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Gov. C.L. 'Butch' Otter is framed by a cast-iron railing as he addresses a gathering at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl in October 2008 while stumping for local Republican candidates. Behind him are legislators and party officials from Twin Falls County. Otter and state lawmakers hope to work together more during the 2009 legislative session, which convenes Monday in Boise.

Otter, lawmakers optimistic about 3rd session together

By Jared S. Hopkins Times-News writer

The financial crisis has forced companies to cut jobs, families to tighten their belts and public officials to cut budgets.

But while trying times might unify people — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter and the Legislature are pledging to work together - they could be just temporary stopgaps.

"Certainly, I think because of the economy, we have to be closer on the same page," Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, said. "That doesn't mean, however, there won't be disagreements."

When the Legislature convenes Monday, it will do so during difficult economic times. Otter brought the year's temporary budget cuts to 4 percent, or \$130 million, and the Legislature will likely make those permanent.

Lawmakers have commended Otter's decision and leadership and said he's doing what's necessary in a time of uncertainty.

"This governor has been moving us to the point where we all need to be watching every step of the way and I just feel he'll be right there on this — on the economy," said Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome.

Bell is convinced there won't be a repeat of the previous two sessions — or the

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"nastiness" of former governors when vetoes became a common fixture. But lawmakers were similarly opti-

- Sen. Dean Cameron,

mistic leading up to the last two sessions — both of which ended on somewhat strained terms between the two branches. After taking office in 2007,

Otter nixed a long-set plan to renovate the Capitol. During the session lawmakers rejected his grocery-tax relief proposal and overrode his veto of a ban on smoking in bowling alleys.

In 2008, a souring economy reduced most of Otter's budget proposals. He withdrew a proposal to raise millions annually for roads and then criticized legislators for taking no action,

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What to watch for this session

State lawmakers will tell you the only reason for going to Boise annually for the Legislature is to set next year's budget. But a funny thing always happens on the way to adjournment they pass other legislation. Here's a small sampling of ideas expected to emerge.





Securing new revenue for roads — and the estimated \$240 million shortfall for the Idaho Transportation Department — will be the top issue after setting the general budget. But it

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter unveiled a broad proposal to repair the state's deteriorating roads and bridges, and many lawmakers said they expect a increase to both the fuel tax and registration fees. There will also be proposals to encourage highway districts to consolidate, and a pitch to fine farmers who create unsafe driving conditions by leaving water on the



RESOURCES

Idaho Fish and Game will ask for increases in fees to out-of-state hunters and fishermen and there will be a proposal to increase fees for ATV users and use the revenue for emergency services.

Corporate tax incentives are on deck, including alternative energy companies, to encourage jobs and economic growth, and another bill may suggest using dairy waste for energy. By February, state water officials are expected to present legislators with a plan to rehabilitate the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer. Democrats will try to expand the incentives to build energy-efficient school buildings.



HEALTH AND WELFARE

Health care proposals include improving and refining the Idaho Catastrophic Fund, and refining Medicaid. The state's naturopathic physicians are expected to once again propose licensing rules for themselves. A bill licensing midwives to dispense certain medications, among other things, will return after a summer of heavy rewriting and vetting by the state attorney general's office. And the state Department of Administration will try again to shift state retirees onto Medicare, freeze the state subsidy for early retirees and make new employees after July 1 ineligible for benefits.



Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna plans to introduce a merit pay package, although it won't have a funding source just yet. Legislation to give more authority to grandparents raising their grandchildren could emerge. Charter schools will also be debated. There are also plans to introduce day care regulations and allow pre-kindergarten — bipartisan ideas that died the last two sessions. Expect more discussion of a medical school, veterinary school or further progress on expanding the state's law school, along with proposals to increase funding for home schooling.



Sen. Kate Kelly, D-Boise, plans to bring a batch of bills for ethics — requiring legislators to disclose their personal finances; streamlining the open meeting law; and a revolving door law that requires government officials to take some time away from government before becoming a lobbyist. She'll also introduce legislation to tighten up the tax commission after a whistleblower accused the agency of having problems.

A new proposal for consolidation of elections may return, although cost concerns don't give much hope. A task force assembled by Otter will present legislation to expand liquor licenses in Idaho to encourage economic growth and continue to upgrade Prohibition-era laws.



There will be a proposal to raise beer and wine taxes — long resisted by powerful lobbyists — to give additional funding to substance-abuse rehabilitation, mental health courts and counseling. The Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry will try to repeal the personal

Expect the annual proposal to create local-option taxing authority — as well as the usual resistance that's lasted for 30 years. The city of Twin Falls is basing part of its long-term funding for infrastructure on the hope that local-optioning taxing will be passed.

Root causes

States with worst jobless rates share same trouble

By Christopher S. Rugaber and Ray Henry **Associated Press writers**

Unlike the last recession, today's unemployment hot spots are all over the map.

The five states with the highest unemployment rates — Michigan, Rhode Island, South Carolina, California and Oregon all have something in common, though: a heightened exposure to the root causes of this downward spiral.

The collapse of housing. The implosion of the auto industry. The meltdown of financial services. The exodus of manufacturing. All states are feeling the

pain, but the worst are get-

ting hammered on multiple fronts: • The rotten housing market has punished California lenders and builders, taken an ax to Oregon's timber industry and soured the prospects for construction workers in Rhode Island, where buyers from neighboring states helped drive up

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INSIDE

home prices.

Western states top the list of lowest unemployment rates.

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Doctors paying to hear town criticize vaccines

By Jeff Barnard **Associated Press writer**

ASHLAND, Ore. — There are so many parents in this free-spirited, unconventional small town who won't get their kids vaccinated that federal researchers are paying money just to hear their side of things.

On Saturday, 80 locals will get \$50 apiece to talk about their worries over the risks of childhood shots.

"One of the basic tenets of my decision-making is mistrust of the government, a mistrust of the pharmaceutical companies, and mistrust of the big blanket thing that says this is what everybody has to do," says Tracy Harding,

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• Budget, declining revenues, will define session.

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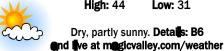
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MORNING BRIEFING.

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Harold Pinter's award-winning play, "The **Homecoming"** presented by The Royal Larkspur Play Troupe, 6 p.m. musical program, 6:30 p.m. play with post-play discussion to follow, NexStage Theater, free admission, refreshments available. (donations to NexStage welcome), (208) 725-5522.

EXHIBITS

"In Tense," featuring the work of Dutch artist Rein De Lege, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Gallery De Novo, 320 First Ave. N., Ste. 101, Ketchum, no cost, gallerydenovo.com or 726-8180.

MARKETS AND FAIRS

Magic Valley Flea Market, variety of vendors and snack bar, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Merchant building No.1, Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, Filer, free admission, 410-1738.

TODAY'S DEADLINES

Lunch reservations deadline for Jan. 13 Agape Interfaith Ministry luncheon, with program: "The Awesome Love of God" by Bernice Petersen and music by Kathy Gilbert, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Basque Center on University Avenue, Gooding, \$8 for lunch, no fee for pro-

gram only, reservations: 536-6583.

Registration reminder for Jan. 27 Every Child Ready to Read workshops, six consecutive weeks of literacy skills workshops with books, activities and tips for parents, 7 p.m., Burley Public Library, 1300 Miller Ave., no cost, 20family limit, 878-7708.

To have an event listed, submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O.Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548.

PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY



This photo, taken between 1904-05, is of Peter Kimberly, for whom the Idaho town was named. Kimberly was born in 1846 in Ohio. During his lifetime, he moved to Sharon, Penn., and became a co-owner with Frank **Buhl of several** mines. Eventually, both of them heard about the Magic Valley area and began to invest in canal projects. He visited Twin Falls twice before his

Photo courtesy Twin Falls

death in 1905.

Town

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an organic farming consultant and mother of two.

"I get the public health standpoint," she said. "I am still questioning (vaccines') safety."

Nationally, there is a budding movement of parents who are getting exemptions from laws requiring children to get vaccinated before attending school. The exemptions are one explanation the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention gives for a spike in measles cases. The government recommends as many as 10 vaccines before a child is 6, plus boosters along the way.

Dr. Ben Schwartz, an adviser to the National Vaccine Program, said the meeting in Ashland is one of three where the government is paying average citizens to give their views to inform officials charting the direction of vaccine research for the next five years. A similar meeting was held in Birmingham, Ala., and for another is set Indianapolis, both sites with more mainstream views about vaccines.

But Ashland stands apart from the mainstream.

The town of 20,000 on the flanks of the Siskiyou Mountains in southwestern Oregon has always been different. In the early 20th century it was on the Chautauqua lecture circuit, and the sulfurous waters of Lithia Springs drew visitors looking for a cure for what ailed them.

Today, it has one of the

"It is essential in these times for everyone to look more closely at the choices they are making."

- Tyre Dawn, a parent in Ashland, Ore.

highest rates in the nation for vaccine exemptions — 28 percent and rising in kindergartens, compared with about 4 percent statewide. One alternative school has 67 percent.

A liberal outpost in a conservative region, Ashland likes to go its own way. The city has its own water and electric utilities, and was a pioneer promoting solar energy, high-speed Internet, and dog parks. It has serious debates about whether to cut down trees to expand the library or whether to allow a woman to ride her bicycle naked in the Fourth of July

For years, Dr. Jim Shames, a physician who prefers a down vest to a lab coat, has argued the benefits of vaccines with Harding, his nextdoor neighbor.

As Jackson County's chief medical officer, Shames would like every child immunized. Ashland always has some whooping cough around, which can be devastating to babies, but has seen no spike in measles. Still, Shames fears the community is vulnerable because so many international visitors come to the Oregon Shakespeare Festival and

Southern Oregon University. Shames has been working with nursing students from Oregon Health & Science University on a pamphlet that would promote immunization.

While doing interviews for that pamphlet, nursing stu-

dent Shauna Gargus, who had her own two kids vaccinated, found many parents distrust mainstream medicine. They tend to believe their friends rather than medical research. Their biggest single fear is that the shot for measles, mumps and rubella could cause their children to become autistic, despite solid scientific studies that show no evidence of

"The fear is real for parents, and it overshadows the research," she said. "This is my hometown. This is where I grew up. I care about the community here. I just really would like to not make this a browbeating issue."

Harding is suspicious of the need to inject so many vaccines into small children. She stopped vaccinating her son, Frank, after his first shot as a baby triggered hours of crying. Her daughter, Stella, got a tetanus shot, but that is

Until now, Tyre Dawn has depended on organic food and plenty of playtime outdoors to keep her 4-year-old son, Lukyan, healthy. But she is planning to open a preschool in the spring, and with so many children around, she is now rethinking her policy.

"It is essential in these times for everyone to look more closely at the choices they are making," she said.

Pat's Picks ... Pat Marcantonio

Three things to do today

• You can find all types of goods at the Magic Valley Flea Market from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Merchant building No.1 at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer. You can get in free.

• Read a good book then join the Twin Falls Public Library's Book Club at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 13 at the library,

201 Fourth Ave. E. This month's book is Lauran Paine's "The Open Range Men," a Western novel.

• Harold Pinter's awardwinning play, "The Homecoming" presented by The Royal Larkspur Play Troupe, hits the stage at 6 p.m. at the nexStage Theater, 120 S. Main in Ketchum. It

includes a musical program and post-play discussion. Free admission but donations to nexStage welcome.

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.

Jobs

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• The steady decline of the manufacturing sector has punished Rhode Island and South Carolina, where laid-off factory workers lack the training and job opportunities in an increasingly high-tech economy.

• The auto industry's pain is Michigan's above all. But it is also being felt in states like South Carolina, where German automaker BMW has cut 500 temporary workers, and in California, where many of dealerships have shut down.

"What makes this a different recession," said Rebecca Blank, an economist at the Brookings Institution, "is that it is so widespread."

During the 2001 recession, which was largely tied to the dot-com collapse, the West had a disproportionate amount of the jobless burden: Oregon, Washington, Alaska and California had the highest unemployment rates. (Mississippi and Washington, D.C. were tied with California.)

There is one region of the country that has largely avoided the country's real estate and manufacturing woes, and as a result has been spared the worst of the recession's pain.

A contiguous cluster of rural states — Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Utah — had the lowest unemployment rates in November, ranging from 3.2 percent to 3.7 percent. The Labor Department on Friday said the national jobless rate in December was 7.2 percent.

Historically high prices for energy and grains have been a boon to their economies, although recent declines in commodity prices are beginning to bite, economists said.

For the majority of the country, the air has come out of a decade-long housing bubble, with home prices falling an average of 20 percent in the past year and almost one in ten mortgages either overdue or in foreclosure. A wide swath of industries is feeling the pain, including real estate agents, bankers, builders, lumber companies and furniture makers.

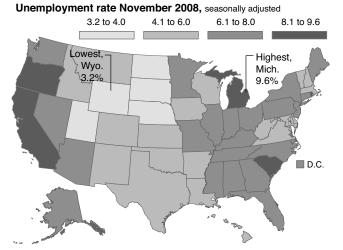
The real estate bust is at the heart of job losses in California, which has seen its unemployment rate reach 8.4 percent, the third-highest in the U.S. In the year ending in November, 71 percent of the nonfarm jobs lost in California were housing-related.

Many of the nation's leading mortgage lenders Countrywide Financial, New Century Financial, IndyMac Bancorp, and Fremont General Corp. — were based in California and have since been bought by larger banks or gone bankrupt.

The recently unemployed in California include Filemon Galvan, 41, of Buena Park,

Recession drives jobless rate higher

Michigan, Rhode Island and California reported the highest unemployment rates in November, as the national figure rose to 6.8 percent.



SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Five Western rural states have lowest jobless rates

By Dirk Lammers Associated Press writer

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. -Insulated from the harshest effects of the housing bust and buoyed by an abundance of energy and agriculture — five contiguous rural states have the lowest unemployment rates in the land.

Recent declines in commodity prices are being felt across Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Nebraska, with plans for natural gas and biofuel production being scaled back. However, each of these states boasted unemployment rates of 3.7 percent or lower in November, when the national rate stood at 6.7 per-

The country's jobless rate rose to 7.2 percent in December, the Labor Department said Friday, but state breakdowns December weren't available.

Removed from major urban centers, the states with the lowest unemployment rates have kept "insulated, but not isolated" from the harshest effects of the recession by largely avoiding the turbulent housing boom and bust that plagued the nation's coasts, said Ernie Goss, an economics professor at Creighton University in Nebraska.

They also avoided job losses that struck the financial services industry, local econ-

Calif., who was laid off from his job as a carpenter for a housing subcontractor in August.

"It's been a long time since we had a nice family outing,' Galvan said in Spanish.

As the country's leading lumber producer, Oregon has also taken a direct hit from housing, with sawmills producing sharply less than a year ago. The slump has cost Oregon about 1,000 logging jobs in the past two years and more than 7,000 jobs in wood manufacturing,

omists said, in part because rural bankers tended to be more cautious in their lending and exposure to risky mortgage derivatives that ended up badly for some of Wall Street's largest investment banks. "Lending close to home

sometimes trims your profit a little bit," said John Sondey, an economics professor at Dakota South State University in Brookings. But it helps explain why the region's banks are "much less apt to lay off people."

While the region has never been a significant manufacturing hub because of its distance from the coasts, some niche industry jobs in wind turbines and agriculture equipment have been lost as part of larger nationwide corporate cutbacks.

Wyoming, the nation's least populated state but one of the largest producers of coal and natural gas, posted the lowest jobless rate for November (3.2 percent). Another source of strength is that its largest employment sector — government remains healthy because the budget has not been plagued by declines in real estate, income and retail tax collec-

The states with the next lowest unemployment are: North Dakota (3.3 percent), South Dakota (3.4 percent), Utah (3.7 percent) and Nebraska (3.7 percent).

includes plywood mills and the production of door and window frames, said David Cooke, an economist in Oregon's employment department.

Not even tiny Rhode Island, which has the nation's second-highest unemployment rate at 9.3 percent, has been exempt from the housing bust.

The slide has cost Rhode Island more than 3,000 construction jobs in the past year, according to the U.S. Labor Department.

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CORRECTION An article in Friday's Twin Falls Community section incorrect-

ly reported Larry Kauffman's graduation year from Filer High School. Kauffman graduated in 1976.

The *Times-News* regrets the error.

COMING TOMORROW IN THE TIMES-NEWS



Move, think, socialize Discover five ways to be a

healthier senior citizen. HEALTHY & FIT



Antique dealer Tammy Weekes takes a phone call Saturday morning at the 2nd Time Around Antique Mall in Twin Falls. The shop took part in Cabin Fever Day, an annual event arranged by the city's parks and recreation department.

Antique amusement

Annual Cabin Fever Day offers free activities around Twin Falls

"I'm suspicious about this,"

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Perhaps, but Tyree wasn't

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"John Deere stuff is really

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Research and history are

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said Weekes, holding a metal

lock missing its key.

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she said.

By Andrea Jackson **Times-News writer**

A coaster flashing Marilyn Monroe's naked body is a vintage piece for sure, but valuing it beyond sex appeal will take some more research.

Local antique dealer Tammy Weekes has a fine eye for old things, and on Saturday she helped a handful of residents figure out how much money their aged belongings could draw.

The afternoon of free appraisals at 2nd Time Around Antique Mall on Washington Street in Twin Falls was part of Cabin Fever Day, an annual event arranged by the city's parks and recreation department along with area businesses at 21 locations from the YMCA to Skateland.

Weekes held up the sexy coaster from a line of other pieces that antique-lover Shelly Tyree brought in delicately wrapped for evalua-

Old Native American artifacts, glasswear, a Japanese planter, and a Prussian bowl also peppered Tyree's offer-

A worn, long hallway rug, colors muted from heavy foot traffic, was unraveled and placed on the wooden floor.

"I don't think it's Indian," said Weekes. "I'd hate to say it's worth \$80 and have someone else say it's worth \$8,000."

The women chuckled.

"It's hard to say where it came from," said Tyree. "That tag could be from an auction." Unlikely, Weekes said, "It looks like a dry-cleaning tag."

Most of the items could draw some dough — \$20 here, \$30 there, and even up to \$1,000 for a pair of moccasins. But one antiquity drew a



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"John Deere stuff is really popular, especially around here; all these tractor drivers."

Local antique dealer Tammy Weekes







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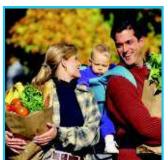
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Teen's family pleased by acquittal on battery charges

Times-News staff

The family of a Jerome teenager said Saturday they are pleased by Friday's jury verdict acquitting David J. Markus on all charges against

Markus, 17, charged as an adult in June, was found not guilty on three counts of aggravated battery and a count of aggravated assault,

all felonies, in 5th District

Court in Jerome. He had originally been accused of attempted murder, but prosecutors reduced that to an aggravated battery charge.

Authorities had accused Markus of shooting Diego Aguilar in June along the 200 block of Fifth Avenue West in Jerome. Aguilar suffered a bullet graze wound to the face.

His mother, Kathy Markus, said Saturday her family agrees with the jury's decision. but declined further comment until conferring with her attor-

Two other Jerome men are each charged with aggravated battery for their alleged role in the shooting. Joshua A. Nunes, 19, is charged with three counts of aggravated battery and a count of aggravated

assault. His older brother, Nunes' and Markus walked by Anthony C. Nunes, 25, is charged with two counts of aggravated battery and a count of unlawful possession of a firearm by a convicted

They both have pretrials slated for Monday.

Joshua Nunes allegedly knifed another man, Carlos Ferreria, court records show.

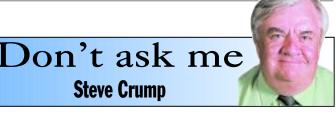
Witnesses told police the

a house at 509 N. Lincoln Ave. where Ferreria and Aguilar were sleeping, and the group got into a verbal altercation.

Then Ferreria and Aguilar left to find Markus and the Nunes', court records show. They got to Fifth Avenue West where Ferreria was allegedly struck from behind, beaten by three people, had a gun pointed at him, and a knife put to his abdomen, according to court records.

Aguilar received a superficial wound to the face from one of three rounds fired from a gun and was then knocked down, according to what Ferreria and Aguilar told police in court records.

Aguilar and Ferreria were treated and released from a local hospital on the day of the incident.



I-84 to Utah: It's not a road; it's a root canal

od doesn't want you to go visit Aunt Velma.

Not from the Magic Valley, anyway. And certainly not in winter.

Interstate 84 between its junction with I-86 south to the Utah border has been closed by weather 15 times in the past three years and on 19 occasions since New Year's Day 2004, according to the Idaho Transportation Department. That's far and away the most of any Idaho freeway.

Fifteen of those closures have come during winter months, including the granddaddy of them all the 46-hour, 7-minute shutdown between Dec. 22 and Christmas Eve — followed by a 37-hour closure on Christmas Day and Dec. 26.

"The snow can generally be dealt with, but the addition of wind is the major cause of most road closures in our area," said ITD spokesman Nathan Jerke. "The right combination of conditions have been more frequent these last couple winters than in the 10 years previous. Generally the roads are closed because of ground blizzard conditions – blowing snow, low visibility and severe drifting."

Most times, road closures are a precaution — "sometimes the road is open nearly as quick as it was closed," Ierke said — but in the case of I-84 it's always an imper-

I was stranded at the truck stop near Malta during a blizzard 10 years ago. Within minutes, the drifts were taller than the minivan I was driving.

"Just as well have another cup of coffee," said the woman behind the counter. "You ain't goin' anywhere 'til Memorial Day."

The irony is that the route down the middle of the Raft River Valley was — literally - the first interstate highway in Idaho: the California Trail, opened in 1841. In 30 years, 250,000 farmers and miners bound for the Golden State passed that way.

But they had sense enough not to try it in January, when nine of the

"... the prevailing winds come roaring over the Albion and Black Pine ranges to the west like a sailor on 12-hour shore leave."

past 19 closures of I-84 have occurred. Still, shutdowns have also happened on Labor Day 2006 and again last April 15 and Oct. 11 the latter lasting 19 hours.

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Otter

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telling them "you might as well just get out of town."

Lawmakers insist that all the kinks are worked out. Otter brought on a new chief-of-staff, Jason Kreizenbeck, last year. He has mailed out draft versions of the transportation funding, meets regularly with leadership teams, and consulted the budget committee chairmen when he issued the holdbacks — something, they point out, previous governors didn't bother doing.

"The lines of communications are definitely clearer now and everyone's used to each other," House Assistant Majority Leader Scott Bedke,

R-Oakley, said. Boise State University Professor Gary Moncrief said Otter's initiative in ordering the holdbacks was a smart move and in the short-term that might be how he's remembered. Otter and both parties are working together not only because they've had a few years to get to know each other but because the tough economic times affect everyone in the state, he said.

"They all see it as a real

problem," he said. "It's not something for one party to get some political purchase on. It's a real problem for the state of Idaho and the citi-

zens of Idaho." Despite the economic worries, Otter and the GOPdominated Legislature are optimistic about the 2009 session — particularly about fixing the state's deteriorating roads, a thorny issue that's been the root of tension.

To find the most acceptable increase for road funding, Otter traveled across Idaho meeting with voters and local governments. He will outline his overall 2010 budget proposal Monday in his annual State of the State

"He has to kind of birddog this much more than he did last year," Moncrief said of finding a road funding agreement. "It seems to be from what he's been saying, he's well aware of it."

Calls to Otter's office were

not returned. Even with improved communication to Otter, lawmakers point out that disagreements will remain part of the process.

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Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, who recently gave up her post of house minority leader after 10 years, said Otter held a conference call with the Democrats over the

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Democrats also feel more

"He's done a lot of work and he's starting the session off in a more collaborative notion with the Legislature."

Otter will also have a new ally between himself and the Legislature — incoming Lt. Gov. Brad Little, who Otter named Tuesday after Jim Risch resigned.

Little is a personal friend of Otter's, and could be just the political force he needs to end the wrangling with legislators.



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House Majority Leader Mike Moyle, R-Star, left, lobbyist Patrick Sullivan and House Assistant Majority Leader Scott Bedke, R-Oakley leave the Capitol Annex in Boise during lunchtime last year.



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Key players from the Magic Valley during this session $\star\star$



Gov. C.L. 'Butch' Otter

A former congressman and lieutenant governor. Otter has said governor was a job he's coveted since childhood. His first two legislative sessions were marked by rocky relations with a Legislature dominated by his own party. He told lawmakers to "get out of town" after they failed to find a road funding package. Since then, the 66-year-old former Simplot businessman has gone the extra mile to work with legislators, who now sing his praises and are optimistic for the session. Some have said the financial crisis offers Otter a chance to leave his stamp on Idaho gov-



Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, and Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome

As co-chairmen of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee, these two district mates are expected to be the center of attention. Both Cameron, an insurance salesman, and Bell, a farmer, keep spending to a minimum and aren't afraid to speak out against a proposal from the governor. They are strong advocates for the College of Southern Idaho and were instrumental in getting last year's \$26 million water package passed to help the city of Twin Falls and Magic Valley groundwater pumpers.



Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls

As a moderate Republican in a

conservative House, Smith sometimes digs his heels in the sand. He supports localoption taxing authority as strongly as those who oppose it, and can be the sole member of his party to vote with Democrats. But as a former state transportation board chairman, the six-term lawmaker has personally been requested by the governor to settle disputes on transportation funding, a role that could return this year with Otter determined to pass a package.



House Assistant Majority Leader Scott Bedke, R-Oakley

Bedke, of the cattle ranching family in Oakley, is a mild-mannered, savvy Republican who looks out for agriculture and rural Idahoans — and as a member of leadership will be at the forefront negotiating transportation issues. He is the ying to the yang of Mike Moyle, the hard-nosed majority leader. But he flexes his political muscle, and once told teachers in a committee hearing that "it takes a certain talent to read (state) code."



Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum,

Jaquet is never shy to show her

partisan stripes. She likes to point out that significant proposals pushed by the GOP grocery tax reform and reducing personal property tax were first pitched by Democrats. But she gave up her post as House minority leader after 10 years to sit on JFAC, and her new role will be focused slightly more on finan- ${\it cial\ horse-trading--somewhat}$

significant for her, given the

financial crisis.





Rep. Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls, and Sen. Bert Brackett, R-Rogerson

The growth of the Magic Valley might best be exemplified by these lawmakers — and their district, which includes all of rural Owyhee County and the growing western half of Twin Falls County. Both Patrick, a farmer, and Brackett, a rancher, are strong conservative voices for agriculture on JFAC — but remain opposed to local-option taxing authority, which the city of Twin Falls desperately

- Jared Hopkins

Budget, declining revenues, will define 2009 session

By Jared S. Hopkins **Times-News writer**

In 2002, legislators had to save money in a budget crisis, so they cut the state's match for dental coverage in Medicaid.

"You never saw so many toothless people in your life come to the Statehouse. They pushed in wheelchairs with placards waving," said Rep. Maxine Bell, co-chairwoman of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee. "It just was a fiasco. So don't you think that any of this will be easy."

Similar painful cost-cutting measures are expected when the 2009 Idaho Legislature convenes Monday during a financial crisis some compare to the of the Great Depression. Attention will be on the state's budget — both the current year's budget that's been cut 4 percent and next year's when programs be eliminated or reduced.

"The elephant's not only out of the closet — it's sitting on the rotunda floor," Boise State University political sciprofessor Moncrief said. "It's just huge. I think that's just going to dominate this session — the shortfall, not only in this budget but more what's coming up next year."

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter, who will outline his agenda Monday in his annual State of the State address, brought the year's temporary budget cuts to 4 percent, or \$130 million, and the Legislature will likely make those permanent. He's also asked that agencies delay spending another \$54 million should

things get worse. "It's maybe more intensibefore because the economic conditions have not

Cameron, R-Rupert, who is the co-chairman for JFAC. "There are going to be some very difficult decisions, and I'm not sure even all my colleagues have had a handle on how bad our revenue situation could be."

Budget cuts are expected to be reviewed individually, not across the board, and lawmakers have said no agencies are going to get an increase in their budget. And no shortfall will be made up by a sales tax increase like in 2003.

"I do not foresee a sales tax increase," said House Majority Leader Mike Moyle, R-Star. "You're not going to see an income tax increase."

Two areas expected to receive heavy scrutiny are education and health and welfare — the two biggest general fund budgets.

Lawmakers have vowed to protect public schools, which consume about half of the entire budget, as much as possible. Bell said she'd like to reduce the schools no more than its 2007 budget which would be a 4 percent drop from 2008 appropria-

But changes will likely hit health and welfare, the heaviest budget behind educa-

"It's impossible to balance the budget and keep all the same existing programs funded at the level they

were," Cameron said. "We're being forced to either eliminate programs or suspend programs (tem-

porarily)." Some budget-writers will focus on the smaller state agencies, a process destined not only for financial scrutiny but political horse-trad-

But agencies that are fied on the budget than typically 9 percent or 10 percent of the budget could collapse if they are gutted improved," said Sen. Dean too heavily, said Rep. Bert

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Stevenson, R-Rupert.

"Maybe that's the thing we have to decide — do we still want a Department of Ag? Do we still want a (Department Water Resources?" Stevenson asked. "I can tell you people in the rural communities say we do. But over the years we keep adding more and more responsibilities, but they are such a small part of the state budget that they are very often looked at when we have these downturns to give in."

The Idaho Legislature is among the most fiscally conservative, historically opposed to new programs, which could make things somewhat easier, Moncrief

"This year they have a built-in excuse for not spending money," he said. "So it may well be that even less gets done in a programmatic standpoint this year than normal.

This year, more than most, the Legislature is gong to say there's not money - and people are going to go, 'yeah,

Like most lawmakers and observers to the Legislature, the one exception will be finding new revenue to fix the state's deteriorating roads and bridges. The latest proposal is an increase of gas tax and registration fee for just one year.

Still, the makeup of JFAC makes it unlikely that the eight-county south-central Idaho region will suffer heavy blows. The 20-member panel includes six regional legislators — four House members and two senators — the most in years.

The political dynamic

could prove crucial on local issues, including whether the College of Southern Idaho

ed under CSI's guidelines or those of Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna. Still, other political arenas

receives its funding to operate the new health services building, and whether dual credit programs will be fund-

will be busy, too. The House Revenue and Taxation Committee will see proposals for corporate tax incentives to spearhead economic

and job growth. Cameron there will be a lot of negotiatsaid programs will be reassessed — even good ones and cut if that saves money. And legislators have said the germane committee will consider legal changes to eliminate or reduce programs.

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, said Democrats will be collaborative with Republicans. She said the state must maintain its reserves and preserve education so Idaho avoids a crash when the financial crisis is over.

"I think there will be a lot of people sitting in rooms that aren't necessarily committee rooms, seeing what might or might not work," Jaquet said. "And I think

ing."

Bell pointed out that if there's any positive to draw from financial crisis, it's that Idaho will be able to review which services really are essential.

"When you finally get around to playing catch up, the inflation will be there that's the downturn — but on the bright side there is the opportunity to maybe say we really don't need to be providing this particular service at this degree," said

"The world is in turmoil. How can I expect Idaho to be an island? And I don't look for a bailout either from that tumultuous outfit back on the Potomac.'





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Inmates sue Canyon County over crowded jail

BOISE (AP) — Six inmates represented by the American Civil Liberties Union of Idaho are suing Canyon County in federal court, saying conditions at the county's overcrowded jail amount to the cruel and inhumane treatment of inmates.

The lawsuit was filed in U.S. District mattresses on the floor. Court on Friday by Amanda Davis, Nikki Price, Rochelle Saucedo, Jeffrey Gross, Parnell Williams and Eric Couch. The inmates are asking a judge

to allow them to bring a class action suit, so that every inmate in the jail may be represented. The jail has exceeded its 361-person capacity since 2001, prompting jail

areas and have some inmates sleep on "Sheriff Chris Smith inherited a bad jail, and despite some fine efforts on his part, conditions remain overcrowded and generally deplorable,"

officials to install triple bunks in some

ACLU attorney Stephen Pevar told The Idaho Statesman. "All else has failed, which is why this lawsuit is necessary.'

County Commissioner Steve Rule told the Idaho Press-Tribune that the county was expecting the lawsuit. To meet the conditions requested by ACLU-Idaho, the jail's four pods would have to be emptied and renovated one at a time, Rule said, taking at least two years. Emptying a single pod would involve relocating about 75 prisoners,

and there's no where to put them except back on the street, Rule said.

The lawsuit includes a long list of what the inmates contend are conditions so poor that they fall short of constitutional requirements. The jail has inadequate ventilation and temperature control, inadequate fire protection, inadequate recreation equipment, inadequate plumbing, inadequate medical care and is unsanitary and filthy, according to the lawsuit.



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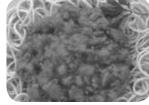


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Partisan wrangling mars Senate wilderness bill

By Matthew Daly **Associated Press writer**

WASHINGTON — In an early showdown for the new Congress, senators are considering setting aside more than 2 million acres in nine states as wilderness.

The largest expansion of wilderness protection in 25 years would include Idaho's Owyhee Canyonlands, California's Sierra Nevada mountain range, Oregon's Rocky Mount Hood, Mountain National Park in Colorado and parts of the Jefferson National Forest in Virginia.

The bill, a holdover from last year, has bipartisan support. Yet it is causing friction that threatens to spoil pledges by Senate leaders to work cooperatively as a new administration takes office.

Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., has pledged to filibuster. He says the spending in the bill is excessive — nearly \$4 billion over five years — and that the measure calls for removing millions of acres of federal property from oil and gas development.

Coburn's objections scuttled the bill last year and have riled Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev. Reid sought to force a rare Sunday vote in an apparent effort to punish Coburn and antagonize his GOP colleagues. The scheduled session would try to limit GOP stalling tactics and move the bill forward.

Reid "runs the Senate like a kindergarten. If we don't fol-

Lands bill at a glance

Idaho:

· Protect as wilderness 517,000 acres in the Owyhee Canyonlands.

Utah:

• Protect more than 250,000 acres of wilderness in and near Zion National Park.

Oregon:

- Protect 13,700 acres of old-growth forest in Oregon's Siskiyou National Forest.
- Protect more than 128,000 acres of national forest on Mount Hood.
- Protect 23,000 acres in southeastern Oregon's Soda Mountain region.
- Protect nearly 31,000 acres of wilderness in the
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California:

- Preserve nearly 450,00 acres of wilderness and 73 miles of wild and scenic rivers near Santa Clarita and along the California Nevada border, including the White Mountains.
- Protect some 190,000 acres in Riverside County as wilderness, including parts of Joshua Tree National Park.
- Protect about 70,000 acres of wilderness, including the new John Krebs Wilderness. named for the former congressman and conservationist who fought to protect these lands in the Mineral King Valley.

Colorado:

- Protect nearly 250,000 acres of Colorado's Rocky Mountain National Park.
- · Protect 66,000 acres of red rock sandstone canyons, cliffs, streams and waterfalls in western Colorado.

Michigan:

• Protect 11,739 acres of wilderness at Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore.

New Mexico:

• Protect more than 15,000 acres in San Miguel County as wilderness.

Virginia:

• Protect 43,000 acres of the Jefferson National Forest as wilderness, and 12,000 as a national scenic area.

West Virginia:

- Protect 37,000 acres in the Monongahela National Forest.
 - The Associated Press

low his instructions, he keeps the whole class after school," said Sen. Jim DeMint, R-S.C.

Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., one of several Republicans who might skip the Sunday session, said, "I'm puzzled that Senator Reid would start the year off with a Sunday vote." If he did show up, Alexander said he probably would vote against moving ahead with the bill, to protest the GOP's inability to

make changes in the legislation.

A spokeswoman for Reid, Regan Lachapelle, denied that he was punishing anyone, but merely following through on a pledge to move as quickly as possible to consider a bill left over from last year. At least three senators canceled plans to travel with Vice Presidentelect Ioe Biden to Asia because of the expected vote on the lands bill.

"This is an important piece of legislation to protect wilderness areas and our oceans, and Senator Reid has been working to pass this package of bipartisan legislation," Lachapelle said.





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There are few occupations

that feel every jolt along the nation's economic highway as

deeply as trucking does. Every

fuel price surge, such as when diesel hit \$5 a gallon last sum-

mer, is an immediate hit that can turn a profitable run into a

money-loser. Many Americans

might not notice an auto plant

closing or business bankruptcy.

For truckers, such events repre-

sent another loss of steady

work. And with so many indus-

tries cutting back, 2008 will go

down in modern trucking annals as the worst year ever.

After October — which is nor-

mally the busiest month on the

road for the holiday season —

turned out to be the worst

October for hauling cargo by

truck in five years, the American

Trucking Association reported a slight rise in business in

But the trade group's chief

economist, Bob Costello,

warned that "the freight outlook

A total of 785 trucking com-

panies with a combined fleet of

about 39,000 trucks went out of

business in the third quarter.

bringing the number of compa-

ny trucks idled in the first nine

months of 2008 to more than

127,000, or 6.5 percent of the

industry, reported Donald

Broughton, trucking analyst

and managing director of

been pulled off the road in a

"Never have more trucks

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Avondale Partners.

November.

remains bleak."

'This has been going on a lot lately — people willing to bid so

ten worse.

In early December, trucker

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Obama's SEC pick is no Joe Kennedy, **B3**



Joe Rini learned that his own to a new personal recession had just got-One of his best clients called about a load of building materials that needed to travel to the Pacific Northwest, northern California and Colorado — normally a \$4,400 job. Rini offered to do it for \$3,400. But before Rini's truck had arrived to pick up the load, the Cleveland-area customer of more than four years called back. Another trucker had offered to do the job for \$400less. Would Rini match it? The answer, which was hard

Industry sees promise and profit in bringing technology to TV

Bv Alex Pham Los Angeles Times

or nearly a decade, television makers have been asking consumers to step into high definition. This week, they'll be asking buyers to step

into three dimensions. At the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, companies such as Panasonic Corp., Samsung and Texas Instruments Inc. will show off TV technology capable of displaying 3-D-like pictures. The industry is billing it as the next big leap in TV technology.

The idea of bringing 3-D to screens in the home is making a comeback after failed attempts, in the 1950s and then again in the 1970s. Hoping the third time will be the charm, manufacturers are making a concerted push this year to promote 3-D TV as the best way to enjoy live sporting events and action films.

"Unlike earlier attempts, it's not just gimmick to try to sell a bad horror movie," said Doug Darrow, a Texas Instruments executive. "It's a whole different picture now."

Backers of 3-D say there are compelling forces behind the technology, which they say has evolved significantly from the days of the red and cyan glasses.

