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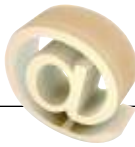
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McElhiney's guilty plea will stand

Man charged with first-degree murder of Dale Miller in '07

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

John McElhiney pleaded guilty to first-degree murder in July with the family of his teenaged victim, Dale Miller, in mind.



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Watch video excerpts from John McElhiney's Friday hearing.

On Friday, though, Miller's family watched in a Twin Falls courtroom as a defiant McElhiney lost a desperate fight to recant his guilty plea.

Twin Falls police found Miller's body stuffed inside a metal barrel on Sept. 12, 2007, in a garage on Morningside Drive.

McElhiney and another man, Cameron Watts were charged with murder. Authorities think the motive was robbery: Miller owed about \$250 to \$300 to McElhiney and Watts.

Watts pleaded guilty and will spend at least 20 years to life in prison.

But it's McElhiney who authorities think is the immediate conduit to Miller's death, and the only one who's tried to escape his guilty plea.

"He did the final thing which caused Dale Miller to die," said Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebs.

McElhiney wrapped Miller's body like a mummy with a telephone cord, and then put him in

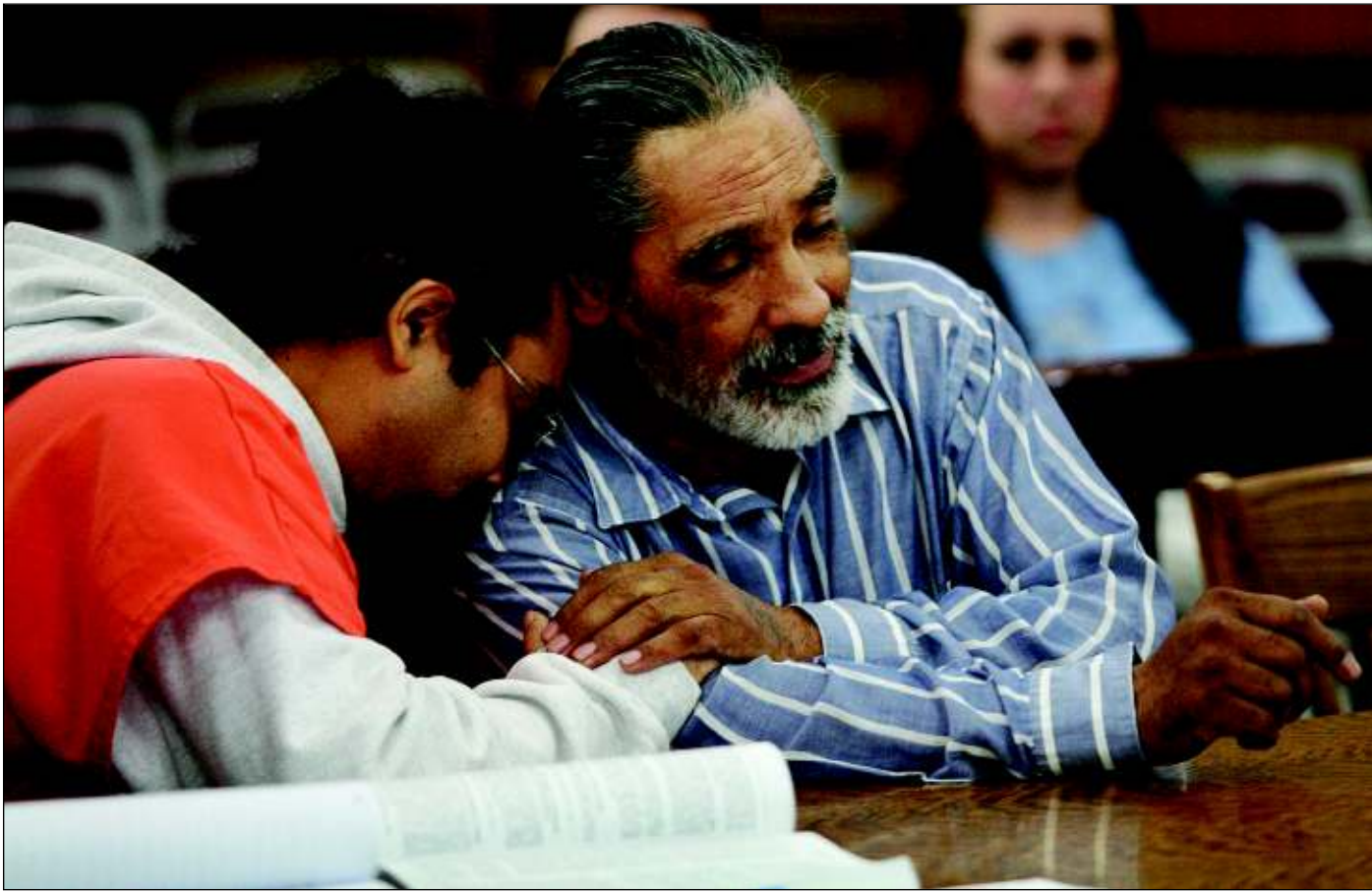
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John McElhiney, one of two people charged in the 2007 murder of Dale Miller, appeared in a Twin Falls court Friday morning to withdraw his guilty plea. Fifth District Judge G. Richard Bevan denied the request, saying McElhiney was truthful when he entered the guilty plea in July.

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Times-News

Quintana cleared



ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Kenneth Quintana, left, and Robert Aragon embrace before their hearing Friday morning in Shoshone. Aragon is accused of allowing two of his children to attempt to walk 10 miles to their mother's home in freezing weather on Christmas Day, during which his daughter, Sage Aragon, died. Fifth District Judge Mark Ingram threw out the charges against Quintana, agreeing with defense attorney Doug Nelson that Quintana didn't have custody of Sage and her brother, Bear Aragon.

Bear Aragon testifies at father Robert Aragon's hearing

By Ben Botkin
Times-News writer

Robert E. Aragon's head was bowed, often with his forehead resting on the table, as he heard testimony and evidence Friday in his preliminary hearing for charges stemming from his daughter's apparent hypothermic death.

Aragon allegedly allowed his two children, Sage Aragon and Bear Aragon, to attempt a nearly 10-mile trek from his snowbound car to see their mother in West Magic Village on Christmas Day. Aragon, 55, is charged in Lincoln County with involuntary manslaughter and felony injury to a child. Sage, 11, died from hypothermia while attempting to make the walk.



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Watch a video from the court hearing for Robert Aragon and Kenneth Quintana.

Twelve-year-old Bear, who suffered from hypothermia and was treated after the trek, walked into the Shoshone courtroom to testify and sat at a table several feet away from his father.

"Hey dad," Bear said. Aragon smiled for a moment before listening to his son's testimony.

Bear told of how his father's car became stuck in snow on their way to see their mother. Aragon tried to dig it

out with a shovel, he said. Bear said he decided to leave the car to get help and see his mother.

He described the weather as "sunny," adding that it was "a perfect day."

Sage and Bear began their walk, he said, after telling their father that they were leaving. Their father told them to stay together, Bear said.

The broader issue of parents, their children and responsibility filtered through the hearing.

Judge Mark Ingram agreed to dismiss charges against Kenneth Quintana, Robert Aragon's cousin, after his defense attorney, Doug Nelson, argued that Quintana, 29 — who faced the

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Obama reverses abortion-funds policy of Bush

Policy banned aid for international abortion groups

By Matthew Lee and Liz Sidoti
Associated Press writers

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama on Friday struck down the Bush administration's ban on giving federal money to international groups that perform abortions or provide abortion information

— an inflammatory policy that has bounced in and out of law for the past quarter-century.

Obama's executive order, the latest in an aggressive first week reversing contentious Bush policies, was warmly welcomed by liberal groups and denounced by abortion rights foes.

The ban has been a political football between Democratic and Republican administrations since GOP President Ronald Reagan

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President Barack Obama speaks to reporters during a meeting about the economy with Congressional leaders on Friday in the Roosevelt Room of the White House in Washington. From left: House Minority Leader John Boehner of Ohio, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi of California and the president.

AP photo

Water board delays decision on aquifer plan

Funding issues push vote to Wed.

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

The Idaho Water Resource Board won't decide until Wednesday whether to pass a plan for reviving the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer on to the Legislature.

Board members decided to wait the extra few days to consider some last-minute changes to the plan's funding suggestions, Hal Anderson, Idaho Department of Water Resources administrator, said after the board's Friday meeting.

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Specifically, the board is considering moving suggested ways to pay for the plan to an appendix to make sure they're viewed as suggestions, he said.

The plan to manage and replenish the Lake Erie-sized aquifer would cost as

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Gooding charter school flap prompts legislation

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

BOISE — Idaho lawmakers are quietly working on legislation they hope will prevent the spread of the kind of friction seen recently between proponents of charter schools and traditional schools in Gooding.

A group of Magic Valley lawmakers and a lobbyist for charter school supporters on

"They were concerned about other charter schools' reputations. They don't want it to go into other communities. They just don't want the issue to be a black eye."

— Rep. Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls

Monday held an informal private meeting to discuss the uproar in Gooding caused by the transfer of 10 percent of Gooding School District students to North Valley Academy, which opened in

August last year. "They were concerned about other charter schools' reputations," said Rep. Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls, who attended the meeting. "They don't want it to go into other

communities. They just don't want the issue to be a black eye."

Gooding school officials have expressed concern that

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Read excerpts from public comments on the plan in the Capitol Confidential blog.



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MORNING BRIEFING



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

- For kids in kindergarten to eighth grade, there's the Twin Falls High School Mini Bruinette Dance Camp from 9 a.m. to noon at the high school's Baun Gymnasium. Cost is \$25. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. They not only get skills, but a T-shirt and admission to tonight's basketball game.
- A chili feed and auction is sponsored by the High

Desert Back Country Horsemen starts at 6 p.m. at the Peace Lutheran Church Hall, 600 Stevens St., Filer. There is no charge, just bring a dish to share.

- Dancing talent is in the spotlight at the Freeze Frame dance showcase at 2 and 7 p.m. at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Ten studios bring on the entertain-

ment. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for seniors and children under 12; or for both shows, \$12 for adults and \$6 for seniors and children.

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

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Auditions for "The Altos, Like the Sopranos, only Lower," adult audience-participation show presented by West End Theatre Company with parts for four men and three women, 490-1992 to schedule audition before Jan. 26.

The JIVE Winter Showcase, 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Roper Auditorium, Twin Falls High School, 1615 Filer Ave. E., \$5, 733-6551, ext. 3028.



The 20th annual Freeze Frame dance showcase, includes performances by students of 10 studios as well as area high school dance teams, 2 and 7 p.m., College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, proceeds to fund scholarships for Idaho Dance Arts Alliance/CSI Dance Camp, tickets: \$7 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens and children for one performance; \$12 for adults and \$6 for seniors and children for both shows, 678-3970 or 735-0904.

Winter Comedy Series, featuring Eddie Ifft and Ryan Wingfield, 6:30 p.m., Boiler Room, Sun Valley Village, \$10 (bring current Sun Valley ski pass or lift ticket for \$3 off cover charge), 622-2148.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Hagerman Masonic Lodge No. 78 annual dinner, features grilled entrees of chicken or salmon prepared by chef Kirt Martin's Snake River Grill; entertainment by Linda Norris of Singasons, 5 to 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 281 N. State St., Hagerman, \$12 per person, fundraiser for local Masonic charities, (208) 539-6027.

High Desert Back Country Horsemen annual free Chili Feed and Auction, 6 p.m., Peace Lutheran Church Hall, 600 Stevens St., Filer, no charge, bring side dish to share and item for auction, open to the public, 539-7766 or 324-4754.

The 13th annual Galena Winter Dinner and Benefit Auction, live and silent auction and raffle for 2010-11 Alpine/Nordic Season Pass, 5:30 p.m., Limelight Room, Sun Valley Inn, individual tickets includes dinner and wine: \$85; special "premier" tables of 10: \$1,750; regular tables of 10: \$850; and tables of eight: \$680, (208) 788-2117 or kstoffer@bcrd.org.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

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

Buttons 'n Bows Square Dance Club "Black and White Dance," 7:30 p.m. pre-rounds and 8 p.m. dance, Moose Lodge, 835 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, \$4 per person, bring finger foods, 420-3947.

EDUCATION/TRAINING

Raices Community Leadership Training for Latinos age 14 and older of Shoshone,

Jerome, Heyburn and Burley; free, interactive training on organizational techniques; includes meals, materials and child care, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., United Electric Conference room, 1330 21st St., Heyburn, no cost, \$75 in gift certificates available, (208) 324-4286 or mgaitan-gonzalez@ccidaho.org.

EXHIBITS

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

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.

FAMILY

"Domestic Life" Family Day activity, view how the home has changed in 50 years through work of six contemporary artists; children may create dream living rooms with boxes, fabric, paper, etc., 3 to 5 p.m., Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 191 Fifth St. E., Ketchum, no cost or registration, supplies provided, sunvalleycenter.org or 726-9491, ext. 10.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

SilverSneakers Fitness Program at Curves of Twin Falls, complete cardio and circuit training with resistance, state-of-the-art equipment and "Curves Smart" personalized coaching, 7 to 11 a.m., Twin Falls Curves, 690 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., no cost for Humana Gold-insured or AARP provided by Secure Horizons, 734-7300.

Military Support Group meeting, program by Ray and Cheri Archibald on Operation Angel and Project Rudolph experiences, 7 p.m. program (dinner at 6:30 p.m. with prior reservations), Wendell City Hall, 536-6159 or 536-6111.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Bingo, for men and women, 1 to 3 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls, cards: four for \$3, 734-5084.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "Planet Patrol: Solar System Stakeout" at 2 p.m.; **"Journey to the Edge of Space and Time"** at 4 p.m.; and **"Here Comes the Sun"** at 7 p.m., Herrett Center, \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens, \$2.50 for students, no cost for children under age 2 and a special price package for families with five children or less; and **Rock Entertainment Show: "Lynyrd Skynyrd: Fly On Free Bird"** at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4.50, 732-6655.

SPORTS

Twin Falls High School Mini Bruinette Dance Camp, for Kindergarten through eighth grade, 9 a.m. to noon with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m., TFHS Baun Gymnasium, \$25 covers T-shirt, snack, two routines and free admission for dancer to basketball game performance night, (208) 734-2498.

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.

Guilty

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the trunk of a car, where he died from lack of air and positional asphyxiation, Loeb said.

The men kidnapped Miller and restrained him. Miller became untied and McElhiney retied him, fatally, authorities say.

"I believe McElhiney tied him more tightly the second time, and that second time caused him to asphyxiate," said Loeb.

When Friday's hearing was over, Loeb said he had a stronger case against McElhiney. "There's more detail in the record than what we had before about what he claims to have done to cause Dale Miller's death."

Authorities don't know if the men intended to kill Miller, and it doesn't matter.

From the stand, in his own words, McElhiney on Friday admitted to committing the components of Idaho's murder statute. He said he kidnapped and hit Miller, and helped tie him up.

In the same sitting, though, he denied the killing and proceeded to perjure himself.

McElhiney told Loeb he



MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Twin Falls County Public Defender Marilyn Paul testifies Friday morning in 5th District Court in Twin Falls. Paul previously represented John McElhiney, charged in the 2007 murder of Dale Miller. Friday, McElhiney unsuccessfully attempted to recant his July guilty plea to first-degree murder.

had lied to 5th District Court Judge G. Richard Bevan in July when he pleaded guilty as charged.

But Bevan didn't buy it on Friday, and denied McElhiney's "fast and loose" attempt to win a trial.

That came after McElhiney attacked the competency of his former lawyer, Twin Falls County Public Defender Marilyn Paul.

Paul on Friday also took the stand and McElhiney's new

lawyer, Rockne Lammers, pummeled her with questions about whether she provided adequate counsel.

When it was over, though, Bevan said Paul did a competent job on McElhiney's case.

And Miller's mom, Kay, walked out of the courtroom with only one more court hearing ahead.

McElhiney's sentencing date has not yet been set. He faces 22 years to life under the terms of his plea agreement.

Water

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much as \$100 million in its first 10 years, but board members and water users say it's necessary to address problems caused by the decline of the aquifer. The board sent the plan out for public comment in November, and has only to approve a final draft before sending it off to legislators.

In a time of statewide budget cuts, the plan's funding has quickly become a top issue. Its management steps would affect 200,000 to 300,000 acre-feet of water in the 10 years for an annual cost of \$7 million to \$10 million. Of that money, \$3 million each year would come from the state and the rest from water users.

On Wednesday, Anderson and others told legislators that IDWR is looking within its own budget for money to cover the plan. Officials also

need legislators to change state law to create a system to collect payments from various water users.

"We can't run from that, we can't hide from it," Anderson said Friday of the financing.

The plan still contains the same overall funding model as before, he said, breaking down by percentages what each group of water users would contribute. It still doesn't include a way to get domestic well users, who aren't regulated by the state, to contribute — a problem brought up several times during the public comment process.

Anderson acknowledged that the plan still doesn't have as much detail as it could about its financing, but said board members realize the enormity of what's before them and are trying to take time to do it right.

The comment period did result in several adjustments to the plan, he said, hopefully clarifying items that some members of the public found confusing or that the board needed to make a decision on. The revised plan should also be easier for people not intimately involved in water to understand, he said.

"It is a better document," he said.

Assuming the board approves the final document next week — there's a chance it might wait a year — its fate will be in the hands of a Legislature whose members don't all live on the aquifer. Anderson said the plan seems to have good support from eastern Idaho legislators, but that he's not at all sure what the full body will decide.

"They're struggling with a lot of issues out there," he said.

Quintana

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same charges as Aragon — cannot be criminally responsible because he's not a parent or custodian of the children.

That argument couldn't be used for the father, though. Even so, Aragon's role as a parent was praised during the court hearing.

"He's given them the best life I feel anybody can give those kids," Quintana told police in a videotaped interview that was played during the hearing.

"He's a good father," said

the children's mother, JoLeta Jenks, in her court testimony. "I just wish this didn't have to happen."

Patrick McMillen, Aragon's defense attorney, argued that it cannot be proven that he could have willfully known about the consequences.

"I don't think it crossed Robert's mind that any ill would come to those kids that day," McMillen said.

E. Scott Paul, the Lincoln County prosecutor, disagreed.

"These are his children,"

Paul said. "They are 11 and almost 13. He's put them out for a 9-mile walk."

Ingram decided Aragon's case can continue in district court.

"Frankly, it's obvious that Bear cares about his dad," the judge said, when talking about the boy's testimony.

During a bond reduction hearing, Aragon's bond was reduced from \$500,000 to \$25,000. A Jerome County Jail official said Friday afternoon that Aragon had posted bond and was released.

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WATCH: video from the court hearing for Robert Aragon and Kenneth Quintana held Friday in Shoshone.

WATCH: video of the previously alleged dance crime.

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Salmon	96%	53%
Big Wood	82%	47%
Little Wood	89%	49%
Big Lost	90%	48%
Little Lost	92%	50%
Henrys Fork/Teton	85%	48%
Upper Snake Basin	98%	56%
Oakley	79%	44%
Salmon Falls	104%	56%

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Vehicular manslaughter, battery cases dropped

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

Twin Falls County prosecutors dropped two separate and serious cases Friday, but could re-file at least one.

The allegations involving vehicular manslaughter and aggravated battery were dismissed during preliminary hearings Friday in 5th District Court in Twin Falls.

The first case involves a dance kick at a punk rock concert that authorities said injured a man.

Owner of Dye by the Sword Hair Boutique in Boise, Justin Michael Sweat, 26, was accused of felony aggravated battery, after he allegedly looked over his shoulder and kicked Devon Boudreaux in the face. Boudreaux fell and hit his head on the concrete floor of The Shop dance club in October.

He suffered bleeding in the brain and was hospitalized in intensive care, according to court records.

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WATCH: video of the previously alleged dance crime.

Sweat and other concertgoers told the *Times-News* Boudreaux was hurt in an unfortunate accident, which did not involve a crime. Boudreaux was kicked in the waist and not the head, they also said.

Deputy Prosecutor Julie Sturgill filed paperwork Friday to dismiss the case, but didn't list a reason for the move.

Her boss, Prosecutor Grant Loeb, was in court Friday on a separate matter and said he could provide more information next week.

From court, Sweat's lawyer, Lynn Dunlap, said only that he doesn't object.

Prosecutors could re-file their charge, because it's a felony, said 5th District Court Judge Roger Harris.

Prosecutors also dropped their case Friday against a

Nevada man charged with vehicular manslaughter.

Authorities alleged Jose G. Castaneda-Donasio, 41, of Jackpot, caused a head-on collision Dec. 11 near Hollister, which killed his passenger.

They asserted Donasio had been drinking, but tests show the level of alcohol in his system wasn't high enough to warrant the charge, Loeb said. "I don't think we'll be able to re-file as a felony because level of alcohol was too low to qualify."

After the crash, Donasio allegedly told deputies he had been drinking, and alcohol was found in the vehicle, according to court records.

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Refuge elk feeding to start Tuesday

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — The National Elk Refuge in north-west Wyoming will start providing feed to animals next Tuesday.

The start date of this year's feeding program is a week later than the average and roughly two weeks later than the start in 2008 and 2007.

The refuge and the Wyoming Game and Fish Department try to delay the onset of supplemental feeding as long as possible to reduce the amount of time the animals spend crowded together on feed lines. Researchers say crowded conditions increase the chance

diseases like brucellosis are transmitted.

"We have to balance those (disease) concerns against other objectives, which is to minimize conflicts and commingling with livestock ... and minimizing winter elk starvation," refuge biologist Eric Cole said.

Charter

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the charter school could take in so many students that it would leave the traditional public schools short of money as state funding is shifted along with the students.

The issue has split the small community, and Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna recently held a question-and-answer session aimed at easing divisions there.

Ken Burgess, who represents the Coalition of Charter School Families, described the Monday meeting as a chance to explain the Gooding situation to lawmakers from other parts of the valley. While he and others said legislation is in the works, he said he would rather see the issue play out a little more before drastic changes are made.

"It's essentially ripping the scabs off some of the wounds we thought had healed," Burgess said of the meeting.

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, said she is drafting legislation aimed at improving communication between charters and traditional schools and at avoiding conflict in other areas. The city of Gooding, with a population of less than 4,000, is the only rural Idaho town with a charter school, though many more charter applications are pending.

NVA has about 160 students in grades K-8, and more than 100 of them have come from within the school district. Next fall it will also offer

high school classes.

Jaquet said she primarily wants to expand notification requirements for charter schools, which are now required only to describe their plans in their initial petition for a charter. When North Valley wanted to expand to include high school students, it simply posted the idea on a Web site.

Burgess said he doesn't believe legislation dealing with those ideas will draw much opposition.

Jaquet also wants less "duplication" of programs offered by charters and other schools in the same district. For example, schools should share dual enrollment classes, she said.

Jaquet said she wants the legislation, which is still being written, to require more consideration of a charter school's impact on traditional schools.

Rep. Donna Pence, D-Gooding, said she will likely support the legislation,

though Burgess said he'd need to see it before commenting.

Tamara Baysinger, program manager for the Idaho Charter Schools Commission, said the issue is likely to surface at the commission's April board meeting.

Meanwhile, Burgess said he still plans to try and lift the state's limit of no more than six new charter schools each year. Idaho's first charter school opened in 1998, and now there are 31 statewide.

Baysinger said the commission would consider lifting the cap as a positive decision, but would have concerns about potential drawbacks.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

DEQ lifts air alert, burn restrictions

On Friday, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality lifted a stage-one alert it issued on air quality in the Magic Valley, specifically around Twin Falls.

The alert was triggered by increased levels of particulate matter in the atmosphere, and prompted an immediate ban on outdoor burning, as well as a voluntary ban on wood stoves, fireplaces and similar heat sources. It was largely the result of a lingering atmospheric inversion and a lack of snow or rain.

The alert ended at 10 a.m., at which time DEQ's notice ranked the region's air quality as "good."

BLM council to review Forest Service fees

The Recreation Resource Advisory Council Subcommittee for the Bureau of Land Management's Boise and Twin Falls districts will meet Feb. 5 to review fee changes proposed for Forest Service recreation sites.

Fee changes are proposed for 13 campgrounds and two cabins in the Sawtooth National Forest, and a boat launch on Lake Cascade. The BLM has not suggested any fee changes for its facilities in those districts.

Federal law requires a RAC committee or subcommittee, made up of members of the public, to review fees. The Sawtooth

National Forest is forming its own council.

The meeting will start at 10 a.m. at the Boise District BLM Offices, 3948 S. Development Ave. in Boise. For more information: Heather Tiel-Nelson, 208-736-2352, or M.J. Byrne, 208-384-3393.

Chili cook-off in Buhl

Boy Scout Pack 106 will hold a chili cook-off and all-you-can-eat chili feed today

at the Buhl Moose Hall in downtown Buhl.

Cooking starts at noon. Contestants can enter for \$10 and cash prizes will be awarded. The feed runs from 4 to 7 p.m. and door prizes, cookies and drinks are included. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$8 for couples, \$10 per family of four and \$3 for seniors and children 10 years and under.

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Southwest Idaho native will oversee Air Force One

BOISE (AP) — A southwest Idaho native has been promoted to a job that makes him responsible for flying and maintaining the planes that carry the president, vice president and other top U.S. officials.

Col. Steven Harrison on Friday assumed command of the 89th Airlift Wing at Andrews Force Base outside Washington, D.C.

The 43-year-old Harrison grew up in Emmett and is an Air Force Academy graduate and Rhodes Scholar.

"I don't know if there's any more important role in a democracy than to support, protect and safely transport the people's elected leaders," Harrison told the Idaho Statesman.

Harrison attended Emmett High School where he was an all-state defensive back, student body president, and valedictorian.

He graduated first in his class at flight school at Columbus Air Force Base in Mississippi in 1992, but that didn't lead to his goal of training as a jet pilot.

"It was during a down time when they were reducing the number of fighters," Harrison said. "I was one of only a couple of classes that didn't have any fighters."

The 89th Airlift Wing is



Journalists board Air Force One at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., in May 2008. Col. Steven Harrison, who grew up in Emmett, assumed command of the 89th Airlift Wing at Andrews Force Base Friday. The command includes the Boeing 747s with presidential markings commonly known as Air Force One.

also known as "The President's Wing." It includes the Boeing 747s with presidential markings commonly known as Air Force One. But any plane on which the president is a passenger is called Air Force One.

