different appearances.

Rare 1937 Bugatti **supercar found in English garage**

LONDON — It was the equivalent of finding an old Picasso or an unknown Beatles tape hidden away in your uncle's attic.

Relatives of Dr. Harold Carr found an extremely rare 1937 Bugatti Type 57S Atalante — a Holy Grail for car collectors — as they were going through his belongings after his death.

The dusty two-seater, unused since 1960, didn't look like much in the garage in Gosforth, near Newcastle in England.

But only 17 were ever made, and when it's cleaned up and auctioned in Paris next month, experts believe it will fetch at least 3 million pounds (\$4.3 million) and possibly much more.

Bugatti once represented the height of motoring achievement. The supercar was so ahead of its time it could go up to 130 mph when most other cars topped out about 50 mph.

This particular car is even more valuable because it was originally owned by Earl Howe, a prominent British race car

The Associated Press

Dems plan cool reception for Senate appointee

By Laurie Kellman **Associated Press writer**

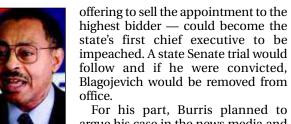
WASHINGTON Democratic leaders plan to grant few if any privileges next week to Roland Burris, the man picked by Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich to represent the state in the Senate, even if Burris arrives on Senate seats days Capitol Hill with the proper credentials.

Senate officials involved in the tansaid Friday that a Democrat will object to Burris being duly sworn with the rest of his class and will propose that his credentials be reviewed for a tion. period of time by the Rules Committee.

That would give Burris the status of a senator-elect to the Senate seat vacated by President-elect Barack Obama in the juiciest of several dramas swirling around open before the 111th Congress convenes.

Senate Democrats are slow-walking gle of legal and logistical planning Burris' appointment because they hope Blagojevich will be removed from office before the Rules Committee completes its investiga-

As early as next week Blagojevich federal authorities accuse him of



argue his case in the news media and threatened to sue Senate Democrats if they refuse to swear him in as the

chamber's only black member.

Race is a prominent force in the dispute. Rep. Donald Payne, D-N.J., said he called Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada and Sen. Robert Menendez, D-N.J., and "made it abundantly clear that we felt that they should reconsider."

No luck, Payne reported on Friday. "I have heard no one say that they felt that he is not qualified," Payne said. Race would not be a factor, he added, were there black members of the Senate. "There is a legitimate opportunity to have the Senate at least start to look a teeny bit like America."

Democrats have said that their opposition to Burris is not about Burris but the fact that anyone appointed by Blagojevich would be tainted by the corruption charges against the governor.

And they're not budging, despite significant questions about whether they have the legal standing to block an appointee of a sitting governor.

Gaza crisis deepens



Palestinians look down on the rubble of the destroyed house of senior Hamas militant Nizar Rayan after an Israeli airstrike hit a nearby mosque Friday in the Jebaliya refugee camp, northern Gaza Strip.

Israel lets Palestinians flee; planes bomb mosque

By Aron Heller and Ibrahim Barzak **Associated Press writers**

EREZ CROSSING, Israel — Israel allowed several hundred Palestinians with foreign passports to flee Gaza on Friday, even as its warplanes bombed a mosque it said was used to store weapons and destroyed homes of more than a dozen Hamas operatives.

The evacuees told of crippling shortages of water, electricity and medicine, echoing a U.N. warning of a deepening humanitarian crisis in the besieged Gaza Strip in the seven-day-old Israeli campaign. The U.N. estimates at least a quarter of the 400 Palestinians killed by Israeli airstrikes on Hamas militants were civilians.

Jawaher Hajji, a 14-yearold U.S. citizen who was allowed to cross into Israel, said her uncle was one of her cancer-stricken father. She said her father later died of his illness.

"They are supposed to destroy just the Hamas, but people in their homes are dving too," Hajji, who has relatives in Virginia, said at the border crossing Erez between Gaza and Israel.

President George W. Bush on Friday branded the Hamas rocket attacks an "act of terror," while Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice accused Hamas' leaders of holding the people of Gaza hostage.

"The Hamas has used Gaza as a launching pad for rockets against Israeli cities, and has contributed deeply to a very bad daily life for the Palestinian people in Gaza and to a humanitarian situation that we have all been trying to address," she said.

