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STATE OF THE STATE

LET THE CUTTING BEGIN

Otter targets public education to help trim budget

Taking the oath

New county leaders sworn in Monday

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

Applause erupted after new Twin Falls County Sheriff Tom Carter took an oath to lead the sheriff's office, a department that once terminated him as a sergeant.

Newly elected county leaders Monday took their oaths of office and then their seats at desks they won in county elections held in November. Some prevailed in heavily contested races that heated letter-to-the-editor pages and dinner table debates.



Carter

Other county leaders kept their seats, uncontested and with little fanfare.

In Twin Falls County, Prosecutor Grant Loeb took his oath along with Twin Falls County commissioners Tom Mikesell and Terry Kramer, following uncontested races for positions they already held.

Carter, a Republican, won a heated race in a landslide victory over longstanding,

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WATCH: A video of newly-elected leaders being sworn in and talking about their first day in office in Twin Falls and Jerome.

Defense: police exploited Kolestani

Prosecution in murder case plans to oppose allegation

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

Lawyers for a transgendered Iranian refugee accused of killing another man in August are pushing to have the case dismissed, or moved to another court.



Kolestani

Majid Kolestani, 43, is charged with first-degree murder for allegedly shooting fellow Iranian refugee Ehsan Velayati Kababian, 29, in August.

Kababian was shot in the head, in a car, near a Twin Falls apartment he shared

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MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Assistant House Minority Leader James Ruchti, D-Pocatello, left, and House Minority Leader John Rusche, D-Lewiston, engage in an impromptu debate with Gov. C.L. 'Butch' Otter after his press conference following the State of the State address Monday in Boise.

Despite cuts, Otter plans to raise \$175M for transportation projects

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

INSIDE

Otter proposes changes to state ed board.

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BOISE — State public education programs are among the biggest targets of \$217 million in proposed budget cuts Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter outlined Monday during his State of the State speech, where he called for "frugality and common sense" as well as compassion.

Otter recommends that Idaho spend about \$2.74 billion in fiscal year 2010, starting next July, a 7.3 percent reduction from the original fiscal 2009 appropriation of roughly \$2.96 billion. Otter has already cut some \$130

million from current year spending. During his speech, he also outlined his plan to raise \$174 million annually in new money for highway projects by 2014, including increasing the state gas tax to 35 cents a gallon from 25 cents and raising vehicle registration fees.

Minority Democratic lawmakers said Otter's transportation focus while cutting

budgets "puts potholes before people."

Idaho's economy has been hurt as home sales slipped 50 percent in two years and companies, including Micron Technology Inc., the state's biggest private employer, cut thousands of jobs. After last month's unemployment rose to 6.6 percent, the highest in more than 20 years, economists expect tax revenue in the current fiscal year to fall 9.5 percent to \$2.63 billion.

Though state economist Mike Ferguson predicts a modest 1 percent revenue

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M.V. lawmakers give mixed reaction to Otter's budget proposal

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

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BOISE — Legislators weren't surprised Monday when Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter proposed in his State of the State address to reduce the state's budget by more than 7 percent.

But how he got to that figure — which agencies were cut and why — drew plenty of chatter.

Lawmakers from south-central Idaho said most of Otter's broad proposals demonstrated the fiscal

restraint needed in a national recession in which Idaho's unemployment rate has reached 6.6 percent. But some still questioned a handful of his plans, including an unprecedented proposal to cut the public

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Go East, young man? Californians look for the exit

More people left state last year than moved in

By Michael R. Blood
Associated Press writer

contractor plans to move his family 1,200 miles away from his home state's lemon groves, sunshine and beaches. For him, years of rising taxes, dead-end schools, unchecked illegal immigration and clogged traffic have robbed the Golden State of its allure.

Is there something left of the California dream?

"If you are a Hollywood actor," Reilly says, "but not for us."

Since the days of the Gold Rush, California has represented the Promised Land, an image celebrated in the

Golden State not so golden for some

California leads the nation in the net number of people leaving for another state between July 1, 2007 and July 1, 2008.

States with highest number of people moving out of state ...

California	144,061
New York	126,209
Michigan	109,257
New Jersey	56,208
Illinois	52,349
Ohio	49,752
Maryland	32,161

... and states people are moving to the most

Texas	140,862
North Carolina	98,074
Arizona	62,980
Georgia	56,674
South Carolina	49,736
Washington	40,588
Colorado	36,878

SOURCE: Census Bureau

AP

songs of the Beach Boys and embodied by Silicon Valley's instant millionaires and the young men and women who

achieve stardom in Hollywood.

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Press overhaul causes temporary changes

A major rebuild of a Times-News press unit will require some unusual section configurations this week. The changes are temporary, and may vary from day-to-day as the project progresses.

Work should be completed by the end of the week. Thank you for your patience.

Brad Hurd
Times-News publisher



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MORNING BRIEFING



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

- Kelly A. Murphey speaks on "The Price of a Horse: Hoof Prints on and Near the Snake River Plain." The Hagerman Valley Historical Society program starts at 7 p.m. at the National Park Service building, 221 N. State St. in Hagerman.
- Comedian Mike Murphy

performs at 6 p.m. in the Boiler Room at Sun Valley Village. Doors open at 5 p.m. Cover charge is \$10 at the door. His cover songs are hilarious.

- For a different kind of evening, enjoy Latin jazz with bossa nova, samba and salsa from 6 to 8 p.m. at

Pandora's restaurant, 516 Hansen St. in Twin Falls. No cover charge.

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.

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

BENEFITS AND CHARITY

Food assistance for those in need, sponsored by Idaho Food Bank, Homestyle Direct, The Quilt Barn and Crossroads UMC; food given away on first come, first served basis; bring bags or boxes, noon to 2 p.m., Crossroads United Methodist Church, 315 Syringa St. (across from Arctic Circle), Kimberly, no cost, 423-4311.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Women's Seminar and Expo meeting, 8:15 to 9:15 a.m., Mini Cassia Chamber of Commerce Office, 679-4793.

Burley Rotary Club, noon, Burley Inn, 878-8382.

Rupert Kiwanis Club, noon, Rupert Elks Lodge, 850 S. 200 W, 436-8124.

American Legion Post 7 and Auxiliary meeting and potluck, bring contributions for MSTI (new stuffed animals, games, monetary donations, etc.), 5:30 p.m. social hour with business meetings to follow, Post Home, 447 Seastrom St., Twin Falls, fried chicken provided by Legion, bring ample dish to share, 734-8756 or 734-1435.

Hagerman Valley Historical Society, program: speaker Kelly A. Murphey on most recent work "The Price of a Horse: Hoof Prints on and Near the Snake River Plain," 7 p.m., National Park Service building, 221 N. State St., Hagerman, no cost, public invited, refreshments served, 837-4597.

Cassia County 4-H Teen Association, 7 p.m., Cassia County Extension Office, 1013 W. 16th St., 878-9461.

Citizens Protecting Resources (CPR) meeting, 7:30 p.m., Idaho Fish and Game building, two miles north of the Flying J on U.S. Highway 93, 324-3202.

Snake River Flats meeting, an all-male singing group, 7:30 p.m., Harmony Hall, 123 K St., Rupert, 436-6047.

EXHIBITS

Russ Hepworth's Retrospective, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for the Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, 315 Falls Ave., no cost, 732-6655.

Kimberly Quilt Show, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Library/Community center, 120 Madison St. W., Kimberly, no cost, 423-6149

"Little Reminders," collection of new work by Magic Valley native Grant Olsen, noon to 5 p.m., Magic Valley Arts Council's La Galeria Pequena, 132 Main Ave. S., Main Street Plaza, Twin Falls, free admission, 734-2787 or Magicvalleyartscouncil.org.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.

Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hailey, 788-5500.

Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln Ave., 644-2700.

Hagerman Chamber of Commerce, noon, Snake River Grill, 837-9131.

Blaine County commissioners, 5:30 p.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hailey, 788-5500.

Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Commission, 6 p.m., 305 Third Ave. E., 735-7267.

Blaine County School Board, 6:30 p.m., district office, 118 W. Bullion St., Hailey, 578-5000.

Cassia County School Board, 7 p.m., central office, 237 19th St., Burley, 878-4367.

Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 119 E. Second St., 366-7418.

Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., district adminis-

tration office, 507 Idaho St., 934-4321.

Hagerman School Board, 7 p.m., high school, 150 Lake St. W., 837-4777.

Hazelton City Council, 7 p.m., city office, 246 Main St., 829-5415.

Hollister City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 2392 Main St., 655-4225.

Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189.

Kimberly City Council, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison St. W., 423-4151.

Minidoka City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 402 Cherry St., 531-4101.

Dietrich School Board, 7:30 p.m., school's business room, 406 N. Park St., 544-2102.

Shoshone School Board, 7:30 p.m., district office, 409 N. Apple St., 886-2038.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

TOPS Weight Support Group Chapter ID No. 374, 10 a.m., 410 E. Third St., Rupert, 436-6037.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m., Living Waters Presbyterian Church, 821 E. Main St., Wendell, no cost, 737-5988.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., First Segregation Fire Station, Eden, no cost, 737-5988.

Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2977.

SilverSneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.

Twin Falls Red Cross Blood Drive, noon to 6 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Dr. N., Twin Falls, no cost, open to the public, bring blood donor card or some other type of photo ID, 734-4566 for appointment.

Adult Children Anonymous (ACA) meeting, for individuals recovering from alcoholic or dysfunctional family environment, 6 p.m., Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services, 228 Shoup Ave. W. (west entrance), Twin Falls, no cost, 308-5656.

Mini-Cassia Domestic Violence Support group for women meeting, 6 to 7 p.m., 123 S. C St., Rupert, (208) 436-0987.

LIBRARY

Twin Falls Public Library Book Club meeting, focus: "The Open Range Men" by Lauran Paine, 5:30 p.m., at the library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., no cost, 733-2964 ext. 110.

MUSEUMS AND PARKS

Faulkner Planetarium "Here Comes the Sun," 7 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens, \$2.50 for students, no cost for children under age 2 and a special price package for families with five children or less, 732-6655.

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

Buhl man named to Idaho Fish and Wildlife Foundation

Times-News

Two new board members were added to the Idaho Fish and Wildlife Foundation: Joan Yost of Meridian and C. David McClain of Buhl.

As a farmer for more than 20 years, a business owner

and sportsman, C. David McClain is looking forward to working with the foundation. McClain has been involved with the Buhl Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, Ducks Unlimited and many other fundraisers.

Yost brings experience in business and nonprofits to the foundation. In her spare time, Yost enjoys Idaho's outdoors and is an experienced fly fisher and skier.

"We are very excited about Joan and David joining the foundation," said Gayle Valentine, executive director. "They each bring a wealth of knowledge and a love of the outdoor experience."

The Idaho Fish and Wildlife Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit committed to supporting projects dedicated to acquiring, preserving and enhancing fish and wildlife habitat. The foundation creates unique opportunities to experience Idaho's fish and wildlife.

Information: Gayle Valentine, executive director of The Idaho Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 208-287-2805 or http://www.IFWE.org.



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CORRECTION

Birth date wrong

The birth date of Logan Lee Schmidt, son of Heather Marie Schmidt of Kimberly, was incorrect in the Jan. 11 Stork Report. Logan Lee Schmidt, son of Heather Marie Schmidt of Kimberly, was born Jan. 1, 2009.

The Times-News regrets the error.

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former Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousley. The sheriff's office, under Tousley's reign, recommended that the Idaho Peace Officer Standards and Training Council decertify Carter. A POST hearing on that matter is still set for April in Meridian, POST officials said.

Speaking to the audience after taking his oath of office, Carter thanked his supporters, many of whom filled the room, and pledged to lead the department into a "positive" atmosphere.

In Jerome County, John Horgan took the reins of the prosecutor's office after running uncontested in 2008. It's a position he previously held in the 1990s; he replaces Mike Seib who opted not to run for office last year.

"I will have more work," Horgan said, "But, I'm happy about the way this has all developed."

Only hours after taking his oath, Horgan was already briefing commissioners on work ahead to revamp the county's employee manual. "It's been a while since we've actually looked at that," he told commissioners Monday.



MARY HANSON/For the Times-News
Jerome County Sheriff Doug McFall, center, stands with his wife, Chris, and Idaho State Police Lt. Rob Storm at Monday's inauguration in Jerome.

New Jerome County Sheriff Doug McFall and County Commissioner Cathy Roemer also took their oaths.

"My first priority is to establish myself in to the organization," McFall said. "Then I want to really concentrate on training for the officers and jail staff. I'm thinking about liability."

McFall won a heated race, beating out longstanding Undersheriff Jocelyne Nunnally for the top slot in the sheriff's office. Nunnally will be joining the Gooding County Sheriff's Office. She will replace former Gooding

County investigator Sam Walker, who was sworn in as Carter's new undersheriff.

Roemer defeated incumbent Diana Obenauer in the spring Republican primary election, and was uncontested in the general election.

New leaders Monday swore to uphold the constitutions of the U.S. and Idaho, and do their duties to the best of their abilities.

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Kolestani

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with Kolestani at 363 Fourth Ave. E.

After the shooting, the car careened into a house and a tall blond woman ran towards the apartment, a neighbor told the Times-News in August.

Authorities later found Kolestani — who they also first described as a woman — at the Fourth Avenue apartment, suffering from a gunshot wound. Police interviewed him at a hospital.

Public Defender Marilyn Paul argues that the interview shouldn't be allowed in court because it exploited Kolestani's health condition.

"The video recording of the interrogation shows Defendant (Kolestani) as too weak to even wipe tears from her face," Paul wrote in her motion to dismiss or suppress.

She refers to Kolestani as both "Mr." and "her" in the same motion and asserts

police didn't properly read the defendant's Miranda rights.

"The detective chose to interview Defendant (Kolestani) in her hospital bed while defendant was in pain, under medication and hospitalized," according to Paul's motion. "The police obtained defendant's statements by improperly exploiting defendant's debilitated condition."

And the defense isn't stopping there.

Paul also filed a motion for change of venue, claiming Kolestani couldn't have a fair trial in Twin Falls because of "intense" pretrial publicity.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loeb's plans to oppose Paul's motions.

Loeb's said he can't speak specifically on the matter outside a courtroom, but said he doesn't want public funds expended for a change of venue, and doesn't believe

press coverage has been sensational.

A friend of the pair, Shemshat Muhammedberdiyena, 37, told the Times-News she thinks Kolestani shot Kababian because of jealousy over a former girlfriend in the Middle East with whom Kababian had secretly been communicating.

Before the shooting Kolestani had long, dyed blond hair, and was pictured wearing women's jewelry and makeup.

A week after the shooting, Kolestani's hair was unkempt and facial hair had sprouted on his face.

He's being held in a segregated area of the Twin Falls County Jail, and has waived his right to a speedy trial.

A pretrial is scheduled for June 1, according to online court records.

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Exit

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But for many California families last year, tomorrow started somewhere else.

The number of people leaving California for another state outstripped the number moving in from another state during the year ending on July 1, 2008. California lost a net total of 144,000 people during that period — more than any other state, according to census estimates. That is about equal to the population of Syracuse, N.Y.

The state with the next-highest net loss through migration between states was New York, which lost just over 126,000 residents.

California's loss is small in a state of 38 million. And, in fact, the state's population continues to increase overall because of births and immigration, legal and illegal. But it is the fourth consecutive year that more residents decamped from California for other states than arrived here from within the U.S.

A losing streak that long hasn't happened in California since the recession of the early 1990s, when departures outstripped arrivals from other states by 362,000 in 1994 alone.

In part because of the boom in population in other Western states, California could lose a congressional seat for the first time in its history.

Why are so many looking for an exit?

Among other things: California's unemployment rate hit 8.4 percent in November, the third-highest in the nation, and it is expected to get worse. A record 236,000 foreclosures are projected for 2008, more than the prior nine years combined, according to research firm MDA DataQuick. Personal income was about flat last year.

With state government facing a \$41.6 billion budget hole over 18 months, residents are bracing for higher taxes, cuts

in education and postponed tax rebates. A multibillion-dollar plan to remake downtown Los Angeles has stalled, and office vacancy rates there and in San Diego and San Jose surpass the 10.2 percent national average.

Median housing prices have nose-dived one-third from a 2006 peak, but many homes are still out of reach for middle-class families. Some small towns are on the brink of bankruptcy. Normally recession-proof Hollywood has been hit by layoffs.

California's obituary has been written before — "California: The Endangered Dream" was the title of a 1991 Time magazine cover story. The Golden State and its huge economy — by itself, the eighth-largest in the world — have shown resilience, weathering the aerospace bust, the dot-com crash and an energy crunch in recent years.

But this time, the news just keeps getting worse.

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Salmon	110%	53%
Big Wood	95%	46%
Little Wood	102%	47%
Big Lost	102%	47%
Little Lost	102%	49%
Henry's Fork/Teton	97%	47%
Upper Snake Basin	110%	54%
Oakley	100%	47%
Salmon Falls	115%	55%

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Go to Magicvalley.com to find a ski report at the Snow Center.

Otter proposes changes to state ed board

By Ben Botkin and
Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writers

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter said on Monday that he will propose legislation that strips the Idaho State Board of Education of many operational duties.

The proposal is intended to result in a board that is more focused on oversight, higher education and policy issues, Otter said in his annual state of the state address. Under the proposal, operational functions would be shifted to the Idaho State Department of Education or Department of Self-Governing Agencies.

"My plan also will reinforce the state Department of Education's role as the state agency responsible for K-12 education," Otter said in his speech.

Now, for example, the state board is too involved in the

daily operations of groups like the Commission for Libraries, the Historical Society and the Archeological Survey, Otter said.

Ken Edmunds, a board member from Twin Falls, said he supports the governor's proposal.

"It's a very logical step. We're glad the governor did it," he said. "We're trying to really stay focused on policy."

Mark Browning, spokesman for the State Board of Education, said that the proposal, if approved, calls for the department of education to oversee the daily operations of the assessment program for schools.

The board of education would continue being responsible for the accountability that comes from ISAT tests. Browning said the board still would determine which schools make Adequate Yearly Progress,

which is required through the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

"The state board will continue to monitor what is done in K-12 and hold them accountable, which is appropriate," said Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna.

Luna said officials have been working to identify what programs belong with the state board and which ones go with the department of education.

"It's a challenge, but I love what I'm doing," Luna said, when asked if he looks forward to the new responsibilities. "I don't only enjoy this job during the good times but even when it's difficult and challenging because the work that we're doing is just absolutely critical. We want every child to live the American dream and education is the key to that."

Some legislators in the 2008 session had criticized the board of education for signing a new contract that led to a \$1.4 million deficit. The deficit led to the state dropping ISAT tests for second and ninth-graders. It also forced a federal grant-matching program for low-income college students to depend on donations from the private sector.

"It's in response to some of the concerns and comments made in the Legislature last year as well as the board's desire to refocus and really pay attention to some of the higher education issues," said Mike Rush, the board's executive director.

Rush said the board will likely vote on the plan at its Jan. 26 meeting.

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You don't say
Steve Crump



Who are you, Billy Petersen? We'd really like to know

Say so

Gil Grissom will disappear from CBS's top-rated crime drama "CSI" Thursday night ... So will actor William Petersen, whose Idaho ties are heavier than a Spudnut on an empty stomach ...

Grissom, the master Las Vegas forensic criminologist for 191 episodes, is bowing out of the series ... Long before Petersen fought crime, he was an unmotivated football running back from Boise's Bishop Kelly High School who found his muse in a drama class at Idaho State University in Pocatello ...

Petersen, now 55, grew up in the Chicago suburb of Evanston, but after his older brother moved to Boise, he followed ... Billy attended BK for a year, starring as a running back on the Knights' football team ...

He was good enough that incoming ISU football coach Bob Griffin was interested in offering Petersen a scholarship ... But the lad's grades weren't good enough, so Griffin steered him to the school's drama department in hopes that Petersen could find easy enough classes to bring up his grade-point average ...

Instead, Peterson became an actor ...

He took an acting course that changed the direction of his life, soon leaving school along with his wife, Joanne, in 1974 and following a drama professor to the

If it's odd, poignant, sad, funny or weird and it happens in south-central Idaho, I want to hear about it. Call 735-3223, or write to me at scrump@magicvalley.com.

Basque country of Spain, where he studied as a Shakespearean actor ... Petersen became fascinated enough with Basque culture that he gave his daughter a Basque name, Maite, which means "love." ...

He returned to Pocatello intent on becoming an actor, but not finding work in Idaho he returned to the Chicago area, living with relatives ... Earning an Actor's Equity Card, Petersen landed a job with Gary Sinise's Steppenwolf Theatre Company and was co-founder of the Remains Theater Ensemble with fellow Chicago actors Gary Cole and Ted Levine ...

In 1985, Petersen was cast in the cult movie hit "To Live and Die in L.A.," and a year later he landed the role as Will Graham in the first Hannibal Lecter film, "Manhunter." ... In 2000, CBS cast him as the lead criminalist in "CSI." ...

Petersen will remain executive producer of the series and return for occasional guest spot on "CSI." ...

Steve Crump is the Times-News Opinion editor.

CSI will seek stimulus money for new building

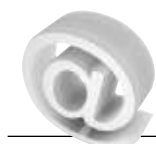
By Ben Botkin
Times-News writer

The College of Southern Idaho will seek federal money for a new building project from the economic stimulus funding package that's expected to come through President-elect Barack Obama's new administration.

The college's proposal will be for a building for classes that teach wind, solar and geothermal energy to students, CSI President Jerry Beck said Monday in his state of the college address. In an interview, he said that the estimated cost of the building is between \$4 million and \$7 million.

Last year, the state approved the college's pro-

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WATCH: A video from CSI President Jerry Beck's state of the college address.

posal to teach a wind energy program.

The Region IV Development Association is working with the college in planning the proposal. The projects that are eligible must fill dual roles of creating immediate construction jobs and have a long-term value for the economy, said Carleen Herring, a manager with the association.

She stressed that the communities seeking the money must be committed to their project proposals.

"I'm trying to tell my com-

munities that this is not a candy-store opportunity," Herring said.

Recipients also will have to report back to the government on the success of what their stimulus-funded projects accomplish, she said.

Congress still needs to approve an economic stimulus package before the money can be doled out.

Beck also went over the legislative agenda for the college. This year, the top priority is receiving \$281,700 in occupancy costs that will pay for operating the new health

sciences and human services building that's under construction.

"We have no choice but to open the building," Beck said.

The college is planning to open the building in January 2010 and the desired funding would cover six months of cost such as custodians and utilities.

If the Legislature does not provide the funding in this session, the college will have to look for other alternatives, Beck said.

"We're going to open the building one way or the other," he said.

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Salmon River Canal shareholders get water update

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

The good news, said Ron Abramovich, is the Salmon Falls Basin had about 119 percent of its usual snowpack on Friday.

The bad, the federal water supply specialist said, is that Mother Nature is going to start chipping away at that — 1 to 2 percent a day for every day of sunshine until a possible storm arrives Jan. 21 or 23.

And that's just January. It's not entirely clear how the rest of the winter will play out for the shareholders of the Salmon River Canal Company, but they might be smart to expect an irrigation supply similar to what they got this year, he said.

Abramovich, with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, gave canal company members their first water update of 2009 at the company's annual meeting Monday in Hollister. Pointing them to a series of graphs and tables he brought along, he said there's a 70 percent chance that Salmon Falls Reservoir will provide at least 73 percent of an adequate water supply for the farmers

who rely on it.

It doesn't help that unlike some other parts of the state, where reservoirs are trending higher than the past year, Salmon Falls Reservoir is down from 27,000 acre-feet to 16,000 acre-feet. It's the result of a difficult and late water year that posed a challenge for the company and drained much of the reservoir, said Karl Joslin, president of the company's board.

Salmon River's board of directors usually sets allotments on a monthly basis. But the year's unique water situation led to special interim meetings to dole out miniscule amounts. The system hit 54 percent efficiency for the year, Joslin said.

"We allotted water when we had it to give," Joslin told shareholders. "This year the water just didn't get up and moving."

At the meeting, shareholders suggested and passed a change requiring the board to meet twice a month when snowpack on April 1 is less than 125 percent of average, the level below which Abramovich said irrigation supplies get iffy.

A key issue this year will be soil moisture, he said. Storms

so far haven't been able to saturate soil in the region, meaning some snowpack will be absorbed before it can run into rivers and reservoirs. That, he said, is a reason to lean to the 70 percent prediction, one of a range the agency releases.

This year's weather has been hard to predict, Abramovich said, in part because of a lingering La Nina effect. But a change in a long-term climate pattern called the Pacific Decadal Oscillation could lead to fewer consecutive dry years across southern Idaho, he said.

It's still hard to be sure what Salmon River will see this year — most water predictions become more firm starting around February. Despite 2008's problems, Manager Larrie Ragain said he thinks his company is still better off than others that have had to make water delivery calls.

"It's too early to worry

about, really," Ragain said of this spring's supply.

Nate Poppino may be reached at 208-735-3237.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

TWIN FALLS COUNTY MONDAY ARRAIGNMENTS

Stanley Z. Gazaway, 48, Bothell, Wash.; trespass; Feb. 3 pretrial; public defender appointed; recognizance release

Justin C. Hightower, 29, Kimberly; possession of a controlled substance; \$10,000 bond; public defender appointed

Franklin S. Osterhoudt, 19, Buhl; Jan. 23 preliminary hearing; possession of a controlled substance; \$2,500 bond; public defender appointed

Phillip L. Jenkins, 32, Twin Falls; two counts violation of a no-contact order, two counts violation of a protection order; Feb. 3 pretrial; recognizance release; public defender appointed

Raisha T. Morris, 31, Gooding; possession of a controlled substance; Jan. 23 prelimi-

nary hearing; \$10,000 bond; public defender appointed William Packham, 28, Twin Falls; four counts lewd conduct with a minor under 16; \$50,000 bond; public defender appointed; Jan. 23 preliminary hearing

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Impact fees a few months away for T.F.

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

Twin Falls will have impact fees — it'll just be a bit before they're charged.

After hearing testimony from several builders who encouraged delaying the date the fees kick in, the Twin Falls City Council decided to wait until at least Aug. 1 before charging them at its meeting Monday night. The fees are paid by builders before a building permit is issued as one way the city can pay for its growth.

The council, minus Vice Mayor David E. Johnson, unanimously passed the ordinance creating the fees, which would pay for police, fire, parks and street improvements detailed in the recently approved capital improvement plan. Once they take effect, builders will have to pay \$1,606 for a single-family home, \$1.68 per square-foot for retail space and so on.

The final amounts were pared down by an advisory committee from initial recommendations that would have charged \$4,977 for a single-family home.

Though he cautioned the council against comparing impact fees from city to city, Tom Pippin — an economist with BBC Research and Consulting who helped draft the ordinance — said the final version contained the lowest fees he'd seen in Idaho, if not all projects he's worked on. That's mainly because the advisory committee made several streets projects ineligible for the funding, he said, a decision meant to keep city residents from paying for all the road wear and tear in a city that nearly doubles in population during the day.

The committee recommended the city start collecting the fees 30 days after the ordinance is enacted.

Local builders made up most of those testifying at the evening's public hearing regarding the fees. In a letter he submitted beforehand, Tony Hughes — who chaired an advisory committee tasked with developing the fees — urged the council to delay implementing them until Jan. 1, 2010, because the local market has been battered by the

City moves to install light at N. College Road, Washington St. intersection

By Nate Poppino and Ben Botkin
Times-News writers

One month after a serious car crash sent a teenager to the hospital, Twin Falls officials have moved forward on fixing a busy intersection. The Twin Falls City Council voted Monday evening to put temporary traffic signals at the intersection of North College Road and Washington Street North until a permanent signal is installed, perhaps by 2010. The intersection, with only one set of stop signs on North College, was already a topic of discussion given the soon-to-open Canyon Ridge High School nearby. But the Dec. 10 accident renewed public outcry for a solution. Monday's vote wasn't placed on the agenda until that day, Assistant City Manager Travis Rothweiler said. Officials announced in mid-

December that they were working on solutions for the intersection, and the topic was put on the agenda because staff finished researching costs and effects of the plans, he said. The traffic signal could be up as early as this spring and should cost about \$40,000 to \$45,000, according to city officials. It uses older technology and is controlled with a timer instead of its signal adjusting with ebbs and flows in traffic.

City officials told the Twin Falls School Board about the vote just two hours later at its monthly meeting. City and school district officials had talked about the intersection late Friday afternoon, and had planned to discuss the matter again at Monday's board meeting. The action led the district to cancel a community meeting on the topic planned for Jan. 22.

national recession.

Linda Fleming, with Habitat for Humanity, said starting the fees in February would play havoc with the nonprofit's budget.

"We need to build in more and more donations to cover these fees," she said.

The council selected Aug. 1 so that it would revisit the topic before discussing the city's 2010 budget. Its fiscal year starts Oct. 1.

City officials weren't quite sure Monday night how delaying the fees might affect the budget. City Manager Tom Courtney said none of the projects authorized to be funded through the fees will come up this year, and he suggested delaying one of them — two new fire stations — until they are actually needed because of the personnel costs associated with staffing them. Those costs wouldn't be covered by the fees.

Impact fees don't generally hamper development after they're passed, Pippin said. But he did say he sympathized with the builders, and that delaying them might be a "positive pro-growth gesture."

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increase in 2010 — Idaho hasn't experienced two years of revenue declines since at least 1971 — the economic forecast remains relatively bleak and requires government to pare back many services, Otter said.

"The question that you and I must honestly answer on every occasion is whether meeting those real needs falls within the sphere of the necessary and proper role of taxpayer-funded government services," he told more than 100 state lawmakers, family members, lobbyists and others.

At a news conference following the speech, he declined to give specifics about where agencies would make their cuts.

Democrats who confronted Otter after his speech said they couldn't support tax increases for roads while schools, the Department of Health and Welfare, and other agencies were paring back staff and programs.

Around 100 workers could be cut statewide, according to Otter's plan.

"We won't prioritize peo-

ple over potholes," said Sen. Elliot Werk, D-Boise.

Rep. James Ruchti, D-Pocatello, said the minority party — Democrats make up just a quarter of the 105-person Legislature — favors using more of the roughly \$330 million in four economic reserve funds set aside by legislators in previous years to fill budget holes, rather than deeply cutting services.