"I'm just a new leader of the organization," said Harrison, who will manage about 1,100 people. "The people who do the real work are on the flight line, day in and day out. I'm just

here for support and direction."

Before taking his new post, Harrison was the leader of the 436th Airlift Wing at Dover Air Force Base in Dover, Del., where fallen soldiers are brought from overseas.

"It's at one time both inspiring and heartbreaking," Harrison said. "It's heartbreaking to know what their families are going through as you bring them

home. It is inspiring the extent to which the military goes for the family of a service member lost in combat. There is no other country in the world that goes to so much trouble and effort to make sure these fallen heroes are returned with dignity, honor and respect."

Harrison was assigned to Dover in May 2007 after a two-year stint as vice commander of the 437th Wing at

Air Force searching for Air Force One replacement

By Anne Gearan
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon has begun a search for a replacement for Air Force One, but it will probably be some future president who first uses the new presidential airplane.

The Air Force advertised the project to defense contractors this month, saying the first plane should be ready in 2017. The Air Force would buy two more over the next few years, providing a fleet of three jumbo jets to replace the current fleet of two modified Boeing 747s.

The presidential 747, at five stories high and 4,000 square feet of space inside, is impressive and comfortable. But the 747 is an old design, and commercial versions are being retired from

U.S. passenger service. Parts are getting more expensive and harder to come by, the Air Force said in its Jan. 7 solicitation.

The service concluded that it would be cheaper in the long run to buy new planes. It plans to use a souped-up version of a commercial plane, as it did with the 747s.

The current powder blue and white jets were delivered in 1990 and were expected to last about 30 years.

Even if President Barack Obama serves two terms he will be out of office in January of that year. The Pentagon counts in fiscal years, which begin in October, so if the plane is delivered in the first quarter of 2017 a second-term Obama might get a ride.

Charleston Air Force Base in South Carolina.

"He's had quite an impressive life," said Harrison's dad, Basil Harrison, a former Emmett business owner.

"We're so proud of him. He's such a down-to-earth kid. He's had so many honors, so many achievements, but he can talk to anyone on their level."

Minnick plans interviews for federal jobs

By Sarah D. Wier
Associated Press writer

BOISE — U.S. Rep. Walt Minnick is trying to reinvent how politicians choose candidates for federal appointments in Idaho.

As the state's only Democrat in Congress, Minnick is responsible for making recommendations to President Barack Obama on who should fill four federal positions in Idaho that are coming open with the new presidential administration. But instead of choosing someone who worked in his office or donated money to his campaign, Minnick plans an open application process. Every Idahoan is welcome to apply.



Minnick

The open positions are U.S. marshal and U.S. attorney for Idaho, state administrator for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency, and state director of USDA Rural Development.

Jasper LiCalzi, 51, political economics department chairman at the College of

Get a job

U.S. Rep. Walt Minnick, D-Idaho, is seeking applicants for four federal appointments in the state:

- **U.S. marshal.** Marshals direct the activities of their districts, including apprehending federal fugitives, protecting the federal judiciary, operating the Witness Security Program and transporting federal prisoners. The Idaho job currently is held by Patrick McDonald.
- **U.S. attorney.** Oversees the enforcement of federal criminal law in Idaho, enforces civil statutes and defends the United States in lawsuits. Thomas Moss currently is U.S. attorney for Idaho.
- **Executive director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency.** Directs federal farm programs and pays out farm subsidies and disaster payments. The acting director is Aaron Johnson.
- **State Director of USDA Rural Development for Idaho.** Works to provide home ownership opportunities to people in rural Idaho, expand rural utility services and develop community facilities. Daryl Moser currently has the job.

Applications, cover letter and two-page statement of purpose may be sent to Patty Stiburek at the congressman's office at patty.stiburek@mail.house.gov.

— The Associated Press

Idaho, said each state's ranking congressman of the president's party recommends people who can fill federal appointments at the state level.

"These are patronage positions and they are positions that congressmen get to give away," LiCalzi said.

Minnick's plan "is very innovative, not just for Idaho but across the country," LiCalzi said.

Minnick's spokesman, John Foster, said the first-term congressman wanted

to broaden the field of people to choose from.

"Tradition in other states is whoever is responsible for making recommendations to the president has just made his picks," Foster said. "When you only look to the usual subjects you don't know who you'll be overlooking."

Foster said this process could add new skills to the positions.

"I think some of the qualities for these positions are solid and traditional but with

the changing face of technology some of the qualities are changing too," Foster said.

Applications are due by Feb. 6.

Committees of five to eight people will review the applications and forward the top picks to Minnick, who will interview the contenders before sending his recommendations to Obama.

The president then nominates a candidate to be confirmed by the U.S. Senate.

The committees will be made up of people who have experience relating to each position, including those who have held the jobs. Names of the committee members should be released next week.

Though anyone can apply, having skills relevant to the position wouldn't hurt, Foster said.

"For U.S. attorney you clearly need to be an attorney," he said.

Foster said having an application process is a good way to get more people involved in government.

"Our hope is that we not only get the most qualified people but more people will feel like they're a part of the process," Foster said. "If a kid just out of high school wants to be rural director he might not get the job but we'll find a way to get him involved."

Avalanche experts cite human factor in snowslides

KETCHUM (AP) — Backcountry adventurers increase their chances of being killed in snowslides when they overestimate their own abilities, said avalanche experts meeting in central Idaho.

At a public forum Wednesday, the experts also said the danger increases when skiers, snowboarders and snowmobilers succumb to peer pressure or incorrectly assume their familiarity with the terrain makes the situation safe.

"That's the human factor," said Ian McCammon, an avalanche researcher who owns SnowPit Technologies in Salt Lake City.

Many winter backcountry users try to protect themselves from avalanches by first analyzing the snowpack by digging into it, looking for layers that might easily break off from a layer underneath.

The experts said that taking the scientific approach and analyzing the slide potential in a snowpack is one thing, but backcountry users should also try to analyze their own decisions — or essentially listen to their inner voice of reason.

The U.S. Forest Service's National Avalanche Center says 31 people have been killed by avalanches in the western United States and Canada so far this winter. That includes a 21-year-old Idaho man, Joshua J. Jenkins of Idaho Falls, who was buried under 8 feet of snow on Montana's Mount Jefferson last week while snowmobiling.

McCammon said that something "really strange" happens when people are in avalanche terrain. He said that most people would shake their heads at someone traversing a dangerous slope in the distance, but that the same people tend to overlook the danger when they're risking their own lives, the Idaho Mountain Express reported.

"You go, 'I can't believe they're going up under these conditions,'" he said.

In an attempt to help back-

country users recognize that kind of thinking, he has come up with a checklist he calls "ALP TRUTH," which stands for Avalanches, snow Loading, Path (obvious slide paths), Terrain traps, Rating (Considerable or higher rating by avalanche forecasters), Unstable snow (collapsing, cracking or whomping) and Thaw instability.

He said most avalanches that involve people happen after at least three of the checklist items are ignored.

Hans-Peter Marshall, assistant professor with the Department of Geosciences at Boise State University, and Christine Pielmeier, from the Swiss Federal Institute for Snow and Avalanche Research, also spoke at the presentation.

They are developing techniques to determine snowpack stability quickly and across long distances.

Marshall is using radar to look at snowpack layers, while Pielmeier has developed a "Snow Micropen," a device that penetrates the snowpack to analyze tiny inconsistencies. The researchers said the new techniques could help avalanche forecasters.

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BOISE Still no Tax Commission report on secret deals

BOISE — Idaho lawmakers are losing patience with the state Tax Commission, which hasn't filed a required report on secret tax deals for corporations.

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter ordered the commission to submit an annual report, starting this month, on secret tax deals after a whistleblower alleged the commission was cutting deals to excuse millions in taxes for large corporations. No report has been sent.

Senate Tax Chairman Brent Hill, R-Rexburg, said the Legislature plans to hold the commission responsible for any wrongdoing.

"We've got to do something about this. It's been five months," Senate Tax Chairman Brent Hill, R-Rexburg, told Tax Commission Chairman Royce Chigbrow. "I really want to make it clear that on behalf of the people, we're holding your feet to the fire on this."

Tax Commission attorney Ted Spangler said the report has been sitting on his desk to review and he hasn't gotten to it. "I will get that off my desk, Mr. Chairman," he told Hill.

Whistleblower Stan Howland, a 28-year tax commission auditor, complained in May that the four appointed members of the commission had improperly settled tax protests filed by large, out-of-state corporations for

years. He said the secret deals allowed companies to pay a percentage of what's owed, shorting the state millions of dollars.

Howland said confidentiality laws prevented anyone from finding out about it.

NAMPA Rec center rejects same-sex application

NAMPA — The Nampa Recreation Center has rejected a family pass application from a same-sex couple because they are

not married.

Nampa city officials say the couple can apply for individual memberships at the facility.

However, Rachel Dover and Amber Howard say that would cost them an extra \$400. Instead they signed up for a family pass at the Caldwell Family YMCA.

"We're not married, but we are a family," Dover told KBCI television from the apartment where they are raising Howard's 4-year-old son. "Family isn't a piece of paper; family is love and togetherness that we have."

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Horgan is right: Time to rethink Jerome County P&Z

CHEERS: To new Jerome County Prosecutor John Horgan, for identifying the paralysis by analysis that so often plagues his county's Planning and Zoning Commission.

Trim the size of the commission from 12 members to five, Horgan advised the Jerome County Commission this week. And ask all P&Z commissioners to fill out undated resignation letters to keep on file as motivation against becoming biased or self-serving. The moment commissioners collectively disapprove of the way a P&Z member conducts himself or herself, they can accept and date the letter.

Strong medicine? Sure. But the P&Z — for reasons not entirely its fault — has been a train-wreck the past two years.

There was a time that officials split it in two, but discovered they hadn't done it right — leaving the full body to redo much

of its work. And an attempt to revise the county's ordinance on confined-animal feeding operations outlasted two moratoriums designed to allow the planning commissioners to finish the business at hand.

This board isn't working. It's time to try another way.

JEERS: To the notion of tweaking the state's school funding formula, basing it on enrollment instead of the current system of compensating school districts on the basis of average daily attendance. The state uses ADA to determine funding for districts.

Twin Falls School District Superintendent and other administrators favor the change, arguing that "if we're going to have 28 kids enrolled in a class, we've got to have 28 desks, 28 books and we've got to have a teacher."

We disagree. ADA is a powerful incentive for districts to get



students to school, and it's also a more equitable indicator in a state where migrants often enroll, leave for weeks at a time, and then return to class.

As Filer School District Superintendent John Graham points out, the current funding formula has helped level the playing field for school districts of different sizes.

Can it be improved? Probably. But ADA is a fair way of counting noses.

CHEERS: To the city of Twin Falls for doing what it should have done a long time ago: hiring two full-time airport security officers.

Former Twin Falls County Undersheriff Ed Gudgell and Lt. Steve Nutting began their new jobs this week. Though they have all the training and knowledge of regular police officers, they are not full-fledged cops. Rather, they were hired under a new pay grade as airport security officers and are paid less than regular officers.

Federal law requires an armed peace officer be present when airport passengers are screened. Previously, the city relied on its own cops — a disproportionate number of them high-paid senior officers — to volunteer for two-hour shifts at the airport, most working time-and-a-half overtime.

Over time, that added up. During the first 10 months of fiscal 2008, which ended Sept. 30, the airport's security bill was about \$110,000, with about \$92,000 reimbursed by the federal government and the city

paying the rest.

The police department's top brass told the City Council in November they wanted to stop using on-duty officers for airport work, relying on volunteers to work it all as overtime. In December, they decided to limit how often senior officers could volunteer for the work.

City officials had previously said full-time hires were a bad idea.

"Hiring full-time people and placing them at the airport is really a waste of both federal money and local money," City Manager Tom Courtney said in November.

The difference with the new hires that their salaries will be fully covered by the federal reimbursement. The same wouldn't be true if existing officers were moved over.

That's a happy solution — and one that the city should have tried sooner.

There's a difference between skeptics and cynics

President Obama took time in his inaugural address to set up scapegoats for any future troubles: those annoying cynics.

Addressing those "who question the scale of our ambitions," the new president said, "What the cynics fail to understand is that the ground has shifted beneath them."

He seems to overlook a key difference between cynics, who constantly question the sincerity of motives, and skeptics, who ask questions but can be persuaded by results.

Obama's election is welcome evidence of a dramatic ground-shifting in American politics. It is a chance to move the country forward after years of gridlock. Despite the hype, Obama isn't the Messiah, but he seems smart, serious, and focused enough to outline an ambitious agenda for change. He deserves a chance to implement it.

In the meantime, it isn't wrong to ask for details, acknowledge obstacles, and raise tough but fair questions about the means of carrying out an agenda and the players who will do so.

In fact, Americans should be questioning their leader more, not less, and the media should be leading the charge, not shrinking from



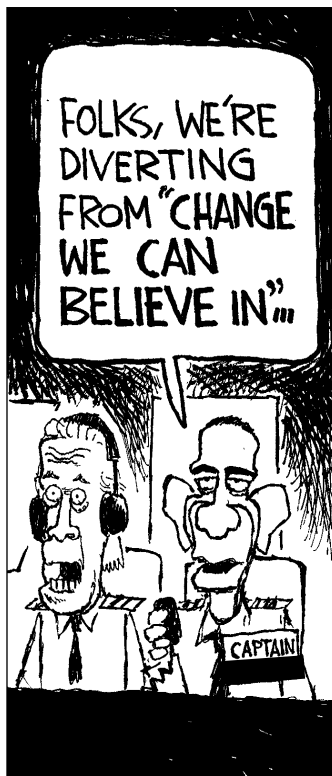
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the task.

This country just witnessed what happens when it gives a president the benefit of the doubt at a time of crisis. It's too bad so many skeptics stepped aside after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, giving President Bush permission to launch a war on a premise that turned out to be false.

The situation is even more complicated today, given the international fallout after the Bush years and the economic turmoil at home and abroad. At this time of crisis, skeptics should step up, not aside. America rightly basked in the feel-good moment of Obama's inauguration. It was a fresh, history-making start that also underscored the best argument for democracy, a peaceful transfer of power.

But for all the pride and emotion engendered by the election of America's first black president and glorious pageantry associated with the changing of the White House guard, stock markets



plunged on Inaugural Day. That's reality. Neither the sunniest disposition nor most hopeful outlook could stop the Dow from falling.

Only time, patience, and the right policies offer any chance of turning things around.

Some thoughts should not be marginalized as the product of shallow cynicism: expecting more accountability for billions in taxpayer-funded bailouts; questioning the overall stimulus package and wis-



dom of tax cuts; wondering why Timothy Geithner remains Obama's pick for Treasury secretary, despite Geithner's personal IRS problems (now resolved) and professional ties to decision-makers who contributed to the financial meltdown. Instead, they should be viewed as necessary soul-searching.

The same discipline should be applied to foreign policy. Trust but verify should be every American's mantra when it comes to

calls for war or peace emanating from the Oval Office.

Obama made many promises as a candidate. No one expects him to deliver immediately on every one of them, but voters expect him to deliver on some of them eventually.

One of Obama's good friends, Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick, often blames so-called cynics for his promise-delivery problems. Patrick once likened cynicism to "an opiate" and described "some in

the media" as "dealers." Right after winning election, he told a group of newspaper publishers and editors that many of them missed the hopeful dynamic of his campaign and urged them to "put your cynicism down." Recently, he was at it again, declaring that Massachusetts is "awash in cynicism."

Obama should resist that theme.

Cynics do exist. Yet how many start off as idealists, but end up doubting every political promise because too many politicians promise more than they can ever deliver?

The pace of today's Internet-driven world makes it easier for a president or CEO to simply say, "I meant it at the time, but now times are different." With so much information to process, it's confusing to keep track of all the discrepancies between words and actions. But it doesn't stop the feeling of betrayal when the gap between promise and reality comes to light.

Obama is not responsible for every politician's broken promise, but in their wake he inherits some of the collective doubt.

Joan Vennoch is a columnist for the Boston Globe. Write to her at vennoch@globe.com.

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MJD Action Committee thanks supporters

The MJD Action Committee would like to thank all those who generously supported our fundraising efforts for the East End Providers this year.

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If anyone was missed, I apologize.

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Child returns lost money

I want to say thanks to a little girl for being a good example in our community.

I know a young lady who was shopping with her family at Kmart in Twin Falls on

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Burley

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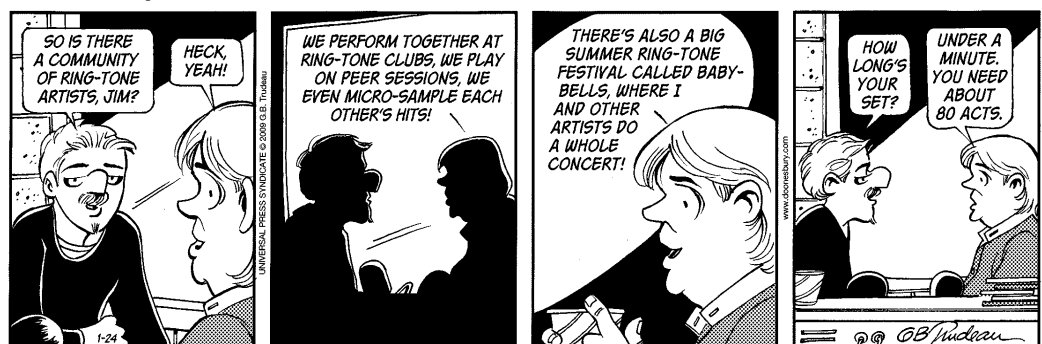
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Wall Street ends mixed as tech, financials rally

(AP) Investors' ambivalence about earnings reports gave Wall Street a mixed performance Friday. Traders pounced on companies showing signs of life and dumped companies whose quarterly results fell short of expectations.

Dow Jones Industrials -45.24 8,077.56

Nasdaq composite +11.80 1,477.29

Standard & Poor's 500 +4.45 831.95

Russell 2000 +1.51 444.36

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N.D. 2008 corn estimate might be off by millions

Officials say declining demand likely to outweigh lower supplies

By Blake Nicholson
Associated Press writer

BISMARCK, N.D. — The federal government's estimate of North Dakota's 2008 corn production includes millions of bushels of grain that are covered by snow and might never end up in farmers' bins.

Dakota last year were unable to harvest about 10 percent of the state's corn crop because of heavy rains followed by early snow. As many as 20 million bushels of corn might still be in the fields, said Tom Lilja, executive director of the North Dakota Corn Growers Association.

"The assumption is that it's out there and that it will get harvested," he said. Even if it does, about 3 million bushels is likely to be lost by spring because of the weather. If none of it gets harvested, the official U.S. Department of Agriculture estimate of a record 285 million bushels could be off by 20 million bushels.

USDA is not likely to recalculate its estimate under either scenario, said Darin Jantzi, director of the North Dakota Agricultural Statistics Service office in Fargo. The question asked of farmers — in this case in an early December survey — is "acres harvested and to be harvested," and some of those acres are abandoned every year, he said.

"In other years that we've had some weird December conditions, which hasn't been very many, we've never actually gone back and done a follow-up survey," he said.

Even if the estimate is off by 10 percent, it would have little effect on commodity markets. The state is still a minor player in U.S. corn production, despite a production increase of more

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Senate panel proposes \$300 bonus for seniors

Lawmakers also propose tax cuts for businesses

By Andrew Taylor
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Senior citizens receiving Social Security would get a bonus payment of \$300 under the Senate version of President Barack Obama's economic recovery plan.

The tax cuts and spending proposals total \$355 billion under the plan released Friday by Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus, D-Mont., in anticipation of a panel vote on Tuesday. It will be paired with \$400 billion in further spending proposed by the Appropriations Committee on the Senate floor.

The bonus for seniors is but one chapter in the Senate proposal. There's also a temporary two-year \$500 tax cut for most workers and \$1,000 for couples, a \$2,500 tax credit to help pay for college, tax cuts for businesses and to promote renewable energy, and \$87 billion worth of help to states struggling with their 2009-10 budgets for the Medicaid health care program for the poor and disabled.

The bonus for seniors and poor people receiving Supplemental Security Income payments to the disabled, costing \$17 billion, is perhaps the biggest difference between the House and Senate economic recovery plans. Veterans who get disability payments would also get the \$300 under the proposal. The emerging House and Senate plans are generally similar otherwise.

The Finance panel also would subsidize health insurance premiums for the unemployed, extend unemployment benefits and provide them to part-time workers, and give a \$7,500 tax credit for middle-income, first-time home buyers who purchase homes in the first half of 2009.

Obama wants the bill on his desk by the middle part of next month.

In order to accommodate the \$275 billion infusion of tax cuts and even more in new federal spending, the

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TRENDING GREEN

Jason Haggart, of Clackamas, Ore., looks at vacuum tube solar systems at the Thermomax booth at the International Builders Show in Las Vegas.

Efficiency and cost savings drive sales for many products at builders' show

By Alex Veiga
Associated Press writer

LAS VEGAS — From water-sparing toilets and electricity sparing appliances, to flooring and siding made from sustainable materials, the housing industry this week rolled out a trove of new, green products it hopes will lure homebuyers back into the market.

Despite visibly lower attendance at this year's International Builders' Show, a record 363 vendors were featuring green products, more than double the number last year, said Calli Barker Schmidt, a spokes-

woman for the National Association of Home Builders.

"I'd be surprised if there wasn't some sort of a green attribute to every product down there," she said.

The tide toward green building that has taken hold in recent years remained unabated as the industry looks forward to better days, convinced that energy-efficient homes outfitted with sustainable materials will be coveted by future homebuyers.

"People are interested in the things they can do to cut energy bills in the long run," said Gayle

Butler, editor-in-chief of Better Homes and Gardens.

And increasing competition between green product suppliers is driving costs down, making it more affordable to build greener homes.

One example of a technology that has become cheaper is radiant floor systems, which function as heaters.

"Four or five years ago, it was pretty cost prohibitive," said Matt Belcher, president of Belcher Homes in St. Louis, Mo. "They're pretty affordable now, they're made better and are more efficient."

Among this year's slate of products, Belcher was impressed with

new "flashing materials," which can resemble tape and are used to keep water from getting trapped inside the home.

"You can't see it, it goes underneath the siding ... but to somebody like me, that's great to see," said Belcher, who builds near-zero energy homes featuring green features such as geothermal and solar power units.

He also highlighted a new electric tankless water heater designed to be used in homes that receive hard water from sources like wells.

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Freddie Mac to ask for billions more in funds

Company posts \$25.3 billion loss

The Associated Press

McLEAN, Va. — Mortgage finance company Freddie Mac said Friday it will need an additional \$30 billion to \$35 billion in government aid as it copes with losses on loans the company backed

during the U.S. housing bubble.

The company disclosed in a Securities and Exchange Commission filing late Friday that it expects its government regulator, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, to make the request from the

Treasury Department.

It comes on top of the \$13.8 billion the company received last year after it was seized by the government. Sibling company Fannie Mae has yet to request any such aid but has warned it may need to do so. Federal regulators seized

control of both companies in September after they faced mounting losses from the housing market's bust. An agreement with the Treasury Department allows the government to invest up to \$100 billion in each company.

The actual amount of the request will reflect the amount of losses the company sustained in the fourth quarter, Freddie Mac said in

the filing.

The request suggests that losses are continuing for Freddie Mac, which posted a loss of \$25.3 billion for the third quarter. In that report, Freddie Mac said that rising unemployment rates, tightening credit and deteriorating economic conditions caused the number of delinquent loans to rise, including prime loans made to borrow-

ers with strong credit.

Meanwhile, Freddie Mac also disclosed that it settled a dispute with JP Morgan Chase & Co., which will now collect payments on mortgages previously handled by failed thrift Washington Mutual. The agreement settles a dispute with JPMorgan, which purchased Washington Mutual in late September for \$1.9 billion.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agra	17.66	▲	.62	Dell Inc.	10.14	▲	.16	Idacorp	91.50	—	—
Lithia Mo.	2.95	▼	.17	Micron	3.56	▲	.31	Supervalu	18.72	▲	.42

COMMODITIES

Live cattle	82.67	▼	.40	Mar. oil	46.47	▼	2.80
Jan. gold	895.3	▼	37.1	Jan. silver	11.93	▼	.57

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Monday in business

No reports are scheduled for release on Monday.