Already, 1,500 U.S. theaters are capable of showing 3-D images. In recent years, movies such as "Bolt" and "Beowulf" were shown in 3-D. Rock band U2 last year recorded a concert film in 3-D.

In December, the National Football League broadcasted a 3-D



Photo by LAWRENCE K. HO/Los Angeles Times

Guests watch an NFL game in 3-D at a theater in Hollywood, Calif. Backers say 3-D TV is the best way to enjoy sports and action films.

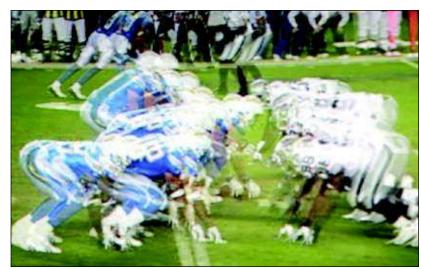
game between the Oakland Raiders and the San Diego Chargers to select theaters, and the National Basketball Association is doing the same with some events during next month's All-Star game weekend.

What's more, a slate of nearly two dozen movies that can be shown in 3-D is scheduled for release over the next two years, including "Toy Story 3," "A Christmas Carol" and "Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs."

Now, those same forces are lining up to find a way to bring 3-D into the living room.

It's too early to tell whether consumers will bite. So far, audiences have taken well to 3-D releases in theaters. Last year, half of the tickets sold for "Bolt" were for the 3-D version, even though 3-D screens represented just 32 percent of the total number of screens that played the movie, Wertheimer said.

that's scheduled to be released at at home.



3-D image of an NFL game as seen without 3-D glasses. The idea of bringing 3-D to home screens is making a comeback after failed attempts in the 1950s and 1970s.

this week's trade show found that nearly 15 percent of the 1,000 adults surveyed saw a 3-D movie at a the-A joint study by the Consumer ater in the last 12 months. And 16 Electronics Association and the percent said they were interested in Entertainment Technology Center watching 3-D movies and TV shows

"While the numbers may appear small to some, it is important to remember that 3-D is a technology few consumers associate with a home experience," the study said.

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The Influence Game: Builders construct a tax break

By Julie Hirschfeld Davis **Associated Press writer**

WASHINGTON — A tax break for big homebuilders, derailed last year amid public outrage at their role in the housing meltdown, is now back on track — thanks to well-connected lobbyists and a growing chorus of suddenly strapped other businesses that would benefit.

Also helping: a desire by President-elect Barack Obama's economic team to

part of the homebuilders, who, stung by last year's political blowback on the measure, have gone virtually silent coalition of manufacturers, about their support.

Instead, their major trade makers, has taken up the fight group has decided to tout a for the tax break. It's likely to much more consumer-oriented initiative: a \$150 billion package of tax credits and other measures to help people afford homes and mort- billion would be recouped for gages. But those measures the government over a appear unlikely to find their

lure Republican votes and a way into President-elect new, quieter strategy on the Barack Obama's economic allies who lost money last stimulus package.

With the homebuilders in the background, a diverse from boat builders to jewelry cost more than \$25 billion over the next two years, although budget analysts estimate that all but about \$6

The homebuilders and year are hoping to get refunds for taxes paid on profits made as long as five years ago, when the economy and the housing market were booming. Under current law, companies can reach back only two years to offset profits with current net operating losses, sometimes called "NOLs."

Homebuilders, particularly giants like K industry

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Senate **Finance Committee** Chairman, Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., questions a witness during a hearing on **Capitol Hill in** Washington.

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The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting at Bealls, located at 701 N. Overland Ave. (the old Kmart building), Burley, to commemorate their grand opening. The business is managed by Karen Henscheid-Roth. She is pictured cutting the ribbon. Business hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Information: 678-6890.

DENTIST JOINS PRACTICE



The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting at the office of Dr. John Simpson, DDS, at 502 8th St., Rupert, to commemorate Dr. Catmull, DDS, joining the practice. Catmull is pictured cutting the ribbon. Business hours are 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursdays. Information: 436-4747 or their 24-hour emergency line, 312-6465.

DECLO CITY HALL



Courtesy photo

The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting recently at Declo City Hall and Fire Department, 8 N. Clark, Declo, to commemorate their grand opening. Mayor Jay Darrington is pictured cutting the ribbon. Business hours are 7:30 to 11:30 a.m., Monday through Thursday and until 10:30 a.m. on Fridays. Information: 654-2124.

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each year. Information 733-8910.

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The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting at State Farm Insurance, 1849 Overland Ave., Burley, to commemorate their grand opening. The business is owned and managed by Adam Haynes. Haynes is pictured cutting the ribbon with daughter, Chloe. Business hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday and by appointment after hours and Saturday. Information: 678-8700 (Hable Espanol).

MERCIA'S NATURAL FOODS



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Mercia's Natural Foods located at 1511 Fillmore St. N. in Twin Falls recently cut the red ribbon along with the Twin Falls Area Chamber's Ambassadors. Mercia's Natural Foods was started by Blake and Mercia Neace in response to the growing need for a local all-natural and organic grocery store. Mercia's carries fresh organic produce, chilled and frozen goods, earth-friendly household products, organic pet foods, baby products, all-natural cosmetic and body care and more. They also operate an organic deli. Customers can eat and shop or call ahead and they will prepare soups, salads or sandwiches before they arrive. Pictured Blake and Mercia Neace with their children. Information: 734-0665.

SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE



The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting at Minidoka County School Food Service, 429 12th St., Rupert, to commemorate their grand opening. The food service is managed by Phyllis Bean. Brian Duncan is pictured cutting the ribbon. Business hours are 6:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information: 436-3625.

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The Mini-Cassia Chamber Ambassadors hosted a ribbon cutting at High Desert Milk, 1033 Idaho St. in Burley to commemorate their grand opening. The business is owned by High Desert Coop and managed by Steve White and Karl Nelson. Ray Robinson is pictured cutting the ribbon. Business hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information: 878-6455.

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Trucks

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shorter period of time than in the first three quarters of this year," Broughton wrote in his third-quarter analysis of the trucking industry.

That has pushed tens of thousands of drivers who had been on company payrolls out to compete for slices of the smaller cargo pie with the nation's independent owner-operator drivers, who were already struggling. It's the reason for the desperately low bids facing Rini of Grand River, Ohio, and other truckers.

"I would estimate that we probably lost work for about 100,000 drivers in the first half of 2008 when diesel hit that record high price," said Todd Spencer, executive vice president of Owner-Operator the Independent Drivers Association. "It's hard to know exactly because they don't report it anywhere. They just go away, and they haven't been missed that much yet because the economy has been so

bad." Worse, Spencer said, are all the regulations in what he calls the "supposedly unregulated" trucking trucking industry that are making it more difficult for the average driver to survive. Spencer cited work-hour regulations that allow for 11 hours of driving followed by a requirement of at least eight hours of sleep, which many truckers find difficult to do all at once.

Spencer also pointed to post-9/11 security concerns and the commercial encroachment of land formerly set aside for rest areas and truck stops. making it increasingly difficult to find places around the U.S. where it's acceptable for a driver to park his rig for several hours.

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— Todd Spencer, executive vice president of the Owner-Operator **Independent Drivers Association**

such as California are adopting tougher environmental regulations that require drivers to use the newest, cleanest and most expensive rigs.

"Most of our members are trying to find a niche — earn enough to stay in business this year," said Spencer, noting that the group's average member is 50 years old, has been driving for about 20 years, owns 1.8 trucks, has no medical insurance or retirement plan and clears about \$40,000 annually after taxes.

Driver DuWayne Marshall of Watertown, Wis., found a niche more than a year ago when he got the chance to work directly for the five Brennan's Markets, headquartered in Monroe, Wis., instead of working through a freight broker.

"If I didn't have them, my business would be dead," Marshall said. "I'd be out there struggling for work just like evervone else."



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Influence

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Hovnanian Companies LLC and Toll Brothers Inc., would be among the biggest beneficiaries of the change, since they enjoyed huge profits as home prices soared in recent years, then began suffering punishing losses in 2007 as the housing bubble burst and home values plummeted.

But the measure — originally proposed as part of the economic stimulus Congress considered last January ignited a quiet but bitter feud last year between the large homebuilders and their trade group, the National Association of Homebuilders.

The association also represents smaller companies that would see little to no benefit from the tax break.

At the same time, liberal groups led by the construction workers union LIUNA began a brutal public campaign to squash the tax break, saying it would bail out the very builders who helped cause the housing bust by pushing risky mortgages and flooding a glutted market with new construction.

The NAHB publicly dropped its support for the proposal last summer. But the 15 biggest builders pressed ahead, hiring a veteran lobbyist, Tom Crawford, to push for including it in a housing plan moving through Congress at the time. Teaming with lobbyist Robert Van Heuvelen, a former top staffer to Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., the Budget Committee chairman, they

found receptive ears in the Senate, where Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus, D-Mont., Conrad were prominent

backers. Still, the proposal was ultimately dropped — first from last vear's economic stimulus bill and then from the housing measure — with lawmakers loath to embrace a tax break that was being painted as a boon to wealthy homebuilders with no benefit for struggling homeowners.

Now, the NAHB offers tepid backing — "the industry has been very subtly and quietly working on that," association CEO Jerry Howard said this week — but reserves its fullthroated lobbying for the homebuyer tax credits and mortgage interest rate buydown proposals that Howard argued would do more to stabilize the housing market.

"If housing values continue to spiral downward, no matter how long any builder has the cash to stay in business, they won't be able to do any business," Howard said.

In the meantime, Crawford is still pushing hard for the tax measure on behalf of large homebuilders and others.

"We've never stopped working on it," Crawford said. "We were encouraged by Chairman Baucus and his staff to continue to try to talk to people and educate people about the importance of the provision, and deal with all the misperceptions and misinformation that was going around about it."

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One big question: Who will want to don 3-D glasses? The current generation is essentially miniature LCD screens that flicker at high speeds, filtering different images to the left and right eve to produce an image that appears three-dimensional.

"Early pairs looked like welders' goggles," said Dan Schinasi, senior manager of product planning Samsung's consumer electronics division. "They functioned well but they weren't very stylish. Now, they're pretty lightweight and they look just like sunglasses.

"Of course, in a perfect world, we wouldn't need glasses," he added. "But at this point, we believe glasses produce the best optical experience."

Glasses or not, it will be several years before 3-D TVs become mainstream. That's because the consumer electronics industry, movie studios and broadcasters have yet to agree on standards for transmitting. recording, receiving and interpreting 3-D signals. Many are hoping those technical details can be ironed out this year, Hunt said. Only then can the work of creating discs, players and TV sets to display 3-D video begin in earnest, he

That hasn't stopped companies such as Philips, Samsung, Mitsubishi and Panasonic from introducing "3-D-ready" sets. Philips last



LAWRENCE K. HO/Los Angeles Times

Guest Glenn Lorenz tries on 3-D glasses before an NFL broadcast. It will be several years before 3-D TVs become mainstream because the electronics industry, studios and broadcasters haven't agreed on standards.

fall demonstrated a 3-D display that didn't require glasses. Panasonic is expected to make announcements about its 3-D plasma technology at the Consumer Electronics Show.

Some 3-D-capable televisions already are in consumer homes, including a number of Mitsubishi rearprojection models as well as Samsung's rear-projection and plasma TVs. They still need the 3-D programming, conversion software and the glasses to display such images.

"There's in excess of a million TVs in homes today that are capable of showing 3-D, and most people don't even know it," said Darrow, the brand and marketing manager for Texas Instruments' DLP Group in Dallas, which

makes high-end chips responsible for displaying 3-D images in the vast majority of rear-projection TVs.

Darrow said that figure would easily double by the end of the year as the format gained momentum.



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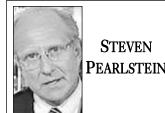
WASHINGTON — Then Franklin Roosevelt was looking for someone to head the new agency created to prevent the kind of corrupt Wall Street practices that had brought the stock market and the economy to their knees, he didn't turn to a pinstriped banker or a fancy-pants lawyer or even a hard-bitten prosecutor. He tapped Joseph P. Kennedy, a politically ambitious bootlegger and dealmaker who knew exactly how to play the game, circumvent rules, rig markets and get the better of his customers. The best way to catch pirates,

another pirate. Unfortunately, this is one page from the New Deal playbook that Barack Obama has decided not to copy. His nomination of Mary Schapiro to be chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission is as safe and predictable as it is disappointing. What it means is that we will have lost the best opportunity yet to root out the deeply embedded cynicism and corruption that have spawned one scandal after another on Wall Street over the past 20 years.

Roosevelt figured, was to hire

For the top SEC job, Obama needed to mount a determined search outside the current establishment — someone willing to take no prisoners and question everything about the way the industry does business and the way the government regulates it, someone so capable of channeling the outrage the country now feels that he or she would have industry insiders quaking in their hand-made wingtips. Instead, what we got was someone who not only has been at the very center of a failed regulatory process for the past two decades, but has emerged from it well-liked and accept-

able to everyone. Schapiro would have been the perfect appointment at almost any other time. She is a former SEC commissioner and chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission who left government to head up the securities industry's self-regulatory body, now known as FINRA. She's smart, responsible, honest and hard-working, by all accounts a skillful manager well-suited by temperament and experience to revive a badly demoralized agency. She is admired and respected by those she has worked for and worked with. She knows the industry and the regulatory apparatus as well as anyone in the country and has the added advantage of hav-



ing a good political ear.

Schapiro is also a reformer who is deeply committed to protecting investors and the public, willing to stand up to the industry on selected issues. At the SEC, she favored modest steps to allow shareholders a greater voice in appointing directors and to rein in runaway executive pay and called for greater oversight over rating agencies. At the CFTC, she voiced an early warning about the dangers of unregulated derivatives trades and took steps to subject them to modest amounts of government supervision. At FINRA, she overcame strong industry opposition to make disciplinary records available to the public and mounted enforcement campaigns against firms engaged in deceptive practices in the sale of mutual funds, annuities and college savings

plans. Not insignificantly, she is a working mom who has succeeded with and in a testosterone-driven industry with

too-few female leaders. What I didn't know until I read through some of her speeches this week is that Schapiro also gets the fundamental problem with Wall Street's scummy culture. She understands that it is a culture that rests on a barely disguised contempt for customers; that is dominated by short-term thinking; and that

playing and corner-cutting. It is, as she put it in a speech last October at Dominican University, a culture in which "individuals have allowed the pursuit of wealth to become mere sport, devoid of any ethical meaning or moral obligation to others."

So what's the problem with Mary Schapiro as SEC chairman? The problem is that there is nothing in her record to suggest that she is likely to clean house at the agency and launch a brutal and sustained assault on Wall Street culture.

We need an SEC chairman who is willing to move beyond narrow enforcement actions and no-fault consent decrees to stage a series of regulatory show trials that will expose in graphic detail how people think and behave at all levels of Wall Street firms. We need a chairman who will use the commission's broad powers to fine and debar from the industry big-name directors, top executives, ratings agency officials and other gatekeepers whose nonfeasance resulted in significant losses for investors, customers and taxpavers. We need a chairman who will make effective use of the bully pulpit to expose other well-known industry practices that put the interests of Wall Street ahead of those of its customers. And we need an SEC chairman willing to protect the powers and independence of the SEC against the almost-certain encroach-

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Kerma D. Craner Bernard

BOISE — Kerma D. Craner Bernard, 83, of Boise, passed away Thursday, Jan. 8, 2009, surrounded by her family.

Kerma was born Sept. 29, 1925, in Emmett, Idaho, the sixth of seven children born to Delwin Ernest Craner and



Margaret Jane Tadlock. Kerma was educated in Emmett schools, where she was active in music, playing the clarinet in school bands and singing with her sisters around the Treasure Valley. She not only worked for the family business, Craner Shoe Store, but became quite the baker and cake decorator at the local bakery. She made many wedding cakes for family and friends over the years. She attended Utah State University for a year until she returned home to help her father with the family business, while her two brothers were serving in World War II.

At age 13, she spotted a tall, handsome, young man and knew immediately he was the one for her. On Feb. 9, 1946, she married Calvin McCan Bernard and they were later sealed in the Logan LDS Temple.

Following the profession of her husband in law enforcement, she became a deputy sheriff for Elmore County for nine years. She also worked in the magistrate court system in Twin Falls and Ada counties until

she retired with her husband. They then began serving in the Boise Idaho Temple until Calvin passed away in 1990.

Kerma and Calvin were the parents of three daughters. They lived in Emmett, Mountain Home, Pocatello, Twin Falls and Boise.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Calvin; daughter, Andrea; brothers, Keith and Darwin; sisters, Ruth, Mariorie and Becky: and her mother, father, and stepmother, Freda.

Surviving Kerma are daughters, Kathy (Rick) Hall of Twin Falls and Karen (Scott) Spjute of Boise; nine grandchildren; 15 greatgrandchildren; and her sister, Shirley (Cal) Bowen of Emmett.

We wish to thank all of the caring people and physicians that blessed the lives of Kerma and her family during her illnesses. We gratefully thank Dr. Newcomb, Dr. Kent, Dr. Patterson, St. Luke's Hospital, Boise Care and Rehab, Meyer Manor, Sun Health Hospital, Capitol Care Center, and all their staffs and the Hearts for Hospice family.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at the LDS Chapel, 3200 Cassia St. in Boise.

A viewing will be held from 10 until 10:45 a.m. prior to the service at the church. Interment will follow at the Emmett Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Relyea Funeral Chapel, www.relyeafuneralchapel.com.

Leonard F. 'Pappy' Sellers

Leonard Sellers, 78, of Twin Falls, passed away Thursday, Jan. 8, 2009, at his home of natural causes.

Leonard born was May 1, 1930, in Twin Falls, the only son of Forest and Olive (Forbes) Sellers. He attended school in



Twin Falls and Jerome, spending most of his childhood summers up Baker Creek Canyon helping his father with a logging operation. Pappy was always proud to say that he and his dad built the first road into Baker Creek Canyon.

On Dec. 20, 1950, he married the love of his life, Leola Thomlinson. Two years after their marriage, they were blessed with their son, Steve. They farmed south of Jerome until 1962, when Leonard took full-time employment with Amalgamated Sugar Company and worked there until retirement on his birthday in

Pappy enjoyed trail riding, riding his Harley down the highway, camping, and then his retirement sport, golf. With this new found sport, he spent several enjoyable winters in his second home in Florence, Ariz.

He was also a member of

Canyon Springs Golf Course, where he enjoyed early morning golfing with his golf buddies.

Leonard is survived by his son, Steve (Mary) Sellers of Twin Falls; grandchildren, Drew Sellers of Seattle, Wash., and Kristy Sellers of Boise; granddaughter-inlaw, Lisa Williams, and greatgranddaughter, Chloe Sellers, both of Twin Falls; sisters, Elaine (Robert) Bibb of Phoenix, Ariz., and Darlene (Kenneth) Sewell of Madera, Calif.; sister-in-law, Yvonne Dutt: several nieces and nephews; and his best friend and companion, Candy, his dog. He was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, Leola; parents; sister, Lois Wilsie; and grand-

son, Jason Sellers. The family would like to say Thank You to the staff of Vision Hospice for the wonderful care provided for

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to People for Pets Magic Valley Human Society, Vision Hospice or the charity of their choice.

A family gathering will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com.

SERVICES

Sally Brim Rogers of Beaumont, Texas, and formerly of Rupert, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Broussard's Mortuary, 1605 N. Major Drive in Beaumont, Texas.

Barbara M. Howard Osborne of Gooding, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Monday at the First Christian Church in Gooding; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Michael A. Graham of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Monday at the First Assembly of God Church, 143 Locust St. N. in Twin Falls; visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Mary L. Cox

BURLEY — Mary Louise Thigpen Cox, 87, of Burley, died Monday, Jan. 5, 2009, at Highland Estates.

A private family service will be held at a later date (Hansen Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Bonifacia Villanueva

RUPERT — Bonifacia "Boni" Villanueva, 82, of Rupert, died Friday, Jan. 9, 2009, at Minidoka Memorial

Hospital. The funeral will be held at

11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Anthony Colella

JACKPOT, Nev. — Anthony "Tony" Colella, 63, of Jackpot, Nev., died Saturday, Jan. 10, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Miriam L 'Ginger' Cook

JEROME — Miriam L (John) Attwood, twin sister, "Ginger" Cook, 65, of Jerome, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2009, in Jerome.

She was born 18, 1943, at McMinnville, Ore., daughter of Marion Earl and Audrey Lucille Lilly.



1960, she married Paul Calton and together they had two daughters. On Aug. 29, 1980, she married John D. Cook. Together they raised his son. Ginger always had a job and helped provide for her family. She particularly enjoyed the 11 years she spent at Tupperware. Ginger was a loving wife, mother, sister and grandmother. Family was very important to her. She lived her life in service to Christ and to her family. She will be greatly missed.

Ginger is survived by her husband, John Cook; her children, Paula (Ernie) Thieme, Micki (John) Miller and Christopher (Clara) Cook; her sisters, Theresa (Robert) Dukes, Delores Junie (Chester) Smith, and Marlene (Paige) Benzing; her grandchildren, Hollie (Ryan) Pember, Michelle (Brian) Harris, Steven Miller and Madison Cook; and her great-grandchildren, Kaden and Paige Pember and Kya Harris. She was preceded in death by her parents and her precious granddaughter, Burgundy.

Ginger's family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the staff of St. Benedicts Long Term Care, whom has lovingly cared for her over the past eight years. They would also like to thank the many friends that spent time visiting Ginger and sending cards.

A celebration of Ginger's life will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, at the Jerome Free Will Baptist Church, with the Rev. Gene officiating. Kissinger Visitation will be conducted from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Services are under the care and direction of the Funeral Hove-Robertson Chapel in Jerome.

Virginia Rose Schell

On Jan. 8, 2009, one of God's children finally went home. Born on Christmas Day 1918 in Oneida, Kan., the world was

Virginia. In 1936, her

blessed with

Virginia met the love of life, Frank. They eloped a year and later eventually

Chadron, Neb., where they resided for 19 years. It was then that Frank and Virginia came to Twin Falls, where they lived out the rest of their lives. Virginia was many things, a housewife, a mother, a grandmother, an Avon lady, hairdresser and friend; but nothing made her as proud as being Frank's wife. They were married 62 years and in love with each other every day they were together. She could not wait to be with him again. Virginia loved her family, friends and her faith. The family she joined at Eternal Life Christian Center was one she truly cherished and enjoyed.

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Virginia was preceded in death by her husband, Frank; her son, Jon; and her son-inlaw, Rex.

She is survived by her Colleen daughter, VanWormer; grandson, Kirk (Joe) VanWormer; granddaughter, Kristen (Rich) granddaughter, Garrett; Rondi Schell-Nutting; granddaughter, Nikki (John) Mee; grandson, Jonny (Andrea) Schell; and 10 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by many friends who loved her and will greatly miss her smile, sharp wit, great sense of humor and her unconditional love.

A celebration of Virginia's life will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, at Eternal Life Christian Center in Twin Falls, with Pastor Johnny Hanchey officiating. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery.

A viewing will be from 5 to p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls. In lieu of flowers, the family would like donations to be made in Virginia's honor to Friends of Hospice, Idaho Home Health and Hospice in Twin Falls. Condolences can be made at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com.

Goodbye Little Mother of Morning Star, you can never be replaced.

Clifford Ray Morgan

Clifford Ray Morgan, 69, of Twin Falls, passed away peacefully in his home in Saudi Arabia on Saturday,

Dec. 27, 2008, of natural causes.

Cliff was born Aug. 7, 1939, in Twin Falls, to Ray and Betty Morgan. Raised in



Twin Falls, he graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1958. In 1962, he married the love of his life, Erna (Suni) Tyler. Thereafter, they purchased and operated a farm in Spanish Fork, Utah, for several years. In 1976, his great adventures really began as the result of a 'oneshot if I make it we go' basketball game in which his wife, Suni, bet Cliff that if she made a basket, he would submit his application to work with Fluor on building the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. Suni made the shot, and

they were off to Alaska. Cliff truly experienced the world like most only dream of doing. He was quickly promoted in his company and became superintendent and construction manager over dozens of large and complicated refinery construction projects all over the world. From Alaska, he and his family moved to Iran and experienced the Iranian Revolution and the hostage takeover. Clifford resided with his wife and children in three different regions in Venezuela for several years. He also spent time living and working in Argentina, New Zealand, Trinidad, West

Indies, the east coast

Kazakhstan (Russia) and

Saudi Arabia. Clifford was not only highly respected by his company and co-workers, but more importantly, he was admired for his talents and skills as a 'handson' manager. Moreover, he was known and loved for his kind heart. Although he was directly in charge of multibillion dollar construction projects in countries where he could barely speak the language, he always made himself available to his team (Fluor family) and his kindness, compassion and encouragement was always evident.

Clifford is survived by a son, Tyler A. Morgan of Idaho Falls; and two daughters, Joelle Morgan-Cole (Justin) of Boise and Nicole Morgan-Jackson (David) of San Diego, Calif. Cliff was blessed with four beautiful granddaughters, Morgan, Blakely, Taylor and Gabrielle; and one grandson, Jared; and two great-grandsons, Spencer and Robert. Clifford is also survived by his mother, Betty Morgan; brothers, Dennis Morgan and John Morgan; and sisters, Tamera Rogers and Pamela Tilton. His wife, Suni; son, Justin; father, Ray; and brother, Timothy, preceded him in death.

The funeral will be held at p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 9th Ward, located at 3155 Elizabeth Blvd. in Twin Falls. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Services are under the direction of Accent Funeral Home in Meridian.

Randy A. Crowley Sr.

Savior took Randy home on Thursday, January 8, 2009.

He was born Sept. 25, 1959,

Kansas City, Mo., to Lonnie and Janice Crowand raised in Nebraska. He married Carol Mc-

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Callister in 1976. Shortly thereafter, he joined the Army. To this union was born two sons. Randy Jr. and John, and one daughter, Mandy. They were later divorced. Randy married Coleen Rinker on March 20, 1982, and with this union he gained two children, Troy and Sunshine. They were later blessed with the birth of their daughter, Misty.

He was an entrepreneur at heart. For a time he sold real estate and cars, he owned and operated numerous businesses in the Burley and Rupert area; he was also a bail bondsman. He was a businessman who loved to be his own boss.

Randy was a loyal, compassionate and giving man. Although he fought a tough battle against his body, he continued to do what he wanted which included traveling to be with his grandkids. He was involved in whatever they were active in from ball games, dance and school activities. He wanted to be a large part of their lives; he succeeded in that bevond anyone's expectations. He was determined that his body wasn't going to get in his way no matter how much pain he was in.

grandchildren Randy's were the apple of his eye. He loved to fish, camp and travel with them. He often took them fishing and loved to have barbeques so the whole family could get together and hang out. Family was of utmost importance to him,

Our gracious Lord and and if you knew him you loved him and were part of his family.

> Randy is survived by his loving wife and best friend, Coleen "Coke" of Twin Falls; his parents, Janice of Twin Falls and Lonnie of Twin Falls; sons, Randy Jr. of Twin Falls, John of Boise and Troy (Bobbi) of Twin Falls; his daughters, Mandy (John), currently serving in the U.S. Navy in Fallon, Nev., Sunshine of Twin Falls and Misty of Boise; brothers, Herb (Jackie) and Stanley (Mary); and sisters, Kim (Tim) and Teresa; his beloved grandchildren, Suantay, Ben, Devyn, Bailey, Dylan, Karley, Alexus, newest addition Tatum, and honorary grandchild, Abrina; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his very special friend and father-in-law, Earl, and his stepmother, Juanita.

Our family would like to express our most sincere appreciation to the numerous doctors and nurses in the Magic Valley who took excellent care of Randy over the past couple of years. There are too many to list, but a very special thank you goes to Jason and the entire staff at Davita Kidney Dialysis Center. Thank you to the paramedics who worked diligently to care for him.

We will miss you, but you are home and free to move.

A celebration of Randy's life will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Military honors by Magic Valley Veterans Association and the Idaho National Guard. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. A viewing will be held from 5 until 8 p.m. Monday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. To help with funeral expenses, contributions can be given or mailed to the staff at Reynolds Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

William Zantzinger, villain in Bob Dylan song, dies

CHARLOTTE HALL, Md. (AP) — William Zantzinger, a wealthy Maryland landowner whose fatal beating of a black barmaid was recounted in a Bob Dylan protest song of the 1960s, was buried Friday. He was

Zantzinger died Jan. 3. His family did not provide further details of his death, the Brinsfield-Echols Funeral Home said.

The tobacco farmer served six months and was fined \$500 for manslaughter in 1963 for striking the 51-yearold barmaid with his cane for taking too long to serve him a drink. Hattie Carroll later died of a stroke. In the "Lonesome Death of Hattie Carroll," Dylan criticized different standards of justice meted out to whites and blacks.

Zantzinger was allowed to delay the start the sentence two weeks so he could harvest his tobacco crop and served the time in the Washington County jail, working in its kitchen.

"There is something wrong with this city when a white man can beat a colored woman to death and no one raises a hand to stop him," the Rev. Thomas C. Jackson said in his sermon at Gillis Memorial Church the Sunday after Carroll's death.

News accounts at the time said Zantzinger had been seen drinking with his wife at a dinner before a ball. While dining, Zantzinger told jurors he began hitting waitresses with the cane.

"I'd been smacking — tapping — waitresses on the tail, and they didn't say any-



William Zantzinger, left, is led to jail by two unidentified policemen after he was ordered held without bail on homicide charges in the fatal beating of a black barmaid in Baltimore, Md., in February 1963.

thing. I was just playing," Zantzinger told the jury in Hagerstown, where the case was tried.

"I had no other purpose than to have a good time," Zantzinger testified. "The last thing I intended was to harm or injure anyone. I never even thought about it."

Zantzinger, who later became a foreclosure auctioneer, didn't answer questions about Dylan's song for years. In 2001, he spoke with Dylan biographer Howard Sounes about the singer, saying he "should have sued him and put him in jail. (The song is) a total

Larry Jenkins, a publicist for Dylan, said the songwriter was not available for comment.



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Small business woes have big impact on economy

By Emily Fredrix and Ashley M. Heher **Associated Press writers**

It may be the final days of business for the Scandia Bake Shop. After almost 60 years of serving treats like julekake and Oslo rye bread, Minneapolis store is worried it may have to shut its doors within the week, felled by shrinking sales, rising flour prices and a downright dismal holiday season.

"They come out in droves and you make most of your money between Thanksgiving and Christmas," said 60-yearold owner Gary Arvidson, who took over the business in 1993. "And then this year I was really counting on that and the economy went into the dumper."

Times are tough for small business owners, those whom politicians tout as the backbone of America. As the recession marches on, it's those businesses — which employ about half of the country's private-sector workers — that are particularly vulnerable to the squeeze.

To cope, small business owners — from neighborhood plumbers to graphic design firms — are paying employee salaries before their own, trying to renegotiate leases and pleading for customers on neighborhood blogs. But despite their best efforts, the customers aren't there.

"It's all feeding on itself," said Raymond Keating, chief economist at the Small Business Survival Committee, an advocacy group based in Oakton, Va. "People are scared. They're not quite sure what to do."

Not every small business is facing impending doom. But the economic quicksand brought on by the longest recession in a quarter century is getting worse as the nation's unemployment rate reaches a 16-year-high and banks become more careful about lending money. That's even local consuming favorites like Heinemann's restaurant chain in Milwaukee, Olsson's Books & Records in Washington, D.C., and The Music Mill, a popu-

"I got

my mom

back!"



Bonnie Mihalic, left, works the cash register at her store, Bonnie's, in Ventura, Calif., as customer Amanda Benner picks up some New Year's eve party supplies on Dec. 31. New Year's Eve was the last day of business for Mihalic's costume and bric-a-brac store, after sales fell by 50 percent during the all-important Halloween season.

lar performance space in nesses, large and small. Indianapolis.

Small businesses — defined by the government as having 500 or fewer workers — are a key portion of the country's commerce food chain. They account for more than 99 percent of all employer firms, according to federal statistics, pay nearly 45 percent of the country's private payroll and produce almost a third of the nation's export value.

That means when they hurt, everyone feels the pain. Closures affect communities, where friends are co-workers and customers, and the costcutting creates a hard-to-stop cycle. Charitable donations wilt. Storefronts sit empty. Cities and towns get less tax revenue, and have to cut their budgets. And people wind up spending even less as those who are unemployed — or those who worry they will be — trim their own budgets at the expense of other busi-

While falling sales and the credit crunch have made headlines, the small business owners left standing are facing problems as varied as the businesses they Manufacturing is slowing. Layoffs are looming. Financing is hard, if not impossible, to come by. Vendors are being skittish about extending credit for inventory. Rents are rising. And profits are falling — or vanishing altogether as sales

Ajay Ekesa, 29, worries that his Kahawa Coffee House in Chicago may not last through the spring. He's spreading flyers around the neighborhood, opening his shop's space for community meetings and writing letters to a popular local Web site, asking them to publicize his plight.

"Right now I'm trying to do everything I can do," he said, adding that he's using his own

bills and the salaries of his two employees. "With every hour that I'm staying open, I'm not making money. I'm losing money, which doesn't make much sense."

That's why Bonnie Mihalic closed her costume and brica-brac store on New Year's Eve, after sales fell by 50 percent during the all-important Halloween season. When she shut down the Ventura, Calif. shop, she laid off her seven employees and said goodbye to loyal customers she had come to know during 30 years in business.

"They're like my children. Or my grandchildren," the 76year-old said. "I'm heartbro-

Now she's emptying her 10,000-square foot store and moving things to a warehouse.

money to pay the coffee shop's If she doesn't get rid of her stock, including hundreds of wigs, tiki torches, and leftover holiday decorations by the end of the month, she'll owe another \$15,000 in rent.

It's not just communities that feel the pain. Small businesses that are pinching their pennies also thwart corporate America.

Just ask Wal-Mart Stores Inc., which blamed a pullback in spending by more cautious small business customers shopping at its Sam's Club stores for lower-than-expected December sales figures on Thursday. The surprise shortfall stunned investors in the world's largest retailer, which had been weathering the recession by catering to bargain shoppers.

The scrimping is spurring Office Depot Inc. — which "With every hour that I'm staying open, I'm not making money. I'm losing

money, which doesn't make much sense."

 Ajay Ekesa, owner of **Kahawa Coffee House** in Chicago

gets about 80 percent of its business from corporate customers, most of whom operate small and home-based businesses — to change some of its merchandise, said Chief Executive and Chairman Steve Odland.

The office supply chain is bumping up the number of sheets in some reams of paper and repackaging items such as pens into smaller — and cheaper — packages.

"They say 'I just can't afford to buy a bulk pack of this," Odland said.

Officials said fewer customers were buying more expensive items like desks and file cabinets or computers.

"I do what I've got to do to keep the business running and the employees paid," said 36-year-old Parrish Walker, who owns Walker's Oak and More Furniture store in Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. "It's really having to think about every purchase and decision instead of buying willy-nilly."

Being deliberate about expenses is one way he's coping with the fact that sales are down more than 10 percent at the northwest Georgia store his father opened 15 years ago. He's also scaling back on inventory, making sure the schedules of his four employees are as efficient as possible and forgoing his own paycheck to make sure his workers get theirs.



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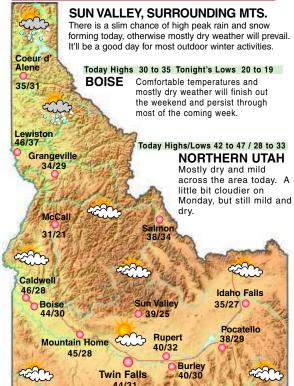
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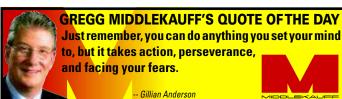
Today: Mostly dry and fair. Highs near 40. Tonight: Cloudy and breezy periods expected. Lows near

Tomorrow: A mix of sun and clouds and a cool breeze.

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Yesterday's National Extremes:

Snowstorm ices roads, grounds flights in Midwest, Northeast

By Thomas J. Sheeran **Associated Press writer**

CLEVELAND — A powerful winter storm blasted large swaths of the Midwest and Northeast with snow and freezing rain on Saturday, grounding flights and stranding vehicles along icy roads.

Nearly a foot of snow fell in some Midwest states, and more than half of the morning flights at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport were canceled or delayed. Ten inches at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport forced the cancellation of about 100 flights, Chicago's Streets and Sanitation Department reported.

"This is the biggest one of the season," said Brian Mitchell, a National Weather Service meteorologist in Cleveland. "We didn't have this kind of snow in the last couple of months."

Motorists in Youngstown and Warren, in northeast Ohio, slowed to a crawl to avoid spinouts or wrecks.

Road crews were put on 12hour shifts, and were doing all they could to keep pace with the new snow, said Theresa Pollick, a spokeswoman for the Ohio Department of Transportation.

"Now it becomes a plow and salt game," Pollick said. "It's basically keeping up with the precipitation."

Freezing rain in Indiana caused five salt trucks to slide into ditches Saturday as they worked to deice roads. Tow trucks stopped responding to accidents because they were sliding officy roads when they tried to pull vehicles from ditches, the Star Press of Muncie reported.

"It's bad. You can't even stand up on the roads," said Duke Campbell, the highway manager for Indiana's Delaware County.

In Ohio's Sandusky Bay, a freighter heading to coal docks became trapped and had to wait for a Coast Guard cutter to clear a path through the ice.

In Michigan, at least 8 inches of snow fell on the southern Lower Peninsula by Saturday afternoon.

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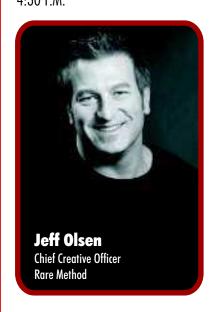
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EDITORIAL

A 12-step program to a better Idaho

t's a straightforward task that faces the Idaho
Legislature when it convenes Monday:
Do something with nothing much.
Idaho's economy is in the ditch. Statewide
unemployment is at 6.6 percent, sales of single-family homes declined one-third last year, and

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demand is weaker for the state's agriculture products — notably milk, beef and wheat.

It's a virtual certainty that the budget Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter proposes Monday will be at least 10 percent smaller than the one the Legislature approved last year.

State employees — teachers included — won't be getting a raise, and hundreds of them are likely to be laid off.

And for the first time in at least 40 years, the public school budget may actually be cut.

So what can lawmakers accomplish?