"We feel like we need to front load more of the" reserve funds, Ruchti told Otter during a brief exchange.

Instead, Otter has proposed injecting only \$75 million in reserves into the general fund. By holding on to \$253 million, the Republican governor aims to make sure the state has rainy day money, should an economic recovery take longer.

Though he used some \$60 million from an education reserve fund to shield education from budget holdbacks during the current year, Otter won't use the remaining \$53 million and told teachers he expects them to accept less during contract talks slated for upcoming months.

His plan calls for cutting \$75.8 million from Idaho's

share of public education funding, which would slip to \$1.34 billion. Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna said he's told public school administrators and teachers that they should expect a \$60 million to \$80 million cut, compared to last year.

"We will prioritize teacher-student hours," Luna told The Associated Press. "We want to preserve those. That's where teaching happens."

Rep. Bob Nonini, R-Coeur d'Alene and chairman of the House Education Committee, said Otter's planned education budget cuts appeared to be less than what some agencies face, which he considered positive.

Under Otter's plan, the Department of Agriculture budget will fall 30 percent, or \$5.3 million; colleges and universities stand to lose about \$28 million, or 10 percent; the Department of Health and Welfare would be out \$44 million, or 5.5 percent; and the Department of Correction, which oversees Idaho's 7,300 inmates, would give up more than \$20 million, or nearly 12 percent of its budget from a year ago.

Budget

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schools budget.

"I think he was right on target, particularly with the budget," said Sen. Bert Brackett, R-Rogerson, who sits on the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee. "It's a tough budget but these times call for it."

In his speech, Otter made no mention specifically how Magic Valley will be directly impacted, although more details will emerge in the coming days. His proposal, as well as those from state agencies, will now be dissected and examined by legislators.

"The governor laid out a pretty strong foundation and blueprint for us to start from," said Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, and JFAC co-chairman.

But among his budget proposals, Otter is recommending reducing the public schools budget by 5.3 percent; the Department of Health and Welfare by 7.5 percent; and the Department of Corrections by 12 percent.

The public schools budget — kindergarten through 12th grade, which is overseen by the Department of Education and Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna — has never been lower than the previous year, officials said. It's about half the state budget.

"It is unprecedented and I'm not really excited about that part of his proposals but at the same time I have to give him the benefit of the doubt and look at the realities of the situation," said Cameron.

Rural Magic Valley could see an impact through agencies its economy and workforce are heavily dependent on. Otter wants to reduce the Department of Agriculture budget by 31 percent and the Department of Water Resources budget by 12 percent. And he proposed a 10

percent cut to higher education, which means the College of Southern Idaho could see less money.

"There may be no money for weed eradication," said JFAC Co-chairwoman Maxine Bell, R-Jerome. "We live or die by water so there may be two or three very much needed water engineers, hydrologists, who are no longer there (or) able to help the pumpers. I've not seen any details yet. But yes — the water budget, the ag budget, higher ed — I think they'll make an impact on us."

Otter offered details on his transportation package. He proposed an annual 2-cent-per-gallon fuel-tax increase for five years and increasing registration fees to help shore up new road funding. The Idaho Transportation Department operates off its user-fee budget, not the state's general fund, and has an annual shortfall of \$240 million.

Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls, a former transportation board chairman, said he opposed a long-term increase that obligated future legislators, but said increasing registration fees might find common ground in the Legislature.

But Smith, vice-chairman of the House judiciary committee, noted that a 12 percent reduction in corrections might be difficult to shoulder. Still, he commended Otter for not applying uniform cuts.

Democrats said Otter's proposal is one that cannot be taken lightly. Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, who sits on JFAC, said she is concerned about Otter not using reserves to fund the public schools budget and instead gutting it by more than 5 percent.

"It's an opportunity to look at budgeting in a more creative way," she said.

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DEATH NOTICES

Anthony J. Colella

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

A celebration of life will be held from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, in the Gala Room at Cactus Petes in Jackpot, Nev.; no visitation (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Claire M. Petersen

Claire M. Petersen, 92, of Lewiston, died Saturday, Jan. 10, 2009, at the Royal Plaza Retirement and Care Center in Lewiston.

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley. Arrangements in Lewiston are under the direction of Pine Hills Funeral Chapel of Orofino.

Blaineda Owens

Blaineda Owens, 53, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Jan. 11, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in

Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Joyce Howell

Joyce Howell, 66, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Jan. 11, 2009, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Charles Nicholas

Charles "Chuck" Nicholas, 70, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Jan. 12, 2009, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

George Clawson

George Clawson, 83, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Jan. 12, 2009, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Cleo Estelle Anderson

SEDRO-WOOLLEY, Wash. — Cleo Estelle Anderson, age 95, a resident of Sedro-Woolley, Wash., passed away Thursday, Jan. 8, 2009, at the Clayton House in Sedro-Woolley, Wash.

She was born May 26, 1913, the daughter of Zora E. and Lillie Belle (Fite) Howerton in Novelty, Mo., and there she was raised and attended school, graduating from Novelty High School with the class of 1931. She then attended teacher's college for two years, later teaching first through eighth grade at a one-room schoolhouse in Missouri.

After waiting for two years for the man she loved to complete his education, and literally snatching him from the school steps, she was united in marriage to Harold "Curley" Kleinkopf on May 13, 1933, in Macon, Mo. They made their home in Twin Falls and Ketchum, where they owned and operated a restaurant and where they also met several movie stars, including Bing Crosby and Clark Gable. They later moved to Anchorage, Alaska, where Cleo worked for the GE Corp. in a top security position and later worked as a post mistress for the Alaska Pipeline. They returned to Twin Falls in 1960, where they again operated a restaurant and in 1979, they moved to Sedro-Woolley, Wash. Curley passed away in 1982. In 1988, Cleo married a sweet soul, the second love of her life, Niilo "Andy" Anderson, and he, too, preceded her in death in 2006.

Cleo was a top-notch bowler, and her bowling team won the National Championship in Kansas City, Mo., in 1947. She also enjoyed fishing and inevitably always caught the first, the biggest and the most fish. She also enjoyed singing and dancing and, while in high school and college, was involved in many plays. Her favorite outdoor activity was working with her flowers. She has been a member of the Church of Christ since 1980. Cleo's life



was a long, happy journey faithfully serving as a loving wife, wonderful mother and an awesome grandma. We, her family, although we miss her desperately, are thankful she is finally at peace with God, her creator.

Cleo is survived by her daughter, Joyce Aungst and her husband, Larry of Sedro-Woolley, Wash.; and her son, Dick Kleinkopf and his wife, Cinda of Wenatchee, Wash. The light of her life was her six grandchildren, Janell Aungst, Brian Aungst (Beth), Carter Aungst (Jeanne), Mark and John Kleinkopf, and Kara MacDonald (Jason); and five great-grandchildren, Alicia Blundred (Dan) Jade, Drew, Leighton and Lane Aungst; and 3 great-great-grandchildren, Tyler Blundred, Katie MacDonald, and Kinsey MacDonald; and two stepsons, Dick Anderson of Mount Vernon, Wash., and Terry Anderson of Lawrenceburg, Ky.; and numerous nieces and nephews. Besides her husbands, Curley and Niilo, she was also preceded in death by her parents; a son, Ronald Kleinkopf; two sisters; and one brother.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Cleo's stepson, Dick Anderson, for his faithful and loving care of Cleo even after his father's passing. Also, the family would like to express their appreciation for the wonderful care given to Cleo by Dr. Dale Abbott and his staff, Country Meadows, Clayton House and the care givers that adored her, Skagit Hospice and nieces, Linda and Betty that loved her through letters.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, at the Lemley Chapel in Sedro-Woolley, Wash., with Elder Jim Watson of the Mount Vernon church of Christ officiating. Inurnment will be at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls at a later date in the spring. Memorials are suggested to the Mount Vernon Church of Christ Missionary Fund, 901 S. 12th, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, or Skagit Hospice.

Share memories of Cleo and sign the online guest register at www.lemley-chapel.com.

Frieda Amelia Mason

Frieda Amelia Mason (Freda), 97, passed away Saturday, Jan. 10, 2009, at the River Ridge Alzheimer's Unit in Twin Falls.

She was born in Cook, Neb., on Dec. 9, 1911, the fourth daughter and fifth child of Dora Fritz Garlipp and Karl Albert Garlipp. She was baptized Feb. 25, 1912, into the Lutheran Church and was a devout member all her life.

Mom was a wonderful mother and very hard-working. She taught herself to play the organ as a very young child as there was some years between her and her next sibling. She said it was like being an only child. Later, she changed to playing the piano. If she heard a song once, she could sit down and play it. She loved to play cards, pinochle in particular, as well as do crocheting and embroidery. Her last doilies were made at age 93. All of the family are proud possessors of her handiwork. She felt that she needed to keep her hands busy all her life. Mom retired from the school district in Filer, where she worked in the lunchroom.

She is survived by her nine children, sons, Kenneth (Fran) Mason of

Twin Falls, Jack (Angie) Mason of West Valley, Utah, Leland (Mary) Mason of Eugene, Ore.; and daughters, Dorothy (Harry) Brown of Twin Falls and Las Vegas, Nev., Marjorie Evans of Las Vegas, Nev., Peggy Sparks of Twin Falls, Georgette (Dean) Malaperdas of Ely, Nev., Judy (Jim) Barlow of Las Vegas, Nev., and Marsha (Terry) Alton of Weatherford, Texas; 26 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, Earl H. Mason; her parents and siblings.

The family is deeply appreciative to River Ridge Alzheimer's for its loving care of our mother and also Dr. Cole Johnson for taking care of mom.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials can be donated to Our Savior Lutheran Church, 464 Carriage Lane N., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, and one hour prior to the service Friday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com.

Pearl Etta Watts Patton

BUHL — Our mother, grandmother and great-grandmother who was 89, passed away Thursday, Jan. 8, 2009.

Etta was born April 30, 1919, to Everett and Ida Watts in Farnum. This little town is now a wheat field east of Ashton. Etta's parents and older brothers, Ellis and Leland, and sisters, Ethel, Gertrude and Reta, lived in a three-room log cabin and had to pack their water from Fall River. After two very hard years, Etta's father gave up farming, got a job with Union Pacific Railroad Company and moved his family to Ashton, where they built a larger house complete with a garden. In 1925, her younger sister, Faye, was born. Etta started baby-sitting when she was 10 to earn spending money and to pay school expenses. She always had a lot of chores to do around the house and had many fond memories of her extended family. She remembered long rides to Montana to see relatives. The teen-aged Etta and her sister, Reta, went to a lot of Saturday night dances, basket socials, movies and parties where they broke a lot of boys' hearts. While in high school, they worked for 80 cents a day picking peas for a cannery in Driggs. Etta graduated from Ashton High in the class of 1937.

While working at Rankin's Tourist Court in Ashton, Etta met a very special and good-looking young man, Bill Patton from Bozeman, Mont., who was later to be her husband. In the meantime, her father was transferred by the U.P. Railroad to Buhl, and Etta and Reta followed. They danced up a storm doing something called the blackbottom, jitterbug, flapper and quickstep at the Radio Rendezvoo in Twin Falls. All this time,



Etta was courting long distance by mail with Bill Patton who finally saved enough money to give her a diamond ring in 1940. She worked for King's dime store in Buhl until she and Bill were married in Montana on Jan. 9, 1941. They lived in Montana but soon moved to Buhl, where Bill worked on the Sandmeyer Ranch.

Etta raised her son, Wayne, and found time to crochet, knit, can, make quilts and paint. She won ribbons at the fair for her famous cookies, jam and handwork. She worked for the PTA, was a member of the art guild and a member of the LDS Church. Etta enjoyed camping and fishing with her family and went to Arizona to get warm during cold winters. She loved to play with the babies of her growing, extended family. Etta and Bill stayed on the ranch until they retired and moved to Filer. Bill passed away in 1999 and Etta lived in their house until she moved to Boise in 2007 to be closer to family.

Etta is survived by her sister, Faye Palmer; one son, Wayne (Cheryl); three grandchildren, Brian (Renee), Alison (David) and Kevin; and seven great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16, at the Filer LDS Church. A viewing will be from 1 to 1:50 p.m. at the church before the service Friday. A short graveside ceremony will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, at the Ashton Cemetery.

WWII officer who said 'nuts' to Germans dies

NEW YORK (AP) — Retired Lt. Gen. Harry W.O. Kinnard, a paratroop officer who suggested the famously defiant answer "Nuts!" to a German demand for surrender during the 1944 Battle of the Bulge, has died. He was 93.

Kinnard, a career soldier who in later years was the principal architect of the Army's concept of using helicopters in infantry warfare in Vietnam, died in Arlington, Va., on Jan. 5, his family told The New York Times.

A native of Dallas, Kinnard graduated from West Point in 1939 and spent 30 years in uniform, retiring in 1969.

He parachuted into Normandy on D-Day, June 6, 1944, with the newly organized 101st Airborne Division and was decorated for heroism during its drive against German forces in the Netherlands.

When Hitler launched a surprise counteroffensive in December, the 101st, then in France, was rushed into action and seized key road junctions at the Belgian town of Bastogne, where the Americans were quickly surrounded by the enemy.

On Dec. 22, Kinnard, then a 29-year-old lieutenant colonel and the division's operations officer, was present when four German couriers arrived at the

American lines under a flag of truce with a written demand to surrender in two hours or face annihilation.

Brig. Gen. Anthony McAuliffe, the 101st's artillery chief and acting division commander in the absence of Maj. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, laughed and remarked, "Us surrender? Aw, nuts," and then wondered aloud how he should reply.

As recalled later by himself and other witnesses, Kinnard suggested that McAuliffe tell the Germans "what you just said ... nuts."

McAuliffe scribbled: "To the German commander: Nuts! The American commander."

The paratroopers held against further attacks and four days later the siege was broken by Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's tank forces. The massive German counterattack — the last major offensive effort by Hitler's forces — collapsed two weeks later.

In the 1960s, Kinnard, a trained aviator, was a key developer of the Army's helicopter "air assault" concept at Fort Benning, Ga., and first applied it in combat in Vietnam as commander of the 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile).

A memorial is planned for March 19 at Fort Myer, Va., according to the Army Times.

Boni Espinoza Villanueva

RUPERT — Boni Espinoza Villanueva, 82, of Rupert, passed away Friday, Jan. 9, 2009, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

Boni was born Dec. 7, 1926, in New Braunfels, Texas, to Simon and Preciliana Mendoza Espinoza. She married Jesse Villanueva on Jan. 20, 1947, in Edingberg, Texas. They moved to Rupert in 1960. Boni was Catholic Woman of the Year in 1990. She also enjoyed working with her husband as foster grandparents at the Head Start school. She was a charter member of Guadalupanas, a Curcillista and a Marriage Encounter counselor. She enjoyed quilting, loved to sing and loved her family, especially spending time with grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Boni is survived by her 13 children, Jesus (Reyna) Villanueva Jr. of Paul, Maria (Dino) Galindo Sr. of Rupert, Josephine (Alfred) Hauser of Burley, Angelita (Jose) Ortega of Rupert, Yolanda (George) Benavidez of Boise, Eva (David) Hale of Paul, Simon (Donna) Villanueva of



Rupert, Olivia (Mark) Dinehart of Colorado, Ismael (Noreen) Villanueva of Boise, Mario (Dianna) Villanueva of Boise, Rose Marie (Daniel) Salinas of Nampa, Rebecca Villanueva of Boise and Cassandra Marie Villanueva of Boise; 37 grandchildren; 51 great-grandchildren; brothers, Gabino Espinoza of Rupert, Andres (Benita) Espinoza of Rupert, Jesse (Aileen) Espinoza of Wisconsin, Hipolito (Tome) Espinoza of Texas and Pete (Dahila) Espinoza of Arizona; and sisters, Christina Gonzalez of Arizona and Josie (Baldemar) Escobedo of Texas. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jesse Villanueva; grandchild, Elias Villanueva; and her parents.

Mass of Resurrection will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, at the St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 F St. in Rupert, with Father Mike St. Marie as celebrant. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Family and friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, with a recitation of the rosary at 7 p.m., and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

SERVICES

Virginia Rose Schell of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at Eternal Life Christian Center in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Randy A. Crowley Sr. of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 1 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Miriam L "Ginger" Cook

of Jerome, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at the Jerome Free Will Baptist Church (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Betty L. Sept of Buhl, funeral at 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Christian Church, 1005 Poplar St. in Buhl; visitation from 4 to 7 p.m., with the family greeting from 5 to 6 p.m., Friday at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Litigation specialist**William W. Vaughn, 78, dies**

By Elaine Woo
Los Angeles Times

1986 to 1993.

William W. Vaughn, a litigation specialist for four decades at O'Melveny & Myers, whose courtroom victories included defending former CBS anchor Dan Rather against slander charges stemming from a "60 Minutes" report, died Jan. 3 at his Los Angeles home. He was 78.

Vaughn had cancer and other ailments, according to Warren Christopher, the former secretary of state in the Clinton administration and O'Melveny senior partner who was Vaughn's longtime colleague.

"Bill was a mentor to a generation of adversarial lawyers," Christopher said in a statement sent to the Los Angeles Times.

Vaughn joined the venerable, Los Angeles-based law firm in 1955 and headed its litigation department from

He handled complex cases, including a massive anti-trust case against IBM lodged by three West Coast computer manufacturers in the mid-1970s. O'Melveny won the cases, which tied up dozens of the firm's lawyers for two years.

Vaughn also waged a number of important First Amendment cases that, according to Christopher, "established important appellate precedents for the broadcasting industry."

Among these was the 1983 case involving Rather, who had been sued for \$4.5 million in damages by Dr. Carl A. Galloway, a Los Angeles physician, who had accused the broadcast journalist of falsely linking him to insurance fraud in a 1979 "60 Minutes" segment. Galloway claimed that his signature had been forged on a phony medical claim that Rather had shown on air.

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EDITORIAL

Otter's bad-times budget is unsightly, but necessary

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter said this year's state budget would be ugly. He didn't exaggerate.

In his State of the State address Monday, the governor proposed cutting education funding by more than 5 percent, higher education by 10 percent and agencies that oversee economic development and state parks by more than 50 percent, reflecting the nosedive in state tax collections.

Otter proposed a state budget more than 7 percent smaller than the one he and lawmakers approved last year — bolstered by a \$75 million infusion from the state's \$300 million in budget stabilization funds.

The cuts will be tough, he said, but these tough times give the state an opportunity to restore itself to "the necessary and proper role of taxpayer-funded government services."

Otter continued his push to raise money for transportation with a plan to phase-in increases in gas taxes, vehicle registration fees, car-rental taxes and more — ultimately raising more than \$174 million a year after five years.

He also directed the Idaho Tax Commission to study what sales tax revenues come from car parts, tires and other related purchases, with the idea that this money could be directed to roads some day. And he proposed a new look at truck registration fees to ensure everyone is paying his or her fair share.

The governor protected K-12 public education from emergency cuts this year, but said he couldn't balance the budget without taking money from the state's single largest state expenditure.

Still, Otter said, the \$1.425 billion schools budget makes up half of what he would spend in fiscal year. Surprisingly — and happily — he decided to shift power over more day-to-day education programs away from the governor-selected Board of Education and back to the Department of Education, run by the elected state superintendent.

Otter's first attempts at requiring zero-based budgeting — challenging every dollar spent by an agency, instead of simply assuming that each year's budget will be the base budget for the next one — found some savings in the departments of Agriculture and Water Resources.

"It is my intent to continue an unrelenting scrutiny of state government programs that use Idahoans' hard-earned dollars," he said.

The two biggest cuts came with the Department of Commerce — 51 percent — and Department of Parks and Recreation — 54 percent.

Not that he had many options. The first two rounds of holdbacks last year hit the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and its programs especially hard.

But while cutting, Otter took time for a reminder that tight times don't last.

"Idaho also was struggling through a rough patch in our economy when I served as lieutenant governor in 1987," he said. "Back then, people were saying the state of Idaho might as well just turn out the lights and quit — that things would never be as good again as they had been prior to that economic downturn.

"Well, they were wrong then, and the naysayers are just as wrong now. I'm not wearing rose-tinted glasses. But I am a glass-half-full kind of guy."

In an ugly year, Otter's response was reasonable. Let's hope the Legislature agrees.

Our view: In an ugly economy, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter proposed an ugly budget — but a responsible one.

Climate change just the tip of the iceberg

The Cold War shaped world politics for half a century. But global warming may shape the patterns of global conflict for much longer than that — and help spark clashes that will be, in every sense of the word, hot wars.

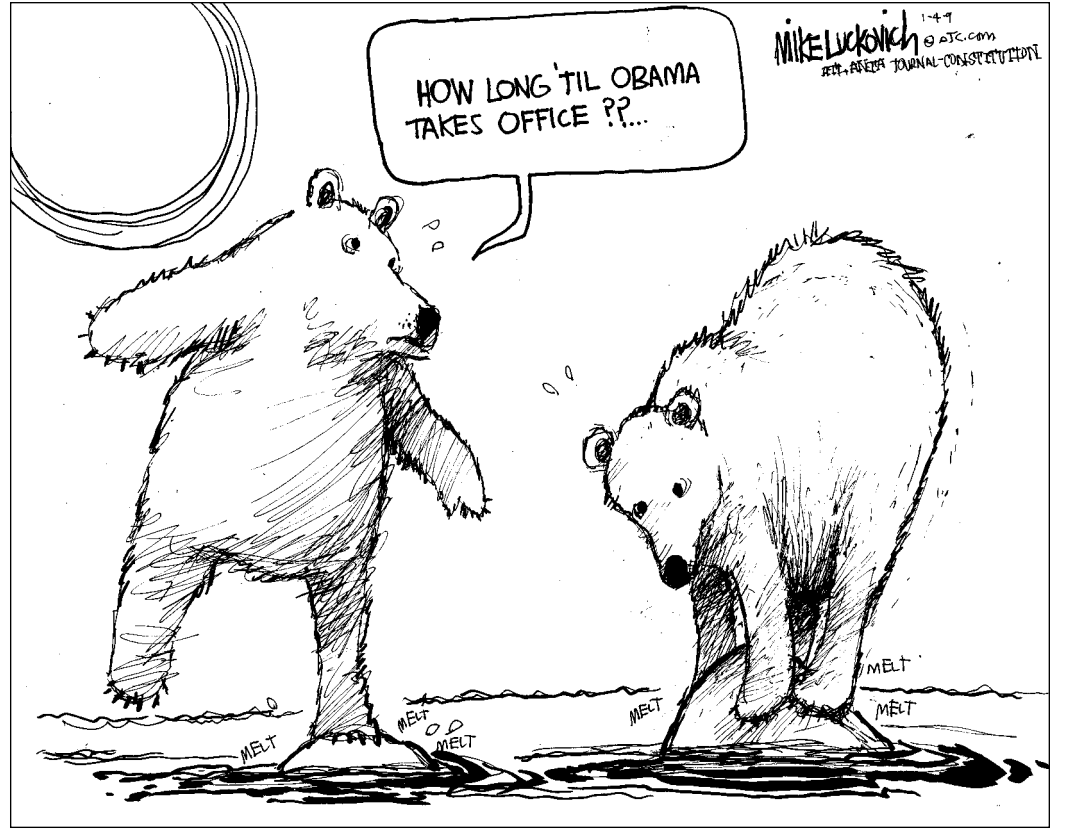
We're used to thinking of climate change as an environmental problem, not a military one, but it's long past time to alter that mindset. Climate change may mean changes in Western lifestyles, but in some parts of the world, it will mean far more. Living in Washington, I may respond to global warming by buying a Prius, planting a tree or lowering my thermostat. But elsewhere, people will respond to climate change by building bomb shelters and buying guns.



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"There is every reason to believe that as the 21st century unfolds, the security story will be bound together with climate change," warns John Ashton, a veteran diplomat who is now the United Kingdom's first special envoy on climate change. "The last time the world faced a challenge this complex was during the Cold War. Yet the stakes this time are even higher because the enemy now is ourselves, the choices we make."

Defense experts have also started to see the link between climate change and conflict. A 2007 CNA Corp. report, supervised by a dozen retired admirals and generals, warned that climate change could lead to political unrest in numerous badly hit countries, then perhaps to outright bloodshed and battle. One key factor that could stoke these tensions is massive migration as people flee increasingly uninhabitable areas, which would lead to border tensions, greater demands for



rescue and evacuation services and disputes over essential resources.

Global warming could lead to warfare in three different ways.

The first is conflict arising from scarcity. As the world gets hotter and drier, glaciers will melt and the amount of arable land will shrink. In turn, fresh water, plants, crops and cattle and other domestic animals will be harder to come by, thereby spurring competition and conflict over what's left. In extreme examples, a truly desiccated ecosystem could mean a complete evacuation of a hard-hit region. And the more people move, the more they will jostle with their new neighbors.

The second cause of the coming climate wars is the flip side of scarcity: the problems of an increase in abundance. Suppose that global warming makes a precious resource easier to get at — say, rising temperatures in northern Canada, Alaska and Siberia make it easier to get at oil and gas resources in regions that had previously been too bone-chilling to tap. But what happens if some tempting new field pops up in international

waters contested by two great powers? Or if smaller countries with murky borders start arguing over newly arable land?

Finally, we should also worry about new conflicts over issues of sovereignty that we didn't need to deal with in our older, colder world. Consider the Northwest Passage, which is turning into an ice-free corridor from Europe to Asia during the summer months. Canada claims some portions of the route as its own sovereign waters; the United States argues that these sections lie within international waters. Admittedly, it'd take a lot of tension for this to turn into a military conflict, but anyone convinced that the United States and Canada could never come to blows has forgotten the War of 1812.

The result of these changes will be the creation of two geopolitical belts of tension due to global warming, which will dramatically shape the patterns of conflict in the 21st century.

First, politics will heat up along what we might call the equatorial tension belt, a broad swath of instability around the planet's center.

This belt will creep southward, deeper into Africa, and extend far into central Asia.

Second, a new tension belt will develop around the polar circles. In the short term, the main problems will arise in the Northern Hemisphere, but later in the 21st century, the area around the South Pole may also see increasing security strains as countries rush to claim and develop heretofore frozen areas. If the equatorial tension belt includes mostly poor, developing countries fighting over survival, the new polar tension belt will draw in wealthy, developed countries fighting over opportunity.

This is, admittedly, a glum view of the future. But we can still avoid the new hot wars — or at least cool them down a bit. For starters, we should redouble our efforts to slow down global warming and undo the damage humanity has already done to the environment. Every little bit helps, so by all means, hassle your senator and recycle those bottles.

James Lee runs American University's Inventory of Conflict and Environment project.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Brave newspaper editors, publishers deserve praise

Some Idaho newspapers, even though they are still profitable enough so that they would be considered successful by most other business model measurements, have acquired unhealthy habits of insensitively cutting corners in the same areas where they would likely do better to invest.

Mainly, they shortchange longtime dedicated employees their earned due, saddling them with double and triple workloads along with less pay, basically nickel and diming their best resources — those with irreplaceable institutional memories — to

choice-less early retirements or abrupt career changes.

Another shortsighted aspect that hurts some newspapers is that publishers have become skittish about saying anything too controversial, which might offend paying advertisers.

Some subjects become potatoes too hot to handle for many tiny Idaho insulated communities. Moreover, advertisers have become adroit to this fact and make publishers easily squirm by threatening to slide over to the ever-ready competition. With the ceaseless pressure of deadlines and a multitude of other glitches inherent to the print newspaper publishing business, true innovativeness and cutting-edge

writing is only being half-embraced at best.

We should herald the few exceptional newspaper editors and publishers who continue to follow through on the aspirations of yesterday's trendsetting investigative journalists.

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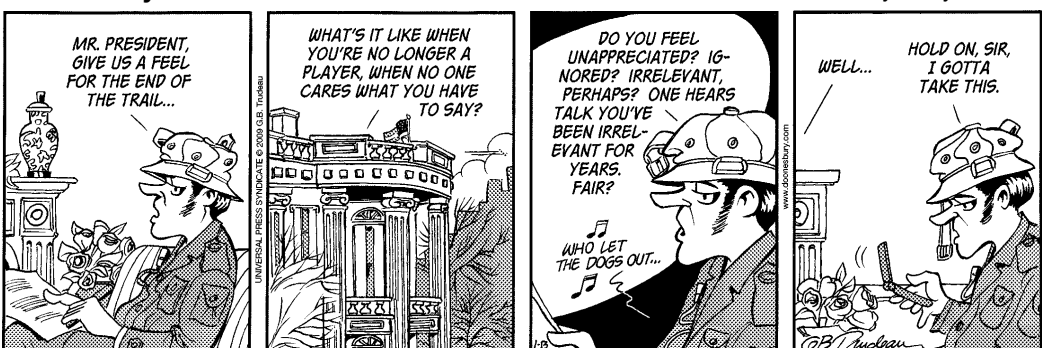
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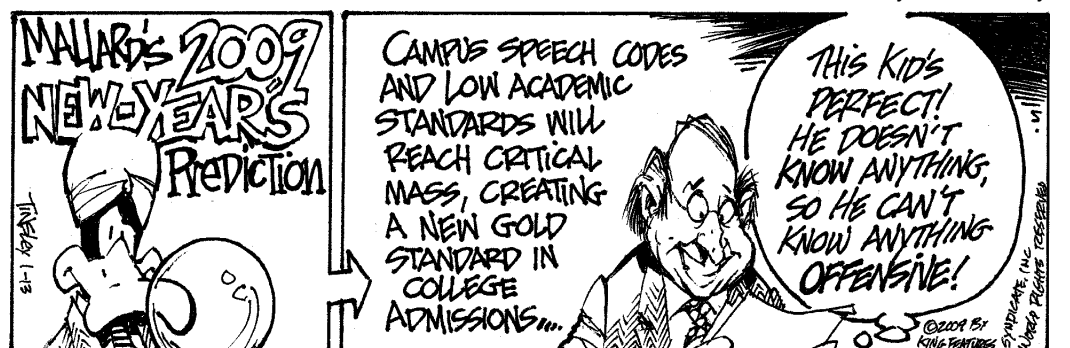
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Why conservatives love America more

I don't love America. That's what conservatives are always telling liberals like me. Their love, they insist, is truer, deeper and more complete. Then liberals, like all people who are accused of not loving something, stammer, get defensive and try to have sex with America even though America will then accuse us of wanting it for its body and not its soul. When America gets like that, there's no winning.