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol(00)	Last	Chg
GenElec	3157539	12.03	-1.45
BkofAm	2929881	6.24	+5.3
Citigrp	2630571	3.47	+3.6
SPDR FncI	2291891	8.99	+2.9
ProJHFin	1727242	3.18	+1.6

GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
BkireInd	2.30	+61	+36.1
MSPBw09	8.35	+2.01	+31.7
Forestar	12.09	+2.85	+30.8
TempurP	7.25	+1.48	+25.6
AlliedCap	3.47	+5.7	+19.7

LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Rechnitr	2.19	-63	-22.3
RBSct prT	3.80	-95	-20.0
WebsterFn	4.28	-1.05	-19.7
RBSct prL	2.51	-61	-19.6
SwStAirt	8.00	-1.81	-18.5

DIARY

Advanced	1,669
Declined	1,413
Unchanged	103
Total issues	3,185
New Highs	2
New Lows	124
Volume	5,721,864,752

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol(00)	Last	Chg
SPDR	3601951	83.11	+3.6
SPCrudeDL	n370683	2.78	+3.1
SP Mid	107832	91.01	+1.01
NovaGld g	50856	2.24	+3.4
NthgtIM g	38654	1.19	+1.4

GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NovaGld g	2.24	+3.4	+17.9
Minefnd g	4.53	+5.6	+14.1
FrontrD g	2.18	+2.5	+13.0
Richmnt g	2.46	+2.8	+12.8
PSCrudeDL n	2.78	+3.1	+12.6

LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
StreamGSv	3.05	-45	-12.9
EngySic un	4.62	-58	-11.2
PSCrudeDS n	155.59	-17.45	-10.1
InoOpR	4.80	-45	-8.6
ReadgIntA	3.51	-31	-8.1

DIARY

Advanced	312
Declined	285
Unchanged	66
Total issues	663
New Highs	6
New Lows	13
Volume	488,231,778

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol(00)	Last	Chg
PwShs QQQ1625403	28.90	+1.4	
Microsoft	1139619	17.20	+0.9
Intel	619540	13.12	+3.0
Cisco	558214	15.89	+5.2
GeronCp	488749	7.09	+1.88

GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
IndepFedl	4.10	+1.15	+39.0
GeronCp	7.09	+1.88	+36.1
RivrvwBcp	2.24	+5.6	+33.3
LimeghtN	2.99	+6.4	+27.2
Popular	3.13	+6.7	+22.2

LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
UCBH Hld	2.18	-1.06	-32.7
FSTNBSC	2.20	-8.0	-26.7
Occulxgrs	2.40	-8.4	-25.9
Fastenal	.70	-17	-32.47
MicroSemi	8.15	-2.22	-21.4
BSD Mid	2.52	-68	-21.3

DIARY

Advanced	1,297
Declined	1,445
Unchanged	175
Total issues	2,917
New Highs	6
New Lows	154
Volume	2,137,601,046

INDEXES

13,136.69	7,449.38	Dow Jones Industrials	8,077.56	-45.24	-56	-7.96	-33.83
5,536.57	2,909.29	Dow Jones Transportation	2,965.89	-66.71	-2.20	-16.15	-33.72
530.57	294.30	Dow Jones Utilities	366.19	+6.5	+1.8	-1.23	-24.36
9,687.24	4,607.47	NYSE Composite	5,195.55	+23.87	+4.6	-9.75	-41.14
2,433.31	1,130.47	NYSE Index	1,361.92	+22.62	+1.69	-2.55	-37.95
2,551.47	1,295.48	Nasdaq Composite	1,477.29	+11.80	+8.1	-6.32	-36.49
1,440.24	741.02	S&P 500	831.95	+4.45	+5.4	-7.89	-37.48
16,564.81	7,340.74	Russell 2000	444.36	+1.51	+3.4	-11.03	-35.47
		Wilshire 5000	8,385.13	+47.12	+5.7	-7.73	-37.53

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

AlliantEgy	1.50f	7	27.78	+0.7	-4.8	Kaman	.56	9	19.44	+1.20	+7.2
AlliantTch	...	12	82.80	-1.38	-3.5	Keycorp	.25	...	7.62	+5.8	-10.6
AmCasino	...	...	8.63	+1.2	-1	LeeEnt	...	1	.32	...	-22.0
Aon Corp	.60	7	39.70	-1.62	-13.1	MicronT	...	...	3.56	+3.1	+34.8
BallardPw	...	...	1.10	+0.6	-2.7	OfficeMax	...	...	5.75	...	-24.7
BkofAm	.04m	11	6.24	+5.3	-55.7	RockTen	.40	13	27.95	-1.7	-18.2
ConAgra	.76	8	17.66	+6.2	+7.0	Sensient	.76	13	22.44	-5.1	-6.0
Costco	.64	16	46.97	-4.8	-10.5	SkyWest	.16f	7	16.15	-2.5	-13.2
Diebold	1.00	21	24.50	-1.6	-12.8	Teradyne	...	...	4.84	+3.2	+14.7
DukeEngy	.92	14	14.90	+0.4	-7	Tuppwr	.88	9	20.63	-0.8	-9.1
DukeRity	1.94	16	10.37	+5.3	-5.4	US Bancpr	1.70	9	14.64	+7.6	-41.5
Fastenal	.70f	17	32.47	+2.3	-6.8	Valhi	.40	...	14.14	+2.9	+32.1
Heinz	1.66	12	35.06	-1.02	-6.8	WallMart	.95	14	48.35	-5.2	-13.8
HewlettP	.32	11	35.79	+3.0	-1.4	WashFed	20m	22	12.43	+3.9	-16.9
HomeDp	.90	12	21.72	-2.5	-5.6	WellsFargo	1.36	8	15.87	+0.8	-46.2
Idacorp	1.20	13	28.95	+3.2	-1.7	ZionBcp	1.28m	6	13.56	-3.1	-44.7

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Stock Footnotes: cc - PE greater than 99. dd - Loss in last 12 mos. d - New 52-wk low during trading day. g - Dividend in Canadian \$. Stock price in U.S. n - New issue in past 52 wks. q - Closed-end mutual fund; no PE calculated. s - Split or stock dividend of 25 pct or more in last 52 wks. Div begins with date of split or stock dividend. u - New 52-wk high during trading day. v - Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual distributions based on last declaration. pf - Preferred. pd - 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.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

WEST WinCo to open store in Spokane County

The first of two large WinCo Foods supermarkets in Spokane County will open its doors Feb. 7.

The Boise-based discount food retailer's first store in Spokane, at 9257 N. Nevada St., will fill a new building measuring 94,000 square feet. In keeping with its low-cost, wide-selection approach, the store's grand opening will be low-key, company spokesman Michael Read said.

A second WinCo is set to open this spring at 9806 E. Sprague Ave. A former Home Base hardware outlet and a Spokane Valley restaurant are being converted at that site. The Spokane store will be the chain's 65th.

WSU to cut its two-year budget by 20 percent

PULLMAN, Wash. — Cuts to Washington State University's next two-year budget will be 20 percent, 8 points higher than previously proposed.

The Moscow-Pullman Daily News reports that president WSU President Elson

Floyd said Thursday the university will have to cut \$47 million from its 2009-2011 budget, instead of \$31 million.

Elson said additional cuts to the current budget, which ends on June 30, could come as well, on top of \$10 million already trimmed.

NATION

Oil prices baffle traders; soar 6 pct to end week

NEW YORK — The government reported by midweek that oil inventories had soared, suggesting a serious dent in demand; there were horrible housing and jobless numbers Thursday and to end the week there was talk that OPEC couldn't cut production fast enough. Over the same three days, oil prices jumped 11 percent.

Traders searched for logic in a market that seemed to defy it, and by Friday had largely given up.

Light, sweet crude for March delivery soared more than 6 percent Friday, or \$2.80, to settle at \$46.47 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

In the volatile hours between market open and close, prices swung as low as

\$41.40 and as high as \$47.

Agriculture futures trade mixed on CBOT

CHICAGO — Agriculture futures were mixed in mid-day trading Friday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Wheat for March delivery slipped 0.75 cent to \$5.66 a bushel, while March corn gained 4 cents to \$3.915 a bushel. March oats slid 3 cents to \$2.10 a bushel, but March soybeans jumped 12 cents to \$10.24 a bushel.

Beef and pork futures dropped on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

April live cattle dipped 0.35 cent to 85.05 cents a pound, while March feeder cattle lost 0.80 cent to 91.50 cents a pound. February lean hogs shed 0.45 cent to 59.20 cents a pound, and February pork bellies traded slid 2.3 cents to 79.70 cents a pound.

Harley to cut 1,100 jobs as 4Q profit falls

NEW YORK — Harley-Davidson Inc. said Friday it will cut 1,100 jobs over two years, close some facilities and consolidate others as it grapples with a slowdown in motorcycle sales.

The Milwaukee-based company also reported its

fourth-quarter profit fell nearly 60 percent, and said it is slashing motorcycle shipments in 2009 to cope with reduced demand.

The motorcycle maker said it will consolidate two engine and transmission plants in Milwaukee into its facility in Menomonee Falls, Wis. It will shrink its paint and frame operations in its York, Pa., plant and close its distribution facility in Franklin, Wis., whose duties will be handled by a third party.

GE profit drops 46 pct; finance unit struggles

WASHINGTON — In a discouraging report for the American economy, General Electric Co. posted a 46 percent drop in fourth-quarter earnings on Friday and warned of a tough environment this year as it struggles with its ailing finance business.

The results cap a difficult 2008 for one of the world's largest industrial companies and point to risks ahead.

GE's businesses touch on most sectors of an economy mired in a recession, from medical equipment and real estate to TV stations.

— Wire reports

Corn

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than fivefold in the past 15 years.

North Dakota's corn production is less than 3 percent of the national figure of 12.1 billion bushels.

"Even though we've got a decent amount of corn in the state, that amount on a national level probably isn't going to affect the market that much," Jantzi said.

If it were a regional problem, with a similar amount of crop still in the fields in South Dakota and Minnesota, USDA officials might be more open to revisiting the estimate, Jantzi said. Officials with the corn grower groups in those two states said the amount of corn left in the field last year because of late-season weather problems was minimal.

Lilja said a bigger worry is a big drop in demand for corn that has hurt prices.

"There are less foreign markets purchasing our corn, there are less ethanol

plants consuming it, there are less cattle on feed consuming it," he said.

Lisa Richardson, executive director of the South Dakota Corn Growers Association, said another worry for farmers with corn still in the field is that it could hamper their crop rotations this spring. For example, a farmer who normally rotates wheat and corn would need to get standing corn combined in time to get a wheat crop planted on that ground.

If it turns out to be a wet or late spring, "that's a true concern," Richardson said.

Despite the problems, Lilja said he expects North Dakota corn production to remain high this year.

"If you look at profit potential, corn is still the most profitable crop," he said. "Overall, if a producer has been into corn now for a couple years and they see the potential yield and the potential profits, I don't think they'll cut back that much."

Green

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"Until now, it's been hard to use tankless water heaters," he said.

Many of the latest innovations were on display in the New American Home, billed as a state-of-the-art laboratory for new construction and built in Las Vegas in conjunction with the convention.

The 8,721 square-foot home features solar paneled awnings that draw energy from the sun and from sunlight reflected off the ground, walls made from insulated concrete and some 40 percent of its indoor lights from LEDs and compact fluorescents.

Many products at the convention don't represent advances of leaps and bounds, but rather modest improvements in how they're made or a wider variety of offerings.

CertainTeed Corp. of Valley Forge, Penn., rolled out several new siding, roofing and ceiling components made of synthetic materials.

Its Cedar Impressions Naturals siding, made of fiber cement, includes up to 30 percent fly ash, a glasslike powder emitted by coal-fired electric power plants.

Several exhibitors were displaying energy efficient water heaters, including Stiebel Eltron Inc.

The West Hatfield, Mass.-based company is the latest to use hot air to heat water.

Its W300 draws the heat from the surrounding air and uses it to raise the temperature of the water in the 80-gallon tank, using up to 80 percent less energy than a standard heater that uses electricity to heat the water, said Frank Stiebel, the company's president.

As an added perk, the heater churns out cooler air and cuts down on humidity.

"If you're using a lot of hot water all at once, the electric element will kick in to supplement it," Stiebel said.

The unit will be available in the U.S. beginning in March for about \$2,500, he said.

Gas or propane-powered fireplaces can be an energy efficient way to heat a room, and fireplace maker Napoleon showcased several stylish designs at the show, including its new Crystallo model. The rectangular fireplace is designed to fit several feet up off the floor, like a wall-embedded fish tank, and generates up to 17,000 British thermal units.

The fireplace, which can be placed in bedrooms, bathrooms and even mobile homes, is priced at \$1,500.

Seniors

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measure would increase the legal limit on borrowing by the federal government by \$825 billion, to \$12.1 trillion. That means the so-called debt limit will have increased by \$1.5 trillion since just October.

Unlike the House plan, which moved through several committees this week in preparation for a floor vote Wednesday, the Senate measure is likely to pick up at least some Republican support.

Buzzed about geography



Courtesy photo

Burley Junior High School students compete at their annual geography bee Jan. 8 at Goode Motor in Burley.

Judd wins Burley Junior High Geography Bee

By Judy Albertson
Times News writer

Goode Motor hosted the annual Burley Junior High School Geography Bee at the dealership in Burley on Jan. 8.

Seventh- and eighth-graders were eligible to participate, said Lona Phillips, co-coordinator of the event and a teacher at Burley Junior High. Phillips said 25 students participated this year, which was up from previous years. Burley Junior High Principal Steve Copmann emceed the event.

Eighth-grader Ethan Judd was the last man standing when he answered "Manitoba" to the question: "Wapusk National Park, located on the southwest shore of Hudson Bay and home to one of the largest polar bear denning areas in the world, is in which Canadian province?"

Zander Cook finished second, with third going to Tanner Ballance. Students began with seven questions each, with the top 10 mov-

ing on to the next round.

"Ethan was really excellent. He only missed one question all night," said Phillips.

Judd will now take another test, and if he is in the top 100 in the state, he will be eligible to move on to the state level, which will be held at the College of Idaho in Caldwell.

Phillips didn't have the date of the state competition, but said the winner of that will go to the national contest to be held May 19 in Washington, D.C. The national event is televised

with Alex Trebek, host of the TV show Jeopardy, acting as emcee.

This was the third year Goode Motor was involved in the event, said Merrill Bylund of Goode Motor. If the winner here goes on to the state competition, Goode Motor will donate funds to help cover his travel expenses to the State Bee.

"We're happy to help out and give them a place for the competition," Bylund said. "It's pretty impressive to watch. I'm amazed at the knowledge these kids have." National Geographic

Society started the competition several years ago upon discovering that the majority of students knew nothing of geography.

Phillips said she believes the Geography Bee has helped to remedy that problem and students know more today about geography than they used to.

"I know we put more emphasis on studying regions and places, and we get extra support from Channel One, which shows many programs pertaining to geography and history," said Phillips.



Students from Burley Junior High School recently competed in a geography bee. Pictured are (from left) Merrill Bylund, Goode Motor; third place, Tanner Ballance; first place, Ethan Judd; second place, Zander Cook, and Burley Junior High Principal Steve Copmann. Courtesy photo

Minidoka 4-H doles out more awards

4-H students were honored recently at the Minidoka County 4-H Banquet in Rupert.

Demonstrations, Public Speaking and Job Interviews
Demonstrations, Jr., Stegan Garner; Job Interview, Jr., Stegan Garner; Job Interview, Intermediate, Jezzica

Roseborough; Job Interview, Sr., Jazzmand Roseborough. Stegan Garner was awarded Overall Demonstration/Illustrated Talk and Overall Job Interview.

Crops
Sugar Beet Record Book Sr., Joelle Poteet; Sugar Beet Exhibit Sam Bingham. Overall Plants and Animals Project winner was Sam Bingham.

Poultry – Market Broilers
Top Record Book, Sonora McHan; Junior Showman, David Tovar; Intermediate Showman, Crystal McHan; Senior Showman, Sonora McHan; Overall Broiler Showman, Sonora McHan; Broiler Quality Grand Champion, David Tovar.

Poultry – Turkey
Top Record Book, Sarah McHan;

Junior Showman, Beau Reynolds; Intermediate Showman, Talor Stauffer; Senior Showman, Trenton Stauffer; Overall Turkey Showman, Beau Reynolds; Turkey Quality Grand Champion, Sarah McHan; Overall Poultry Project, Sonora McHan.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Red Cross to hold Burley blood drive

The American Red Cross will host a blood drive in Burley. It will be held from noon to 6 p.m. Feb. 2 and 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 3 at the Burley Armory, 2000 E. Main St.

Donors and volunteers are needed. Information: Lori, 678-9840.

Learn to make a purse out of candy wrappers

The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center is offering a Candy Wrapper Purses course from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 3-24.

Shannon Wood will teach students to recycle potato chip sacks, candy wrappers and glossy magazines into handbags, cell phone holders and album covers that are unique, durable and colorful.

The cost is \$40. Information: 678-1400.

BJ Bridge Club releases results

The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club in Rupert announced the results of Tuesday play.

North-South: 1. Warren and Faun Mcentire, 2. Ella Annest and Lola Moorman, 3. Lila Bumann and Marian Snow, 4. George and Nancy Gibson

East-West: 1. Dee and Jane Keicher, 2. Marlene Temple and Shirley Harris, 3. Jackie Brown and Dot Creason, 4. Peggy Payne and Dona Kunau

Games are held at 1 p.m. Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks. For partners and more information: Steve Sams, 878-3997 or Vera Mai, 436-4163.

Take a step back in time to Pearl Harbor

The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia enrichment program has scheduled a three-week opportunity to step back in time and learn about Pearl Harbor. Classes will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 29 through Feb. 12.

Joe Colflesh designed this course as an opportunity to talk in detail and hear stories of the courage and action that catapulted the United States into the war with Japan. Colflesh will cover the Japanese preparation, the first wave, the loss of courage and the aftermath.

The cost is \$30. Information or to register by phone: 678-1400.

CSI Mini-Cassia offers Photoshop class

The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center is offering a Photoshop Elements course from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 18 through March 11.

Students will learn to take care of red eye, red faces, bad lighting, crooked shots and crooked antics. Instructor Lance Pincock has several fun projects planned along with the basic skills.

The cost is \$40. Information: 678-1400.

Quinton earns Eagle Scout Award

David Quinton, son of Mick and Linda Maxfield of Heyburn, received his Eagle Scout Award Dec. 20 at a Court of Honor at the Heyburn Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 2nd Ward.



Quinton

For his Eagle project, Quinton moved the protective backstop for the discus area at the old Burley High School field to the new field.

He worked more than 50 hours to complete the project. He had the help of 16 other people on the project. He is a member of Troop No. 48 and his scoutmaster is Randy Okelberry.

Quinton is a senior at Minico High School, where he was a manager for the football team for the past three years. He has also made the honor roll.

GI Bill gets a boost

In the all too rare spirit of bipartisanship, the U.S. Senate joined the House of Representatives in approving a new, more generous, education benefits package for veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Under the measure, veterans who serve at least three years in the military after Sept. 11, 2001, would be eligible for full tuition at a public university, and receiving about \$1,000 a month for living expenses, plus additional money for books. The post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act, which is part of the Iraq war supplemental funding bill (H.R. 2642), has 300 co-sponsors in the House and 57 in the Senate.

It also got the support of leading veterans service organizations, including

VETERANS CORNER George Schwindeman

Disabled American Veterans. The House passed its version of the GI Bill upgrade handily by a 256-166 vote in mid-May.

In that vote, 32 Republicans joined 224 Democrats in approving the measure. The Senate, negotiated by Sen. Jim Webb (D-Va.), won approval by a 75-22 vote that included more than half of all Senate Republicans, plus 48 Democrats and two Independents.

Approval came after senators rejected a less costly version.

George Schwindeman is a veteran who lives in Rupert.

Supplements not recommended for dementia patient

DEAR DR. GOTT: My wife has been diagnosed as having dementia. She also has serious heart problems and is under the care of a cardiologist. Our family doctor put her on Aricept tablets initially but then switched her to Exelon patches about a year ago. Not seeing any improvement, I stopped her patch and requested a referral to a dementia specialist.



ASK DR. GOTT
Dr. Peter Gott

While waiting for the appointment, I heard some people have good results from

taking two tablespoons of double virgin coconut oil daily. I began experimenting a week ago with two teaspoons daily added to my wife's oatmeal. I think it is working. What is your opinion?

DEAR READER: There are numerous herbal remedies, supplements and vitamins promoted as memory enhancers. They include coenzyme Q-10, coral calci-

um, ginkgo biloba and omega-3 fatty acids. Issues that come in to play with supplements are that purity and effectiveness are unknown and may vary between manufacturers or even batches. Makers of these over-the-counter remedies are not required to provide the Food and Drug Administration evidence on which they base claims. Further, the suppliers

are not required to report any adverse reactions to the FDA. Therefore, while a product might work for one person, we fail to hear of those on whom it doesn't work.

Since the Alzheimer's Association doesn't address virgin coconut oil as a recommended supplement to be taken with or in place of FDA-approved drugs, I must defer. I recommend you speak with

her new specialist and be guided accordingly.

Because your wife is under the care of a cardiologist, you should also speak with him or her to be sure here will be no adverse reaction between any prescription medication and over-the-counter supplements.

Peter Gott is a retired physician.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

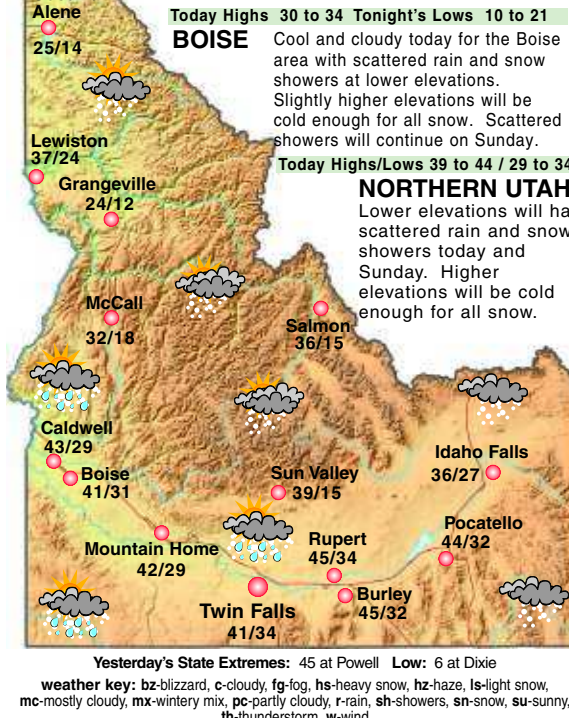
Today: Cool temperatures and scattered rain and snow showers. Highs in the lower 40s.
Tonight: Scattered snow showers and cloudy to mostly cloudy skies. Lows in the lower to middle 30s.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and cool with scattered rain and snow showers. Highs upper 30s, lows middle 20s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Cool and cloudy with scattered rain and snow showers. Highs in the lower 40s.
Tonight: Light snow showers or flurries. Lows in the lower 30s.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and cool with scattered rain and snow showers. Highs near 40, lows middle 20s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
 Light to moderate snow will be falling in the mountains today, tonight and again on Sunday. A small chance of snow will linger into Monday. Several inches of new snow is likely by Sunday.



Yesterday's State Extremes: 45 at Powell Low: 6 at Dixie
 weather key: bz-blizzard, c-cloudy, fg-fog, hs-heavy snow, hz-haze, ls-light snow, mc-mostly cloudy, mx-winterly mix, pc-partly cloudy, r-rain, sh-showers, sn-snow, su-sunny, th-thunderstorm, w-wind

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Scattered rain and snow showers	Scattered snow showers	Possible rain and snow showers	Colder, maybe a few snow showers	Mostly cloudy	Chance of light showers
High 41	Low 34	39 / 26	33 / 25	36 / 30	37 / 28

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset
Yesterday's High 35 Yesterday's Low 31 Normal High/Low 36 / 20 Record High 52 in 1981 Record Low 6 in 1996	Yesterday 0.18" Month to Date 0.38" Normal Month to Date 1.00" Year to Date 3.71" Normal Year to Date 4.06"	Yesterday's Maximum 93% Yesterday's Minimum 80% Today's Maximum 93% Today's Minimum 65%	6 pm barometer Yesterday 30.21 in.	Today Sunrise: 7:59 AM Sunset: 5:42 PM Sunday Sunrise: 7:58 AM Sunset: 5:43 PM Monday Sunrise: 7:57 AM Sunset: 5:44 PM Tuesday Sunrise: 7:57 AM Sunset: 5:45 PM Wednesday Sunrise: 7:56 AM Sunset: 5:47 PM

Moon Phases

Jan 26	Feb 2	Feb 9	Feb 16
New Moon	First Qtr.	Full Moon	Last Qtr.