1. Do something — anything — to fix the roads. A \$50 million tax increase in the form of a bump in the gasoline tax and a raise in vehicle registration fees is possible, but that's probably on the high side. The Legislature is in no mood to boost taxes anywhere close to the amount needed to cover the \$240 million annual backlog in highway maintenance, nor should it be.

2. Give cities reasonable local-option taxation authority to deal with pressing transportation and infrastructure needs. But don't put it into the state Constitution, tying the hands of future legislatures.

3. Raise the beer tax from 15 cents a gallon to 52 cents a gallon and the wine tax from 45 cents per gallon to \$1.56 a gallon, and use the \$19 million that would generate to pay for substance-abuse programs, drug courts and counseling in order to reduce the state's prison population.

4. Make a serious effort to encourage consolidation of the state's 63 highway districts, using taxes and the highway money distribution formula to make it more favorable to larger districts.

5. Give the Idaho Department of Fish and Game authority to increase license fees and to adopt a differential fee schedule that would keep prices lower for more general licenses and permits. Sportsmen, not taxpayers, fund the agency.

6. Reject the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industries' inevitable pitch for a full repeal of the personal property tax.

7. Delay corporate tax incentives for alternative energy and for transforming dairy waste into energy until better economic times.

8. Postpone Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom's Luna's teacher merit pay proposal until the state can actually fund it.

9. Regulate, finally, small day-care providers.10. Require legislators to disclose their personal

finances and close the revolving door between government and private-sector lobbying.

11. Change the rules under which the Idaho Tax Commission reviews appeals by out-of-state companies in order to make the process more transparent.

12. Adjourn early, saving money and setting an example for the rest of state government.

TIMES-NEWS

Brad Hurd publisher Steve Crump Opinion editor

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A system that works

Despite challenges, Idaho Legislature does good job

SENS. DENTON DARRINGTON, DEAN CAMERON, BERT BRACKETT AND CHARLES COINER

t was with interest that we read this past Sunday's editorial in the *Times-News* and as we reflected on its words during the course of the following days we felt having the opportunity now to address the people of the Magic Valley would be particularly good timing: just before the start of the 60th Idaho Legislature.

Idahoans are positive, forward-looking individuals who are rightfully proud of our populist heritage and citizen legislature. A fully professional Legislature running from top to bottom, full of self-interest and insulated away from the voters, is something Idaho has chosen to avoid. Our Senate and House colleagues are drawn from all walks of life and life experience; this is to the great benefit of Idaho. Our legislative committees reflect this experience. Our committees on education feature former educators. Our committees on resources and agriculture have engineers, ranchers and farmers, and so on. This experience informs our actions and judgments as legislators.

As Idahoans by nature look to the future, it is also easy for us to think fondly of the past, as the *Times-News* did this past Sunday. It is common to remember things perhaps not so much as they

truly were but as we wished them to be. It is easy to forget that during the 1980s and 1990s, much of the period lauded in its editorial, the Idaho Legislature battled with the same kind of holdbacks Gov. Otter has directed of us. Painful though it will be, Idaho will come through this challenge better off than before, particularly because Gov. Otter acted swiftly, showing real leadership.

Ninety-seven percent of incumbent citizen-legislators returned is a particularly high number, but surely it reflects the will of the people in Idaho and perhaps their judgment stands well when compared to the results produced by fulltime legislators in California: an irresponsible \$40B budget deficit and total governmental gridlock. We have none of this in Idaho. The charge of oneparty state status in the Senate also rings false. While it is true the composition here is mostly Republican, there is a strong spirit of bipartisanship in our chamber. Rarely are votes along party lines. The Senate is also "young" in terms of the tenure of its members.

As legislators, it is a constant challenge to manage expectations even while stewarding the benefits of prosperity in good times. It can be difficult to reconcile

desires to push ahead as a state with maintaining sound fiscal judgment — specifically the balanced budget which Idaho must have by constitution.

Right now Idaho faces up to the challenges of a harsh national recession, much as our neighboring states arethough it is clear most others are fairing conspicuously worse than we. If Idaho is better prepared, it is squarely due to our last legislative session where we decided to trim proposed spending increases. This financial prudence was not the realization of the agenda of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee (JFAC), but the combined good judgment of the Legislature, which also saw fit to create various "rainy day" funds in the 1990s. Critically, in 2003, the **Economic Recovery Fund** and the Public Education Stabilization Fund were also created. These special savings accounts, and potentially the Millennium Fund as well, were created by the Legislature to help shield us from devastating economic downturns. This was good leadership.

Idaho is a very large state and not densely populated. Governing it has always entailed choices and sometimes hard choices and the sacrifices that go with this. "Our vision may not be often considered grandiose, but it is clear-sighted and determined not to develop the blurry vision that leads to tax and spend disasters we are seeing elsewhere."

However, one thing that its citizens have always been able to rely on are legislators that know the difference between need and want, luxury and necessity.

Is our system perfect? No. Are there areas where improvements could be found? Always. We legislators have no claim on all the good ideas. Our vision may not be often considered grandiose, but it is clear-sighted and determined not to develop the blurry vision that leads to tax and spend disasters we are seeing elsewhere. In our view, the Legislature is to provide not only leadership, but stability and reassurance to its taxpaying citizens. Seen in this context, a 97 percent re-election rate in the Legislature is not something Idahoans need apologize for.

Denton Darrington, the longest-serving Idaho senator at 14 terms, is a Republican from Declo who chairs the Judiciary and Rules Committee. Dean Cameron, a 10-term Republican from Rupert, chairs the Finance Committee. Charles Coiner is a third-term Republican from Twin Falls and Bert Brackett is a first-term Republican from Three Creek.

Damron case shows dilemma of reporting bad news

People in the Magic Valley love to read about traffic accidents. We know this because we track readership on our Web site, and crash stories often are the most popular items.

But an article about the accident that killed Steven Damron, 26, of Burley that appeared on the front page of our Mini-Cassia edition on Wednesday generated an unusually negative response from readers in the Burley area.

A number of people said that it was insensitive to run the article on the day of Damron's funeral, particularly when the story went beyond the basic facts of the accident to also report that Damron was scheduled to appear in court on Tuesday



FAIRFIELD ST. WEST James G. Wright

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to enter a plea on felony charges stemming from his alleged role in the brutal beating and robbery of a man last August.

I'll concede that the timing of the article wasn't the best, but its day of publication was determined by the timing of the event and by local

police.
On Sunday, we received a routine death notice about Damron from a funeral home. It said Damron was

from Burley, but it didn't say where he was killed and our reporter on duty couldn't pin it down.

Monday, we learned that the accident was in Minidoka County, but the sheriff's office there refused to say anything at all because only the sheriff himself is allowed to release information to the public and he wasn't around. Late Tuesday, Burley-

based reporter Damon
Hunzeker finally was able to
reach the sheriff and get
enough information to at
least report that a man had
been killed and charges were
pending against the other
driver. He also did a routine
background check on
Damron, learning about his
criminal case.

Yes, the timing was bad but Wednesday was our first opportunity to report the accident.

Many people e-mailed or called to say we should have reported nothing at all until after the funeral to avoid upsetting Damron's grieving family. Others said they understood the need to report the accident in a timely fashion, but that we should have either ignored the criminal case or waited a week or more to report on it.

While my heart goes out to Damron's family and friends, news of the accident is a matter of local interest — something we have to report as soon as we can because that's the nature of the news business. In fact, we get complaints from people

when an accident report doesn't hit the paper fast enough.

It was also appropriate to deal with Damron's criminal case in the initial story. "News" is often defined as something out of the ordinary. In this case, it's unusual for someone facing possible prison time for a violent act to die in an accident on the eve of an important court

People who knew Damron best acknowledge that he had struggled with drug addiction and had made serious errors in his short life, but they felt our Wednesday article didn't tell the whole story of a young man who was in Narcotics Anonymous and working to get things back on track.

No disagreement there, but we can only report what we know and can prove.

We weren't able to learn much about Damron's life for Wednesday's report – the family was at the funeral home for the viewing Tuesday night – so Hunzeker interviewed them and wrote another article published Friday.

Some of the people who condemned Hunzeker and the paper for the initial story wrote to praise the follow-up, but they really didn't need to do either one. We were just doing our jobs in each instance.

Times-News Editor James G. Wright may be reached at 735-3255 or james.wright@lee.net.

What you may see in your lifetime

ith its power to send knowledge around the globe at lightning speed, information technology has vastly changed our world unleashing the Internet along with a global economy of knowledge workers and even, some would say, sparking the fall of communism and the rise of terrorism. Computer power has increased exponentially since 1980, when machines less sophisticated than your cellphone filled entire rooms. And we can expect similar mind-boggling advances in the coming decades.

For a sense of what's in store, take a look at the breakthroughs listed below. These forecasts are taken from the TechCast Project, an online database where 100 experts predict the technological and scientific breakthroughs to come. To learn more, visit www.techcast.org.

Space tourism 2012 — plus or minus 2 years

Richard Branson is steadily moving toward the first flight

of his Virgin Galactic tourist spaceships, and competitors are rushing to realize their own plans for trips to the moon and to space hotels. Just a few years ago, the very

seemed laughable, but now it

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looks ready to launch. **Intelligent cars**

2014 — plus or minus 4

idea of space tourism

Imagine calling your car and instructing it to pick you up at a precise location and then take you somewhere else, like a chauffeur. This car wouldn't just drive itself; it would also navigate traffic, pay tolls, avoid collisions and park itself.

Telemedicine – plus or minus 4

Electronic medical records.

video conferences with your doctor, computerized diagnoses and even telesurgery promise to improve health care and relieve us of all that maddening insurance paperwork. Telemedicine could reduce the billions of dollars Americans spend on health care every year, but the real gain may be in comfort. Even that most dreaded procedure — a colonoscopy — may soon consist of nothing more than waving a scanner over your stomach.

Thought power *2020* — *plus or minus* 9 years

Electronic skull caps can capture brain signals, which are then used to control computers and communicate with other people. One company has developed a computerized system called BrainGate that allows paralyzed people to use thoughts to control telephones, lights and other devices. Other systems allow people to type up to 15 words a minute simply by focusing on a computer

cursor. Because everyone's

brain waves are unique, our

thoughts may one day be used as passwords to buildings and financial accounts. And how about controlling your TV by concentrating on the channel you want to watch? One day you'll be able to do it.

Artificial intelligence *2021* — *plus or minus 7* vears

Today's computers can beat chess masters, chat with humans and guide robots, and many scientists believe that machines could one day replace people altogether. This automation of thought raises one of the most crucial questions of our time: Is there a fundamental difference between machine intelligence and human intelligence? Stay tuned.

Smart robots 2022 — plus or minus 7

A Japanese robot named Asimo can climb stairs, run and dance. He and his kin are finding work as office receptionists, waiters and

security guards. Faced with a dearth of young people and a growing elderly population, the Japanese and Koreans plan to have robots fill important roles in offices, home services and health care by 2010. People can easily become attached to robots — just ask the owners of Roomba robotic vacuum cleaners — so it's not hard to picture a rising generation of R2-D2s coming into most of our lives.

Alternative energy *2022* — *plus or minus* 9

Oil production is peaking just as developing nations' energy needs are rising and concern over the environment is growing - a combination that may finally put an end to the long era of carbon-fuel dependency. The price of wind power is competitive with that of conventional electricity, and solar power is expected to get there by about 2015. Our experts forecast that alternatives will provide 30 percent of the world's energy by 2022. Cancer cure

2024 — plus or minus 8 vears

After decades of little progress, sophisticated cancer treatments now promise to extend and improve the lives of thousands suffering from a disease that used to be considered a death sentence. There were only 10 cancer drugs in 1995, but there are now more than 400 in testing. Scientists are designing cancer-destroying bacteria and using nanotechnology to create microscopic devices that seek out, enter and destroy cancer cells. Our experts believe that cancer deaths could be eliminated by 2024.

William Halal is author of "Technology's Promise," professor emeritus at George Washington University and president of TechCast LLC. He wrote this commentary for The Washington Post.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Obama wants to take our guns, etc.

Well, vahoo and vippee skippy! For the first time in years, there was a positive article about President Bush in the Sunday *Times-News*. What an amazing thing! Probably Mr. Ben Feller of the Associated Press figured that as long as Mr. Bush was in the last days of his presidency that perhaps he deserved a decent word.

All of you Bush bashers can relax soon and live in luxury and change with all of Slick Willie's ex-cabinet members helping to run things again.

You're stuck with what you

Can you imagine the commotion and furor that would have shrieked through the media if Mr. Bush had had a \$300 million home in Hawaii?

Anyone with guns should be prepared by stocking up on ammunition, because it is for sure that the next administration will likely eliminate the munitions industry, if not

try to take our guns. Perhaps you missed the fact that anyone who signed up to get into Mr. Obama's administration had to declare any guns they owned. Does that tell you something?

By the way, do the women suicide bombers get 72 virgins like the men?

EDITH ROBERTSON Wendell

Idaho F&G's rate increase is outrageous

The Idaho Fish and Game is making an outrageous request of the Idaho Legislature to approve a 20 percent to 30 percent fee increase. Timing couldn't be worse and this bloated fee increase comes as our state is facing the worst recession in years.

Our governor has ordered state agencies to tighten their belts and reduce spending by 10 percent. What gives Fish and Game the right to expect a ridiculous fee increase when other state agencies are facing layoffs and cutbacks? Fish and Game is acting like a spending "prima donna" and for some reason, it believes it should not demonstrate the same spending discipline as other

state agencies. The Legislature must tell Fish and Game to "hold the line" on fees and consider cutting its budget by 10 percent, the same as all other state agencies. It is outrageous that Fish and Game is vain enough to even consider making this bloated, ridiculous fee increase request and shows just how out of touch this department has become with the sportsmen and citizens of Idaho.

Call or write your local representative today and voice your opposition to its requested 20 percent to 30 percent fee increase.

TONY MAYER **Twin Falls**

We should legalize drugs

How long are we going to keep our heads in the sand in handling our drug problem? Anyone of any age with money and a desire can buy illegal drugs in any town in America.

As long as drugs are illegal,

tons of drugs come across our borders every year. Obviously many someone's palms are getting greased. Two Border Patrol guards ask a drug smuggler to halt. When he does not, they wound him with a shot and

they are sent to prison. We have had our present drug policy forever. We have never seen an improvement in curtailing the sales of illegal drugs. We have wasted billions trying to stop the abuse with no results. We cannot control sales or quality. In fact, we cannot control anything until we get control by legalization.

If we legalize drugs, we are not saying it is OK to do drugs any more than we are saying it is OK to get drunk on alcohol. Controlled restrictions would apply. Streets that are unsafe after dark and drug wars that kill innocent people would no longer exist. We would quit spending \$70 billion a year on accomplishing nothing and create a tax benefit that would enable us to wage an intelligent effective program. An estimated \$350 billion would no longer finance the

terrorists in the Middle East. Don't think for a minute that the drug lords will not mount a terrific blitz to stop this movement; they would make us think that the devil has possessed us.

MATT SMITH **Twin Falls**





Twin Falls Canal Company NOTICE Of Regular Stockholders' Meeting

OU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the regular meeting of the Stockholders of the Twin Falls Canal Company will be held on Tuesday the 13th of January, 2009. The meeting will be called to order by the Directors at 9:00 a.m. in the Rick Allen Room of the Herrett Center at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

Director from District 1 - (Murtaugh, Hansen and Kimberly) will be elected for a three-year term. Director from District 5 - (Castleford) will be elected for a three-year term.

Other business will also be transacted. There will be reports from the Company's General Manager, auditors and lawyers. There will also be reports concerning operation and maintenance efforts, 2009 water supplies, water call, and other matters of interest.

The corporate books will be closed for the transfer of stock effective December

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TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY Kay Puschel, Assistant Secretary

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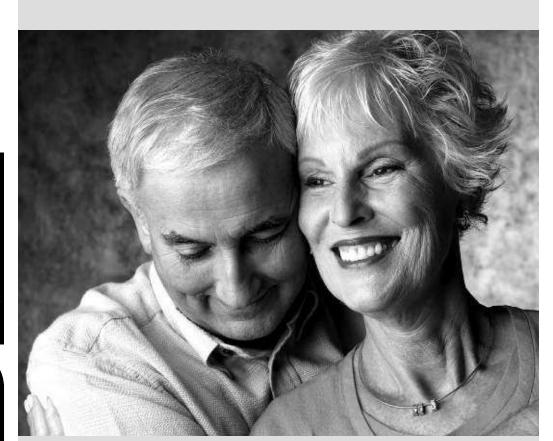


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OTHER VIEWS

Here's what Idaho newspapers are saying about ...



... tower politics

Idaho Mountain Express, Ketchum

Now Idaho Gov. Butch Otter has weighed in urging the U.S. Forest Service to approve a 90foot cell tower within the Sawtooth National Recreation Area to improve emergency communications.

No one in good conscience can oppose saving lives through high-tech communications. However, better communications are not as simple as putting up a tower.

First, any tower must comply with rules governing construction of structures within the SNRA. The SNRA's enabling legislation provided strict rules for structures that impact views within this special place, and the federal government spent millions to buy scenic easements from developers to protect those views.

Making an exception for cell towers could require more than the flick of a pen by a forest supervisor. It could require a change in the enabling legis-

Second, construction of a tower will not guarantee phone service. Tower companies are in the business of constructing towers, not providing cell service. That has to come from service providers who are in the business of making money and who are accustomed to providing service where customers are a lot more abundant than in the wilds of Idaho.

Should the Forest Service change its mind or should the enabling legislation be

LETTER TO THE EDITOR **Damron was misrepresented**

The article on the front page of the *Times-News* on Wednesday (Jan. 7) about the death of our good friend, Steven Damron, was upsetting to family and friends on their way to his funeral.

While we are aware that during Steve's active addiction, he made some poor choices, we are also aware that his life had turned around in the past several months and he was looking forward to being in a position to make amends for his past. Evidently not interested in getting his "news" from anywhere but police records, the writer led off with unproved charges for which a hearing had been scheduled, ignoring that Steve hadn't been proven guilty and that no one has the entire story yet; ignoring that Wednesday was his funeral and that his family, parents, wife, children and friends were all in deep mourning.

The "facts" were presented in such a way that it seemed the most important fact was that because of his death, he wouldn't be appearing in court. The reporter wrote that Steve was on his way home from work rather than going from one 12-step meeting to another, and no mention was made of the reports several of us have heard that police were chasing the truck with its lights out that ran a stop sign and killed our friend.

For members of the community who might read Damon Hunzeker's article and think, "Well, there's another criminal who's going to be judged by a higher court," please think again. Hunzeker didn't have all the facts, didn't have the "truth" about this young man whose funeral was attended by more than 200 people, all sad-

dened deeply by his loss. HEYWOOD WILLIAMS Heyburn

amended to allow tower installation, tower companies must be required to produce long-term contracts with at least a single service provider before any tower is built.

Doing less could blast a hole in the laws that protect wild lands and open them up to commercial speculation. Done right, the nation can keep wild lands wild and have reasonable access to emergency services.

... sell you a bridge?

Idaho Statesman, Boise

So much for safety first. The Idaho Transportation Board earmarked \$94 million Wednesday — but nothing for a bridge dangerous enough to get written up in Popular Mechanics magazine.

The Dover Bridge in Bonner County got short shrift in part because board members believed enough highway money was already going to the Panhandle. That's no way to dedicate tax dollars, not even a one-time windfall from a federal economic stimulus

And it doesn't reflect well on an appointed board that is, ostensibly, supposed to take politics out of road-building decisions.

On Wednesday, the board set priorities for money from a stimulus package promised by the Obama administration. The board priorities would create 2,000 to 4,000 jobs and polish off six projects from Moscow to Henrys Lake.

Just not in Dover. The Dover bridge made a May 2008 list of 10 U.S. infrastructure projects that need immediate repair. Popular Here's what Mechanics magazine had to

"(The bridge) sees about



5,000 vehicles per day, and we don't envy the drivers. The bridge scored an outrageously low 'sufficiency rating' of 2 out of 100 in the National Bridge Inventory. Last year, a 30- by 30-inch piece of the deck was found hanging by its rebar."

The Dover bridge's problems haven't escaped the Idaho Transportation Department's notice. Heading into Wednesday's meeting, the project was the department's top building priority until the board bumped it down to the No. 7 spot.

One factor was how dollars were split up — and the idea that north Idaho was getting a large share of money for other projects.

Another concern was more subtle. Board members didn't want to commit federal money for just two projects: the \$40 million Dover bridge,

and the No. 2 priority, a \$51 million bridge and bypass to detour highway traffic off Blue Lakes Boulevard, a busy commercial thoroughfare in Twin Falls. They decided to fund the Twin Falls bypass and several smaller projects, board Chairman Darrell Manning said Thursday. Idaho may well get more than \$100 million from the feds, he said, giving the state sufficient money for the Dover bridge.

Maybe. But there's a lot to be said for proper priorities, especially safety. Thursday, Gov. Butch Otter correctly chided the board and said the state should concentrate first on road and bridge safety.

Decisions like this also are apt to draw the board some unwanted scrutiny from legislators. Some local politicos have already said the Treasure Valley is underrepresented on seven-member board designed to give equal representation to Idaho's geographic regions. They would prefer membership based on population, giving the Valley greater clout.

We've resisted this idea because we don't want road dollars poured into politicallydriven pork projects. But when Idaho Transportation Board members place regionalism over safety, it's a lot more difficult for us to defend them.

... a million-dollar bonus Idaho State Journal, Pocatello

The Idaho State Lottery was able to peddle 250,000 tickets at \$10 apiece for its \$1 million Raffle game, which paid \$1 million to the winning couple from Buhl along with several other prizes.

All told, the lottery appears to have made a profit of some \$2.5 million, which suggests that a sequel may be in the

State law prohibits others from conducting lotteries,

though that regulation is skirted by a variety of people for good causes. Go to almost any football or basketball game, and you will have an opportunity to buy a \$1 chance on a 50-50 pot. Even if you lose, you can justify the wager since it's for a school function. The state actually benefits in two ways when someone in Idaho wins the lottery. It makes a profit on the sale of tickets, and it levies a healthy income tax on the winner. How soon should be expect another raf-









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Pressure for change

Budget woes prompt states to consider prison alternatives

By David Crary **Associated Press writer**

NEW YORK — Their budgets in crisis, governors, legislators and prison officials across the nation are making or considering policy changes that will likely remove tens of thousands of offenders from prisons and parole supervision.

Collectively, the pending and proposed initiatives could add up to one of biggest shifts ever in corrections policy, putting into place cost-saving reforms that have struggled to win political support in the tough-on-crime climate of recent decades.

"Prior to this fiscal crisis, legislators could tinker around the edges — but we're now well past the tinkering stage," said Marc Mauer, executive director of the Sentencing Project, which advocates alternatives to incarceration.

"Many political leaders who weren't comfortable enough, politically, to do it before can now — under the guise of fiscal responsibility — implement programs and policies that would be win/win situations, saving money and improving corrections," Mauer said

In California, faced with a projected \$42 billion deficit and prison overcrowding that has triggered a federal lawsuit, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger wants to eliminate parole for all offenders not convicted of violent or sex-related crimes, reducing the parole population by about 70,000. He also wants to divert more petty criminals to



California Department of Corrections/AP file photo This undated photo shows inmates in crowded conditions at the California Institute for Men in Chino, Calif. Faced with a projected \$42 billion deficit and severe prison overcrowding, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger has proposed the early release of up to 15,000 non-violent offenders.

county jails and grant early release to more inmates steps that could trim the prison population by 15,000

over the next 18 months. In Idaho, a combination of budget cuts and prison overcrowding contributed to an uprising Jan. 2 in a former prison workshop that was converted into a temporary cell block. Inmates who engaged in vandalism and arson had been placed there as part of a cost-cutting effort to move other prisoners back to Idaho from more expensive quarters at a private prison in Rockefeller Drug Laws that Oklahoma.

In Kentucky, where the inmate population had been soaring, even some murderers and other violent offenders are benefiting from a temporary cost-saving program that has granted early release to nearly 2,000 inmates.

Virginia Gov. Tim Kaine is proposing early release of about 1,000 inmates. New York Gov. David Paterson wants early release for 1,600 inmates as well as an overhaul of the so-called

impose lengthy mandatory sentences on many nonviolent drug offenders.

"These laws have neither curbed drug use nor enhanced public safety," said Donna Lieberman of the New York Civil Liberties Union. "Instead, they have ruined thousands of lives and annually wasted millions of tax dollars in prison costs."

Policy-makers in Michigan, one of four states that spend more money on prisons than higher education, are awaiting a report later this month from the Council of State Governments' Justice Center on ways to trim fastrising corrections costs, likely including sentencing and parole modifications.

"There's a new openness to taking a look," said state Sen. Alan Cropsey, a Republican who in the past has questioned some prison-reform proposals. "What we'll see are changes being made that will have a positive impact four, five, six years down the road."

Obama stresses stimulus plan's job potential

By Perry Bacon Jr. The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Facing increased skepticism from both parties about the details of his economic stimulus proposal, President-elect Barack Obama and his team Saturday laid out new claims regarding the \$775 billion package, saying that 90 percent of the jobs produced would be in the private sector, including hundreds of thousands in construction and manufacturing.

Obama used his weekly radio address to continue his pre-inaugural campaign to build momentum for passage of the stimulus package, saying, "The jobs we create will be in businesses large and small across a wide range of industries. And they'll be the kind of jobs that don't just put people to work in the short term, but position our economy to lead the world in the long term."

To buttress Obama's points, two of his top economic advisers released Saturday an analysis of the presidentelect's plan. The report carried the grim prediction that, while millions of jobs would be created or saved through the stimulus package, the unemployment rate would be little improved by the end of 2010 from the 7.2 percent at the end of last month — the nation's highest rate since 1993. The advisers also warned that, without passage of the stimulus plan, unemployment could reach 9 per-

Obama's speech came as members of Congress, particularly Democrats, had begun attacking some aspects of the still-unfinished proposal. Sen. John Kerry (Mass.) and other Democrats object to a proposed \$3,000 tax credit to corporations for each job they create or save, saying the credit would be ripe for abuse and difficult to administer. Republicans have questioned the total size of the package and the hundreds of billions of dollars that could go to state governments.

"We want to make sure it's not just a trillion-dollar spending bill, but something that actually can reach the goal that he has suggested," said Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., who has suggested that states get money in loans instead of grants so they will not ask for projects they don't need.

Many of the ideas Democrats are objecting to, such as the corporate tax credit, are popular among Republicans, complicating Obama's desire to get bipartisan approval of the stimulus package.

Israel tells Gazans to brace for war escalation

by idranim barzak and Christopher Torchia **Associated Press writers**

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip -Israel dropped bombs and leaflets on Gaza on Saturday, pounding suspected rocket sites and tunnels used by Hamas militants and warning of a wider offensive despite frantic diplomacy to end the bloodshed.

Egypt hosted talks aimed at defusing the crisis, but war had the momentum on a bloody day on which more than 30 Palestinians, many of them noncombatants, were killed, according to Gaza medics. Hamas fighters launched 15 rockets at southern Israel, injuring three Israelis in the city of Ashkelon, the Israeli military

At hospitals, distraught relatives — men in jeans and jackets and women in black Islamic robes — sobbed and

-GOLAN An Israeli tank shell killed nine people as they sat in their garden Erez Crossing Ashkelon Israel has largely taken control of the coastal road north of Gaza City Mediterranean Sderot Netzarim • Power plant shut since 5 km Ten rockets were fired at Israel at from Deir el-Balah **ISRAEL** Gaza Saturday: one damaged an apartment building No end in sight **GAZA STRIP** Khan . The Israeli air force dropped leaflets on the Gaza Strip Palestinian warning residents that it plans an Israeli airstrike to escalate the two-week-old offensive. Fighting has killed more than 800 Palestinians ■ Crossing and 13 Israelis so far. Heavy Kerem Shalom fighting persists. Crossing SOURCES: ESRI; United Nations

shrieked at the loss of family. Flames and smoke rose over Gaza City amid heavy fight-

Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas predicted a "waterfall of blood" unless all

parties adhere to a United Nations call for a cease-fire. But Israel has said the Security Council resolution passed Thursday unworkable and Hamas, the Islamic group whose government controls Gaza but is not recognized internationally, was angry that it was not consulted.

Damascus-based Hamas leader Khaled Mashaal made a fiery speech on Arab news channel Al-Jazeera, describing the Israeli assault as a "holocaust." Still, Hamas teams were in Cairo to discuss a cease-fire proposed by

At least 814 Palestinians, roughly half of them civilians, have died since war broke out on Dec. 27, according to Palestinian medical officials. Thirteen Israelis, including 10 soldiers, have been killed.

Weary Palestinians watched from apartment windows as thousands of leaflets fluttered from aircraft with a blunt warning: Israeli forces will step up operations against Islamic militants who have unleashed a daily barrage of rocket fire on southern Israeli towns.

"The IDF (Israeli Defense Forces) is not working against the people of Gaza but against Hamas and the terrorists only," the leaflets said in Arabic. "Stay safe by following our orders.'

The leaflets urged Gaza residents not to help Hamas and to stay away from its members. There was no immediate sign of an escalation, though earlier in the day, witnesses said Israeli troops moved to within one mile of Gaza City before pulling back

Israeli defense officials say they are prepared for a third stage of their offensive, in which ground troops would push further into Gaza, but are waiting for approval from the government. Early on Sunday, Israeli tanks were heard moving near the central Gaza border as Israeli artillery pounded the area, indicating the possibility of a larger operation.

A presidential welcome for USS George H.W. Bush

By Deb Riechmann

Associated Press writer

NORFOLK, Va. — It's the perfect gift for an old Navy flier: 1,092 feet of flattop.

"What do you give a guy who has been blessed and has just about everything he has ever needed?" asked President George W. Bush from aboard the Navy's newest ship. "Well, an aircraft carrier."

The USS George H.W. Bush, a steel-gray vessel longer than three football fields and built at a cost of \$6.2 billion, was commissioned Saturday with its namesake, the 41st president, and other members of the Bush family on hand for the ceremonies at Naval Station Norfolk.



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WATCH: President George W. Bush and his father at the commissioning of the USS George H.W. Bush.

Adorned for the day with red, white and blue bunting, the USS George H.W. Bush is one of the Nimitz class of nuclear-powered aircraft carriers, the largest warships in the world.

"The ship that bears our dad's name is more than 95,000 tons of aluminum and steel," Bush said from a podium tucked under the flight deck. "She will carry nearly 6,000 of the finest sailors and Marines in the world. She represents the craftsmanship of many skilled builders, and

thousands of hours of preparation."

Bush, who took his last flight aboard Air Force One to get to Norfolk, added: "Laura and I are thrilled to be here to help commission an awesome ship and to honor an awesome man."

It was the ultimate honor for former President George H.W. Bush, a decorated World War II pilot.

The former president recalled the day 65 years ago in Philadelphia when he attended the commissioning

of the USS San Jacinto, a light carrier on which he served during the war. It was during that trip, he said, that he gave fiancee, Barbara, an

engagement ring. "I thought that the San Jac was by far the biggest ship, or anything else, I'd ever seen," said the elder Bush, comparing it to the massive aircraft carrier, spit and polished for its unveiling. He marveled at its 4.5-acre landing field, a tower that reaches 20 stories above the waterline and its 1,400 telephones.

Speaking to the sailors preparing to serve on the new ship, his voice quavering at times with emotion, the former president said: "I wish I was sitting right out there with you, ready to start the adven-



A group of sailors are silhouetted during the commissioning ceremony for the USS George H.W. Bush aircraft carrier Saturday in Norfolk, Va.

tures of my naval aviation career all over." Bush, 84, joined the Navy on

flew torpedo bombers off the USS San Jacinto. He was June 12, 1942, his 18th birthawarded the Distinguished day and six months after the Flying Cross and three Air Japanese attack on Pearl Medals for his service.

Harbor. During the war he

Nation's largest utility grapples with 2 spills

By Jay Reeves Associated Press writer

STEVENSON, Ala. — Standing on a porch near the Widows Creek power plant Saturday, Charlie Cookston took a drag off a cigarette and ticked off the reasons he distrusts the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Dead mussels in the mighty, meandering Tennessee River. Dwindling numbers of fish. Big, black piles of coal ash that seem to get larger every day.

As nearby residents await lab tests on the safety of drinking water, tempers are unsettled. Electric rates at the nation's largest utility have soared. A dike burst in Tennessee destroyed several homes, and on Friday, as much as 10,000 gallons of waste spilled into Widows Creek in northeastern Alabama.

The nation's largest utility, once was viewed as a savior to the region, bringing lights, thousands of jobs and progress since its creation as a New Deal program in 1933, has had a rocky few months.

"We ain't trusted TVA around here since back in the '50s," said Cookston, 59, who runs bulldozers and other heavy equipment for a living.

"Their rates on power are as cheap as anybody," he said, looking toward the plant stacks. But "I think there's a lot more going on down there than we'll ever know."

The back-to-back spills followed a 20 percent rate increase announced in October — the largest spike since 1974 — and a decision to grant CEO Tom Kilgore a pay raise of about \$500,000. On top of that, the utility said in November it would reduce its weed-control work in two reservoirs.

The rate hike was trimmed by about 6 percent to offer some relief beginning Jan. 1. And TVA spokesman Gil Francis denied that the Knoxville, Tenn.-based utility had any image problem.

"I have not seen any cus-

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tomer frustrations," he said.

But Scott Stout, a

spokesman for the Roane County Emergency Management Agency in Tennessee, understands the anxiety. He helped coordinate the response to the huge ash spill at the Kingston Fossil Plant on Dec. 22.

"I am not happy about what has happened," Stout said. "But you can't unring that bell."

TVA has been a friend for years, operating dams that created beautiful lakes for water and recreation. Its response to the Kingston spill has been good so far, Stout

"I am happy with what I am seeing them do. Now two months from now, three months from now, I'd love to say the same thing," said Stout.

The utility provides electricity to 8.8 million consumers in Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Kentucky, Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia. It's as much a part of the valley landscape as hardwood forests and craggy cliffs overlooking two-lane roads.

At the Discount Food Mart in Stevenson, 65-year-old Frances Lanier said TVA is a major employer in the town of about 1,770 people. "The people love them," she said.

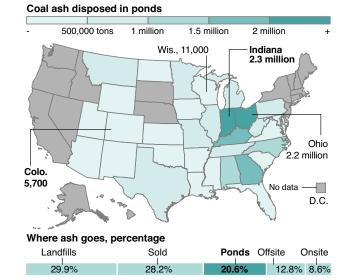
But, Lanier said, there's also concern among some about pollution from the Widows Creek plant, located just upstream from the old city where Union and Confederate troops fought for control of a key rail line during the Civil War.

TVA said the mishap at the Widows Creek plant presented no danger to people or the environment, and the local water provider, Stevenson Utilities, hasn't issued any warning against drinking the water. Lab results are expected Monday.

The utility said a 147-acre retention pond leaked water laced with calcium sulfate, a component of gypsum, which is released when coal burns. TVA said a leaking

Nearly 20 million tons of ash in ponds

In 2005, about 21 percent of the total ash generated by coal-powered power plants ended up in ponds.



SOURCE: Department of Energy

pipe was likely to blame.

By the time the discharge was stopped after a few hours, the spill had run into an adjacent pond and overflowed into Widows Creek,

which flows into the Tennessee River.

The Environmental Protection Administration said it would test whether the spill was harmful.

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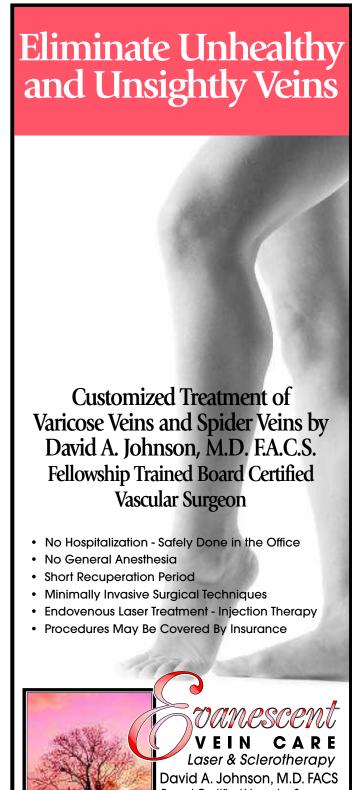
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Pentagon: U.S. nixed Israeli plan to bomb Iranian nuclear facility

By Karen DeYoung The Washington Post

WASHINGTON —
President Bush last year rejected an Israeli request to provide sophisticated, deeppenetration bombs to attack Iran's underground nuclear enrichment facilities, Pentagon officials said Saturday.

The administration also rebuffed Israel's plan to fly through U.S.-controlled Iraqi airspace to reach the Iranian site, officials said. The Israelis had not proposed a specific date for an attack, and it was not clear how far along the planning was when the requests were made, officials said.

The Israeli requests were first reported on the New York Times Web site Saturday. The Times also said that President Bush, seeking to deflect the Israelis and to soften his refusal, told the government of Prime Minister Ehud Olmert that he had authorized a new covert action program to sabotage Iran's uranium enrichment program. The report quoted U.S. officials as saying that some actions had been taken as part of

what it described as an ongoing covert program, but that they had not seriously affected Iranian operations. Israel and the United States and principal European allies have charged that Iran has a secret nuclear weapons program, a charge Tehran has denied.

Officials with the Israeli Embassy and the CIA declined to comment Saturday night. A White House spokesman could not be reached for comment.

Some factions within the Bush administration have long advocated a U.S. military strike on Iran's nuclear facilities, but military leaders and others have argued against it on the grounds that it could endanger U.S. troops in the region and spark a broader war in the Middle East, and that it would probably only temporarily set back Iran's efforts.

The Natanz complex in central Iran houses several underground structures containing gas centrifuges to enrich uranium. The Iranian government has said it is interested in peaceful nuclear energy only, but its failure to cooperate fully with international verification efforts has led to increasingly strict Western economic sanctions.

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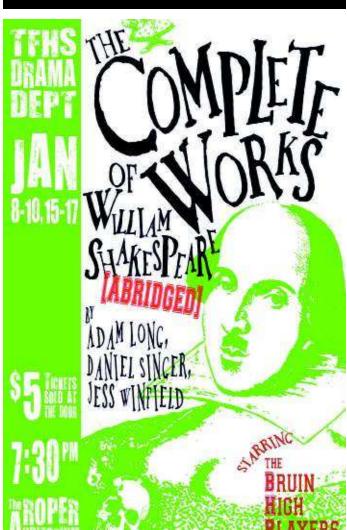
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Baltimore mayor shows she's not easily rattled

By Ben Nuckols Associated Press writer

BALTIMORE — It was easy to find the symbolism in Mayor Sheila Dixon's first public event since being indicted on theft and perjury charges.