But I've come to believe conservatives are right. They do love America more. Sure, we liberals claim that our love is deeper because we seek to improve the United States by pointing out its flaws. But calling your wife fat isn't love. True love is the blind belief that your child is the smartest, cutest, most charming person in the world, one you would gladly die for. I'm more in "like" with my country.

Fox News' Sean Hannity loves this country so much,



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he did an entire episode of "Hannity's America" titled "The Greatest Nation on Earth." In that one hour he said, "the U.S. is the greatest, best country God has ever given man on the face of the Earth." One of the surest signs of love is it makes you talk stupid.

Conservatives feel personally blessed to have been born in the only country worth living in. I, on the other hand, just feel lucky to have grown up in a wealthy democracy. If it had been Australia, Britain, Ireland, Canada, Italy, Spain, France, Luxembourg, Belgium, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Japan, Israel or one of those

Scandinavian countries with more relaxed attitudes toward sex, that would have been fine with me too.

When a Democrat loses the presidential race, real lefties talk a lot about moving to Canada. When Republicans lose, they don't do that. Although, to be fair, they don't have a lot of nearby conservative options. Not even Hannity is a committed enough conservative to yell, "If Obama wins, I'm moving to Singapore."

This doesn't mean I'm not fascinated by American history, impressed by our Constitution or don't appreciate our optimism and entrepreneurial spirit. In fact, I love everything Hannity listed on his TV special other than Madonna. But there are plenty of things I don't like about America: our foreign policy, our religious fundamentalism, our provincialism, our intellectual laziness, our acceptance of sweat suits in public.

When I ran the idea that liberals don't love America as much as conservatives by talk-show host Glenn Beck, he totally agreed with me, which is precisely why I called him. "It's absolutely true, deep love. As a parent loves a child," he said. "But I think liberals laugh that off, the way the rest of the country laughs off the love Texans have for their state. Texans don't think, 'Oklahoma, you (stink). Well, yes they do — but they don't think other states (stink). They just have a love for the republic of Texas. ... I don't have disdain for other countries. Well, except for France."

I asked Beck why Democrats rarely share his overwhelming sense of American exceptionalism and Francophobia. "I think it's because in the late 1800s up until the 1930s, the progressive movement started to think the European ideals are pretty good, that it's one big world," he said. "Well, it's not.

If you look at all the countries like people, there are differences between people. And I happen to like this person the best." When I look at the countries like people, I love Sweden the best.

I accused Beck of loving America just out of birth-place convenience, which is kind of like loving the girl who happens to sit in front of you in homeroom. "If I were born in Great Britain and read about Britain and America, I'd love the values and principles and the men who founded this country," he said. "I love that we crossed these mountains and didn't know what was on the other side. I love that the Pilgrims didn't want to come here, but they came here because they felt prompted to by God. There's always been a spirit of adventure and awe in this land. And I don't think any other country has that." Beck, it seemed, loves America the same way little boys love camping.

Despite Beck's rationalization, I still think conservatives love America for the same tribalistic reasons people love whatever groups they belong to. These are the people who are sure Christianity is the only right religion, that America is the best country, that the Republicans have the only good candidates, that gays have cooties.

I wish I felt such certainty. Sure, it makes life less interesting and nuanced, and absolute conviction can lead to dangerous extremism, but I suspect it makes people happier. I'll never experience the joy of Hannity-level patriotism. I'm the type who always wonders if some other idea or place or system is better and I'm missing out. And, as I figured out shortly after meeting my wife, that is no way to love.

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The high cost of high health care costs

WASHINGTON — Barack Obama talked somberly last week about getting the federal budget under control once the present economic crisis is past. To do that, he'll have to confront the rapid growth of health spending, which in 2007 was already a quarter of total federal spending of \$2.7 trillion.

If Obama is serious, he should read a new study from the McKinsey Global Institute, the research arm of the consulting company.

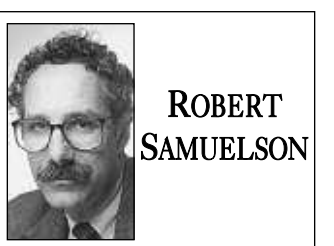
American health care has gone haywire. It provides much splendid care but has glaring deficiencies. It is so costly that 15 percent of the population lacks health insurance. Runaway spending is also crowding out other government programs and, through bloated insurance premiums, squeezing workers' take-home pay. What McKinsey provides is a plausible estimate of the overspending: one-third. In 2006, U.S. health spending totaled \$2.1 trillion. Of that, McKinsey figures \$650 billion exceeded the norms of other rich nations.

For the extra money, we receive no indisputably large benefit in national well-being. On some health measures (breast cancer survival rates), we do better than many countries; on some others (life expectancy), we do worse. We are constantly searching for villains to explain this situation. The McKinsey study debunks some popular candidates.

One is that our mixed private-public insurance system drives up costs through a high administrative overhead. Claim forms create a paperwork morass; marketing expenses add to the burden. True, U.S. overhead costs are more than double the level of other countries. But the effect is modest, because all administrative costs (including government programs such as Medicare) account for only 7 percent of total health costs.

The same is true of another common scapegoat: the alleged overuse of emergency room care. In 2006, all emergency room care cost \$75 billion, about 3.5 percent of total health spending. That's too small to explain overall trends.

What really drives health spending, the study finds, is that Americans receive more costly medical services than do other peoples and pay more for them. On a population-adjusted basis, the number of CT scans in 2005 was 72 percent higher in the United States than in Germany; U.S. reimbursement rates were four times higher. Knee replacements were on average 90 percent more frequent than in other



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wealthy countries. In 2005, there were 750,000 knee and hip replacements, up 70 percent in five years, reports the journal Health Affairs.

We have a health care system that reflects our national values. It's highly individualistic, entrepreneurial and suspicious of centralized supervision. In practice, Medicare and private insurers impose few effective controls on doctors' and patients' choices. That's what most Americans want. Patients understandably desire the most advanced surgeries, diagnostic tests and drugs. Doctors want the freedom to prescribe.

Open-ended insurance reimbursement encourages expensive medicine by making it easier to recover the costs of clinical advances. Economist Amy Finkelstein of MIT has estimated that roughly half the real increase in per capita health spending from 1950 to 1990 reflected the spread of comprehensive health insurance. In 2006, consumers' out-of-pocket spending represented 13 percent of total health spending, down from about half in 1960. Unfortunately, this semi-automatic system may now frustrate other national goals by displacing other spending and spawning ineffective or unneeded care.

On paper, there are various ways to control health spending: stricter regulations on prices and the availability of care; "market mechanisms" to push con-

sumers toward more efficient or skimpier care. All have floundered, because they cannot be used aggressively. The reason is politics. There is no major constituency for controlling spending. Because most patients don't pay medical bills directly, they have little interest in using less care or shopping for lower-priced services. Providers (doctors, hospitals, drug companies) have no interest in limiting care. What others call "health costs" are their incomes — wages, salaries, profits.

Unless we rectify this political imbalance, efforts to control health spending may fail. We need mass constituencies that favor cost control. But our consistent policy has been to conceal the burden of health spending by burying it in untaxed corporate fringe benefits or government budgets.

We could change this. We could charge the elderly more for Medicare. We could tax employer-provided health insurance as ordinary income. We could create a federal tax to cover government health costs — if health spending increased more than income, the tax would automatically rise. People would quickly feel the costs of our present system. Of course, that would be unpopular, because it would compel Americans to face a discomforting issue — how important is health care compared to other priorities?

Will Obama be so bold? In the campaign, he proposed more health spending. It's easier to embrace the rhetoric of change than change itself.

Newsweek columnist Robert Samuelson writes about economics.

When war's reality comes home

WASHINGTON — As night falls and the humongous cargo jet carrying the wounded from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan nears Andrews Air Force Base, Ed Smolarsky prepares a stock of break-away sweat pants and other clothing designed to fit over casts and braces. Danny Politano stacks the quilts that have been handmade by volunteers for distribution to each arriving warrior.

Down the hall in the briefing room, medical teams from Walter Reed Army Medical Center, National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., and Andrews' own Aeromedical Staging Facility go over the night's impending arrivals: Twelve will head off to Walter Reed in Washington, seven to Bethesda, Md., and 16 will stay here overnight before flying out to military hospitals across the country.

The roster of cases covers the gamut: gunshot wound to toes, bite from unknown animal, anxiety attack, adjustment disorder, explosive-device injury (entry wound the size of an eraser). These are the casualties of wars most of us are free to ignore in our daily lives.

Three nights a week the flight arrives next to the hangar where Air Force One is parked. Each night a mini-hospital that operates for just a dozen or so hours at a time, goes from deserted to beehive in a matter of minutes.

The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan drag on in slow motion, strangely quiet conflicts that come to us filtered through an administration that has worked to keep the citizenry from images of coffins and funerals, through a news business that is contracting at a stunning pace, and through a cultural divide created in good part by our decision to have an all-volunteer military. Those of us who live outside the military bub-



MARC FISHER

ble catch only fleeting, distorted glimpses of war.

That reality comes home at Andrews. The wind is fierce as the ground crew boards the C-17 through the gaping maw in the back of the fuselage. Within minutes, the most serious cases are rolled off on stretchers, followed by the ambulatories, on crutches or just leaning on a nurse's arm. They've been traveling for a very long time.

"There are hernias and gallbladders, sports injuries and trip and falls, animal bites and lifting injuries," says Mike Madrid, the flight surgeon who greets the arriving wounded. More than 8,500 casualties have come in on these flights this year, and only 8 percent of them are battle injuries.

But every arriving patient is treated as a hero. From the Red Cross volunteers who dote on them, offering soda and Gatorade, to the doctors and nurses, some of whom have worked on the ground in Iraq, the small ward where many of the injured spend their first night back in the United States is crammed with reminders of what they've been missing. Here, there are big-screen TVs, easy chairs, computer carrels, a basket of letters from Americans who want to be pen pals with those in uniform, Cornish game hen and filet mignon, and liaison officers from each service who stand ready to stay up all night with the wounded, listening, talking, assuring them that they're home and safe.

"The Marines don't like to accept anything," says volunteer Ed Smolarsky. "You got to twist their arm a little bit." Ed uses charm.

An hour after the flight arrives, the first service members wander into Ed's store-room. One woman picks up three Beanie Babies and a deodorant stick. Another takes pajamas, sweats and underwear. A lanky man who doesn't want to talk to anyone settles in front of the TV news with a heaping plate of chicken.

Army Spec. Timothy McIntyre, 23, is back from Tikrit, Iraq, after nine months there as a combat medic. He says it took him six days to reach Andrews, an ordeal that left him unable to sleep for days at a time. "Most civilians don't really have an understanding of where I'm coming from," he says. "What happens in Iraq isn't what happens on the news. I met some of the coolest people in the world over there, from Uganda and India, the workers who guarded the base or worked in the laundry or serving chow. But the truth of what it is there — I don't know how to explain it."

He stares straight ahead for a long while. "If people knew, they would have a different attitude," McIntyre says.

He's pleased to be home, eager to see his family in Florida, but he says it's going to be hard to explain his experience to those who haven't lived it. "Only in my songs," he says, only there can he hope to express what he's seen, only in the Christian rap tunes he's been writing in his head for months.

He closes his eyes and faintly hums himself to another place.

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Burris says he's 'humbled and honored' to be next Ill. senator

CHICAGO — Roland Burris says he's "humbled and honored" to be Illinois' next junior senator, and is thankful for the opportunity to serve.

The former Illinois attorney general thanked Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois at a news conference Monday and said their scrutiny was motivated by trying to do the best thing for the chamber.

Senate Democrats said earlier Monday that they'll accept Burris as President-elect Barack Obama's Senate successor and expect to swear him in soon.

Even though Burris doesn't stand accused of wrongdoing, Senate Democrats initially rejected Gov. Rod Blagojevich's pick. Blagojevich is accused by federal investigators of seeking to trade the Senate seat for personal favors.

The impasse has served as a distraction for Democrats trying to tackle an ambitious agenda.

WASHINGTON

Bush asks Congress for final \$350 billion from financial bailout fund

Acting at Barack Obama's behest, President George W. Bush on Monday agreed to ask Congress for the final \$350 billion in the financial bailout fund, effectively ceding economic reins to the president-elect in an extraordinary display of transition teamwork.

Obama also sharply criticized Bush's handling of the money and promised radical changes.

Bush's move sets the stage for Obama to get swift access to the \$350 billion and the opportunity to overhaul the much-criticized rescue package after taking office next Tuesday. Obama said that it would be "irresponsible ... to enter into the administration without any potential ammunition should there be some sort of emergency or weakening of the financial system."

Congress, where the use of the money has met stiff bipartisan skepticism, has 15 days to vote to reject the request. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., was considering holding a vote on a resolution of disapproval as early as Thursday in hopes it would be defeated, thus making the funds available about a week after Obama inherits one of the worst financial crises in U.S. history.

"It is clear that the financial system, although improved from where it was in September, is still frail," Obama said, a few hours after seeking Bush's help in requesting the money.

If Congress goes along, Obama would have a huge cache of bailout money at his disposal — and much more to come in the approximately \$800 billion economic stimulus bill that Democratic congressional leaders promise to finish by mid-February. Congress also is racing to have ready for Obama a \$35 billion health insurance program for children.

Advisers: Obama's first duties will be to order the closing of Gitmo

President-elect Barack Obama is preparing to issue an executive order his first week in office — and perhaps his first day — to close the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo Bay, according to two presidential transition team advisers.

It's unlikely the detention facility at the Navy base in Cuba will be closed anytime soon. In an interview last weekend, Obama said it would be "a challenge" to close it even within the first 100 days of his administration.

But the order, which one adviser said could be issued



In this photo released by the Israeli army, Israeli soldiers walk towards the northern Gaza Strip as seen from the Israeli border with Gaza, Monday. Israeli warplanes pounded the homes of Hamas leaders and ground troops edged closer to the Gaza Strip's densely populated urban center Monday, as Israel weighed a decision to escalate its devastating offensive.

as early as Jan. 20, would start the process of deciding what to do with the estimated 250 al-Qaida and Taliban suspects and potential witnesses who are being held there. Most have not been charged with a crime.

The Guantanamo directive would be one of a series of executive orders Obama is planning to issue shortly after he takes office next Tuesday, according to the two advisers. Also expected is an executive order about certain interrogation methods, but details were not immediately avail-

able Monday.

The advisers spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak publicly about the orders that have not yet been finalized.

Obama transition team spokeswoman Brooke Anderson declined comment Monday.

**GAZA STRIP
Israeli leader warns Hamas of 'iron fist'**

GAZA CITY — Israeli Prime

Minister Ehud Olmert stood within Hamas rocket range Monday and warned Islamic militants that they face an "iron fist" unless they agree to Israeli terms for an end to war in the Gaza Strip.

Hamas showed no signs of wavering, however, with its leader, Ismail Haniyeh, saying the militants were "closer to victory."

Despite the tough words, Egypt said it was making slow progress in brokering a truce, and special Mideast envoy Tony Blair said elements were in place for a cease-fire.

As Olmert spoke in the Israeli city of Ashkelon, Israeli tanks, gunboats and warplanes hammered suspected hiding places of Hamas operatives who control the poor, densely populated territory just across the border.

After nightfall, flares and explosions lit up the sky over Gaza and heavy gunfire was heard in parts of the coastal territory of 1.4 million people.

Hamas' fighters battled Israeli troops on the outskirts of Gaza City and launched 15 rockets at southern Israel. The group's prime minister insisted on an Israeli withdrawal from Gaza and the opening of blockaded border crossings as part of any truce.

ing blizzard brought snow and high winds to North Dakota on Monday, closing schools and causing more headaches for residents still trying to dig out from a record snowfall last month.

And, forecasters said a blast of cold air was on the way that could send the thermometer as low as 30 below zero.

Travel was discouraged in the central and western parts of North Dakota because drifting snow, whipped up by high winds, made the visibility almost zero. While the travel advisory was lifted by midday, new advisories were posted in the southeastern part of the state.

No injuries were reported. The Minot area got 6 inches of snow, on top of about a foot late last week, while Bismarck picked up another 4 inches.

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Colts coach Tony Dungy retires after seven years

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Tony Dungy always considered football just a career path.

Not his life's mission. On Monday, Dungy began the transition from head coach to full-time dad and devoted volunteer by announcing his retirement after seven years leading the Indianapolis Colts.

"We just felt this was the right time," Dungy said. "Don't shed any tears for me. I got to live a dream most people don't get to live."

The move triggered a succession plan Indianapolis put in place a year ago, making Jim Caldwell, the associate head coach,

Dungy's replacement.

But the culmination of a 31-year NFL career, which started with Dungy winning a Super Bowl ring as a player in Pittsburgh and ended two years after he became the first black coach to hoist the Lombardi Trophy, brought out some rare emotional moments from the usually stoic Dungy.

"My wife Lauren told me to bring some Kleenex. I thought I would make it a little farther than the first sentence," Dungy said, his voice cracking.

He told owner Jim Irsay of his decision Sunday.

"And we spent about 2½ hours crying," Dungy said. "But I had a real peace

about it."

The 53-year-old Dungy informed his staff of the decision Monday morning, then met with some players after the traditional one-week waiting period ended. Dungy and his wife, Lauren, spent the last five years discussing whether he should continue coaching.

Receivers coach Clyde Christensen, who served as Dungy's assistant the last 13 years, said he was 95 percent certain Dungy would return as recently as Friday. Others, like safety Melvin Bullitt, were still hopeful Monday afternoon that Dungy would change his mind.

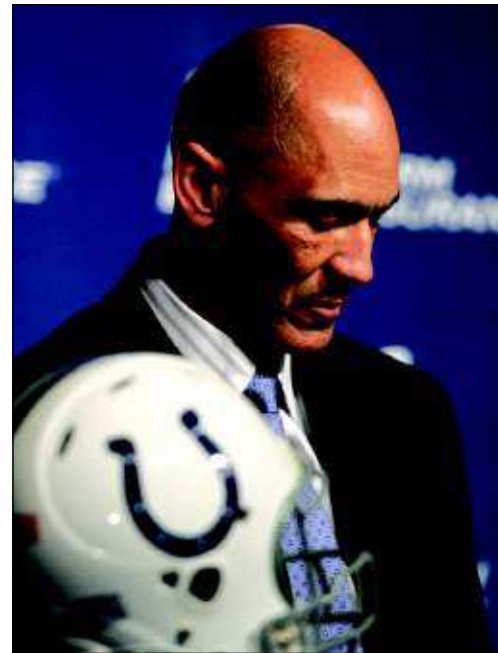
Unlike the previous four years, when Dungy ultimate-

ly decided to continue coaching, he decided it was time to stay home and work in the community.

Perhaps for good. "I think I've got a responsibility to be home a little bit more, be available to my family a little bit more and do some things to help make our country better," Dungy said. "I don't know what that is right now, but we'll see."

Dungy made a remarkable impact around the league. In an era when there were few black head coaches, Dungy helped open the door to rising stars and a growing number of minority candidates. Among those from his

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Indianapolis Colts coach Tony Dungy listens as team owner Jimmy Irsay announces that Dungy will retire in Indianapolis, Monday.

AP photo

Rickey Henderson, Jim Rice elected to Hall of Fame

By Mike Fitzpatrick
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Rickey Henderson dashed into the Hall of Fame on his first try, Jim Rice made it with a final swing.

It's hard to imagine their induction speeches will have much in common, either.

"I'm going to leave all the stories to Rickey," Rice said, confirming that his remarks in Cooperstown this summer are likely to match his personality. "Believe me, it's going to be short and quick. I don't think you need to go there and talk for 15 or 20 minutes when you can get right to the point."

That never stopped Henderson — but neither did opposing pitchers or catchers during his 25-year career.

The undisputed standard for leadoff hitters, Henderson received 94.8 percent of the vote from the Baseball Writers' Association of America in balloting announced Monday, well above the 75 percent needed.

Rice, among the game's most feared sluggers in the late 1970s and early 1980s, got 76.4 percent in his 15th and final year on the ballot after falling just shy with 72.2 percent last year.

"The only thing I can say is I'm glad it's over with," the Boston outfielder said. "I'm in there and they can't take it away."

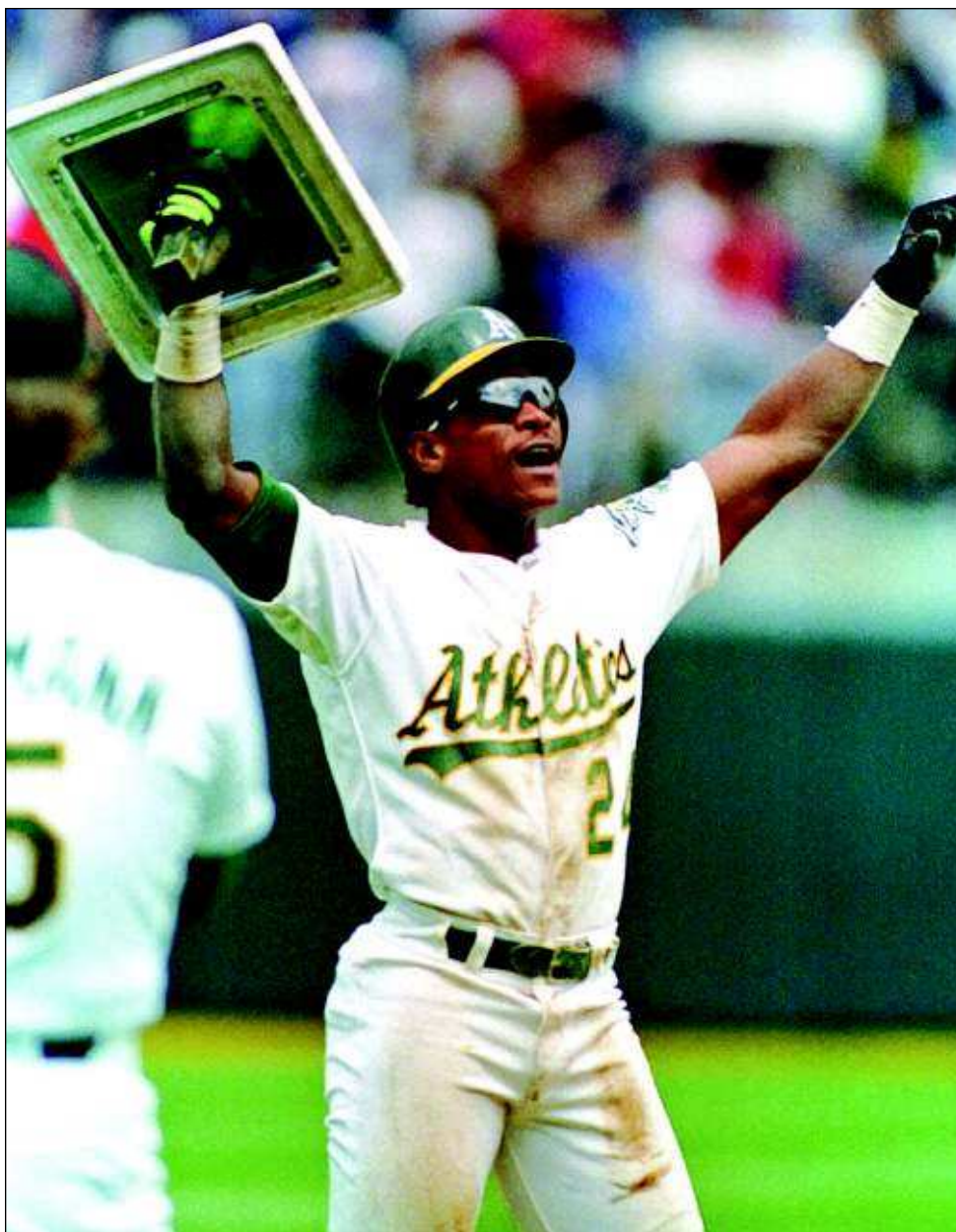
Henderson, baseball's career leader in runs scored and stolen bases, became the 44th player elected in his first year of eligibility. Rice was only the third elected by the BBWAA in his final year, joining Red Ruffing (1967) and Ralph Kiner (1975).

The pair will be inducted into the Hall during ceremonies on July 26 in Cooperstown, N.Y. They'll be joined by former Yankees and Indians second baseman Joe Gordon, elected posthumously last

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AP file photo

Former Oakland Athletics player Rickey Henderson holds up third base after breaking Lou Brock's all-time career record for stolen bases during the fourth inning of a game against the New York Yankees in Oakland, Calif., on May 2, 1991. It was his 939th career stolen base.

Area sports coverage is tricky business

I'm coming up on three years as a Magic Valley resident. While that in no terms makes me an expert on the area, it has allowed me to come to one certain conclusion: Sports coverage in south-central Idaho is tricky business.

While the Magic Valley and the Gem State offer some great things in the realm of sports, there's one thing this area lacks: A one-size-fits-all team or event in which residents have an overarching interest.

Exhibit A: College of Southern Idaho athletics.

A segment of Magic Valley society, particularly in Twin Falls, is passionate about the Golden Eagles. From CSI boosters to season ticket holders or frequent game attendees, these folks love Golden Eagle athletics and enjoy reading about them in the *Times-News*.

But based on the periodic e-mails and phone calls I receive, there's another group that could care less about CSI. Their argument: None of these kids (CSI athletes) is from around here, so why should we care to read about them.

Ironically, no one ever offers this argument when it comes to our coverage of Boise State football, which draws the bulk of its players from outside the state. While some readers cling to the above argument about CSI coverage, they conveniently set it aside when discussing the Broncos, as if they and their family own numerous beanies made personally for them by Ian Johnson, who happened to be their favorite young man in the neighborhood growing up.

Because there's a heavy following in the Magic Valley, we provide ample coverage of BSU. Each time we do, we hear from the University of Idaho alums. They love their team and want coverage, too. And we deliver with three or more stories each week during football season. (Note: A story on the Broncos does not represent a slap in the face of Vandal fans.)

There are also decent fan bases for BYU, Utah State and Idaho State in the area, craving football and men's basketball coverage.

And, of course, we have a large following for high school sports, which brings us to the next coverage conundrum. Some readers want nothing but prep sports in the *Times-News*. Others want everything but high school coverage, preferring pro and college news.

How does the saying go? You can please some of the people all of the time and all of the people some of the time ...

Our answer: Do our best to do it all. From high school athletics to CSI, from Boise State to Idaho and ISU. From the preps to pros, we try to balance our daily content, and we're curious to see how we're doing. That's why we've posted another sports readership survey at www.magicvalley.com. We offered a similar opportunity in the fall, which resulted in a landslide win for high school football and Boise State football. We bumped up coverage of both accordingly.

Now, we're talking winter sports. So log on to <http://www.magicvalley.com/sports> and make your opinion known. Whether you love Filer girls basketball, Minico wrestling, CSI hoops or all Vandals all the time, let us know. We're listening.

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AP sources: Grand jury looking at Clemens case

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Nearly a year after Roger Clemens told Congress he did not use performance-enhancing drugs, a federal grand jury is being asked to determine whether he should be indicted on charges of lying under oath.

The grand-jury probe was confirmed to The Associated Press on Monday by two people who were briefed on the matter. Both spoke on condition of anonymity because grand jury proceedings are supposed to be secret.

Congress asked the Justice Department to look into whether the seven-time Cy Young Award winner lied last February, when he testified under oath at a deposi-



AP file photo

Former New York Yankees baseball pitcher Roger Clemens is sworn-in on Capitol Hill in Washington, prior to testifying before the House Oversight, and Government Reform committee hearing on drug use in baseball on Feb. 13, 2008.

tion and a public House hearing that he never took

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Trojans trip Indians

By Diane Philbin
Times-News writer

After losing to Sawtooth Conference Idaho Conference foe Kimberly nine days ago and suffering a defeat last Friday night at home at the hands of the Valley Vikings, Wendell needed to focus and be prepared to do the things that they were capable of doing to come out on the right end of things against the Shoshone Indians.

After stepping up on defense in the second half, the Trojans rolled to a 51-29 victory over the Indians.

"After trailing Valley on Friday night and coming back in the second half, the girls learned how good they can be," said Wendell coach Delon Huse. "They just need to come ready to play every game from the start. This team is capable of being very good and they appear to be coming together."

The Trojans' overall intensity on defense was evident to Huse.

"We held them to 14 points for three quarters and that tells me that everyone was doing their job."

During the first half, it was more the Indians not having the offensive presence rather than the Wendell defense as Shoshone had the opportunities, but many shots were not falling.

"We just needed to be more patient," said Shoshone coach Tim Chapman. "If we could have hit some shots, we could have gotten back in it. The third quarter hurt us, but we outscored them 15-14 in the fourth. The girls played hard, and I was pleased with our effort."

Junior Kristen Brandsma came out with a strong effort in the first quarter scoring eight of the 13 points that the Trojans put on the board. Brandsma ended with 12 points, and Krystyl Miller followed with 10

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Okur scores career-high 43 in Jazz win over Pacers

SALT LAKE CITY — Mehmet Okur scored a career-high 43 points and the Utah Jazz held off a late rally by Indiana in a 120-113 victory over the Pacers on Monday night.

Andrei Kirilenko scored 23 points and pulled down 12 rebounds and Deron Williams added 11 assists and 23 points, including a late 3-pointer to help the Jazz finally put away the Pacers.

Indiana had trailed by 20 late in the third quarter, but would not let the Jazz clinch it until the final minute.

Danny Granger had 30 points and seven assists, one night after tying his career high with 42 points in a loss at Golden State.

Utah Jazz forward Andrei Kirilenko (47) breaks up a shot attempt by Indiana Pacers forward Stephen Graham (23) Monday during the second quarter of a game in Salt Lake City.



AP photo

CELTICS 115, RAPTORS 109, OT

BOSTON — Paul Pierce scored nine of his season-high 39 points in overtime and Boston beat Toronto Raptors for the second time in a row, 115-109 Monday night.

One day after Ray Allen's 36 points led Boston to a 94-88 win in Toronto, Pierce led a

comeback from a 10-point deficit midway through the third quarter and carried the Celtics to their second straight win after they lost four in a row.