Moonrise and Moonset

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Moonrise: 7:11 AM Moonset: 4:13 PM	Moonrise: 7:44 AM Moonset: 5:17 PM	Moonrise: 8:12 AM Moonset: 6:22 PM	

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Monday
Boise	41 31 mx 40 23 mx 36 24 mc		
Bonniers Ferry	24 12 mc 19 8 mc 23 9 pc		
Burley	45 32 mx 40 26 mx 37 25 mc		
Challis	34 14 ls 27 3 ls 24 8 pc		
Coeur d'Alene	25 14 mc 20 10 mc 24 11 pc		
Elko, NV	44 32 ls 37 21 mx 30 21 ls		
Eugene, OR	46 34 r 39 25 mx 44 30 pc		
Gooding	43 35 mx 41 27 mx 35 26 mc		
Grace	41 27 mx 36 20 ls 29 14 ls		
Hagerman	44 33 mx 42 25 mx 36 24 mc		
Halley	36 25 ls 33 22 ls 33 21 pc		
Idaho Falls	36 27 ls 33 21 ls 25 15 ls		
Kalispell, MT	15 5 mc 16 0 mc 19 6 pc		
Jackpot	43 31 mc 35 16 fl 22 6 pc		
Jerome	39 26 ls 36 23 ls 36 22 pc		
Lewiston	37 24 ls 28 14 ls 29 20 pc		
Malad City	45 28 mx 40 21 ls 33 15 ls		
Malta	42 29 mx 37 23 mx 34 22 mc		
McCall	32 18 ls 25 5 ls 21 10 pc		
Missoula, MT	22 12 mc 21 3 mc 19 7 pc		
Pocatello	44 32 mx 39 25 ls 32 19 ls		
Portland, OR	44 33 r 35 24 ls 37 27 pc		
Rupert	45 34 mx 40 28 mx 37 27 mc		
Rexburg	34 25 ls 31 18 ls 28 18 ls		
Richland, WA	32 22 ls 28 19 ls 30 20 pc		
Rogerson	41 35 mx 39 27 mx 33 26 mc		
Salmon	35 15 ls 29 4 ls 26 9 pc		
Salt Lake City, UT	42 34 r 40 30 r 38 25 ls		
Spokane, WA	27 14 mc 25 9 su 25 14 pc		
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Sun Valley	39 15 ls 32 4 ls 27 1 pc		
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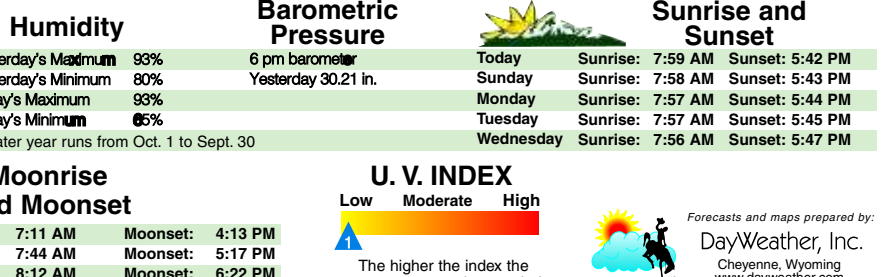
CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	City	Today	Tomorrow
Calgary	3 -4 pc 5 0 pc	Saskatoon	-1 15 pc -2 -7 pc		
Cranbrook	9 -8 pc 7 -14 pc	Toronto	28 5 pc 14 -13 ls		
Edmonton	6 -3 ls 1 -4 pc	Vancouver	33 20 pc 29 20 pc		
Kelowna	12 -10 pc 9 -16 pc	Victoria	36 24 pc 31 22 pc		
Lethbridge	6 -3 ls 1 -4 pc	Winnipeg	0 -15 pc -6 -14 pc		
Regina	1 -13 pc -3 -9 pc				

Yesterday's Weather

City	Hi	Lo	Prep
Boise	35	29	0.09"
Burley	34	30	0.12"
Challis	34	27	0.02"
Coeur d'Alene	28	23	0.00"
Idaho Falls	35	29	0.40"
Jerome	31	29	0.15"
Lewiston	34	31	0.00"
Lowell	35	30	0.00"
Malad	not available		
Malta	36	32	0.09"
Pocatello	34	30	0.25"
Rexburg	32	28	0.20"
Salmon	30	21	0.00"
Stanley	33	25	0.06"

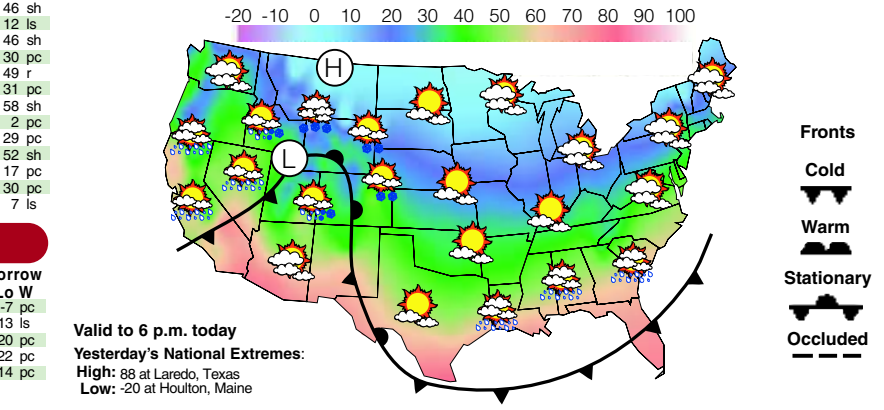
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WORLD FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	City	Today	Tomorrow
Acapulco	83 71 th 83 69 th	Moscow	32 31 pc 33 32 ls		
Athens	60 57 pc 61 51 sh	Nairobi	76 52 sh 73 52 sh		
Auckland	75 61 pc 80 62 sh	Oslo	33 32 sn 33 19 ls		
Bangkok	91 71 pc 88 68 pc	Paris	42 35 pc 40 37 r		
Beijing	24 10 pc 28 9 pc	Prague	37 28 ls 35 25 pc		
Berlin	39 28 r 37 28 pc	Rio de Janeiro	82 66 th 74 67 sh		
Buenos Aires	96 67 pc 88 65 sh	Rome	57 44 sh 52 43 sh		
Cairo	68 46 pc 71 51 pc	Santiago	81 53 pc 82 52 pc		
Dahran	67 55 pc 72 58 pc	Seoul	21 13 ls 26 18 ls		
Geneva	36 19 sn 35 25 pc	Sydney	98 65 th 73 68 r		
Hong Kong	61 54 pc 63 58 sh	Tel Aviv	68 62 sh 66 64 pc		
Jerusalem	65 46 sh 68 50 pc	Tokyo	49 30 ls 44 30 pc		
Johannesburg	75 61 th 78 61 th	Vienna	41 31 pc 37 28 pc		
Kuwait City	64 55 pc 66 50 pc	Warsaw	40 34 pc 36 29 ls		
London	43 38 sh 44 36 sh	Winnipeg	0 -15 pc -6 -14 pc		
Mexico City	69 39 pc 70 40 pc	Zurich	32 3 ls 33 19 pc		

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Valid to 6 p.m. today
 Yesterday's National Extremes:
 High: 88 at Laredo, Texas
 Low: -20 at Houlton, Maine

GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY
 "Nothing of great value in life comes easily. The things of highest value sometimes come hard. The gold that has the greatest value lies deepest in the earth, as do the diamonds."
 Norman Vincent Peale

Start taking responsibility for your actions

Before we start let me say I take personal responsibility for this column. That's its focus — personal responsibility. I've often wondered why people aren't willing to face up to their problems, often instead blaming drug or alcohol abuse or some other outside factor. One theory: drugs or alcohol won't put up an argument or pose questions about the real reason for failure. They won't hold anyone accountable. I often hear, "The system never gave me a break," as if "the system," is to blame for all the times someone went to jail. The last time I checked, when the judge lets you off with time served instead of the years you were supposed to get, that constitutes a break. And "the system" doesn't even come into play for the people who



POLICEMAN DAN Bristol
 make their own positive breaks in life. Even for those people, personal responsibility is important. I ask you, before you call the police with a complaint about your neighbor, talk to them yourself. I've often responded to these calls to see the neigh-

bor in question become angry with the complainant, leading to a dispute. The main reason given for the strife is usually given in the form of a question: "Why didn't my neighbor just talk to me instead of calling the police?" They might have different tastes in music or different hours, but getting to know your neighbors usually results in good things. On another note, police are not your children's parents, so don't call us to your house to tell your children to listen to you. Instead, maybe you need to review your par-

enting skills. Law enforcement thinking is that if you can't be a parent to your children then maybe your children need a new parent while you learn the parenting skills you need. But it'll cost you money, and maybe some things more important. Finally, we in law enforcement don't solve all the crimes by ourselves. We sometimes rely on the community for help. Did you know that some of the major crimes solved started their

path to resolution with a simple tip? Personal responsibility is the key to a better and safer community.
Thought of the month
 Life is a joke and you'll live longer if you laugh (a lot) along the way.
Officer down
 Please put these officers, killed in the line of duty, and their families in your prayers. God bless them all.

• Detention Officer Cesar Arreola, El Paso County Sheriff, Texas
 • Officer Jarod Dean, Boston Heights Police Department, Ohio
 • Deputy Dominique Smith, Torrance County Sheriff, New Mexico
 Be safe, I'll talk to you next week.
 Dan Bristol is the Heyburn chief of police. E-mail your questions to policemandan@yahoo.com

Awards

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Rabbit
 Top Record Book, Ashley Hulet; Junior 1 Showman, Sarah Woodward; Junior 2 Showman, Jordyn Hulet; Intermediate Showman, Calvin Morris; Senior Showman, Travis Fulcher; Pet Quality Grand Champion, Taylor Reynolds; Overall Rabbit Showman and Overall Rabbit Project, Calvin Morris.
Dog
 Top Record Book, Nate Krapp; Junior I Showman, Zoe Nyblade; Junior II Showman, Nathan Schneider; Intermediate Showman, Ana Dominguez; Overall Showmanship Champion, Nathan Schneider; Overall Obedience Champion, Zoe Nyblade; Overall Dog Project, Nate Krapp.

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Rivals collide: CSI men, women host Salt Lake

By Mike Christensen
Times-News writer

It only takes four words to set the table for today's games: CSI versus Salt Lake. There's no love lost between the College of Southern Idaho and Salt Lake Community College, particularly on the basketball court where the women's and men's teams meet today at CSI Gymnasium. The women tip off their rivalry contest at 3 p.m., but

CSI vs. Salt Lake CC
Women, 3 p.m.
Men, 5 p.m.

this year's version may not be as tight as some previous encounters. The Bruins (11-8, 2-2 Scenic West Athletic Conference) have struggled to get their offense going with freshman point guard Mina Jovanovic sidelined by injury. Salt Lake lost 71-33 Thursday night to a North Idaho College team that CSI beat by 25 points last Saturday.

But Golden Eagle women's head coach Randy Rogers isn't about to take the Bruins lightly. "This is a team that's going to give us problems," said Rogers. With 6-foot sophomore post Nicole Brady leading the way, Salt Lake is still dangerous. And with Jovanovic likely to be in the lineup again when CSI travels to SLCC on Feb. 20-21, the toughest tests are yet to come. "By the end, Salt Lake will

be right there," said Rogers. While the women's game has the potential to be one-sided, expect nothing but a heated battle when the men take the floor at approximately 5 p.m. The No. 7 Bruins are 17-1 overall (4-0 SWAC) and earned a huge road win on Thursday, topping No. 13 North Idaho 73-62. "They're a really good team, a dangerous one," said CSI men's head coach Steve Gosar of Salt Lake. While the No. 22 Golden

Eagles (16-3, 3-1 SWAC) are playing their best ball of the season lately, it'll take a stellar effort to knock off the Bruins. Salt Lake is led by 6-foot-7 freshman D.J. Wright, who Gosar calls "a game changer." Wright leads the Bruins in scoring (16.9) and rebounding (9.8) while hitting 39.1 percent from 3-point range. "He shoots the leather off the ball," said Gosar. Sophomore point guard Dathan Lyles (10 points, 3.2 assists) is a tough defensive

presence, while 6-8 sophomore Nate Bendall is a crafty inside player that adds 14.1 points and 6.7 boards a game. Fortunately, the Golden Eagles are strong at those same spots, with Jamelle Barrett and Charles Odum splitting the point guard minutes, while Daequon Montreal (17.1 points, 10.4 rebounds) and Jay Watkins (17.4 points, 8.2 rebounds) anchor the forward spots. Please see **CSI**, Page C2

Buzzer beater

Flaherty 3-pointer sinks Bruin boys

By David Bashore
Times-News writer

Skyline senior Connor Flaherty lived the dream at Baun Gymnasium on Friday night. His team trailing by two points with just six ticks left on the clock, the 6-foot guard took the inbound pass after T.J. Ellis' made free throw and sprinted down the court against tight defense. With a hand in his face as the final horn sounded, assumed the role of ruthless assassin as his 3-point bid from the left wing struck true to give the Grizzlies a 73-72 victory over Twin Falls. The buzzer-beater capped a frantic last-gasp rally for Skyline (4-9, 2-3 Region Four-Five-Six), which trailed 71-67 with 22.9 seconds to go. But the Bruins (9-4, 3-2) melted down in the final few seconds to open the door for the Grizzlies. "We didn't get a clean break off the (made) free throw, but time's running out. You just kind of hope for a prayer, and I got a little lucky tonight," said Flaherty. "We got back in with a great team effort, being down six with a minute and a half to go ... a conference win, on the road, this is really big for us." While the Grizzlies players



Twin Falls High School forward Marcus Jardine (22) attempts to take a shot during the first half of play against Skyline Friday night in Twin Falls.

and coaches celebrated with fervor reserved only for buzzer-beaters and state championships, the Bruins were left to reap the conse-

quences of a disastrous final few sequences. Twin Falls had the game essentially locked up, head coach Matt Harr said.

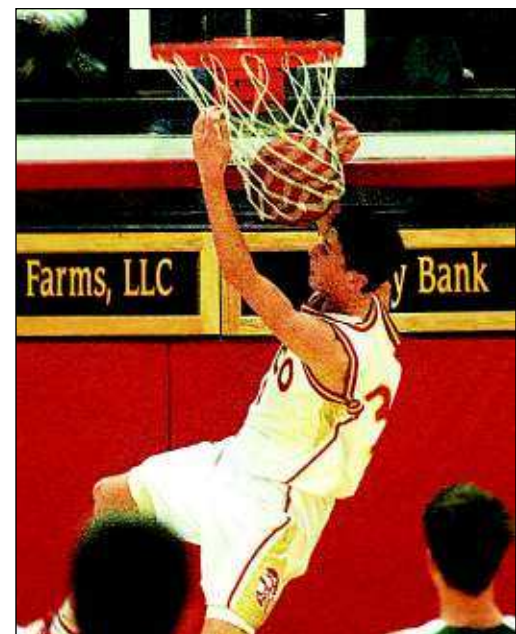
All the Bruins needed to do was make good passes, employ smart defense and Please see **BUZZER**, Page C2

Minico edges intercounty rival

By Ryan Howe
Times-News writer

No matter what side of the Snake River they came from, the fans making up the rowdy, stand-ing-room-only crowd that witnessed Minico's 53-50 victory on Friday night definitely got their money's worth. The Spartans and Bobcats had five lead changes and two ties in the second half and combined for 44 points in a frantic fourth quarter. In the end, Minico just came up with one more clutch play down the stretch. "This brings back memories of the old days when it was a rivalry with two evenly-matched teams going at it," said Minico coach Mike Graefe. "It's fun going down to the wire." With his team down 49-44

with 50 seconds left, Burley big man Kyle Hepworth drained a 3-pointer, and then was fouled while shooting a trey on the Bobcats' next possession. The senior calmly drained all three free throws to make it a one-point game, 51-50. After Minico sophomore Casey Christiansen missed two free throws on the other end, Burley called a timeout with 11 seconds remaining to set up its final play. The ball was inbounded to Hepworth, who dished off to Karch Hinckley. Hinckley drove the left side of the lane and put up a shot, but Minico's Shad Hubsmith blocked it and came down with the rebound with 2.3 seconds left. Hubsmith was fouled and missed his two free throws, but Tyson Crane grabbed the offensive rebound and laid it in at the buzzer for the final three-point margin as Minico fans stormed the court in celebration. It's been a while since the Please see **MINICO**, Page C2



Minico's Coltin Johnson dunks the basketball during the Spartans' 53-50 win over Burley Friday night in Rupert.

RYAN HOWE/
The Times-News

IHSAA board to vote on shortening seasons

Times-News

The topic of reducing the number of regular season contests was discussed at last week's meeting of the Idaho High School Activities Association board of directors. The board decided to vote on the matter at the April meeting. The Cost Analysis Transportation committee recommended eliminating 10 percent of all regular-season contests. Also, eliminating state play-in games was brought up for discussion. The IHSAA also announced that Jackpot High School in Nevada has sent a letter requesting membership for football. The next step is that the IHSAA must notify the Nevada state association as well as the District IV Board

of Control of Jackpot's intent. The Minico Spartans were approved to play Bishop Kelly for a third straight season after the Knights wound up with only seven games on their schedule. The game will be played Friday, Aug. 28, in Boise. In other football news, the 2009 state football championship playoff brackets were approved, with the 4A bracket featuring four berths from District IV — the Great Basin Conference. Also, the Snake River Conference will receive a third berth in the Class 1A Division I bracket, up from two berths in previous years. The first-and second-place teams from the SRC will still match up with District III opponents, while the third-place team will travel to District II's champi-

Member of family picked to buy Cubs a longtime fan

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Curt Conklin once lived with Tom Ricketts in an apartment just outside Wrigley Field, and the two were regulars at Cubs games. He knows Ricketts wasn't just a fan, but could recite Rick Sutcliffe's 1984 statistics by rote (20-6, 3.64 ERA). And he knows this: If the 43-year-old Ricketts and his billionaire family do, in fact, buy the Cubs and their beloved stadium from Tribune Co. it will be very good news for the team and its forever hopeful but always disappointed fans. "He's really smart, he really loves baseball and he really loves the Cubs," said Conklin, who worked at the Ricketts' family company, TD Ameritrade Holding Corp., and for the company Tom Ricketts founded, InCapital LLC.



What has Conklin so optimistic about his friend's ability to deliver the Cubs' first World Series title in 101 years is what Ricketts is not: a rich kid who has never built anything himself. "The success of his life is that he has done this (built his company) 100 percent on his own," said Conklin, a day after it was announced Tribune selected the family's bid for exclusive negotiations. Without being a meddler, Ricketts' drive and decision-making ability would be good for the team, he said. A finalized deal would still need to be approved by baseball owners. They routinely approve new ownership groups by acclamation, choosing to concentrate on their own businesses rather than focus on their competitors. Ricketts, like most Cubs fans too young to remember

the team's last World Series appearance in 1945, attended the University of Chicago and earned bachelor's and master's degrees there. He started his business life working on the Chicago Board Options Exchange as a market maker in 1988. From there he went to Mesirow Financial, where he was a vice president, before becoming a vice president and investment banker at ABN AMRO. In 1999, he left to co-found InCapital LLC, an investment banking and securities brokerage firm. What's notably absent from his day-job resume is TD Ameritrade. His father, Joe Ricketts, helped found the online stock brokerage but Tom never relied on it for his weekly paycheck. He does serve with his father and brother, Peter Ricketts, on the board of the Omaha, Neb.-based company's board. As for the Cubs, Ricketts

was a fan growing up in Omaha. Like many Midwestern kids, he could watch the Cubs because the reach of WGN-TV extended far beyond Chicago and Illinois. "WGN was the only baseball they had," said Conklin, who also was a college roommate with Ricketts. While his friend's name didn't surface until last summer as a possible buyer, Conklin said he's been thinking about it a lot longer than that. "About 10 years ago when the company (Ameritrade) started doing well, he said, 'If this thing works out, what do you say we buy the Cubs?'" Conklin recalled. When exactly he started talking about his family buying the Cubs isn't clear, but Ricketts' spokesman Dennis Culloton said the purchase that is worth Please see **CUBS**, Page C2

Dietrich girls defeat Carey in Northside action

Times-News

Jesse Dill scored 24, leading Dietrich to a 48-37 Northside Conference win in Carey.

Nakia Norman added 12 points for the Blue Devils, as Dill and Norman scored three-quarters of the team's point total.

"Dietrich played well, and they beat us on the boards," said Carey coach Lane Durtschi.

Amy Ellsworth tallied 11 points for the Panthers.

Carey's (9-7, 5-4) next game will occur in the district tournament on Feb. 6. Time and opponent will be announced.

Dietrich 48, Carey 37
12 7 18 16 - 48
40 12 5 10 - 37
Dietrich (48)
Nakia Norman 12, Jesse Dill 24, Moriah Dill 2, Shayla Porter 4, Danna Phillips 6. Totals 13 20-31 48.
Carey (37)
Chelsey Hunt 5, Kelsey Green 6, Jessica Parke 7, Amy Ellsworth 11, Shelby Hansen 5, Kayla Bailey 3. Totals 13 9-18 37.
3-point goals: Dietrich 2 (Norman, J. Dill), Carey 2 (Hunt, Green). Total fouls: Dietrich 14, Carey 22. Fouled out: Carey, Parke and Ellsworth. Technical fouls: None.

RAFT RIVER 54, CASTLEFORD 37
Raft River increased their Snake River Conference South Division lead with a 54-37 drubbing of Castleford in Malta.

Raft River received half of its point total from Sally Hansen, who finished with 26. Whitney Holtman added 10 points for the Trojans.

Castleford was led by the Wiggins sisters, who combined for 19 points. Rikki led the team with 10 points, followed by Callie and her nine.

Raft River (13-5, 7-0) travels to Sho-Ban on Tuesday.

Raft River 54, Castleford 37
Castleford 37
Raft River 54
Rikki Wiggins 10, Amanda Elser 4, Gabrielle Machado 1, Katlynn DeVries 5, Belinda Kinyon 4, Callie Wiggins 9, Courtney Allred 2, Maricella Rodriguez 2. Totals 13 8-14 37.
RAFT RIVER (54)
Kassie Otley 4, Hailey Higley 6, Sally Hansen 26, CeAnn Carpenter 2, Whitney Holtman 10, Marli

Phone problems restrict boxes

Due to trouble receiving calls from cell phones on Friday night, the *Times-News* was unable to retrieve full information from several games. Check the Sunday sports pages for these results. The *Times-News* apologizes for any inconvenience.

Manning 2, Chelzee Nye 4. Totals 21 10-13 54.
3-point goals: Castleford 1 (C. Wiggins), Raft River 2 (Hansen 2). Total fouls: Castleford 14, Raft River 19. Fouled out: None. Technical fouls: None.

CHALLIS 77, LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 26

In Snake River Conference North Division play, Lighthouse Christian lost to Challis 77-26 at the Kimberly Middle School.

"Out of frustration, we started making some dumb mistakes," said Lighthouse Christian coach Andrew Paz. "Playing against a team like Challis, we can measure ourselves against the best."

Ashley McGowan led the Vikings, the top-ranked Class 1A Division I team, with 15 points followed by Lacen Moss and Kristen Garlie each with 12. Josena VanVliet led the Lions with 10 points.

Lighthouse Christian (4-14) hosts Hagerman on Wednesday

Challis 77, Lighthouse Christian 26

Challis 77, Lighthouse Christian 26
Challis (77)
Ashley McGowan 15, Jenna Hamilton 8, Nicole Helm 9, Lacen Moss 12, Lauren Garlie 5, L. Dowling 4, Kristen Garlie 12, Amber Kemmerer 1, Meegan Corrigan 4, Crystal Martin 7. Totals 32 5-8 77.
LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN (26)
Rachel Wendland 1, Kyanna 7, Josena VanVliet 10, Sarah Hilbert 6, Ashley Hinton 2. Totals 9 7-12 26.
3-point goals: Challis 8 (McGowan 4, Moss 2, Helm, Martin); Lighthouse Christian 1 (Jones). Total fouls: Challis 9, Lighthouse Christian 12. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

HAGERMAN 28, SHOSHONE 25

On a night when neither

team had a high shooting percent, Hagerman was able to win at home 28-25 over Shoshone in a Snake River Conference North Division matchup.

"We shot 20 percent from the field," said Hagerman coach Brent Arriaga. "Both teams had tons of good looks but they just wouldn't fall. It was mostly really good half court defense."

Taylor Astle of Shoshone led all scorers with 13 points. Amanda Regnier posted a team-high 10 points for Hagerman

Hagerman (9-8, 3-2) hosts Gooding tonight.

Hagerman 28, Shoshone 25
Shoshone 25
Hagerman 28
SHOSHONE (25)
Taylor Astle 13, Lacey Kniep 3, Jennica Kerner 1, Jenny Perron 2, Kelly Perron 6. Totals 9 3-8 25.
HAGERMAN (28)
Katelyn Nebeker 7, Sally Traugotter 2, Haley Arriaga 6, Aubrey Goolisby 3, Amanda Regnier 10. Totals 10 8-11 28.
3-point goals: Shoshone 4 (Astle 3, Kniep). Total fouls: Shoshone 13, Hagerman 12.

WENDELL 57, GLENNS FERRY 31

The Wendell girls basketball team defeated Glens Ferry 57-31 Friday. Erin O'Brien scored 18 points to lead the Trojans, while Kristen Brandsma added 13. A full box score was unavailable.

Boys basketball

RICHFIELD 81, MAGIC VALLEY CHRISTIAN 18

Richfield won on the road as the Tigers beat Magic Valley Christian 81-18 in Northside Conference play

"The game got away from us early," said Magic Valley Christian coach Terry Gartner. "They are quick."

Michael Lezamiz led the Richfield scoring with 15 points followed by Tel Clark and Michael Henson each

with 14. Levi Kent added 10 and Jose Rivas had 12. Zach VanEsch tossed in seven for Magic Valley Christian (0-13, 0-9).

Magic Valley Christian travels to Bliss and Richfield hosts Dietrich on Tuesday.

Richfield 81, Magic Valley Christian 18

Richfield 81, Magic Valley Christian 18
RICHFIELD (81)
Tel Clark 14, Michael Lezamiz 15, Tucker Smith 5, Brody Norman 5, Levi Kent 10, Jose Rivas 12, Luke Wood 6, Michael Henson 14. Totals 32 10-14 81.
MAGIC VALLEY CHRISTIAN (18)
Josh Griffith 3, Dylan VanEsch 3, Zach VanEsch 7, Matt McClimans 5. Totals 6 4-12 18.
3-point goals: Richfield 7 (Clark 3, Lezamiz 2, Norman, Kent); Magic Valley Christian 2 (Griffith, Zach VanEsch). Total fouls: Richfield 16, Magic Valley Christian 12. Fouled out: Magic Valley Christian, Zach VanEsch. Technical fouls: Magic Valley Christian, Zach VanEsch.

SODA SPRINGS 78, DECLO 60

Alex Maughan of Soda Springs had a game-high 28 points and Cody Scheierman tossed in 19 as the Cardinals beat the visiting Hornets 78-60.

"They are the best two-win team I've seen," said Declo coach Dee Lewis. "They can shoot. We kind of lost our focus and it got away from us. Maughan had 14 pts in the second quarter and was 7-for-11 from behind the arc. Once he got in a rhythm, he got hot."

Tyler Briggs led Declo with 12 points followed by Jared Erickson with 11 and Jeremy Jenkins had 10. Tyson Cooper had 15 points and Bradyn Bailey added 10 for Soda Springs.

Declo (11-5) is on the road at Buhl on Wednesday.

Soda Springs 78, Declo 60

Declo 60
Soda Springs 78
SODA SPRINGS (78)
Alex Maughan 28, Bradyn Bailey 10, Cody Scheierman 19, James Frankos 6, Tyson Cooper 15. Totals 30 7-15 78.
3-point goals: Declo 4 (Nathan Garner 3, Bowcut); Soda Springs 11 (Maughan 7, Scheierman 3, Bailey).

Total fouls: Declo 17, Soda Springs 17. Fouled out: Declo, Connor Garner. Technical fouls: none.

KIMBERLY 66, GOODING 38

Kimberly made quick work of Gooding in a 66-38 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference victory in Kimberly.

Post players Duston Brown and Jared Mumm made life miserable for Gooding down low, as the two combined for 29 points in the paint.

"We pounded the ball inside," stated Kimberly coach Marvin Mumm. Brown finished with a game high of 19 points, and Mumm scored 10 for the Bulldogs.

Tyler Rex was the main offensive threat for the Senators, notching 10 points in the loss.

Kimberly (10-3, 4-0) travels to Filer on Tuesday.

Kimberly 66, Gooding 38

Gooding 38
Kimberly 66
Kimberly (66)
Jon Jensen 4, Justin Parke 7, Tommy McMurdie 4, Austin Basterrechea 4, Colton Knopp 4, Tyler Rex 10, Cy Eames 5. Totals 16 4-5 38.
KIMBERLY (66)
A.J. Schroeder 7, Braeden Nield 2, Isaac Makings 4, Laci Schroeder 1, Nick Dams 6, J.D. Jimenez 3, Eric Marvin 8, Duston Brown 19, Justin Winmill 6, Jared Mumm 10. Totals 29 6-10 66.
3-point goals: Gooding 2 (Parke, Eames), Kimberly 2 (Schroeder, Jimenez). Total fouls: Gooding 11, Kimberly 10. Fouled out: None. Technical fouls: None.