With the song "Eye of the Tiger" blasting through speakers, the embattled mayor donned red boxing gloves Saturday and climbed into a ring to perform cardio-kickboxing with a dozen others to promote physical fitness.

But the event didn't go as planned. The boxing ring couldn't handle the workout and soon collapsed beneath them. No one was hurt; Dixon, unfazed, climbed out and continued her workout on the gym floor.

It was vintage Dixon, showing once again that she's not easily rattled. Her demeanor remains unchanged, despite allegations that she took gift cards intended for needy families and lied about gifts from her developer ex-boyfriend.

"It is a regrettable moment in our history, for sure. It's not to be taken lightly," said City Councilwoman Mary Pat Clarke, a staunch Dixon supporter. "But it's not a showstopper. It's not something to stop the wheels of a successful administration."

After all, as Dixon's attorney said after she was indicted Friday that she is not charged with bribery. Nor is she charged with racketeering, extortion or fraud, all of which carry more severe penalties. Nowhere in the indictment is an allegation that Dixon allowed money to influence her job perform-

Dixon, a Democrat, was already under investigation by State Prosecutor Robert A. Rohrbaugh when she became mayor in January 2007. The first black woman to hold the office, Dixon took over as the city's chief executive after Martin O'Malley was elected gover-

o Maney was elected governor.

When asked at the time about the probe, which focused on her financial dealings as City Council president, she denied any wrongdoing and expressed confidence that it would end without charges being filed.

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Braving Israeli assault, Gaza medics face war's carnage daily

Ibrahim Barzak and Ben Hubbard Associated Press writers

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — The medics who brave Israel's assault on Gaza have come under fire from tanks and faced days-long delays in getting to the scene of attacks, sometimes finding animals gnawing at corpses when they finally reach the dead and wounded.

Few are more exposed to the carnage of Israel's twoweek military offensive than Gaza's medics, who number around 400 including volunteers. They work long hours, get little sleep and risk their lives daily. Many have lost friends and family, but the overwhelming workload leaves no time to process what they've seen.

coordination Awaiting with Israel often delays access to the injured, medics said. Some reported finding people stranded in their homes for days, or bodies lying in the streets uncollect-

"Disgusting is not the word," said Shawki Saleh, 24, a volunteer medic at Kamal Adwan hospital. "If it's not a dog, it's rats around the bodies. ... I've been doing this volunteer work for two years but I never imagined I'd see this. Who knows how many people are still under the rubble. We were carrying them out screaming."

In one long workday, medic Haitham Adgheir carried five corpses, saw six more at a Gaza hospital, and his medical convoy took Israeli tank fire that showered a driver with glass.

"My mind is like a video of body parts and injured people," said Adgheir, 33.

Israel launched airstrikes across the Gaza Strip on Dec. 27 and sent in ground troops a week later in an attempt to halt years of Hamas rocket fire on southern Israel. More than 800 Palestinians have been killed, about half of them civilians, according to Palestinian medical officials. Thirteen Israelis have also

been killed. Israel says it targets only Hamas sites, but has hit mosques and apartment buildings throughout the crowded seaside territory. Israel has repeatedly accused Hamas of using civilians as human shields and launching attacks from schools, mosques and homes.

Since the fighting began, 21 Palestinian medical staff have been killed, 30 have been injured and 11 ambulances have been damaged, according to the World Health Organization.

International Committee of the Red Cross made a rare public criticism of Israel this week, saying there were "unacceptable" delays in letting rescue workers reach the injured. And Gaza staff say soldiers sometimes fire on ambulance crews.

Earlier this week, after waiting four days for coordination, ambulance crews entered the Zeitoun neighborhood and found at least 12 bodies and four small surviving children next to their dead mothers, the Red Cross has said.

Ahmed Abu Sal, 26, a vol-



A Palestinian Red Crescent medic carries a dead child, killed in an Israeli army operation, Thursday at Kamal Edwan hospital in Beit Lahiya, north-

unteer medic who responded to the scene, recalled finding a young girl still clutching her dead mother. The girl, who was perhaps 9, was unable to speak from dehydration, her lips shrunken and dry, he said Saturday. He carried her from the building.

ern Gaza Strip.

Elsewhere in the rubble he found a woman quietly weeping and still holding the bodies of two young men who appeared to be her sons, he said.

Red Cross officials working with ambulance crews coordinate with the Israeli military by cell phone before moving, said Red Cross spokesman Simon Schorno in Geneva. At other times, fighting breaks out near authorized crews, putting them at risk.

The Red Cross has similar lines of communication with Palestinian militants, Schorno said, though they are less organized. He knew of no recent run-ins with Palestinian militants.

An army spokesman said Israel works hard to coordinate with aid crews and that soldiers don't fire at clearly marked medics.

"The area is a combat zone, and obviously the risk of any medic working in a combat zone is that there is fire from all sides," said Capt. Benjamin Rutland.

But many medics say they are deliberately targeted, though ambulances in Gaza are clearly marked.

Adgheir, a medic with the Palestine Red Crescent at al-Quds hospital, said Israeli soldiers fired toward him four times in the past week, despite Red Cross coordination.

On Tuesday, he waited more than 12 hours for coordination with Israeli forces before he could reach a car full of people who had been shot at by an Israeli tank along the beach road near the town of Khan Yunis.

The tank fire sent shards of glass into the driver's eyes. Only able to reach the car after dark, Adgheir said Israeli soldiers shot at his ambulance approached.

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The medics say they have no time to deal with the psychological toll of their job. They report nightmares, short tempers and feelings from numbness to rage.

The fighting allows little time to pause — even to pray. On Friday, doctors and medics at Gaza City's Shifa hospital joined relatives of the injured in a communal prayer outside the emergency room. In blood-spattered smocks, the medics prayed for the dead.

Moments later, an ambulance rushed in with the body of a man killed by shelling and the medics rushed back to work.

Mohammed Azayzeh, a central Gaza medic, said the hardest thing to handle is not seeing the dead but rescuing the wounded, some of whom have horrific injuries such as missing limbs that leave them screaming for

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World

By Mary Jordan The Washington Post

OXFORD, England Joshua Silver remembers the first day he helped a man see.

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"He grinned and started operating his machine very fast," said Silver, 62, who aims to distribute his special glasses throughout the developing world.

Silver said he wants to provide eyeglasses to more than a billion people with poor eye-

For starters, he hopes to distribute a million pairs in India over the next year or so.

In the United States, Britain and other wealthy nations, 60

Five Somali pirates drown with ransom share

By Mohamed Olad Hassan Associated Press writer

MOGADISHU, Somalia — Five of the pirates who hijacked a Saudi supertanker drowned with their share of a \$3 million ransom, a relative said, the day after the bundle of cash was apparently dropped by parachute onto the deck of the ship.

The Sirius Star and its 25 crew sailed safely away Friday at the end of a twomonth standoff in the Gulf of Aden, where pirates attacked over 100 ships last year. Hundreds more kidnapped sailors remain in the hands of

The drowned pirates' boat overturned in rough seas, and family members were still looking for four missing bodies, said Daud Nure, another pirate who knew the men involved, on Saturday.

Piracy is one of the few ways to make money in Somalia. Half the population is dependent on aid and a whole generation has grown up knowing nothing but war. A recent report by London's Chatham House think-tank said pirates raked in more than \$30 million in ransoms last year.

Somalia's lawless coastline borders one of the world's busiest shipping lanes, which links the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea to the Indian Ocean. Attacks have continued despite the patrols by warships from France, Germany, Britain, America, India and China.

The naval coalition has been closely monitoring both the Sirius Star and the Faina, a Ukrainian ship loaded with military tanks that has been held since September. The seizure of the Sirius Star on Nov. 15 prompted fears that the pirates might release some of the cargo of crude oil into the ocean, causing an environmental disaster as a way of pressuring negotiators. At the time, the oil was valued at \$100 million.

Abukar Haji, uncle of one of the dead pirates, blamed the naval surveillance for the accident that killed his pirate nephew Saturday.

"The boat the pirates were traveling in capsized because it was running at high speed because the pirates were afraid of an attack from the warships patrolling around," he said.

"There has been human and monetary loss but what makes us feel sad is that we don't still have the dead bodies of our relatives. Four are still missing and one washed

up on the shore." Pirate Daud Nure said three of the eight passengers had managed to swim to shore after the boat overturned in rough seas.

to 70 percent of people wear corrective glasses, Silver said. But in many developing countries, only about 5 percent have glasses because so many people, especially those in rural areas, have little or no access to eye-care profession-

Even if they could visit an eve doctor, the cost of glasses can be more than a month's wages. This means that many schoolchildren cannot see the blackboard, bus drivers can't see clearly and others can no longer fish, teach or do other jobs because of failing vision.

"It's about education, economics and quality of life," Silver said.

The glasses, which are made in China, are not sleek. In fact, he acknowledged, "detractors call them ugly." He said the design can be improved, but the current model looks like something from the back of Woody Allen's closet — thick dark frames with round lenses. The glasses work on the principle that the more liquid pumped into a thin sac in the plastic lenses, the stronger the correction.

Silver has attached plastic

syringes filled with silicone oil on each bow of the glasses; the wearer adds or subtracts the clear liquid with a little dial on the pump until the focus is right. After that adjustment, the syringes are removed and the "adaptive glasses" are ready to go.

Currently, Silver said, a pair costs about \$19, but his hope is to cut that to a few dollars.

He has distributed about 30,000 spectacles. The U.S. Department of Defense bought 20,000 pairs to give away to poor people in Africa and Eastern Europe.



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Cardinals pick off Panthers



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Chargers at Steelers 2:30 p.m., CBS



CSI men struggle in loss at CEU

Times-News

The College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team ran into a squad that had a hot hand and a lot of desire on Saturday afternoon. Unfortunately for the No. 17 Golden Eagles, they were unable to answer the

bell on either of those accounts, dropping a 94-78 contest at the College Eastern Utah. "They wanted it more than we did and they played like it," said

CSI head coach Steve Gosar, whose squad fell to 14-3 overall and 1-1 in West Athletic Conference play after allowing CEU to shoot 65 percent from the field. "We broke defensively, made a bunch of mental mistakes."

Darington Hobson's 18 points helped No. 14 Eastern Utah (15-1, 1-1 SWAC) bounce back from its first setback of the season, a 72-63 home loss to North Idaho College on Friday in both teams' conference opener.

'Their backs were against the wall after losing against North Idaho," said Gosar of Eastern Utah's intense effort on Saturday.

Hobson was one of five CEU players in double figures as Stephen Franklin scored 17, Isaiah Williams 15, Mike Scott 13 and Phillip Thomas 11.

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Lucet leads CSI women to road win

Times-News

Soana Lucet was limited by foul trouble in the first half. There was nothing that could stop her in the second.

The College of Southern Idaho sophomore All-American poured in a gamehigh 30 points, 24 coming after intermission as the No. 17 CSI women throttled Eastern Utah 94-56 in Price, Utah, on Saturday.

CSI led just 41-32 at halftime, but quickly put away the Scenic West Athletic Conference's other Golden Eagles after the break to earn its 10th straight win.

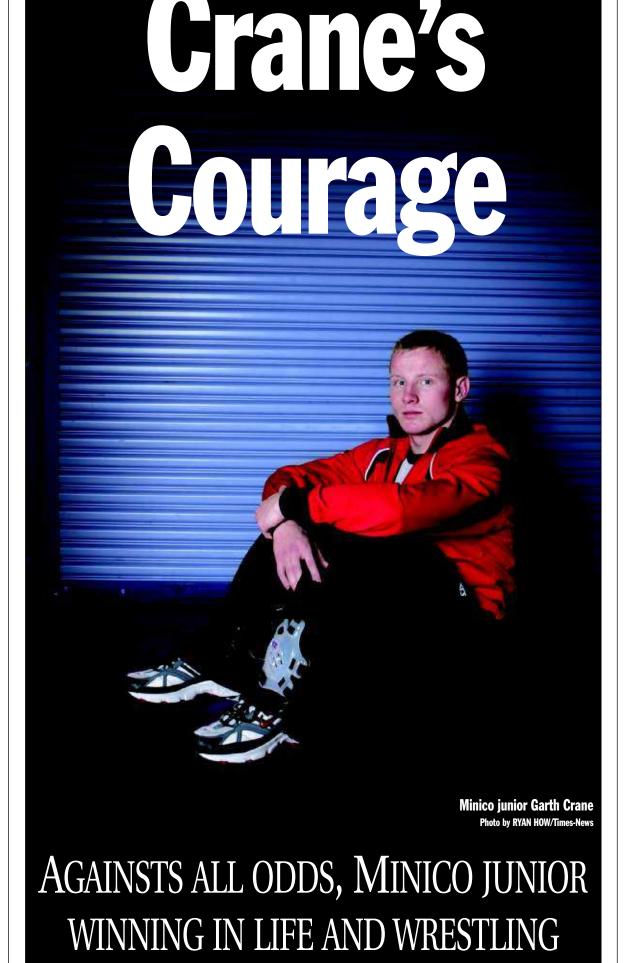
"The thing I knew we had going for us in the second half was a fresh Soana," CSI head coach Randy Rogers told 1270 AM KTFI. "She did such a good job."

She got plenty of help from sophomore point guard Martina Holloway, who piled up 14 assists in the win.

"That was just huge for said Rogers Holloway's passing.

The game was tight early, but CSI (13-3, 2-0 SWAC) built a double-digit edge at 31-21 on a Kalika Tullock jumper. The lead grew even more until CEU whittled it to nine at halftime. But a 10-0 run to start the second half put CSI in control and the cushion ballooned from

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By Ryan Howe | Times-News writer

highly-touted, two-time state victories coming by pin.

arly this wrestling season at the Boise Duals, Minico junior Garth Crane lined up After going toe-to-toe with the across from Dillon Gentry, the the season. Despite the defeat, Crane remarkably never backed champion from Meridian High down and was never intimidated. who has well over 100 career Probably because Gentry isn't the wins, with three-fourths of those toughest opponent he has faced. Not even close.

Rough Beginning

Minico wrestling coach Brad Cooper has been around a long time — long enough that he is now coaching the kids of some of his former wrestlers.

Cooper's first wrestler to make the state finals was Sam Crane, who finished his senior season with a state runner-up medal.

graduating After from Minico, Sam Crane married his high school sweetheart, Dawn, in 1988. They made their home near Rupert, got involved with farming and started a family. First came Nick, then Nathan two years later. Two years after that, Garth was born. It didn't take long to notice something was different with their third

"At about nine weeks, Garth tried to die," Sam recalls.

Garth's parents rushed him to the hospital and he was sent to Salt Lake City by life-flight. After four weeks of tests,

including having a section of his lung cut out, Garth was diagnosed with cystic fibrosis, a genetic disease that affects the mucus glands of the lungs, liver, pancreas and intestines. CF patients battle breathing problems and often have issues with nutrition and growth. Experts have yet to find a cure.

"To find out your child has a terminal genetic disease, it's a very difficult thing," Sam says. "We were very concerned, considering how rough of a beginning he had."

Garth struggled early on and was in-and-out of the hospital for his first two years. With the constant treatments and medications that CF patients endure, the Cranes knew it would be impossible for Garth to live a completely normal life. But what they didn't know was how well Garth would embrace

the challenge. "Garth has far surpassed

what we had hoped for him," Sam says. "From the time he was an infant, anyone who came in contact with Garth has commented what a special kid

Hitting the mats

Every person with CF is different, so treatments vary as well. Garth receives daily athome treatments, as well as annual visits to a specialist in Salt Lake City.

Twice a day for 30 minutes, Garth undergoes a breathing treatment using a nebulizer that vaporizes a solution. He breathes the solution into his lungs to break up the mucus buildup. Meanwhile, he straps on a vest that's hooked up to a machine that shakes the mucus loose, allowing him to clear out his airways.

Because he's operating on

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Gerratt, Slotten headline local winners in Buhl

Tigers fall one-point short of first-place Challis

By David Bashore Times-News writer

New uniform, same results for Valley's Derek Gerratt.

After winning the 125-pound title at the Buhl Wrestling Invitational last season when competing for Gooding, Gerratt took home top honors in the 135-pound bracket for his new school on Saturday with a convincing 7-1 win over Kaeo Doronio of Mountain Home.

Gerratt earned three takedowns and held control throughout, not permitting Doronio to score against him until an inconsequential escape with seconds left in the match.

Not a bad result for someone acclimating to a new program — and feeling a bit under the weather as well.

"I came into the tournament with a pretty bad cold but I woke up (in the middle of it) and started getting to work," Gerratt said. "I'm feeling pretty good, we've got a really good coaching staff and the guys have all been welcoming of me.

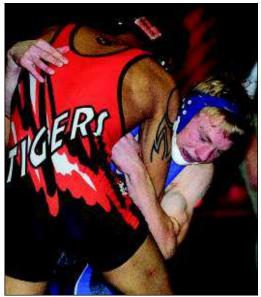
"It's a tough bracket, 135 is one of the biggest weight classes around (in terms of participants) so it's a boost of confidence.'

Gerratt's victory was one of four for area wrestlers in the Buhl Invitational. Gooding standout freshman Brandon McBride made quick work of Aberdeen's Ty Warren in the 145-pound final, pinning him early in the second period, and Jerome's Wade Bennett scored a comfortable 6-0 win over Nick Fleenor of Filer to settle the 189-pound title.

Twin Falls junior Zak Slotten took the title at 171 but, as compared to his fellow District IV victors, he really had to work for it.

A reversal in the second period got Slotten

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JUSTIN JACKSON/Times-News

Valley's Derek Gerratt attempts to take down Mountain Home's Kaeo Doronio during their 135-pound championship match Saturday afternoon in Buhl.

Tigers run away from Indians

By John Derr **Times-News writer**

The last time Jerome left the court it was after a tough loss to Century on the road. The Tigers were determined to not let that happen

Jerome scored the first 16 points of the game and ran past Buhl 50-31 in non-conference boys basketball action Saturday night.

"After the loss we wanted to come out fired up. We came ready to play," said senior guard Logan Parker, who led the early charge. "I was just on early. We wanted to push the ball and get a big lead. It was a fun first quarter."

Forcing a handful of turnovers Jerome stormed in front. Parker opened with a jumper, junior Kameron Pearce converted the reverse layup while Parker drained a 3-pointer for the early 9-0 advantage.

After a timeout, Parker and senior post Kevin Williams chipped in a pair of buckets as

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Wildcats get the best of Declo in rivalry game

By Ryan Howe **Times-News writer**

Just because Declo and Filer no longer play in the same conference doesn't mean their girls basketball rivalry has cooled off any.

With a renewed emphasis on hard-nosed defense, the Filer Wildcats built a doubledigit first-half lead and held off a late Declo rally to earn a thrilling 50-45 nonconference road win Saturday night.

Lacie Heimkes poured in a game-high 17 points to lead Filer. Post players Natalie Hughes and Rocio Gutierrez each scored 11 for the Wildcats, which improved their record to 7-6.

The win avenged Filer's 60-53 home loss to the Hornets

"The difference tonight was we played better defense," said Filer coach Gary Mellinger. "We recommitted ourselves after (the first Declo game). Tonight we did what we were supposed to do, and because of that our defense created our offense.

"We're still at that point of the season where our defense is everything to us. As long as we play good, hard-nosed defense, we have a chance to win every night.

Saturday's game was Declo's first since the holiday break, while Filer already had three games under its belt since the break. Declo's 21-day layoff, coupled with Filer's aggressive defense, hindered the Hornets' ability

to get into an offensive rhythm.

'When we played them (at Filer), they pressed us a lot more and we handled it really well. We just didn't handle it well tonight," said Declo coach Val Christensen. "We had some good effort in spots, but we weren't very patient in the first half offen-

Declo (8-6) was led in scoring by Catherine Blakeslee and Melissa Carson with 12 apiece.

Filer forced eight Declo turnovers in the first quarter and the Wildcats caught Declo flat-footed on the other end, earning several early trips to the foul line. Filer was 17-for-25 from the charity stripe.

After trailing by 10 at half-

time, Declo started to chip away. The Hornets cut it to a two-point game twice in the fourth quarter, but a pair of clutch inside buckets by Hughes in the final two minutes made the difference.

Filer plays at Kimberly Tuesday. Declo begins Canyon Conference play at Valley on Tuesday.

Filer 50, Declo 45
Filer 17 17 6 10 - 50
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FileR (50)
Lacie Heimkes 17, Ari Wight 2, Taylor Twitchell 3,
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Sierra Zollinger 2, Sydney Christensen 6, Sarah
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Melissa Carson 12. Totals 21 38 45.
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fouls: Filer 11, Declo 17. Fouled out: none.

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Filer's Kindee Wilson looks to shoot as Declo's Sarah Slicock defends during their girls basketball game Saturday night in Declo. Filer won 50-45.

Valley girls survive Wendell rally

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Valley built up a 35-9 halftime lead in Wendell but had to withstand a furious rally at the end to escape with a 59-58 win.

Camelle Sizemore led the Vikings with 15 points, while Katie Hall added 13.

Jaci Lancaster led all scorers with 22 points for Wendell (9-3), which scored 32 points in the fourth quarter. Kristen Brandsma added 17.

"It shows what mettle is. In the first half our defense smelled up the place, and in the second half it was outstanding. We just have to get ourselves to get ready to play all game," said Wendell head coach Delon Huse. "If we had 10 more seconds I think we would have won it, they were really flustered."

Wendell hosts Shoshone on Monday.

Valley 59, Weade 58

Valley 20 15 10 14 - 59
Wendell 7 2 17 32 - 58
WALLEY (59)
Katie Hall 13, Jessica Callen 2, Dacia Hunter 6,
Camelle Sizemore 15, Alyssa Henry 7, Ashley Kraus
9, Jamie Wood 7. Totals 21 16-24 59.
WENDELL (58)
Jori Fleming 8, Laurie Andrus 3, Krystyl Miller 4, Jaci
Lancaster 22, Kristen Brandsma 17, Erin O'Brien 1,
Heather Sturgeon 3, Totals 20 14-23 58.
3-point goals: Valley 4 (Sizemore); Wendell 4

CAREY 60, OAKLEY 30

Jessica Parke scored a game-high 16 points to lead Carey to a 60-30 home win over Oakley on Saturday.

Kayla Bailey added 10 and Amy Ellsworth kicked in seven for the 6-5 Panthers, who host Mackay Tuesday.

Sabrina Wybenga led the Hornets with 12 points.

Carey 60, Oakley 30 9 7 8 6 - 30 23 12 17 8 - 60 OAKLEY (30)

Saless Terry 3, Jennifer Tellez 1, Sabrina Wybenga 12, Jordan Leirman 6, Kori Poulton 5, McKenzie Zollinger 3. Totals 8 13-24 30. Chelsey Hunt 3, Kelsey Green 7, Jessica Parke 16, Amy Elisworth 8, Kelsey Reynolds 6, Shelby Hansen 8, Shurressa Rodriguez 2, Kayla Bailey 10. Totals 26

3-point goals: Oakley 1(Zollinger); Carey 2 (Hunt, Green). Total fouls: Oakley 8, Carey 17. Fouled out: Carey, Reynolds. Technical fouls: none.

CHALLIS 55, HAGERMAN 19

Kristen Garlie nearly outscored Hagerman by herself, pouring in 16 points at Challis routed the visiting Pirates 55-19 on Saturday.

Amanda Regnier led Hagerman (8-5, 2-2 Snake River North) with nine points.

"We pretty much stepped off the bus and let them push us around in the parking lot (it seemed)," said Hagerman coach Brett Arriaga. "It was like that all game. We need to be more physical."

Hagerman hosts Wendell on Friday.

HAGERMAN (19)
Amanda Regnier 9, Katlyn Nebeker 5, Sally
Traughber 2, Haley Arriaga 2, Aubrey Goolsby 1.
Totals 4 11-16 19.

CHALLIS (55) CHALLS (55)
K. Garlie 16, McGowan 5, Hamilton 6, Helm 5,
Trenthart 6, Moss 4, L. Garlie 8, Kemmer 3, Martin 2.
Totals 23 8-12 55.
3-point goals: Challis 1 (McGowan). Total fouls:
Hagerman 19, Challis 19. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

RIMROCK 42. CASTLEFORD 28

Six-foot-three Jackie Thurman of Rimrock scored 17 points, including five shots beyond the arc, to lead Rimrock to a 42-28 win over visiting Castleford Wolves.

"You have to score some points to win," said Castleford coach Roger Wells. "Thurman caused us some matchup problems. We felt pretty good about being down only one point at the half to one of the top teams in the state."

Rikki Wiggins with nine points led the Wolves.

Castleford (5-7) hosts Hansen on Tuesday.

Rimrock 42, Castleford 2
Castleford 5 10 3 10 – 28
Rimrok 9 7 13 13 – 42
CASTLEFORD (28)
Rikki Wiggins 9, Belinda Kinyon 4, Callie Wiggins 2, Courtney Allired 3, Maricella Rodriguez 5, Allison Rodgers 5. Totals 10 8-16 28.

Rodgers 5. Totals 10 8-16 28.

Kaile Murray 3, Anna Cantrell 4, Shoni Gennett 5, Randie Denton 9, Jackie Thurman 17, Gillespie 2, Sierra Ridley 2. Totals 17 1-10 42.

3-point goals: Rimrock 7 (Thurman 5, Murray, Denton). Total fouls: Castleford 15, Rimrock 15.

Fouled out: Rimrock, Jennatt. Technical fouls: none

RICHFIELD 46. NORTH GEM 33

The Tigers received good help off the bench from Victoria Hettenbach, Breanna Brockman and Tawni Smith in the 46-33 victory over the host North Gem Cowboys.

"With Michelle (Kent) not able to play, Kaylee (Exon) stepped into the starting lineup and did a good job," said Richfield head coach Steve Kent. "North Gem is a strong team that will be a factor in time. They are well balanced team with all the ingredients."

Teenie Kent tossed in 22 points for Richfield (11-0, 8-0) with 18 coming in the second half. Mirian Rivas matched her five steals with five assists and also had seven points. Lea Piper grabbed a team-high12 rebounds and Sasha Kent pulled down seven for the Tigers.

"We got stone cold in the second quarter," said coach Kent. "It was our first game in 23 days and by our standards, we didn't play very

Richfield is on the road at Camas County on Tuesday.

Right eld 46, North Gem 33
Right eld 15 6 15 10 – 46
North Gem 29 11 11 – 33
RICHTELD (46)
Lea Piper 4, Teenie Kent 22, Mirian Rivas 7, Sasha Kent 5, Kaylee Exon 6, Victoria Hettenbach 2. Totals 18 6-12 46.

18 6-12 46.

NORTH GEM (38)

Bailey Simmons 5, Tiffany Crossley 4, Aspen
Holbrook 8, Chynna Holbrock 2, Nailee Simons 8,
Kristi Christensen 6. Totals 13 5-13 33.
3-point goals: Richfield 4 (T. Kent 3, S. Kent); North
Gem 2 (Simmons, A. Holbrock). Total fouls: Richfield
14, North Gem 15. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls

DIETRICH 60, MACKAY 42

Senior Jesse Dill scored a game-high 22 points and Dietrich rode a solid defensive effort to a 60-42 home win over Mackay Saturday.

Shayla Porter added 15 points, six rebounds and four steals in what Blue Devils coach Acey Shaw called her 'best game of the season."

Shaw praised Dill for sparking the team and lauded his squad's "really intense defense," which resulted in numerous easy buckets on the offensive end.

Dietrich (8-3,Northside Conference) travels to Magic Valley Christian on Tuesday.

Dietrich 60, Mackay 42 18 8 9 12 - 42 Dietrich 15 19 9 17 - 60 MACKAY (42) J. Rosenkrance 6, A. Nelson 8, B. Neilsen 10, K. Whitworth 5, M. McKey 6, K. Mulick 7. Totals15 10 15 42.

15 42.

DIETRICH (60)

Ellie Dalton 3, Nakia Norman 9, Shayla Porter 15,
Jesse Dill 22, Halle Stoddard 5, Moriah Dill 2, Dayna
Phillips 4. Totals 21 15-23 60.
3-point goals: Mackay 2 (Nelson, Whitworth); Dietrich
3 (Dalton 1, J. Dill, Stoddard). Total fouls: Mackay 22,
Dietrich 15. Fouled out: Mackay, Whitworth,
McKelvey.

WOOD RIVER 54, GOODING 36

Monica Garceau scored 13 points and Kaitana Martinez netted 12 as Wood River bagged a 54-36 win over Gooding in Hailey on Saturday.

Brittany Wirth's 17 points Gooding hosts Wendell on

led Gooding. Thursday, while Wood River hosts Burley on Wednesday.

Wood River 54, Gooding 36
9 7 13 7 - 36
16 17 5 16 - 54
GOODN(6 (36)
Angela Vitek 6, Mackenzie Stevens 4, Fallon Turner 2,

Carrie Baker 7, Brittany Wirth 17. WOOD RIVER (54)

Alex Lindblom 5, Taylor Hayes 4, Kaitana Martinez 12, Grace Lagodich 8, Angela Coleman 2, Monica Garceau 13, Tristan Bowers 1, Samantha Engel 6, Glenn 3. Totals 19 13-25 54.
3-point goals: Gooding 4 (Vitek 2, Baker, Wirth); Wood River 1 (Martinez). Total fouls: Gooding 19, Wood River 13.

MINICO 51, CENTURY 35

Minico got 13 points apiece from Kendra Bailey and Brecka Fetzer in a 51-35 home win over Century.

The Spartans (7-7) worked hard on the boards to overcome Century's height advantage.

"I thought the big key tonight was we did a great job blocking out," said Minico head coach Joe D. Shepard.

Bailey and Fetzer each drained three 3-pointers in the win.

Minico travels to Jerome on Friday.

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Minico 51, Century 35

37 12 13 – 35

Li 11 13 18 – 54

CENTURY (51)

Cutler 2, Reeder 12, Dial 2, Anderson 3, Ferro 4, Kelemete 9, Miner 3, Totals 13 6-13 35.

MINICO (51)

Kelli Kindig 6, Breonna Phillips 1, Kendra Bailey 13, Brecka Fetzer 13, Laci Garner 9, Jena Bingham 2, Ashley Parker 5, Caylee Pfeifer 2. Totals 20 5-6 51.

3-point goals: Century 3 (Reeder 2, Ferro; Minico 6 (Bailey 3, Fetzer 3). Total fouls: Century 15, Minico 16. Fouled out: none.

Boys basketball

CAREY 59, OAKLEY 42

Brett Adamson scored 20 points and Trevor Peck added 14 as Carey strolled past visiting Oakley 59-42 on Saturday.

Heith Adamson added nine points and 10 rebounds, to go with 12 boards from Jacy Baird.

Oakley was led by nine points from both Payson Bedke and Spencer Petersen. Carey (6-3) hosts Mackay on Tuesday.

Carey 59, Oakley 42
Oakley 512 12 13 - 42
Carey 17 13 24 5 - 59
Mark Pickett 4, Brett Arnell 5, Weston Cooper 1,
Hunter Wadsworth 4, Payson Bedke 9, Colten
Wadsworth 8, Payton Robinson 2, Spencer Petersen
O Table 17, 847 47

CAREY (59)
Dillon Simpson 6, Brett Adamson 20, Trevor Peck 14, Wacey Barg 6, Jacy Baird 4, Heith Adamson 9. Totals 23 8-13 59.
3-point goals: Carey 5 (B. Adamson 3, Peck 2). Total fouls: Oakley 14, Carey 17. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

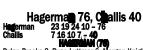
HAGERMAN 76, CHALLIS 40

Jake Lagle led three Hagerman players in double figures and Morgan Knight scored six points in his first action of the year as the Pirates pillaged Challis 76-40 on Saturday night.

Lagle had 16 for the Pirates (7-3, 2-0 Snake River North), while Jake Emerson and Thomas Owsley each scored

"We came out with a lot more intensity than we've shown in a while," said Hagerman coach Kevin Cato.

"I was happy with our effort." Hagerman hosts Oakley on Wednesday.



Challs 716 10 7, 40

Dylan Brooks 2, Ryan Luttmer 6, Morgan Knight 6, Jake Lagle 16, Jake Emerson 13, Zach Reid 1, Thomas Owsley 13, Josh Douville 4, Logan Daily 7, Tanner Owen 8. Totals 29 13-24 76

Helm 7, Parkinson 12, Crane 3, Trenthart 2, Alvardo 7, Savage 7, Nigg 2. Totals 15 7-13 40.
3-point goals: Hagerman 5 (Emerson 4, Luttmer); Challis 3 (Parkinson 2, Helm). Total fouls: Hagerman 17, Challis 19. Fouled out: Challis, Savage. Technical fouls: none.

DIETRICH 74. **TWIN FALLS CHRISTIAN 56**

Andrew Rocha knocked down six 3-pointers and scored 26 points to lead the visiting Dietrich Blue Devils to a 74-56 win over Twin Falls Christian on Saturday.

"It was an entertaining game," said Twin Falls coach Brent Walker. "The difference in the game was at the end when Dietrich outmanned and outrebounded us. They took 70 shots and we only had 30."

The Blue Devils took a 43-33 lead into halftime and entered the fourth quarter still maintaining a 10-point lead, 56-46. Dietrich went on to score 18 points in the final period and Twin Falls Christian added 10.

Jaren Stoddard and Scott Perron finished with 17 and 10 points, respectively, for

Dietrich. Tommy Broadfield scored a game-high 27 points in the Warrior's loss, followed

Clint Irvin posted12. Twin Falls Christian (5-1) hosts Magic Valley Christian on Monday.

by Austin Brown with 13 and

Dietrich is on the road at Magic Valley Christian on Tuesday.

Dietrich 74, Tolk Felle Chale DIETRICH (74)

Jaren Stoddard 17, Spencer Hansen 2, Scott Perron 10, Kolton Hubert 6, G.W. Bailey 5, Andrew Rocha 26, Luke Hubert 8, Totals 30 8-14 74.

TWIN FALLS CHRISTIAN (56)

Austin Brown 13, James Garrison 4, Tommy Broadfield 27, Clint Irvin 12. Totals 19 12-18 56.
3-point goals: Dietrich 6 (Rocha 6); Twin Falls Christian 6, Roradfield 3, Brown Carrison Irvin) Total

RICHFIELD 55, COMMUNITY SCHOOL 24

Michael Lezamiz scored a game-high 18 points and Tel Clark threw in 13 to lead Richfield to a 55-24 romp over the host Community School in Northside Conference play.

"Richfield is deep and quick ... the fastest team we've seen," said Community School coach Ed Florv. "We're getting better. We've put an emphasis on our defense keeping the opposition under their average. Now if we can just get the shots to fall."

Chet Stephens had nine points and Paul Davis added for the Cutthroats (2-7, 2-4).

Righfield 55, Community School 24 17 18 14 16 – 55 2 11 3 8 – 24 **Richfield**

Community School

RICHPILD (55)

Tel Clark 13, Michael Lezamiz 18, Tucker Smith 2, Brody Norman 4, Levi Kent 4, Jose Rivas 8, Luke Wood 2, Michael Henson 4, Totale 123 5-9 55.

COMMUNITY SCHOOL (24)

Paul Davis 8, Lucas Vorsteveld 3, Caspar Brun 2, Chet Stephens 9, Will Weston 2. Totals 9 1-7 24.

Jopint goals: Richfield 4 (Clark 3, Revas); Community School 5 (Stephens 3, Davis 2). Total fouls: Richfield 13, Community School 8. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none. none. Technical fouls: none.

SHOSHONE 43, VALLEY 40

Ryan Sorter scored a gamehigh15 points as the Shoshone Indians nudged past the host Valley Vikings 43-40 in nonconference action.

"This was Ryan's most productive game of the year," said Shoshone coach Larry Messick. "We had a couple of kids, Edwin Pinion and Cody Race that really stepped up tonight. It was a good team

Brogen Reed and Montana Barlow led the Vikings with 12 points.

Shoshone (7-1) hosts Sho-Ban on Tuesday.

Valley (5-7) entertains Glenns Ferry on Wednesday.

Shostone 43, Valley 40
Sheshene 11 5 10 17 - 43
Valley 9 16 12 - 40
Thomas Lanham 5, Ryan Sortor 15, Josh Olsen 8, Edwin Pinion 8, Cody Race 7, Totals 15 8-13 43.
VALLEY (40)
Chestian Orage 3, Matt Carp 8, Proden Reed 12

Crystian Orozco 3, Matt Garr 8, Brogen Reed 12, Daniel Burns 2, Montana Barlow 12, Jacob Mikesell 3. Totals 15 5-7 40.
3-point goals: Shoshone 5 (Sorter 3, Pinion 2); Valley 5 (Garr 2, Barlow 2, Orozco). Total fouls: Shoshone 6, Valley 14. Fouled out: Valley, Reed. Technical fouls:

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the route was on. Buhl, playing without starting guards Eric Sengvanhpheng and Cader Owen, struggled with the Tiger pressure. The Indians finally got on the board more than five minutes into the game. J.D. Leckenby connected in the paint then added a put-back.

The Tigers (9-3) tossed in six more points for the 22-6 advantage after one period.

Pearce took over to start the second quarter. He nailed the 3-pointer then chipped in a pair of putbacks as the lead grew to

"We practiced well this week. We just need to be patient with our offense. This gives us confidence we can score with whoever we play," said Pearce, who finished with a team-high 15 points.

Jerome cooled from the field after the first quarter, but the defense kept the pressure on, forcing 31 Buhl turnovers. Kris Bos came off the bench and drained a 3-pointer while Williams and Parker converted in the paint for the 35-11 lead at the break.

Williams scored a couple early buckets, building its biggest lead of the night at 46-13.

There would be little more offense from the Tigers, scoring just four more points the rest of the game.

"We let up a little. We kept shooting, but they wouldn't fall. So we went to the passing game," added Parker.

The Indians finally found their offense in the final period, outscoring Jerome 10-2. Jack Hamilton and Leckenby each scored four points. Jerome substituted

freely as 13 players saw playing time. The Tigers won the rebounding battle and finished with 11 assists. Leckenby, who finished

with a game-high 17

points, was the Buhl offense. No other player tallied more than four points. Buhl coach Ryan

Bowman said his players are working hard.

"We continued to play. That is what they do; they are battlers," Bowman.