International calls for a cease-fire have been growing, and French President them — killed while trying to Nicolas Sarkozy is expected pick up some medicine for in the region next week.

Bush said no peace deal would be acceptable without monitoring to halt the flow of smuggled weapons to terrorist groups.

The United States is leading diplomatic efforts to achieve a meaningful ceasefire that is fully respected," Bush said Friday in his weekly radio address, released a day early. "Another one-way cease-fire that leads to rocket attacks on Israel is not acceptable. And promises from Hamas will not suffice — there must be monitoring mechanisms in place to help ensure that smuggling of weapons to terrorist groups in Gaza comes to an end."

Israel has targeted Hamas leaders in the past but halted the practice during a sixmonth truce that expired last month. Most of Hamas' leaders went into hiding at the start of the Israeli offensive on Dec. 27.

Israeli troops in bases in southern Israel are awaiting orders to invade Gaza.

Exiled Hamas leader Khaled Mashaal, speaking in Syria, warned that any ground assault would lead Israel to "a black destiny of dead and wounded."

However, he said Hamas was "ready to cooperate with any effort leading to an end to the Israeli offensive against Gaza, lifting the seige and opening all crossings."

Israel appears to be open to the intense diplomatic efforts by Arab and European leaders, saying it would consider stopping its punishing aerial assaults if international monitors were brought in to track compliance with any truce with Hamas.

Israel began its campaign to try to halt weeks of intensifying Palestinian rocket fire from Gaza. The offensive has dealt a heavy blow to Hamas but has not stopped the rockets, which continue to strike deeper and deeper into Israel. Three Israeli civilians and one soldier have been killed in the rocket attacks.

town's capture, a rebel sui-

cide bomber struck near an

air force headquarters in

Colombo, killing three air-

men and injuring 37 other

Lanka's minority Tamil pop-

Claiming that the Sri

people, authorities said.

9 Muslims removed from flight get AirTran apology By Brian Westley

Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON AirTran Airways apologized Friday to nine Muslims kicked off a New Year's Day flight to Florida after other passengers reported hearing a suspicious remark about airplane security.

One of the passengers said the confusion started at Reagan National Airport just outside Washington, D.C., when he talked about the safest place to sit on an airplane.

Orlando, Fla.-based AirTran said in a statement that it refunded the passengers' air fare and planned to reimburse them for replacement tickets they bought on US Airways. AirTran also offered to take the passengers back Washington free charge.

"We apologize to all of the passengers — to the nine who had to undergo extensive interviews from the authorities and to the 95 who ultimately made the flight," the statement said. "Nobody on Flight 175 reached their destination on time on New Year's Day, and we regret it."

AirTran said the incident was a misunderstanding, but the steps taken were necessary.

One of the Muslim passengers, Atif Irfan, said the family probably would not fly home with AirTran because members had already booked tickets on another airline, but appreciated the apology.

"It's definitely nice to

hear," he said. Irfan said when he boarded the flight Thursday, he mentioned something to his wife and sister-in-law about having to sit in the back. His sister-in-law replied that she believed the back of the airplane was the safest, but Irfan believed it was better to be by the wings.

"She said, 'Yes, I guess it makes sense not to be close to the engine in case something happens," Irfan recalled Friday. "It was a very benign conversation."

Shortly after taking their seats, members of group were approached by federal air marshals and taken off the plane, Irfan said. They stood in the jet bridge connected to the airport and answered questions while other passengers exited and glared at them.

Irfan said he thought he and the others were profiled because of their appearance. The men had beards and the women wore headscarves, traditional Muslim attire.

Sri Lankan troops capture rebels' de facto capital

By Ravi Nessman **Associated Press writer**

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka — The jungle town not far from the Indian Ocean had been looking more and more like the seat of an independent nation. The separatist rebels in charge opened tax offices, hosted diplomats, and even printed maps of the state they hoped to create.

That ended Friday as Sri Lanka's military captured Kilinochchi, the Tamil Tigers' de facto capital, winning a major victory in their decades-long battle to crush ethnic separatists'



dream. The seizure was celebrated by dancing in the streets of Colombo, the Sri Lankan capital, as people longest-running civil war finally would end.

wondered whether Asia's Rajapaksa announced the

"For the last time, I call upon the LTTE to lay down their arms and surrender," declared President Mahinda Rajapaksa, who had promised to destroy the separatist group and end the war before 2008 was over. He was referring to the group's formal name, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

But even as the Tigers were backed into an ever-shrinking corner of this island nation, they showed little sign of giving up.