Pierce also had nine rebounds, while Kevin Garnett added 20 points and 12 rebounds. Andrea Bargnani, whose 3-pointer

with 1 second left sent the game into overtime tied at 93, led the Raptors with 23 points, and Chris Bosh had 18 points and 11 rebounds.

BUCKS 97, WIZARDS 91

WASHINGTON — Michael Redd scored 29 points, a healthy Andrew Bogut added 18 points and 10 rebounds,

and Washington blew another fourth-quarter lead.

Trading baskets down the stretch with Wizards guard Nick Young — who scored a career-high 30 — Redd helped Milwaukee overcome a deficit that was 13 points in the second quarter, 11 at halftime and five entering the final period.

After Young made a 16-foot fadeaway jumper to pull Washington within 90-89, Redd answered with a 3-pointer with less than 1½ minutes left. Young missed a 3 as the shot-clock expired on Washington's next possession, and that was that.

It's the 12th time this season the Eastern Conference-worst Wizards lost a game after leading in the fourth quarter.

NETS 103, THUNDER 99, OT

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Rookie Brook Lopez scored a career-high 31 points and pulled down 13 rebounds.

Vince Carter had 21 while Devin Harris, back after missing three of the previous four games with a hamstring

injury, had 17. Keyon Dooling had 14, most coming early in the fourth quarter as the Nets earned a fourth straight home win after starting the season 5-12 in New Jersey.

Kevin Durant had 26 points for the Thunder, who fell to 6-33, and 2-17 on the road.

Russell Westbrook had 17 points, Jeff Green finished with 15 points and 10 rebounds, former Net Nenad Krstic had 12 points and Earl Watson scored 11 points.

KNICKS 101, HORNETS 95

NEW ORLEANS — David Lee scored 24 points and New York ended a three-game losing streak.

Quentin Richardson and Al Harrington each hit 3-pointers inside the final 1:14 to ensure the Knicks withstood a furious Hornets rally that trimmed a 14-point lead down to three late in the game.

Harrington finished with 20 points, while Wilson Chandler scored 19 points, hitting a jumper with 2:07 left and a driving layup soon after to help keep the Hornets at bay.

David West had 25 points and 14 rebounds for the Hornets, but was 6-of-20 from the field. Chris Paul added 23 points for New Orleans.

TRAIL BLAZERS 109, BULLS 95

CHICAGO — Travis Outlaw had a season-high 33 points, Greg Oden scored 17 while grabbing 13 rebounds, and the Portland Trail Blazers beat the Chicago Bulls 109-95 on Monday night.

It was a good start to the week for the Trail Blazers, who were coming off a rather chaotic one. They found themselves in an old, familiar spot — the center of controversy — for sending an e-mail to teams threatening legal action if they signed former forward Darius Miles, but the current players are doing a good job ignoring any distractions.

While Brandon Roy (11 points) and LaMarcus Aldridge (eight points) were rather quiet, Outlaw and Oden were locked in as the Blazers earned their third straight win.

— The Associated Press

Oklahoma ousts Texas in Norman

Pattillo plays first game for Sooners

NORMAN, Okla. — Blake Griffin racked up his 14th double-double with 20 points and 10 rebounds to lead No. 6 Oklahoma to a 78-63 victory over No. 11 Texas on Monday night, snapping a six-game losing streak to the Longhorns.

Willie Warren scored 17 points and Tony Crocker added 16 points and nine rebounds for the Sooners (16-1, 2-0 Big 12), who built a big lead early and then thwarted a second-half rally.

Damion James brought Texas (12-4, 1-1) within 54-50 with a 3-pointer with 11:13 to play, but the Longhorns then went 6 1/2 minutes without scoring.

Warren's driving layup started a 12-0 run for the Sooners, and Taylor Griffin's two free throws pushed the lead to 66-50 with 5:05 remaining.

A.J. Abrams led Texas with 22 points on 8-for-26 shooting, and James scored 12.

Junior Juan Pattillo made his season debut for the Sooners, going 0-for-1 from the field with one personal foul. The former College of Southern Idaho forward had been listed as a redshirt prior



AP photo

Texas forward Gary Johnson, left, grabs a rebound from in front of Oklahoma forward Taylor Griffin Monday during the first half of their game in Norman, Okla. Oklahoma won the game 78-63.

to Monday night's nationally televised game.

Pattillo averaged 17.4 points and 6.4 rebounds as a CSI sophomore.

NO. 20 LOUISVILLE 87, NO. 12 NOTRE DAME 73, OT

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Terrence Williams had 24 points, 16 rebounds and eight assists for the Cardinals, who won their fourth straight.

Freshman Samardo Samuels added 18 points, six rebounds and four blocks and Earl Clark had 15 points

and 10 rebounds for Louisville (12-3, 3-0 Big East).

Luke Harangody had 28 points and 13 rebounds but went scoreless in overtime before fouling out with 5 seconds remaining. Kyle McAlarney added 19 points for Notre Dame (12-4, 3-2), which made just one field goal over the game's final 12 minutes.

The victory gave the Cardinals their best start since joining the Big East in 2005. Up next for Louisville is No. 1 Pittsburgh on Saturday.

— The Associated Press

Dungy

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Tampa Bay staff who have had head coaching jobs are Herm Edwards, now with Kansas City, Chicago's Lovie Smith, Pittsburgh's Mike Tomlin and former Detroit coach Rod Marinelli.

Dungy also set league records for most consecutive playoff seasons (10) and consecutive 12-win seasons (six), and leaves with the highest average of any coach in league history (10.7).

And those around the league acknowledged Dungy's legacy will be the way he won.

"People often say that teams reflect their head coach, and that can be said of Tony Dungy's teams, which are consistent win-

ners every single year," New England coach Bill Belichick said. "Tony has been such a fixture in this league that his absence will take some getting used to."

Dungy has always considered faith, family and football to be his priorities.

But he always wound up back on the sideline. Last year, he returned to help open the Colts' new stadium after Irsay agreed to let Dungy commute home on his private jet.

Although Dungy said the travel was not a burden and enjoyed this season, clearly, the time away from home was something that tugged at Dungy's heart.

Even Irsay sensed this would be Dungy's last go-around before their Sunday night meeting.

"I knew this day would come some time, it always does in life," Irsay said, tearing up. "It's been an incredible journey, and as an owner, I think, you dream of having the kind of relationship with a head coach that I've had with Tony."

The decision came a little more than a week after the Colts lost their first playoff game for the second straight season, and it ends a coaching career in which Dungy reached one NFC championship game and two AFC championship games.

In addition, Dungy finished his six-year tenure in Tampa and his seven-year stint in Indy as the career leader in victories for both franchises, finishing with an overall record of 148-79.

Trojans

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including a pair of 3-pointers. Jori Fleming pulled down a game-high nine boards.

"We did good on the boards," said Fleming. "We'll need to be able to control the boards in the conference games."

Kelly Perron led the Indians with seven points.

"Wendell is good," said Chapman. "They have what it takes."

Wendell (10-3, 3-1 SCIC) is on the road at Gooding on Thursday. Shoshone (7-7, 1-1 Snake River Conference North Division) hosts

Lighthouse Christian on Friday.

Wendell 51, Shoshone 29
Shoshone 6 2 15 - 29
Wendell 13 9 15 14 - 51
SHOSHONE (29)

Taylor Astle 5, Lacey Kniep 4, Emilla Silva 1, Jennica Kermer 4, Michelle Aoi 2, Jenny Perron 6, Kelly Perron 7. Totals 9 10 19 29.

Wendell (51)
Jori Fleming 9, Laurie Andrus 3, Krystyl Miller 10, Jaci Lancaster 9, Kristen Brandsma 12, Erin O'Brien 4, Heather Sturgeon 4. Totals 17 14 20 51.

Castleford boys earn conference victory

Times-News

A second-half surge of energy was the difference Monday for the Castleford boys basketball team, which defeated its Snake River Conference South Division opponent Raft River 47-42 at home.

"We took care of the ball and limited our opponents' second shots," Wolves coach Dan Winn said. "I'm proud of the kids."

Nick Howard, Oscar Vargas, Tyler Hansen and Ethan Tverdy each scored in double figures for the Wolves. Tverdy also pulled down nine boards. Jordan Scott's 11 points paced the Trojans.

On Thursday, Castleford (5-3, 2-1) will host Sho-Ban, and Raft River will travel to Hansen.

Castleford 47, Raft River 42

Raft River 14 9 8 11 - 42
Castleford 13 6 15 13 - 47

RAFT RIVER (42)
Cade Powers 7, Rio Manning 7, Taylor Thacker 3, Bridger Barrett 10, Jordan Scott 11, Braden Ottley 4. Totals 16 2 4 5 42.

CASTLEFORD (47)
Dylan Kinyon 2, Nick Howard 12, Oscar Vargas 10, Tyler Hansen 11, Ethan Tverdy 12. Totals 17 13 19 47.

3-point goals: Raft River 2 (Powers, Manning). Total fouls: Raft River 12; Castleford 11. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

HANSEN 80, LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 42

The Hansen boys basketball team beat Lighthouse Christian 80-42 Monday.

Mario Arevalo, Jesus Guerrero and Kelly Coates each scored more than 15 points for the Huskies. Zane Jesser led the Lions with 14.

Hansen (8-4, 0-2 Snake River Conference South) will host conference foe Raft River Thursday.

Hansen 80, Lighthouse Christian 42

Lighthouse Christian 11 16 11 4 - 42
Hansen 22 18 28 17 - 80

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN (42)
Aaron Borchardt 4, Ian Fadness 4, Evan Aardema 10, Chase Dille 8, Zane Jesser 14, Gabe Heath 2. Totals 16 6 13 42.

HANSEN (80)
Laton Stanger 6, Mario Arevalo 20, Jesus Guerrero 19, Robby Leiser 2, Blake Harris 6, Baxter Morse 2, Kelly Coates 15, Derrek Bates 6, Carlos Vargas 4. Totals 31 15 24 80.

3-point goals: LC 4 (Aardema 2, Dille 2); Hansen 3 (Arevalo 3). Total fouls: LC 20; Hansen 17. Fouled out: LC, Fadness, Borchardt. Technical fouls: none.

TWIN FALLS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 60, MAGIC VALLEY CHRISTIAN 42

The Twin Falls Christian Academy boys basketball team defeated Magic Valley Christian 60-42 Monday.

Three Warriors scored in double figures, led by Clint Irvin with 20 points. Austin Brown scored 12, and Tommy Broadfield added 11 points and nine rebounds.

The Conquerors will host Dietrich tonight, while the Warriors (7-1) will travel to Fairfield Thursday to face Camas County.

Twin Falls Christian Academy 60, Magic Valley Christian 42

MVC 4 12 7 10 - 42
TFCA 17 16 3 26 - 60

MVC (42)
Andre Briggs 4, Josh Griffith 2, Dylan VanEsch 5, John Hesse 2, Zach VanEsch 16, Mat McClimans 13. Totals 18 4 9 42.

TFCA (60)
Austin Brown 12, Ethan Paz 5, Jesse Bolyard 4, James Garrison 8, Tommy Broadfield 11, Clint Irvin 20. Totals 25 8 14 60.

3-point goals: MVC 2 (Z. VanEsch 2); TFCA 2 (Garrison 2). Total fouls: MVC 11; TFCA 9. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

BOWLING

JEROME, FILER VARSITY SQUADS SPLIT IN FILER

The Jerome varsity boys defeated Filer Monday in a dual at Cedar Lanes in Filer. The Tigers rolled a 734 to the Wildcats' 595. The Jerome junior varsity team also won.

On the girls side, Filer beat Jerome 577-540 in varsity action, while Jerome JV won 465-385.

LATE SATURDAY BOWLING

BURLEY BOYS, TFHS GIRLS WIN IN I.F.

The Burley boys bowling team finished second behind Boise High Saturday at the Eastern Invitational in Idaho Falls. Twin Falls came in third. Boise defeated Burley 296-284. The boys individual winner was Minico's Jared Studer with a 649.

The Twin Falls girls team defeated Burley for first place with a score of 403-317. Minico came in third. Bridget Albertson of Minico rolled a 573 for the girls individual title.

Clemens

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uled for a March trial on charges he lied to a federal grand jury in 2003 when he denied knowingly using performance-enhancing drugs. That is part of a separate investigation in California that also ensnared star Olympic sprinter Marion Jones, who was sentenced to six months in prison for lying about her steroid use.

McNamee's lawyer, Richard Emery, said his client has not been called as a grand jury witness or received a subpoena. But Emery does expect McNamee to testify again.

"We will be cooperating. We've been in contact with the federal authorities for a year and a half," Emery said. "We look forward to the results, which we fully expect will show that Brian has been telling the truth all along."

Clemens' former teammate, Andy Pettitte, also has not received a subpoena. Pettitte corroborated some of McNamee's claims in a sworn statement to Congress.

Former New York Mets clubhouse attendant Kirk Radomski, sentenced to five

years' probation last year after pleaded guilty to distributing steroids and laundering money, led investigators to McNamee.

McNamee told federal agents and baseball investigator George Mitchell that he injected Clemens more than a dozen times with steroids and HGH from 1998-01. Clemens' repeated denials of those accusations drew Congress' attention — and the former pitcher then made more denials under oath.

Clemens also filed a civil defamation suit against McNamee, a case pending in federal court in Houston.

Since the referral by Congress, federal investigators have been probing Clemens' past.

Shaun Kelley, owner of a Houston training center, said he had taken a polygraph test for FBI investigators John Longmire and Heather Young in April and that he had denied meeting Clemens or providing the pitcher or any of the pitcher's associates with illegal substances. Kelley said he employed Clemens' stepsister Bonnie Owens for about a year.

Barry Bonds, baseball's career home run leader and a seven-time MVP, is sched-

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Dallas	22	15	.595
Memphis	11	26	.297
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Denver	25	13	.658
Portland	23	14	.622
Utah	23	15	.605
Minnesota	11	25	.306
Oklahoma City	6	33	.154
PACIFIC			
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Phoenix	21	13	.618
Golden State	11	28	.282
Sacramento	8	29	.216
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Sunday's Games			
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Golden State 120, Indiana 117			
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Monday's Games			
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New Jersey at Boston, 5:30 p.m.			
Washington at New York, 5:30 p.m.			
Miami at Milwaukee, 6 p.m.			
Utah at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m.			
L.A. Lakers at Dallas, 6:30 p.m.			
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, 7 p.m.			
Atlanta at L.A. Clippers, 8 p.m.			
Sacramento at Golden State, 8:30 p.m.			
NBA OUTLINE			
Bucks 97, Wizards 91			
Milwaukee (97)			
Jefferson 39 2-8, Mbah a Moute 3-7 2-2 8,			
Bogut 9-12 0-10, Redd 11-20 4-29,			
Ridnour 4-11 5-14, Villanueva 6-12 3-4 16,			
Gadzuric 0-0 0-0, Sessions 2-5 0-1 4,			
Alexander 0-2 0-0, Allen 0-1 0-0 0, Lue 0-1			
0-0. Totals: 38-80 16-18-97.			
WASHINGTON (94)			
McGuire 3-10 2-2, Jamison 9-14 4-5 25,			
Blatche 5-8 0-0 10, Butler 2-13 2-2 6, James			
2-12 4-8, Thomas 0-3 0-0, Young 12-19			
3-4 30, McGeer 1-2 0-2, Crittenton 2-3 0-0 4,			
Songaila 1-3 2-2 4. Totals: 35-80 15-17-91.			
Milwaukee 25 16 28 21 - 97			
Washington 25 19 32 17 - 91			
3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 5-18 (Redd 3-9,			
Villanueva 1-2, Ridnour 1-3, Lue 0-1,			
Jefferson 0-3), Washington 6-13 (Jamison 3-5,			
Young 3-6, James 0-2), Fouled Out—None.			
Rebounds—Milwaukee 41 (Mbah a Moute,			
Bogut 10), Washington 50 (McGuire 10).			
Assists—Milwaukee 25 (Ridnour 10),			
Washington 20 (McGuire 5). Total Fouls—			
Milwaukee 19, Washington 19. Technicals—			
Blatche, Washington defensive three second			
3. A—13,510 (20,173).			
Knicks 101, Hornets 95			
NEW YORK (101)			
W.Chandler 9-17 0-10, Lee 12-16 0-1 24,			
Jeffries 1-8 4-3, Richardson 2-7 4-6 3,			
Duhon 2-7 4-5 10, Harrington 6-19 6-6 20,			
Robinson 3-5 2-0 7, Thomas 4-7 0-0 9. Totals			
39-89 15-22 101.			
NEW ORLEANS (95)			
Stojakovic 3-12 0-0 8, West 6-20 13-14 25,			
T.Chandler 5-11 0-10, Butler 7-13 2-2 18,			
Paul 8-19 5-6 23, Posey 3-4 0-0 2, Ely 2-3 0-0			
4, Armstrong 0-0 0-0, Daniels 1-3 2-2 5.			
Peterson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals: 33-86 22-24 95.			
New York 23 24 22 32 - 101			
New Orleans 23 17 23 32 - 95			
3-Point Goals—New York 8-25 (Duhon 2-4,			
Harrington 2-8, Thomas 1-1, W.Chandler 1-2,			
Richardson 2-4, Robinson 1-3, Jeffries 0-1).			
New Orleans 7-23 (Paul 2-5, Butler 2-6,			
Stojakovic 2-7, Daniels 1-2, West 0-1, Posey			
0-2), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New York			
58 (Harrington 10), New Orleans 54 (West			
14). Assists—New York 30 (Duhon 9), New			
Orleans 18 (Paul 7). Total Fouls—New York			
18, New Orleans 20. Technical—New Orleans			
defensive three second. A—16,177 (17,188).			
Jazz 120, Pacers 113			
INDIANA (113)			
Granger 10-19 4-4 30, Murphy 4-9 2-2 12,			
Hibbert 3-4 1-1 7, Graham 2-4 1-2 5, Jack 5-			
10 2-2 13, Nesterovic 6-11 0-0 12, Dunleavy			
7-14 3-20, Foster 4-7 3-5 11, Diener 1-6 0-			
0-3, Rush 0-0 0-0. Totals: 42-84 16-19 113.			
UTAH (120)			
Brewer 5-10 2-12, Kirilenko 6-18 11-12 23,			
Okur 13-19 14-15 43, Price 3-8 2-2 10,			
Williams 8-17 5-23, Koufos 0-3 0-0 0,			
Korver 3-7 0-7, Knight 0-2 0-0, Harpring			
1-1 0-2, Almond 0-0 0-0. Totals: 39-85 34-			
37 120.			
Indiana 32 34 26 24 - 113			
Utah 36 34 26 24 - 120			
3-Point Goals—Indiana 13-22 (Granger 6-7,			

Dunleavy 3-5, Murphy 2-4, Jack 1-2, Diener 1-4), Utah 8-18 (Okur 3-4, Price 2-5, Williams 2-5, Korver 1-2, Kirilenko 0-2), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 46 (Murphy 10), Utah 48 (Kirilenko 12), Assists—Indiana 34 (Diener 8), Utah 24 (Williams 11), Total Fouls—Indiana 27, Utah 20. Technicals—Indiana defensive three second 2. A—19,911 (19,911).

BOSTON (115), Raptors 109, OT

TORONTO (109)
Moon 3-7 0-0 8, Bosh 6-11 6-7 18, Bargnani 9-20 3-3 23, Parker 4-10 2-2 11, Solomon 4-6 0-0 10, Kapono 2-6 3-4 7, Ukiic 7-12 0-0 16, Humphries 3-5 3-4 9, Graham 1-5 5-6 7. Totals: 39-82 22-26 109.

BOSTON (115)
Pierce 13-26 10-11 39, Garnett 7-15 6-6 20, Scalabrine 4-9 0-1 11, R.Allen 5-10 1-1 12, Rondo 4-9 1-2 9, Davis 2-4 1-1 5, House 2-4 0-0 6, Powe 4-7 2-5 10, Pruitt 1-4 0-0 3, O'Bryant 0-0 0-0. Totals: 42-88 21-26 115.

Toronto 23 21 24 15 - 109
Boston 19 26 19 22 - 115

3-Point Goals—Toronto 9-22 (Ukiic 2-2, Solomon 2-3, Moon 2-4, Bargnani 2-6, Parker 1-4, Kapono 0-3), Boston 10-24 (Scalabrine 3-7, Pierce 3-8, House 2-4, Pruitt 1-2, R.Allen 1-3), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Toronto 44 (Bosh 11), Boston 54 (Garnett 12), Assists—Toronto 20 (Solomon 5), Boston 26 (Rondo 8), Total Fouls—Toronto 23, Boston 23. Technical—Bosh, A—18,624 (18,624).

Nets 103, Thunder 99, OT

OKLAHOMA CITY (99)
Durant 9-20 6-7 26, Green 4-15 6-6 15, Collison 3-5 2-2 8, Mason 2-4 0-0 4, Westbrook 7-18 5-5 19, Watson 5-7 1-1 11, Kstic 4-8 4-12, Weaver 1-2 0-0 2, Wilcox 1-2 0-2 0. Totals: 38-81 24-29 99.

NEW JERSEY (103)
Simmons 2-3 0-0 5, Anderson 3-13 0-0 6, Lopez 10-17 11-12 31, Carter 8-17 3-4 21, Harris 7-22 2-2 17, Hayes 2-8 0-0 5, Najera 2-5 0-0 4, Dooling 5-9 3-4 14, Boone 0-3 0-0 0, Douglas-Roberts 0-0 0-0. Totals: 39-97 19-22 103.

Oklahoma City 25 26 14 23 - 99
New Jersey 25 19 23 21 - 103

3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 3-10 (Durant 2-5, Green 1-2, Weaver 0-1, Westbrook 0-2), New Jersey 6-26 (Carter 2-5, Simmons 1-2, Dooling 1-3, Harris 1-5, Hayes 1-6, Najera 0-1, Anderson 0-1), Fouled Out—Collison. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 52 (Green 10), New Jersey 59 (Lopez 13), Assists—Oklahoma City 20 (Watson 9), New Jersey 19 (Harris 8), Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 21, New Jersey 25. Technical—New Jersey defensive three second. A—12,972 (19,990).

Trail Blazers 109, Bulls 95

PORTLAND (109)
Batum 1-3 2-2 5, Aldridge 3-8 2-2 8, Oden 5-7 7-9 17, Roy 3-4 1-3 11, Blake 6-14 0-0 16, Utterback 9-14 11-13 33, Przbilski 1-0 0-2 2, Fernandez 3-7 1-1 8, Rodriguez 1-3 0-0 2, Bayless 3-4 1-1 7. Totals: 34-73 30-34 109.

CHICAGO (95)
Sefolosha 4-6 0-0 8, Thomas 0-0 3-5 3, Gooden 10-20 2-2 22, Gordon 5-12 6-8 17, Ross 5-14 5-13, Hinrich 2-5 0-0 4, Deng 3-10 5-8 14, Noah 1-1 2-3, Nocioni 1-3 1-7, Gray 0-0 0-0 0, Hughes 2-3 0-0 4. Totals: 33-76 27-34 95.

Portland 21 28 28 32 - 109
Chicago 28 17 29 - 95

3-Point Goals—Portland 11-23 (Outlaw 4-5, Blake 4-9, Roy 1-1, Batum 1-2, Fernandez 1-2, Rodriguez 1-1), Chicago 12-33 (Gordon 4-3, Nocioni 1-4, Deng 0-1, Sefolosha 0-1, Hinrich 0-2, Rose 0-2), Fouled Out—Nocioni. Rebounds—Portland 46 (Oden 13), Chicago 47 (Gooden 9), Assists—Portland 22 (Blake 10), Chicago 21 (Rose 10), Total Fouls—Portland 27, Chicago 24. A—18,996 (21,711).

Western Athletic Conference

Regional standings

Western Athletic Conf

Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Utah St.	3	0	1.000	15	3	.938
Boise St.	3	0	1.000	12	3	.800
Nevada	2	1	.667	9	5	.633
Idaho	2	1	.667	8	5	.600
New Mexico St.	2	2	.500	8	9	.471
Hawaii	1	3	.250	8	8	.500
San Jose St.	1	3	.250	7	7	.500
Louisiana Tech	1	3	.250	7	10	.412
Fresno St.	0	2	.000	7	10	.412

Big Sky Conf

Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Weber St.	3	0	1.000	9	7	.563
Portland St.	4	1	.800	13	5	.722
Montana	3	1	.750	9	7	.563
E. Washington	3	2	.600	9	8	.529
Montana St.	2	2	.500	9	6	.600
N. Colorado	1	2	.333	5	11	.313
Idaho St.	1	2	.333	4	13	.235
N. Arizona	1	4	.250	4	12	.250
Sacramento St.	0	4	.000	11	16	.059

Mountain West Conf

Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
San Diego St.	2	0	1.000	12	3	.800
BYU	2	0	1.000	11	5	.688
TCU	1	0	1.000	13	2	.867
Washington	1	1	.500	14	7	.733
UNLV	1	1	.500	13	8	.615
Utah	1	1	.500	10	6	.625
New Mexico	1	1	.500	10	7	.588
Wyoming	0	1	.000	11	4	.733
Air Force	0	2	.000	9	6	.600
Colorado St.	0	2	.000	6	11	.313

Pacific-10 Conf

Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
California	4	0	1.000	15	2	.882
UCLA	3	0	1.000	13	2	.867
Arizona St.	3	1	.750	14	2	.875
Washington	2	1	.667	11	4	.733
Arizona	2	2	.500	11	5	.688
Southern Cal.	1	2	.333	10	5	.667
Washington St.	1	2	.333	9	6	.600
Stanford	1	3	.250	11	3	.786
Oregon	1	3	.250	6	8	.429
Oregon St.	0	4	.000	10	6	.617

Scenic West Athletic Conference standings

Men

Team	SWAC	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
North Idaho	2	0	1.000	17	0	1.000	
Salt Lake CC	1	0	1.000	14	0	.933	
Eastern Utah	1	1	.500	15	1	.938	
CSCI	1	1	.500	14	3	.824	
Snow College	0	1	.000	13	3	.813	
CC NW CC	0	2	.000	2	14	.125	

Women's college basketball

Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
1. Connecticut (45)	15-0	1.025	1			
2. North Carolina	15-0	1.000	2			

GAME PLAN

LOCAL

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL
7:30 p.m.
Jerome at Wood River
Kimberly at Wendell
Richfield at Camas County
Twin Falls at Minico
Community School at Murtaugh
Sho-Ban at Shoshone
Dietrich at Magic Valley
Christian, Jerome
Century at Burley
Soda Springs at Declo

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL
6 p.m.
Richfield at Camas County
Lighthouse Christian at Twin Falls Christian
Dietrich at Magic Valley
Christian
Mackay at Carey

7:30 p.m.
Declo at Valley
Filer at Kimberly
Hansen at Castletford
Richfield at Camas County
Oakley at Raft River

HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING
6 p.m.
Buhl, Valley at Gooding

TV SCHEDULE

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
5 p.m.
ESPN — Indiana at Ohio St.
5:30 p.m.
ESPN2 — Memphis at Tulsa
7 p.m.
ESPN — Kentucky at Tennessee

NHL HOCKEY
5 p.m.
VERSUS — Montreal at Boston

USA Today/ESPN Top 25 Poll

Rank	Team	W	L	Pts	Pts
1.	Pittsburgh (29)	15-0	173	1	

Red Sox announce Smoltz signing for \$5.5 million

BOSTON — The Boston Red Sox are formally announcing the signing of pitcher John Smoltz, who spent the first 21 years of his career with the Atlanta Braves.

The Red Sox have scheduled a news conference for 10 a.m. Tuesday to announce the signing.

Preliminary agreement was reached last week on the deal, believed to be one year and \$5.5 million, with a possible added \$5 million in performance bonuses. The deal was expected to be contingent on Smoltz passing a physical on Monday.

The 41-year-old Smoltz is the only pitcher in baseball history with 200 wins and 150 saves. He was sidelined most of last season after major shoulder surgery, but has said he feels healthy enough to pitch at least one more year.

SCIOSCIA UNDER CONTRACT WITH ANGELS FOR 10 YEARS

LOS ANGELES — Mike Scioscia's extension with the Los Angeles Angels puts the



AP photo

In this April 27, 2008 file photo, Former Atlanta Braves pitcher John Smoltz delivers a pitch during the second inning against the New York Mets at Shea Stadium in New York on April 27, 2008. Smoltz has signed with the Boston Red Sox.

most successful manager in franchise history under contract through the 2018 season.

Two people with knowledge of the negotiations told

The Associated Press the parties agreed to a 10-year deal that allows Scioscia to opt out after the 2015 season. The people spoke on condition of anonymity because

contract terms have not been released.

The contract length and opt-out clause were first reported on BigJoeonline.com, a Los Angeles-based sports Web site.

"It's a significant commitment from myself, (Angels owner) Arte Moreno and (general manager) Tony Reagins," Scioscia said Monday. "I think it reflects on their confidence that we're moving in the right direction and will continue to move in the right direction until we get back to the World Series and win a championship. That's our goal."

The Angels announced last Monday that the parties agreed in principle on a multi-year extension. Previously, Scioscia was under contract through next season with a club option for 2010 for about \$2 million per season. Reagins would only say the extension "goes well beyond" 2010.

"This is where I want to be," Scioscia said. "I think it's a great place to be if you love

this game. I'm excited about moving forward with this organization. Arte and Tony made a significant commitment to me and the philosophy our staff brings to this organization."

The Angels have an 803-655 record for a winning percentage of .551 in nine seasons under Scioscia, who turned 50 in November. They won the World Series in 2002 and have won four of the last five AL West titles.

The Angels were baseball's only 100-game winners in 2008, but were eliminated by the Boston Red Sox in the AL division series for the second consecutive year.

OMAR INFANTE, BRAVES AGREE TO \$4.3M, 2-YEAR DEAL

ATLANTA — Omar Infante, who started 77 games at five positions for Atlanta last season, agreed Monday to a \$4,325,000, two-year contract with the Braves.

The deal with the 27-year-old, who had been eligible for salary arbitration, includes a club option for 2011. Infante had been eligi-

ble for free agency after next season.

Infante hit .293 with 24 doubles, three home runs and 40 RBIs in 2008. He hit .341 with runners in scoring position.

The versatile Infante started 26 games at third base and 26 in left field. He also started at shortstop, second base and center field and appeared in 96 games.