Despite an 0-8 record, the Indians still have confidence. "We believe things will

turn around. We are a better team than the record shows," said Bowman. Jerome moves into conference play next week

on Tuesday and Burley on Thursday. Buhl will play Glenns Ferry on Thursday.

with games at Wood River

Jerome 50, Buhl 31
Jerome 20, 10, 10 - 31
Jerome 21, 31, 2 - 50
Whl (31)
Nathan Romans 4, J.D. Leckenby 17, Nick Hamilton 4, Garett Schilz 4, Scott Harris 2. Totals 14, 3-6, 31.
FEROME (50)
Cameron Stauffer 2, Gus Callen 2, Logan Parker 11, Kris Bos 3, Kameron Pearce 15, Nolan McDonald 2, Kevin Williams 15. Totals 22, 3-7, 50.

30. 3-point goals: Jerome 3 (Parker, Bos, Pearce). Total fouls: Buhl 11, Jerome 11. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.



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Ogilvy seizes control at PGA opener

KAPALUA, Hawaii (AP) — Geoff Ogilvy ran off three straight birdies on the back nine and shot an 8-under 65 on Saturday to make the rest of the winners-only field at the Mercedes-Benz Championship feel as though they were playing for second.

The wind switched directions, making Kapalua play entirely different. What didn't change was the guy atop the leaderboard.

Leading by one shot to start the third round, Ogilvy played bogey-free for the

second time in three rounds and wound up with a sixshot lead over Justin Leonard and D.J. Trahan as he tries to win the PGA Tour's season-opening event.

Leonard made eight birdies over his final 14 holes on his way to a 65, the kind of round that he figured would give him a chance to win. But he never had a good look at the leaderboard until he walked onto the 18th green and saw that Ogilvy was at 19 under.

"It was a little deflating, to

say the least," Leonard said. Trahan was one shot behind Ogilvy and simply couldn't keep up and shot a

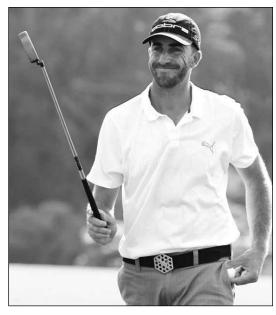
About the only thing Ogilvy did wrong was fail to convert three reasonable birdie chances on the closing holes, including the 18th, the only par 5 he failed to birdie in the third round.

He was at 19-under 200, the second-largest 54-hole lead at Kapalua behind David Duval in 1999.

"It's never over until the last hole," Ogilvy said. "I've never had a lead like this going into Sunday, so it will be a new experience for me." It might be a new course,

While the Kona wind brought significant change in club selection, the forecast includes a big thunderstorm approaching the islands, leading the tour to move the starting times up some three hours.

Even so, this is Ogilvy's to



reacts after making a birdie putt on the No. 9 green of the **Plantation Course during** the third round of the **Mercedes-Benz** Championship golf tournament in Kapalua, Hawaii, Saturday.

Geoff Ogilvy

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL								
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ATLANTIC	W	L	Pat	GB				
Boston New Jersey Philadelphia Toronto New York	29 18 16 16 13	9 19 20 21 22	.763 .486 .444 .432 .371	10½ 12 12½ 14½				
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Orlando Atlanta Miami Charlotte Washington	29 22 19 14 7	8 13 16 24 29	.784 .629 .543 .368 .194	- 6 9 15½ 21½				
CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB				
Cleveland Detroit Milwaukee Chicago Indiana	29 22 18 16 13 WES	6 13 21 21 23 TERN	.829 .629 .462 .432 .361	7 13 14 16½				
SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pat	GB				
San Antonio New Orleans Houston Dallas Memphis	24 22 24 22 11	11 11 15 14 26	.686 .667 .615 .611 .297	- 1 2 2 ¹ / ₂ 14				
NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB				
Denver Portland Utah Minnesota Oklahoma City	25 21 22 11 6	13 14 15 25 32	.658 .600 .595 .306 .158	2½ 2½ 13 19				
PACIFIC	W	L	Pct	GB				
L.A. Lakers Phoenix Golden State L.A. Clippers Sacramento	29 20 10 8 8	6 13 27 28 29	.829 .606 .270 .222 .216	- 8 20 21½ 22				

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Orlando 121, Atlanta 87
Toronto 103, Memphis 82
Toronto 103, Memphis 82
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Houston 98, Oklahoma City 96
New Orleans 107, L.A. Clippers 80
Chicago 98, Washington 86
Milwaukee 104, New Jersey 102
Detroit 93, Denver 90
Miami 119, Sacramento 115, OT Miami 119, Sacramento 115, OT Phoenix 128, Dallas 100

Phoenix 128, Dallas 100
LA. Lakers 121, Indiana 119
Saturday's Games
Charlotte 92, Washington 89
Minnesota 106, Milwaukee 104
Houston 96, New York 76
Oklahoma City 109, Chicago 98, OT Utah 99, Detroit 82 Golden State at Portland, late Sunday's Games

Sunday's Games
Boston at Toronto, 10:30 a.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, Noon
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 1:30 p.m.
Orlando at San Antonio, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Sacramento, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Golden State, 7 p.m.
Miami at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.
Monday's Games
Milwaukee at Washington, 5 p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 5:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at New Jersey, 5:30 p.m.
New York at New Orleans, 6 p.m.
Portland at Chicago, 6:30 p.m.

Portland at Chicago, 6:30 p.m. Indiana at Utah, 7 p.m.

NBA Boxes Bobcats 92, Wizards 89

CHARLOTE (92)
Wallace 0-0 0-0 0, Diaw 8-13 0-0 18, Okafor 4-7 1-2 9, Felton 2-9 4-4 9, Bell 7-17 2-2 19,
Morrison 4-6 2-2 11, Augustin 1-2 0-0 3,
Mohammed 0-1 2-4 2, Howard 6-9 0-0 12,
Singletary 0-2 0-0 0, Brown 3-3 2-2 9. Totals WASHINGTON (89) McGuire 3-5 1-1 7, Jamison 5-13 3-6 13, Blatche 7-13 0-0 14, James 1-4 2-2 5, Butler

Blatche 7-13 0-0 14, James 1-4 2-2 5, Butler 4-9 11-12 19, Crittenton 2-5 0-0 4, Songalia 2-2-3 6, McGee 44 1-4 9, Young 6-9 0-0 12, Dixon 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 34-65 20-28 89.

Charlotte 23 22 24 23 — 92

Washington 31 18 21 19 — 89

3-Point Goals—Charlotte 9-20 (Bell 3-9, Diaw 2-3, Morrison 1-1, Brown 1-1, Augustin 1-2, Felton 1-4), Washington 1-3 (James 1-1, Butler 0-1, Jamison 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Charlotte 34 (Okafor 6), Washington 42 (Blatche 10). Assists—Charlotte 26 (Felton 11), Washington 17 (Blatche 4). Total Fouls—Charlotte 25, Washington 20. A—20,173 (20,173). 20,173 (20,173).

Timberwolves 106, Bucks 104

Timberwolves 106, Bucks 104

MILWAUKEE (104)

RJefferson 10.15 7-7 29, Mbah a Moute 1-2 2-2 4, Gadruric 1-3 2-2 4, Ridnour 6-13 0-0 12, Redd 12-24 4-5 32, Bogut 7-8 0-2 14, Villanueva 2-6 3-4 7, Sessions 1-3 0-0 2, Bell 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 40-76 18-22 104.

MINNESOTA (106)

GNOBES 4-8 6-6 16, Smith 1-3 0-0 2, Alefferson 8-20 4-7 20, Telfair 5-11 5-7 17, Foye 4-12 1-1 11, Cardinal 1-2 2-2 5, Miller 3-8 0-0 8, Love 2-4 1-2 5, Camey 7-11 4-5 22. Totals 35-79 23-30 106.

Milwaukee 28 32 23 21 - 104

Minnesota 28 32 23 21 - 104

Minnesota 3-2-0 (Carney 4-6, Gornes 2-2, Miller 2-4, Foye 2-4, Telfair 2-5, Cardinal 1-1), Fouled 0ut A-Jefferson Rebounds
Milwaukee 41 (Ridnour 9), Minnesota 50 (Love 12). Assists—Milwaukee 21 (Ridnour 6), Minnesota 23 (Telfair 11). Total Fouls—

Milwaukee 25, Minnesota 21. Technicals-Milwaukee defensive three second, Minnesota Coach McHale 2. Ejected— Minnesota Coach

Jazz 99, Pistons 82 DETROIT (82)
Prince 2-10 0-0 5, Johnson 1-1 0-0 2, Brown 2-4 1-4 5, Stuckey 6-15 7-7 19, Iverson 4-13 3-4 11, Wallace 4-10 0-0 8, Maxiell 3-5 5-7 11, Affialo 2-5 4-4 9, Bynum 2-5 4-4 8, McDyess 1-4 0-0 2, Hermann 0-3 0-0 0, Acker 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 28-78 2-4-3 0-8.

UTAN (99)
Brewer 6-9 4-5 16, Millsap 3-6 3-4 9, Okur 8-9 3-3 22, Williams 3-12 0-0 7, Price 3-5 0-0 7, Korver 3-5 0-0 6, Kirilenko 4-7 3-4 11, Knight 1-3 2-3 4, Harring 4-7 3-5 11, Konigos 3-4 0-0

Korver 3-5 0-0 6, Kirilenko 4-7 3-4 11, Knight 1-3 2-3 4, Harpring 4-7 3-5 11, Koufos 3-4 0-0 6, Almond 0-3 0-0 0, Collins 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-71 18-24 99.

Detroit 21 26 17 18 - 82 Utah 32 25 22 20 - 99

3-Point Goals—Detroit 2-11 (Prince 1-2, Afflalo 1-2, Acker 0-1, Herrmann 0-2, Uerson 0-2, Wallace 0-2), Utah 5-11 (Okur 3-3, Price 1-2, Williams 1-2, Kirilenko 0-1, Korver 0-1, Almond 0-2). Fouled Out—Johnson. Rebounds—Detroit 45 (Mocyess 9), Utah 50 (Kirilenko, Millsan 7). Assists—Detroit 15 (Iverson 5), Utah 29 (Williams 9). Total Fouls—Detroit 22, Utah 28. A—19,911 (19,911). 28. A-19,911 (19,911).

Totals 29-82 10-13 76.

HOUSTON (96)
Battier 3-10 2-2 9, Scola 7-15 4-4 18, Yao 7-8
0-0 14, Alston 6-15 3-4 17, Wafer 6-12 2-4 15,
Barry 1-4 0-0 3, Brooks 6-14 0-0 16, Landry 0-5
4-4 4, Hayes 0-2 0-0 0, Head 0-0 0-0 0.

Totals 36-85 15-18 96.

New York
24 21 14 17 - 76
Houston 26 20 31 19 - 96
3-Point Goals-New York 8-29 (Thomas 4-8,
Duhon 2-3, Richardson 1-3, Chandler 1-7,
Roberson 0-2, Harrington 0-2, Robinson 0-4),
Houston 9-28 (Brooks 4-10, Alston 2-7, Battier
1-3, Barry 1-4, Wafer 1-4), Fouled Out-None.
Rebounds—New York 44 (Lee 11), Houston 6-4 Rebounds—New York 44 (Lee 11), Houston 64 (Scola 11), Assists—New York 14 (Duhon 6), Houston 20 (Alston 6). Total Fouls—New York 18, Houston 9. A-18,280 (18,043).

0-0 8, 10tals 40-92 (MICAGO (98))
Hughes 6-13 2-3 16, Thomas 2-6 2-2 6, Gooden 8-18 4-4 20, Rose 8-18 0-1 16, Gordon 9-19 3-4 22, Noah 2-4 0-2 4, Nocioni 4-10 2-2 11, Hunter 1-4 0-0 3, Totals 40-92 1-3-19 08

Hughes. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 73 (Westbrook, Green, Durant 12), Chicago 48 (Gooden 12). Assists—Oklahoma City 25 (Watson 11), Chicago 16 (Rose 6). Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 21, Chicago 28. A—

Friday's Late NBA Boxes

Lakers 121, Pacers 119 INDIANA (119)
Granger 8-17 10-11 28, Murphy 9-14 0-0 24, Hibbert 3-6 5-6 11, Graham 4-8 2-2 10, Jack 0-6 3-4 3, Nesterovic 3-8 2-2 8, Dunleavy 8-14 4-5 22, Foster 2-3 0-0 4, Diener 2-4 0-0 5, Rush 1-3 0-0 2, McRoberts 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 41 8-0 3-6 0 119. LA. LAKERS (121)

Radmanovic 3-5 0-0 8, Gasol 9-13 3-6 21, Radmanovic 3-5 0-0 8, Gasol 9-13 3-6 21, Rynum 8-10 4-7 20, Bryant 10-20 15-47 36, Fisher 3-6 1-2 8, Ariza 3-5 4-4 10, Powell 5-7 0-0 10, Vujacic 3-12 1-1 8, Sun 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 44-78 28-37 121. Indiana 36 30 18 35 — 119 LA Lakers 41 27 28 25 — 121 3-Point Goals—Indiana 11-31 (Murphy 6-9, Dunleavy 2-6, Granger 2-8, Diener 1-3, Jack 0-1, Rush 0-2, Graham 0-2), LA. Lakers 5-16 (Radmanovic 2-4, Fisher 1-2, Bryant 1-4, Vujacic 1-6), Foulde 0ut—Granger, Ariza. Rebounds—Indiana 43 (Murphy 6), LA. Lakers 47 (Gasol 11). Assists—Indiana 30 (Jack 8), LA. Lakers 28 (Bryant 13). Total Fouls—Indiana 27, LA. Lakers 21. Technicals—Murphy, Ariza, Radmanovic. A—18,997 (18,997).

SACRAMENTO (115)

119 115 3-Point Goals—Miami 7-18 (Beasley 2-3, Chalmers 2-4, Cook 2-8, Wade 1-1, Marion 0-

1, Quinn 0-1), Sacramento 8-22 (Hawes 2-2,

McHale. A-15,007 (19,356).

Thunder 109, Bulls 98

OKLAHOMA CITY (109)
Green 4.17 6-8 14, Durant 10-20 7-8 28,
Collison 9-12 3-5 21, Watson 2-10 0-0 4,
Westbrook 5-20 4-5 14, Mason 3-8 4-4 10,
Smith 0-1 4-4 4, Weaver 3-3 0-0 6, Kristic 4-7
0-0 8, Totals 40-98 28-34 109.

Heat 119, Kings 115, OT

MIAMI (119)
Marion 4-9 0-0 8, Haslem 4-8 3-3 11, Anthony 2-2 2-2 6, Wade 11-26 18-24 41, Chalmers 4-8 3-5 13, Beasley 10-19 1-3 2-3, Quinn 1-3 0-0 2, Cook 3-9 2-2 10, Magloire 1-5 3-4 5, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 40-89 32-43 119.

SACRAMENTO (115) Salmons 9-13 9-10 29, Thompson 2-6 0-0 4, Miller 3-10 3-4 9, Martin 6-18 14-15 28, Udrih 3-9 0-0 6, Brown 1-4 0-0 3, Hawes 7-11 3-4 19, Garcia 3-7 3-6 9, Moore 0-0 0-0 0, Thomas 2-3 0-0 4, Jackson 1-7 1-2 4, Totals 37-88 33-

Rockets 99, Knicks 76

NEW YORK (76) Chandler 415 0-0 9, Lee 6-13 2-2 14, Jeffries 0-1 0-0 0, Duhon 3-7 0-0 8, Richardson 3-8 0-0 7, Robinson 6-13 5-5 17, Harrington 1-10 1-4 3, Thomas 6-12 2-2 18, Roberson 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 29-82 10-13 76.

4-10 2-2 11, Hunter 1-4 0-0 3. Totals 40-92
13-18 98.

Oklahoma City 3123 2218 15— 109
Chleago 2922 2320 4— 98
3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 1-10 (Durant 1-3, Mason 0-1, Green 0-5), Chicago 5-14 (Hughes 2-2, Hunter 1-2, Nocioni 1-4, Gordon 1-5, Rose 0-1). Fouled Out—Noah, Hughes Rehounds—Oklahoma City 73

20,469 (21,711).

ordaniona St. 1, L (EXBA A&M 61 Oral Roberts 68, Oakland, Mich. 65, OT Prairie View 72, Texas Southern 70 Stephen F.Austin 75, Sam Houston St. 73 TCU 80, UNIV 73 Texas 75, Iowa St. 67 Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 70, Cent. Arkansas

Texas St. 87, Texas-Arlington 76
Texas-San Antonio 58, McNeese St. 49
UTEP 74, SMU 68

UTEP 74, SMU 68 Midwest
Ball St. 46, E. Michigan 42
Bowling Green 86, Buffalo 82
Butler 54, Detroit 50
Cleveland St. 79, Ill.-Chicago 69
Connecticut 81, Cincinnati 72
Creighton 73, Bradley 64
E. Illinois 83, SE Misouri 63 E. Illinois 83, SE Missouri 63 Illinois 76, Indiana 45 Indiana St. 75, Illinois St. 70, OT Loyola of Chicago 68, Youngstow Marquette 75, West Virginia 53 Miami (Ohio) 64, Akron 51, OT Michigan St. 75, Kansas 62 N. Dakota St. 81, W. Illinois 64 N. Illinois 75, Taledo 51

GAME PLAN

TV SCHEDULE

BOWLING 11 a.m.

PBA, National Stadium Championship **EXTREME SPORTS** 2 p.m.

NBC — Winter Dew Tour, at West Dover, Vt. GOLF 7:30 a.m.

Joburg Open, final round (same-day tape) 4 p.m. TGC - PGA Tour, Mercedes-Benz Championship, final round, at Kapalua, Hawaii

TGC — European PGA Tour,

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL 11:30 a.m. CBS — Wisconsin at Purdue FSN — North Carolina at Wake 8:30 p.m.

FSN — UCLA at Southern Cal NFL FOOTBALL 11 a.m. FOX — NFC Divisional Playoffs,

Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants 2:30 p.m. CBS - AFC Divisional Playoffs, San Diego at

Pittsburgh **WOMEN'S COLLEGE** BASKETBALL

10 a.m. ESPN2 — Xavier at Charlotte Noon

ESPN2 — Houston at UTEP 1:30 p.m. ${\sf FSN--Washington}\ {\sf at}$ California

FSN — Southern Cal at UCLA

Salmons 2-3, Martin 2-7, Brown 1-2, Jackson 1-6, Garcia 0-2), Fouled Out—None.
Rebounds—Miami 57 (Beasley 10),
Sacramento 62 (Miller 15), Assists—Miami 19
(Wade 7), Sacramento 23 (Jackson, Miller,
Salmons 4). Total Fouls—Miami 30,
Sacramento 29. Flagrant Fouls—Magloire,
Hawes. A—12,587 (17,317).

Suns 128, Mavericks 100

DALLAS (100) Howard 6-12 34 16, Nowitzki 5-12 8-8 19, Dampier 3-3 0-0 6, Wright 1-5 0-0 3, Kidd 6-9 0-0 15, Terry 3-11 44 11, Diop 0-2 0-0 0, Barea 3-11 0-0 7, Bass 3-8 1-2 7, Singleton 1-3 1-2 3, Green 6-8 0-0 13, George 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 37-85 17-20 100. PHOFNIX (1728)

Totals 37-83 17-20 100. **PHOENIX (128)**Hill 4-5 1-1 10, Stoudemire 7-11 2-2 16, O'Neal 9-15 7-7 25, Richardson 9-13 2-2 21, Nash 4-9 1-1 9, Amundson 3-3 2-5 8, Lopez 2-3 0-0 4, Barbosa 8-11 2-2 20, Barnes 3-8 0-0 co. History 1-1 (1980) 1-1

3 0-0 4, Barbosa 8-11 2-2 20, Barnes 3-8 0-0 7, Dudley 0-0 2-2 2, Tucker 2-2 0-0 4, Dragic 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 52-83 19-22 12-8.

Dallas 31 27 19 23 — 100

Phoenix 32 35 40 24 — 128

3-Point Goals—Dallas 9-20 (Kidd 3-3, Green 1-1, Nowitzki 1-2, Howard 1-2, Wright 1-2, Barea 1-4, Terry 1-4, Singleton 0-1, George 0-1), Phoenix 5-10 (Barbosa 2-2, Hill 1-1, Richardson 1-2, Barnes 1-3, Nash 0-2), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 37 (Nowitzki 7, Phoenix 18 (0'Neal 10), Assists—Dallas 17 (Kidd 7), Phoenix 27 (Nash 12). Total Fouls—Dallas 15, Phoenix 18. A—18,422 (18,422).

Men's College Scores Far West Arizona 64, Oregon 58. 47 Arizona 51. 76, Oregon 58 BYU 86, Colorado St. 60 Boise St. 54, Hawaii 49 BOISE St. 34, Hawaii 49 Cal St.Fullerton 62, UC Santa Barbara 58 California 88, Washington 85, 30T Gonzaga 67, Portland 50 Montana 80, Sacramento St. 63 Montana St. 74, N. Arizona 68 New Mayio 78, Air Expc. 53 78, Air Force 53

New Mexico 78, Air Force 53
Pacific 76, UC Riverside 53
Portland 5t. 85, Idaho 5t. 58
San Diego St. 72, Utah 63
Uc Irvine 80, Cal Poly 63
Utah St. 77, New Mexico St. 67
Utah Valley St. 80, Binghamton 70
Southwest
Alabama St. 71, Ark. Pine Bluff 66
Baylor 73, Texas Tech 61
Houston 75, UAB 56
Lamar 76, SE Louisiana 65
Mississipi St. 70, Arkansas 56
North Texas 86, Arkansas St. 83, 307
Oklahoma St. 71, Texas A&M 61
Oral Roberts 68, Oakland, Mich. 65, 01

3:30 p.m.

Notre Dame 88, Seton Hall 79 Oklahoma 61, Kansas St. 53 S. Dakota St. 83, IUPUI 63 S. Illinois 70, Evansville 63 S. Utah 66, UMIC 50 South Florida 80, DePaul 58 Wright St. 64, Valparaiso 48
South

Ark.-Little Rock 62, New Orleans 46

Ark.-Little Rock 62, New Orleans 46
Austin Peay 58, Murray St. 57
Belmont 87, Campbell 54
Chattanooga 73, Furman 46
Chicago St. 115, N.C. Central 96
Clemson 63, N.C. State 51
Coll. of Charleston 100, Georgia Southern 87
Davidson 84, The Citadel 69
Drexel 53, Georgia St. 50
Duke 66, Florida St. 58
E. Kentucky 85, Fennessee Tech 80
ETSU 73, Stetson 67
Florida 78, Mississippi 68
E. Mississippi 68
E. Mississippi 68
E. Gardner-Webb 60, High Point 57
George Mason 61, Old Dominion 53
Grambling St. 55, Southern U. 53
Hampton 53, Bethune-Cookman 51
IPFW 68, Centenary 64
Jackson St. 83, Alcorn St. 63
James Madison 74, William & Mary 65
Kentucky 70, Vanderbilt 60
Liberty 79, Charleston Southern 60
Louisiana-Lafayette 83, Troy 81
MVSU 68, Alabama A&M 62
Marshall 72, East Carolina 64
Maryland 68, Georgia Tech 61
Morgan St. 73, N. Carolina A&T 62
Mevada 67, Louisiana Tech 64
Nicholis St. 69, Northwestern St. 60
Norfolk St. 87, Coppin St. 77
Radford 98, UNC Asheville 88, OT

Nicholis St. 69, Northwestern St. 60 Norfolk St. 87, Coppin St. 7, Coppin St. 7, Coppin St. 77 Radford 98, UNC Asheville 88, OT 5 Scarolina St. 69, Delaware St. 55 South Carolina 68, Auburn 56 Tenn-Martin 78, Tennessee St. 65 Tennessee 86, Georgia 77 Tulane 65, Rice 54 Tulsa 65, Charlotte 50 UINC Greenspron 85, Apnalachian St UNC Greensboro 85, Appalachian St. 83, OT UNC Wilmington 75, Delaware 72 VMI 103. Coastal Carolina 102 VMI 103, Coastal Carolina 102
Va. Commonwealth 68, Hofstra 60
Virginia Tech 78, Virginia 75
W. Carolina 74, Elon 67
W. Kentucky 78, Florida Atlantic 57
Winthrop 54, Presbyterian 53, OT
Wofford 60, Samford 51
East
American U. 76, Lehigh 66, OT
Brown 69, Bryant 56
Cent. Connecticut St. 91, Fairleigh Dickinson 78

Colgate 64, Army 42 Duquesne 98, St. Bonaventure 80 Georgetown 82, Providence 75 Harvard 63, Dartmouth 62 Harvard 63, Dartmouth 62 Holy Cross 81, Lafayette 67 Long Island U. 76, Wagner 61 Louisville 61, Villanova 60 Massachusetts 75, Dayton 62 Miami 77, Boston College 71 Mount St. Mary's, Md. 74, St. Francis, NY 62 Navy 71, Bucknell 67 Northeastern 68, Towcon 53 Northeastern 68, Towson 53 Ouinnipiac 65, St. Francis, Pa. 58 Richmond 60, George Washington 48 Robert Morris 72, Sacred Heart 70, OT Saint Joseph's 92, Rhode Island 86, 30T

Syracuse 82, Rutgers 66 UMBC 61, Maine 59 Yale 71, Hartford 63 **BETTING Glantz-Culver Line**

FAVORITE OPENTODAY O/U UNDERDOG at N.Y. Giants 5 4(38½) Philadelphia 6 6 (38) San Diego

FOOTBALL NFL Playoffs All Times MST Divisional Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 10

Saturoay, Jan. 10
Baltimore 13, Tennessee 10
Arizona 33, Carolina 13
Sunday, Jan. 11
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, 11 a.m.
San Diego at Pittsburgh, 2:45 p.m.

NFL Boxes Cardinals 33, Panthers 13 14 13 3 3 - 33 7 0 0 6 - 13

Carolina

7 0 0 6 - 33

First Quarter

Car-Stewart 9 run (Kasay kick), 11:56.
Ari-Hightower 3 pass from Warner (Rackers kick), 2:43.
Ari-James 4 run (Rackers kick), 1:47.

Second Quarter

Ari-FG Rackers 49, 10:16.
Ari-FG Rackers 30, 5:28.
Ari-Fitzgerald 29 pass from Warner (Rackers kick), 3:32.

Third Quarter Ari—FG Rackers 33, 4:40.

269 15-75 194 1-9 7-155 First downs Total Net Yards Rushes-yards 360 43-145 Kickoff Returns Interceptions Ret. Comp-Att-Int Sacked-Yards Lost 5-72 21-32-1

O. Carolina, Williams 12-63, Stewart 3-12. PASSING—Arizona, Warner 21-32-1-220. Carolina, Delhomme 17-34-5-205. Carolina, Delnomme 17-34-5-205.
RECEIVING—Arizona, Fitzgerald 8-166,
Breaston 4-28, Arrington 3-10, Urban 2-5,
James 1-9, Castille 1-3, Hightower 1-3, Doucet
1-(-4), Carolina, Muhammad 5-55, Stewart 339, Rosario 3-28, S-5mith 2-43, Jarrett 2-27,
Hoover 1-7, Williams 1-6.
MISSED FIELD GOAL—Arizona, Rackers 53
(SH)

Ravens 13, Titans 10 7 0 0 6 - 13 7 0 0 3 - 10 First Quarter
Ten—Johnson 8 run (Bironas kick), 4:38.
Bal—Mason 48 pass from Flacco (Stover

21 391 28-116 275 3-8 4-104 First downs Total Net Yards Rushes-yards 30-50 161 1-29 1-15 Passing Punt Returns Kickoff Returns 1-3 11-22-0 0-0 0-0 26-42-1 1-6 4-53.3 5-2 Comp-Att-Int Sacked-Yards Lost Punts Fumbles-Lost

Collins 1-0, Ganther 1-(-1).
PASSING—Baltimore, Flacco 11-22-0-161. PASSING—Baltimore, Flacco 11-22-0-161. Tennessee, Collins 26-42-1-281. RECEIVING—Baltimore, Mason 5-78, Clayton 2-45, Heap 1-23, Neal 1-7, McGahee 1-4, Wilcox 1-4. Tennessee, Gage 10-135, White 4-35, Scaife 4-23, McCareins 2-24, B.Jones 2-16, Crumpler 2-9, Johnson 1-28, Hall 1-11. MISSED FIELD GOAL—Tennessee, Bironas 51 (WI)

GOLF PGA Tour Mercedes-Benz Championship

Geoff Ogilvy Justin Leonard D.J. Trahan Camilo Villegas Davis Love Iii
Kenny Perry
Anthony Kim
K.J. Choi
Boo Weekley Johnson Wagner Zach Johnson Sean O'hair

79-69-67-215 72-74-69-215 77-69-69-215 72-72-71-215 73-73-71-217 74-75-72-221 79-73-70-222 78-74-71—223 78-75-72—225

HOCKEY

Los Angeles 17 17 6 40 102 1
Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss. Friday's Games Columbus 3, Washington 0 Buffalo 2, N.Y. Rangers 1, SO San Jose 4, Edmonton 1 Tampa Bay 4, Anaheim 3

Phoenix

SKI REPORT

Idaho

Bogus Basin — Fri 5am18 degrees
PPmachine groomed 50 - 54 base 53 of 66 trails 7 of 8 lifts, 80% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p;
Pranchine groomed 52 - 64 base 46 of 46 trails, 25 miles, 1500 acres 5 of 5 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9:30a-4:30p;
Sat/Sun: 9:30a-4:30p;
Sat/Sun: 9:30a-4:30p;
Sat/Sun: 9:30a-4:30p;
Degroomed 26 - 41 base 22 of 26 trails 4 of 5 lifts, 85% open, Tue-Thu: 12:30p-4:30p, 5p-9:30p; Fri: 9:30a-4:30p; 5p-9:30p; Fri: 9:30a-4:30p; 5p-9:30p; Sat: 9:30a-4:30p; 5p-9:30p; Fri: 9:30a-4:30p; 5p-9:30p; Sat: 9:30a-4:30p; open Tue-Sun:
Lookout Pass — Sat 5amclear24 degrees
PPmachine groomed 64 - 89 base 34 of 34 trais, 4 of 4 lifts, 100% open, Mon, Thu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p open Thu-Mon;
Magic Mountain — Fri 5am14 degrees
PDRmachine groomed 53 - 63 base 14 of 4 trails 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Thu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; open Thu-Sun;
Pebble Creek — Sat 5:25amPPmachine groomed 11 - 49 base 3 of 3 lifts, 95% open Mon-Thu: 9:30a-4p; Fri: 9:30a-9:30p; Pomerelle — Sat 7 21amclear21 degrees
PPmachine groomed 70 - 89 base 24 of 24 trails, 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open Mon: 9a-4p; Tue-Fri: 9a-9p; Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-345p;
Sat: 9a-8p; Sun 9a-3:45p;
Sat: 9a-8p; Sun 9a-3:45p;
Sat: 9a-8p; Sun 9a-3:45p;
Silver Mountain — Sat 15 5ppmmostly clear23 degrees PPmachine groomed 42 - 48 base 7 of 9en. Thu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; open Thu-

nowhaven – Fri 5am34 degrees
WETSMmachine groomed 42 - 48 base 7 of
T tralls 2 of 2 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 8a4p; Sat/Sun: 10a-4p;
Soldier Mountain – Sat 8 44amclear15
degrees HP 36 - 48 base 36 of 36 trails,
1147 acres 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open,

Will Mackenzie 72-70-69-211 72-70-69-211 72-72-68-212 72-70-70-212 74-67-71-212 72-73-68-213 73-67-73-213 69-70-74-213 69-70-74-213 69-70-74-214 72-72-70-214 76-73-66-215 79-69-67-215 Will Mackenzie Dustin Johnson Brian Gay Stewart Cink Greg Kraft Chez Reavie Adam Scott Ryuji Imada Steve Lower Carl Petterssor Daniel Chopra
Trevor Immelman
Parker Mclachlin

NHL All Times MST ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST

St. Louis 6, Vancouver 4
Saturday's Games Florida 8. Atlanta 4

4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Utah

Alta — Sat 5:25am4 new PDRmachine groomed 95 - 95 base 110 of 112 trails, 91% open 2000 acres, 7 of 11 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9:15a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9:15a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9:15a-4:30p; Sat 5:36am1 new PPmachine groomed 73 - 73 base 66 of 66 Itrails, 100% open 1050 acres, 6 of 6 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-9p; Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p; Deer Valley — Sat 5:29am1 new PPmachine groomed 67 - 67 base 94 of 99 trails 97% open, 22 of 22 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4:15p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4:15p; Park City — Sat 5:28am1 new PPmachine groomed 60 - 60 base 104 of 107 trails 98% open, 15 of 16 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-7:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-7:30p; Dew der Mountain — Sat 5:28m1 new PPmachine groomed 62 - 63 base 124 of 124 trails, 100% open 7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-9p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; Solitude — Sat 7:07am1 new PPmachine groomed 17 - 17 base 62 of 64 trails, 97% open 8 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; Solitude — Sat 3:58amPPmachine

goomled 1-11 Jase Oz 10 of Alais, 97-00 open 8 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; Sat/Sundance — Sat 3:58amPPmachine groomed 42 - 42 base 42 of 42 trails, 100% open 4 of 4 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 8:45a-4p;
Colorado 5, Pittsburgh 3 Detroit 3, Buffalo 1 N.Y. Rangers 2, Ottawa 0 Montreal 5, Washington 4 Columbus 4, Minnesota 2

Detroit at Dallas, 6 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Los Angeles, 8:30 p.m. **TENNIS ATP World Tour Qatar ExxonMobil Open** Saturday
At The Khailfa International Tennis & Squash

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

SACRAMENTO NINOS—Assigned I Borno Greene to Reno (NBADL).

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ATLANTA THRASHERS—Claimed F Rich
Peverley off waivers from Nashville.

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—Assigned F Adam

Biacuitt Populatori (All)

NEW YORK RANGERS—Recalled D Bobby
Sanguinetti from Hartford (AHL).

American Hockey League
AHL—Suspended Manitoba D Zack Fitzgerald
one game for his actions in a Jan. 9 game.
MANITOBA MOOSE—Announced Vancouver
(NHL) assigned F Jason Jaffray to the team.
QUAD CITY FLAMES—Returned C Hugo
Carpentier to Las Vegas (ECHL).

Eastern Professional Hockey League
JERSEY ROCKHOPPERS—Waived D Chris Herr.
Signed F Jordan Hellman. LACROSSE

National Lacrosse League
NLL—Announced the resignation of commissioner Jim Jennings. Named George Daniel interim commissioner.

COLLEGE
KANSAS—Named Bill Miller linebackers coach and depending permissioner. and co-defensive coordinator.

Economy is main topic of conversation at NASCAR event Blazers. Blazers president Larry Miller has said

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The skidding economy was the main topic at the fourth annual Sound and Speed Fan Festival combining drivers and country music stars in a two-day event. "The economy will be the white elephant in

the room wherever we go with the Cup series

this year," Kyle Petty said. "Anybody that says it

is not is full of crap." Fans paid \$20 for the annual kickoff of the NASCAR season Saturday, which included autograph sessions with a number of drivers and country music artists. Not surprisingly, the biggest draw was Dale Earnhardt Jr.

No attendance figures were given, but Tshirts for the event were marked down an hour before closing time. Fans were given the opportunity to have question and-answer sessions with the drivers and artists. Money issues were a major part of the discussions.

N B A

Grizzlies ignore threat, sign Miles MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Memphis Grizzlies

have re-signed forward Darius Miles despite threats of legal action by the Portland Trail he believes other clubs wanted to sign Miles because it would cost Portland money, not because they thought he would help them on the court. The Grizzlies said Saturday they signed Miles to a 10-day contract. Memphis waived Miles on

Wednesday. If he plays in two more games,

Portland will be on the hook for the \$18 million

That would count against its salary cap and force the team to pay luxury tax. Miles is coming back from major knee sur-

left on his contract.

gery. Grizzlies general manager Chris Wallace says his team can use a veteran with his skills. **Boozer out at least one month**

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah Jazz forward Carlos

Boozer is expected to miss at least four weeks

while recovering from knee surgery.

Boozer had the operation Friday to remove loose pieces of cartilage from the All-Star's left knee. Boozer, averaging 20.5 points and 11.7 rebounds, has missed 25 games since injuring his lower quad and knee Nov. 19 against Milwaukee.

Sports Shorts Note: Send Magic Valley briefs to sports@magicvalley.com

MAGIC VALLEY **Kimberly boosters meet Monday**

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Booster Club will hold a meeting at 7 p.m., Monday, Jan. 12 in the media center at Kimberly High School

for anyone interested.

JEROME — The Jerome High School Boosters will hold a meeting at 7 p.m., Monday, Jan. 12, in room 101 at Jerome High School. New members are invited to attend.

Hansen boosters hold fundraisers HANSEN — The Hansen High School

Jerome boosters meet Monday

Booster Club will hold a fundraiser Monday during the Huskies' 7:30 p.m. boys basketball

Ari—FG Rackers 20, 3:10.
Car—S.Smith 8 pass from Delhomiailed):50.
A-73,695. 1-155 1-4 17-34-5 2-11 4-48.0 1-1 6-40 20:11 1-5 4-43.5 0-0 5-65 Fumbles-Lost 0-0 1-1
Penalties-Yards 5-65 6-40
Time of Possession 39-49 20:11

NDVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Arizona, Hightower 17-76, James
20-57, Arrington 2-11, Warner 3-1, T.Smith 1O Capolina Williamer 4-26-2 Stewart 4-17

Fourth Quarter
Bal—FG Stover 21, 14:10.
Ten—FG Bironas 27, 4:23.
Bal—FG Stover 43, :53.
A—69,143.

Penalties-Yards 8-40 12
Time of Possession 25:53 34

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Baltimore, McGahee 12-32,
L.McClain 12-12, Flacco 5-5, Neal 1-1.
Tennessee, Johnson 11-72, White 15-45,

At Kapalua Resort, The Plantation Course Kapalua, Hawaii Purse: \$5.6 Million Yardage: 7,441 - Par. 73 Third Round

ound
67-68-65-200 -19
74-67-65-206 -13
74-67-65-207 -12
68-71-68-207 -12
68-71-68-207 -12
71-71-68-208 -11
70-70-69-209 -10
71-75-64-210 -9
68-70-71-210 -9
68-69-73-10 -9 68-69-73-210

game against Lighthouse Christian. The boosters will be selling Glanbia cheese.

Baseball holds sign-ups TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls County Youth

Baseball will hold sign-ups for Cal Ripken Baseball, Babe Ruth Softball and Babe Ruth Baseball from 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 15 and Thursday, Jan. 29 at the Blue Recreation Building at Harmon Park.