Less than an hour after

ulation is treated like second-class citizens, Tigers have waded through years of battle, wearing vials of cyanide around their necks in case of capture, and raising \$200 million to \$300 million a year through an international network

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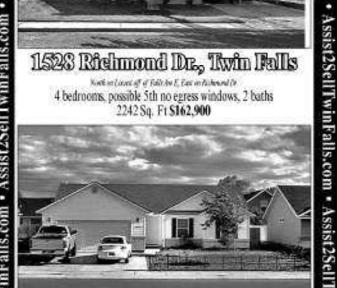
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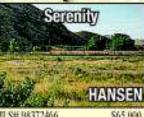
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Happy relationship threatens to go up in cigarette smoke

DEAR ABBY: My girlfriend, "Jasmine," has been seeing a therapist to deal with serious depression and anxiety issues, and I think she has done well for the most part.

I am just upset that she has taken to smoking with her co-workers to deal with stress. I don't like smoking. My mother smokes, and I find it disgusting.

I hate saying these things to Jasmine because when I do, she takes it personally. We have discussed this more than once, and she insists that my asking her to stop is "being controlling." I can't know what stress she is experiencing because of her emotional problems, but I do know that smoking isn't the solution.

Hove Jasmine with all my heart, and it's devastating to me to say this, but I can't be with a smoker. Our relationship has been great, but I do not choose to spend my life in a haze of tobacco smoke. I am in college and every day I see kids my age outside freezing their butts off for a smoke because it isn't allowed inside.

Please help me, Abby, This is something I can't compromise on. It's enough that I already have one person close to me who smokes — I don't need another.

IF JANUARY 3 IS YOUR BIRTH-

DAY: You will have ample energy

to achieve your ambitions and the

business skills necessary to suc-

ceed in the year to come. Plenty of

chances to make important

improvements have come your

way in the past months, but final

plans are yet to be hatched. In

April and May you can put finish-

ing touches on those things dear-

est to your heart just like the frost-

ing on the cake. Throw aside out-

moded traditions and routines

while you have the power to reach

for the stars and reach a higher

plateau. Once you have launched

your hopes, dreams and wishes

they will glide forward effortlessly

ARIES (March 21-April 19):

Tiptoe through the tulips, Avoid

taking big bold steps or initiating

aggressive actions. It is very easy to

become ensnared by a misunder-

standing - even when you are

being extremely polite and sincere.

That big bad wolf can huff and

puff but can't blow your house

down. Well-built financial strate-

gies are able to withstand attack. If

there is a threat, you can just sit

comfortably by until it blows over.

Make a resolution to tap into the

brains of well-heeled family mem-

bers. This is not the best time for

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

TAURUS (April 20-May 20):

without interference.

- ANTI-SMOKER IN MICHIGAN



DEAR Abby Jeanne **Phillips**

DEAR ANTI-SMOKER: The fellow students you see freezing their butts off for a smoke aren't doing it because they like it. They are freezing their butts off because they're addicted to nicotine, need their fix and are willing to get it in sub-zero weather if they must.

People who reach for a cigarette when they are feeling stressed regard the cigarette as a "friend" they can hold onto. What they don't realize is the cigarette is holding onto THEM - and occasional smokers become dependent not only on the ritual but also the "drug."

You have a hard choice to make, and so does Jasmine. Perhaps it will be easier if Jasmine does the choosing. Tell her that if you smell tobacco on her hair, skin, breath or clothing, you won't kiss her. If she hasn't quit smoking within 30 days, you'll have your answer.

DEAR ABBY: My husband, kids and I fly to the West Coast once a

year for either summer vacation or the holidays. As soon as we arrive, my in-laws take me — "the wife" to the grocery store to shop for food and expect me to pay half the

Abby, my in-laws are not hurting for money, and I have never understood this bizarre custom. I don't appreciate getting off a long plane flight to go grocery shopping and incur yet another expense after paying for air travel, etc. I wouldn't dream of doing it to them. Everything is always taken care of before they come to visit us.