Infante has a .260 career batting average with Detroit and Atlanta. He was traded from Detroit to the Chicago Cubs on Nov. 12, 2007, and the Cubs traded Infante and pitcher Will Ohman to the Braves less than one month later for pitcher Jose Ascanio.

Infante will get \$1.85 million this year and \$2,225,000 in 2010, and the Braves hold a \$2.5 million option for 2011 with a \$250,000 buyout. He can earn additional performance bonuses each year based on plate appearances from 180-580: \$300,000 this year, \$775,000 in 2010 and \$1 million in 2011.

— The Associated Press

Pats' offensive coordinator takes over in Denver

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — Josh McDaniels, the man behind the New England Patriots' scoring machine, inherits an offense in Denver that needs only an oil change.

The defense? That needs an overhaul.

The 32-year-old McDaniels signed a four-year deal with the Broncos to replace Mike Shanahan, the only NFL head coach to get fired by a team he led to consecutive Super Bowl wins.

McDaniels guided an offense that had led New England to 18 straight victories before a stunning loss to the New York Giants in last season's Super Bowl. That team scored an NFL-record 75 touchdowns and 589 points.

Under his guidance, Tom Brady threw for a record 50 touchdowns in '07 and came within a whisker of the first 19-0 season in NFL history. McDaniels' star grew even brighter in '08 when Brady was lost with a knee injury in the opener and Matt Cassel, who hadn't started a game since high school, led the Patriots to an 11-5 record.

McDaniels agreed to a four-year deal believed to be worth about \$8 million to replace Shanahan, who was fired 48 hours after the Broncos became the first team in league history to blow a three-game divisional lead with three weeks left.

McDaniels is a baby-faced 32-year-old whiz kid who is younger than many of his players.

McDaniels, who's been around football fields since he was a toddler hanging out at the high school in Canton, Ohio, where his father coached, said his young age shouldn't matter to anybody.

McDaniels goes from one potent offense to another. With talented players like Jay

Cutler, Eddie Royal, Brandon Marshall, Tony Scheffler, Ryan Harris and Ryan Clady, it's seemingly just a healthy running back away from greatness.

The Broncos finished second in the NFL in yards last season but middle of the pack in scoring, done in by Cutler's 18 interceptions, Marshall's 18 drops and an astonishing seven tailbacks on injured reserve.

The Broncos would like to see most of Shanahan's offensive assistants stick around, although McDaniels' hiring put a wrench in Cutler's hopes that position coach Jeremy Bates, another 32-year-old wunderkind who calls the plays, will stay.

SEAHAWKS ADD BRADLEY AS DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

RENTON, Wash. — The remodeling Seattle Seahawks hired Casey Bradley as their defensive coordinator and Dan Quinn as their defensive line coach and assistant head coach Monday.

A team spokesman confirmed the first two hires for new coach Jim Mora's defense.

The 42-year-old Bradley has been the linebackers coach for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers the last two seasons. He arrived there as a quality control assistant in 2006 after he was an assistant at North Dakota State.

The Seahawks finished last in the league this past season in pass defense and 30th in the league in total defense. Detroit, the only team in NFL history to finish 0-16, was the only defense in the NFC ranked lower than Seattle.

Quinn, 38, was an assistant with the New York Jets the past two seasons. He worked with Mora in San Francisco from 2001-03 and will replace Dwaine Board, Holmgren's

defensive line coach the last six years. Former Lions coach Rod Marinelli interviewed last week for the job.

CONGRESS QUESTIONS NFLPA'S SEARCH

Four members of Congress want the Department of Labor to monitor the NFL Players' Association's search for a new executive director, according to a letter obtained Monday by The Associated Press.

In a letter dated Jan. 8, Reps. G. K. Butterfield, Gregory Meeks, Edolphus Towns and Bobby Rush also asked that a "detailed disclosure and description report" of the search be provided to the group and the labor department.

"We would like to ensure the integrity of the search process and that the process is transparent, fair and compliant with all applicable Department of Labor rules and regulations, and the NFLPA Constitution rules and by-laws," they wrote in the letter to Labor Secretary Elaine Chao.

Eight candidates remain in the running to succeed Gene Upshaw as executive director, a person familiar with the search told the AP.

The candidates include former union presidents Troy Vincent, Mike Kenn and Trace Armstrong, sports attorney David Cornwell, former union executive vice president John Spagnola and former NFL player Jim Covert.

Roderick West, CEO of New Orleans' gas and electric companies and Ben Utt, another former NFL player, round out the list.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the individual was not authorized to release the information.

— The Associated Press

Eagles and Ravens not huge surprises

By Dave Goldberg
Associated Press writer

It's time for everyone shocked by three road underdogs winning NFL playoff games this weekend to take a step back and reflect.

Was any result other than Arizona's blowout win in Carolina really so shocking?

Yes, sixth-seeded teams beat top-seeded teams in both conferences, with Baltimore beating Tennessee on Saturday, then Philadelphia defeating the New York Giants on Sunday.

But the Ravens and Eagles were hardly true No. 6 seeds. Philly had won five of six going into its game at the Meadowlands, where it won five weeks ago. And Baltimore would have been a second seed if not for referee Walt Coleman's ability to discern that Santonio Holmes had two feet down and the ball an inch or so over the goal line on what turned out the touchdown catch that decided the AFC North.

That was the second of two close losses to the Steelers, the team the Ravens will face in Pittsburgh on Sunday.

So the only shock is that Arizona, a team that a lot of folks didn't think was worthy of being in the postseason, is a win away from the Super Bowl.

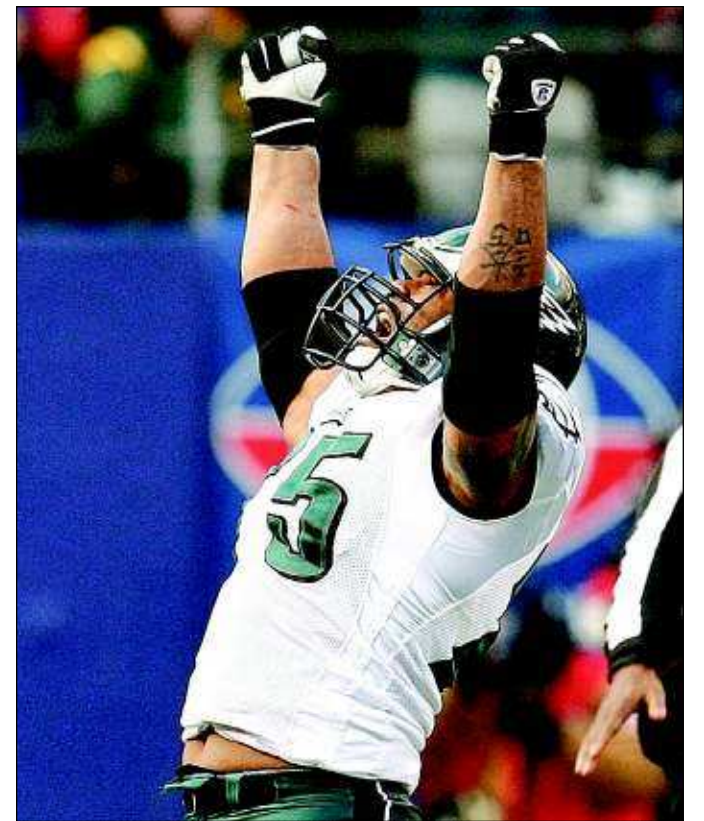
Give credit to coach Ken Whisenunt for getting his team refocused after some awful late-season results, including a 47-7 loss in New England and a 48-20 Thanksgiving night defeat in Philadelphia against the team it will face Sunday.

Until that 33-13 win in Charlotte, the Cardinals had been the only NFC franchise not to make it to the conference title game since the NFL-AFL merger in 1970. Yes, even Detroit got there after the 1991 season.

Their last title of any kind was in 1947 — as the Chicago Cardinals — when Charley Trippi, wearing basketball shoes on an icy Comiskey Park field, totaled 206 yards, 102 on two punt returns and the Cards beat Steve Van Buren and the Eagles 28-21. The Eagles returned the favor the next season, beating the Cardinals 7-0 in Philadelphia for the title.

"I've been an underdog forever," said Antonio Smith, a member of the Cardinals for his entire five-year career. "It's about time we finally proved to everybody what we have."

Smith started the



AP photo

Philadelphia Eagles defensive end Juqua Parker reacts after an Eagles' fourth-quarter interception by Quintin Mikell in their NFL divisional playoff game at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., Sunday. The Eagles defeated the New York Giants 23-11.

turnover festival by Jake Delhomme by stripping the ball from the Carolina quarterback, then falling on it to set up Arizona's go-ahead touchdown. Delhomme followed with five interceptions, one of the most futile QB performances in playoff history — even Ryan Leaf never did that in a career in which he finished 4-21 as a starter.

The other two upsets?

Yes, the home teams were favored and, yes, both could have won.

Tennessee outgained Baltimore 391-211 but lost rookie RB Chris Johnson, the spark to their offense with an ankle injury in the second half and turned the ball over three times in what turned out to be a 13-10 loss. Then the Ravens got a break when a flag wasn't thrown after the play clock ran out before the 23-yard third-down pass from Joe Flacco to Todd Heap that set up Matt Stover's winning field goal.

The Giants, who lost three of their final four games, held Philly to 34 yards in the first 28½ minutes but led only 8-7. Blame that on some dubious offensive playcalling and Eli Manning's continued inability to play well in the Meadowlands wind.

Then Donovan McNabb then got himself into rhythm on a 68-yard drive after New York left too much time on the first-half clock and Philly ended up winning 23-11.

Even the Giants weren't

too surprised. "Obviously, you would like to come into this time of year playing your best ball and obviously we didn't do that," defensive end Justin Tuck said Monday. "Philadelphia came in here and they played a great game, they beat us, and they earned the right to go on and play Arizona."

In fact, the Giants of last year are the perfect example of why there are no real upsets in the playoffs.

They were 10-6 in the regular season and seeded fifth, then won three road games and upset unbeaten and presumably unbeatable New England in the Super Bowl.

As for Philadelphia, the Eagles have never won a Super Bowl, something the residents of southeastern Pennsylvania know all too well.

But they also have been one of the league's most consistent winners in the 10 seasons that McNabb has been their quarterback — this will be their fifth NFC title game in that span. They are three-point favorites on the road in Arizona, in part because of that 28-point Thanksgiving win, in part because their history is so much more distinguished than the Cardinals.

But history tells you that Arizona can win.

All you have to do is look at those Eagles-Cardinals games 60 years ago.

The home team won on both occasions.

Hall

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month by the Veterans Committee.

"I feel great about it. It's been a long time coming," Henderson said. "I was nervous, waiting."

Henderson spoke on a conference call before boarding a flight to New York. He was rushing right along, even on this day.

Only fitting. Next up, his highly anticipated induction speech. Known for his confounding comments, Henderson has a penchant for referring to himself in the third person — at any point during an amusing stream of sometimes indecipherable chatter.

"It's really just an honor to me. I'm really just spaced out," he said. "I haven't really thought about what I'm going

to say."

Henderson was picked on 511 of 539 ballots and Rice was selected on 412, just above the 405 needed.

Rice received only 29.8 percent of the vote in 1995, when he appeared on the ballot for the first time. He initially topped 50 percent in 2000 and reached 64.8 percent in 2006 — the highest percentage for a player who wasn't elected in a later year was 63.4 by Gil Hodges in 1983, his final time on the ballot.

Some thought Rice's prickly personality and curt relationship with reporters during his playing career helped keep him out of the Hall all those years.

"I don't think I was difficult to deal with for writers. I think the writers were difficult to me," he said. "I wasn't going to

badmouth my teammates. When you start talking about my teammates or what goes on outside baseball, I couldn't do that.

"I don't know why it took me so long. I don't even want to think about it," he added. "I'm just happy I'm in and that's what I'm going to cherish."

What did he learn all these years? "Be patient and wait until the last out," Rice said. "I guess everything was just timing, because my numbers have not changed over the last 14 years."

Andre Dawson fell 44 votes short with 67 percent. He was followed by Bert Blyleven (62.7 percent), Lee Smith (44.5), Jack Morris (44.0), Tommy John (31.7) and Tim Lincecum (22.6). John appeared on the ballot for the final time.



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Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

Panel 1: ...means being supportive.

Panel 2: AND THE PERFECT ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATE GOES TO HAMMIE MacPHERSON.

Panel 3: WOOOOO! YEAH! THAT'S MY BOY!

Panel 4: GO HAMMIE! WOOF! WOOF! WOOF!

Panel 5: GO HAMMIE!

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

Panel 1: WHUMP

Panel 2: GOTCHA!

Panel 3: WHAT ARE YOU DOING, SARGE? WE'RE ON THE SAME TEAM!

Panel 4: SORRY, FORCE OF HABIT

Panel 5: GREG + MORT WALKER

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

Panel 1: ALL I HAVE FOR YOU TODAY IS A SHOE CATALOG

Panel 2: THAT'S IT?!

Panel 3: SORRY... MAYBE YOU'D ENJOY MY JACK NICHOLSON IMPERSONATION

Panel 4: NO THANKS!

Panel 5: HOLD IT! CAN YOU DO THAT THING HE DOES WITH THE EYEBROWS?!

Dilbert By Scott Adams

Panel 1: OFFICE ACTING COACH

Panel 2: THIS EXERCISE IS CALLED "THE OVER-WORKED HEADCOUNT."

Panel 3: AYOWAA-AIEEOW!

Panel 4: CAN YOU DO THAT?

Panel 5: ARE YOU KIDDING? I ONLY STOP DOING IT TO BE POLITE.

The Elderberries By Phil Frank and Joe Troise

Panel 1: That Ludmilla sure is one tough nut...

Panel 2: I'd like to know what makes her tick.

Panel 3: Perhaps the best road is the most direct... Why don't you just ask?

Panel 4: Or, ya could wrestle a porcupine with yer bare hands... Both'll git ya th' same results.

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

Panel 1: YOU GAVE DEANNA SOBINSKI YOUR PUDDING CUP AT LUNCH TODAY, SAW YOU!

Panel 2: SO?

Panel 3: SO, WHY DON'T YOU KISS HER IF YOU LIKE HER?

Panel 4: BOP!

Panel 5: THAT'S ENOUGH, YOU TWO! THERE WILL BE NO FIGHTING IN MY CLASS!

Panel 6: SEE YOU OUTSIDE.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

Panel 1: BANQUET TONIGHT

Panel 2: TO OUR GUEST OF HONOR! A MAN AT THE TOP OF HIS FIELD... THE APEX, THE PINNACLE, THE ACME, THE ZENITH...

Panel 3: THANK YOU FOR THAT SYNONYM TOAST.

Panel 4: 1-13-09 THAVES

Garfield By Jim Davis

Panel 1: THERE SHOULD BE WARNINGS FOR ICY SIDEWALKS!

Panel 2: 1-13

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Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

Panel 1: CAN'T YOU EVEN COIL A ROPE PROPERLY?!

Panel 2: WHY ARE YOU GETTING SO EXCITED?

Panel 3: YOU ALWAYS TOLD ME NOT TO GET HUNG UP ON THE SMALL THINGS

Panel 4: CHRIS BROWNE 1-13

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

Panel 1: THAT LITTLE BABY SURE GOES THROUGH A LOT OF DIAPERS.

Panel 2: AT LEAST THEY'RE FROZEN..

Panel 3: ... I HOPE SHE'S TOILET TRAINED BEFORE THE SPRING THAW.

Panel 4: 1-13

Panel 5: BROWNE

Luann By Greg Evans

Panel 1: CLASS, WE HAVE BAD NEWS ABOUT YOUR DC TRIP. YOUR FUND IS \$800 SHORT. WE HAVE TO CUT ONE STUDENT

Panel 2: I HAVE 30 SLIPS OF PAPER HERE - ONE HAS AN X ON IT...

Panel 3: WHEW!

Panel 4: I MADE IT. DELTA?

Panel 5: UM...

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

Panel 1: Dear Grandma, How are you?

Panel 2: Mom and Dad are fine, and my sister and I are fine.

Panel 3: WOOF!

Panel 4: And my dog is fine.

Panel 5: 1-13-09

Panel 6: 2009 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

Pearls Before Swine By Stephan Pastis

Panel 1: I'M REALLY WORRIED ABOUT THE SIZE OF OUR NATIONAL DEBT AND ALL OF OUR GOVERNMENT SPENDING.

Panel 2: YOU KNOW, EVERY TIME SOMEONE DISCUSSES THESE ISSUES, THEY ALWAYS LIKE TO CONVENIENTLY IGNORE THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM.

Panel 3: YOU MEAN SOCIAL SECURITY?

Panel 4: I MEAN THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM.

Panel 5: I LIKE TO DISCUSS ISSUES, TOO.

Panel 6: CRUSH HIM, TINY.

Panel 7: CHECK, PLEASE.

Pickles By Brian Crane

Panel 1: DO YOU KNOW WHAT NELSON ASKED ME?

Panel 2: HE ASKED ME IF I LOVE MY CAT MORE THAN I LOVE HIM.

Panel 3: CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT?

Panel 4: YOU DIDN'T TELL HIM, DID YOU?

Panel 5: 1-13-09

Panel 6: 2009 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

Rose is Rose By Pat Brady

Panel 1: THE SECRET TO ICE SKATING IS FINDING YOUR BALANCE, PASQUALE!

Panel 2: YOU ARE MY BALANCE!

Panel 3: 1-13

Panel 4: 2009 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

Non Sequitur By Wiley

Panel 1: OH... I STAND CORRECTED. THIS STILL WON'T AFFECT COLLECTING YOUR BONUS

Panel 2: THE ETHERAL BROKER

Panel 3: 1-13

Panel 4: 2009 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

Panel 1: THE MILITARY HAS SUFFERED SOME BUDGET CUTBACKS

Panel 2: THAT SHOULDN'T AFFECT US, RIGHT, SIR?

Panel 3: DEPENDS ON HOW FAR YOU CAN THROW AN ARROW

Panel 4: PARKER

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

Panel 1: YOU SHOULD'VE SEEN THE SNOW WE USED TO GET WHEN I WAS YOUR AGE.

Panel 2: 1-13

Panel 3: 2009 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

Panel 1: I THINK JEREMY MAY BE GETTING AS STRONG AS I AM. DOES THAT BOTHER YOU?

Panel 2: WELL... OH, WAIT! PLEASE!

Panel 3: DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE TURNING INTO ONE OF THOSE PATHETIC MIDDLE-AGED MEN WHO BUYS AN EXPENSIVE SET OF WEIGHTS AND NEARLY KILLS HIMSELF TRYING TO KEEP UP WITH HIS TEENAGE SON!

Panel 4: MAYBE HE'LL BE THE ONE TRYING TO BUY A PALLET OF ADVIL WITH ME!

Panel 5: I'M GOING TO COSTO TO BUY A PALLET OF ADVIL

Panel 6: 1-13

Panel 7: 2009 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

Gooding mulls water future

First of several planning meetings held



Willie Ruple checks Gooding irrigation gates in the spring of 2008. Gooding officials are holding a series of public meetings to discuss plans to address current and future water needs.

MARY HANSON/
For the Times-News

By Mary Hanson
Times-News correspondent

The Gooding City Council met Thursday for a public meeting to hear plans to meet the city's current and future irrigation and potable water needs.

Mayor Duke Morton said, "The public meetings will be designed to help Gooding citizens learn about what is being proposed. The meetings will be informational so that people can hear all the facts and talk to their city council members."

James P. Mullen, vice president and project manager for Keller & Associates, the firm hired to do an extensive study for the city, presented his firm's alternative plans based on a 20-year growth projection of Gooding's population

expanding to 4,316 by 2028.

"This study is just the beginning of a process," Mullen said. "There will be many adjustments along the way. Completing a project from here could take two years or more."

At present, Gooding uses surface water from the Little Wood River for a gravity feed irrigation system and a pressurized well water delivery system from ground water for potable water. Gooding does not have a water treatment plant. The city filters and adds chlorine at the city well sites.

When asked how much longer the present system will work, Public Works Director Todd Bunn said, "To 10 years ago."

He explained there are serious demands on water resources but more so on delivery systems and infrastructure which he character-

ized as "just plain worn out." Bunn also said there are state and federal requirements that Gooding cannot currently meet and some that cannot be met in the near future.

"We can't continue this way," Bunn said.

The estimated costs for the alternatives submitted for review range from just more than \$4 million to

more than \$16 million. The plans vary and include such items as water treatment plants, pump station upgrades, corridor transmission lines and well construction. Each calls for different project costs according to the plan.

Costs to home owners vary also according to each alternative. Monthly cost estimates per user are listed from \$33.65 to a high of \$69.

Keller & Associates' plans and other information are available at Gooding City Hall, 305 Fifth Ave. W.

Thursday's was the first of several public meetings, councilmembers said. Dates and times of future meetings will be announced.

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Better with time

Ms. Senior Idaho Pageant entry deadline nears

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

Over 60? Feel beautiful? Or at least talented? The 2009 Ms. Senior Idaho contest will take place on May 2 in Hailey, with the winner going on to compete at the Ms. Senior America Pageant.

"It should be a fun thing to participate in. I went to cheer for a friend at the Mrs. Idaho contest in Boise and it was really fun," said Anna Svidgal, of the Hailey Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is hosting the pageant along with the City of Hailey and Blaine County Senior Connection.

Svidgal's friend was Suzanne Buchanan, the youth and family coordinator for the Wood River Valley YMCA. Buchanan went to Boise as Mrs. Blaine County and ended up first runner-up.

"It was so much fun — a great way to get more involved in the community," Buchanan said. "We had three days preparing with the other gals on the opening number and learning how to walk and conduct the interview. We had everyone from moms to newlyweds, businesswomen to retired women."

The Ms. Idaho Senior Pageant will take place at 2:30 p.m. May 2 at the Community Campus in Hailey.

Themed "Age of Elegance," it is open to delegates from throughout Idaho. The only requirement is that the delegate be 60 "or better" and have lived in Idaho for six months or more.

The deadline for filing an application is Thursday. For more information, contact the Hailey Chamber of Commerce at 208-788-3484.

One who has given the contest serious consideration is Maggie Traylor. At 91, the Hailey woman works out with an exercise group three times a week, does her own housework, plays duplicate bridge, has lunch at the senior center regularly and still finds time to take in an occasional Company of Fools play.

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KAREN BOSSICK/For the Times-News

Maggie Traylor considered competing in the upcoming Ms. Senior Idaho Pageant. But her daughters told her not to. She plans to attend and cheer on the contestants.

Knitting together a superhero



By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

Mark Newport likes comic book superheroes. And he likes to knit.

And he's not afraid to pair the two, even though one appeals primarily to adolescent males and the other to women.

In fact, Newport has knitted an entire wardrobe of superhero clothes, which he's dubbed "Sweaterman," "Every-Any-No Man," "Y Man 2," "Bobbleman" and "Argyleman."

They've become pieces of art displayed in galleries in Seattle, Portland and now Ketchum, where Newport's work is part of the Sun Valley Center for the Arts' "superheroes and Secret Identities" exhibit.

They've also become works for which Newport can command \$7,000 and \$8,000 each.

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KAREN BOSSICK/For the Times-News

Ketchum resident Kate Heinecke, left, and Mark Newport share small talk at the Superhero Knitting Bee at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts. A few of Newport's knitted superhero costumes are hanging on the wall.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Safe House to open Thursday

The new Safe House shelter has been completed and an open house will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at 183 Rose St. N. in Twin Falls to celebrate the opening.

The public is invited to come and check out the new facility.

Information: Val Stotts, Safe House Program Director, 735-8087.

Diversity potluck held for MLK Day

In celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day and a continuation of the ongoing Be the Change dialogue, St. Luke's YAK will host a diversity dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Monday at Woodside Elementary in Hailey.

The concept of the evening is to celebrate local diversity by bringing Wood River Valley residents together for a large potluck dinner. The dinner is open to everyone and attendees are asked to bring one of their family's favorite dishes, preferably highlighting their family's ethnicity.

The diversity dinner is supported by middle school leadership groups Blaine County Teen Advisory Council II and United Hispanic Leaders, and is part of an ongoing series of Be the Change youth diversity trainings sponsored by St. Luke's YAK.

Information: 727-8735. Please see **COMMUNITY**, Page B7

Physician steps over the line in rudeness toward patient

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 83 years old. Recently, I thought I was having a stroke, so I called my doctor. He told me to go to the ER, which I did. After examination and a CT scan, I was told I did not have a stroke but that I would have to stay overnight for observation.

When my physician finally came in the next day, I told him I wanted to go home. He



ASK DR. GOTT
Dr. Peter Gott

said that I couldn't because he wanted me to stay another night. I then informed

him that I would go without his permission, to which he said if I went without permission, my insurance would not cover the stay or treatment. As he was leaving, I told him he was only covering himself. He turned around, pointed his finger in my face and said "Absolutely!"

Later that day, a social worker came to see me,

which is routine in my hospital. I mentioned the doctor's behavior and what he said to me, and she responded, "He knows better than that."

When I was finally allowed to leave, I went home and called Medicare and my co-insurance. Both told me that what I had been told was not true; they would have covered the care up to the point

I left, even if I left without physician approval.

When I went for a follow-up in his office, he opened the exam room door and immediately said, "You are the hard-headedest patient I have ever had."

I don't see how I can continue seeing this doctor. I thought his pointing his finger in my face was not only impolite but also unethical.

DEAR READER: The social worker who saw you in the hospital was absolutely correct. The doctor does know better than to behave that way. He should also know that Medicare and other insurance will cover hospital care even if the patient leaves against medical advice (AMA).

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Wendell student PeaceBuilders

As December holidays grew near, it became difficult for elementary students to be on their best behavior. However many Wendell Elementary students maintained their peace-building behavior throughout the pre-holiday excitement at their school.

The following student PeaceBuilders of the Month were honored by their teachers and principal, Kevin Rogers, at the school's monthly Peace Builders assembly for following peace-building principles of good citizenship:

Kindergarten: Skyler Ferris, Amarai Conrado, Juanita Lopez, Adriana Diaz, Milagros Sandoval, Alan Teco-Goray, Rebecca Rhodes, Dominic Woodward, Ahriel Ruiz, Alex VanDyk, Faithanne Munoz, Sinai Beltran, Jose Cosio, Rickey Tunstall, Alex Sandoval, Destanie Rowland, Shayanne Bruhn, Rigo Alvarado, Keeler Housley, Carlos Arizmendi, Oscar Ferreira and Leslie Santos.

First grade: Yadira Alvarez, Abby Tvrdy, Abriana Hurtado, Agustin Saucedo, Estefania Torres, Abraham Nunez, Jadee Jasper, Eli Callaway, Luis Esquivel, Meliza Cortez, Sage Crumrine, Dominic Aiello, Gissell Palma, JC Garcia and Alexa Elizarraras.



As part of Wendell Elementary School's PeaceBuilders program, fourth-graders Madalyn Hosack, Tiffani Nelson, Lizbet Valera and Brooke Dawson have learned that it is polite to hold the door for the person entering a building behind you.

Second grade: Riley Jensen, D'Andre Garcia, Natalie Barajas, Eric Evans, Kiree Woodward, Alexia Rasmussen, Alex Ruiz, Hunter Zacarias, Jasmin Rudolph, Fabian Palma, Angel Espino, Ali Jacobson, Maxwell Rojas and Jennifer Vasquez.

Third grade: Luis Avila, Jose Tapia, Tatiana Martinez, Haylee Grossman, Roxana Rojas, Zach Davidson, Yulissa Chavez, Manuel Salinas, Quinton Barkley, Sadie Rudolph, Fabian Palma, Angel Espino, Ali Jacobson, Maxwell Rojas and Jennifer Vasquez.

Fourth grade: Trevor Bartlett, Rene Benitez, Anthony Mercado, Brooke Dawson, Cassidy Lukesh, Roper Hobbs, Zack Housley, Hannah Hansen, Salena Hardie, Cesar Suarez, Isaac Newport, Sarah Flick, Jenny Range and Taylor Salinas.

U of I to allow mixed-gender student housing

BOISE (AP) — The University of Idaho will allow students of the opposite sex to live together in campus suites when the fall semester begins in August.

Previously, the university has allowed male and female students to live in the same dormitory halls, but they could only live together in campus apartments if they were married.

University housing recruitment coordinator Tina Deines says students who live in campus suites at

the Living Learning Communities housing complex this fall will have the option of being housed with the opposite sex.

Students who live in the mixed-gender suites must be in their sophomore year or older.

The housing complex includes 600 students who live in suites with communal living areas and separate bedrooms. The area of the complex designated for students of mixed gender can hold about 75 students.

'Body Worlds' exhibit draws 285,000 visitors in Salt Lake

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Leonardo reports there were 285,000 visits to the "Body Worlds" exhibit during its run at the Salt Lake City arts and science center.

The Leonardo says 26,000 students took field trips to the exhibit, which shows actual human bodies

through the process of plastination. Officials say 27 schools from California, Wyoming, Idaho and Colorado came for a visit.

About 450 volunteers helped with the show.

The exhibit was in Salt Lake City from Sept. 19 through Sunday.

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"It struck me as something fun," she said. "But I talked it over with my daughters and they thought it might be too much for me. And at 91 I'd better listen to what they say."

"I definitely do think I will go to the pageant and cheer the others on and find out what I missed, though."

Buchanan was a stay-at-home mom with two children at the time she participated in the Mrs. Idaho Pageant.

"I looked at it and I thought, 'Oh that's not me.' They I decided to try it, as long as I remained true to myself," she said.

"I'm so glad I did. It taught me a lot about myself and about being a woman."

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Community

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Communication class begins at Wendell

The College of Southern Idaho North Side Center is offering the course, COMM 101 Fundamentals of Oral Communication. The course, taught by Jennifer Scotho, will be held from 6 to 8:50 p.m. on Wednesdays, Jan. 21 to May 13, at Wendell High School.

The course is intended to improve your communica-

tion abilities in a variety of academic, social, personal and business settings. Emphasis is placed on the communication process, public speaking, small group discussion and listening.

The tuition is \$285 plus the book for this three-credit course. If you are age 60 or over, you pay only for the book. If you are not interested in credit, you may audit the course; the same tuition rates apply.