Ruth Baseball (ages 13-15) and 14U Babe Ruth Softball is \$65. Fundraiser participation is required for all leagues. Registration forms are available at tfbase-

certificate to register. Softball players must be between ages 8-14 as of Dec. 31, 2008, while baseball players should be ages 8-15 as of April 30.

- Staff and wire reports

Inu/Fri: 9a-ap; Saty Sun: 3a-ap; Open Mosur; Sun; Sun Valley Resort — Sat 5 03amclear9 degrees PPmachine groomed 37 - 52 base 75 of 75 trails; 19 of 18 lifts 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; Tamarack — Sat 5 56ampcldy11 degrees PPmachine groomed 30 - 74 base 42 of 42 trails, 7 of 7 lifts, 100% open Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Philadelphia 4, Toronto 1 Nashville 4, Chicago 1 Phoenix 1, Dallas 0, SO San Jose at Vancouver, late New Jersey at Los Angeles, late New Jersey at Los Angeles, late Sunday's Games
Nashville at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Anaheim, 6 p.m.
St. Louis at Edmonton, 6 p.m.
Monday's Games

Complex
Doha, Qatar
Purse: \$4.11 million (WT250)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Champlonship
Andy Murray (3), Britain, def. Andy Roddick (4),
U.S., 6-4, 6-2.

American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Agreed to terms with RHP
Takaski Saito to a one-year contract. BASKÉTBALL National Basketball Association MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES—Signed F Darius Miles to a 10-day contract.

SACRAMENTO KINGS—Assigned F Donte

CHICAGO BLACKHAWNS—Assigned + Adam Pineault to Rockford (AHL). COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Acquired F Mike Blunden from Chicago for F Adam Pineault. Loaned Blunden to Syracuse (AHL). NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Agreed to terms with F Paradac Shanks. Brendan Shanahan.
NEW YORK RANGERS—Recalled D Bobby

Twin Falls Youth

The cost for Cal Ripken and 12U and 10U Babe Ruth Softball is \$50. The fee for Babe

ball.com. Players must provide a copy of their birth

Information: Bill Merritt at 280-0802.

Jazz beat Pistons for 8th straight time, 99-82

SALT LAKE CITY — Mehmet Okur scored 20 of his 22 points in the first half against his former team and the Utah Jazz beat the Detroit Pistons for the eighth straight time, 99-82 on Saturday night.

Andrei Kirilenko had 11 points and seven rebounds, and Matt Harpring also scored 11 points to help the Jazz sweep the Pistons for the fourth straight season.

Rodney Stuckey led the Pistons with 19 points. Allen Iverson added 11 points and five assists for Detroit, which last beat Utah in March 2005.

Paul Millsap finished with nine points and seven rebounds, ending his streak of 19 straight double-doubles as he rested once Utah put away Detroit with a 22-3 run over the end of the third period and beginning of the

The Pistons were coming off a 93-90 win at Denver on Friday night and never held a lead on Saturday. Jason Maxiell was the only other Detroit player to score in double figures with 11 points — and five of those came in the fourth quarter as the reserves for both teams ran out the clock with the game already decided.

with 16 points, and Deron Williams, who has been fighting a cold, added nine assists and watched the end with the rest of the Jazz

TIMBERWOVLES 106, BUCKS 104

MINNEAPOLIS — Randy Foye scored 10 of his 11 points in the fourth quarter and the Minnesota Timberwolves rallied from 13 points down in the second half for a thrilling victory over Milwaukee.

Rodney Carney scored 22 points, and Sebastian Telfair had 17 points and 11 assists for the Wolves, who have won five in a row for the first time since December 2005.

Michael Redd scored 32 points for Milwaukee, but missed a chance to tie it in the final 9 seconds. Richard Jefferson added 29 points for the Bucks.

THUNDER 109, BULLS 98, OT

CHICAGO — Kevin Durant scored 28 points, Nick Collison added a seasonhigh 21, and Oklahoma City rallied to beat Chicago.

Trailing by seven midway through the fourth quarter, Oklahoma City had a chance to win it at the end of regula-Ronnie Brewer finished tion, but Durant missed



jumper from the top of the McGrady and Ron Artest. key and Russell Westbrook Tim Thomas led New York with 18 points. Ben Gordon led Chicago

BOBCATS 92, WIZARDS 89

Utah Jazz for-

ward Mehmet

Okur (13)

Detroit

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Pistons for-

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McDyess (24)

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first half of

their NBA bas-

ketball game

Saturday in

Okur scored

20 points in

the first half.

Salt Lake City.

hoop against

WASHINGTON — Raja Bell had 19 points, and Boris Diaw scored eight of his 18 points in the fourth quarter for Charlotte.

After trailing most of the game, the Bobcats took the lead for good on Shannon Brown's 3-pointer with 2:42 left. Caron Butler had 19 points for Washington.

— The Associated Press

Boise

State's Paul

Noonan (25)

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Amis (41)

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second half

Saturday in

Boise. BSU

went on to

win it's

straight

game 54-49.

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Hawaii's Bill

Duke holds on, beats Florida State

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Gerald Henderson scored a career-high 25 points Saturday, leading secondranked Duke to a 66-58 victory at Florida State.

The Blue Devils (14-1, 2-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) ran off the first nine points of the second half during a 41-11 run to build their largest lead of the game, 46-21 with 12:45 left. Toney Douglas led Florida State (13-3, 0-1) with 18 points, but was just 7-of-23 from the floor as the Seminoles shot just 31 per-

NO. 5 CONNECTICUT 81, CINCINNATI 72

CINCINNATI — A.J. Price made five of eight 3-pointers and scored 22 points, and the Huskies remained unbeaten on the road.

The Huskies (14-1, 3-1 Big East) improved to 7-0 on the road while shooting 58 percent from the field. Jeff Adrien added 13 points and 12 rebounds and Jerome Dyson had 12 points.

NO. 6 OKLAHOMA 61, KANSAS ST. 53

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Blake Griffin had 29 points and 15 rebounds in a rare game against single coverage, helping Oklahoma open Big 12 Conference play with a

NO. 7 TEXAS 75, IOWA STATE 67

AUSTIN, Texas — Damion James scored 19 points to lead Texas to a win over Iowa State in the Big 12 opener for both

Gary Johnson added 17 points and had nine rebounds for the Longhorns (12-3), who are undefeated in 11 conference home openers under coach Rick Barnes.

NO. 8 MICHIGAN ST. 75, KANSAS 62

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Kalin Lucas continued his offensive surge, scoring 22 points to lead No. 8 Spartans over the defending national champions.

Michigan State (13-2) has won nine straight since getting routed by North Carolina..

NO. 9 GEORGETOWN 82, **PROVIDENCE 75**

WASHINGTON — Austin Freeman scored 18 points, Greg Monroe nearly had a triple-double, Georgetown held Providence scoreless for more than 6 minutes to rally for a victory that ended its two-game Big East losing streak.

Georgetown (11-3, 2-2) trailed by nine points in the first half, and allowed Providence (11-5, 3-1) to go ahead 44-40 on Brian McKenzie's 3-pointer with 16:15 left.

NO. 11 SYRACUSE 82, **RUTGERS 66**

PISCATAWAY, N.J. — Paul Harris scored 26 points and Jonny Flynn had 15 points and nine assists to lead Syracuse to its seventh straight victory.

Arinze Onuaku added 19 points and Eric Devendorf had 15 for the Orange (16-1, 4-0 Big East), who beat Rutgers for the eighth straight time.

NO. 12 CLEMSON 63, **NORTH CAROLINA STATE 51**

CLEMSON, S.C. — Trevor Booker scored 23 points and Clemson improved to 16-0. The Tigers (2-0 Atlantic

Coast Conference) are within a win of tying the school's best start, accomplished in 1986-87 and matched two years

NO. 13 NOTRE DAME 88, SETON HALL 79

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Luke Harangody scored 30 points to lead Notre Dame as the Irish tied a Big East record with their 20th consecutive league win at home.

The Irish (12-3, 3-1 Big East) have won 45 straight overall at home. The Pirates (9-7, 0-4) have lost four straight this season.

NO. 15 TENNESSEE 86, **GEORGIA 77**

ATHENS, Ga. — Tyler Smith had 24 points and 11 rebounds, including 13 points in the second half, and Tennessee rallied from a 10point deficit to beat Georgia in each team's SEC opener.

Three days after seeing its school-record 37-game home winning streak end with an overtime loss to Gonzaga, the Vols snapped a two-game losing streak.

MIAMI 77 NO. 17 BOSTON COLLEGE 71

BOSTON — Dwayne Collins had 13 points with seven rebounds and drew a key charging foul on Tyrese Rice in the final minute to lead Miami to a victory over Boston College.

It was the second straight loss for the Eagles (13-4, 1-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) since they beat top-ranked North Carolina in Chapel Hill to jump into The Associated Press Top 25.

NO. 18 MARQUETTE 75, NO. 25 WEST VIRGINIAN 53

MILWAUKEE — Jerel McNeal scored 26 points to lead Marquette past West Virginia.

Dominic James added 17 points and Wesley Matthews scored all 13 of his points in the second half for the Golden Eagles (15-2, 4-0 Big East).

NO. 23 LOUISVILLE 61, NO. 18 VILLANOVA 60

PHILADELPHIA

Terrence Williams scored on a drive with 7.4 seconds left to give Louisville the lead, and Villanova missed two shots down low in the final seconds as the Cardinals held.

Earl Clark had 16 points and 11 rebounds for Louisville (11-3, 2-0 Big East), which won its third straight after losing two of three. Williams who had 10 points and 14 rebounds

NO. 20 ARIZONA ST 76. **OREGON 58**

TEMPE, Ariz. — Derek Glasser scored 15 points and had a career-high 11 assists, and Arizona State won for its 10th win in 11 games.

NO. 21 BUTLER 54, DETROIT 50

INDIANAPOLIS — Matt Howard scored 11 of his 15 points in the second half, including two free throws with 0.8 seconds left to help Butler stave off Detroit's upset

NO. 23 BAYLOR 73, **TEXAS TECH 61**

WACO, Texas — LaceDarius Dunn scored 20 points, including 11 in a row in the second-half spurt that put Baylor ahead for good in a victory over Texas Tech in the Big 12 opener for both teams. — The Associated Press

Boise State edges Hawaii, 54-49

missed a tip-in try.

ROCKETS 96, KNICKS 76

had 18 points and 11

rebounds, and Rafer Alston added 17 points and six

assists for undermanned

Aaron Brooks scored 16

points, Von Wafer had 15 and

Yao Ming 14 for the Rockets,

who played without Tracy

HOUSTON — Luis Scola

with 22 points.

Houston.

BOISE—Anthony Thomas scored 9 of Boise State's last 11 points, including a key 3pointer with 2:10 left, as the Broncos held on for a 54-49 victory over Hawaii on Saturday night.

Hawaii (9-7, 1-3 Western Athletic Conference) held its only lead of the game, 44-43, with 6:50 remaining. That's when Thomas went on a tear with two successive layups, a 3-pointer, and another field goal to put Boise State (11-3, 3-0) in control of the game.

Thomas finished with a team-high 13 points, followed by Paul Noonan with

The Rainbow Warriors were led by Roderick Fleming with 17 points.

Boise State held Hawaii without a field goal for the last 3:35 of the first half and the first 5:30 minutes of the second half while building a 38-29 lead.

Neither team shot well from the field. Boise State hit 35 percent while Hawaii could manage only 33 per-

PORTLAND ST. 85, IDAHO ST. 58

PORTLAND, Ore. — Phil Nelson scored 23 points to lead Portland State to an 85-58 win over Idaho State on Saturday night.

Julius Thomas came off the bench to contribute 11 points and seven rebounds for the Vikings (13-5, 4-1 Big Sky). Kyle Coston also had 11 points for PSU.

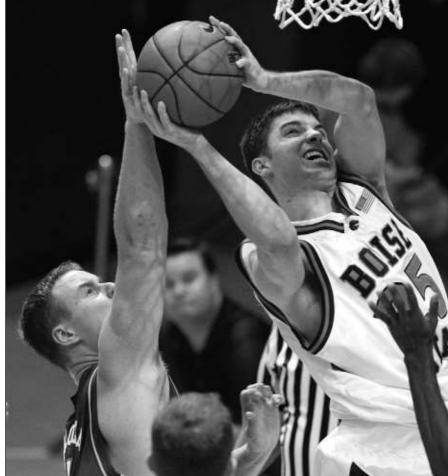
Chron Taten led Idaho State (4-13, 1-2) with 12 points. Amorrow Morgan and Felix Caspari each added 10 points for the Bengals.

Portland State led the entire game and connected on its first six shots to built an early 14-4 advantage. The Vikings led by as many as 27 points in the second half.

PSU shot 57 percent from the floor and held the Bengals to just 1-for-8 from beyond the arc.

BYU 86, COLORADO ST. 60

FORT COLLINS, Colo. —



Lee Cummard scored 18 points to lead Brigham Young to a 86-60 victory over Colorado State on Saturday.

Jimmer Fredette added 15 points for the Cougars (13-2, Mountain 1-0 Conference).

Andy Ogide scored 12 points and had eight rebounds for Colorado State (5-11, 0-2). Marcus Walker added 12 points for the Rams in their conference home opener.

BYU led 46-30 at halftime. The Cougars outscored Colorado State 46-16 during a 15-minute span at the end of the first half and the beginning of the second half. They took a 65-36 lead with 13:12 left in the game. The Cougars shot 57 percent from the field and 50 percent from the 3-

point range. The Rams, who tried out a new offense, shot a seasonlow 35 percent from the field. They didn't sink a 3-pointer until late in the second half.

SAN DIEGO STATE 72. UTAH 63

RUSTON, La. — San Diego State won its fourth straight game, beating Utah 72-63 in a Mountain West Conference game Saturday afternoon.

Ryan Amoroso scored 17 points and Lorrenzo Wade and D.J. Gay added 11 points each for the Aztecs (12-3, 2-0 MWC).

Luke Nevill, the 7-foot-2 center from Australia, had 17 points and seven rebounds and Shaun Green had 13 points for Utah (10-6, 1-1 MWC), which had its fourgame winning streak snapped. The win marked the first time San Diego State has beaten Utah three straight times in its history.

UTAH ST. 77, NEW MEXICO ST. 67

LAS CRUCES, N.M. Gary Wilkinson had 22 points and a career-high 14 rebounds Saturday night as Utah State beat New Mexico State 77-67 and pushed its winning streak to 10 games.

Utah State (15-1, 3-0 Western Athletic Conference) led 38-34 at halftime and 54-44 with 11 minutes remaining after an 8-0 run sparked by a 3-point play from Wilkinson.

New Mexico State (8-9, 2-2) closed to 54-51 on Jahmar Young's 3-pointer with 9 minutes left before the visiting Aggies pulled away.

Young finished with 18 points while Wendell and Troy McKines Gillenwater each added 11. — The Associated Press

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Preseason All-American Daequon Montreal scored a game-high 25 to lead CSI, but he got little help as the Golden Eagles shot just 40 percent in the loss and totaled only 12 assists. Jay Watkins finished with 12 points and Cheyne Martin scored all of his 12 points before intermission. Aziz Ndiaye blocked three shots.

Fueled by two early treys from Martin, CSI jumped to a 16-10 lead. But Eastern Utah responded with an 18-4 run, taking a 29-20 edge with 8:24 left in the first half. The visiting Golden Eagles fought needed to do and we didn't," back, highlighted by a couple lob dunk hook-ups between point guard Jamelle Barrett and sophomore forward Jay Watkins to claw within 48-47 at intermission.

But CSI came out sluggish in the second half and quickly fell behind 59-50. A dunk by Montreal made it 60-56, but CSI struggled to keep pace from there. Gosar's team got within 76-68 with 6:56 to go, but Hobson nailed a 3-pointer and then snatched a steal, feeding Chandler Pearson for

layup and an 81-68 edge. "They did everything they

said Gosar.

The Golden Eagles return home for a contest with conference leader North Idaho (17-0, 2-0 SWAC). The 16thranked Cardinals visit Twin Falls this Saturday at 5 p.m.

No. 14 Eastern Utah 94, No. 18 CSI 78 EASTERN UTAH (15-1)

EASTERN UTAH (15-1)

Mike Scott 3.7-13, Isalah Williams 6 0-0 15, Darington Hobson 7 2-3 18, Stephen Franklin 8 1-3 17, Chandler Pearson 3 3-3 9, Aaron England 2 2-2 6, Nick Thompson 2 0-0 4, Phillip Thomas 4 3-4 11, Fernando DeFavari 0 1-2 1. Totals 35-54 19-24 94.

CSI (14-3)

Daequon Montreal 10 4-6 25, Jamelle Barrett 4 0-0 9, Byago Diouf 1 0-0 2, Cheyne Martin 3 3-4 12, Jay Watkins 2 8-8 12, Aziz Ndiaye 2 0-4 4, Louis Garrett 0 3-4 3, Romario Souza 3 3-4 9, Max Carrier 1 0-0 2. Totals 26-65 21-31 7.8, Halftime: Eastern Utah 48, CSI 47.

Eagles Continued from page D1

"We started getting buck-

ets in transition and just built up that lead," said Rogers, whose team held Eastern Utah to 8-of-34 shooting in the second half and forced turnovers.

Shauneice Samms had a solid game in the post, scoring 21 points and carrying the lead in the first half with Lucet on the bench.

Noelle Milicic had a solid

effort off the pine, tallying Eastern Utah on Friday and 13 points. Tullock chipped in 10, while LaCale Pringle-Buchanan grabbed five of CSI's 17 steals.

Eastern Utah was led by Livnat Alon's 13 points. CEU's leading scorer on the season, Kaylie Robinson, was held to six points.

CSI returns home this week for a contest against No. 21 North Idaho College (14-2), which is also 2-0 in SWAC play after beating

Colorado Northwestern Community College on Saturday.

No. 17 CSI 94, Eastern Utah 56 cSi (13-3)

Kiara Tate 1 1-2 3, Kalika Tullock 2 6-6 10, MeChel Hunt 0 2-2 2, Martina Holloway 1 0-0 3, Cassie Wood 2 0-1 4, Noelle Milicic 6 1-2 13, Nicole Harper 1 0-3, LaCale Pringle-Buchanan 1 2-2 5, Shauneice Samms 9 3-5 21, Soana Lucet 11 8-8 30. Totals Samms 9 3-2 2-, 34-71 23-27 94. Eastern Utah (9-8)

Savana Gines 0 2-2 2, Livnat Alon 4 4-4 13, MaKenda Hill 1 0-0 3, Ande Miller 3 0-0 7, Megan Garvin 2 0-0 5, Veronica Siqueiros 2 3-4 7, Amber Strong 1 1-2 4, Kaylie Robinson 3 0-1 6, Kasey Day 1 0-0 2, Rachel Rasmussen 1 0-0 2, Nicki Callister 1 0-0 3, Merisha Black 1 0-2 2. Totals 20-66 10-17

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BOWLING BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS

SUN. EARLY MIXED MEN'S SERIES: Bob Leazer 684, Cobey Magee 544, Doug Sirucek 516.

MEN'S GAMES: Bob Leazer 254, Cobey Magee 201, Doug Sirucek 193, Matt Linam 185, John Harral 185.

LADIES SERIES: Leanna Magee 514, Kim Leazer 499, Ella Mae Jorgenson 498, Tina Jacobsen

LADIES GAMES: Leanna Magee 201, Tina Jacobsen 191, Kim Leazer 177, Ella Mae Jorgensen

MON. FOLLIES

MEN'S SERIES: John Bonnett 792, Jim Brawley 709, Rick Morrow 675, Rick Ruhter 671. MEN'S GAMES: John Bonnett 268, Rick Ruhter 258, Jim Brawley 253, Rick Morrow 246. **LADIES SERIES:** Kay Puschel 560, Ann Shepherd 557, Tiffany Maldonado 548, Daveena Hamrick 539.

LADIES GAMES: Tiffany Maldonado 228, Kay Puschel 210, RaeNae Reece 206, Ann Shepherd 204

SH-BOOM

MEN'S SERIES: Ryan Shull 713, Brad Siegel 642, Kelly Jeroue 607, Brad Greene 603. MEN'S GAMES: Ryan Shull 256, Dale Rhyne 233, Brad Siegel 222, Gregg Skuza 220. LADIES SERIES: Diana Barnes 540, Barbara Reynolds 505, Shannon Kondracki 504, Julie Shull 479

LADIES GAMES: Barbara Reynolds 203, Shannon Kondracki 191, Diana Barnes 190.

MID MORN. MIXED MEN'S SERIES: Victor Hagood 624, Maury Miller 606. Tom Smith 594, Ed Dutry 575. MEN'S GAMES: Tom Smith 235, Ed Dutry 225, Matt Baysinger 224, Maury Miller 222. LADIES SERIES: Jeane Miller

573, Bernie Smith 531, Ada Perrine 529, Vicki Kiesig 519. LADIES GAMES: Jeane Miller

244, Char DeRoche 206, Vicki Kiesig 206, Ada Perrine 200, Margie Howard 200. TUES. A.M. TRIOS

SERIES: Ella Mae Jorgenson 514, Gail Knight 509, Shirley Merrill 471, Evelyn Haslam 471. **GAMES:** Ella Mae Jorgenson 198, Gail McAllister 189, Carol Clark 187, Charm Petersen 183.

CONSOLIDATED

SERIES: Jon Powlus 760, Tony Everts 679, Kelly Jeroue 675, Ian DeVries 665.

GAMES: Jon Powlus 300, Kelly Jeroue 276, Jene Prudent 266, Tony Everts 254, Ian DeVries

MOOSE

SERIES: Tom Smith 762, Cobey Magee 754, Chris MacFee 738, Bill Palmer 671. GAMES: Cobey Magee 279, Rob

Maxfield 276, Chris MacFee 268, Bill Palmer 267. **MOONSHINERS**

SERIES: Jackie Boyd 474, Flame

Klundt 420, Janina Webb 414, Deanna Heil 410.

GAMES: Janina Webb 175, Jackie Boyd 168, Debra White 161, Deanna Heil 159. SUNSET BOWL, BUHL

LUCKY STRIKERS SERIES: Mandi Olson 535, Lois

Tomlinson 486, Darla McCallister 482, Claudene Stricklan 470.

GAMES: Mandi Olson 193, Lois Tomlinson 189, Darla McCallister 187, Dorothy Moon

STARLITE

MEN'S SERIES: Dirk McCallister 671, Jordan Hicks 640, Drew Foster 627, Mitch Olsen 614. MEN'S GAMES: Cody Hicks 255, Jordan Hicks 248, Dirk McCallister 247, Drew Foster

LADIES SERIES: Mandi Olson 557, Darla McCallister 502, Diana Griffin 480, Trresa Boehm 469.

LADIES GAMES: Mandi Olson 206, Teresa Boehm 184, DianaGriffin 179, Darla McCallister 179.

SNAKE RIVER BOWL. BURLEY MONDAY MARAUDERS

SERIES: Kristie Johnston 488, Derry Smith 474, Syndi strand

GAMES: Derry Smith 212, Kristie Johnston 189, Bette Bell 167. **ODD BALL**

SERIES: Stephanie Long 530, Glenda Mecham 451, Susan Johnson 435.

GAMES: Stephanie Long 189, Debe Ingam 173, Glenda Mecham 167.

LADIES TRIOS

SERIES: Tiffinay Hager 657, Annette Hirsch 575, Louise Somsen 499. **GAMES:** Tiffinay Hager 254,

Annette Hirsch 230, Louise Somsen 205. MEN'S CLASSIC TRIOS

SERIES: Justin Studer 853, Bob Bywater 833, Delbert Bennett

GAMES: Don Price 226, Justin Studer 225, Bob Bywater 224. TUES. MIXED MEN'S SERIES: Jordan Parish

666, Rick Hieb 663, Gene Smith 638.

MEN'S GAMES: Jordan Parish 268, Byron Hager 239, Gene Smith 236.

LADIES SERIES: Tiffinay Hager

606, Stacy Hieb 554, Christine Rowley 487. LADIES GAMES: Tiffinay Hager

219, Christine Rowley 203, Stacy Hieb 201. THURS. A.M. DOUBLES

SERIES: Jamie Stewart 491, Kay Heffington 481, Deon Fassett **GAMES:** Jamie Stewart 193, Kay

Heffington 189, Carla Carson 171.

HOUSEWIVES

SERIES: Bonnie Murphy 511, Kristie Johnston 510, Louise Wilkinson 488. GAMES: Kirstie Johnston 201,

Bonnie Murphy 194, Louise Wilkinson 185.

MA & PA MEN'S SERIES: David Garcia

565, Brent Olson 494, Randy Rose 464. MEN'S GAMES: David Garcie

221, Brent Olson 182, Randy Rose 170. LADIES SERIES: Jackie Garcia 423, Kay Poole 404, Esther

Rose 364. LADIES GAMES: Kay Poole 157, Esther Rose 142, Nadean

Moore 114. **EARLY BIRDS**

MEN'S SERIES: Dusty Penrod 590, Duane Smith 575, Duane Blauer 545.

MEN'S GAMES: Dusty Penrod 226, Duane Smith 212, Duane Blauer 197.

LADIES SERIES: Georgia Schultz 504, Becky Smith 407, Nancy Jensen 382.

LADIES GAMES: Goergia Schultz 201, Cheyann Blauer 153,

Nancy Jensen 143.
MINICO HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' SERIES: Shane Amen 419, Dale Amen 409, Jared Studer 359.

BOYS' GAMES: Jared Studer 186, Brody Albertson 172, Shane Amen 160. GIRLS' SERIES: Bridget

Albertson 600, Rachel Watson 388, Jamie Mancias 335. GIRLS' GAMES: Bridget Albertson 229, Rachel Watson 148, Jackie Mancias 126.

BURLEY HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' SERIES: Anthony Meyer 562, Jim Hollahan 401, Daniel Posada 393.

BOYS' GAMES: Anthony Meyer 203, Jim Hollahan 401, Daniel Posada 393.

GIRLS' SERIES: Molly Mills 549, Kiara Hieb 536, Shari Hoskins

GIRLS' GAMES: Kiara Hieb 213, Molly Mills 204, Erika Doman 107.

MAGIC BOWL, TWIN FALLS SUN. ROLLERS

MEN'S SERIES: Stan Visser 641, RD Adema 640, Robbie Watkins 604, Jerry Seabolt 598. MEN'S GAMES: Jerry Seabolt 247, Robbie Watkins 244, Sta Visser 238, Sonny Miller 237. LADIES SERIES: Michele Seckel 591, Sylvia Inman 564, Nicole Trump 540, Margie Adema 529. LADIES GAMES: Margie Adema 225, Michele Seckel 208, Nicole Trump 203, Tiffany Maldonado 197.

COMMERCIAL

SERIES: Rick Frederiksen 670, Tad Capurro 663, Joe Lamanna 655, Greg Hancock 643. GAMES: Joe Lamanna 247, Ryan Worden 236, Greg Hancock 234, Robert Watkins 234.

MASON SERIES: Rosie Pope 505. Vi Croshaw 490, Edie Barkely 481,

Mary Murray 469. **GAMES:** Shanda Pickett 216, Rosie Pope 200, Mary Murray 190, Joan Leis 182.

PIONEER

SERIES: Cheri Freeman 640, Georgia Randall 605, Cherie Langford 562, Leslie Vanderham

GAMES: Georgia Randall 256, Cheri Freeman 234, Cherie Langford 210, Leslie Vanderham

EARLY FRI. MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Joe Lamana 625, Derrick Hanson 610, Todd Dickenson 599, Trevor Wakley

MEN'S GAMES: Joe Lamana 236, Derrick Hanson 224, RJ Myers 224, Todd Dickenson

LADIES SERIES: Julie Shaffer 655, Tawnia Bryant 605, Melissa Straub 555, Krista Wakley 539.

LADIES GAMES: Tawnia Bryant 243, Julie Shaffer 240, Melissa Straub 204, Bobbie Thompson

SAT. YABA BOYS' SERIES: Anthony Brady

554, Kyle Mason 503, Dominic Curtis 499, Rhett Bryant 447. BOYS' GAMES: Anthony Brady 203, Dominic Curtis 195, Kyle Mason 176, StevenErling 160. GIRLS' SERIES: Ryann Simpson 484, Marissa Eggleston 472, Rio Leazer 241, Riley Mason

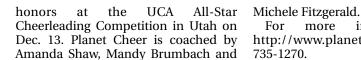
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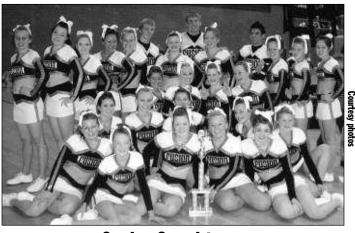
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Senior Co-ed team

Members of Planet Cheer's Senior Co-ed team include Larissa Stewart, Breanna Hoskinson, Candice Hendry, Ashley Nail, Lexi Bingham, Kameron Fischer, Bobbi Jo Evans, Grady Carlton, Vanessa Northcutt, Josh Hall, Sarah Pak, Brooke Fitzgerald, Kandice Johnson, Tayler Stimpson, Gabbi Cutrer, Clara Comer, McKayla Luper, Jessica Child, Ryley Hazen, Kelsey Schutz, Carli Lutz, Destiny Hall, Jacinea Gummow, Emiko Freeman, Miyoko Freeman, Alaina Davis, Britni Budd and Carissa Clements (not pictured).



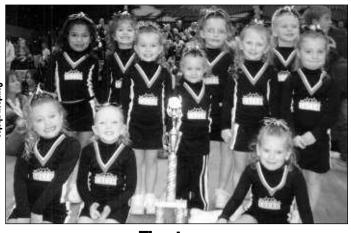
Mini team

Members of Planet Cheer's Mini team include Arianna Moreno, Madison Cargile, Johandra Brown, Aylah Strong, Tinllyi Plew, Kaleigh Baker, Morgain Baker, Madison Schutz, Abbey Hansen Jake Petruzzelli, Madison Rencher, Jaylee Bingham, Kandyce Pope, Chanel Chandler, Kori Gartner, Hannah Cooper, Shelby Veenstra, Emily Aguirre, Karlee Price.



Youth team

Members of Planet Cheer's Youth team include Leah Stewart, Bailee Price, Alexis Kiesig, Royce Moreno, Sage Swan, Lyndsey Stoneberg, McKynlee Bingham, Jane Petruzzelli, Patricia DeVries, McKaylah Nelson, Kynlee Stevenson, Autumn Burelick, Anthony Carr, Ashley McClure, Joeylynn Carr, Kiyanna Cox, Kassidi Hiedemann, Keely Davis, Savannah Fitzgerald and Jailyn Gartner. Not pictured: Kelsey Jarolimek, Taylynn Eldredge, Ashley Long and Brittany Robinson.



Tiny team

Members of Planet Cheer's Tiny team include Alexis Mendoza, Hannah Aguirre, Kaydence Poulsen, Savannah Slagel, Karlee Long, Jadyn Baker, Breanna Abram, Carson Hazen, McKenna Stallones, Aubrie Ellison, Gabie Carter and Paige Fields (not pictured).

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Crane

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Because he's operating on about 50 percent lung capacity, playing sports was difficult for Garth growing up. He watched his brother Nick follow in his dad's footsteps and earn a runner-up medal at the state wrestling meet. Nathan also earned a runner-up finish at state before becoming a two-time state champion. Garth always wanted to wrestle like his dad and older brothers, but the physical strain was too

much for him. 'Some people with CF can't participate in athletics because they're in the hospital six to eight months of the year," Garth says. "I learned at a young age to try to live with this as normally as I could and not use it as a

Despite the challenges he would face, Garth finally decided to join Minico's wrestling team as a sophoafter watching Nathan win his first state title.

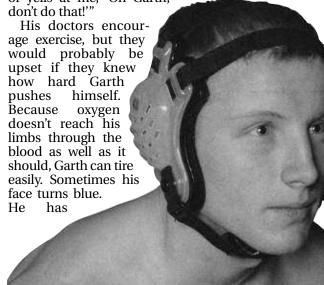
"It was a leap of faith jumping into wrestling," Garth says. "My dad was pretty concerned about it, but my mom didn't have any doubts. She could see that I struggled, but she was a firm believer that I could do anything I put my mind to. A lot of my drive came from my mom."

Garth describes his mother as positive, outgoing and kind, but also a, "Fireball. She's a force to be reckoned with. That's where I get my personality from." As Garth struggled

through his sophomore year of wrestling, he was inspired in part by the strong-willed way Dawn had battled breast cancer off and on for five years. "I was fighting my own

thing, but in my eyes what I was fighting wasn't any-thing near what she was dealing with," Garth says. "That was an example to me of how strong I could be in overcoming my problem. 'She's the camera lady. I'd watch film of the matches

of yells at me, 'Oh Garth,



"Everybody's given their hard things in life, but you've got to look past them and when you do, things open up for you. I hope people realize that life's not perfect, but why sit back and look at what you can't do, when there's still so much that you still can do?"

— Minico junior Garth Crane

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This year as a junior,

Garth's biggest challenge is

learning how to wrestle without his No. 1 fan in the

A year ago in December,

Dawn's cancer returned.

Although frail, she attended

every match. She refused to

let cancer get the best of

her, and she won that battle

from pneumonia that final-

ly took her in May of last

this season has felt odd

without Dawn's colorful

try to live with the thought

that she's still there," Garth

says. "Sometimes I can still

hear her screaming at me if

I do something wrong.

Watching film of matches

"I really do miss her, but I

it was complications

learned to wrestle more efficiently in order to conserve energy.

"I just love wrestling. I love how you learn so much from it," Garth says. "It's not just a physical game, it's so much a mental game. I enjoy challenging myself."

Garth completed his sophomore year with a 14-16 record, a fourth-place finish at districts and was one win away from placing at state.

"Garth has a lot of courage," Cooper says. "People don't realize what he has to go through in order to wrestle. Every time I see him go out on the mat, it brings a smile to my face. It's very uplifting."

Mom's Hero

Last year as a sophomore, and she would add her little Garth's biggest challenge commentary and she kind was learning how to wrestle

wanted to wrestle, it was Dawn who believed in him most. Son drew inspiration

hard work, she did."

from his mother. Mother drew inspiration from her "His mother considered Garth her hero," Sam says.

lived that. There were a lot

of things she wanted to

accomplish, and through

When Garth said he

Garth admits it's been

tough this season to wrestle without Dawn around. He also missed the first week of the season while receiving his annual two-week CF treatment. Still, the 119pounder has earned a 9-6 record as of Ian. 7. His goal is to follow his dad and brothers and reach the state finals.

Beating the Odds

Some people "suffer" from cystic fibrosis. Garth has decided not to. He keeps up with the treatments and stays active with wrestling and student government at Minico. Part of the reason he does so is to set a good example for his two vounger siblings — 14year-old Ethan and 12-yearold Beth — who also have CF. After high school, Garth plans to go into the medical

"Everybody's given their hard things in life, but you've got to look past them and when you do, things open up for you," he says.

"I hope people realize that life's not perfect, but why sit back and look at what you can't do, when there's still so much that you still can do?" Garth adds. "I'm grateful for the opportunity to deal with

Garth's maturity and courage carry over to wrestling, as evidenced with his Boise Dual match with the two-time state champ, in which the odds were stacked high against him.

"Even against all those odds, I still wanted to go out against this guy, wrestle my match and learn from it," Garth says.

what he's done.

'She was a firm believer All his life, that's exactly that you could do whatever you wanted to do in life. She

Ravens edge Titans to reach AFC title game

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A not-so-raw rookie and a trustworthy veteran lifted the Baltimore Ravens to the brink of the Super Bowl.

With the help of a brutal defense that knocks opponents silly, of course.

After all, these are the Ravens, who love nothing more than to win grudge matches. And, this one was worthy of the WWE.

Baltimore survived 13-10 on Saturday against the Tennessee Titans thanks to Matt Stover's 43-yard field goal with 53 seconds remain-

The unflappable Flacco was certain the 40-year-old kicker would get his team into next weekend's AFC title game at either Pittsburgh or San Diego.

"I just watched on the big



Baltimore Ravens wide receiver Marcus Smith (81) grabs a pass with one hand as Tennessee Titans cornerback Cortland Finnegan (31) looks up from the turf during the first quarter of the AFC divisional playoff game in Nashville, Tenn., Saturday.

screen," said the first rookie Nor does his team, which quarterback to win two playoff games. "I didn't watch it live for whatever reason."

Maybe Flacco's reason was simply that he never flinches.

took the wild-card route to the NFL championship in 2000 and just might do it again.

"We've been confident in

ourselves all year," the firstround draft pick from Delaware said. "It seems like we've been on the road for the longest time. It doesn't matter to us. We're going to go out there and battle the crowd, battle the other team, and give it our best."

Their best has them at 13-5 after Stover, the last member of the Ravens who played when the franchise was in Cleveland, nailed his field goal.

"I would say this would be the No. 1 (kick in my career)," Stover said, then added, "but we've got some more kicks, too. So let's just be humble about that."

Humble after a rumble. Two teams with an extreme

dislike for each other never stopped pounding it out in the wind and rain.

The difference: Baltimore forced three turnovers and never gave away the ball.

"We just continued to fight and refused to let them in (the end zone)," linebacker Bart Scott said. "We made the plays we had to ... the ball came out. We'll take it any way we can get it."

Baltimore's postseason run looks eerily similar to when it won the championship after the 2000 season. Back then, it also was a wild card and also won in Tennessee on the way to the title.

"It's great to make our own history, our own path," Scott said. "That team has its own identity and we're trying to create our own."

It was so rugged that the highlight-reel play was All-Pro linebacker Ray Lewis' explosive second-quarter hit on Titans fullback Ahmard Hall near the sideline. Hall's helmet flew off and both players began jawing at each other.

The nasty words never stopped flowing. But the Ravens backed it up with just enough points, climaxed by the winning kick.

"It's a little shocking," said Titans linebacker Keith Bulluck, who slammed down a few small metal barriers lining the tunnel leading to the Titans' locker room at the end. "You go out and play defense the way you did. At the end of the day, realistically you have two, three turnovers inside the 20, you're not supposed to

"Playoff football, those are the mistakes you can't have as a team."

Cardinals stun Panthers

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — The Arizona Cardinals were expected by most to be easy prey in another futile trip to the East Coast.

Instead, Kurt Warner and the Cardinals are a victory away from their first Super Bowl appearance — with a big assist from Jake Delhomme and the bumbling Carolina Panthers.