Would you consider this poor hospitality on their part, or a difference in cultures — East Coast formal versus West Coast casual? I am trying to let it go, but it is getting old.

— DREADING NEXT TIME HAMPTON, VA.

DEAR DREADING: What you have described is not a difference in cultures. Your in-laws may not be hurting for money, but they may be on a budget. Because being taken to the grocery store and asked to pay for half the groceries bothers you, on your next visit have them take their son along so he can have the pleasure. You can't change his parents, so don't let it ruin your visit.

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

investments, but someone's war stories may teach you a lesson or steer you clear of potential pitfalls. CANCER (June 21-July 22): Ask

not what your country can do for you - ask what you can do for your country. This is not the right time to pursue the object of your affection or to ask for favors. But you can lend a hand when needed. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Keep the

hose and pail of sand close. Don't wait until you see the flames to put out certain fires. If there is smoke curling up around the edges, that should be enough to warn you to guard your reputa-

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): The stack of responsibilities piling up on your desk needs your attention. There is something there that, once completed, could add a gold star to your name or add value to your list of accomplish-

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Mountains could be made out of molehills. You can't mix business with pleasure without causing some hurt feelings or a misunderstanding. Keep your money in

your piggy bank and don't sign contracts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Save it for a rainy day. You could strike it rich with bargains on the sales tables, but may regret it later when you face unexpected expenses. Get caught up on a backlog of detailed work and pay SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

If you feel the pinch of post holiday expenses, a good bargain can be found by shopping carefully today. Just remember that time spent with that special someone costs absolutely nothing at all. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):

The ball is in the other court. You may be filled by dreams of a successful future with a significant other, but could be challenged by differences in your attitudes toward the handling of money.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't brood over imagined slights or small social injustices. Put some muscle into your work and burn off those extra calories. The path of true love is never smooth, but could hit a roadblock today.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Put off making key purchases and important decisions. Those afterholiday bargains may be tempting but could interfere with longrange savings plans. Pass up invitations and parties tonight.

Today is Saturday, Jan. 3, the TODAY IN HISTORY third day of 2009. There are 362

days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 3, 1959, Alaska became the 49th state as President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a proclama-

On this date: In 1521, Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church by Pope Leo X.

In 1777, Gen. Washington's army routed the British in the Battle of Princeton,

In 1868, the Meiji Restoration reestablished the authority of Japan's emperor and heralded the fall of the military rulers known as shoguns.

In 1909, Danish-American comedian Victor Borge was born in Copenhagen.

In 1938, the March of Dimes

campaign to fight polio was organized. In 1947, congressional proceedings were televised for the first time

viewers in Washington, Philadelphia and New York got to see some of the opening ceremonies of the 80th Congress.

In 1949, in a pair of rulings, the U.S. Supreme Court said that states had the right to ban closed shops.

In 1961, the United States sev-

ered diplomatic relations with In 1990, ousted Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega surren-

dered to U.S. forces, 10 days after taking refuge in the Vatican's diplomatic mission. In 1993, President George H.W. Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin signed a historic nuclear

missile-reduction

Ten years ago: Chicagoans dug out from their biggest snowstorm in more than 30 years. Israeli authorities detained, and later expelled, 14 members of

treaty

Concerned Christians, a Denverbased cult which Israeli officials feared was plotting violence in Jerusalem to bring about the Second Coming of Christ.

Five years ago: A Boeing 737 owned by Egyptian charter tour operator Flash Airlines crashed into the Red Sea, killing all 148 people aboard, most of them French tourists. NASA's Mars rover, Spirit, touched down on

Mars. One year ago: Barack Obama won the Democratic caucuses in Iowa, while Mike Huckabee won the Republican caucuses. After nearly 27 years in prison, Texas inmate Charles Chatman was set free by a judge because of new DNA evidence showing he'd been wrongly convicted of rape. Pop star Britney Spears was hospitalized after a child custody dispute with ex-husband Kevin Federline resulted in an hours-long standoff with police. The Kansas Jayhawks won the Orange Bowl, defeating Virginia Tech 24-21.