For registration information: 934-8678 or visit 202

14th Ave. E. in Gooding.

Military support group hosts dinner program

The Military Support Group's next meeting will be held Jan. 24 with a dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. and a program at 7 p.m. at Wendell City Hall, three blocks east of the stoplight in Wendell.

Ray and Cheri Archibald will be cooking an all-you-can-eat Dutch oven dinner that includes meat, potatoes, bread and dessert. For

planning of food preparation, reservations need to be made by Saturday.

Participants are asked to bring a salad to share. A donation for the meal will be taken. Drinks and table service will be provided.

The Archibalds will also be sharing information about their trip to Germany distributing the Operation Angel and Project Rudolph bags to the soldiers.

For reservations: Sharla, 536-6159 or Sharon, 536-6111.

Knitting

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And recently in Ketchum they became the impetus for a knitting bee that brought together Newport, a couple dozen women and even a few children.

"I'm crazy about his work — it's a highly creative art form. We're used to such standard forms of art that to see art in such a soft nature is so very compelling," said Louise Cooley of Hailey.

Newport said he learned to knit from his grandmother but only took it up again when he wanted to teach his students to knit while teach-

ing art at Arizona State University.

"I was trying to think what might be fun to knit and I came up with the idea of superhero costumes. My son and I are very interested in Batman, Spiderman and Power Rangers."

Ironically, knitting has become a way for Newport to understand the masculinity and brute strength of superheroes.

"Part of this is about me as a father taking care of my family, just as superheroes take care of society," said Newport who now teaches at

the Cranbrook Academy of Art outside Detroit. "My kids used to say, 'Dad, why don't you knit up a costume so we can play this afternoon.'"

Kate Heinecke, a Blaine County School District employee who participated in the knitting bee, said she loved the bright colors that Newport used in his work.

"The costumes are so fantastic — I wish he made baby costumes, too," she said.

The superheroes exhibit has proven to be a fitting one given what's happening in the world today, said Exhibit Curator Courtney Gilbert.

"Historically, superheroes began appearing at the time of the Great Depression and World War II," Gilbert said. "Maybe it was a way for people to imagine themselves with other powers, being able to conquer all evils. Now here we are in a time of war and economic crisis, and superheroes are popular again."

A quilt featuring comic book cartoons Newport embroidered is part of the Sun Valley Center for the Arts' current exhibition. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and admission is free.

Dr. Gott

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Patients are free to leave the hospital whenever they choose, but if they leave AMA, they are required to sign a form telling them of the potential risks they are taking and that should any adverse events occur because of their premature leaving, all hospital personnel involved in the care and the hospital as a whole are not responsible.

Your physician was out of line for his behavior. It is common practice for physicians to cover themselves, especially in cases of suspected strokes and heart attacks; however, your physician went about the entire situation incorrectly. He should have expressed his concerns and given reasons why he thought you needed another night of observation.

I have said it before: Physicians are not gods, and their word is not infallible. Patients must take responsibility for their own health. Doctors should give options, explain the benefits and consequences of those options and then allow patients to make up their own minds.

If you feel you are not receiving proper care from your physician, by all means, switch. There is no law stating you have to stay with one primary-care physician for the rest of your life. Ask around, talk to your friends and family, and even ask the hospital or local nursing services for their opinions of physicians in the area. Make get-acquainted appointments with a few to see whether

you can find one with whom you feel comfortable. When you have found one, tell your physician to transfer your medical records to the new doctor.

Peter Gott is a retired physician and the author of the book "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Diet," available at

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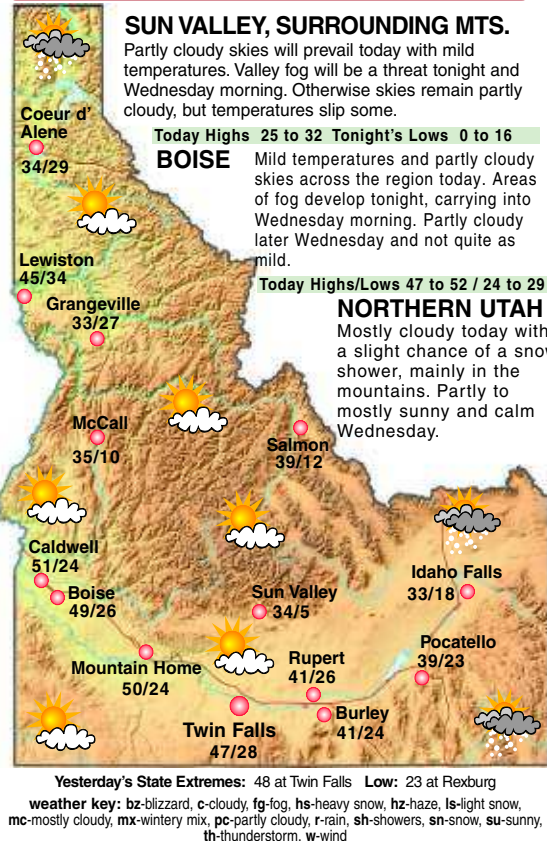
TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy and mild. Southwest winds 10 to 15 miles an hour. Afternoon highs 45 to 50.
Tonight: Clear to partly cloudy with winds going light and variable. Overnight lows 25 to 30.
Tomorrow: Partly cloudy skies and cooler temperatures. Light and variable winds. Highs near 40.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly cloudy. Slim chance of a sprinkle or flurry. Breezy west winds. Highs around 40.
Tonight: Areas of fog developing, otherwise mostly cloudy with lighter winds. Lows 20 to 25.
Tomorrow: Areas of mainly morning fog. Mostly cloudy with light westerly winds. Highs near 40.

IDAHO'S FORECAST



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Partly cloudy skies, dry and warmer than normal	Clear to partly cloudy and cool	Not as mild, but dry and partly cloudy	Seasonal temperatures, mostly sunny skies	More sun than clouds and seasonal	Dry, generally calm and mostly sunny
High 47	Low 28	39 / 25	38 / 22	37 / 22	39 / 19

Yesterday's Weather

City	Hi	Lo	Prop
Boise	45	33	0.00"
Burley	45	37	Trace
Challis	44	32	0.00"
Coeur d'Alene	37	32	0.00"
Idaho Falls	36	30	0.00"
Jerome	39	33	0.00"
Lewiston	47	35	0.00"
Lowell	38	33	0.00"
Malad	not available		
Malta	48	43	0.00"
Pocatello	38	34	0.00"
Rexburg	32	24	0.00"
Salmon	43	34	0.00"
Stanley	39	26	0.00"

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Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset
Yesterday's High 48 Yesterday's Low 39 Normal High/Low 37 / 20 Record High 51 in 1983 Record Low -4 in 1983	Yesterday 0.00" Month to Date 0.20" Normal Month to Date 0.53" Year to Date 3.53" Normal Year to Date 3.59"	Yesterday's Maximum 76% Yesterday's Minimum 68% Today's Maximum 80% Today's Minimum 68%	6 pm barometer Yesterday 60.52 in.	Today Sunrise: 8:06 AM Sunset: 5:28 PM Yesterday Sunrise: 8:05 AM Sunset: 5:29 PM Wednesday Sunrise: 8:05 AM Sunset: 5:30 PM Thursday Sunrise: 8:04 AM Sunset: 5:32 PM Friday Sunrise: 8:04 AM Sunset: 5:33 PM

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Thursday
Boise	49 26 pc	40 23 fg	40 25 fg
Bonnerville	33 27 ls	34 27 mc	34 27 pc
Burley	41 24 pc	39 21 fg	41 19 su
Challis	37 11 pc	29 7 pc	37 7 pc
Coeur d'Alene	34 29 ls	35 29 mc	35 29 pc
Elko, NV	46 24 su	45 18 su	43 15 su
Eugene, OR	51 32 fg	55 40 su	55 40 su
Gooding	49 29 pc	41 26 pc	40 23 pc
Grace	36 18 ls	37 16 fg	36 10 pc
Hagerman	50 27 pc	42 24 pc	41 21 pc
Hailey	34 20 pc	36 17 pc	37 15 su
Idaho Falls	33 18 ls	33 17 fg	35 13 pc
Kalispell, MT	41 26 pc	31 21 pc	34 20 fg
Jackpot	39 12 su	36 11 su	34 13 su
Jerome	37 21 pc	39 18 pc	40 16 su
Lewiston	45 34 pc	45 35 pc	43 34 pc
Malad City	40 19 ls	41 17 fg	40 11 pc
Malta	38 21 pc	36 18 fg	38 16 su
McCall	35 10 fg	33 14 fg	34 14 fg
Missoula, MT	43 27 pc	34 22 pc	37 23 fg
Pocatello	39 23 ls	40 21 fg	39 15 pc
Portland, OR	50 34 pc	52 37 pc	53 37 su
Rupert	41 26 pc	39 23 fg	41 21 su
Rexburg	31 16 ls	31 14 fg	32 11 pc
Richland, WA	44 28 pc	41 29 mc	37 27 pc
Rogerson	47 29 pc	39 26 pc	38 23 pc
Salmom	39 12 pc	31 8 pc	39 8 pc
Salt Lake City, UT	45 27 pc	44 27 su	43 26 su
Spokane, WA	41 27 mc	38 28 su	40 27 mc
Stanley	30 3 pc	33 6 pc	38 10 su
Sun Valley	34 5 pc	37 8 pc	42 12 pc
Yellowstone, MT	31 12 ls	28 10 ls	29 7 pc

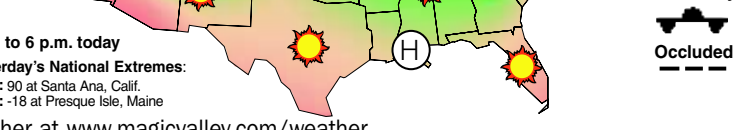
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GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY
Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.
 -Theodore Roosevelt

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Gold mine wants court to OK dumping waste in lake

Ruling would set precedent for waste dumping nationwide

By Matthew Daly
 Associated Press writer



In this undated file photo by Coeur Alaska, the entrance tunnel and water treatment facility for the Kensington Gold Mine against Lion Head Mountain near Juneau, Alaska can be seen.

WASHINGTON — A lawyer representing an Alaska gold mine urged the Supreme Court on Monday to uphold the mine owner's permit even though he acknowledged that the company's plan to dump metal waste into a nearby lake would kill all aquatic life.

But mining company lawyer Theodore Olson told justices that the waste is more accurately defined as "fill." And, after a decade or more of mining, he said, the lake could be restocked with no permanent harm to the environment.

"There will be more fish in a bigger lake, and more livable conditions for the fish and the aquatic life after this process is finished," Olson said.

Justice David Souter called that logic "Orwellian." He said the mining company, Coeur Alaska Inc., and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which granted a permit for the mine, were "defining away" the problem by calling the wastewater discharge fill.

"When you are destroying the entire living (bodies) of this lake, it seems to me that it's getting Orwellian to say there are rigorous environmental standards," Souter said.

Other justices appeared to disagree, noting that an alternative to the dumping

would destroy nearby wetlands and create a stack of tailings larger than the Pentagon.

"Isn't it arguable that the best place for really toxic stuff is at the bottom of a lake so long as it stays there?" asked Justice Antonin Scalia.

The Army Corps of Engineers in 2005 issued a permit for waste disposal at the proposed Kensington mine north of Juneau. Under the plan, tailings — waste left after metals are extracted from ore — would be dumped into Lower Slate Lake.

Environmentalists sued to halt the practice, saying dumping the mine tailings in the lake would kill fish. A federal appeals court blocked the permit, saying the dumping is barred by stringent Environmental Protection Agency requirements under the Clean Water Act of 1972.

The company and the state of Alaska appealed the ruling, setting the stage for Monday's hearing.

The high court's decision in the case could set a precedent for how mining waste is disposed in the nation's

streams, rivers and lakes.

A ruling in favor of the mining company could allow such waste to be dumped into waterways throughout the United States, said Tom Waldo, a lawyer with the environmental group Earthjustice.

"The whole reason Congress passed the Clean Water Act was to stop turning our lakes and rivers into industrial waste dumps," Waldo said.

Waldo said about a thousand trout-like fish known as Dolly Varden char live in the 23-acre lake. He said the lake and the brightly colored fish were unlikely to recover from mining operations that could last up to 15 years.

Waldo called Olson's arguments that the lake could be restored dubious, and said the mining industry has a poor track record in repairing environmental damage.

Olson, a former U.S. solicitor general, said tailings from the Kensington mine would be inert sandy material, and almost half would be recycled back into mine operations. He called the land-only alternative for

disposal unacceptable.

Under questioning from Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Olson conceded that restoration of the lake was not guaranteed, but he said it was a condition of the permit issued by the Army Corps. The EPA agreed to a regulatory change in the case defining "fill" as "tailings or similar mining-related materials."

Chief Justice John Roberts noted that the fish in question were not an endangered species, adding: "There are millions of them somewhere else, right?"

Waldo agreed but said the Alaska case could set a national precedent. "All fish are valuable and worth protecting," he said, noting that the Alaska mine would also affect a smaller fish species known as stickleback.

The Army Corps has often issued permits to create so-called tailing ponds. Environmentalists say the current permit is the first to authorize the discharge of mining process wastewater into a navigable waterway.

Coeur Alaska is owned by Idaho-based Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp.

New restrictions on Madoff, but no jail

NEW YORK (AP) — A judge on Monday allowed Bernard Madoff to remain confined to his Manhattan penthouse, rejecting a bid to jail the disgraced financier but imposing new restrictions to keep him from mailing any more valuables to family and friends.

In a ruling that provided limited satisfaction to investors wiped out in what may be the largest Ponzi scheme ever, Magistrate Judge Ronald L. Ellis ordered Madoff to take an inventory of the items in his \$7 million apartment and submit his outgoing mail to security checks.

Prosecutors said they would ask another judge to jail Madoff while he awaits trial.

"There is a thirst for blood that transcends just those who have been victimized," said attorney Stephen A. Weiss, who added that some of his several dozen Madoff investors "just want to have this guy's head."

Sweeping aside the emotions of the case, the judge cited laws requiring that defendants be allowed to stay out on bail before trial unless they are a danger to the community or a threat to flee.

Those standards make it difficult for prosecutors to have white-collar defendants jailed before trial. The judge noted suspects in nearly 75 percent of federal fraud cases are granted bail.

Prosecutors said they planned to appeal the ruling and ask another judge to revoke Madoff's bail. The judge stayed his ruling for 48 hours, meaning the new restrictions will not take effect right away.

The judge also said restrictions in a separate civil case that apply to property under Madoff's control would apply to the criminal case — meaning moving money around by computer would violate his bail conditions.

But in keeping Madoff out of jail for now, Ellis said it did not matter that Madoff was charged in what appears to be the largest Ponzi scheme in history, that Madoff is publicly vilified or that a conviction might bring a long prison term.

The judge said prosecutors' claim that Madoff presented an economic harm to the community was shaky. The financier sent more than \$1 million in jewelry to family and friends over the holidays.

"Aside from the bare assertion that there remains some risk of flight, the government has failed to articulate any flaw in the current conditions of release," the judge said.

Madoff is already required to wear an electronic monitoring bracelet, submit to 24-hour private security guards and post his homes in Manhattan, Long Island and Florida as part of his \$10 million bail package.

Madoff's lawyer Ira Sorkin said the opinion speaks for itself. Sorkin has said the mailing of the jewelry over the holidays — including at least 16 watches, a jade necklace, an emerald ring and four diamond brooches — was an innocent mistake.

In imposing the new restrictions, the judge said Madoff's ability to move property should be restricted "as completely as possible."

Bush to give farewell address to nation Thursday night

By Ben Feller
 Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — President George W. Bush will give a farewell address to the nation Thursday night, billed by the administration as a chance to reflect on his tenure and welcome Barack Obama without fighting old battles one last time.

Bush will deliver the speech, expected to run 10 to 15 minutes, from the ornate East Room of the White House. He will have a small audience of people in the room, chosen for their sto-

ries of personal courage.

White House press secretary Dana Perino said Monday that Bush will "uphold the tradition of presidents using farewell addresses to look forward — by sharing his thoughts on greatest challenges facing the country, and on what it will take to meet them."

The president also will defend his record, Perino said, but will show graciousness toward Obama and not attempt to revisit the old battles of his presidency.

Bush will speak in prime time, although no specific

time has been set. The White House has requested airmail from the major television networks.

Perino said the speech will be the last scheduled public event for Bush as president until he appears on the North Portico to greet Obama on Inauguration Day, which is Jan. 20. Bush held his final news confer-

ence on Monday.

The White House says the ritual of a farewell address dates to the time of George Washington. Presidents Bill Clinton and Ronald Reagan delivered goodbye speeches from the White House; Presidents Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford gave a final State of the Union address on Capitol Hill, Perino said.

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DIY gone WRONG

Tell your home-improvement horror story

Who knew there were so many ways to flood a basement, or just what combination of events it would take to send a wheelbarrow crashing through a roof?

That's why the *Times-News* wants to hear your home-

improvement horror story. We plan to launch our "DIY Disasters" series here in Home & Garden this winter, featuring the best of the tales submitted to us by readers.

To be considered for an inter-

view, e-mail your story to virginia.hutchins@lee.net and include your full name, when and where the events happened, and your contact information. The deadline is Jan. 22.

And stick to the truth, please. Home improvement is scary enough already.



Photos by JUSTIN JACKSON/Times-News

A flashlight shines into an air intake duct Thursday at a home in Twin Falls. The National Air Duct Cleaners Association recommends that homes have their air ventilation systems cleaned every three to five years.

Households harbor allergens

By Melissa Davlin
Times-News writer

The sources are everywhere.

The purring cat asleep on your bed, the wood-burning gas stove, the heat system circling air around the house could all be contributing to your stuffed-up sinuses.

Indoor air quality can affect our health as much as outdoor air pollution, said Dr. Greg Wickern of Asthma and Allergy of Idaho in Twin Falls. More energy-efficient, airtight homes — combined with people staying indoors for the winter months — mean more agony for allergy sufferers, Wickern said.

But not all hope is lost. As soon as homeowners identify the cause of their sniffling noses and dry throats, they can eliminate it.

And there are several causes, including the oft-overlooked mold, mites, construction remnants, pets and cockroaches. Even closed wood-burning stoves that are ventilated through the chimney can present problems, Wickern said.

Lucky for us, though, some of those sources are rare in these parts.

"Traditionally, in a drier climate like Idaho or any Rocky Mountain state, indoor molds are not as much an issue as they would be, say, in New Orleans or some place where there is a lot more year-round humidity," Wickern said. The same is true for mites — unavoidable inhabitants of upholstery in humid climates — and roaches, which are prevalent in urban areas. However, mold can be present in hous-



Gary Sipe, co-owner of Air Quality Services in Twin Falls, cleans out an air duct Thursday in Twin Falls.

es with leaky pipes, poor ventilation or basement flooding, and mites and even roaches can make their way into Magic Valley homes.

Critters cause their own share of problems. It's common knowledge that cats and dogs are allergen sources, so when people are feeling congested, Wickern said, they're afraid to visit an allergist.

"Sometimes the answer is something people don't want to deal with," Wickern said. "They fear that I'm going to tell them that they need to get rid of the trigger."

But pet owners don't always have to forsake Fido to lessen their symptoms. As with almost all indoor allergens, Wickern said, there are treatment options.

The first: Bathe the pet at least once a week to reduce the dander it lets off,

Wickern said.

While the idea is effective, though, it doesn't always work in practice. People get busy. Besides, bathing an animal with claws and teeth isn't fun, Wickern said.

"I know that from personal experience," he added.

Pet owners can also banish their beloved animals from the bedroom. As comforting as it is to have your puppy sleeping at your feet, it's not good for allergies. Make sure the pets get some outdoor time, too. Restricting them to a certain area of the house, combined with the backyard, will reduce the amount of allergen floating in the air.

Other treatments, like allergy shots and medication, can reduce the suffering, Wickern said.

And don't forget to clean out your ducts — used to



deliver air in house -

hold heating and cooling systems — and clean the system's filter. Katie Sipe, co-owner of Twin Falls-based Air Quality Services, said ducts can accumulate dust, sawdust, debris and even dead animals.

"Over time, things just get down in there," Sipe said. Residential duct cleaning typically costs \$375 to \$425, depending on size of house, access and type of heat, she said.

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Clean up the clutter in your space

Times-News

Start the new year right by conquering the clutter in your home.

Professional organizers Kathi Egbert and Barbara Stephenson from the Organizing Team Inc. will show you how in a College of Southern Idaho North Side Center workshop.

They have techniques and systems to help bring order to your world. Learn about organizing systems that can be customized to fit your lifestyle. Whether it's your closets or drawers, your kids' toys or your garage, stop letting the clutter invade your space and stress you out, class promoters say.

The "Conquer the Clutter" workshop will meet from 9 a.m. to noon Jan. 24 at the North Side Center, 202 14th Ave. E. in Gooding. Cost is \$35, plus a \$5 materials fee to be collected at class.

Register: 934-8678.



Learn what it means for your home to be green

Times-News

Green is the new buzzword, but what does it really mean for a building to be green?

Dale and Peggy Bates, leaders in the field of healthy architecture, will show examples of eco-conscious architecture from around the world and outline the differences between green trends and real changes in a free lecture at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts in Ketchum.

Their talk, "Move Beyond 'Green' in Your Home," is set for 7 p.m. Jan. 22. It is given in conjunction with the center's "Domestic Life" multidisciplinary project, which examines the role that our homes play in our lives and why we spend so much time and money on them. Those attending the talk can see the work of six contemporary artists who grapple with these issues.

Information: 726-9491.



A large hose that provides suction coils through a home in Twin Falls as Camron White, an employee of Air Quality Services, works in the background Thursday.

Be more comfortable in your home

Times-News

The Sun Valley Center for the Arts is offering two one-night workshops that can improve your home life.

"The idea behind the workshops is to show that everyone, not just wealthy people or people who subscribe to design magazines, can make their homes more beautiful

and comfortable and eco-friendly," said the center's Britt Udesen.

• **"(Be it) Ever Evolving, There is No Place Like Home"** with feng shui practitioner and lifestyle coach Alex Taylor — 5:30-7:30 p.m. Jan. 27 at the center's Hailey location. Do you ever wonder why certain rooms of your home provide comfort while others are best left with the door shut? Explore your

relationship with your home, and understand how your decorating choices are reflected in the lives of household members.

• **"Creating a Home for Conscious Living"** with Dale and Peggy Bates — 5:30-7:30 p.m. Feb. 10 at the center's Ketchum location. Two longtime leaders in the field of healthy architecture will discuss how you can make con-

crete improvements to the health of your home, from your choice of finishes to energy efficiency.

Sign up for both and receive a discounted price: \$55 for Sun Valley Center for the Arts members and \$65 for nonmembers. Individual workshops cost \$30 for members and \$35 for nonmembers.

Register: 726-9491, ext. 10.

Heating less when you need to save money

DEAR JIM: I am researching 2009 super-efficient gas furnaces which I hear can cut my gas bills in half. I am confused by the terms like "stages," "variable blower speeds," "condensing," etc. Please explain these.

— Steven G.

DEAR STEVEN: There have been some significant design changes in many of the 2009 gas furnace models. Just two years ago, an AFUE (annual fuel efficiency ratio) of 95 percent was about the highest. This efficiency was targeted by manufacturers to meet the now expired federal energy tax credit.

Now some of the multi-stage models reach AFUE's as high as 98 percent.

This means only two cents of every dollar you spend on gas or propane is lost out the flue. They don't use chimneys any longer, just a plastic vent pipe. All of the gas models can be converted to burn propane with very minor, inexpensive modifications.

Cutting your gas bills in half might be a bit of an exaggeration, but a 40 percent savings is certainly possible.



SENSIBLE HOME
James Dulley

The enhanced indoor comfort with some of the multistage gas furnaces may allow you to set the wall thermostat lower. If you do this, you may actually be able to cut your bills in half.

All gas furnaces with an AFUE of 90 percent or above have a secondary condensing heat exchanger. In this extra heat exchanger, the hot water vapor in the exhaust gases is condensed into water. When this occurs, additional latent heat is captured to heat your house.

These furnaces have an induced draft exhaust fan to force the flue gases outdoors. A one-stage furnace is the simplest design. The gas burner is either full on or off. This is how furnaces have been made for the past 100 years. About a decade ago,



A three-stage communicating furnace with sealed combustion can easily be located in a closet.

furnace manufacturers started using a two-stage gas valve which creates a low- and high-output burner. This

allows the furnace to produce less heat when less heating is required. Thus the room temperature varies less

between furnace cycles, and efficiency is improved.

Within the past several years, some furnaces added a third stage to even out the room temperature even more. The gas burner heat output operates at 40, 65 or 100 percent. These require a thermostat designed for the particular furnace controls to make it all work properly.

Some very new modulating-stage furnaces can vary the heat output from 15 percent to the full 100 percent in several-percent increments. Every 60 seconds, the instantaneous heating needs of your house are measured and the heat output percentage is adjusted. Other designs make the changes in just 1 percent increments from 40 to 100 percent. Either design yields excellent comfort.

The multistage gas furnaces use an efficient variable-speed blower motor. Since the heat output from the burner changes, the air flow rate through the duct must also change or the air would blow out too cool. These blowers also start

quietly and greatly improve summer comfort when air-conditioning.

DEAR JIM: I need to get replacement windows for my house. The price quotes I have gotten vary greatly. With today's economic climate, does it make sense to buy from a smaller local window manufacturer?

— Russell B.

DEAR RUSSELL: Generally, it is fine to purchase replacement windows from a small local manufacturer. I did at my own home. With today's poor economy, there no doubt will be some of these companies going out of business. With long window warranties, this can be a potential problem.

Other than considering the size of the manufacturer, also consider how long they have been in business. Well-established companies, even small ones, are more likely to weather this economic storm.

Send inquiries to James Dulley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244 or visit www.dulley.com.

Options for a 'green' kitchen remodeling

By Alex Veiga
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — In any home remodeling project, the kitchen typically gets more than its share of attention and the budget, and even more so when it comes to an environment-friendly overhaul.

From countertops, to cabinetry and electricity-chugging appliances, options to greenify your kitchen abound.

Before diving into a full-home green renovation, however, experts suggest leaving the kitchen for last.

For one, sealing windows, upgrading the home heating system and insulation can have more of an impact on energy efficiency than anything done in the kitchen.

Another reason: money.

On a square-foot basis, kitchen remodels can easily end up eating much of the renovation budget because homeowners often focus on the kitchen too much and overspend, says Sid Davis, author of "Your Eco-Friendly Home: Buying, Building or Remodeling GREEN."

"Most people tackle the kitchen first because it's an emotional thing," Davis says. "Going strictly from an environmental standpoint, it should be lower on the list."

Every remodeling project is unique, but experts say, in general, it's a good idea to begin the kitchen makeover by tackling the cabinets first, then countertops, then the flooring and then the appliances.

When it comes to cabinetry, choose wood that is certified by the Forest Stewardship Council, which means it comes from a well-managed forest, or other materials, like bamboo,



AP photo/Lawrence Anderson Photography

This model kitchen was designed by Arroyo Interior Designs for the Evo residential tower, a condominium in downtown Los Angeles designed to meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design guidelines.

which are considered environmentally sustainable.

"What you really want to avoid is any type of processed wood that is laid with formaldehyde," says Los Angeles-based interior designer Alison Shoemaker.

Other alternatives for processed wood are wheat board fiber, a material made from wheat straw, and Kirei board, which is made from the stalks of the sorghum plant, and has a distinct, knotty look.

Try to go with materials produced locally to reduce transportation costs.

If you're replacing the

existing countertops, experts recommend installing a solid surface material rather than tile that requires grout, which is harder to clean.

One example is CaesarStone, which is made of quartz and recycled materials. It's also nonporous, which helps stave off bacteria, Shoemaker says.

Recycled glass and concrete are other good options.

If you go with wood or butcher block, know what the source of the wood is and make sure it is formaldehyde free.

Experts differ on whether granite is truly a green alter-

native because of the energy and resources consumed in extracting it from the ground and in transporting it to its final destination.

While water conservation is important, getting a low-flow fixture for the kitchen sink isn't crucial, as the amount of water used in a kitchen is typically far less compared with the bathroom or landscaping.

Kitchens offer a wider variety of flooring options than perhaps any other room in a house.

A decidedly non-green option is vinyl flooring. Experts suggest going instead

with tile, linoleum, laminate or sustainable woods such as bamboo. Cork is an increasingly popular alternative.

If the kitchen is on a slab, consider stripping the floor down to the concrete. While chefs may find the floor less forgiving on their legs and dropped dishes, experts say it's better for the environment.

"The best thing to do is not use any material at all," says John Lee, managing partner for Lee Capital Partners in Santa Monica, Calif., which builds LEED-certified homes.

Concrete floors can be finished using an acid stain, he says.

For new construction, opt for concrete mixed with fly ash — a glasslike powder emitted by coal-fired electric power plants — which replaces Portland cement, the key ingredient in regular concrete.

When it comes to appliances, Energy Star-rated models are must in any green-conscious kitchen remodel. Replace any that are older than 10 years old. (Before doing so, look on your utility bill and on www.energystar.gov to find out about possible rebate programs and tax incentives.)

Experts recommend using a dishwasher, because most people waste more water by hand-washing dishes.

Don't forget to include a vented range hood to help move air over the stove out of the house. Merely recycling the air through a filter or pushing it to the garage or the attic won't do, Davis says.

"Somewhere along the line when you remodel your kitchen you've got to put that at the very top (of the list)," Davis says.

As in other rooms, the kitchen should be painted with paints that have zero or low levels of volatile organic compounds, or VOCs.

Because of the moisture in kitchens, mold can be an issue. For remodels that involve tearing down walls and adding new ones, Lee recommends going with mold-resistant, paper-free drywall.

The kitchen layout should let as much natural light in as possible, so the more window space the better. Otherwise, replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent or LEDs.

Allergens

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Bob Gulley, vice president of First Federal Savings in Twin Falls, said he hires Air Quality Services to clean out the bank branches' ducts once every three to four years. The actions are preventative, Gulley said. The bank didn't have an air-quality problem in the beginning but wanted to ensure its employees had a safe, clean environment to

work in. Whether the air quality noticeably improves is "impossible to measure," Gulley said.