Wrestling

KIMBERLY SPLITS ON THE ROAD

The Kimberly Bulldogs wrestling team topped Marsh Valley 48-21 before losing to American Falls 65-12 in Jerome on Friday night. Nolan Ward was the lone Kimberly wrestler to win both of his matches, registering pins in each of his victories.

Kimberly 48, Marsh Valley 21

103 pounds: Double forfeit; 112: Dillon Davids, Marsh Valley, won by forfeit; 119: Michael Wheat, Marsh Valley, won by forfeit; 125: Michael Wheat, Marsh Valley, dec. Koltin Kenney, 6-0; 125: Cody Benjamin, Marsh Valley, won by forfeit; 130: Double forfeit; 135: Tucker Mulberry, Kimberly, pinned Luke Lish, 1-46; 140: Tyson Hardy, Kimberly, pinned Rob Morris, 1-16; 145: Nolan Ward, Kimberly, pinned Braden Millward, 1:35; 152: Lane Albright, Kimberly, won by forfeit;

160: Braxton Altom, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 171: Allen Hunt, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 189: Zane Marley, Marsh Valley, pinned Caleb McClimans, 0:35; 215: Nathan Liesen, Kimberly, won by injury default over Brandon Hottel; 285: Jamie Folk, Kimberly, pinned Dallen Vlehweg.

American Falls 65, Kimberly 12

103 pounds: Kasey West, American Falls, won by forfeit; 112: Chad Curry, American Falls, won by forfeit; 119: Koltin Kenney, Kimberly, pinned Francisco Torres, 2:30; 125: Cade Peake, American Falls, won by forfeit; 130: Eddie Reyes, American Falls, won by forfeit; 135: Andrew Cruz, American Falls, dec. Tucker Mulberry, 12-5; 140: Kody Laggis, American Falls, pinned Tyson Hardy, 1:21; 145: Nolan Ward, Kimberly, pinned Hedwin Lopez, 2:46; 152: Calvin Call, American Falls, pinned Lane Albright, 3:33; 160: V.J. Giulio, American Falls, T-Fall Braxton Altom, 19-3; 171: Travis Williams, American Falls, pinned Allen Hunt, 3:49; 189: Mario Rodriguez, American Falls, pinned Caleb McClimans, 1:07; 215: Danny Cerna, American Falls, pinned Nathan Liesen, 0:53; 285: Carlos Medel, American Falls, dec. Jamie Folk, 6-1.

JEROME SWEEPS AT HOME

Jerome picked up a pair of wins at home on Friday as the Tigers beat Marsh Valley 69-12 and took a narrow victory over American Falls 36-35. Hayden Thacker (145) and Wade Bennett (189) each scored wins in both their matches by pins. Cory Cummins (119) recorded a pin and a win by decision.

"This was two good wins," said Jerome coach Des Case. "American Falls is a good team and the match came down to the wire against them."

Jerome 69, Marsh Valley 12

103 pounds: Eric Ayala, Jerome, won by forfeit; 112: Keenan Allen, Jerome, won by forfeit; 119: Cory Cummins, Jerome, dec. Michael Wheat, 3-0; 125: Cody Benjamin, Marsh Valley, pinned Mike Jones, 1:02; 130: Dan Horton, Jerome, won by forfeit; 135: Joe Carey, Jerome, pinned Luke Lish, 4-40; 140: Tyler Powell, Jerome, pinned Rob Morris, 4:3; 145: Hayden Thacker, Jerome, pinned Brandon Millward, 1:59; 152: Cody McCoy, Jerome, won by forfeit; 160: Riley Argyle, Jerome, won by forfeit; 171: Jake Dudley, Jerome, won by forfeit; 189: Wade Bennett, Jerome, pinned Zane Marley, 2:32; 215: Kyle Novis, Jerome, won by forfeit; 285: Dallen Vlehweg, Marsh Valley, pinned Alex Boguslawski, 3:59.

Jerome 36, American Falls 35

103 pounds: Kasey West, American Falls, pinned Eric Ayala, 2:46; 112: Keenan Allen, Jerome, dec. Chad Curry, 4-3; 119: Cory Cummins, Jerome, pinned Francisco Torres, 2:37; 125: Cade Peake, American Falls, Tec-Fall, Mike Jones, 17-2; 130: Dan Horton, Jerome, pinned Eddie Reyes, 3:0; 135: Andrew Cruz, American Falls, dec. Joe Carey, 9-4; 140: Kody Laggis, American Falls, dec. Tyler Powell, 5:7 (OT) double overtime; 145: Hayden Thacker, Jerome, pinned Hedwin Lopez, 3:23; 152: Cody McCoy, Jerome, dec. Calvin Call, 7-5; 160: V.J. Giulio, American Falls, pinned Riley Argyle, 2:47; 171: Travis Williams, American Falls, pinned Jake Dudley, 4:30; 189: Wade Bennett, Jerome, Miacco Rodriguez, 2:29; 215: Kyle Novis, Jerome, pinned Diego Cerna, 3:5; 285: Carlos Medel, AF pinned Alex Boguslawski, 3:27.

Minico

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Burley-Minico rivalry has been a competitive matchup. Burley coach Jack Bagley says it's been at least four years since his Bobcats have lost to the Spartans.

"Burley-Minico, you never know what's going to happen," said Bagley. "You've got to give Minico credit. They really stepped up in the fourth quarter and hit some big shots and never let us have a chance to get back in it. A missed free throw or a turnover here or there, and it could have been a different game."

Coltin Johnson had a team-high 21 points and seven rebounds for Minico. He hit two huge 3-pointers in the fourth quarter — one that tied the game, and another that gave his team the lead.

Minico's Mark Leon chipped in with 12 points while Kalen Knopp scored 15 points, including calmly going 4-for-4 from the free throw line in the final minute to

help stave off Burley's rally.

"Just had to make them," Knopp said. "That's what practice is for, last-minute free throws. This game is huge. We had a five-game losing streak and we needed some momentum. Beating the cross-town rivalry, we can build off of this."

Hepworth had 27 points and seven rebounds and Hinckley added 11 points and four assists for Burley.

Burley (5-9 overall, 1-2 Great Basin West) travels to Pocatello Wednesday. Minico (6-7, 1-1) hosts Rigby on Tuesday.

Minico 53, Burley 50

Burley 50
Minico 53
MINICO (53)
Karch Hinckley 11, A.J. Hunter 2, Sam Harris 2, Kyle Hepworth 27, Kace Redder 2, Bill Blauer 6. Totals 17 13-19 50.

MINICO (53)
Kalen Knopp 15, Mark Leon 12, Coltin Johnson 21, Shad Hubsmith 2, Tyson Crane 2, Kevin Jurgensmeier 1. Totals 18 6-7 53.
3-point goals: Burley 8 (Hinckley 2, Hepworth 6); Minico 6 (Knopp, Leon 2, Johnson 3). Total fouls: Burley 17, Minico 15. Fouled out: Burley, Hepworth; Minico, Johnson.

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Sales of Super Bowl ads are holding up fairly well, even at \$3 million for 30 seconds. But commercial spots that will run in the pregame hours? That's a different ball game.

People who buy ad time on behalf of advertisers say NBC is having a tough time selling out the ads that will run in the four hours or more leading up to the Feb. 1 championship. Now the network is making deals to more quickly move unsold inventory for the less-watched but still pricey pregame spots.

"Things have been softening for a while," said Gary Carr, director of national broadcast at media buyer TargetCast tcm in New York. "There's some attractive pricing to be had."

For instance, prices for commercials that will air before the game are coming down perhaps by as much as a third from NBC's initial asking price, advertising



Pittsburgh vs Arizona

Sunday, Feb. 1, NBC

buyers said. NBC declined to discuss pricing specifics.

Depending on the number of ads bought or the hour of the day, pregame ads can cost about half the price of an in-game commercial, ad buyers said.

That would mean some of this year's pregame ads could cost more than \$1 million for 30 seconds.

To be sure, pregame spots don't have the same cachet as those during the game.

Companies that see the Super Bowl as a must-buy, with its 100 million viewers, already are committed to advertising during the game — and they're usually not

the same ones that purchase pregame time.

While there's typically some unsold pregame spots in the final days before the game, several ad buyers said the bad economy is giving advertisers more pause this year.

Sales took a hit after the economy took a drastic turn for the worse last September.

Another problem is that last-minute purchases of ads can be tough creatively. Companies are reluctant to run existing commercials, given the Super Bowl's reputation for inventive spots.

With one week to go, ad agencies are running out of time to put together something memorable.

Still, advertising buyers were impressed that NBC was able to sell many of its spots during the Super Bowl for a good price considering the downturn.

The list price was a record \$3 million for 30 seconds, on average, compared to \$2.7

million last year. TNS Media is projecting a record haul of \$200 million in in-game ad revenue for NBC.

"Given this unprecedented recession, NBC is doing a great job," said Christine Merrifield, director of video investment at media buyer MediaVest in New York, a unit of Publicis Groupe in Paris. Ad buyers said between six to 10 commercial spots are left to be sold for the game itself.

For the pregame show, whatever spots aren't filled will probably carry promotional ads from NBC, unless the network trims its pregame broadcast.

The network said it's not unusual for remaining inventory to be sold at the last minute.

"We are progressing on pregame and traditionally much of the inventory is sold the week of the game," said Brian Walker, senior director of communications at NBC Sports in New York.

Buzzer

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hit free throws.

They did none of those in the last two minutes. "The game wasn't lost on (Flaherty's) 3-pointer. We lost it with missed free throws, turnovers under the basket and bad fouls," said Harr. "We had it in the bag. All we needed to do was get the ball inbounds and hit some free throws. But we didn't play smart basketball in the fourth quarter."

The Bruins' implosion marred an outstanding performance down low from Jon Pulsifer and Marcus Jardine. The junior duo plus senior guard Russell Crane combined for 51 of the Bruins' 72 points.

Crane was supposed to get the ball in the dying seconds, as the Bruins had drawn up a play to get the ball to one of their best free-throw shooters. Instead of burning their final timeout as planned, however, the ball was instead inbounded nonetheless and

made its way to Ellis. The sophomore hit just one of his two foul shots to give Twin Falls a 72-70 lead.

Adrian Johnson led the Grizzlies with 18 points while Robert Edwards added 15, Jose Abreo scored 12 and Michael Berger kicked in 11.

"Our offense is pretty solid. Sixty-eight and 72 (points) in a week, it's clicking," Harr said. "But with our style of basketball it starts at the defensive end. We just panicked tonight."

Twin Falls looks to rebound against Pocatello tonight, when the Bruins host the Class 4A Indians.

Skyline 73, Twin Falls 72

Skyline 73
Twin Falls 72
SKYLINE (73)
Adrian Johnson 18, Connor Flaherty 6, Michael Berger 11, Braxton Facer 5, Jose Abreo 12, Zach Smith 4, Matt Miller 2, Robert Edwards 15. Totals 24 19-24 73.

TWIN FALLS (72)
Braden Box 2, Jordan Hamblin 6, Jake Hanchey 9, Jon Pulsifer 22, Marcus Jardine 14, Russell Crane 15, T.J. Ellis 4. Totals 23 23-33 72.
3-point goals: Skyline 6 (Johnson 2, Flaherty 2, Berger, Facer); Twin Falls 3 (Hamblin, Crane, Ellis). Total fouls: Skyline 25, Twin Falls 22. Fouled out: Twin Falls, Box, Hanchey, Pulsifer. Technical fouls: Skyline, bench.



Twin Falls post Jon Pulsifer (21) takes a shot as Skyline player Kaleb Jensen (4) looks on during their match up Friday night in Twin Falls.

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Cubs

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spend money on high-priced players.

He also said that Cubs general manager Jim Hendry doesn't have to worry about Ricketts making deals on his own.

"Hendry's really good at his job and Tom knows that Hendry is good at his job," he said.

But he did say Hendry might expect to pick up his phone and hear Ricketts suggesting the two go scout players together.

"Tom is going to take this opportunity to learn a really fun job," he said.

In fact, he will come to a team that, despite being derided at times for being stingy under Tribune, the Cubs have in recent years been big spenders.

They signed, for example, prized free agent Alfonso Soriano to a \$136 million, eight-year deal and outfielder Kosuke Fukudome to a \$48 million, four-year contract.

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

NBA All Times MST EASTERN				
ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	36	9	.800	—
Philadelphia	19	24	.442	14
New Jersey	19	24	.442	16
New York	18	24	.429	16½
Toronto	17	28	.378	19

SOUTHEAST				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Orlando	33	9	.786	—
Atlanta	26	16	.619	7
Miami	22	19	.537	10½
Charlotte	18	25	.419	15½
Washington	9	33	.214	24

CENTRAL				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Cleveland	32	8	.800	—
Detroit	24	18	.571	9
Milwaukee	21	25	.457	14
Chicago	18	26	.409	16
Indiana	16	27	.372	17½

SOUTHWEST				
W	L	Pct	GB	
San Antonio	29	13	.690	—
New Orleans	26	14	.650	2
Houston	27	17	.614	3
Dallas	25	18	.581	4½
Memphis	11	31	.262	18

NORTHWEST				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Denver	28	15	.651	—
Portland	25	17	.595	2½
Utah	25	18	.581	3
Minnesota	11	27	.287	13
Oklahoma City	9	34	.209	19

PACIFIC				
W	L	Pct	GB	
L.A. Lakers	34	8	.810	—
Phoenix	23	18	.561	10½
Golden State	13	30	.302	21½
Sacramento	10	33	.233	24½
L.A. Clippers	9	32	.220	24½

Thursday's Games				
Boston	90	Orlando	80	
L.A. Lakers	117	Washington	97	

Friday's Games				
Charlotte	98	Phoenix	76	
Indiana	107	Houston	102	
Dallas	112	Detroit	91	
Atlanta	117	Milwaukee	87	
New York	108	Memphis	88	
Minnesota	116	New Orleans	108	
Toronto	114	Chicago	94	
San Antonio	94	New Jersey	91	
Cleveland	107	Golden State	late	
Oklahoma City	at L.A. Clippers	late		

Saturday's Games				
New York	at Philadelphia	11 a.m.		
Orlando	at Miami	5:30 p.m.		
New Jersey	at Memphis	6 p.m.		
Sacramento	at Milwaukee	6:30 p.m.		
Cleveland	at Utah	7 p.m.		
Washington	at Portland	8 p.m.		

Sunday's Games				
Dallas	at Boston	11 a.m.		
San Antonio	at L.A. Lakers	1:30 p.m.		
Phoenix	at Atlanta	4 p.m.		
Sacramento	at Toronto	4 p.m.		
Houston	at Detroit	4:30 p.m.		
Chicago	at Minnesota	5 p.m.		
Charlotte	at Indiana	5 p.m.		
Utah	at Denver	6 p.m.		
L.A. Clippers	at Golden State	7 p.m.		

NBA Boxes				
Hawks 117, Bucks 87				
Milwaukee (87)				
Jefferson 1-6 3-4 5, Villanueva 10-14 2-2 27, Gadzuric 1-4 0-2 2, Redd 6-14 3-4 16, Ridnour 2-7 2-2 7, Mbah a Moute 2-7 0-1 4, Alexander 2-5 1-2 6, Elson 0-2 2-2 2, Sessions 0-6 2-2 2, Lue 3-7 0-0 8, Allen 3-4 2-8 2, D.Jones 0-3 0-0 0, Totals 30-79 17-23 87.				
Atlanta (87)				
Williams 5-8 1-2 11, Smith 11-15 2-4 24, Pachulia 3-2 5-9, Johnson 3-11 3-4 9, Bibby 3-10 4-5 12, Evans 5-8 4-16, Murray 11-13 1-1 25, Jones 2-4 2-3 7, Thomas 5-7 4-4 2, West 0-1 0-0 0, Hunter 0-1 0-0 0, Morris 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 43-77 23-30 117.				
Milwaukee 19 28 20 — 87				
Atlanta 27 31 28 31 — 117				
3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 10-22 (Villanueva 5-6, Lue 2-5, Alexander 1-1, Redd 3-3), Atlanta 1-3 (Jefferson 0-1, D.Jones 0-3), Atlanta 8-16 (Evans 4-4, Murray 2-2, Bibby 2-5, Gardner 0-1, Johnson 0-2, Williams 0-2), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 44 (Mbah a Moute 10), Atlanta 52 (Williams 9), Assists—Milwaukee 22 (Lue, Ridnour, Redd 4), Atlanta 31 (Bibby 12), Total Fouls—Milwaukee 22, Atlanta 19. Technical—Milwaukee defensive three second. A—18,556 (18,729).				

Knicks 108, Grizzlies 88				
MEMPHIS (88)				
Gay 7-17 4-4 20, Arthur 5-11 0-10 0, Gasol 2-8 2-6, Mayo 4-14 3-4 12, Conley 5-8 4-4 18, Lowry 3-5 3-5 5, Warrick 2-4 2-6 6, Janic 1-5 0-2 2, Ross 0-4 2-3 7, Thomas 5-7 4-4 2, Haddadi 1-1 1-2 3, Totals 30-77 21-29 88.				
NEW YORK (108)				
Chandler 4-9 0-0 8, Lee 6-11 7-9 19, Jeffries 1-2 0-2 2, Richardson 2-8 0-5 0, Duhan 4-8 4-15, Harrington 7-15 1-16 16, Robinson 5-9 3-4 16, Callinan 3-5 2-5 7, Thomas 5-7 4-4 2, Rose 1-1 0-0 2, Robertson 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 38-76 23-27 108.				
Memphis 30 15 17 26 — 88				
New York 27 29 16 36 — 108				
3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 1-16 (Conley 4-5, Gay 2-6, Mayo 1-3, Bibby 1-1, Lowry 0-1), New York 2-6 (Duhon 2-3, Thomas 1-3, Gallinari 1-3, Richardson 1-4, Harrington 1-7, Robertson 0-1, Thomas 0-2, Chandler 0-3), Fouled Out—Gallinari. Rebounds—Memphis 54 (Gay 9), New York 43 (Lee 14), Assists—Memphis 13 (Conley 4), New York 22 (Duhon 7), Total Fouls—Memphis 25, New York 22. Technical—Robinson. Flagrant Foul—Thomas. A—18,391 (19,763).				

Timberwolves 116, Hornets 108				
NEW ORLEANS (108)				
Stojakovic 7-15 1-1 17, Ely 3-4 0-0 6, Marks 5-9 0-0 10, Butler 7-0 0 12, Paul 8-15 7-8 23, Posey 8-9 1-4 24, Wright 1-1 0-0 2, Daniels 0-3 2-2 2, Peters 3-3 0-0 8, Bowen 2-3 0-1 4, Totals 42-79 11-13 108.				
MINNESOTA (116)				
Gomes 2-0 0-5, Smith 5-7 5-7 15, Jefferson 10-19 4-5 24, Foye 7-19 7-24, Telfair 2-6 4-4 10, Love 5-6 1-2 11, Miller 4-7 4-7 12, Foye 5-8 2-2 15, Cardinal 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 40-78 26-34 116.				
New Orleans 20 25 27 — 108				
Minnesota 25 26 28 37 — 116				
3-Point Goals—New Orleans 13-22 (Posey 7-11, Peterson 2-2, Butler 2-2, Stojakovic 2-6, Paul 0-1), Minnesota 10-21 (Foye 4-8, Carney 3-5, Telfair 2-4, Gomes 1-2, Miller 0-2), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 30 (Marks 7), Minnesota 55 (Jefferson 14), Assists—New Orleans 23 (Paul 12), Minnesota 26 (Foye, Telfair 8), Total Fouls—New Orleans 27, Minnesota 11. Technicals—New Orleans defensive three second. Minnesota defensive three second. A—18,224 (19,356).				

Mavericks 112, Pistons 91				
DALLAS (112)				

HOWARD 8-15 5-6 22, NOWITZKI 12-20 1-1 26, DAMPIER 1-2 3-6 5, WRIGHT 2-7 1-2 6, KIDD 5-7 0-0 11, TERRY 6-13 0-1 4, BASS 8-12 2-2 18, BAREA 1-4 0-0 2, SINGLETON 1-1 3-3 5, HOLLINS 1-1 1-1 3, CARROLL 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 45-82 16-21 112.				
DETROIT (91)				
Prince 1-4 10-10 12, Johnson 3-4 1-1 7, Wallace 2-7 0-4 0, Iverson 3-9 5-6 11, Stuckey 5-12 0-0 10, Hamilton 5-13 7-17, Maxwell 1-2 2-2 4, Bynum 5-9 0-0 10, Afflalo 3-5 1-1 8, McDyess 3-3 0-0 2, Brown 2-3 2-2 6, Herrmann 0-2 0-0 0, Totals 31-73 28-29 91.				
Dallas 31 32 27 22 — 112				
Detroit 25 26 21 19 — 91				
3-Point Goals—Dallas 6-14 (Terry 2-4, Howard 1-2, Wright 1-2, Kidd 1-2, Nowitzki 1-3, Barea 0-1), Detroit 1-3 (Afflalo 1-1, Herrmann 0-1, Wallace 0-1), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 45 (Nowitzki 7), Detroit 40 (Wallace 9), Assists—Dallas 28 (Kidd 10), Detroit 13 (Bynum 4), Total Fouls—Dallas 21, Detroit 20. Technical—Dallas defensive three second. A—22,076 (22,076).				

Spurs 94, Nets 91				
NEW JERSEY (91)				
Simmons 0-3 0-0 0, Anderson 1-3 0-0 2, Lopez 1-7 1-1 15, Carter 9-18 6-6 26, Harris 9-19 8-8 27, Najera 3-4 1-2 9, Hayes 2-7 0-0 5, Boone 1-2 0-0 2, Dooling 2-7 1-1 5, Totals 34-80 17-18 91.				
SAN ANTONIO (94)				
Finley 4-7 2-2 11, Duncan 13-21 4-4 30, Bonner 1-7 1-1 15, Parker 6-12 0-4 14, Parker 6-16 5-6 17, Ginobili 3-8 1-1 8, Bowen 1-2 0-0 3, Thomas 2-4 2-2 6, Hill 1-3 0-0 2, Oberto 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 35-75 18-19 94.				
New Jersey 24 26 16 25 — 91				
San Antonio 25 28 26 22 — 94				
3-Point Goals—New Jersey 5-15 (Carter 2-3, Najera 2-3, Hayes 1-2, Harris 1-3, Anderson 0-1, Dooling 0-3), San Antonio 6-18 (Mason 2-6, Finley 1-1, Bowen 1-2, Ginobili 1-4, Bonner 1-4, Parker 0-1), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Jersey 39 (Lopez 8), San Antonio 49 (Duncan 15), Assists—New Jersey 16 (Carter 5), San Antonio 21 (Duncan 5), Total Fouls—New Jersey 20, San Antonio 17. A—18,797 (18,797).				

Raptors 114, Bulls 94				
TORONTO (114)				
Moon 3-5 0-0 6, Bosh 6-17 5-17, Bargnani 8-13 4-6 22, Parker 6-12 0-0 14, Calderon 9-10 4-4 23, Graham 5-7 4-6 16, O'Neal 1-6 5-6 6, Kapono 3-5 0-0 7, Uke 1-1 0-0 2, Voskuil 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 35-75 18-19 94.				
Chicago (94)				
Deng 4-8 8-10 14, Thomas 4-8 0-0 8, Noah 0-0 0-0 2, Gordon 5-14 8-19, Rose 5-12 2-2 12, Hinrich 6-11 1-2 17, Gray 3-5 1-2 7, Gelfand 1-1 0-0 2, Nocioni 4-10 4-4 15, Totals 32-69 22-31 94.				
Toronto 28 26 29 31 — 114				
Chicago 25 29 20 20 — 94				
3-Point Goals—Toronto 6-11 (Bargnani 2-4, Parker 2-4, Kapono 1-1, Calderon 1-1, Moon 0-1), Chicago 6-19 (Hinrich 4-5, Nocioni 3-7, Gordon 4-5, Rose 0-1, Deng 0-1), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Toronto 35 (Bosh 6), Chicago 49 (Gray 7), Assists—Toronto 27 (Calderon 10), Chicago 23 (Hinrich 7), Total Fouls—Toronto 24, Chicago 26. Technicals—O'Neal, Toronto defensive three second, Thomas. A—20,886 (21,711).				

Pacers 107, Rockets 102				
HOUSTON (102)				
Battier 2-6 0-0 6, Scola 9-16 7-11 25, Yao 2-7 4-8, Wafer 6-15 1-1 14, Alston 7-15 2-2 17, Barry 2-6 2-2 8, Brooks 2-7 3-7, Landry 7-12 3-4 17, Hayes 0-2 0-0 2, Totals 37-86 22-20 102.				
INDIANA (107)				
Granger 5-9 12-12 25, Murphy 5-10 1-2 14, Foster 4-6 0-0 8, Dunleavy 4-13 4-6 13, Jack 4-13 2-2 10, Ford 4-12 13-14 21, Nesterovic 4-5 1-2 9, Daniels 2-4 0-0 4, Baston 0-0 0-0 0, Graham 0-1 0-0 0, Diener 1-1 0-0 3, Totals 40-83 38 107.				
Houston 24 16 25 37 — 102				
Indiana 21 29 22 35 — 107				
3-Point Goals—Houston 6-20 (Battier 2-4, Barry 2-5, Wafer 1-4, Alston 1-6, Brooks 0-1), Indiana 8-26 (Granger 3-5, Murphy 3-8, Diener 1-1, Dunleavy 1-5, Ford 0-2, Jack 0-4), Fouled Out—Scola. Rebounds—Houston 46 (Battier 12), Indiana 48 (Murphy 16), Assists—Houston 18 (Alston 8), Indiana 22 (Ford 6), Total Fouls—Houston 24, Indiana 25. Technicals—Houston Coach Adelman, Alston. A—14,486 (18,165).				