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Magic Valley Storage 1592 Elm Street North Twin Falls, ID 83301 (208) 736-0053 11:00 AM

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISCTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CASSIA MAGISTRATES DIVISION

Case No. CV-08-1317 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of MILRED MOLINE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-name estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Shanna Rondeau of the estate of her attornery James Annest at P.O. Box 686, Burley, ID 83318, or

filed with the court. DATED this 28th day of November 2008. Shanna Rondeau 4614 E. Arborvitae Drive

Boise, Idaho 83716 PUBLISH: Dec 27, 2008 & Jan 3, 10, 17, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 200801458 Loan No. 0999075666 On 4/6/2009 at 10:00 am (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Jerome, State of Idaho: In the front lobby of Land Title & Es-crow located at 237 N. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338, Pioneer Lenders Trustee Services , LLC, as Trustee will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Jerome, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 7 in Block 3, Jerome Townsite, Jerome Count, Idaho, as the same is platted in the official Plat thereof, now of record in the Office of the re-corder of said County. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the ad-dress of 202 7th Ave. E, Jerome, Idaho 83338-1919, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without coverant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Acie L. Winn and Nadine V. Winn, husband and wife, as grantors, to Wells Fargo Financial National Bank, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 9/24/2003, and recorded on 10/20/2003, as Instrument No. #2036633, of Official Records of Jerome County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to com-ply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obliga-tion set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when under Deed of Trust and Note dated 9/24/2003. The monthly installments of principal interest and impounds (if applicable) of 327.36, due per month for the months of 7/20/2008 through 11/25/2008, and all installments subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the ob-ligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$53,755.48, plus accruing interest at the rate of 6.54% per annum from 6/20/2008. All delinquent amounts are now due. together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Melmet Default Services, Inc., 1820 E. First Street, Suite 410, Santa Ana, CA 92705-4063 Sale Information Line: 714-259-7850 Reinstatement and Pay-Off Requests: (714) 480-5472 This is an attempt to collect a debt and informa-

tion obtained will be used for that purpose. Date: 11/26/2008 Pioneer Lenders Trustee Ser-

vices, LLC By: Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer ASAP# 2942125

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101 Lost and Found

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FOUND Cat, large or-

ange & white, very

tame, wearing leopard

collar, at 775 Falls

Ave. W. 733-7687

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running down street

between Albertson's &

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ley. No collar. Call to

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with jump drive, &

Found on Ash & 3rd

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male, 3 yrs old, silver

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FOUND Bull

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onships in Killarney, both tables

reached six diamonds by South on

the lead of the heart jack. Both de-

clarers won the ace, drew trumps,

and took the three top spades.

Then they took the heart king and

the British declarer ruffed the

trick and played a club to the nine

(yes, West should have played the

10 to give declarer a nasty guess).

East was endplayed, forced to

give a ruff and discard or play a

East and the third heart was led

from dummy, he rose with the

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4 10 8 6 2

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EAST

📤 A 5 3 Vulnerable: Both Dealer: South

The bidding:

South West North East 1 💠 Pass 3 NT Pass 4 NT Pass 6 ♦ All pass

♠ AJ2

♦ A Q 10 8 5

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Opening lead: Heart jack

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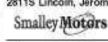


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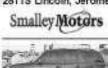


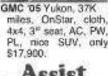
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Tomorrow: Colder temperatures and partly cloudy skies. Highs upper 20s, lows middle teens.

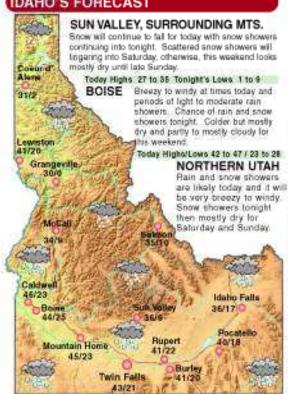
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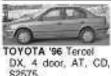
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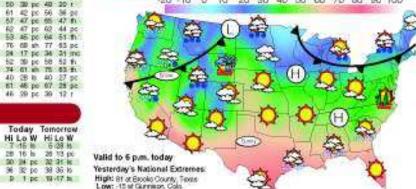
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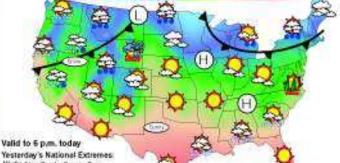
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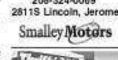
















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