"It's more of a mindset more than anything else," he said.

Routine cleanings and frequent filter maintenance are the key to preventing problems in the first place, Sipe said, but it's never too late to start.

"Some of the responses we get back are just amazing," Sipe said. After the ducts are cleaned out, many people stop their chronic coughing, and their regular headaches disappear.

So if you're wheezing and sneezing, take a closer look at your home's hygiene.

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A room designed by Brian Patrick Flynn. Try moving wall art to different locations for a fresh look.



Flynn combined outdoor seating with existing indoor seating to get four extra seats and a brand new look.



Rethinking the space, Flynn paired a desk with a chair from a dining table.

January's a great time to rethink your space

By Melissa Rayworth
For The Associated Press

Our revels now are ended. It's time to clean up.

Across America, we're busy stowing Santas, putting away menorahs and dragging dried-out Christmas trees to the curb. In living rooms and dining rooms nationwide, tables and chairs are being nudged back into their normal, pre-holiday positions.

But what if everything didn't have to go back into its usual spot?

January is the perfect time to rethink your living space. After you've put away all the holiday decorations, says interior designer Janine Carendi, "you can look at the same space with a new perspective, which is what the new year is all about."

"When you add ornaments in the beginning of the season, you're adding items to the room. So when you're removing them, remove additional items, too," advises Carendi. "What are the things that are cluttering the

space? ... It's a good time to take stock, to ask whether that extra side chair should really be there."

Out with the old

Be bold, Carendi says: If you decide later that you've taken away too much, you can always put a few pieces back.

Meanwhile, the items you've removed can find new life in other rooms. A table that you hardly noticed in your living room might look better than you'd expect at your bedside. "If you leave things in the same place for months or years," says Carendi, "you stop seeing them."

This purging and swapping out is a relatively simple and cost-free process. It can also be a lot of fun. But, says designer Mallory Mathison, many people are uncomfortable at the idea of shaking up a familiar layout.

"With your own stuff, it's hard to imagine it living anywhere else than where it's

been for years, or in the specific spot you purchased it to go in," she says.

Her solution? "Put everything in the center of the room and get a friend to come over, or your mom, someone who doesn't live with it every day. ... You can have some girlfriends over, get a bottle of wine and some appetizers, and make it a rearranging party."

Swap meet

One easy place to start: the walls. Designer Brian Flynn often encourages clients to move their art from one room to another. A painting that's hung in your living room for several years might look great — and get fresh attention — in your bedroom or guest room, he says.

He's all about embracing happy accidents. If you took a piece of art down temporarily to put up holiday decorations, consider keeping it in the room where it was stowed.

Flynn suggests mixing art of varying sizes and shapes, pairing pieces you've never displayed together before. This also works well with furniture: Rethink which pieces belong together, he says, and use your imagination.

Older items may look gorgeous paired with brand new pieces, and traditional things may look surprisingly good mixed with modern. When trying out pairings, he says, think about contrasting scale and shape. Flynn recently combined the curving, fluid lines of a wooden desk with a sharply angular steel chair and a client loved the result.

Think big

Don't just move small things. All three designers suggest trying new locations for the major pieces that anchor a room.

"The sofa is easily the biggest piece of furniture in the room," says Mathison. "Try it opposite where it was. ... That totally redistributes

your furniture plan for the room."

By changing a room's focal point, Carendi says, you can also give the space a new purpose. If your family room has always been focused around the television, consider changing the layout to fuel conversation.

"If the couch was facing one wall, and now it's facing the adjoining kitchen, all of a sudden there's more conversation while somebody's cooking," she says.

If most of your furniture is lining the walls, try moving some pieces farther out into the room.

And don't forget to look outside, says Flynn. Outdoor tables or chairs that you pressed into service during the holidays might be worth keeping inside.

At his own home, Flynn uses two high-backed wrought-iron patio chairs — originally brought inside as extra holiday seating — at the ends of his dining table. He has paired them with four low-slung, '60s-era chairs

made of fiberglass and vinyl.

Of course, he says, "if it's something that's from Wal-Mart, like those stackable chairs, it won't work. But if it's made of iron or faux bamboo, you can ask, will they play with your existing set?"

In with the new?

Once you're done purging and reconfiguring, decide whether you want to go shopping for just one or two new pieces. "The deals that are out there right now are incredible," Carendi says. "I haven't seen sales like this ever."

But if buying new throw pillows will keep you from moving the sofa around, Carendi says, it might actually be better to skip the purchase. The changes you make with your existing furniture might be much more inspired than what you'd do with new things.

"This economy limits your purchasing," she says, "but it can also make you more creative."

Tips for fighting the cold, cold winter

By Megan Voelkel
Special to The Washington Post

It's a tough economic climate for cold weather. The household bills that accompany winter temperatures can be as harsh as the winds outside, dealing a blistering blow to already exhausted budgets.

To keep expenses from snowballing, especially those going toward heating and other energy uses, "get to know your house activity," says Chris Dorsi, a home energy analyst and co-author of "The Homeowner's Handbook to Energy Efficiency."

"Take a walk around the house, look at the light fixtures, appliances. ... Look in the attic to see how well it's insulated," he says. Then "make a few investments."

He's referring, of course, to investments that won't teeter with the volatile markets, such as allocating a little time and effort to household improvements and simple lifestyle changes.

Considering that the nonprofit Alliance to Save Energy expected the average U.S. household to pay \$2,300 in energy costs last year, easy savings could be this season's ray of sunshine.

For a cost-conscious winter, here are some ideas worth warming up to:

1. Adjust temperatures. "By moving your thermostat back four degrees, you can save about \$18 a month," says Pepco spokesman Clay Anderson. Programmable thermostats can do this for you, since they can be set to automatically heat around your schedule, such as only when you're at home.

2. Replace or clean furnace filters. A dirty furnace filter will block air flow, ultimately making the system work harder. That inefficiency will cost you. For the few bucks it will take to buy a new filter, "you might save \$50 to \$100 in the next year," Dorsi says. He recommends checking the filters several times a year and replacing

them at least annually.

3. Pay attention to your windows. "Let the sun help warm the interior of the house," says Ronnie Kweller, a spokeswoman for the Alliance to Save Energy. By leaving blinds and curtains on your west- and south-facing windows open during the day and closing them in the evening, you can retain that warmed air overnight. As for the windows themselves, they should be double-paned or have a storm window, which should be checked each winter. All too often, storm windows are unknowingly left open, causing unnecessary drafts. Adding plastic or vinyl sheeting to windows is also an effective way to seal in heat.

4. Use CFLs. Lighting accounts for about 20 percent of your home electric bill, Anderson says, and switching to compact fluorescent light bulbs is a "win-win." CFLs last about 10

times as long as incandescent light bulbs and are much more energy efficient.

5. Follow the Energy Star. A surefire way to take advantage of energy-efficient technology is to look for the Energy Star label when buying appliances. The label is given only to products that meet strict Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Energy guidelines. Dorsi says this is especially critical when buying refrigerators.

6. Insulate, insulate, insulate. Homeowners can save up to \$35 a month by adding insulation to their attics, Anderson says. Other areas prime for insulation: ductwork, pipes and the hot water storage tank.

7. Get rid of drafts. Tiny leaks add up, Kweller says, and can let out as much air as an open window. To track down drafts: Light a stick of incense and see if the smoke blows toward you. The usual problem spots are around

windows and doors, but anywhere in your home "where pieces join, where roofs join the structure of your home and where your home sits on its foundation" is a place to check, says Anita Mooy of GE Sealants.

8. Take advantage of tax credits. In October, many tax incentives for energy-efficient purchases were extended for 2009 and can add up to a savings of \$500. Visit www.energytaxincentives.org for more information.

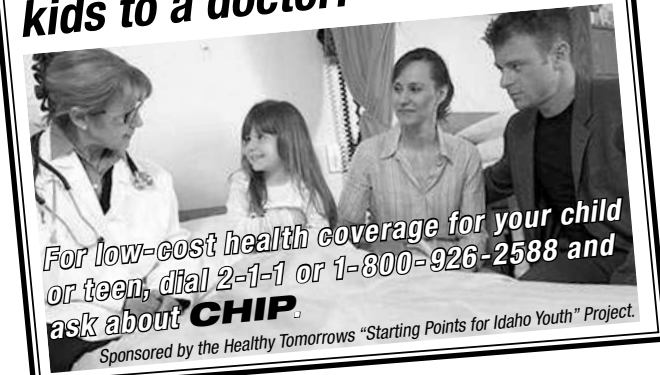
9. Stop wasting energy. "Really look at everything you do in your life, all the ways you spend time and money," says Denise Hamler, director of the Green Festivals and Co-op America's Business Network. Some ideas include closing off vents in rooms you don't frequently occupy, using the microwave instead of the oven when you can, doing some of your laundry in cold water, and unplugging appliances you don't use instead of letting them run on stand-by power.

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FUEL REPORT

Fuel prices in south-central Idaho increased compared to the same time last week. The average price for a gallon of regular-grade gasoline in the region increased 4 cents to \$1.60. The average price for diesel remained unchanged at \$2.27 a gallon. The national average for a gallon of gasoline was \$1.80, while the state average was \$1.63, according to the AAA Fuel Gauge Report. Gasoline futures dipped 2.7 cents Monday to \$1.08 a gallon. Concerns about a slowing economy continue to push prices down.

Gas prices

- **Twin Falls:** Maverik Country Store, 120 6th Ave. W.: **\$1.59**
- **Jerome:** Flying J Travel Plaza, 5350 U.S. Highway 93: **\$1.61**
- **Burley:** Smiths Fuel, 937 E. Main St.: **\$1.55**

Diesel prices

- **Twin Falls:** Fil Mart - Phillips 66, 1612 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.: **\$2.25**
- **Jerome:** Flying J Travel Plaza, 5350 U.S. Highway 93: **\$2.22**
- **Burley:** Love's Travel Stop, 260 Centennial Dr.: **\$2.22**

*Price quotes by Mapquest.com as of Monday afternoon. Subject to change at anytime.

COMMODITY PRICES

Dairy

Block	Close	Change
Average price	\$1.072	-.122
Barrel		
Average price	\$1.060	-.169
Butter		
Average Price	\$1.122	-.015
Whey protein concentrate		
Average price	\$.51	+.030
Class III milk		
Average price	\$15.28	-.23
Class IV milk		
Average price	\$10.36	-1.90

Feed

Corn (Per 100 pounds)		
Dairy Feed Supply	\$7.50	—
Land O'Lakes	\$7.75	—
Rangen	\$7.45	—

Barley (Per 100 pounds)		
Rangen	\$6.40	—
Ogden	\$6.85	+12
Pocatello	\$5.65	—
Burley	\$5.75	-.25

Hay (Mid/Ton)		
Alfalfa(Supreme)	Low \$150	High \$150
Alfalfa(Good)	Low *	High *
Alfalfa(Fair)	Low *	High *

* Prices unavailable.

Small grain

Soft white wheat		
Rangen	Ask	N/A
Ogden	\$5.18	+13
Pocatello	\$4.60	+38
Burley	\$4.33	+23

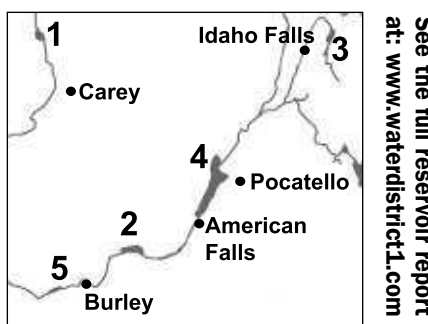
Livestock

Lambs and hogs		
Feeder lambs	Low \$94	High \$116
Fat lambs	Low \$89	High \$98
Killer ewes	Low \$6	High \$21

Price quotes as of Monday afternoon. Prices subject to change at any time. To be included in this table, call Joshua Palmer at 208-735-3231.

More commodities on C5

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Dairy prices plummet

Many in industry turn to bank loans

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

The floor fell out from underneath the dairy industry during the new year as dairy prices continued to plummet. Dairy prices are about \$7 below the break-even point needed for dairymen to pay operating costs — that means that the industry, in large part, is looking to bank loans to stay in operation. “This is as bad as we have ever seen it,” said Rick Naerebout, an industry representative with Independent Milk Producers. “But what makes it worse is the uncertainty that’s ahead.” Dairymen across the United States are feeling the pinch as demand for milk and other dairy products decline

in both foreign and domestic markets. A slowing economy has forced some consumers to scale back on value-added dairy products such as cheese and supplements.

The dairy industry is struggling to find ways to scale back production by removing cows from herds, but the rapid decline in milk prices has out-paced steps to reduce supply.

Fluid milk prices are at their lowest level since 2006, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Naerebout said the average dairymen in south-central Idaho is paying about \$100,000 for every 1,000 cows to continue operating per month.

“They are going to banks for that

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Feed costs drop for dairies

By Cindy Snyder
Times-News correspondent

JACKPOT, Nev. — Softening corn prices are helping bring feed costs down for dairies, but milk prices are falling almost as fast.

“We just went through a very, very interesting year and now we’re going to start an even more interesting year for dairies,” said Jed Southwick, a nutritionist with Cargill. He works with dairies in the U.S. and overseas. “These are very scary times for some of these large dairies.”

He calculated a base ration cost on a per head basis. Right now it is around \$4 per cow per day, but last summer when corn prices skyrocketed, base ration costs were as high as \$7.50 per cow per day. Even though dairies were getting paid \$21 per hundredweight for their milk, break-even costs on some operations were pushing \$19 per hundredweight as dairies were forced to buy high-priced corn and alfalfa at

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Milk price trends

March
\$18.00

June
\$20.25

September
\$16.28

December
\$15.28

* Prices per hundredweight, USDA

Monsanto profits see growth

1Q figures double — and outlook is strong

By Christopher Leonard
Associated Press writer

ST. LOUIS — Monsanto Co., the world’s biggest seed maker, said last week that its fiscal first-quarter profit more than doubled on higher sales to Latin America, and raised its expectations for the year.

The strong results came even during a dismal period in the global agricultural markets, with crop prices plunging from record highs hit this summer. Chief Executive Hugh Grant said the results show that while Monsanto is not totally recession-proof, it can weather wild commodity price swings by wooing farmers with high-tech, high-yield seeds.

Monsanto operates a seed testing and distribution facility in Filer, and is one of the primary providers of seed in south-central Idaho.

“Even in these uncertain times, farmers buy the best,” Grant said during a conference call with analysts.

Latin American sales make up the bulk of Monsanto’s first-quarter revenue, although most of the company’s revenue come from its U.S. business, where sales pick up in the second and third quarters.

The world financial crisis has battered Latin American stocks and currencies, as foreign investors dumped local assets to cover losses at home and sales dropped at the region’s biggest exporters amid falling prices for oil, copper and other commodities. But Monsanto saw strong sales in Latin America despite tumbling prices for soy exports. Grant said that validates his belief that despite commodity price swings, farmers will pay more for genetically engineered seeds if they see the benefit of higher yields at harvest time.

The St. Louis-based company said it earned \$556 million, or \$1 per share, in the three months ended Nov. 30. That compares with profit of \$256 million,



Plants are tested in a Monsanto Co. greenhouse.

Photos courtesy of Monsanto Co.

One of many strains of yellow corn is displayed in this courtesy photo provided by Monsanto. Monsanto said last week that its fiscal first-quarter profit more than doubled on higher sales to Latin America.

or 46 cents per share, a year ago. Monsanto said it earned 98 cents per share excluding gains from discontinued operations.

Revenue jumped 29 percent to \$2.65 billion from \$2.05 billion, as sales of Roundup and other herbicides and corn seeds and traits climbed more than 30 percent each.

The results widely beat estimates of analysts sur-

veyed by Thomson Reuters, who had expected profit of just 59 cents per share and \$2.44 billion in revenue.

Monsanto reported strong demand for its weed killers in Brazil, helping drive total herbicide sales up 35 percent to \$1.36 billion. Revenue from the company’s agricultural productivity unit, which includes lawn-and-garden herbicides, increased 28

percent to \$1.55 billion.

The company also made gains in sales of genetically modified seeds. Monsanto said total seeds and genomics sales rose 31 percent to \$1.1 billion, including a 34 percent surge in corn seed and trait sales to \$628 million spurred by growing demand from Brazil and the U.S.

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Dairies boom in Beijing

Haste to put dairy industry on map creates problems

By Barbara Demick
Los Angeles Times

XINGTONG, China — The fact that 53-year-old Wang Zhengnian now spends his days tending 400 cows on a farm near Beijing says a lot about the way China created a dairy industry out of thin air. But in their haste, the Chinese made critical mistakes that left six babies dead and hundreds of thousands ill from tainted milk.

Milk is not part of the traditional Chinese diet. In fact, most Chinese adults are lactose intolerant and many are repelled by the smell of dairy products. Chinese sometimes complain that westerners smell like cheese.

But in the 1990s, economic planners decided that dairy cows were a quick way to improve rural incomes, particularly in northern provinces such as Hebei, Inner Mongolia and Heilongjiang with cool climate, flat terrain and lack of other economic prospects. To encourage consumption, the propaganda machine spread the word that Chinese children needed to drink milk to grow strong and tall as westerners.

In a landscape that looks more rust belt than dairy belt, people opened farms in patches of land between derelict factories and villages.

“Cows have been good for us,” said Wang, as he whistled for his herd to come in for milking last week in Xingtong county, 170 miles south of Beijing. “The business is bad right now because of the scandal, but it was great before. People

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MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE			AMEX			NASDAQ					
MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)			MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)			MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)					
Name	Vol(00)	Last Chg	Name	Vol(00)	Last Chg	Name	Vol(00)	Last Chg			
Citigrp	2900173	5.60 -1.15	SPDR	2595323	86.95 -2.14	PwShs	QQQ1002827	29.52 -5.5			
SPDR FncI	1412141	10.95 -6.1	PSCrudeDL	n367609	2.82 -16	Cisco	536687	16.40 -30			
BkofAm	1199503	11.43 -1.56	SP Mid	53488	93.66 -2.59	Intel	527976	13.79 -36			
Satyam	950789	1.46 -7.89	Triplecrr	26933	9.13 -0.2	Microsoft	467138	19.47 -0.5			
ProUHFm	910912	4.71 -1.48	BarcGSOI	26761	20.66 -1.40	Oracle	338257	17.05 -3.1			
GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)			GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)			GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)					
Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg			
AdvMOpt	21.50	+12.65	+142.9	PcEn pFD	85.50	+9.50	+12.5	FstNBSC	3.24	+6.9	+26.8
MSTHRZ12	14.45	+2.93	+25.4	PSMtdDS n	68.00	+5.75	+9.2	SussxB	5.49	+1.06	+23.9
IFC VI pf	5.70	+1.00	+21.3	BkMMDMB	14.21	+1.12	+8.6	hi/fn Inc	3.39	+6.2	+22.4
LeMOT28	16.87	+2.87	+20.5	CmtyBT un	3.35	+2.5	+8.1	Aristotle	4.03	+7.2	+21.8
DirXfBear	48.20	+6.55	+15.7	PSCrudeDS	n168.45	+12.35	+7.9	GrayMkr n	2.32	+3.9	+20.2
LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)			LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)			LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)					
Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg	Name	Last Chg	%Chg			
Landrys	8.16	-4.19	-33.9	TiensBio	2.55	-1.90	-42.7	AlliedMot	2.90	-1.40	-32.6
Zep	13.17	-4.30	-24.6	Metalico	2.96	-7.0	-19.1	Transcat	4.75	-1.85	-28.0
AlliedCap	3.42	-1.04	-23.3	Lodgian	2.37	-4.0	-14.4	HilandPt	7.30	-2.51	-25.6
DevDv	6.02	-1.82	-21.2	PionDr hlf	5.11	-8.6	-14.4	CumMed	2.02	-5.4	-21.1
MaguirePr	2.00	-5.2	-20.6	FriedmInd	8.50	-1.33	-13.5	Penford	8.95	-2.33	-20.7
DIARY			DIARY			DIARY					
Advanced	733		Advanced	249		Advanced	678				
Declined	2,379		Declined	386		Declined	2,111				
Unchanged	73		Unchanged	51		Unchanged	119				
Total issues	3,185		Total issues	686		Total issues	2,908				
New Highs	3		New Highs	4		New Highs	4				
New Lows	16		New Lows	7		New Lows	32				
Volume	4,636,480,528		Volume	385,477,611		Volume	1,761,648,513				

INDEXES							
13,136.69	7,449.38	Dow Jones Industrials	8,473.97	-125.21	-1.46	-3.45	-33.68
5,536.57	2,909.29	Dow Jones Transportation	3,318.84	-141.87	-4.10	-6.17	-22.50
555.71	294.30	Dow Jones Utilities	370.94	+1.5	+0.4	+0.5	-32.02
9,687.24	4,607.47	NYSE Composite	5,551.03	-151.34	-2.65	-3.58	-41.19
2,433.31	1,151.18	Amex Index	1,420.94	-46.52	-3.17	+1.68	-40.01
2,551.47	1,295.48	Nasdaq Composite	1,538.79	-32.80	-2.09	-2.42	-37.91
1,440.24	741.02	S&P 500	870.26	-20.09	-2.26	-3.65	-38.55
764.38	371.30	Russell 2000	468.80	-12.50	-2.60	-6.14	-34.20
14,564.81	7,340.74	Wilshire 5000	8,772.11	-213.69	-2.38	-3.47	-38.17

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST											
AlliantEgy	1.40	7	28.52	+4.9	-2.3	Kaman	.56	9	19.46	-0.3	+7.3
AlliantTch	...	12	84.53	-3.7	-1.4	Keycorp	25m	...	6.97	-6.1	-18.2
AmCasino	...	...	8.60	-6.8	-5	LeeEnt	...	1	.43	-1.0	+4.9
Aon Corp	.60	8	42.94	+0.2	-6.0	MicronT	...	...	3.16	-1.3	+19.7
BallardPw	...	...	1.12	-1.1	-9	OfficeMax	...	...	6.35	-9.0	-16.9
BkofAm	1.28m	10	11.43	-1.56	-18.8	RockTen	.40	14	29.91	-3.5	-12.5
ConAgra	.76	7	16.53	-2.0	+2	Sensint	.76	13	23.65	-4.0	-1.0
Costco	.64	17	49.43	+2.9	-5.8	SkyWest	.16f	8	17.65	-1.8	-5.1
Diebold	1.00	24	28.25	+0.7	+6	Terady	...	...	5.06	-1.8	+19.9
DukeEngy	.92	15	15.37	+1.0	+2.4	Tuppwr	.88	10	23.17	-3.7	+2.1
DukeRty	1.94	15	9.28	-1.48	-15.3	US Bancrp	1.70	11	21.68	-6.7	-13.3
Fastenal	.54	18	32.62	-4.1	-6.4	Valhi	.40	...	12.10	-1.1	+13.1
Heinz	1.66	13	36.10	-2.3	-4.0	WalMart	.95	15	51.39	-1.9	-8.3
HewlettP	.32	11	36.98	-5.1	+1.9	WashFed	.20m	18	12.90	-2.4	-13.8
HomeDp	.90	13	22.97	-8.9	-2	WellsFargo	1.36	12	23.80	-1.34	-19.3
Idacorp	1.20	13	29.63	+2.5	+6	ZionBcp	1.28m	9	20.82	-9.6	-15.1

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Div: Current annual dividend rate paid on stock, based on latest quarterly or semiannual declaration, unless otherwise footnoted.
Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day.
Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ... mark.

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

Stock Footnotes: cc - PE greater than 99. dd - Loss in last 12 mos. d - New 52-wk low during trading day. g - Dividend in Canadian \$. Stock price in U.S. - New issue in past 52 wks. q - Closed-end mutual fund; no PE calculated. s - Split or stock dividend of 25 pct or more in last 52 wks. Div begins with date of split or stock dividend. u - New 52-wk high during trading day. v - Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf - Preferred. pp - Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt - Rights. un - Units. wd - When distributed. wi - When issued. wt - Warrants. ww - With warrants. xw - Without warrants.
Dividend Footnotes: a - Also extra or extras. b - Annual rate plus stock dividend. c - Liquidating dividend. e - Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos. f - Annual rate, increased on last declaration. i - Declared or paid after stock dividend or split. j - Paid this year, dividend omitted, deferred or no action taken at last meeting. k - Declared or paid this year, accumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m - Annual rate, reduced on last declaration. p - Init div, annual rate unknown. r - Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos plus stock dividend. t - Paid in stock in last 12 mos, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or distribution date. x - Ex-dividend or ex-rights. y - Ex-dividend and sales in full. z - Sales in full. vj - In bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.
Most active stocks above must be worth \$1 and gainers/losers \$2.
Mutual Fund Footnotes: e - Ex-capital gains distribution. f - Previous day's quote. n - No-load fund. p - Fund assets used to pay distribution costs. r - Redemption fee or contingent deferred sales load may apply. s - Stock dividend or split. t - Both p and r. x - Ex-cash dividend.
Source: The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.

AGRIBUSINESS BRIEFS

Cheesemaking workshop set in T.F.

Idaho practitioners of industrial cheesemaking—including plant operators, cheese makers, and quality assurance and operations personnel—are invited to a University of Idaho Extension and TechHelp workshop, "Principles of Industrial Cheesemaking," on Feb. 3 and 4 at the Red Lion Hotel Canyon Springs in Twin Falls.

Taught by cheese and food technologist Dean Sommer and senior scientist Mark Johnson of the Wisconsin Center for Dairy Research, the workshop will cover milk composition, coagulants and standardization as well as cheese technology, starter cultures and ingredients, pasteurization, cheese evaluation, yields, mechanization and more.

The Wisconsin Center, located on the campus of the University of Wisconsin in Madison, is one of the largest dairy research centers in the

U.S. that focuses on cheese, dairy safety and quality, and dairy ingredients.

"We're targeting this short course to mainstream dairy processors in Idaho," said Jeff Kronenberg, food processing specialist for University of Idaho Extension and TechHelp. "Dairy processing is a significant contributor to Idaho's economy and an important emphasis of our Extension food processing program."

The Idaho Milk Processors Association, Dairy Management Inc. and Northwest Food Processors Association are workshop co-sponsors. United Dairymen of Idaho and Dairy Management Inc. are underwriters of a series of Dairy Processing Workshops, which also include dairy HACCP, pasteurization and whey processing.

The workshop will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Feb. 3 and 4. The cost is \$450 per one participant or \$385 per person if two or more enroll from the same firm.

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Pest management plan available for organic potato production

A pest management strategic plan for Western organic potato production is now available online through the Western Integrated Pest Management Center.

Led by Ronda Hirnyck of University of Idaho Extension and Jennifer Miller of the Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides, the plan takes a pest-by-pest approach to identifying current management practices and summarizes the research, regulatory and education needs of the region's organic potato growers.

It includes insects, diseases, weeds, nematodes and vertebrates and production overviews of Idaho,

California, Colorado, Columbia Basin, Klamath Basin and west of the Cascade Mountains.

"This is the only pest management strategic plan in the nation for an organic crop," says Hirnyck, who has also led development of plans for conventional potatoes, sugar beets, small grains, non-rangeland forages, alfalfa and clover seed. "It's complex, because organic potatoes are managed using a cropping system approach."

The plan was developed by growers, commodity associations, food processors, crop consultants, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and Cooperative Extension and other land-grant specialists and was funded by the USDA Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services as well as the Organic Farming Research Foundation and the Bullitt Foundation.

The plan is available at www.ipmcenters.org.
 — Staff reports

South Dakota corn crop sets records

The Associated Press

SIoux FALLS, S.D. — South Dakota farmers set a record in 2008 for corn production and the per-acre yield.

A final report from the Agricultural Statistics Service puts the 2008 crop at 585.2 million bushels. That's 8 percent larger than the previous

record crop from 2007. The yield of 133 bushels an acre also is a record.

The record yield offset a 2 percent reduction in the corn acreage in 2008. Producers harvested 4.4 million acres of corn last year.

Soybean production last year was 138 million bushels, up 1 percent from 2007. The soybean yield fell

to 34 bushels per acre, down 8 bushels from 2007.

Harvested soybean acres, at 4.06 million, were up 25 percent from 2007.

Other 2008 crop production totals:

- All hay: 7.84 million tons, up 8 percent from 2007. The average yield at 2.04 tons per acre is up from 1.94 in 2007. Acres harvested were up

100,000 from 2007, to 3.85 million.

- Alfalfa hay: at 5.52 million tons it was up 12 percent from 2007. Alfalfa hay had an average yield of 2.3 tons per acre, compared to 2.25 tons per acre in 2007.

- All other hay: 2.32 million tons, down slightly from last year, and had an average yield of 1.6 ton per acre.

Monsanto

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Monsanto is betting its future growth on selling engineered seeds to farmers pressured to grow ever higher amounts of grain to feed world demand for food and biofuels.

On Wednesday Monsanto Chief Technology Officer Robert Fraley said the company is speeding up its process for developing and testing new engineered crops. Monsanto is developing its first strain of engi-

neered sugar cane, and has advanced six other new products in its commercial pipeline, Fraley said.

Perhaps more importantly, the company submitted its first round of regulatory documents to get approval

to sell a new strain of drought-tolerant corn. Monsanto has said the crop could be a strong global seller once it is approved for consumption.

"Our competitive edge has widened yet again," he said.

China

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ered themselves proud that they could afford baby formula.

"In the past, the only people who drank milk were the children of high officials," said Hu Dinghuan, an expert at the Chinese Academy of Agriculture Science in Beijing. "Now everybody eats dairy. It is not only because it is nutritious. It is quick and simple."

Between 1998 and 2007, domestic consumption increased fivefold and China became the fastest-growing producer in the world. But farmers were still amateurs when it came to raising dairy cows.

Chinese peasants lacked experience with cows, said Chen Yu, a professor at a think-tank affiliated with the Agriculture Ministry. "They didn't have the right food for dairy cows. They didn't understand the technology of milking or transporting milk."

The milk business started going sour in 2006. Prices for feed spiked, while milk prices were kept down by government controls and cutthroat competition. Sanlu paid dairy

farms less than seven cents per pint of milk.

At the bottom of the supply chain, many farmers who had sold their homes or borrowed money to buy their cows now slaughtered the animals for money. Or, they cheated.