Bobcats 98, Suns 76				
PHOENIX (76)				
Hill 3-8 0-7, Stoudemire 5-14 2-3 12, O'Neal 6-8 12-20, Richardson 3-9 0-0 8, Nash 2-6 0-1 4, Amundson 2-2 2-4 6, Barnes 1-5 0-0 3, Barbosa 0-6 0-0 0, Dudley 2-4 3-4 8, Lopez 1-2 0-0 2, Dragic 0-3 0-0 0, Tucker 2-6 1-2 6, Totals 27-75 16-26 76.				
Charlotte (98)				
Wallace 11-13 3-5 28, Diaw 10-10 1-6 33 26, Okafor 2-6 1-1 5, Bell 4-11 0-0 9, Felton 5-14 1-2 0-0 2, Odom 7-10 0-0 0, Mohammed 1-3 0-0 2, Howard 4-5 0-8, Brown 2-2 0-4 0, Singletary 0-2 1-1 0, Morrison 0-2 0-0 0, Ajinca 1-3 2-2 4, Totals 40-78 11-15 98.				
Phoenix 43 24 18 21 — 76				
Charlotte 21 38 22 17 — 98				
3-Point Goals—Phoenix 6-14 (Richardson 2-3, Hill 1-1, Dudley 1-1, Tucker 1-2, Barnes 1-3, Barbosa 0-2, Nash 0-2), Charlotte 7-15 (Wallace 3-3, Diaw 3-5, Ford 0-2, Jack 0-4), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Phoenix 56 (Stoudemire 9), Charlotte 44 (Diaw 11), Assists—Phoenix 16 (Nash 5), Charlotte 26 (Bell 8), Total Fouls—Phoenix 20, Charlotte 26. Technicals—Hill, Phoenix Bench, Charlotte Coach Brown. A—19,104 (19,077).				

Thursday's Final NBA Box				
WASHINGTON (97)				
McGuire 1-5 6-6 8, Jamison 7-13 3-19, Blatche 2-9 1-2 5, Butler 5-10 0-0 12, James 4-10 0-1 8, McGeer 7-15 4-4 18, Crittenion 3-7 4-4 10, Young 2-7 0-0 4, Songalla 4-5 0-0 8, Pecharov 2-2 0-0 5, Totals 37-83 18-20 97.				
L.A. LAKERS (117)				
Walters 2-3 1-2 5, Gasol 7-12 4-5 18, Bynum 8-12 7-23, Bryant 4-11 2-11, Fisher 3-6 0-0 7, Odom 7-9 1-2 16, Ariza 4-7 0-0 10, Juicic 4-7 3-3 13, Radmanovic 4-5 1-1 10, Mihm 1-4 0-0 2, Powell 1-5 0-0 2, Sun 0-3 0-0 0, Totals 45-84 19-23 117.				
Washington 24 28 21 29 — 97				
L.A. Lakers 31 41 25 20 — 117				
3-Point Goals—Washington 5-15 (Jamison 2-3, Butler 2-4, Pecharov 1-1, Blatche 0-1, Young 0-2, James 0-4), L.A. Lakers 8-19 (Ariza 2-4, Juicic 2-5, Radmanovic 1-1, Fisher 1-2, Odom 1-2, Bryant 1-3, Sun 0-1, Walton 0-1), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Washington 41 (McGeer 9), L.A. Lakers 50 (Bynum 14), Assists—Washington 24 (James, Butler 6), L.A. Lakers 35 (Fisher 8), Total Fouls—Washington 17, L.A. Lakers 18. A—18,997 (18,997).				

Men's College Basketball Major Scores				
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GAME PLAN

LOCAL		12:30 a.m.	
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL		ESPN2	— Winter X Games, at Aspen, Colo. (delayed tape)
CSI vs. Salt Lake CC, 5 p.m.		FIGURE SKATING	
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL		1 p.m.	
CSI vs. Salt Lake CC, 3 p.m.		NBC	— U.S. Championships, at Cleveland
HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL		7 p.m.	
Castelford at Valley		NBC	— U.S. Championships, at Cleveland

2:30 p.m.		GOLF	
Hagerman at Lighthouse Christian, Jerome Middle School		TGC	— European PGA Tour, Qatar Masters, third round, at Doha, Qatar (same-day tape)
Challis at Raft River		2 p.m.	
Jackpot, Nev., at Twin Falls		TGC	— PGA Tour, Bob Hope Classic, fourth round, at La Quinta, Calif.
Christian		5:30 p.m.	
7:30 p.m.		TGC	— Champions Tour, Mitsubishi Electric Championship, second round, at Ka'upulehu-Kona, Hawaii

3:30 p.m.		MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL	
Rimrock at Dietrich		10 a.m.	
4 p.m.		ESPN	— Maryland at Duke
Burley at Pocatello		Noon	

Williams advances to 4th round at Australian Open

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Serena Williams didn't have to deal with any unexpected distractions Saturday, advancing to the fourth round at the Australian Open.

Williams, who won the title here in 2003, 2005 and 2007, started play on Rod Laver Arena on day six with a 6-1, 6-4 win over No. 41-ranked Peng Shuai of China.

Peng was up a service break in the second set before Williams leveled in the sixth game, then held to take a 4-3 lead that she never relinquished. The second-seeded American won the penultimate game at love with an ace and converted triple match point with an overhead winner.

The nine-time major winner's victory was routine compared to the previous day at the first major of the season.

A half-naked streaker ran onto the court during



Serena Williams returns to China's Peng Shuai Saturday during their women's singles match at the Australian Open Tennis Championship in Melbourne, Australia.

AP photo

Williams' doubles victory with sister Venus. Then ethnic violence flared after Novak Djokovic of Serbia beat Bosnian-born American Amer Delic, leaving a woman injured, two men charged

with riotous behavior, 30 people ejected by police and broken chairs scattered over the lawn area at Melbourne Park.

Serena Williams next faces the winner of the later match between No. 20 Amelie

Mauresmo, the 2006 Australian Open and Wimbledon champion, and No. 13 Victoria Azarenka of Belarus.

"I'm just enjoying every moment out here. You guys always cheer for me here, that's really awesome," Williams said, getting the crowd on her side. "I'm just happy to still be here."

Carla Suarez Navarro, who had an upset win over reigning Wimbledon champion Venus Williams in the second round, beat fellow Spaniard Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez 6-1, 6-4.

The 19-year-old Suarez Navarro, ranked 46th, will next play No. 21 Anabel Medina Garrigues — who ousted 12th-seeded Flavia Pennetta of Italy 6-4, 6-1 — in an all-Spanish fourth-round match.

A skirmish between ethnic rivals, the streaker and an upset of Ana Ivanovic combined for an extraordinary

Friday.

Serbian and Bosnian fans threw chairs at each other outside Rod Laver Arena following Djokovic's victory. As the players hugged at the net, the first of dozens of chairs flew on the lawn near a big-screen TV showing the match.

"There's absolutely no place for that. This is a tennis match," said Delic, who moved from Bosnia at 14 and lives in Jacksonville, Fla. "As I'm sure you all saw at the end, Novak and I are friends. We're both competitors. In the end it was a fair match, and there was no reason for such things."

Ivanovic's hopes of a return trip to the final fell apart in a 7-5, 6-7 (5), 6-2 loss to 19-year-old Alisa Kleybanova of Russia.

The fifth-ranked Ivanovic lost her serve nine times and finished with 50 unforced errors to only 23 winners.

The afternoon violence also overshadowed the night

match between second-ranked Roger Federer and former No. 1 Marat Safin. The Swiss star won 6-3, 6-2, 7-6 (5).

"Terribly disappointing," Federer said of the fan conflict. "Fans, 99.9 percent of the time, are always great. Then you have some people who carry it outside of the tennis courts, lose their minds. It's unfortunate."

Victoria state police Inspector Chris Duthie said the fighting was allegedly sparked when one group threw a tennis ball at another. Security officers and police quelled the fight within minutes.

Two years ago, police ejected 150 people after similar violent clashes involving people of Balkan heritage at Melbourne Park.

Djokovic next plays 2006 runner-up Marcos Baghdatis of Cyprus, who beat No. 23 American Mardy Fish 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.

Suns scorch Bobcats

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Boris Diaw dominated Phoenix a month after being dealt by the Suns, scoring 26 points and grabbing 11 rebounds to lead the surging Charlotte Bobcats to a 98-76 victory Friday night.

Gerald Wallace added 28 points, and former Sun Raja Bell had nine points and a career-high eight assists in Charlotte's fifth win in six games.

Shaquille O'Neal had 20 points for the Suns. Jason Richardson, Charlotte's top scorer before the trade, finished with eight points for Phoenix.

KNICKS 108, GRIZZLIES 88

NEW YORK — David Lee had 19 points and 14 rebounds, and New York won its third straight game to hand Memphis its eighth straight loss, a day after the Grizzlies fired coach Marc Iavaroni.

Rudy Gay led Memphis with 20 points. Assistant Johnny Davis directed the Grizzlies as an interim coach. Lionel Hollins is working on a contract with Memphis to serve as head coach for the third time — the first time without the interim label.

MAVERICKS 112, PISTONS 91

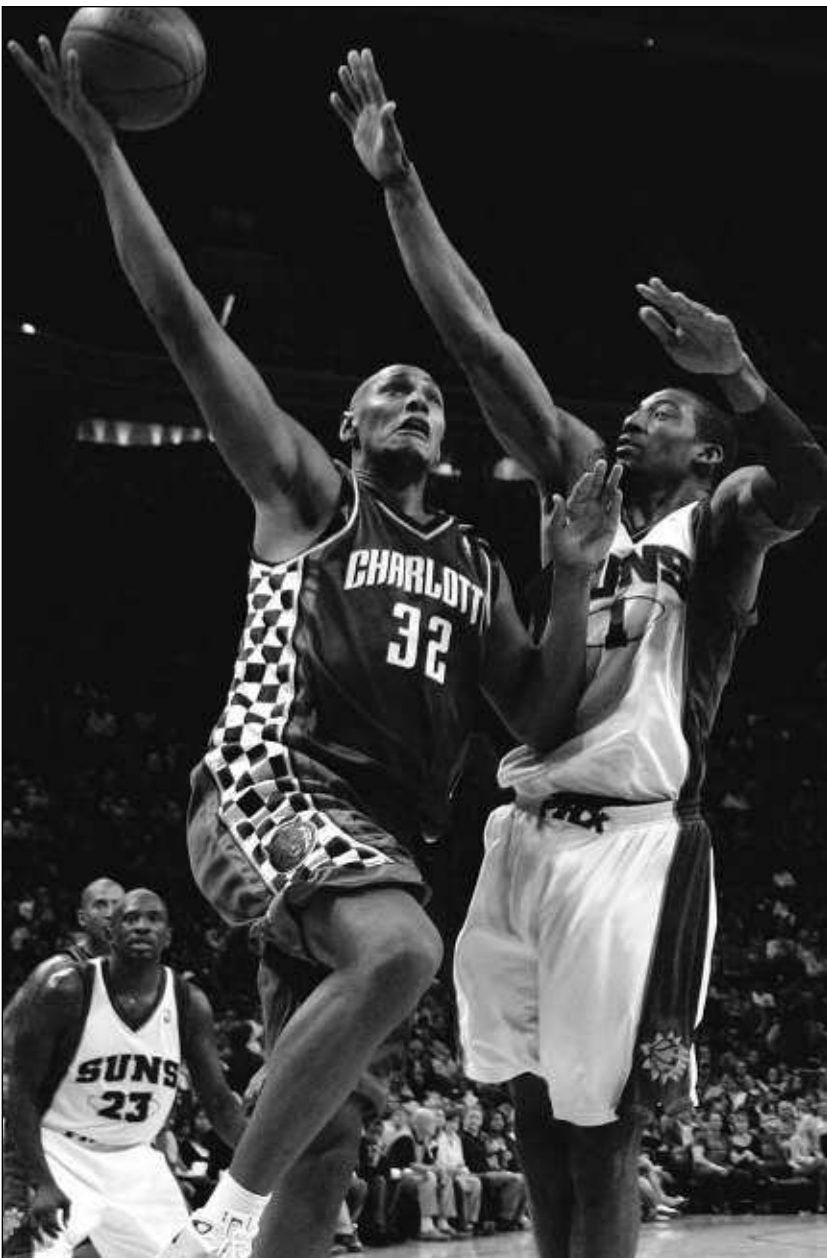
AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Dirk Nowitzki scored 26 points, Josh Howard added 22 and Dallas rebounded from its worst performance of the season.

The Mavericks were coming off a 133-99 loss in Milwaukee on Wednesday night.

Brandon Bass added a season-high 18 points, and Jason Kidd had 11 points and 10 assists for Dallas. Richard Hamilton, coming off the bench for just the second time in his Detroit career, led the Pistons with 17 points.

SPURS 94, NETS 91

SAN ANTONIO — Tim Duncan had 30 points and 15 rebounds, and Michael Finley hit a pivotal 3-pointer



Charlotte Bobcats forward Boris Diaw (32) shoots over Phoenix Suns center Amare Stoudemire (1) Friday during the second half of the Bobcats' 98-76 win in Charlotte, N.C.

AP photo

for San Antonio with 22.6 seconds left.

One night after NBA fans voted Duncan to his 10th straight All-Star start, he led the Spurs to their fourth straight victory. Devin Harris scored 27 points, and Vince Carter had 26 for New Jersey. The Nets have lost five straight.

TIMBERWOLVES 116, HORNETS 108

MINNEAPOLIS — Al Jefferson had 24 points and 14 rebounds, and Randy Foye had 24 points and eight assists to help Minnesota improve to 8-2 in January.

James Posey had 24 points and tied a career high with

seven 3-pointers for New Orleans. Chris Paul added 23 points and 12 assists.

HAWKS 117, BUCKS 87

ATLANTA — Flip Murray scored a season-high 25 points, Josh Smith had 24 and Atlanta Hawks raced away to its biggest victory of the season.

Mike Bibby had 15 assists for the Hawks, who shot 56 percent from the field while winning their third in a row. Charlie Villanueva led Milwaukee with 27 points.

PACERS 107, ROCKETS 102

INDIANAPOLIS — Danny Granger scored 25 points, T.J. Ford added 21, and Troy

Murphy had 14 points and 16 rebounds to help Indiana snap a two-game losing skid.

Luis Scola led Houston with a career-high 25 points. Houston center Yao Ming left the game with a sore right knee and did not play in the second half.

RAPTORS 114, BULLS 94

CHICAGO — Jose Calderon had 23 points on 9-of-10 shooting and added 10 assists in his return to Toronto's lineup, helping the Raptors snap a seven-game losing streak.

Ben Gordon scored 19 points for Chicago. The Bulls have lost four straight.

— The Associated Press

Perez retains lead at Bob Hope Classic

LA QUINTA, Calif. — Pat Perez, his game steady if not spectacular, shot a 5-under 67 on Friday to remain two shots in front at the Bob Hope Classic.

After opening with rounds of 61 and 63 to complete the first 36 holes at 20 under, unprecedented in PGA Tour history, Perez was at 25-under 191 in the 90-hole tournament.

The tour record for the first 54 holes of a tournament is 189, shared by three players and last accomplished by Tommy Armour on a par-70 course in the 2003 Texas Open. The PGA Tour does not keep a record of lowest 54 holes against par.

Steve Stricker shot an 11-under 61 to move into second at 23 under. Vaughn Taylor's 64 left him another shot back at 194. Jason Dufner, who made it into the tournament when Anthony Kim withdrew Tuesday because of a sore shoulder, stayed in contention with a 67 that left him in a group of four at 195.

LANGER, BRYANT ATOP MITSUBISHI LEADERBOARD

KAUPULEHU - KONA, Hawaii — Bernhard Langer had seven birdies on the back nine on his way to an 8-under 64 and a share of the lead with Brad Bryant in the Champions Tour's season-opening Mitsubishi Electric

Championship.

Langer, the tour's player and rookie of the year, was 1 over through six holes, then birdied nine of his last 12 holes in the first round.

Both Langer and Bryant each had a bogey and nine birdies in their rounds.

Hale Irwin, who turns 64 in June and is the second oldest player in the winners-only field, opened with a 65 to match Jeff Sluman and Jay Haas. R.W. Eaks, who carded a rare double eagle, was at 66, along with Tom Kite.

OOSTHUIZEN AHEAD AT QATAR MASTERS

DOHA, Qatar — South Africa's Louis Oosthuizen shot a 7-under 65 to take a three-stroke lead over Scotland's Andrew Coltart in the Qatar Masters.

Oosthuizen had a 12-under 132 total on the Doha Golf Club course. Coltart, the 1998 winner, had a 69. Spain's Alvaro Quiros of Spain (67) and Australia's Brett Rumford (69) were two strokes back in the European tour event.

Sergio Garcia (70) was eight strokes back at 4 under, Ernie Els (71) was 3 under, and Retief Goosen (73) followed at 2 under. Defending champion Adam Scott of Australia (70) was 1 under. Boo Weekley missed the cut with rounds of 74 and 73.

— The Associated Press



AP photo

Pat Perez hits from the No. 13 tee of the SilverRock course Friday during the third round of the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic PGA golf tournament in La Quinta, Ca.

Senior Bowl QBs vying to dispel NFL doubts

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — The Senior Bowl quarterbacks all have something to prove.

Graham Harrell and Pat White want to show they can thrive in a prostyle offense like they did in college ball. Nathan Brown and Rhett Bomar aim to convince NFL teams they're not just small-school stars.

John Parker Wilson and Cullen Harper also hope to use Saturday's showcase for top senior NFL prospects as a launching pad for pro careers, one coming off a 12-win season and the other off a disappointing year.

None of them are as covet-

Senior Bowl

5 p.m., NFL Network

ed by NFL teams as underclassmen Matthew Stafford of Georgia and Mark Sanchez of Southern California. It's hard to argue with their college credentials, though.

Harrell finished his Texas Tech career with an NCAA-record 134 touchdown passes, 15,793 passing yards — second on the all-time list — and some questions he is eager to answer.

"More than anything, I think this is an opportunity to break some of the stereo-

types that come with being a quarterback at Texas Tech," he said. "A lot of people act like it's just the system. Obviously the system helps you put up great numbers, but there's a little more to it than just the system at Texas Tech."

On Saturday, he'll spend more time actually huddling and take more snaps under center than he's accustomed to. The game, though, is merely the finale of a week-long series of meetings, interviews and practices where the players could attempt to put themselves in better position for the draft.

Among the top prospects participating are Southern Cal linebacker Rey Mauluga, Mississippi left tackle Michael Oher, Boston College defensive tackle B.J. Raji, Virginia left tackle Eugene Monroe and Oklahoma State tight end Brandon Pettigrew.

The game marks a homecoming for White, a Daphne native who will play in "a game I've watched since the very first year of my life, probably."

Once again, he gets to prove he can play quarterback. Auburn and Alabama weren't convinced of that

when he was being recruited out of high school, leading him to head to West Virginia.

The prolific and athletic White is trying to answer skeptics who wonder if he will land at quarterback or possibly wide receiver in the NFL.

"That's the position that got me here. I played quarterback for six years, two in high school," White said.

Like Harrell, he is a record-setting college player with much to show the NFL. He was 4-0 as a starter in bowl games — a first for a quarterback — and a two-time Big East Offensive Player of the

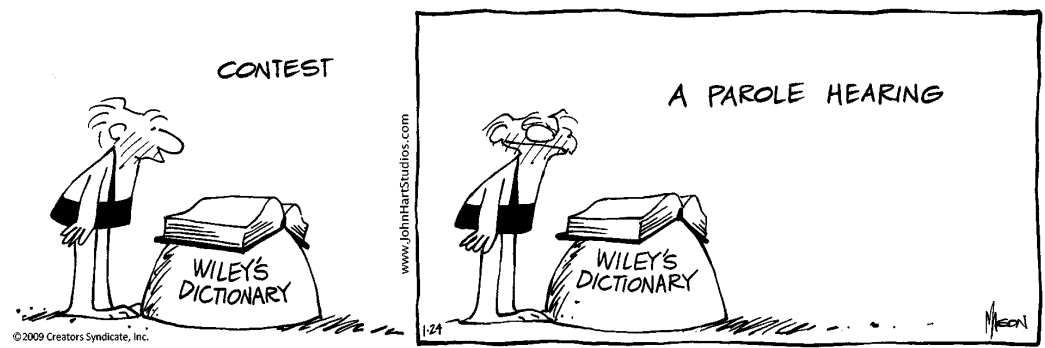
Year. White also set the NCAA mark for career rushing yards by a quarterback with 4,480.

What does he want to prove? "That I can play the game of football. That's what we're all here to show."

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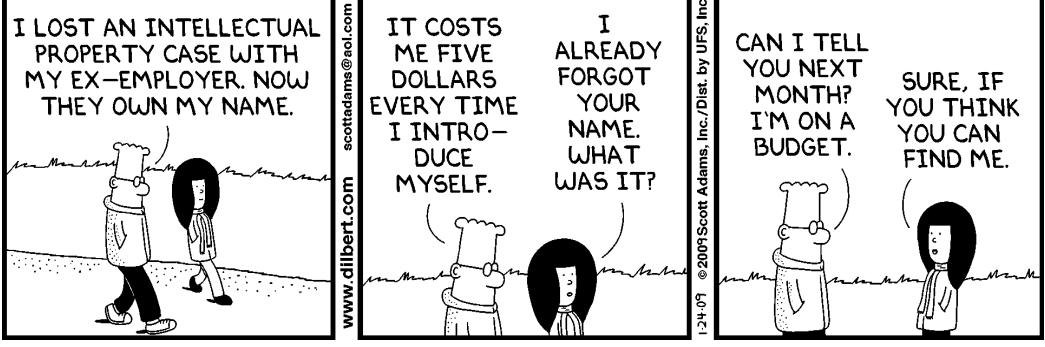
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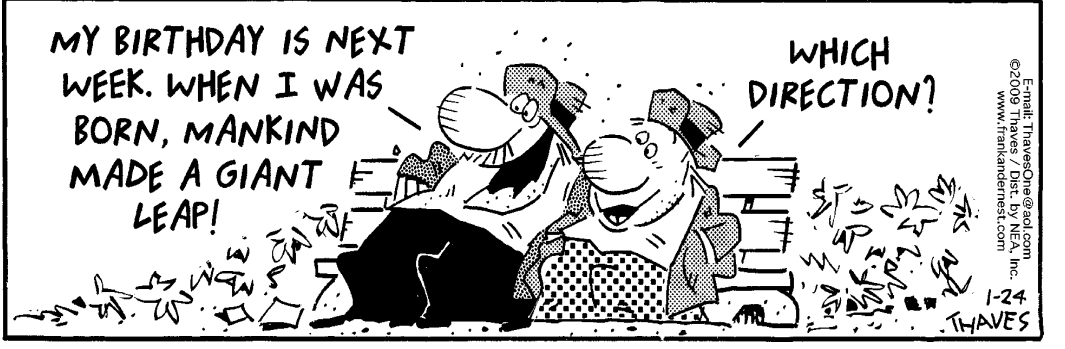
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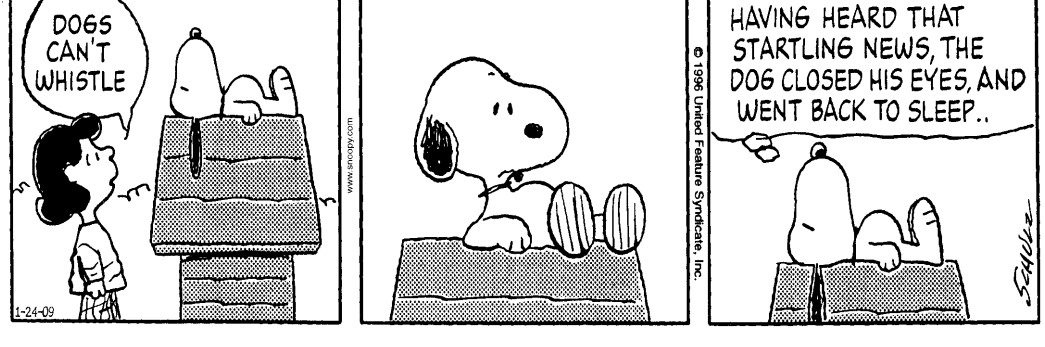
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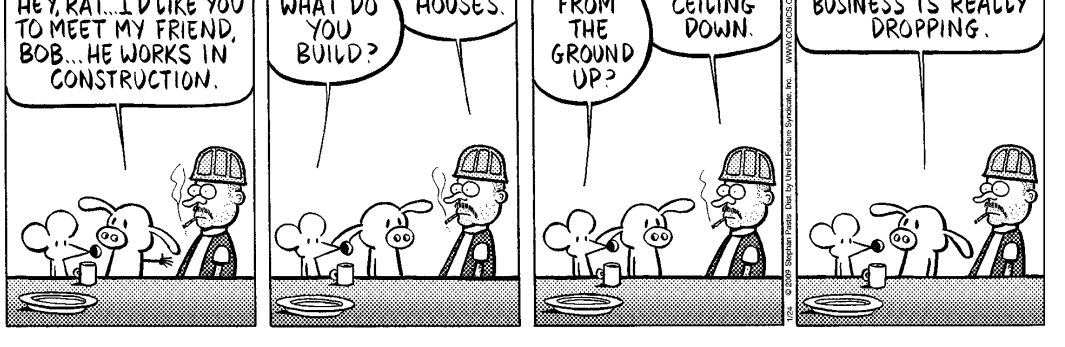
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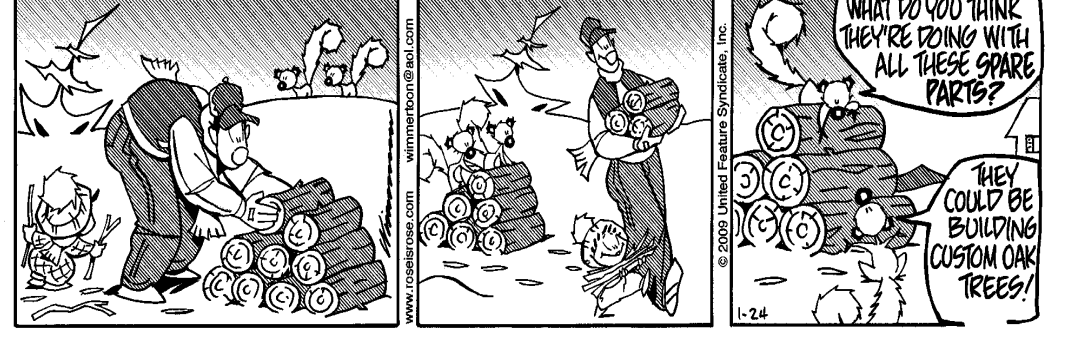
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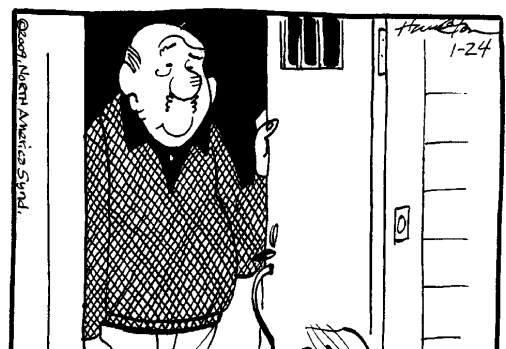
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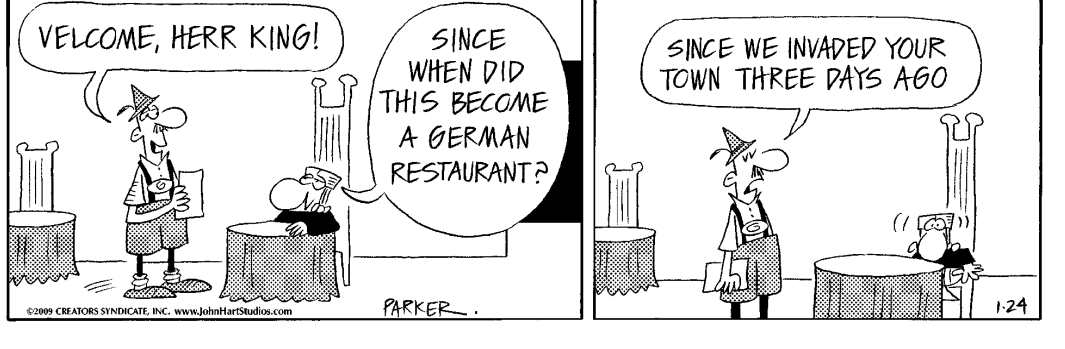
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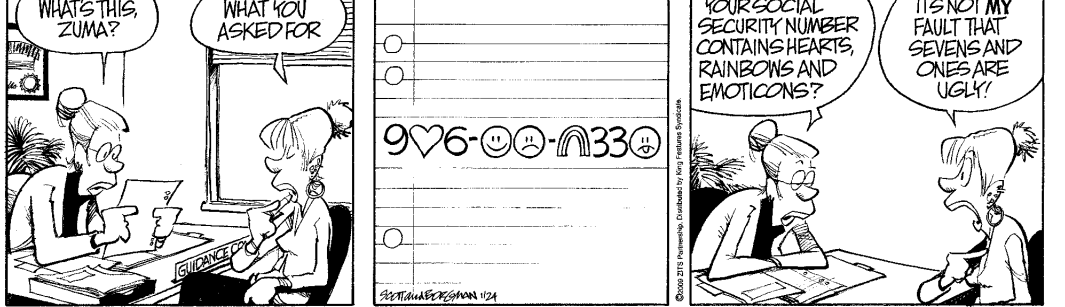
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Obama seeks GOP backing for stimulus

By Paul Kane and Michael D. Shear
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Obama ramped up his personal lobbying campaign Friday for an economic recovery package that would cost at least \$820 billion, holding his first bipartisan gathering of congressional leaders at the White House and urging swift passage of the plan.