The once discarded Warner was steady in a 33-13 rout of the Panthers on Saturday night, throwing two touchdown passes, while Delhomme threw five interceptions and lost a fumble.

The target of jokes for years with their history of ineptitude, the Cardinals became the last NFC team to reach the conference championship since the 1970 merger with a win few saw coming.

Entering as a 10-point underdog and ridiculed for their 0-5 record in the Eastern time zone this season, Arizona (11-8) raced to a 27-7 halftime lead and cruised past the mistake-prone Panthers (12-5), who were the league's only unbeaten team at home in the regular

Instead, Delhomme turned in a brutal performance on his 34th birthday. Just one shy of the NFL playoff record for interceptions, Delhomme became the first player to have five picks in the playoffs since Oakland's Rich Gannon in the 2003 Super Bowl against Tampa Bay.

He completed only 17 of 34



Arizona Cardinals' Larry Fitzgerald, left, celebrates his touchdown catch with Early Doucet during the second quarter of an NFL divisional playoff football game in Charlotte, N.C., Saturday.

Pro Bowl receiver didn't have his first catch until the final

minute of the third quarter. Smith caught a meaningless 8-yard touchdown pass from Delhomme with 50 seconds left, when the Cardinals

passes for 205 yards and one had already begun looking touchdown. His woes made forward to either visiting the Steve Smith a non-factor. The New York Giants or hosting Philadelphia on Jan. 18.

> Arizona had been embarrassed when they ventured far from home, but the closest it came was a 27-23 loss here in October when the Cardinals blew a

two-touchdown lead. There would be no sus-

pense this time.

While Pro Bowl receiver Anquan Boldin (hamstring) sat out, Larry Fitzgerald more than made up for the loss. The 6-foot-3 receiver had eight catches for a team playoff-record 166 yards while shredding the Panthers' leaky secondary.

The Cardinals' defense stopped Carolina's potent running game, too. A week after shutting down Atlanta's Michael Turner, DeAngelo Williams was held to 63 yards in a crushing loss for the Panthers, the No. 2 seed in the NFC who had visions of reaching their third NFC title game in six years.

Instead, Warner stole the stage. A decade after his storybook MVP season in winning the Super Bowl with St. Louis a year after he was teammates with Delhomme in NFL Europe, the 37-yearold Warner has another team on the brink of a most unlikely title.

And it was a stunningly ugly performance Delhomme.

Entering with a 5-2 postseason record, Delhomme's 95.0 playoff passer rating coming in was better than any other quarterback in this season's playoffs.

But Delhomme threw two interceptions and lost a fumble in the first half, making poor reads, holding the ball too long and giving the Cardinals great field position.

Rivalry adds an edge to Giants-Eagles playoff game

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — The New York Giants and Philadelphia Eagles aren't only playing for a trip to the NFC title game. This one is personal.

Play a team in your own division three times in a season, and things get that way. That's only the start, though.

Add in the 95-mile trek up or down the New Jersey Turnpike and the fact that Sunday's game will be the eighth between the teams in the last three seasons, and this rivalry can get downright nasty.

"There's a strong dislike for one another," Giants guard Chris Snee said. "Anytime you get a chance to knock out a divisional opponent, one don't like, you get geeked up for these challenges. I think both sides would agree that to knock the other out would make the other one happy."

There is another element that will add to the intensity. The NFC semifinal at Giants Stadium matches defending Super Bowl champions against the team that many think will be the 2009 version of the New York Giants.

"I don't think anybody has to do anything to get up for this game," New York cornerback Corey Webster said. "I think it is already built up. Everybody knows what is at stake. I just think every team is going to be prepared and

Eagles at Giants 11 a.m., FOX

ready to go and they are going to be very excited and our guys are going to be up for the challenge this week-

Of the seven previous games during the last three seasons, only two have been decided by more than 10 points, with the largest margin being 14.

The two games this season were decided by a combined 11 points. New York (12-4) won 36-31 in Philadelphia and the Eagles (10-6-1) returned the favor at Giants Stadium 20-14 on Dec. 7.

"I think the guys all know each other and everybody knows each other's number, jersey number, and all that bit," Eagles coach Andy Reid said. "But every game is different and if you come in saying you know the New York Giants, I think you make a huge mistake in the process of getting ready to play them."

While the scores were close, the statistics weren't. The Giants dominated time of possession (39:10) and total yards (410) in the first game, and the Eagles had the advantage in the second, holding the ball for almost 35 minutes, while outgaining New York 331-211.

Eagles safety Dawkins said the Giants have always been a rival for

On-a-roll Chargers seek another Steelers surprise

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The San Diego Chargers' travels to Pittsburgh are filled with curiosities, a remarkable run of odd games, unexpected results and strange scores, comebacks that succeeded and game plans that failed.

There was the AFC championship game where the Chargers drew motivation from a dance video. The first and only NFL tournament. And the latest oddity, the only 11-10 score in NFL history earlier this season.

In a city where they've never won during the regu-

Chargers at Steelers

2:30 p.m., CBS

lar season or lost during the postseason, the Chargers are hoping the surprise element kicks in again during their AFC divisional playoff game

They're not favored they rarely are in Pittsburgh, where they're 2-13 — but that hardly discourages a team that couldn't have anticipated a return trip after being 4-8 not long after that one-of-a-kind, onepoint loss Nov. 16.

Going back to the chilly East Coast, going against the NFL's top-ranked defense, probably doesn't seem as daunting now that the Chargers, against long odds, are averaging 34.4 points during a five-game winning streak. The latest surprise was their 23-17 overtime decision last weekend over Indianapolis, which had won nine in a row.

As the Steelers' Hines Ward said, "They've been in the playoffs for five weeks now.

"When I think back to the

14-2 season (in 2006) when in a quarter-century may we had the home playoff game and got beat, you wonder if it was a little too big for quarterback Philip Rivers said. "I think the fact that we've been in these types of games now ... going to Pittsburgh will be right up there, a similar type deal. I think from a hype standpoint, playoff-game standpoint, we'll be just fine."

How fine? A Steelers defense led by Defensive Player of the Year James Harrison that statistically ranks among the NFL's best determine that. Rivers was held to 159 yards passing, was sacked for a safety and the running game produced only 66 yards in Pittsburgh's regular-season win.

Still, the Steelers were set back by 13 penalties and needed Jeff Reed's 32-yard field goal with 11 seconds remaining to win a game remembered for its final play, Troy Polamalu's fumble return touchdown that was incorrectly overturned by referee Scott Green and his

Talk about unusual.

Despite having a 300-yard passer (Ben Roethlisberger), a 100-yard rusher (Willie Parker) and a 100-vard receiver (Ward), and outgunning San Diego 410-213, the Steelers never got into the end zone, at least on a play that counted. Obviously, the score wasn't all that was strange.

"We just didn't finish," wide receiver Santonio Holmes said. "It was all field goals. But in the playoffs, you've got to score touchdowns."

Wrestling

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the two points he needed against Snake River's Scott Jones, and he conceded just a third-period escape in reply to take a 2-1 win.

Slotten successfully managed to keep himself close to his opponent in order to negate the lengthy reach advantage the taller Jones had over him, combining close proximity with lightningquick reflexes to keep on his

"You've just got to stay in good position and keep your feet moving, avoid having to scramble," Slotten said of facing a rangier opponent. "I still need to get in better shape,

but you just have to always keep getting better."

Slotten was flirting with the idea of dropping to 160 earlier on in the season, but seems to have settled in at 171, he said.

Of the four local winners, only Bennett's victory impacted the team standings, but it still wasn't enough for Jerome to take home the title. It came down to consolation-round action before Challis won the team championship by a single point over the Tigers (133-132. Minico finished third with 127 points.

In overtime of the 189pound third-place match, Challis wrestler Nathan Kleffman managed to get out

of a precarious position in which he nearly gave up the decisive takedown to Burley's Wesley Finch, only to get his head free of Finch's grasp and claim the winning move for himself.

After Jerome's Kyle Novis came up short in the 215pound third-place match to Brian Rhodehouse of South Fremont, Kleffman's great escape proved to be enough for the Vikings to win the team

2003 Bunl Wrastling Invitational
Saturday's results
Field team standings
1. Challis, 133 points; 2. Jerome, 132; 3. Minico, 127;
4. Snake River, 114.5; 5. North Fremont, 108; 6.
Mountain Home, 105.5; 7. Twin Falls, 103; 8.
Aberdeen, 89; 9. South Fremont, 88; 10. Spring Creek, Nev., 85; 11. Shelley, 84.5; 12. New Plymouth, 80; 13.

Kimberly, 71: 14. Valley, 61.5; 15. Burley, 60; 16. Elko, Nev., 48; 17. Filer. 49.5; 18. Gooding, 47; 19. Wendell, 45; 20. Declo, 37; 21. Buhl, 29; 22. Glenns Ferry, 17.5; 23. Butte County, 9; 24. Wells, Nev., 6.

Champlonship match results
103 pounds: Kolten Glider, North Fremont, pinned James Wall, Elko; 112: Jonathon Turpin, Snake River, pinned Grayden Bloxham, Challis: 119: Brock Banta, South Fremont, pinned Joe Hamilton, Twin Falls; 125: Sam Bishop, North Fremont, pinned Colby Searle, Shelley; 130: Tommy Miller, Mountain Home, pinned Jose Alonzo, Declo; 135: Derek Gerratt, Valley, dec. Kaeo Doronio, Mountain Home, 7-1; 140: Nick Wooden, Spring Creek, dec. Jake Hruza, Minico, 5-3; 145: Brandom McBride, Gooding, pinned Shawn Warren, Aberdeen; 152: Ben Lott, Snake River, dec. Chaes Saxton, Spring Creek, 2-2; 160: Austin Hanney, Shelley, pinned Ryan Slade, Wendell; 171: Zak Slotten, Twin Falls, dec. Scott Jones, Snake River, 2-1; 189: Wade Bennett, Jerome, dec. Nick Fleenor, Filer, 6-0; 215: Nick Martin, Snake River, pinned Nathan Barclay, Minico; 285: Sylas Gaskins, New Plymouth, pinned Andrew Nash, Spring Creek.

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Minico's Jake Hruza looks for an opening during a 140-pound championship match against Spring Creek's Nick Wooden Saturday in Buhl.

Skyler Cutler, Challis, 7-2; 171: Miguel Simental, Minico, pinned Blake Finney, Buhl; 189: Nathan Kleffman, Challis, dec. Wesley Finch, Burley, 11-9 (0T); 215: Brian Rhodehouse, South Fremont, dec. Kyle Novis, Jerome, 12-10; 285: Jamie Folk, Kimberly, pinned Anthony Weeks, Shelley. **EMPLOYMENT** 200

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Groom's mom reclaims glass menagerie of wedding favors

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I attended the wedding of two dear friends. The groom's mother, "Millie," made party favors for all the guests - little gift bags containing sugar-coated almonds and, because the bride and groom are animal lovers, a small glass animal. A few days later, a friend brought her teenage daughter to our home. The daughter admired the two glass animals, so I gave them to her.

I was shocked when, the following weekend, Millie called and asked me to return them. She said she planned to take them back because she would prefer to use the money to buy the couple something they could use. Feeling guilty for "regifting," I responded with the first thing that popped into my head, that I hoped I hadn't 'misplaced" them. Millie said she hoped not, too — they had cost \$35 apiece, and she would expect us to reimburse her! Further, we should not mention it to the "happy couple" because of the embarrassment it would cause.

I asked the bride's sister where Millie might have bought the glass figurines under the guise of wanting to get some as gifts for my grad students. I was stunned when she responded that she had purchased an entire case of these inexpensive animals as wedding

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the job of your dreams. July and

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achieve your ambitions. It may

require some hard work, but the

ARIES (March 21-April 19):

Tuck in all the loose ends in the

week ahead. Square off your

weekly schedule as though you

were making hospital corners on a

bed. Your drive to succeed in busi-

ness is augmented by careful

TAURUS (April 20-May 20):

Manage your life the way you

manage your business. It may be wise to reel in expenses and cut

costs during the week to come.

Put social activities on the back

burner and roll up your shirt-

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Dig

in. You will find that you have

access to extra brainpower in the

week to come. You can easily han-

rewards will be thrilling.

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Dear Abby Jeanne **Phillips**

favors, and that I was welcome to them if I wanted to pick them up from her home.

I'm unclear what motivated Millie to ask for the animals to be returned, or why she would inflate the price and expect to be reimbursed. I understand there was an unpleasant power struggle over the wedding arrangements, but I'm not sure what she hopes to gain from this.

How should this be handled? My husband says I should tell Millie the truth, that we gave them away and we know they cost only 80 cents apiece. What do you

— STYMIED IN MARYLAND

DEAR STYMIED: I say Millie is dishonest, and Millie is manipulative, but she's right about one thing: It would create embarrassment if you told the bride and groom what she's been up to.

You were off the hook the minute the bride's sister told you she had a case of the little glass

animals. Swing by, pick up a couple and give them to Millie. She's as transparent as they are, and her story about returning them to buy anything for the happy couple is another fabrication.

DEAR ABBY: I have the classic evil stepmom — except she is my mother, and it's my stepsisters that she mistreats. They are 8 and 6 and have suffered enough through their mother's divorce.

My mother treats them as if they are less than human and don't have the right to be in "her" house. I feel terrible about the way she treats them. I want to do something about it, but I can't say anything to her because that would be disrespectful. Please advise.

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DEAR SILENT WITNESS: Your mother's behavior is despicable. She knew the girls were part of the package deal when she married their father, and she has no right to abuse them.

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dle deep thoughts and detailed mental work. Balance the checkbook and sift through for facts.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): If someone tries to rattle your cage, maybe it is time that you rattled back. On the other hand you might be able to slip out from behind the bars and act independently. Do your own thing this week.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You are only human. You can't expect everything to be perfect. Don't beat yourself up for just doing the best you can. Accentuate the positive in the week to come and reward yourself for small victories.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Problems have a way of showing you where changes need to be made. During this week ahead, you can turn a disadvantage into an asset by learning your lessons well and then taking them to

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22.): Remain alert for the underlying context. In the upcoming week, you may be subjected to criticism or have your kindnesses rebuffed. You could feel this is unfair, but need to place it in proportion.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A little hard work never hurt anyone. Roll up your shirtsleeves and get down to business in the week to come. Your loved ones might seem disenchanted with you, but it is only a temporary downturn.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Only time will tell. Patience is a virtue that will pay off when confronted by your love life — as well as by your finances. There could be a temporary need to tighten the belt during the week ahead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Understand your limitations this week and then rise above them. You may feel you are in a virtual straitjacket in certain areas, but there is one area where you can successfully make big changes.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A Pollyanna philosophy could receive a frosty reception early in the week. Other people that you meet up with, or deal with, could have extremely high expectations. You will need to unleash intu-

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Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 11, 1908, the Grand

Canyon National Monument was created with a proclamation by President Theodore Roosevelt. (It became a national park in 1919.) On this date:

In 1805, the Michigan Territory was created by an act of Congress. In 1815, Sir John A. Macdonald, the first prime minister of

Canada, was born in Glasgow, Scotland. In 1861, Alabama seceded from the Union.

In 1913, the first sedan-type automobile, a Hudson, went on display at the 13th National Automobile Show in New York.

In 1935, aviator Amelia Earhart began a trip from Honolulu, Hawaii, to Oakland, Calif., that made her the first woman to fly solo across the Pacific Ocean.

In 1942, Japan declared war against the Netherlands, the same day that Japanese forces invaded the Dutch East Indies.

TODAY IN HISTORY

In 1943, the United States and Britain signed treaties relinquishing extraterritorial rights in China.

In 1964, U.S. Surgeon General

Luther Terry issued the first government report saying smoking may be hazardous to one's health. In 1977, France set off an international uproar by releasing Abu Daoud, a PLO official behind the massacre of Israeli athletes at the

1972 Munich Olympics. In 1995, 52 people were killed when a Colombian airliner crashed as it was preparing to land near the Caribbean resort of Cartagena.

Ten years ago: President Bill Clinton and House Republicans clashed in impeachment trial papers, with the White House claiming the perjury and obstruction allegations fell short of high crimes and misdemeanors and GOP lawmakers rebutting: "If this is not enough, what is?"

Five years ago: Democrat Howard Dean defended his record on race in the last debate before the Iowa caucuses, as he was forced to acknowledge that no blacks or Hispanic had served in his cabinet during his 12 years as governor of Vermont.

One year ago: Bank of America said it would buy Countrywide Financial for \$4.1 billion in stock in a deal rescuing the country's biggest mortgage Authorities in Jacksonville, N.C., found the remains of Marine Lance Cpl. Maria Frances Lauterbach in the yard of Cpl. Cesar Armando Laurean, a comrade she had accused of raping her. (Laurean, who fled to Mexico, was arrested last April and charged in Lauterbach's death.) Former Olympic track gold medalist Marion Jones was sentenced to six months in prison for lying to investigators about using performance-enhancing drugs and her role in a check-fraud scam. Sir Edmund Hillary, the first to conquer Mount Everest, died in Auckland, New Zealand, at age 88,



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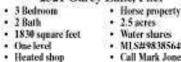
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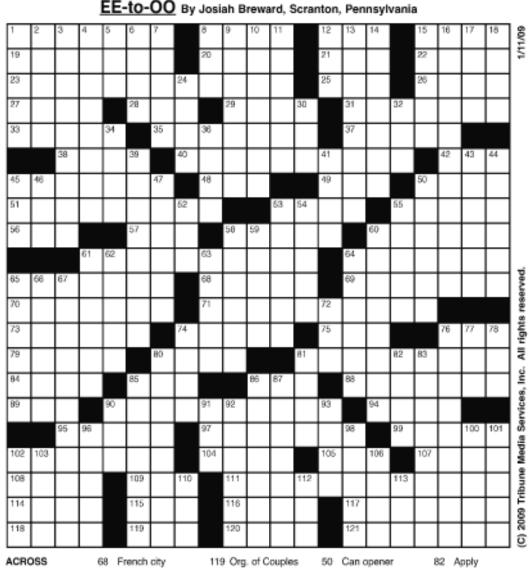
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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

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DISBURSEMENTS NEW CONSTRUCTION Roads Bridges, culverts and storm drainage RR Crossing Other (specify-including salaries and benefits) Total New Construction RECONSTRUCTION/REPLACEMENT/REHABILITATION

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New equipment purchase - automotive, heavy, other 371,328 85,124 Equipment Maintenance Total Equipment 456,452 ADMINISTRATION Administrative salaries and expenses 135,077

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RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS (325.156)CLOSING BALANCE 2,206,144 Funds on Line 63 obligated for specific future projects 2 159 233 Funds on Line 63 retained for general funds and operations (807)OTHER ADJUSTMENTS (Audit adjustment and etc) ENDING BALANCE 47,718

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of East End Mutual Electric will be held Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at the Rupert Elks Lodge.

Members attendance at this meeting is needed so important business of the company may be conducted. A Director for District 2 will be elected. Leonard Wilson is presently the Director for this District, Refreshments will be served.

PUBLISH: January 11 and 18, 2009

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF NORTH SIDE PUMPING COMPANY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the North Side Pumping Company, will be held at the office of the North Side Canal Company, Ltd., 921 North Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho, Friday January 16, 2009 at 10:00 AM for the election of Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting in accordance with the By-laws of the Company. The following Directors are to be elected for a three year term.

One Director from District No. 2 One Director from District No. 4

The Stock books will close ten days prior to January 16, 2009 and all proxies must be filed with the Secretary at least five days prior to January 16, 2009, in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws of said Company. Dated this 9th day of December, 2008 at Jerome

NORTH SIDE PUMPING COMPANY BY: Bernice Johnson, Secretary

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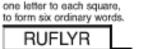
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Dear Mr. Wolff:

Do you like the idea of bridge being linked to the other mindsport games in the recent Beijing Olympiad? Will it be good for bridge in the long run?

Crystal Gazer, Detroit, Mich.

ANSWER: Only a prophet would know the answer, but linking bridge to similar intellectual pastimes gives the governing authorities more clout. Will it make any difference to the rank-and-file player? I doubt it. Only government funding will help to increase bridge's popularity, and the way to go is through the schools.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Playing pairs, I held ♠ Q-10-6-3, ▼ A-J-4, ◆ Q-J-3, ♣ Q-7-4. My partner in first seat opened one club, and I responded with an invitational two no-trump, figuring I had no ruffing values and not willing to help the opponents with the opening lead if we ended up in notrump. Should partner with a good 14-count but 4-3-3-3 shape bid on? When the opponents made a slight error, I made nine tricks while the rest of the room made nine tricks in spades. How would you have bid it?

Are We There Yet?, San Antonio, Texas

ANSWER: Surely, facing an invitational hand, your partner should bid game with a good 14. I do not blame you for bidding two notrump. It is against the field, but might well be right (as here), even facing four spades. Matchpoints and rubber bridge are sometimes only tangentially similar!

Dear Mr. Wolff:

When an opponent has overcalled our strong no-trump, which do you recommend, penalty doubles or takeout doubles?

Attack or Defend?, Monterey, Calif.

ANSWER: I suggest that if the call is two clubs for anything but the majors, double is Stayman and transfers are still on. A double of any other artificial call should be card-showing, a double

of any natural call should be takeout, not penalties - from either side of the table. The logic is that takeout hands come up far more often than penalty doubles, and it is hand-frequency that counts, not the size of the gain or loss.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

I held ♠ A-Q-7-3, ♥ 4, ♦ A-K-9-5-3, A Q-7-4 and opened one diamond. My partner responded two clubs, which was game-forcing. Now I rebid two spades and my partner jumped to three notrump. What should I do next, and why?

Long Divider, Phoenix, Ariz.

ANSWER: It all depends on whether the jump to game was terminal (a minimum with no fit) or showed extras, with two notrump being either 12-14 or 18 plus (my preferred approach to these game-forcing auctions). If the former, pass seems best; if the latter, four clubs seems equally clearcut. Without discussion, I'd bid four clubs. After all, slam might make, facing the right minimum.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Is there a rule in party bridge whereby a player may request a new deck of cards when it is his turn to deal? If so, how is the replaced deck treated as far as playing with it again?

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ANSWER: Laws 1-7 cover the decks ALUMA TRAILER to be used. The two decks should be alternated; anyone can call for a shuffle or cut. Assuming you have two decks, one side has one color, the other side the other, and that continues throughout the Chicago or rubber. So you CAN call for your side to keep its colored deck. While I do not see that you have the right to call for a new deck, if there are spare decks, I cannot imagine a player preventing someone from switching decks at an appropriate moment.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolff." contact kay19072 @aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywelff@mindsnring.com

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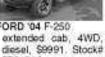


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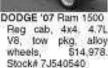


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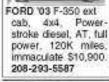
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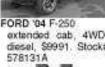
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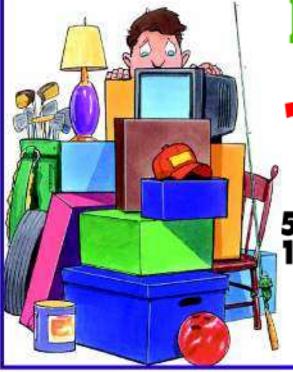
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Something old

Wedding dresses make another trip down the aisle

By Melissa Davlin **Times-News writer**

Johanna Hyink looked gorgeous on her wedding day.

She sported a champagnecolored Oleg Cassini designer gown with detailed beading. The dress lent to Hyink's soft, romantic look.

Most of her guests had no idea that Hyink paid only \$60 for the dress at a thrift store.

With many wedding dresses priced between \$600 and \$2,000, it's no surprise that a handful of Magic Valley brides are looking for cheaper gown alternatives. For some, that means using a gown that has already headed down the aisle.

Hyink, who married Tyler Hyink in January 2008, wasn't yet engaged when her mother, Valerie Bokma, called to tell her about the gorgeous gown at Mustard Seed, where Bokma volunteers.

"It sounded kind of funky, but I was like OK," Hyink said. Bokma bought the dress and brought it home for her daughter with the idea that they could return it if Hyink

As soon as she tried it on, though, she was convinced.

"You said, 'Mom, I think this is my wedding dress," Bokma said to her daughter.

Hyink, of Gooding, didn't have any preconceived notions as to what her dream wedding dress should look like — which may have helped her fall in love with the used Oleg Cassini.

"I wonder what I would have picked," Hyink said. "But I have no clue." She probably wouldn't have chosen the same gown new, she said, mostly because it retails for \$1,100.

Another factor that helped: The dress fit perfectly and was only lightly soiled. For \$23, she had the dress hemmed slightly, bringing the total spent on the designer dress to \$83.

Second-hand dresses aren't anything new. Wearing hand-me-down gowns was a popular option for brides before designer dresses became en vogue. In an e-mail to the *Times-News*, Susan Brown of Twin Falls said she felt honored to wear her mother's dress, originally worn at her parents' wedding

"I looked at many wedding dresses just to make sure and compared," said Brown, who married in 1986.

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Economist's tales explain Wood River animals to kids

By Karen Bossick

Times-News correspondent

First came Samantha the Swan, then Franklin the Fox.

Now economist Marriner Eccles has written a new, handsomely illustrated book about one of the critters that call Sun Valley home: "Timothy the Warm Springs Trout."

As with his two previous books, Eccles will donate the \$20 purchase price of each book sold to The Community Library in

Ketchum. Eccles first wrote "Samantha" after realizing how memorable the simple pleasure of watching the swans outside Sun Valley Lodge was for his family.

"My family has been coming to Sun Valley for going on a bazillion years now — my grandfather was a friend of the Harrimans," he said, referring to Sun Valley founder Averell Harriman. "Watching my kids and my sisters' grandchildren around the pond one day it occurred to me that they were doing the same thing we'd done as youngsters. And I thought: What

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KAREN BOSSICK/For the Times-News

Marriner Eccles has written three children's books about Sun Valley's critters and is at work on a fourth. Eccles' books are available at Iconoclast Books and Chapter One Bookstore in Ketchum, as well as The Community Library.

Good night ... and good luck

hese days, I think I'd pay a hundred bucks for a good night's sleep. Problem is, I'd probably stay awake worrying that I paid too much.

With the calendar now turned to

January, this may officially be the absolute worst time of the year for catching some Z's. You would think everything works well for putting you to sleep: short days, long nights, post-holiday blues, cold weather, not to mention more Ryan Seacrest on TV.

But finding a good night's rest is like finding nirvana, the sense of self-contentment and peace that really

comes only from utter exhaustion. It reminds me of the line from "Brighton Beach Memoirs," Neil Simon's autobiographical play about growing up in Brooklyn during the Depression. Jack Ierome, the father of the story, is a fatigued patriarch to a crowded house-

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'When does it get easier, Kate?" he asks one night. "When does our life get

hold of seven. His wife, Kate, is even more drained in those most meager of

"At night," she replies. "When you get seven good hours of sleep. That's the easiest it ever gets."

Now late into my 30s, I can fully appreciate those sentiments. But with many nights, seven hours of shut-eye is just a daydream.

Our infant son is now reaching 3 months old and wakes up once or twice nightly. I did pretty well on night feedings for the first kids, but I was a serious slacker for my last daughter. This earned me an instant reputation as a deadbeat dad. So with the youngest baby, I'm doing my part for the sake of Mother's happiness — and my sterling legacy as caring Father.

Honestly, I don't mind time with my baby in the dark of morning. We have good chats, and at least he listens.

But it's the other small disturbances through the night that jar me awake. Here's just a small timeline that doesn't repeat itself with every event, every night. But it's pretty close.

11:30 p.m. — Hit the pillow. 11:35 p.m. — Remember to take medicines, pay bills, other worries.

11:45 p.m. — Unwind from the other worries, fall asleep.

Midnight — Child wants drink of 1 a.m. — Child needs to use restroom

from drink of water. 2 a.m. — Another child wants drink, doesn't get it because of experience for

child No. 1. 2:05 a.m. — Dad gives in to child No. 2 on water (repeat scenes from child No.

3:30 a.m. — Baby wakes up. **3:33 a.m.** — Lengthy discussion in half-sleep with wife on whose turn to

3:34 a.m. — Wife wins, Dad feeds. 4 a.m. — Feed, rock, burp and change.

4:30 a.m. — Return to bed. 4:45 a.m. — Stare at wall, unable to

5 a.m. — Fall asleep

5:30 a.m. — Newspaper boy crunches his way through snow, wakes dog and

6 a.m. — Fall back asleep.

7 a.m. — Alarm sounds. Shall I press

Sleep deprivation is actually a serious health problem. Yet it seems to be applauded in our relentless culture that encourages haste in work, travel, recreation, diet, even sleep. For instance, read CEO profiles and they'll commonly claim they need only four or five hours of sleep.

What a bunch of hooey. Anybody who boasts about burning the candle at both ends is trying to overcompensate for a lack of wits. Sleep isn't something to be scorned, but a moment to welcome with weary appreciation. Thankfully, I think my kids are starting

to value the sensation of a good night's rest. My sons both say they've had a dream in which I tuck them in and turn out the light, only to return a split second later to say, "Time to get up."

Funny thing is, I used to have the same dream when I was a kid. Fascinating.

Still, it doesn't explain how my kids can't climb out of bed on a school day, but always wake up at the crack of dawn for Saturday cartoons.

David Cooper is the Times-News' city editor and a father of five. Watch for his column weekly in Family Life, and reach him at david.cooper@lee.net.

SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; lounge and pool rooms; bargain center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Daily lunches are available for take-out from 11 a.m. to noon; seniors 59 and under, \$5.50; seniors 60 and older, \$4.50. 734-5084.

MENUS:

Monday: Chicken pot pie **Tuesday:** Spaghetti **Wednesday:** Barbecue ribs Thursday: Meatloaf Friday: Chicken cordon bleu **ACTIVITIES:**

Today: Magic Valley Bridge Let's Dance, 2 to 5 p.m. Monday: Quilting, 8 a.m. Monday bridge, 1 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1 **Tuesday:** Ticket Tuesday Blood pressure, 10 a.m. to

Oil painting, 4 to 6 p.m. and 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., \$20 Let's Dance, 6 to 11 p.m.

Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.; \$1.50 each; coffee and roll, \$2 Quilting, 8 a.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1 Foot clinic, 1 p.m. Jackpot, Nev., trip, 3 to 9

Elks Card Club, 7:30 p.m. Thursday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Oil painting by Don Oman, 4 to 6 p.m. and 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., \$20

Friday: Quilting, 8 a.m. Texas Hold'em, 1 p.m. Tai chi, 1 p.m., \$1

p.m.

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60. Sunday buffet: 1 p.m.; \$5, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$4, under 12. Center hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday.

MENUS: Monday: Chunky crab and

sweet corn chowder Tuesday: Beef goulash Wednesday: Throw-together

Thursday: Birthday dinner, chicken nuggets **ACTIVITIES:**

Today: Baked chicken dinner, 1 p.m.

Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30

Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bus runs for lunch pickup.

call 543-4577 by 10:30 Bingo, 7 p.m.

Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m. Friday: SilverSneakers,

3 p.m.

10:30 a.m.

call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.

Bus runs for lunch pickup,

Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 2:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES: Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30

Bingo, 12:30 p.m. Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30

Thursday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Lunch and full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out; home delivery. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. **MENUS:**

Monday: Beef stew Wednesday: Tuna stroganoff Friday: Pork chops **ACTIVITIES:**

Monday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. AA meeting, 8 p.m. Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m. Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome Wednesday: Nu-2-U open 9

a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Thursday: NA meeting, 7

Friday: Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 11:50 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m. Saturday: Pinochle, 7 p.m.,

Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50 for seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3

MENUS:

Monday: Enchiladas Tuesday: Ham and beans Wednesday: Philly steak Thursday: Sweet-and-sour chicken

Friday: Soup and sandwich **ACTIVITIES:**

Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Wild one, 5 p.m. Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m. Pinochle, 1:30 p.m. Hand and foot, 6 p.m. Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Board meeting, 1 p.m.

Shuffleboard, 5 p.m. Thursday: Quilt social, 9

Pool, 9:30 a.m. Music with The Fiddlers Pinochle, 7 p.m. Friday: Bridge and duplicate

bridge, 1 p.m. Saturday: Potluck and games, 6 p.m.

Wendell Senior Meal Site

105 W. Ave. A. Lunch served at noon Mondays. Hours,

Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$5, under 60; \$2, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; thrift shop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; free high-speed Internet.

MENUS:

Monday: Roasted chicken Wednesday: Lobster bisque or sloppy Joe Friday: Roast beef

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E., Jerome. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5. non-seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free transportation to and from center Wednesdays through Fridays, call center for information at 324-5642.

MENUS:

Monday: Meatloaf Tuesday: Ham and beans Wednesday: Fish or chicken Thursday: Ham Friday: Roast turkey

ACTIVITIES: Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Free massages

Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Snack bar, 6 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Dick and John Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Thursday: Creekside Energy Assistants, 9 a.m. to noon Free Will Baptist Church potluck, 6 p.m. Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m. Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours: 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday. **MENUS:**

Tuesday: Chicken-fried steak Thursday: Lasagna **ACTIVITIES:**

Wednesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.

Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch

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board, said Eccles'

donation of book sales is "a very nice

present" for the

library: "Each book is

better than the pre-

vious one. So far, I

"The illustrations

echoed

like 'Tim' best."

Share your best senior shots

On this page, the Times-News will begin showcasing some of our readers' best photographs of south-central Idaho's senior citizens leading active lives.

So round up your great shot of Grandpa feeding the calves, or that picture of your buddies from the senior center laughing it up over a game of pool. We aren't offering payment, but we'll share our favorite photos here each week. The guidelines:

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9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday 436-9107 or Kitty Andrews

at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60.

MENUS:

Monday: Spaghetti Thursday: Tuna sandwich and soup

Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50, under 60. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday. **MENUS:**

Tuesday: Chicken strips Wednesday: Potato soup and sandwich

Friday: Lasagna **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.

Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday: Board meeting, 10:30 a.m. Pinochle with Gooding, 1

p.m. Bingo Wednesday: Black Out Bingo, 12:30 p.m.

Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Saturday: Pancake breakfast

Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$4, under 60; \$2, under 10. Quilting, pool, table games, puzzles, TV, videos. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tuesday: Hamburgers Wednesday: Taco salad Friday: Stew

ACTIVITIES:

Thursday: Art class, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Blaine County Senior Center

Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. Center hours:

through Friday. **MENUS:** Tuesday: Beef stew

Wednesday: Lasagna Friday: Birthday lunch, roast beef

Monday: Salad and soup bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fit and Fall-proof, 1 p.m. Tea at Blaine Manor, 3 p.m. Duplicate bridge, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Foot clinic, 10 a.m. Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.

ACTIVITIES:

Bingo, 1 p.m. Wednesday: Fit and Fallproof, 1 p.m. Yoga, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday: Birthday lunch Friday: Table tennis, 9 a.m. Fit and Fall-proof, 1 p.m.

Carey Senior Center

Main Street. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3, seniors; \$5, non-seniors. MENU:

Thursday: Birthday lunch, roast beef

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, nonseniors; \$3, under 12; \$4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Chicken-fried steak Tuesday: Chili

Wednesday: BLT sandwich Thursday: Pork chops Friday: Chicken or fish **ACTIVITIES:**

Monday: Pinochle, 1 to 4 Pool, 1 p.m. Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3

p.m. Walking, 9 a.m. Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m. Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m. Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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at 677-4872 for appoint-

Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4.50, seniors and children under 12; \$6, non-seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. **MENUS:**

Monday: Biscuits and gravy Tuesday: Stromboli Wednesday: Birthday dinner Thursday: Franks and beans

Friday: Salisbury steak **ACTIVITIES:** Monday: Pool

Pinochle, 1 p.m. Exercise Tuesday: Pool Wood carving, 8:30 a.m.

Radio show, 9:06 a.m. Exercise Community bingo, 7 p.m.

Wednesday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m. Exercise

Thursday: Pool Exercise Movie, 9:30 a.m. Community pinochle, 6 p.m. Woodcarving, 6 p.m.

Friday: Pool Exercise Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. For rides: 366-2051. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Barbecue beef sandwich Tuesday: Baked potato and

Thursday: Oven-fried chicken **ACTIVITIES:**

Monday: Potluck, 6 p.m. **Tuesday**: Quilting, 1 p.m. Thursday: Business meeting Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m.

Animals

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would happen if we put our recollections in a book?" second features Franklin the Fox, born near

Trail Creek Cabin. "One year the swan family lost two of their five eggs, we were told, to a fox," Eccles said.

"It occurred to me that children might not understand why these foxes had eaten the young so I decided to write about Franklin. I didn't want kids to be upset. I wanted to show them that eating the young is part of the life cycle in the Wood River Valley and that it's been that way for many, many years."

"Timothy" is about a young rainbow trout raised by his grandfather in the Big Wood River after his father The young trout — who

lives with 17 sisters, 23 brothers, 65 uncles, 72 aunts and 2,487 cousins — studies hard in a school of fish. He loves the Hokey Pokey:

"You put the left fin in..." And he recoils at such scary stories as Sun Valley chef Claude Guigon's "The Art of

French Cooking."

Eccles, who divides his time between Belvedere, Calif., and Sun Valley, has learned much about the animals he has written about. For instance, foxes

have an unbelievable

sense of smell. "They don't have that long nose for nothing. You could have a pizza with 20 different ingredients on it, and they'd be able to pinpoint every single one," he said.

on such prey as mice. "We had a fox follow us for two golf holes because it figured out that the cart would stir up the voles. In seven minutes, the fox caught two

Foxes are also nearsighted,

which causes them to fixate

mice and a vole," Eccles said. Eccles is already at work on a fourth book — about a moose who has a strange fascination with the Sun Valley Summer Symphony.

Already, his first three books have earned more than \$10,000 for an endowment for The Community Library's children's library. Norma Douglas,

Eccles

are

Ketchum resident Caroline Clawson. Eccles said the decision to donate the books' purchase price to the library was a no-

fabulous,"

"I had been going to that library for decades. One of the first things we do when we come to town is go to the library and sit around the fireplace reading. So it was just natural to find a way to pay back."

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Rest, or exercise for your back pain. Which is the better • alternative?

Brief rest, combined with anti-inflammatory medications, $oldsymbol{A}_ullet$ is often recommended to help reduce acute back pain. It's also generally advisable to return to normal activities and begin gently exercising in order to stretch out back muscles. Avoiding activity can actually make muscles weaker and even more susceptible to injury. Ask your doctor. The quicker you do, the quicker you can get back into life.

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Getting you back into life

Cutting back on the 'nice to haves'

By Tania Anderson washingtonpost.com

I could hear my mailman struggling to get a certain envelope through my mail slot recently. It was the credit card bill and I knew it was bad when it finally landed like a brick on the floor.