The most common way was to water down the milk and use additives to conceal it. Melamine, which is used in making plastics and never intended for human consumption, allows diluted milk to pass quality tests for protein. Although it was known to cause kidney stones and had been banned from pet food, milk dealers preferred it to actual food additives like

hydrolyzed animal protein because it was tasteless and odorless.

Inside a nondescript Xingtong storefront, former dairy company employee Xue Jianzhong opened a shop in 2007 to sell what he called "protein powder." It was in fact a concoction of melamine and malt dextrin. Over the next nine months, Jianzhong sold \$180,000 worth of the powder — 110 tons worth.

By the time China's food regulators busted the Xingtong gang and others like it around the country, six babies were dead or dying and hundreds of thousands were sick.

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Feb	Live cattle	83.70	82.75	82.90	-0.20
Apr	Live cattle	87.20	86.35	86.50	-0.33
Jan	Feeder cattle	95.35	94.20	95.20	+1.10
Mar	Feeder cattle	94.00	92.65	93.33	+0.65
Apr	Feeder cattle	95.35	94.20	95.08	+1.08
Feb	Lean hogs	62.70	61.40	61.48	-0.98
Apr	Lean hogs	68.55	67.25	67.48	-1.12
Feb	Pork belly	85.65	83.00	84.95	+0.98
Mar	Pork belly	84.30	83.70	84.00	+0.45
Mar	Wheat	603.00	569.50	569.75	-59.75
May	Wheat	615.00	582.50	582.50	-59.75
Mar	KC Wheat	696.00	595.00	595.00	-56.00
May	KC Wheat	623.50	606.00	606.25	-56.25
Mar	MPS Wheat	682.00	628.00	628.25	-52.00
Mar	MPS Wheat	685.00	629.75	629.75	-55.25
Mar	Corn	389.50	380.75	380.75	-30.00
May	Corn	396.00	391.25	391.25	-30.00
Jan	Soybeans	989.00	954.00	954.00	-83.50
Mar	Soybeans	1010.00	966.00	966.00	-70.00
Jan	BPF Milk	xx.xx	xx.xx	10.84	-0.04
Feb	BPF Milk	9.90	9.90	9.85	-0.07
Mar	BPF Milk	10.25	xx.xx	10.23	+0.05
Apr	BPF Milk	10.70	10.70	10.82	+1.12
May	BPF Milk	11.34	11.25	11.30	+0.22
Mar	Sugar	12.11	11.45	11.47	-0.58
May	Sugar	12.57	11.95	11.97	-0.53

Corn stocks climb, price plunges

Lower animal numbers push feed demand down

By Cindy Snyder
Times-News correspondent

Livestock producers who found corn too expensive to feed in 2007 may see more reasonable prices in 2008, if they have livestock left to feed. Corn piles are growing thanks to better than expected yields and plummeting demand. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's monthly corn balance sheet, corn ending stocks are estimated to reach 1.79 billion bushels, up from the December estimate of 1.47 billion bushels. Traders were expecting corn stocks to grow, but not that much, said Jim Bower, president of Bower Trading Inc. in Lafayette, Ind. Pre-

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— Jim Bower, president of Bower Trading Inc.

report estimates had pegged corn stocks at 1.5 billion bushels, or about 300 million bushels less than the USDA forecast.

"The biggest shocker (in this report) is the ending corn stocks number," Bower said during a conference call.

Chicago Board of Trade corn futures contracts finished down — the exchange-imposed daily trading limit of 30 cents per bushel to close at \$3.80-3/4 a bushel.

In addition to the increased carryout, the USDA also increased production estimates to 12.1 billion bushel from 12 billion bushels. The final yield estimate for the 2008 crop is 153.9 bushels per acre, less than the USDA's August estimate of 155 bushels per acre. Last year,

corn yielded 151.1 bushels per acre.

But some of the biggest changes came on the demand side. After shaving projected ethanol demand for corn in December, USDA forecasters cut 100 million bushels from ethanol demand this month. Feed and export demand were also each cut by 50 million bushels.

Lower animal numbers are pushing feed demand lower. Traders expect the beef cow herd will be down 1 percent when the USDA releases its cattle report on January 30. Pork and poultry production is expected to decline by 2 to 3 percent each in the coming year. The last time the poultry industry has posted year-to-year declines in production

was 1975.

Despite a herd buy down program, dairy cow inventory is expected to grow slightly in Idaho in the coming year. Wilson Gray, an extension livestock economist with the University of Idaho in Twin Falls, doesn't expect growth to rival the expansion seen last year when the state's dairy herd grew by 29,000 head between November 2007 and November 2008.

Some analysts say corn does not have enough demand to justify a \$4 per-bushel price tag and prices may stabilize around \$3.50 a bushel.

Bower recommends that both crop producers and livestock producers use cost analysis to calculate exactly where their break even points are, and to develop a marketing strategy around those points.

"You've got to know exactly where you are at cost-wise," he said.

In a pinch, dairies could also feed straw to hold feed costs lower.

ative," he said.

He ran a cost analysis to determine where corn silage prices may be in 2009, if milk prices stay around \$13 per hundredweight. He put alfalfa in the ration at \$135 to \$150 per ton, adding that if milk prices do fall to \$10, dairies may be forced to buy feeder quality hay rather than the dairy quality hay they'd rather feed.

In a pinch, dairies could also feed straw to hold feed costs lower.

He estimated flaked corn at \$190 to \$200 per ton, about where it was in early January, and soybean meal at \$310 to \$340 per ton. That means corn silage standing in the field could be worth \$18 to \$24 per ton — at 30 percent moisture.

"If we have to feed corn silage at last year's value, we're probably not going to feed much corn silage this year," Southwick said.

Commodities slump on firm dollar, demand concerns

By Sara Lepro
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — An advance in the dollar, compounded by heightened concerns about a sharp drop in demand for raw materials, sent commodities prices plunging Monday.

Gold prices dipped below \$820 an ounce for the first time in a month, while oil prices sank below \$40 a barrel as investors' were gripped by fears about the economy and a subsequent downward spiral in prices.

While there were no economic reports issued Monday, and very little corporate news, investors were skittish ahead of corporate earnings reports, which begin in earnest this week and are expected to show meager profits at best.

Many analysts expect companies to indicate continued weakness through the end of the year. If companies are struggling, the recession may last longer than the market

had anticipated.

Also Monday, the dollar gained strength against other major currencies, including the euro and the British pound, ahead of an anticipated rate cut this week by the European Central Bank. The ECB is widely expected to reduce its interest rate from the current 2.5 percent when it meets Thursday. That would follow a cut by the Bank of England last week. The British central bank lowered its rate by half a percentage point to 1.5 percent, the lowest level in the bank's 315-year history.

As central banks around the world cut rates amid a worsening global recession, the U.S. dollar has benefited. Lower rates can help jumpstart an economy, but weigh on a currency as investors seek higher returns elsewhere. Still, the Federal Reserve has cut its benchmark interest rate to near zero and expects to keep rates low for some time, which could

pressure the dollar.

Commodities, particularly gold, are sensitive to the direction of the dollar as they are often used as a hedge against inflation and a weak greenback.

"The dollar being supported here over past several weeks has pressured commodities as a whole," said Dave Meger, vice president of metals trading at Alaron Trading Corp. Meger said he expects a firm dollar and a fear of rapidly falling prices to continue to weigh on the commodities market for most of 2009.

Gold for February delivery dropped \$34 to settle at \$821 an ounce on the New York Mercantile Exchange, after falling to as low as \$817.10 earlier in the session.

Other precious metals prices also tumbled. March silver fell 57 cents to \$10.75 an ounce, while March copper futures fell 7.1 cents to \$1.4885 a pound.

Energy prices fell on the

Nymex as the strained economy outweighed factors that would normally boost the market, including turmoil in the Mideast and signs that OPEC was implementing large-scale production cuts.

Light, sweet crude for February delivery fell 3.24, or nearly 8 percent, to settle at \$37.59 a barrel.

In other Nymex trading, gasoline futures dipped 2.7 cents to \$1.0841 a gallon, while heating oil futures fell 2.5 cents to \$1.4724 a gallon.

On Wall Street, stocks fell as declining commodity prices dragged energy stocks lower and reinforced fears that a slowing economy will further erode corporate profits. The Dow Jones industrials fell 125 points, or 1.5 percent, while broader indexes fell more than 2 percent.

The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note, which moves opposite its price, fell to 2.34 percent from 2.36 percent late Friday.

Wet weather damages nursery stock

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Damage estimates to Oregon's nursery stock industry from late December storms suffered by 160 growers in 12 counties range from \$18 to \$31 million in a survey conducted by the Oregon Association of Nurseries.

"It's now clear that damage to nursery and greenhouse structures and crops was widespread and extensive," said association President Tom McNabb.

Hardest hit were green-

houses and other structures used in the production of nursery and greenhouse crops. Growers reported the total estimated cost to repair or replace damaged greenhouses and structures at \$10.8 million.

The nursery industry is Oregon's most valuable agricultural producer, with sales topping \$1 billion last year. About 81 percent of the output goes out of state, nearly 50 percent east of the Mississippi River.

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\$200 per ton or more.

Corn prices have softened and new USDA forecasts that project corn ending stocks are growing as demand weakens, have lowered break-even costs in Idaho, Utah and California to around \$15.50 per hundredweight, Southwick told fieldsmen during the Far West Agribusiness Association's annual conference in Jackpot earlier this month.

But milk prices have fallen even faster and the milk futures price for the next few months is around \$10 per hundredweight.

"Anything under fifteen dollars (per hundredweight) is going to hurt almost everyone," said Wilson Gray, a University of Idaho extension livestock specialist. He thinks \$10 per hundredweight milk is too pessimistic, but no one knows where the bottom is.

As a nutritionist, Southwick's job is to figure out what ingredients can be put in a ration that will both make milk and cash flow. "Hard times call for creative measures and some of these rations are going to be cre-

Prices

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ating costs. money," he said. "The more conservative (dairy) used profits when prices were strong to pay down debt."

Local banks confirmed Monday that there is "increased activity" among agricultural loans provided to the dairy sector.

However, what concerns the industry more than the current price decline, is the uncertainty that lay ahead.

Milk prices peaked at \$20.25 in June 2008, before dropping to \$11.12.

Dairy men need about \$13.00 per hundredweight to break even with current feed prices and other oper-

ating costs.

Dairy industry experts say price fluctuations are becoming more frequent and more volatile as the effects of a national economic crisis trickle down to the dairymen.

Dave Kurzwaski, senior broker with Chicago, Ill.-based Downes O'neill LLC., said the nation's dairy herd is about 250,000 head "over the trendline." He said dairy herds and milk production will need to be reduced to create more price stability.

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NOTICE OF HEARING
 The City of Burley will hold a public hearing on **February 3, 2009 at 7 PM** at Burley City Hall to consider increases in the following fees. Any interested person may speak at the public hearing. At the conclusion of the public hearing the City Council may take action to approve, reduce or deny the fees. Burley City Hall is accessible to all. Anyone desiring any special accommodations should contact City Hall at 878-2224 24 hours before the public hearing.

PROPOSED FEES CHANGES 2009

	2008	2009 Proposed		
Salmon Park				
Reserve entire park per day	\$210.00	\$250.00		19.05%
Patio #1				
4 hour reservations	\$25.00	\$40.00		60.00%
8 hour reservations	\$50.00	\$80.00		60.00%
all day reservation	\$210.00	\$250.00		19.05%
Patio #2				
4 hour reservations	\$20.00	\$28.00		40.00%
8 hour reservations	\$40.00	\$56.00		40.00%
all day reservation	\$0.00	\$80.00		
Patio #3				
4 hour reservations	\$20.00	\$28.00		40.00%
8 hour reservations	\$40.00	\$56.00		40.00%
all day reservation	\$0.00	\$80.00		
Patio #4				
4 hour reservations	\$20.00	\$28.00		40.00%
8 hour reservations	\$40.00	\$56.00		40.00%
all day reservation	\$0.00	\$80.00		
Patio #5				
4 hour reservations	\$20.00	\$28.00		40.00%
8 hour reservations	\$40.00	\$56.00		40.00%
all day reservation	\$0.00	\$80.00		
Proposed refundable cleaning deposit	\$0.00	\$25.00		
Riverfront Park				
Elks Patio				
4 hour reservations	\$25.00	\$40.00		60.00%
8 hour reservations	\$50.00	\$80.00		60.00%
all day reservation	\$75.00	\$120.00		60.00%
Ore-Ida Patio				
4 hour reservations	\$20.00	\$28.00		40.00%
8 hour reservations	\$40.00	\$56.00		40.00%
all day reservation	\$60.00	\$84.00		40.00%
Rotary Patio				
4 hour reservations	\$20.00	\$28.00		40.00%
8 hour reservations	\$40.00	\$56.00		40.00%
all day reservation	\$0.00	\$84.00		
Kings Patio				
4 hour reservations	\$20.00	\$28.00		40.00%
all day reservation	\$60.00	\$84.00		40.00%
Proposed refundable cleaning deposit		\$25.00		
*all trash is picked up twice weekly				
*bathrooms are cleaned daily during season				
Kuneau Park				
Lions Pavillion				
4 hour reservation	\$20.00	\$28.00		40.00%
8 hour reservation	\$40.00	\$56.00		40.00%
all day reservation	\$0.00	\$120.00		
West Coast Pavillion				
4 hour reservation	\$0.00	\$40.00		
8 hour reservation	\$0.00	\$80.00		
all day reservation	\$0.00	\$120.00		
Bandstand				
Rental per day	\$100.00	\$100.00		0.00%
over 20 miles/per mile	\$0.32	\$0.49		51.56%
extension extra	\$0.00	\$50.00		
electricity extra	\$0.00	\$100.00		
Little League/BABA				
Required 5 man hours and 6 bags chalk a day for Little League Season Total	no charge	\$3,500.00		
Men's Softball League				
not prepped per field		\$50.00		
prepped per field	\$50.00	\$100.00		100.00%
not prepped season		\$1,200.00		
prepped season	\$1,200.00	\$2,400.00		100.00%
Allstar Tournaments/2 day tournaments				
also includes chalk & chalker for additional games	prepped \$350.00	\$500.00		42.86%
Kiwanis Club Soccer	prepped weekly	no charge	\$170.00	
Proposed cleaning fee of \$25.00 will be charged for fields and/or bathrooms left trashy/messy				
*all trash is picked up twice weekly				
*bathrooms are cleaned daily during season				

	2008	2009 Proposed	% change
Water Fees			
Flowage Fees			
Residential	\$0.52	\$0.54	3.85%
Commercial	\$0.73	\$0.75	4.11%
Larger than 2" meter	\$2000 plus cost of meter	\$200 per inch plus cost of materials	
Library			
Service			
Inter-Library loan materials not picked up	\$0.00	\$10.00	
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Mail up to 2 books, postage one way	New Service	\$3.00	
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3 Monthly Family Card	\$25.00	Eliminated	
Special Day Materials (holidays)	\$0.50 ea	\$0.25 ea	-50.00%
Cliff Notes	\$0.50 ea	\$0.25 ea	-50.00%
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	2008 Rec District & City Discounted Fee	2008 Regular Fee	2009 Rec District & City Discounted Fee	2009 Regular Fee	% change	% change
POOL						
Swim Club	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35 per mo	\$45 per mo		
Aqua Tot(25 min class)	\$12.50	\$16.45	\$15.00	\$20.00	33.33%	17.75%
Diving Class(25 min class)	\$12.50	\$16.45	\$15.00	\$20.00	33.33%	17.75%
Level 1 & 2	\$12.50	\$16.45	\$15.00	\$20.00	33.33%	17.75%
Level 3 to 6	\$16.75	\$21.75	\$15.00	\$20.00	33.33%	-8.75%
Semi-Private (5 one-half hour classes)	\$46.50	\$49.00	\$47.00	\$49.00	4.26%	0.00%
Family Night (for 6)	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$15.00	25.00%	33.33%
Season Passes	\$35.00	\$73.00	\$70.00	\$73.00	4.29%	0.00%
Family Season Passes	\$125.00	\$167.00	\$240.00	\$240.00	0.00%	30.42%
Open Swim						
Afternoon	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.50	\$2.50	0.00%	20.00%
Evening	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$1.50	\$1.50	0.00%	-33.33%

	2008	2009 Proposed	% change
Electric			
Yard Light Connect	\$15.00	\$20.00	33.33%
New Service Fee	\$15.00	\$20.00	33.33%
Reconnect at Meter after shutoff	\$20.00	\$30.00	50.00%
After hours connect/re-connect	\$65.00	\$100.00	53.85%

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
On the STATUS OF FUNDED ACTIVITIES

The City of Shoshone received an Idaho Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$486,000 from the Idaho Department of Commerce. This funding is allocated to the State of Idaho from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds are being used to assist the City of Shoshone with their Wastewater Improvement project.

The hearing will include a review of project activities and accomplishments to date, a summary of all expenditures to date, a general description of the remaining work, and any changes made to the scope of work, budget, schedule, location, or beneficiaries.

The hearing has been scheduled for January 20, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Shoshone's City Hall, 207 S. Rail Street West, Shoshone, Idaho 83352. Project information will be available for review at the City of Shoshone. Written comments will be accepted up to and at the hearing. Oral comments will be accepted at the hearing. Information provided at the public hearing will be available, upon request, prior to the hearing. Special accommodations or alternative formats for non-English speaking persons and persons with disabilities will be available, upon request, within minimum of five (5) days notice prior to the hearing. The hearing will be held in a facility that is accessible to persons with disabilities. For more information contact City Hall at (208) 896-2030.

PUBLISH: January 13, 2009

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
 On Thursday, April 16, 2009 at the hour of 10:30 o'clock A.M., of said day, in the office of Titlefact, Inc. located at 163 4th Avenue North, Twin Falls, ID 83301,

Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check, certified check or tellers check, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: **Lot 12, Stanfield & Wakem Subdivision, according to the official plat thereof, filed in Book 5 of Plats at Page(s) 54, Official Records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.**

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: **458 Wakefield Street, Twin Falls, ID 83301, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY.**

If the successful bidder cannot provide the bid price by means of one of the above means of payment, the sale will be postponed for 10 minutes only to allow the high bidder to obtain payment in a form prescribed herein above. If the high bidder is unsuccessful in obtaining payment as directed within 10 minutes, the sale will be re-held immediately and any bid by the high bidder from the previous sale, will be rejected, all in accordance with Idaho Code 45-1502 et. Sec.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by **Alvin L. Evans and Dawn C. Evans, Husband and Wife, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of First Horizon Home Loans, a division of First Tennessee Bank National Association as Successor Beneficiary, recorded August 15, 2005 as Instrument No. 2005-018021, Mortgage records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.**

The default for which this sale is to be made is failure to:

Make principal and interest payments as set forth on said Deed of Trust and Promissory Note. The original loan amount was \$57,600.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of 7.750% per annum, as evidenced in Promissory Note dated August 12, 2005. Payments are in default for the months of August 2008 thru & including November 2008 in the amount of \$562.95 per month and continuing each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance as of November 14, 2008 is \$57,521.62 together with accrued and accruing interest thereon at the rate of 7.750% per annum. The per diem is \$12.21. In addition to the above, there is also due any late charges, advances, escrow collection fees, attorney fees, fees or costs associated with this foreclosure.

The balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$57,521.62, excluding interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder or in this sale, as trustee's fees and/or reasonable attorney's fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust.

Dated: December 15, 2008
 Alliance Title & Escrow Corp.
 By: Bobbi Oldfield, Trust Officer
 Phone: (877) 947-1553

PUBLISH: Dec 23, 30, 2008, Jan 6 and 13, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
 Loan No. 0058868282 T.S. No. 057-003466 On 4/24/2009, at 11:00 am (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho: Lobby of TitleFact 163 4th Avenue North Twin Falls, ID 83301, Transnation Title & Escrow, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, as Trustee on behalf of LandAmerica OneStop, Inc. will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls State of Idaho, and described as follows: **LOT 17 IN BLOCK 1 OF VILLA VISTA SUBDIVISION NO. 8, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 20 OF PLATS, PAGE 22, RECORDS OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO.** The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **470 LACASA LOOP, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **TERESA OLSEN & GARY OLSEN, WIFE & HUSBAND as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. is named as Beneficiary and TWIN FALLS TITLE & ESCROW as Trustee and recorded 8/29/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-021766 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 8/24/2006. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,301.17, due per month for the months of 1/1/2008 through 12/12/2008, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$176,000.00 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.50000 per cent (%) per annum from 12/1/2007. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 12/15/2008 Transnation Title & Escrow, Inc., a Delaware Corporation By: THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 2952038**

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FOUND Horse in Jackson area. Call to identify 208-436-6903

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Conceptis Sudoku By Dave Green

	2		8				4	
3								8
	7	1		4	6			
4	9				1			3
	8	3		6	5			
9		8	7	5				1
	7		4					3

Answer to previous puzzle

1	2	4	5	7	8	9	6	3
7	3	5	9	2	6	4	1	8
6	8	9	3	1	4	2	7	5
5	9	3	2	6	1	7	8	4
4	1	6	7	8	3	5	2	9
2	7	8	4	5	9	1	3	6
3	4	1	8	9	7	6	5	2
8	6	2	1	4	5	3	9	7
9	5	7	6	3	2	8	4	1

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Young workers must learn how to 'dress for success'

DEAR ABBY: You're in a position to do young people a great service by educating a generation that has grown up in a casual-dress world that there's a line between how one dresses in one's personal life and how one dresses for work. Cross it, and it could negatively affect your career.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

I work for a large multinational company, and I am often shocked at the way people dress. Although there are clear business/casual guidelines, these lines are crossed by men and women alike. Talks behind closed doors have no effect. Sending out the corporate dress code to the staff has yielded no change in behavior.

I finally consulted the HR department and came up with an approved solution. The dress code was again sent out to all employees in my department, with the warning that the next violation would mean being sent home and deducting the time as a vacation day.

Sure enough, "Disco Dolly" showed up in a sheer, low-cut, sleeveless blouse with a micro-mini skirt and strappy sandals. When I sent her home, she complained that she was saving her vacation days. I told her she had violated the company's dress code—again.

I also pointed out that her chances of promotion were now compromised thanks to the

demonstration she had given that following simple instructions was beyond her capabilities. If you want to be regarded as a serious professional, dress like one! Some "suggestions":

1. DRESS FOR SUCCESS, not sex. Women should not dress like streetwalkers. Leave the sexy, short, filmy dresses, cleavage-baring blouses and spaghetti straps for your personal life. This is an office, not a cocktail party.

2. COVER UP. No sandals or designer flip-flops. We don't want to see your pedicure, your toe rings, the crust on your heels, or smell your feet.

3. MAKE IT FIT. Anything that hugs the body too tightly is not right for the office. We have a woman working here who looks like a sausage stuffed in a floral polyester casing. It's hard to take her seriously. The same goes for a man whose pants are so tight that you can tell his religion. Ditto for pants that are so loose and low-slung you can see his underwear or her thong.

4. DON'T POLLUTE. By this I mean go easy on the fragrance. Some people have breathing problems and allergies. Do not pollute the office with a scent that irritates 10 minutes before you do and lingers hours after you've gone. This applies to men as well as women.

5. BATHE. There seems to be a new "natural" cult popping up whose adherents believe that washing removes vital oils from the skin and should be avoided. This phenomenon is more often, but not always, a male habit. Anyone in close contact with others should bathe or shower DAILY.

— TRYING TO RUN

A BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

DEAR TRYING: I'm willing to wager that your letter will be posted on millions of bulletin boards in the business world. Your "suggestions" make good sense. While many companies allow employees to dress down on "casual Fridays," any business that wants the people it hires to be taken seriously should impress upon them that they must present themselves in a professional manner. Some companies do this in the form of an employee manual that lays it out in black and white. Because your directive was ignored, you were right to let "Disco Dolly" know there would be a penalty for noncompliance.

IF JANUARY 13 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are likely to find yourself developing a healthy work ethic in the year to come. Between now and July work like the dickens to make your business, job or personal dreams come true. You possess vision, and your imagination will add to the positive mix of cosmic conditions as you are able to visualize success. September could mark a favorable turning point if you pay careful attention to obligations and don't lose sight of your long-term goals. A big change or sudden fame could be yours in October.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Worker bees end up making the most honey. Your drive and determination will be great assets to help you with business, work or career. You should shift gears to low when you get home to a sweetheart.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Hard work is often its own reward. You might be confused by a shift of subject, especially if you have heartwarming tales to tell and the other people you deal with are in an "all business" mode.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You are one of those people who can figure out where the bodies are buried. It might be a good idea to

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Jeraldine Saunders

figure out where the money is banked, as well. Take your cue from others who know the ropes.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Stay downwind of the latest gossip. Key information could come your way, but you won't want to be part of a whisper campaign. You'll find success by keeping your nose in your own business.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Keep everything in its place. A brief romantic interlude or a pleasant surprise could brighten your day. However, put amorous activities in the proper perspective and don't ignore compelling responsibilities.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Say the magic word. It might be "please" or it might be "thank you" or it might just be something else that charms your audience. Get your ideas across pleasantly without using shocking tactics.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't mix business with pleasure. Being overtly flirtatious could backfire with people you are trying to impress. Avoid being aggressive or focusing on business goals in

social situations.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Accept kudos just for being yourself. Don't bend over backward to impress someone with your business expertise. Don't get overly involved with business dealings that involve romantic partners.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Get as good as you give. In certain situations you might do best to utilize tact and good manners and set a pleasant tone. Once you have set an amiable pace, others will be delighted to fall in line.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Accentuate the positive. Keep goals relegated to the short term and make a quick sale or two. The generous and tolerant mood of those around you will help you make acceptable presentations.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A spoonful of sugar helps the medicine go down. Be sweet and charming to please a special someone or smooth out a business transaction, but don't drown anyone with inane pleasantries.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You can't close your eyes and hope for the best. Like a great baseball slugger, see the ball before you swing. Visualize the goals you wish to achieve before they happen and they will become reality.

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 13, the 13th day of 2009. There are 352 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 13, 1794, President George Washington approved a measure adding two stars and two stripes to the American flag, following the admission of Vermont and Kentucky to the union. (The number of stripes was later reduced to the original 13.)

On this date: In 1733, James Oglethorpe and some 120 English colonists arrived at Charleston, S.C., while en route to settle in present-day Georgia.

In 1864, composer Stephen Foster died in New York at age 37.

In 1898, Emile Zola's famous defense of Captain Alfred Dreyfus, "J'accuse," was published in Paris.

In 1941, novelist and poet James Joyce died in Zurich, Switzerland, less than a month before his 59th birthday.

In 1945, during World War II, Soviet forces began a huge, successful offensive against the Germans in Eastern Europe.

In 1962, comedian Ernie Kovacs

TODAY IN HISTORY

died in a car crash in west Los Angeles 10 days before his 43rd birthday.

In 1966, Robert C. Weaver was named Secretary of Housing and Urban Development by President Lyndon B. Johnson; Weaver became the first black Cabinet member.

In 1978, former Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey died in Waverly, Minn., at age 66.

In 1982, an Air Florida 737 crashed into Washington, D.C.'s 14th Street Bridge after takeoff during a snowstorm and fell into the Potomac River, killing 78 people.

In 1990, L. Douglas Wilder of Virginia became the nation's first elected black governor as he took the oath of office in Richmond.

Ten years ago: President Bill Clinton's legal team dispatched a formal trial brief to the Senate, arguing that neither "fact or law" warranted his removal from office; House officials sent the

Senate all public evidence in the case. Michael Jordan announced his second retirement from the Chicago Bulls.

Five years ago: Hostile fire brought down a U.S. Army Apache attack helicopter in Iraq, but the two crew members escaped injury. A domestic airliner crashed in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, killing all 37 people aboard. Harold Shipman, the British doctor blamed for killing more than 200 mostly elderly patients, was found hanged in his prison cell, an apparent suicide.

One year ago: President George W. Bush, visiting the United Arab Emirates, gently urged authoritarian Arab allies to satisfy frustrated desires for democracy in the Mideast and saved his harshest criticism for Iran, branding it "the world's leading state-sponsor of terror." The Golden Globes were announced in a dry, news conference-style ceremony, devoid of stars because of the Hollywood writers' strike; "Atonement" won best motion picture drama, while "Mad Men" was named best dramatic TV series.

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



"I wish peas came on a cob like corn."

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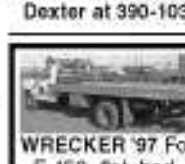
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Do you know what a practice finesse is? If not, consider South's play in six hearts on a diamond lead. The key is to take the diamond ace at trick one, draw trumps, and finesse in spades by leading to the 10. Then cross to hand with the spade ace and repeat the spade finesse. Now you can discard your diamond loser on the spade king, concede a club trick, and ruff your last club in dummy.

If you take the diamond finesse at trick one, then, whether it succeeds or fails, you will still have a club loser and need the spade finesse to make your slam. You can discard one club, but not two, on spades.

However, if the spade finesse succeeds, you can discard your diamond loser, and if it fails, the diamond finesse won't save your contract. In other words, the diamond finesse is completely irrelevant. If you can find the spade queen on your left, you do not need the diamond finesse. If the spade queen is on your right and the diamond finesse is working, you still won't make the hand.

Incidentally, note that drawing all the trumps and leading the spade ace and a spade to the jack locks you in dummy. You have to be willing to pay off to a singleton spade queen offside by finessing on the first round against queen-fifth of spades onside. Queen-fifth is more likely than queen-singleton, making the immediate spade finesse the better play.

NORTH 01-13-A
 ♠ K J 10 3
 ♥ Q J 8 6
 ♦ A Q 3
 ♣ A 9

WEST
 ♠ Q 9 6 4
 ♥ 10
 ♦ 10 9 5 2
 ♣ K J 5 3

EAST
 ♠ 8 7
 ♥ 9 7 2
 ♦ K J 8 4
 ♣ 10 8 4 2

SOUTH
 ♠ A 5 2
 ♥ A K 5 4 3
 ♦ 7 6
 ♣ Q 7 6

Vulnerable: Neither
 Dealer: South

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1♥ Pass 2NT* Pass
 4♥ Pass 4NT Pass
 5♣** Pass 6♥ All pass

*Game-forcing heart raise
 **Three of the five "aces," counting the trump king as an ace

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