Obama, who has seen GOP support for the package evaporate in the past week, hinted that he is open to compromise on business tax breaks but also bluntly rejected some Republican proposals to reduce spending in the plan, lawmakers and aides said, arguing that he believes he has a mandate to promote his own ideas.

"I won," he reminded them, according to some who were in the room.

Obama hopes to receive broad bipartisan support in Congress for a recovery plan that he has said is essential to turning around the economy, with a goal of saving as many as 4 million jobs by cutting taxes by a minimum of \$275 billion and spending at least \$545 billion on infrastructure, renewable energy production and aid to states.

Republican resistance remained strong after Friday's bipartisan meeting, and White House press secretary Robert Gibbs announced that Obama will visit the Capitol on Tuesday for two meetings exclusively with Republicans on the eve of a planned House vote on the recovery package.

"What I think unifies this group is a recognition that we are experiencing an unprecedented, perhaps, economic crisis that has to be dealt with, and dealt with rapidly," Obama said as he began the meeting in the White House Cabinet Room. The president said he recognized that there were "still some differences around the table" and promised a "frank" conversation about them.

Republicans said after-

ward that they think Obama is sincere in seeking their input. "That tone will have to continue in some way, shape or form," Rep. Eric Cantor, Va., the minority whip, said in an interview.

However, as Obama continued to invest his political capital in a bipartisan push, another Democratic leader suggested that it is up to Republicans to support the new president. "We had an election on November 4, and the American people voted overwhelmingly for the approach being offered by the Democrats," House Majority Whip James Clyburn, S.C., said in an interview scheduled to air over the weekend on C-SPAN. "And I think my Republican friends ought to respect that."

The biggest dispute between Democrats and Republicans over the package is about tax cuts, which Obama's advisers said earlier this month would represent 40 percent of the legislation's cost but has shrunk to just a third of the total as congressional Democrats discarded several of Obama's tax-cut ideas.

Cantor presented Obama with an alternative GOP plan that included a reduction in marginal tax rates and no increased domestic spending that would result in higher deficits. Afterward, Cantor said the president rejected most of those ideas but remained open to increasing benefits for small businesses that, according to Republican calculations, would receive \$41 billion in tax relief under the Democratic plan. Republicans are proposing a 20 percent rate cut in taxes on businesses with fewer than 500 employees.

The House is expected to consider the stimulus plan on Wednesday. In the Senate, a full floor debate is expected to begin Feb. 2, leaving two more weeks for approval and a reconciliation of differences between the two chambers' bills to meet the mid-February goal for passage.



Rep. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y., speaks at a news conference in Albany, N.Y., Friday, after she was named to fill the U.S. Senate seat vacated by Hillary Rodham Clinton. New York Gov. David Paterson who selected her, is at right. Former Republican U.S. Senator from New York, Alfonse D'Amato, is at left.

Congresswoman picked for Hillary Clinton's seat

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Instantly opening a rift among New York Democrats, Rep. Kirsten Gillibrand — a little-known, pro-gun Democrat from a rural Republican district — won appointment Friday to the Senate seat left vacant by Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Gov. David Paterson announced his choice a day after presumed front-runner Caroline Kennedy — a woman with considerably more star power but less experience — mysteriously dropped out of contention in an embarrassing turn of events that touched off sniping between the governor and the Kennedy camp.

Gillibrand, 42, will be the youngest member of the Senate and one of 17 women in the chamber. The second-term congresswoman will assume the seat once held by Kennedy's uncle Robert F. Kennedy as well as by Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

"For many in New York state, this is the first time you've heard my name and

you don't know much about me," said Gillibrand (pronounced JILL-ih-brand). "Over the next two years, you will get to know me. And, more importantly, I will get to know you."

Before the governor even took the podium to introduce Gillibrand, anti-gun crusader Rep. Carolyn McCarthy said she would challenge Gillibrand in the Democratic primary next year, or find someone who would. Gillibrand has a 100 percent voting record with the National Rifle Association.

McCarthy, a Long Island Democrat who ran for Congress after her husband was shot to death and her son wounded in the 1993 Long Island Rail Road massacre, said someone with such a record should not be the next senator from New York.

"The majority of New Yorkers believe in trying to reduce gun violence," she said.

Her complaint was echoed by New York Mayor

Michael Bloomberg, a Democrat-turned-Republican-turned-independent who has been one of the nation's most vocal gun control advocates. In a statement, the mayor noted his "strong disagreement with one area of her record as a member of Congress: illegal guns."

Bloomberg and McCarthy said Gillibrand co-sponsored legislation to deny information cities and police need to track illegal gun use. The legislation passed in the House but was never considered by the Senate, McCarthy said.

At the news conference, Gillibrand commended McCarthy for her "outstanding leadership in fighting against gun violence and keeping our children safe," and added: "I pledge to work with her on her signature bill for updating background checks to keep guns out of the hands of criminals." Gillibrand said she would support gun control "but also protect our hunters' rights."

Officials OK first test of embryonic stem cells on people

By Rob Stein
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators have approved the first experiment testing human embryonic stem cells on people, officials announced Friday.

The Food and Drug Administration authorized the Geron Corp. of Menlo Park, Calif., to test stem cells derived from human embryos on eight to 10 patients with severe spinal cord injuries. The study is aimed primarily at determining the safety of the cells in human subjects, but researchers also will examine the patients for any signs the therapy restored sensation or movement.

"This is obviously an extraordinarily exciting event," Geron chief executive Thomas B. Okarma said in a statement. "It marks the dawn of a new era in medical therapeutics ... one that reaches beyond pills to a new level of healing: the restoration of organ and tissue function achieved by the injection of health replacement cells."

Although researchers have already begun testing embryonic cells derived from adults and fetuses in people, the study will mark the first government-approved use of those derived from embryos, which have been highly controversial because the process involves the destruction of the embryos.

President Obama is expected to lift a ban on federal funding for such research imposed by his predecessor. While the timing of the FDA approval led some to speculate that the two moves were related, Geron's work had not been restricted by the ban. The cells being used by the company were derived from leftover embryos at fertility clinics before the ban was implemented in 2001.

The approval of Geron's project, however, has been eagerly awaited by proponents of embryonic stem cell research. The FDA had delayed approval of Geron's application in May, saying the agency needed more information.

"This is what we've all been waiting for," said Robert Lanza of Advanced Cell Technology in Worcester, Mass., which plans to ask the FDA to approve another study using embryonic stem cells to treat blindness. "The field desperately needs a big clinical success. It's very important to show the naysayers that this is very real and hopefully it will start helping people."

Lanza, however, expressed concern about the impact of a failure.

"When you're the first the whole world's eyes are on you," he said. "We all have our fingers crossed that everything goes smoothly and nothing happens."

Blagojevich says he's a victim of lawmakers eager to raise taxes

CHICAGO (AP) — Launching an all-out media blitz as his impeachment trial draws near, Gov. Rod Blagojevich compared himself Friday to an honest, hardworking cowboy and said he was about to be lynched by a band of black-hatted political insiders eager to raise taxes.

After keeping mostly out of the public eye since his arrest on federal corruption charges, Blagojevich reversed course with a series of interviews and public statements portraying himself as the victim of vengeful lawmakers eager to toss him out of office.

"The heart and soul of this has been a struggle of me against the system," Blagojevich said at a news conference Friday.

Blagojevich denied any wrongdoing but wouldn't discuss the federal corruption charges filed against him last month. Instead, he focused on his efforts to expand government health care programs without raising taxes.

He has chosen not to mount any defense in the Senate impeachment trial that begins Monday and could remove him from office within days. He may ask the Illinois Supreme Court to block the trial, arguing its rules are hopelessly biased against him.

Blagojevich, a fan of Western movies, drew a long analogy Friday between his situation and that of a cowboy falsely accused of stealing a horse. His story ended with one cowboy suggesting the accused thief be hanged, with the other suggesting he first be tried, then hanged.



Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich responds to a question during a news conference in Chicago, Friday. Blagojevich said he will boycott his impeachment trial next week because the process is unfair, not because he's being defiant.

"Under these rules, I'm not even getting a fair trial; they're just hanging me. And when they hang me under these rules that prevent due process, they're hanging the 12 million people of Illinois who twice have elected a governor," he said.

The Democratic governor told The Associated Press on Thursday night that he's willing to sacrifice himself for principle by standing up to lawmakers he believes are violating the Illinois Constitution. "The fight will continue," he said.

Blagojevich's fight would have one fewer supporter as his chief defense attorney, Ed Genson, announced Friday that he would pull out of the federal criminal case. In announcing his withdrawal, Genson insinuated the governor didn't listen to his advice.

"I never require a client to do what I say, but I do require them to at least listen," Genson said.

A spokesman said

Blagojevich had no immediate comment on Genson's announcement.

Disgraced pastor faces more gay sex accusations

DENVER (AP) — Disgraced evangelical leader Ted Haggard's former church disclosed Friday that the gay sex scandal that caused his downfall extends to a young male church volunteer who reported having a sexual relationship with Haggard — a revelation that comes as Haggard tries to repair his public image.

Brady Boyd, who succeeded Haggard as senior pastor of the 10,000-member New Life Church in Colorado Springs, told The Associated Press that the man came forward to church officials in late 2006 shortly after a Denver male prostitute claimed to have had a three-year cash-for-sex relationship with Haggard.

Boyd said an "overwhelming pool of evidence" pointed to an "inappropriate, consensual sexual relation-

ship" that "went on for a long period of time ... it wasn't a one-time act." Boyd said the man was in his early 20s at the time. He said he was certain the man was of legal age when it began.

Reached Friday night, Haggard declined to comment and said all interviews would have to be arranged through a publicist for HBO, which is airing a documentary about him this month.

Boyd said the church reached a legal settlement to pay the man for counseling and college tuition, with one condition being that none of the parties involved discuss the matter publicly.

Boyd said a Colorado Springs TV station reached him Thursday to say the young man was planning to provide a detailed report of his relationship with Haggard to the station.

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A good set of pipes



AP photo

Church music director Rosi Kaufman, left, and Eric Johnson of Quimby Pipe Organs in Warrensburg, began the tuning process of a 1869 E. & G.G. Hook organ on Dec. 17, 2008, at the Rainbow Mennonite Church in Kansas City, Kan.

Kansas church transforms old pipe organ into a thing of beauty

By Mark Wiebe
The Kansas City Star

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — The first time Rosi Penner Kaufman set eyes on the pipe organ now in Rainbow Mennonite Church, she saw mostly dirt and grime.

The organ had been neglected for more than a year, left in an abandoned church in Troy, N.Y., like an old piece of furniture.

"You really kind of had to look to see the beauty that was underneath," said Kaufman, Rainbow Mennonite's music director. "It took a little bit of dreaming."

But Kaufman could dream, and she knew that the 1869 E. & G.G. Hook pipe organ that she had just played was right for her Kansas City, Kan., church.

What she and the congregation didn't know was that a legal chal-

lenge, a 1,300-mile move, and a 3½-year restoration awaited before the organ would make it to Rainbow Mennonite.

Nor did the church know that it would become the caretaker of the oldest mechanical-action pipe organ in the Kansas City area.

"New is not necessarily better," Kaufman said. "There's always wonderful new stuff, too. But all the great organ music spans the centuries, so it certainly makes sense to go with something that's got a long track record."

Finding a 19th-century organ, let alone one built by a manufacturer with an unsurpassed reputation, isn't easy. It's even more difficult to find one unaltered and in good condition.

You would be hard-pressed to find one in the area. Michael Quimby, tonal director and presi-

dent of Quimby Pipe Organs Inc. in Warrensburg, Mo., said no mechanical-action pipe organs were installed in Kansas City before 1870. Today, many, if not all, of those instruments are gone.

"As we say in the pipe organ-building world, 'Fashion wears out more instruments than playing ever will,'" he said.

The Hook at Rainbow Mennonite never fell prey to the electric-action organ movement of the early 20th century. It stood, largely unchanged, in the sanctuary of Troy's Woodside Presbyterian Church for more than 130 years.

Quimby, who contracted with Rainbow Mennonite to oversee the restoration, marveled at the organ's preservation.

"It needed a lot of work, but it hadn't been abused, vandalized or

damaged by careless maintenance," he said. "In fact, it was the finest preserved instrument of that period I'd ever seen."

And its sound, he said, is "brave, majestic and noble."

That sound might have stayed at Woodside Presbyterian had its congregation not aged and dwindled. By 2003, the church closed. Its building was turned over to the Albany Presbytery, and the Hook was placed on the Web site of Organ Clearing House, a nonprofit organization that finds new homes for used organs.

That's where Kaufman — who holds a doctorate of musical arts in organ performance — first encountered the instrument. Her search had begun several years earlier, after Rainbow Mennonite realized that a proposed renovation would require removing its

existing organ. The church eventually concluded that a used organ would complement its decision to stay in Kansas City, Kan., rather than build a new church elsewhere.

"It really just fits with the priorities that have been important to us: to preserve something and restore and recycle it instead of investing in something new," she said.

Getting the organ to Kansas City, Kan., would prove difficult.

When the Woodside Presbyterian congregation disbanded and the presbytery tried to put the building on the market, it discovered a deed restriction that said the church building must revert to the builder's heirs if it was no longer used as a church.

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— Rosi Penner Kaufman, music director of the Rainbow Mennonite Church

SNOW SERVICE

Skiing, Bibles combine in Sun Valley

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

The ski lifts at Sun Valley had just come to a stop when Father Ken Brannon began ringing the bell outside St. Thomas Episcopal Church.

Youngsters clunked past him in ski boots, their cheeks rosy from a day of skiing and snowboarding. Adults nodded their heads in greeting, tucking their lift passes into their parkas.

Brannon, who grew up in Mandeville, La., never envisioned that he would one day be conducting an apres ski service.

But it fits in a community where skiing and other winter pursuits are a way of life.

"Many of the families here can't come on Sunday because of conflicts with the ski team," said Rachel Brannon, Father Ken's wife

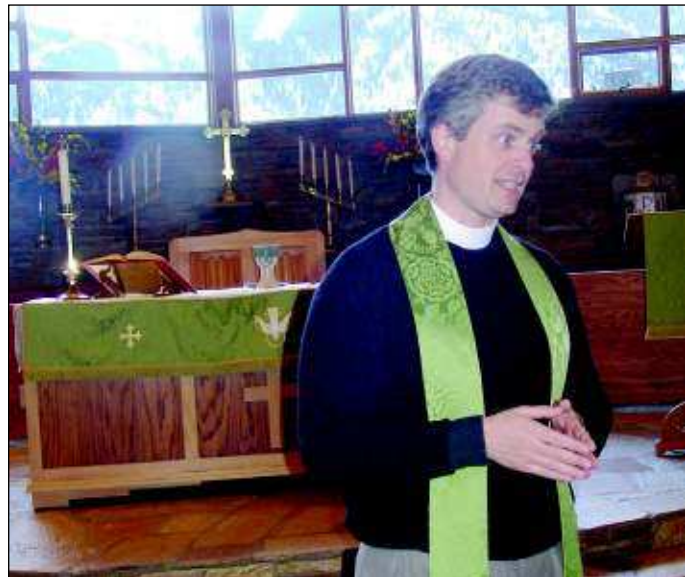


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Father Ken Brannon steps in front of the altar to offer the sermon in the more informal apres ski service.

and a clinical social worker. The unique Saturday afternoon church, attended by an average of 80 people, starts at 11 a.m. Please see **SKI**, Page D3

Christian charity

Churches provide food for needy

By John E. Swayze
Times-News correspondent

In a changing economy Christian charity sometimes requires people of faith to reach outside their comfort zones and help those in need.

Earlier this month, the congregation of Crossroads United Methodist Church in Kimberly opened the doors of their new 315 Sprynga Ave. sanctuary to the public by becoming a distribution point for the Idaho Food Bank's mobile pantry.

"Taking on a ministry to feed the hungry while we're still busy putting the final touches on the building can be chaotic," Rev. Robyn Morrison said. "But one of the reasons I got into min-



Photo courtesy of Robyn Morrison

Earlier this month, the congregation of Crossroads United Methodist Church in Kimberly opened the doors of their new sanctuary to the public by becoming a distribution point for the Idaho Food Bank's mobile pantry. Here members are shown working at the church Jan. 13.

istry was to see people stretch themselves in answering the call of Jesus." The idea actually began to form in December when church administrative assistant Robyn Moss noticed a line of people, some in Please see **FOOD**, Page D2

CHURCH NEWS

Ascension church hosts guest celebrant

The Rev. Tom Kennedy will be the guest celebrant for worship services at 8 and 10 a.m. Sunday at the Ascension Episcopal Church, 371 Eastland Dr. N. Christian education begins at 9 a.m.; childcare for children 5 and under is available from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Food items are requested to benefit the Neighbors in Need food pantry in preparation for the Souper Bowl Sunday food drive Feb. 1. Monetary donations will fund the Feed My Sheep hot meal program, which works in conjunction with Safe Harbor.

Information: www.ascension.episcopalidaho.org or 733-1248.

Bollman speaks for Missions Sunday

The Filer Mennonite Church will host Rick Bollman of Boise for its Missions Sunday. The service begins at 10 a.m. Sunday at the church, 109 Fifth St. in Filer.

Bollman and his wife, Marj, will show pictures and tell of their experiences in Bolivia, South America. He also will give the message during worship at 11 a.m.

The Bollmans were part of a recent Mennonite Central Committee "Learning Tour" to see and hear about the work the committee does in Bolivia. The trip helped them better understand the worldwide reach of the committee.

Rick Bollman is principal of an elementary school in Boise and volunteers as chairman of the Idaho Mennonite World Relief Festival, which has had sales events in Nampa for the past three years. Funds raised at the Idaho sale are a portion of monies raised in more than 40 similar cases in the United States and Canada.

In 2008, relief sales brought in more than \$5.5 million. MCC has provided material

assistance and/or food assistance in more than 20 countries and has personnel in more than 50 countries.

The Filer Mennonite Church sponsors an International Gift Sale for 10,000 Villages, which is associated with the Mennonite Central Committee.

Information: Lyman Mueller, 733-7349.

Presbyterians celebrate 'Year of the Bible' studies

The First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls, will celebrate the "Year of the Bible" during worship at 10 a.m. Sunday.

More than 70 members have participated in reading the entire Bible in 2008. During worship, several members will share their experience of spending a year with the Bible. The Hallelujah Hand bells will ring "How Shall I keep from Singing." Refreshments will be served in fellowship hall after worship.

The deacons are preparing Valentine boxes for the troops overseas. Everyone is asked to bring non-perishable items such as granola and breakfast bars, beef jerky, nuts, Crystal Light instant drink mix, gum, dried fruit, music CDs, DVD movies, playing cards, yo-yo's and travel-size games. Sun block, lip balm and Visine eye drops would be appreciated.

The Presbyterian Women will meet at 10 a.m. Jan. 31 in the fellowship hall to discuss organizing another circle for women who are not participating in a current circle. Everyone is welcome. Day care will be provided. Information: Juanita Upton, 734-2280.

Seeds Family presents concert in Twin Falls

A Seeds Family Concert will be presented at 6:30 p.m. Sunday in the worship center at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Drive. Admission is free.

This is a high energy wor-

ship concert and is meant to bring families together. It will be lead by songwriter Jason Houser, formerly of the Magic Valley now living in Nashville, Tenn., where he has worked in the Christian music industry for 20 years.

Information: www.tfrc.org or Tiffany Eden, 733-6128.

Christian Church hosts Bible study group

A Bible study group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Community Christian Church, 303 Grandview Ave. in Twin Falls.

The discussion topic is "The World in Crisis and Revelation." Participants are encouraged to bring their Bibles and prepare for comments and questions.

Information: Fred Kretschmer, 731-7318.

Relationships class starts Wednesday

A new weekly class centering on relationships will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning this Wednesday, at the Rock Creek Community Church, 262 Fifth Ave. E. in Twin Falls (behind the Twin Falls Public Library). Admission is free.

Julie Toberer, a counselor in the Twin Falls School District, will facilitate the classes. The theme is "Prepare to go from 'me and God' to 'we and God.'" The program is based on "40 Days of Community" developed by the Rev. Rick Warren and the staff at the Saddleback Church in Orange County, Calif.

Information: 734-5268.

Methodists plan youth conference

Youth of the Twin Falls First United Methodist Church will travel to Burley to attend the United Methodist Youth Weekend from Friday through Feb. 1.

Those wishing to attend should call Kami Rasmussen at 735-8909 as soon as possible so that she

can arrange carpooling.

Church information: 733-5872 or www.tffumc.com.

T.F. Reformed Church hosts Athletes in Action Super Bowl broadcast

TWIN FALLS — The 2009 Athletes in Action Super Bowl Breakfast will be broadcast live via satellite at 8 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 31, at Twin Falls Reformed Church. The broadcast from Tampa Bay, hosted by three-time Super Bowl champion Brent Jones, will feature faith testimonies from Bart Starr, Tony Dungy, Anthony Munoz and Derrick Brooks. Tickets are \$5 and include a continental breakfast. In addition, all Magic Valley area high school football coaches will be recognized.

Information: 733-6128.

Family History Library offers handwriting class

The Family History Library is offering a class series on "Handwriting" from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 31 in the main floor classroom at the library in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Topics include "Early American Handwriting," "Older English Handwriting" and "Germanic Scandinavian Gothic Handwriting."

To view a series poster and the class schedule, visit www.familysearch.org. To register for the free classes, send an e-mail to FHLClassReg@ldschurch.org or call 801-240-4950.

The library is located west of Temple Square on West Temple between North and South Temple streets. On Saturdays, parking is free to library patrons and is located behind the Museum of Church History and Art.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information to Ellen Thomason at ellen@magicvalley.com. Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication in the Saturday religion page.

MISSIONARIES

Sister Stephanie Jean Johnson has been called to serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Norway Oslo Mission.



Johnson

Johnson is the daughter of Jared and Nan Johnson of Burley and is in the Springdale 1st Ward. She graduated from Burley High School, where she participated in track and cross country, and is a junior at Brigham Young University studying English and editing. She enjoys reading, writing, triathlons and spending time with her family. She will enter the Missionary Training Center on Feb. 4.

Elder Craig Lynn Roper has been called to serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the California Santa Rosa Mission.



Roper

Roper is the son of David and Shanna Roper of Kimberly and is in the Kimberly 5th Ward. He graduated from Kimberly High School in 2008.

Elder Stephen James Peterson has been called to serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Arizona Tucson Mission. Peterson graduated in 2008 from Burley High School

and attended the Cassia Regional Technical Center, where he excelled in automobiles. He has worked at Keith's Cars and Trucks for the past four years. He is the son of James and Kelly Peterson of Burley, an Eagle Scout and is in the Burley 4th Ward. His grandparents are Keith and Nancy Cottom of Burley and the late Gerald Peterson and Luggie Peterson, formerly of Heyburn.



Peterson

Elder Eric Morrow has been called to serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Church and Family History Mission in Salt Lake City, Utah.



Morrow

Morrow is the son of Lee and Michelle Morrow of Twin Falls, an Eagle Scout and is in the Twin Falls 7th Ward. He graduated in 2005 from Twin Falls High School, where he was active in the performing arts, and has been attending the College of Southern Idaho as a history major. He will report to his mission on Feb. 6.