So my husband and I sat down and analyzed every line of our credit card statement. What we discovered was about \$200 in expenses that we could do without. Everything from a Netflix subscription that barely gets used to more than \$100 a month in dry cleaning.

Time to trim the 'nice-tohaves." Here are a few tips:

Tip 1: Analyze every line of your most recent credit card statement. Make a list of all the items that appear there every month. Î'm talking about things like gym memberships, movie rental subscriptions and dry cleaning.

Tip 2: Set some rules for yourself before you start slashing some of those monthly expenses. Our children's activities, like my daughter's weekly art class, were hands off.

Tip 3: Ask yourself which of those monthly expenses are key to your survival and which are just a waste. You'd be surprised how easy it is to forget about expenses that just live with you without being too obvious. For example, my husband and I realized we don't take advantage of our Netflix membership enough. Our \$10 a month subscription was cut, which will save us \$120 in 2009. I cut the e-mail and Internet service on my cell phone, saving \$30 a month or \$360 a year.

Tip 4: Pinpoint the stores on your credit card statement where you're spending the most money. Go on a fast from those stores for a few weeks. I'm banned from Target during January because I'm one of those people who walks in with the intention of buying toilet paper but ends up with \$100 worth of additional items.

Tip 5: Shop around for cheaper services. It's so easy to just stick with a retailer because it's part of your routine. For years we've used the same dry cleaner for its convenience but I called others near our house and found a place that charges \$1 less per shirt and \$5 less per suit. (My motivation to find a cheaper dry cleaner was not only driven by saving some dough but by my husband's suggestion that I start ironing his shirts.) Also, call your phone company and cable provider to see if you can get a cheaper rate. You may have signed up for a premium package during a promotion period and not even realize that you're paying for things that you never use.

One of my New Year's resolutions is to continue cutting our monthly expenses. The goal is to eliminate at least \$20 per month. That could mean buying more generic products than name-brand. Or stopping myself from adding a magazine to my pile of groceries at the check-out line. And asking myself if I really need that 10th tube of lipstick.

Tania Anderson writes the Shop to It blog for washingtonpost.com, from which this article is adapted.

Moving books double-dare kids to splash and twirl

By Leanne Italie **Associated Press writer**

Slide, glide, twirl! Splish, splash, floop!

Rare is the children's book that begs to be read and tossed aside for a good romp – all at the same time. Rarer still are moving pictures built right in that double-dare kids to do just that.

Meet Rufus Butler Seder equal parts artist, mad scientist and boy magician who never grew up.

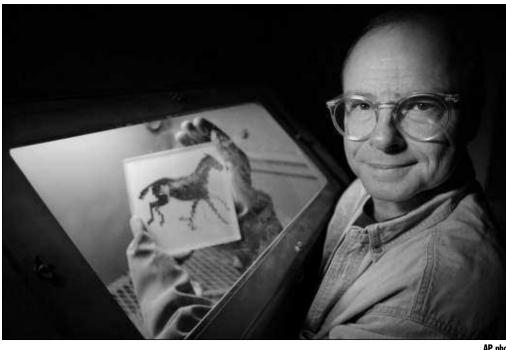
From a studio in Waltham, Mass., Seder created two hugely popular picture books with unique blackand-white images that trick the eye and come alive when pages are turned. The look is a bit like holography — only it isn't.

"It's about the magic," Seder said. "It dates to my davs as a junior magician with my Remco magic kit. It's creating that illusion that fires the imagination."

To create his moving pictures, Seder uses a layer of multiple images printed on a sheet of paper under a layer of vertical lines akin to a picket fence on clear acetate. When the page is turned, the reader's brain unscrambles the images underneath and prompts the eyes to see motion.

No electricity, motors or special lighting are required. The books have no external tabs to get bent or torn since the pull is automatic as kids make their way from page to page.

Seder's latest book "Swing!" was released in September and shows children at play. He sets a young ice skater twirling and a swimmer racing across a pool. The book follows last year's "Gallop!" that includes forms of animation and image sequence onto a sin-



Artist Rufus Butler Seder displays a glass square, containing the image of a horse, in a sandblasting machine at his workshop, in Waltham, Mass. Seder has spent the last 20 years perfecting a method of creating murals out of glass tiles that appear to move as the viewer changes position in relation to the sculpture, that are ridged on one side, and sandblasted with imagery on the other.

A Scanimation Picture Book

What's all the commotion?

picture technology is

motion

AP photo/Workman Publishing

he compacts all phases of an

a horse running, a butterfly fluttering and a chimp swinging from vine to vine. Action-packed text challenges kids to do the same.

"Are they trapped in there?" nearly 4-year-old Siri Waxenberg of New York City asked after getting her first look at "Gallop!" "Where are they going?" she wanted to know before dropping to the floor and paddling like a turtle. Seder calls his

patented Scanimation a lesson in "retro-tech," traceable to the mechanics of the slotted, spinning Zoetrope invented around 1850.

The difference between Seder's method and other gle page, requiring less dis-

tance and speed to create the effect.

"I'm not a technology guy," he said. "I can't really add two and two. I'm a visual artist and that's how I think. There's no message. It's all about movement. I try to make it as beautiful as possible and capture the signature movement that tells you what you're looking at is real."

Seder, who spent much of childhood Connecticut, taught filmmaking for years while pursuing his animated art that also includes murals using clear glass tiles he kiln-fires himself to help create the appearance of movement. The books require precision ter to do what you enjoy hand assembly by 600 facto-

ry workers Seder helped train in China.

Interest in the books from parents and children has been swift and lasting. "Gallop!" was high on bestseller lists for most of 2008, is available in 12 languages and is approaching 2 million copies in print. Seder's "Swing!" has already made some lists with nearly 800,000 copies in print.

"It was astonishing," Seder said. "Nobody expected it. I never get used to it. I never take it for granted."

Seder's childhood interest in animation was nurtured by his journalist-photographer father, who showed him how to make cartoons on a hand-built light table with a 16mm Bolex movie camera. He dedicates "Swing!" to: "Mom, who made things fun, and Dad, who made things work."

While he jokes about a Peter Pan complex, the 55year-old Seder ponders how he wound up with two winning children's books.

"I like kids and they get along with me fine," said Seder, who has none of his own. "But I never felt keen on doing children's books."

So what turned him around?

"It might be something as simple as the little kid in me saying, 'Hey, look at me. Look what I can do.' It might not be anything more than that."

Seder has no plans to slow down. He'll put out "Waddle!" this year, followed by a surprise Scanimation kid book soon after that.

"I'm just darn driven by what I do," Seder said. "It's the only way I know any artist can get satisfaction out of their work. It's always betdoing."

Is there a black dog bias?

By Craig Nakano Los Angeles Times

For many dogs awaiting adoption, the speed with which they find a home might rest not on their breed, gender or age but on one trait that has no bearing on their personality or temperament.

Shelter officials have dubbed it black dog syndrome — the propensity of dark-coated animals to be passed over for adoption in favor of their lighter counterparts.

Skeptics say the syndrome is an urban legend, but shelter and rescue leaders insist the phenomenon is very, very real.

"It definitely exists," said Madeline Bernstein, president of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Los Angeles. She cited many causes, not the least of which is a misperception that black dogs are mean. "It's that old thing of light is good and dark is evil. The light-versus-dark thing is so ingrained in our consciousness in books and movies. It transfers sublimi-

nally in picking out a dog." It doesn't help that many would-be pet owners now start their search on shelter and rescue Web sites, where animals' back stories are often written up like the treatment for some Lifetime network heart-tugger, each

canine glamour shot. The problem: Black dogs often don't photograph well. Facial features disappear, and animals can appear less expressive.

"You can't see their eyes very well, and people seem to connect with the eyes," said Ricky Whitman, spokeswoman for Pasadena, Calif., Lab would go in days." Humane Society & SPCA.

When prospective adopters do venture to a shelter, black dogs sometimes fade away into the "They kennel shadows. almost become invisible," Bernstein said.

Reliable quantitative studies on the problem are few, and Ed Boks, general manager of the Los Angeles Animal Services department, said his data indicate that black dog syndrome is a

In the past 12 months, he said, 27 percent of the 30.046 dogs taken in by his department were predominantly or all black. Of those that were adopted, 28 percent were predominantly or

all black, he said. Whitman said the question isn't whether a black dog will get adopted, but how long it will take. The average wait at her shelter is two weeks, she said. Black dogs might linger two months.

Karen Terpstra, who until recently was executive

bio accompanied with a director of the Humane Society of Kent County in Michigan, said the problem is national. "We'd have a purebred black Lab, 2 or 3 years old, pretty much the perfect age, and it would sit there for weeks waiting to get adopted," said Terpstra, now chief operations officer for SPCA Cincinnati. "A tan

Because black dogs are harder to place in homes, shelters often have a glut. "Then you have the problem of people thinking they're ordinary and common, not unusual and interesting," Bernstein said.

To combat the problem, savvy shelters keep their black dogs in their bestlighted kennels. A bright bandanna around the neck helps a dark animal stand out, and colorful toys can lessen the fear factor.

Last year Terpstra's former shelter in Michigan and the Austin Humane Society in Texas independently launched a Black Friday campaign on the day after Thanksgiving, reducing the adoption fee for any black animal. Mike Arms, president of the nonprofit Helen Woodward Animal Center in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., created a program to help black which he said encounter the same challenges as black dogs. Arms'



LIZ O. BAYLEN/Los Angeles Times The lengthened stays cre- Some shelters say black dogs such ate additional problems: as Jelly Bean are less likely or take longer to be adopted than light-colored ones.

> campaign offers a free darkhaired feline with the adoption of any other cat. The program's name: Me and My Shadow.

> The Pasadena shelter goes a step further, training dogs to venture from the depths of the kennels to come sit in front as visitors walk by. "People are charmed," Whitman said, and the dogs have a better chance of making a connection.

And when all else fails, Bernstein said, SPCA-LA staff encourages adults to bring their children to shelters. "Sometimes," she said, "kids don't see color the way grown-ups do."

> got in my car and urinated! I've scrubbed the spot, but

> the smell continues to linger.

What can I do?

"Driving in Distress"



resses

Continued from page F1

"All I had to do was have a couple sequins replaced, and I had a lace rose added on the front."

But Brown, 46, doesn't expect the dress, which is currently preserved, to be used again.

"I have a daughter, but she's a complete different build than me," Brown said. "My mom and I were just exactly the same size."

Phyllis Ellis' dress has been worn four times — by Ellis in 1957, by her cousin in 1963, and by her two daughters in

1980 and 1986. One daughter turned down an offer for a new, custommade dress so she could wear her mother's, Ellis said. Using an old dress isn't

necessarily easy. "By the fourth time, it needed a little work," said

Ellis, of Twin Falls. Before her older daughter's wedding, they took the dress to a dry cleaner. The employees refused to touch it with all its beads and sequins, however. So Ellis' mother traced where each adornment lay on the fabric, then carefully took them off and sent it to the cleaners.

"When it came back, she put them all back on," Ellis said. "It was really a labor of

The best part: All four marriages lasted.

Although Hyink appreciated her thrift-store find, there's no way she is passing on the wedding dress to another bride. It's going in the closet with the rest of the family's wedding and prom

So sorry, frugal brides-tobe. You'll have to scour second-hand stores for your own dresses.

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The vaccine schedule debate

By Stacey Garfinkle washingtonpost.com

WASHINGTON Vaccines and their effects on small children have been one of the great medical debates of this decade. And last month, the issues become a little muddier. In addition to releasing the latest vaccine recommendation schedule, the American Academy of Pediatrics journal "Pediatrics" ran an article by Dr. Paul Offit, the director of the Vaccine Education Center Children's Hospital Philadelphia, that attacks a popular vaccine book by Dr. Bob Sears, the son of wellknown pediatrician and "The Baby Book" author William Sears.

In "The Vaccine Book," Sears recommends two "common sense" delayed vaccination schedules for children. One is designed for parents who want to decline or delay vaccines. The other is designed for parents who want to minimize the number of shots per office visit to no more than two, requiring 12 office visits by the age of 2. Sears is also a proponent of separating the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) shot into three separate shots and not combining vaccinations with live cultures (MMR and chicken pox). Currently, MMR and Varicella, or chicken pox, are recommended for kids ages 12-15 months.

"Increasing the number of vaccines, the number of office visits, and the ages at which vaccines are administered will likely decrease immunization rates.

In addition to the logistic problem of requiring so many office visits, Sears' recommendation might have another negative consequence; recent outbreaks of measles showed that several children acquired the disease while waiting in their pediatricians' offices," writes Offit.

"At the heart of the problem with Sears' schedules is the fact that, at the very least, they will increase the time during which children are susceptible to vaccinepreventable diseases. If more parents insist on Sears' vaccine schedules, then fewer children will be protected, with the inevitable consequence of continued or worsening outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases. In an effort to protect children from harm, Sears' book will likely put more in

harm's way."

Offit is not one to shy away from controversy. In January, when the TV drama "Eli Stone" was about to air an episode in which the lawyer argued — fictionally — that a mercury-based preservative in a vaccine caused her son's autism, Offit spoke up, saying the show conveyed "a highly distorted and confusing message about the role of vaccines."

Not surprisingly, Sears disagrees with Offit's assessment of his book, writing on his Web site's blog: "While Dr. Offit and I share the same opinion on the importance of vaccines, at the end of the day we will have to continue to agree to disagree on one major point: He believes that offering parents the option of an alternative vaccine schedule that spreads out the shots and allows worried parents to vaccinate their babies in a manner they are more comfortable with will result in lower vaccination rates because it legitimizes these parents fears about vaccines.

I, on the other hand, believe that providing parents (who otherwise would not vaccinate at all) with a schedule of vaccines that they feel right about for their baby will allow such parents to vaccinate, and we will achieve higher vaccination rates."

Stacey Garfinkle writes the "On Parenting" blog for washingtonpost.com, from which this article is adapted.



Photos by IRFAN KHAN/Los Angeles Times

Coco Puff, left, a male Yorkie, and Pomeranian Darla, walk out of the front yard of their Victorian-style home in Winchester, Calif.

This doghouse is a pooch paradise

By Barbara Thornburg Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Darla, Chelsea and Coco Puff share a quaint Victorian-style home.

Their dwelling has a cedarshake roof, vaulted ceilings and hardwood floors, heating and air conditioning, moldings and casement windows, drapery with valances and fanciful wallpapers.

Music from the RCA Victor radio carries outside to a grassy yard surrounded by a white picket fence.

A sign on the porch reads: "Three spoiled dogs live here."

For Yorkshire terriers Chelsea and Coco Puff and Pomeranian Darla, Mom is Tammy Kassis, 45, a former insurance agent who lives in the Riverside County community of Winchester, east of Los Angeles. To call her an animal lover is an understatement.

"I'm beyond that," she says, later adding with conviction, "My dogs are my life."

Kassis is also the owner of 2-year-old Rio, a Doberman pinscher, and a pair of Arabian horses, Cheval and Page — "as in, page me some love," she says.

Five years ago, when she and her husband, advertising executive Sam Kassis, were living in a Victorian home in Temecula, she decided the

dogs needed their own place.
"It was a great place for the horses, but it was so rural I was afraid for the dogs. An owl almost carried off Coco Puff," Tammy Kassis recalls.

But not just any old doghouse would do.

Surfing the Internet, she happened upon Alan Mowrer's La Petite Maison, a builder of deluxe custom doghouses.

"I can do any style," says Mowrer, whose repertoire includes French chateaux, Tudor mansions, Swiss chalets and brick Colonial dog houses.

Kassis requested a Victorian: a replica of her own home.

But doggie mansions don't come cheap. La Petite Maison's start at \$6,000, and that price does not include landscaping, furnishings or shipping.

Kassis guesstimates she has invested nearly \$20,000 in construction, transport and equipment if she includes the painting, landscaping, screened doors and windows, mini blinds and ceiling fans, as well as a yard with artificial turf.

Her Lebanese-born husband's initial response to the tricked-out doghouse: "No way."

A month of gourmet Mediterranean meals — and the prospects of no more canine potty accidents in the house — softened him up.

When the couple moved to a new home in Winchester this summer, Kassis refused



Coco Puff sits in his wrought-iron bed in the Victorian turret. Screened casement windows are hung with drapery, valances with faux-jewel trim and vinyl miniblinds. Later, the Kassises plan to add awnings.

to leave behind the dogs' house. A long flatbed truck and a 45-ton crane were required to transport the

5,000-pound home.

Today, the three little dogs live in their 8-foot-by-11-foot abode, which Kassis has decorated in what she calls "French boutique." Just above the chair rail is a wallpaper frieze of Parisian shopping bags; a lamp shaped like a handbag lights the room. Overhead, a small fan circulates the air; dog photos decorate the walls. A vintage

dresser holds the dogs' clothing

"My mother buys them most of the outfits," Kassis says. "She treats them like they're grandchildren."

Each dog has its own bed. Although Coco Puff has a wrought-iron berth in the doghouse turret, he prefers to sleep with Darla on her leopard lounge. Chelsea, on the other hand, gets completely out of sorts when anyone approaches her canopy bed.

"She can get very aggressive — a very naughty girl,"



Hoping to steal food, 85-pound Doberman Pinscher Rio sneaks into the

vise,' owner Tammy Kassis explains. 'They all get along, but if he gets

tiny dogs' Victorian house. 'He's not allowed in unless I'm here to super-

Two of Darla's outfits hang on the wall just above Chelsea's bed.

says Kassis, stroking the senior dog who is half-blind.

excited he could step on them.'

Sitting just outside the picket fence, 85-pound Rio looks wistfully into the yard.

"He's not allowed in unless I'm here to supervise," Kassis explains. "They all get along,

but if he gets excited he could step on them."

She has her eye on a small plasma-screen TV for the dogs.

"They love to watch Animal Planet," Kassis says. "It's their



Kassis holds her three 'kids' in front of their Victorian doghouse. To call her an animal lover is an understatement. 'I'm beyond that,' Kassis says. 'My dogs are my life.'

WEDDING

HUTCHINS-PAYNE

Kylee Hutchins and Drew Payne were married Dec. 6 in Isla Mujeres, Mexico, with several family members and friends in attendance.

The bride is the daughter of Cary Hutchins of Shoshone. The groom is the son of Linda and Andy Payne of Shoshone.

A reception will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, at the Basque Center in Boise.

The bride is a graduate of Boise State University with a bachelor's degree in health promotion and will soon complete a master's degree in health science at BSU. She Neurological at Science Associates.

The groom is a graduate of



Kylee and Drew Payne

Utah State University with a bachelor's degree in business information systems. He has a master of business administration from Northwest Nazarene University and works at KPMG.

The couple resides in

Greyson Jeffrey Denney,

son of Brandi Michelle and

Nicholas Kelley Denney of

Hansen, was born Dec. 29,

Katlyn Marie Hankins,

daughter of Jennifer Marie

and Derek Lee Hankins of

Kimberly, was born Dec. 29,

Alyssa Michelle Cottam,

daughter of April and

Matthew Spencer Cottam of

Hagerman, was born Dec. 30,

Jordin Lee Jennings,

daughter of Jami Irene and

Robert Paul Jennings of Twin

Falls, was born Dec. 30, 2008.

daughter of Amy Lynn and

Dale Worth Jensen of

Kimberly, was born Dec. 30,

Kale Rylie Johnson, son of

Elizabeth London Mitton,

Carla Jean Shafer and Bradley

K. Johnson of Buhl, was born

daughter of Jennifer Ryan

Zaccone and Aaron Yosuke

Mitton of Twin Falls, was

Deakon Burton Webb, son

of Heather Ann Crabtree and

Burton Farnsworth Webb III

of Twin Falls, was born Dec.

Hayden Joel Hudson, son

of Sarah Io and Brett

Jonathan Hudson of Twin

Falls, was born Dec. 31, 2008.

daughter of Bobbi Joan and

Troy Lynn Lawson of Hansen,

Dulce Kristal Lopez-

Cazares, daughter of Analleli

Cazares and Luis Lopez of

Jerome, was born Dec. 31,

Angel Jean Beckwith,

daughter of Allison Louise

and Jack Dewayne Beckwith

of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 1,

Ethan Huerta-Gonzalez,

son of Norma Alicia Gonzalez

of Jackpot, Nev., was born

John Conrad Anderson III,

son of Dannella Cloe Tussey

and John Conrad Anderson II

of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 2,

Logan Lee Schmidt, son of

Heather Marie Schmidt of

Kimberly, was born Jan. 2,

Ethen Joseph Dempsey,

son of Rita Christine and Lee

Joseph Dempsey of Kimberly,

Hazle Marie Poulignot,

daughter of Stephanie Ann

and Everett Paul Poulignot of

Alyssa Marie Yon, daughter

of Alexis Ann and Donald

Henry Yon of Twin Falls, was

Brylee Ann Walgamott,

daughter of Natasha Ann and

Andrew Joseph Walgamott of

Jerome, was born Jan. 2,

Violet Jacqueline Conrad,

daughter of Heather Mae and

Larry Paul Conrad II of

Gooding, was born Jan. 4,

daughter of Sonya Erica

Black and Walter Herbert

Haines Jr. of Jerome, was

born Jan. 4, 2009.

Marley Grace Haines,

Buhl, was born Jan. 3, 2009.

was born Jan. 3, 2009.

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Jan. 1, 2009.

was born Dec. 31, 2008.

Tatum Lynn Lawson,

Dec. 30, 2008.

born Dec. 30, 2008.

Jaidyn Lynn Jensen,

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STORK REPORT

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Analyah Jauregui, daughter of Yesenia Inez Leon and Diego Fernando Jauregui of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 14,

Layla Kay Nukaya, daughter of Brandy Elizabeth Lowe of Twin Falls, was born Dec.

Lillianna Jo Evans, daughof Samantha Jo Fredericksen of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 18, 2008.

Kassidy Rylan Titus, son of Carie Jo Jackson and Levi Rylan Titus of Jerome, was born Dec. 19, 2008.

Abraham James Martin, son of Jennifer Dee and Zachary John Martin of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 20, 2008.

Brinley Patricia Haney, daughter of Camden Renee and Matthew James Haney of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 22,

Billie Jo Richardson, of Rebecca daughter Wilkinson and Micheal Robert Richardson of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 22, 2008.

Sujan Subedi, son of Hema and Chuda Subedi of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 22, 2008.

Savannah Lyne Maxine Beverly, daughter of Megan Dawn Read and Jon Louis Beverly of Buhl, was born Dec. 23, 2008.

Natalie Jo Bowen, daughter of Nicole and LeRoy Wayne Bowen of Gooding, was born Dec. 23, 2008.

Layla Maree Packham, daughter of Lara Maree and Aaron Eugene Packham of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 23.

Anyalise Marie Torrero, daughter of Kailoni Dawn and Jose Alberto Torrero of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 23,

Denny Jun Liao, son of Yana Ping Mei and Hong Juan Liao of Gooding, was born

Dec. 24, 2008. Gabriel Drake Ludlow, son of Misty Dawn and Lonnie D. Ludlow of Twin Falls, was

born Dec. 24, 2008. Ayla Rose Morton, daughter of Krystle Lynn and Dondo Bryant Morton of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 24,

Kyson Jakob Hernandez. son of Jillian Kelly and Jeffrey Joel Hernandez of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 26, 2008.

Henry-Nelson Cash Gardner, son of Marta Sierra Tattersall-Gardner and Shane Allen Gardner of Eden, was born Dec. 27, 2008.

Baylee Rose Hunter, daughter of Adele Moore and Marshall Lynn Hunter of Buhl, was born Dec. 27, 2008.

Silynce Raighne Koch, son of Sabrina Rose and Matthew James Koch of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 27, 2008.

Julia Anne Pitts, daughter of Angela Sarah Taylor and Steven Bradley Pitts of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 27, 2008.

Erik Alfredo Solis, son of Lorena and Alfredo Solis of Gooding, was born Dec. 27,

Makenzie Dawn Taylor, daughter of Jodi Dawn and Lee Brian Taylor of Buhl, was born Dec. 27, 2008.

Yosselin Fuentes, daughter of Patricia Avalaos and Edmundo Fuentes of Jerome,

was born Dec. 28, 2008. Jasmin Maria Biberos, daughter of Cynthia Estelle

and Sandro Biberos of Twin Falls, was born Dec. 28, 2008. Peyton Kennedi Hollifield, daughter of Christina Lyn and Lawrence William Hollifield of Kimberly, was

born Dec. 28, 2008.

No recession for online dating **By Susan Carpenter** Los Angeles Times

Housing prices are plummeting. Jobs are evaporating. And the economy is a mess.

But singles are wading into the online dating pool in record numbers, giving virtual matchmakers their best traffic figures in years and giving users even better odds for finding a snuggle buddy, a fling or the One.

In addition to "This Cougar is looking for her prey" and other bootylicious come-ons, lonely hearts are now headlining their posts with more somber comehithers, such as "its a gloomy time of year and im not talking about the rain" or "need hot girlfriend, will provide food."

Whether they charge by the month or accept free posts, online personals are experiencing a major boost, even if their users seem to be scaling back on the cost and quantity of their dates.

Craigslist personals postings and eHarmony.com registrations each saw 20 percent increases in 2008. Match.com memberships were 22 percent higher in December than they were in the same period last year. Even more interesting, eHarmony and Match.com reported especially high traffic on days when the Dow Jones Industrial Average plummeted.

'We had our third busiest weekend of the year following the five-year low in the stock market," said Mandy Ginsberg, general manager Match.com North America.

That was in mid-November, a historically slow time for Internet dating. But ask people who were brave enough to check their 401(k) balances at that time: November was historic for

"When there's less money available to go on fancier dates, people can have a very simple connection that's even more fulfilling."

- Diana Kirschner, a New York City relationship expert and author

other reasons too. Not only did the Dow dip below 8,000, but the unemployment rate was climbing and housing prices were dropping.

Those disturbing trends aren't likely to end any time soon. In fact, they're likely to continue, bringing twin results: even higher anxiety levels, and impulses to entwine one's life with that of another.

"Stressful times can have a big effect on people's desire to be in relationships," said Gonzaga, eHarmony research scientist. "When people are feeling stressed about the economy and feeling stressed about their love lives, they're more likely to want to be in a relationship than when they're not feeling stressed."

Gonzaga was part of the eHarmony team that analyzed the results of a new relationship anxiety survey conducted by Opinion Research; 92 percent of 1,092 respondents reported feeling stressed about the economy. How does that manifest in individuals' desire for long-term relationships? About 19 percent of unmarried men and 25 percent of unmarried women said they wanted one even more.

Jamie Fields is one of those women. The 42-yearold from Santa Monica, Calif., rejoined Match.com weekend Thanksgiving, having broken up with the guy she'd been seeing the last few months.

Although Fields had attempted to find men in the real world, the last few times she'd been to wine bars with a girlfriend in the hopes of meeting someone new, she said, "We were like, 'Where are all the people?' There aren't any."

For Fields, it was the relatively recent void of people in public places that led her to spend more time with her keyboard. But for a lot of Americans, other decreased wealth — both real and perceived — that's keeping them home, inspiring them to spend less money and more quality time with their computers.

Money worries are making them even more picky. Match.com Although reported a 50 percent increase in profile views November December, a recent survey of 1.500 members found that 84 percent of them were "being more selective about first dates in today's econo-

my."

"There's this underlying anxiety I feel energetically everywhere I go," Fields said. "Everybody I meet, there's this tentativeness."

That tentativeness is extending beyond a singleton's willingness to seal the deal and make a first date. It's also manifesting as a hesitancy to reach for the check at the end of an outing.

"Guys aren't jumping on it anymore," Fields said. "It's uncomfortable."

Wendy Rice, a 33-year-old chef from Hollywood, said she'd also experienced an

unusually high frequency of daters playing "chicken"

with the bill. 'Some guy took me out to dinner at Benihana's, and he only brought \$100. I was like, 'Hello. You're taking me

out,'" said Rice. "Another guy took me out and said he forgot his wallet." Rice didn't believe him.

'You left your house. You picked me up. You put gas in your car. You bought yourself cigarettes," she said.

Men ages 25 to 44 are feeling the most stressed about the effects of their personal economic situations on their love lives, according to the eHarmony survey.

Psychologist Kirschner speculates it's because American men derive so much self-worth from their jobs. "A lot of self-esteem and

self-love and the identity of being a powerful person is tied up with work in this culture," said Kirschner, a New York City relationship expert and author. "It can really stress people out if they're out of work or financially challenged or feel like they can't do their normal courting routine."

But even though less income often means lower self-esteem, it doesn't have to be that way, Kirschner said.

"When there's less money available to go on fancier dates, people can have a very simple connection that's even more fulfilling," she said.

Doing things like going for a walk means there's more talking. And where "there's more talking, there's more sharing, so there's intimacy. There's more closeness. You wind up being more real with each other," she said. "It's not about impressing the other person, because you can't (afford) to impress

Help a kindergartner learn to choose kind words

By Angie Wagner

The Associated Press

day my girls put on princess dresses and around paraded

"I look pretty," my 5year-old told her younger sister. "And you look dis-

I was so shocked at the comment that she immediately was sent into a time-out while I tried to figure out why she said those nasty words.

My husband and I wanted to know where this behavior was coming from. I assumed some of it was natural, some of it was jealousy of her sister, but some of it had to be coming from a kid at school, right? Who was to blame?

Other phrases have also recently popped up: "You're not my friend anymore" and "Why should I" or "Who cares."

Immediately my husband started quizzing the 5-yearold. Who talks like this? Did someone treat you this way? The 5-year-old seemed to make up names as the interrogation continued and couldn't explain the behavior

What happened here?

I want my 4-year-old back, before she entered real school and never said cross words.

Gary Direnfeld, a social worker in Canada and expert in child development, said we are going about this all wrong.

"It typically isn't a good strategy to ask a child where they came up with something or why they said what they said," he said. "When we pressure them to provide a rationale, they do their best to simply come up with whatever is convenient to appease us. Typically, they're looking for the expression on our face to know if they've

come up with something." That did seem to be what happened during our ques-

My daughter is going through a development shift, he said. He agreed that some of the behavior might be natural and a little jealousy over a younger sister, but he said

parents shouldn't always

assume their child is picking

up things from another child. "It might be your child who's the instigator," he said. Ouch. Never thought

about that. He did say some of the phrases we've been hearing around our house are part of kids discovering who they are and trying to assert their separateness from others. And, of course, the old "monkey see, monkey do" pattern plays a role. If this was done to my child, then she thinks she gets to do it to someone

So what I need to do, he said, is not give a lot of

admonishment, but explain to my daughter by direct instruction and then redirect the behavior.

He suggested saying something like: "You may feel that way, but it's not acceptable to say and it's not acceptable to act on that." At this age, my daughter

doesn't necessarily know how to discriminate the good from the bad. It's up to us as the parents to guide that.

"By the time your kids are teenagers, it's hard to be a director," Direnfeld said. You're a consultant.'

We stopped the interrogations, and when our daughter does blurt out nasty comments to her sister or acts inappropriately, we have stepped up the discipline. She seems to get that the behavior is wrong.

I just can't help thinking what will first grade bring? I have to get control of this now. The teenage years are right around the corner, right?

Herrett Center invites youngsters to science overnighter

Times-News

Boys and girls in third through fifth grades are invited to sign up for the Herrett Center's Science Camp-In '09, set for the evening of Feb. 6.

Darcy Thornborrow, education coordinator at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science in Twin Falls, said students will get lots of fun, hands-on activities and the chance to interact with practicing scientists of biology, chemistry, anthropology, astronomy and engineering.

"These activities not only help the students in school, they're also a valuable introduction to careers that these children may one day pursue," Thornborrow said.

Students will begin the adventure at 6 p.m. Feb. 6 with an assortment of evening workshops. Later that night, they'll see a planetarium show and view the

sky through the Centennial Observatory's telescope. Then, under the supervision of adult facilitators, they will sleep overnight in the Herrett Center's galleries before being picked up by their parents the next morn-

Registration fee is \$38, which includes snacks and a

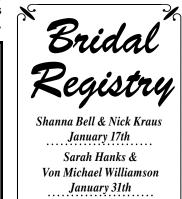
Science Camp-In T-shirt. Capacity is limited to ensure that all children get individual attention, organizers said. They encourage early sign-ups and will allow no registrations at the door.

Information: Herrett Center at 732-6655, or Thornborrow at 732-6664 or dthornborrow@csi.edu.

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announcements and photos. (That is, anniversaries of 50 years or more.) To submit an announcement, e-mail it to ramona@magicvalley.com. The photo needs to be sent in jpeg format as an attachment. The deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday for publication the following Sunday. If you miss that deadline, your news might not be published in advance of the event. With questions, call Ramona Jones at 735-3262.



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Creeving and J. Crawling Why do bugs invade

By Valerie Strauss The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — We bet that on cold wintry days, many of you love to snuggle up in your warm home and, every now and then, pop into the kitchen for a snack.

Unfortunately, plenty of creepycrawly critters like to do the same

Winter is the time when bugs such as camel crickets and brown marmorated stink bugs, ladybird beetles and boxelder bugs — invade your house without an invitation.

The season can be tough for such creatures, said Michael Raupp, an entomologist (an expert on insects) at the University of Maryland.

In winter the air is cold, the ground is hard and many trees have no leaves. So bugs do what they have to do to survive.

Monarch butterflies head south to warmer climates. Ants crowd in deep underground colonies and eat food they have been storing all year.

Many insects go into a deep sleep called diapause, Raupp said. There are different kinds of diapause, but all are similar to hibernation, a time when bigger animals become inactive in the cold.

too, but it often isn't when the temperature dips.

They rely on more dependable signals in the environment. For example, many insects can tell how much sunlight there is each day. They use that cue to tell them when to shut

Bugs are cold-blooded, meaning that their internal temperature is the

Insect fact

Some insects survive winter by producing a chemical called glycerol, which allows the fluid in their bodies to drop below freezing without harming them.

your home in winter?

same as the outside temperature.

They can't move very much when it gets below 40 degrees Fahrenheit, Raupp said.

So they search for any place that is warm — looking for protection. They enter through tiny cracks or come in unnoticed on your clothes or shoes.

Raupp doesn't like stink bugs in his house, because "they are really pests." They stink.

"I annihilate them," he said. He is kinder to ladybugs, also called

ladybird beetles. Though you may call these animals "bugs" when you spot them in your kitchen, scientists don't.

All bugs are insects, but not all insects are bugs.

Bugs are insects that go through a complete metamorphosis. That means they start out as one thing and turn into something different. For example, butterflies start out as cater-

Insects that aren't bugs have Insects go into an inactive period, incomplete metamorphosis, meaning they hatch from an egg and go through different stages before becoming an adult. Those include grasshoppers.

> You may not care what they are when you see them in your house. Raupp said, "Remember that they may be invading your homes for warmth and food, but they don't give a hoot about humans."

MICHAEL J. RAUPP/University of Maryland

University of Maryland entomologist Michael Raupp says camel crickets, above, don't sing but they can jump: This inch-tall leaper can clear the side of a foot-tall terrarium. Top right, brown marmorated stink bugs are real stinkers when they invade your home. A true bug, these insects go through a complete metamorphosis.

Coming attractions in 2009

The Washington Post

These are a few holidays you might not spot on the calendar you received as a holiday present.

FEBRUARY

6: Bubble Gum Day. Donate 50 cents to charity and you might get to chew bubble gum at school. 18: It's the 79th anniversary of a cow being milked while flying in an airplane.

National Pet Dental Health Month. (Don't let Fido chew gum!)

2-8: National Cheerleading Week. National Pig Month. National Umbrella Month.

2: April Fool's Day.*

12: Big Wind Day. The highest winds ever recorded (231 mph) were documented in New Hampshire in 1934.

MAY

6: No Homework Day. 10: Mother's Day. National Bike Month.

National Candy Month. (Yum!)

5: 226th anniversary of the first hot-air balloon 21: Father's Day.

JULY

1: The first U.S. zoo opened in Philadelphia in

19: National Ice Cream Day. National Family Reunion Month. (Have one at the zoo; don't forget the ice cream.)

AUGUST

1: Girlfriend's Day

7-9: Twinsburg Twins Days (world's biggest gathering of twins and triplets).

19: Root beer float invented in 1893.

SEPTEMBER

7: Great Bathtub Race in Nome, Alaska. 7: Grandparents Day.

22: Eat Dinner as a Family Day. (Don't forget to invite the grandparents!)

1: Disney World opened in 1971 16: Dictionary Day. Squirrel Awareness Month.

NOVEMBER

1: Hockey goalie mask invented in 1959. 20: Universal Children's Day. 22-28: National Game and Puzzle Week.

DECEMBER

4: National Dice Day.

21: Pilgrims land in Plymouth, Mass., in 1620. Bingo's Birthday. (Game was invented in 1929.)

was watching "American Idol" * Fooled ya! It's April 1.

Talking with singer Jordin Sparks

By Julia Kin, Caroline Vallone and Rachel Waltzer Kidsday reporters, Newsday

interviewed "American Idol" winner Jordin Sparks while she was in Manhattan recently.

Question: Do you like performing or being a regular teenager?

Answer: I love performing, but don't get me wrong I love being a regular teenager, too. Being able to perform is what I love; it is my passion.

To be able to do it every day and do what I love all the time, it is just amazing. I just love performing.

Q: How did you feel when you filmed your first music

A: It was a complete blast. You know, we watch music videos, and we see them on TV, and they look so cool. It is so different when you go and film one because they do things out of order. The ending we probably shot first, the middle we shot last; it is very crazy. And then Blake (Lewis) showed up and surprised me, and he got to be in it, too. It was a lot of fun.

O: What inspired you to become a singer?

A: I've always sung, ever since I was little. But it was when, and it is kind of ironic, I when I was 12 and Kelly Clarkson was up on the stage doing the finale and I go, "Mom, I want to do that." And that is when I told her that I wanted to take singing seriously, and I have been working for it ever since.

Q: What is your favorite part about being a famous singer? A: Probably that I get to sing all day, every day. It is something that I love to do, and

nobody can tell me to shut up. That is the cool thing.

My brother, if I was singing around the house, he would be like "Jordin! Be quiet!" Now I can do it, and I love being able to do that every day. And then I love to be able to meet my fans and put a face to the people who voted for me.

Q: What are your hobbies? A: My hobbies include the Internet, talking on AIM with my friends. I love to read; I could read all day long. I usually start four different books at once. I play guitar; I love to play acoustic guitar. I love just sitting down, talking to my friends — normal stuff. I am normal!