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Food

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wheelchairs, on oxygen or mothers with children, braving the winter snow and freezing cold to receive boxes of food.

"I wasn't feeling well that day and decided to stay home but God had other plans, because it's as if he drew the sickness right out of me" Moss said. "I went on to work, and that's when I saw all these people waiting on the side walk outside the Quilt Barn."

Almost immediately, she began calling around to see who had organized the food drive. After bringing the need to their attention, members of the congregation agreed they should offer needed space for the monthly food drops.

"It's all part of The Five Practices of a Fruitful Congregation (a book by Bishop Robert Schnase) groups in our church have been studying," Moss said. "Radical hospitality, extreme generosity, mission and service, passionate worship and faith development."

On the second Tuesday of each month, a truckload of items from the Idaho Food Bank Warehouse in Boise is scheduled to arrive at 11 a.m. The Kimberly distribution, which also serves the communities of Hansen, Murtaugh, Eden and Hazelton, starts at noon.

Parishioner Sadie Breeding and her husband Glen volunteered at the church's first food distribution on Jan. 13, and found the experience of helping more than 100 families rewarding.

"We had planned on going skiing, but I know that God wanted us to be there at the church on that day," Sadie Breeding said. "Everyone was so thankful and it makes me feel that we need to be reaching out more."

Kimberly is only one of several Magic Valley distribution points set up by the Idaho Food Bank. Jackie Yarbrough, the program's advocacy manager, said statistics show that basic need has increased by 25 to 27

percent in the last few months.

"I grew up in the Magic Valley, so in June of 2008 I started taking a look at the numbers and realized some areas were being underserved," she said. "This program is set up for families who have difficulty qualifying for food stamp or just need help getting through the month. The mobile food bank lets us reach some of those communities that weren't getting adequate service before."

At the highest range a family of one can receive the equivalent of \$1,603 worth of food and a family of four is allotted \$3,268 each month.

The Filer Senior Haven at 222 Main Street started assisting the food bank in November as a drop-off point for the west-end towns of Castleford and Buhl and to help relieve some of the burden in the Wendell area. Filer gave out food to 117 families in December.

"They (Boise bank) contacted us looking for a location and started making deliveries in November on the second Tuesday of every month," Senior Haven Manager Russell Sheridan said. "The truck arrives at 1 p.m., we open the doors at 2 p.m. and most everything's gone within an hour."

The Wendell food bank drop, established in August, serves all of Gooding County and routinely receives around 12,000 pounds of food that between noon and 1 p.m. is distributed between 100 and 200 families each month.

"We get the food in on the third Thursday, unload it at the Wendell Fire Department and within 50 minutes it's all gone," said Wendell United Methodist Pastor Mike Hollomon. "We have several other churches involved in this, so it's not just a Methodist project, but we do have a mandate in our church to feed the hungry, and that's what we're trying to do."



Photo courtesy of Robyn Morrison

Members of the United Methodist Church in Kimberly help prepare food for distribution to needy area families, Jan. 13.

Additional food bank warehouses are also located in Pocatello and Lewiston. These supply centers provide food to more than 200 community and agency locations state wide.

"We get food from grocery stores, food recovery, corporate donations, community food drives and the Feed America Food Bank Program," Yarbrough said. "What we have in the way of meats, potatoes, dairy products and produce is what ends up on the truck."

St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome has been the sight of a volunteer soup kitchen serving meals to an average about 146 families made up of mostly women and children for at least 17 years. Kitchen Coordinator Diane Holley has taken the act of doing for others as her Christian mission in life.

"That's who I am, I'm here to serve," she said. "We serve on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. and on every third Thursday other churches, the LDS or civic organizations like the Knights of Columbus, Lions and Rotary Clubs, take over on a rotating basis. I get food from the Idaho Food Bank and people can come in and get a box to take with them."

Twin Falls has two Idaho Food Bank distribution sites. St. Edwards Catholic Church, 212 7th Ave. East, and New Hope Christian Fellowship located at 181 Morrison St.

St. Edwards Soup Kitchen Coordinator Donna

Klemann serves meals on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m. to anyone who comes looking. "In 2008, 15,300 people were served 21,561 meals," she said.

While the Idaho Food Bank, South Central Community Action and donations from private organizations all help keep the shelves stocked, God is the driving force behind daily operations.

There has been many a time, like the loaves and fish, when I thought we wouldn't have enough, but God has his hand over this and we always come out right," she said. "We get so many who can't work but are thankful, and I'm thankful for this job and my health."

New Hope Christian Fellowship is able to offer food items two days each week through collections from the congregation as well as orders from the Idaho Food Bank.

"We used to have the food available to people all week long, but it got to the point where 20 people were coming during the day and where we couldn't get any work done," Office Administrator Betty Thieman said. "Jesus said feed my sheep and the church is mission focused, but we had to limit access to 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Mondays."

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RELIGION LETTER

Issues in recent letter not limited to Middle East

In response to William Haffner's letter (Jan. 17) in the Religion section of the *Times-News*, I heartily agree with his sentiment, "It appears when people are indoctrinated into certain beliefs, they are unable to face reality."

My only caveat would be that he needn't limit this view strictly to those who live in the Middle East. I direct him (and others inclined toward free thinking) to the non-profit

Freedom from Religion Foundation's Web site at www.ffrf.org for additional enlightenment.

BRENT JENSEN
Twin Falls

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less from readers. Letters should include the writer's signature, mailing address and telephone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or in bad taste will be rejected, and the Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

Organ

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The heirs argued that the organ was part of the building and belonged to them.

As the presbytery fought the lawsuit, Kaufman raised money. A member of the congregation put up the \$40,000 asking price, plus money for a move. Fundraisers helped pay for a prospective restoration. In all, she secured \$120,000.

Those preparations paid off. On a Monday in July 2005, Kaufman learned that a judge had ruled for the presbytery. By Sunday, she was in Troy with a team of three volunteers and three organ builders from the Organ Clearing House.

Five days later — after painstakingly disassembling and packing thousands of organ parts, after fending off an heir who tried to lock them out of the church, after watching about a dozen historic preservationists protest the sale outside the church — Kaufman and her workers loaded 40 cases of organ parts on a semi bound for Kansas City, Kan.

Their work, however, had just begun. Every part of the organ had to be examined, cleaned and, if necessary, repaired or replaced.

Quimby brought in Richard Hamar, a 19th-century pipe organ expert from Connecticut, to help oversee the restoration. Dozens of volunteers pitched in, saving the church thousands of dollars by washing parts, refurbishing the wood and reassembling the organ. One woman even spent two days polishing screws that had

never before been removed. "They had lots of superb volunteer help," Quimby said. "I've never seen the likes of it before."

With a few exceptions, the Hook appears and functions much as it did when built. Its 876 pipes, 27 pedal keys and 20-foot tall American chestnut and oak case remain the same.

Even the three tiny ink drawings on three pipes that Kaufman found inside the organ — a cat, a woman with a parasol and a Stars-and-Stripes shield with "1869" written next to it — have weathered the last 140 years.

Those drawings came from the hand of Steven P. Kinsley, the Hook's 19th-century pipe voicer. They are part of the instrument's charm, more evidence of its tie to an era when striking the key of an organ set in motion a series of actions that ended with the sound of a church coming to life.

To inaugurate that sound before the Rainbow Mennonite congregation, Kaufman turned to the church's children. The first person to turn on the blower during a church service was a 2½-year-old boy. An 8-year-old girl had the honor of striking the first key.

"So often the organ is seen as this remnant from past worship styles," Kaufman said. "But we wanted it known that it's vital and current for the worship that we do."

The congregation wanted to begin the process of securing the organ's future. It wanted to tell its children, Kaufman said, that the organ was a part of the church's legacy.

That it belonged to them.

Vatican secret confession tribunal opens up a little

By Nicole Winfield
Associated Press writer

ROME — One of the Vatican's most secrecy shrouded tribunals, which handles confessions of sins so grave only the pope can grant absolution, is giving the faithful a peek into its workings for the first time in its 830-year history.

The Vatican has long lamented that fewer and fewer Catholics are going to confession, the sacrament in which the faithful can receive forgiveness if they sincerely confess their sins to a priest.

To combat the decline, the so-called "tribunal of conscience" invited the public into the frescoed halls of its imposing 16th-century palazzo for a two-day conference recently.

The aim was to explain what the Apostolic Penitentiary actually does, and thereby encourage more of the faithful to go to confession, said Monsignor Gianfranco Girotti, the tribunal's No. 2 official.

"Even though it's the oldest department of the Holy See, it's very little known — specifically because by its nature it deals with secret things," he said. "We want to relaunch the sacrament of penance."

By lifting the veil of secrecy surrounding the tribunal's work, the Vatican hopes to emphasize the fundamental role the sacrament plays in saving souls, the Vatican's No. 2, Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone, said in a paper delivered at

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the conference.

"Today it seems as though the sense of sin has been forgotten," he said.

Confessions of even the most heinous of crimes and sins — such as genocide or mass murder — are handled at the local level by priests and their bishops and are not heard by the tribunal.

Its work involves those sins that are reserved for the pope — considered so serious that a local priest or bishop is not qualified to grant absolution, said Cardinal James Francis Stafford, an American who heads the Apostolic Penitentiary.

These include defiling the Eucharist, which Catholics believe is the body and blood of Christ. Stafford said this offense is occurring with more and more frequency, not just in satanic rites but by ordinary faithful who receive Communion and then remove the host from their mouths and spit it out or otherwise desecrate it.

Others include a priest breaking the seal of the confessional by revealing the nature of the sin and the person who sought penance, or a priest who has sex with some-

one and then offered forgiveness for the act.

These sins bring automatic excommunication from the church. Once absolution is granted, the excommunication is lifted, Stafford said.

A fourth type of case that comes to the tribunal involves a man who directly caused an abortion — such as by paying for it — who then seeks to become a priest or deacon, Stafford said.

"That is an irregularity and it means he should not receive the ordination without a dispensation from the pope," he said.

Vatican officials frequently point to a study carried out by Italy's Sacred Heart University that found that 47 percent of people in Italy — a majority Roman Catholic country — never went to confession or did so a long time ago.

"We cannot hide that the sacrament of penance is threatened in this time of secularization," Girotti said. But he stressed that it remained "fundamental for salvation and the sanctification of souls."

For the most part, clerical sex abuse cases are handled by another Vatican office, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, which deals with more public issues of discipline and orthodoxy.

What makes the Apostolic Penitentiary unusual by another Vatican standards is the speed with which it dispenses decisions, Girotti said — very often within 24 hours, or two to three days maximum.

Rustling raspberries

Stealing? Well, yes — I guess we were stealing, if you want to get all technical about it. But in our 13-year-old brains we were just using the raspberries as God intended them to be used.

The matter of ownership never occurred to us. We just knew that the Jordans had the best raspberries in the neighborhood and that their bushes were always heavy with fruit. And suddenly that summer Friday night, a handful of freshly picked raspberries sounded good.

Maybe two handfuls. So we snuck into the Jordans' backyard — which, come to think of it, should have been our first clue that we were doing something wrong: we "snuck." Anytime sneaking is involved, it means you don't want to get caught, which usually means you shouldn't be doing it. But we snuck into their backyard and positioned ourselves carefully around the bushes and started harvesting their sweet, juicy berries.

Now, I've got to tell you, there isn't anything that tastes better than vine-ripened raspberries, fresh off the bush. I probably shouldn't admit it, but they seem to taste even better if there is a little subterfuge involved. And we were savoring every bite of ill-gotten berry when, all of a sudden, the Jordans' backyard lights flicked on, and Mr. Jordan came charging outside.

"What you boys doing out here?" he shouted as my friends scrambled off in all directions, uneaten raspberries flying every which way. He made a valiant attempt to grab one or two as they dashed past him, but they were too quick for the older gentleman to catch and, within seconds, the boys disap-



VALUESPEAK
Joseph Walker

peared into the dark of the summer evening.

All except one. Uh, that would be me. Speed was never my strength. I was tall. I was strong. But I wasn't very fast. Fast was for the little quick guys. I was all about size and power, neither of which come into play when you're trapped in a backyard, your lips red with juice from a neighbor's precious raspberries.

So I stood there, deer-in-the-headlights style, and quickly considered my options. I could run, but I knew perfectly well that even as old as Mr. Jordan was, he could probably outrun me. I could lie, but I couldn't come up with a believable story that would explain why I was in their backyard wearing a T-shirt stained with fresh raspberry juice. Or I could just stand there and accept whatever punishment would surely come my way from the Jordans and my parents.

To be honest, I didn't like that last option, but I didn't really have a choice. I took the tongue-lashing that Mr. Jordan gave me as he marched me down the block to my house, where my mother took over and escalated the harangue to new levels of righteous scolding. My friends said they could hear every colorful word she uttered from the darkness of our backyard, where they had gathered to celebrate their escape — and to observe my capture.

They teased me about it for days afterward, while

all I could do was complain about how unfair it was that I had to pay the full price for doing the exact same thing all of them had done without any noticeable consequences. After about a week of this, I complained to my father about the inequity of the situation (and in case any of the boys are reading this: no, I didn't rat you out — I think the statute of limitations on raspberry rustling had already elapsed).

"I don't think it's unfair at all," Dad said. "You took raspberries without asking, and you got exactly the punishment you deserved."

"But what about the other guys?" I asked. "They didn't get punished at all!" "That's not my concern, nor should it be yours," Dad said. "You can't control what happens to other people. You can only deal with what happens to you. You made a bad choice that night, and you were punished for it. To me, that is completely fair."

Back then I thought Dad just didn't get it. But through the years, I have come to realize that, as usual, he knew what he was talking about. We didn't come to earth with a guarantee that life would treat us fairly. And it doesn't. That's why we can't get bogged down comparing the various vicissitudes of our lives with the lives of others. Like Dad said, that isn't our concern. The only thing we can actually deal with is what happens to us. How we choose to respond to what happens to us is truly the standard by which the quality of our lives will be measured.

Whether or not we think it happens fairly.

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Ski

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4 p.m. with classes for all ages. This year the children have been learning about special needs children in light of the gospel as a prelude to the Special Olympics that will be held in Sun Valley in early February.

The worship service, which starts at 5 p.m., is far more informal than the Sunday morning service. Andrew Alburger strums his guitar and Father Ken comes out from behind the altar to bridge the gap between himself and the children who have crowded into the pews.

Exhausted by a day of skiing, the kids enjoy the opportunity to sit still, making them unusually attentive, the adults observe.

"It's great fun — a different style of worship. It's more laid back," said Lucy Brannon, Father Ken's sixth-grade daughter.

"It's great for us," added Doug Clevin, who accompanies his wife and two daughters to the service. "We put a full day in on Saturdays, going skiing and then to church. Then we don't have to get up early on Sunday — we have Sunday for skiing or snowshoeing."

Ken Brannon never realized that the mountain that fills the picture window of St. Thomas could play such a role in his ministry as Baldy has.

He had been here a month when the Castle Rock Fire erupted in August 2007, threatening to run roughshod over the ski resort and the town of Ketchum.

Ominous smoke clouds towered over Baldy as Idaho's Episcopal Bishop Harry Bainbridge presided over Brannon's installation.

Not content to savor the moment of his installation, Brannon went to work conducting services for firefighters in the fire camp while he instructed his congregation to establish a clearinghouse to help people move furniture and other valuables out of their homes.

"Crisis was not new to our family — we were in New York during the terrorist attacks," he said. "But this kind of crisis was new. The fire was a huge event. I just felt very grateful to be here for that moment in our community's live, to be a spiritual presence for those who needed it."

Brannon's own spiritual roots took root in a small "down home" non-denominational church of 60 or 70 people. They grew at an international Christian school he attended for four years in India while his parents worked in Saudi Arabia.

Armed with a psychology degree from Wheaton College in Illinois and a master's degree in drama therapy from New York University, he worked with homeless men in Washington, D.C., and used psychodrama with kids in a psychiatric unit.

"Psychiatric patients are often in their own little world. But you can reach them by creating a space where they can play," he said. "Allowing them to become a superhero, for instance, gives them a chance to counteract being the victim. We can explore their vulnerability, even when they're pretending to be a superhero."

But Brannon couldn't shake the call to the ministry that he first felt when he was 9 and so at age 30 he enrolled at Virginia Theological Seminary.

A man who preaches that relationships are at the heart of ministry, he has established himself as a mediator and facilitator who can move people past disagreements, said church member Sara Gorby. A man who is "very present here and now," able to listen to the person he's talking to as if they were the only person in the world, according to Judith Smooke. A man who's offered life-changing moments with his Wednesday night healing prayer service, according to others.

His faith was tempered by his daily walks as a teenager through the bazaar in India to get to school and the trips he took into the Indian countryside where he watched farmers at work.

"It gave me a new perspective, a new realization that the United States was not the center of the universe. I saw that our way was not the only way. I came to value the sense of collaboration and what we can accomplish when we listen to and respect others," said Brannon, who has demonstrated his penchant for collaboration by conducting an interfaith Passover demonstration and other interfaith dialogues with the Wood

River Jewish Community.

At the same time, his life among Muslims, Hindus and Buddhists forced him to clarify the distinctiveness of his own religious tradition.

"Christ is at the center. And I know that I didn't have to be all things to all people," he said.

Brannon was serving as associate rector at the Church of St. Barnabas in Irvington, N.Y., when he and his family decided to move to Ketchum. The former drama major found the church and its extensive drama program "compelling."

"We also love the outdoors, even though it wasn't really part of our existence in New York," he said. "We find it fascinating that people here have such an openness to nature — that they make it a priority to get out and walk and hike and that so many are fed spiritually by the nature around them. And we find it fascinating that we have such a collection of very gifted and talented people from so many different areas who chose to be here — you don't find that most places."

The demands of his job have kept him from joining his parishioners skiing and climbing the mountain that has come to play such a prominent place in his life. But Brannon is taking lessons on Dollar Mountain this year. Before long, he acknowledges, he too may be wearing his ski boots under his clerical collar as he rings the bell ushering in the Saturday afternoon apres ski service.

"I've been so busy launching so many new things," he said. "But I keep looking at that big white mountain outside the church and thinking, 'When do I get up there?'"

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SERVICES

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Hazel Stevens of Hailey, funeral and celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at the St. Charles Catholic Church in Hailey; graveside service follows at the Hailey Cemetery; celebration continues with a luncheon at the Blaine County Senior Center, 721 S. Third Ave. in Hailey.

Mary C. Merrill of Rupert, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. today at the St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert; visitation one hour before the funeral Saturday at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Wanda J. Dye of Buhl, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

John Robert (Bob) Meiners of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Rupert LDS 3rd Ward Chapel, 526 S. F St.; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Minnie E. Larrick of Filer, funeral at 2 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls; visitation from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Mike Thomas of Jerome, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Snake River Elks Lodge, 412 E. 200 S. in Jerome (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

James Allan Wallace of Twin Falls, celebration of life ceremony and video memorial at 1 p.m. Jan. 31 at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Rose G. Kratzberg of Meridian and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Jan. 31 at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Michelle Mencke

Michelle Mencke, 45, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Jan. 22, 2009, at her home.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27; visitation at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Donald Dickman

Donald Dickman, 77, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Jan. 23, 2009, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Nellie Qualls

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo. — Nellie Qualls, 90, of Rock Springs, Wyo., died Friday, Jan. 23, 2009, in Rock Springs, Wyo.

Arrangements will be announced by Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Betty L. Roy

Betty Lou Roy, 82, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Jan. 22, 2009, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.

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

Verna M. Panopolis

Verna Marie Panopolis, 80, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Jan. 23, 2009, at her home.

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

Ralph Hathaway

IDAHO FALLS — Ralph Raymond Hathaway, 90, of Idaho Falls and formerly of Burley, died Friday, Jan. 23, 2009, at his home after a brief battle with cancer.

Arrangements will be announced by the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Pope gets his own YouTube channel

By Nicole Winfield
Associated Press writer

VATICAN CITY — Puffs of smoke, speeches in Latin and multipage encyclicals have all been used by the Vatican to communicate with the faithful.

Now the pope is trying to broaden his audience by joining the wannabe musicians, college pranksters and water-skiing squirrels on YouTube.

In his inaugural YouTube foray Friday, Benedict welcomed viewers to this "great family that knows no borders" and said he hoped they would "feel involved in this great dialogue of truth."

"Today is a day that writes a new page in history for the Holy See," Vatican Radio said in describing the launch of the site, www.youtube.com/vatican.

The Vatican said that with the YouTube channel, it hoped to broaden and unite the pontiff's audience — an estimated 1.4 billion people are online worldwide — while giving the Holy See better control over the pope's Internet image.

The pontiff joins President Barack Obama, who launched an official White House channel on his inauguration day, as well as Queen Elizabeth, who went online with her royal YouTube channel in December 2007.

For the Vatican, it was the latest effort to keep up to speed with the rapidly changing field of communications and new media. For a 2,000-year-old institution known for being very set in its ways, it was something of a revolution.

At the same time, though,



A reporter takes a video of a monitor showing Pope Benedict XVI on the Vatican's new YouTube channel, during a news conference Friday at the Vatican. AP photo

the pope warned he wasn't embracing virtual communication without some reservation.

In his annual message for the World Day of Communication, Benedict praised as a "gift to humanity" the benefits of social networking sites such as Facebook and MySpace in forging friendships and understanding.

But he also warned that virtual socializing had its risks, saying "obsessive" online networking could isolate people from real social interaction and broaden the digital divide by further marginalizing people.

And he urged producers of new media to ensure the content respected human dignity and the "goodness and intimacy of human sexuality."

The 81-year-old pope has been extremely wary of new media, warning about what he has called the tendency of entertainment media, in particular, to trivialize sex and promote violence.

But Monsignor Claudio Maria Celli, who heads the Vatican's social communications office, said the pope fully approved of the YouTube channel, saying Benedict was "a man of dialogue" who wanted to engage with people wherever they were.

In that way, he is merely following in the footsteps of Pope John Paul II, who avidly used mass media and information technology to get out his message. John Paul oversaw the 1995 launch of the Vatican's Web site, www.vatican.va, which today includes virtual tours

of the Vatican Museums and audio feeds from Vatican Radio.

While John Paul wasn't a big computer user, he did tap out a very public online message in 2001, an apology for missionary abuses against indigenous peoples of the South Pacific.

Under John Paul, the Vatican also jumped on the text-messaging bandwagon, sending out daily texts with the pope's prayer of the day.

The Vatican's press office even alerted the world of John Paul's April 2, 2005, death by sending an e-mail with a text-messaged alert to journalists.

Asked if Benedict himself surfs the Web, Celli quipped: "Knowing him, that he's a man of research, a man who is up to speed with things, I'd have to respond affirmatively."

Bahamas holds 2 in alleged plot to extort money from John Travolta

NASSAU, Bahamas (AP) — Authorities in the Bahamas have detained an island lawmaker and a paramedic in an alleged plot to extort money from actor John Travolta after the death of his son, police said Friday.

One of the suspects, ambulance driver Tarino Lightbourne, was detained on Friday. Earlier, several tabloids quoted him describing efforts to revive the celebrity's chronically ill

son, Jett, who died of a seizure this month at their family vacation home on Grand Bahama.

Authorities did not reveal what the alleged extortion involved. Travolta and his wife Kelly Preston returned home to Florida with the ashes of their 16-year-old son, and Travolta's publicist Paul Bloch said Friday he



Travolta

has no comment. Sen. Pleasant Bridgewater, an attorney from Grand Bahama, has been held for questioning since Thursday, Senior Assistant Commissioner of Police Marvin Dames told The Associated Press.

Dames said Lightbourne was detained after police issued an alert that he was

wanted for attempted extortion, was "considered dangerous and should be approached with caution."

Another member of the Bahamas parliament, Obie Wilchcombe, was aiding the investigation.

Dames said Wilchcombe, a friend of the Travolta family, was brought to a police station to help authorities determine what charges if any to file against the two suspects.

Suspected U.S. missile strikes kill 18 in Pakistan

Los Angeles Times

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — In the first such strikes since the inauguration of President Barack Obama, suspected U.S. missile barrages Friday killed at least 18 people in the lawless tribal region near the Afghan border, Pakistani officials said.

The two raids suggested that the new U.S. administration intends to press ahead with attacks against Islamic militants in rural areas, even though the campaign has been politically costly to Pakistan's Western-leaning civilian government. Obama indicated during the campaign for the White House that he would continue to carry out strikes against "high-value" al-Qaida and Taliban targets on Pakistani soil, particularly if the Pakistani military were unable or unwilling to act. That declaration ruffled some feathers in Pakistan, where the U.S.

raids are extremely unpopular.

Although Pakistani leaders have lodged formal diplomatic objections to the American airstrikes, the government is widely believed to have given tacit permission to U.S. forces to carry out such raids — as long as they do not involve sending ground forces into Pakistani territory.

Pakistani news reports cited security officials as saying that at least five of those killed in Friday's strikes in the North and South Waziristan tribal agencies — long known as a haven for al-Qaida and the Taliban — were militants. Dozens of such raids were carried out in the past six months by the Bush administration, killing several important al-Qaida-linked figures. But scores of Pakistani civilians, including women and children, also died, according to local officials.

Ex-Gitmo prisoner now al-Qaida leader

WASHINGTON (AP) — A released Guantanamo Bay terror detainee has reemerged as an al-Qaida commander in Yemen, highlighting the dilemma facing President Barack Obama in shaping plans to close the detention facility and decide the fates of U.S. captives.

A U.S. counterterrorism official confirmed Friday that Said Ali al-Shihri, who was jailed in Guantanamo for six years after his capture in Pakistan, has resurfaced as a leader of a Yemeni branch of al-Qaida.

"By Allah, imprisonment only increased our persistence in our principles for which we went out, did jihad for, and were imprisoned for," he said in a video posted on a militant-leaning Web site Friday. It was the second time this week a reference to al-Shihri has shown up on the Web site. He was mentioned in an online magazine on Jan. 19 with a reference to his prisoner number at Guantanamo, 372.

Al-Shihri was released by the U.S. in 2007 to the Saudi government for rehabilitation. But this week a publication posted on a militant-leaning Web site said he is now the top

deputy in "al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula," a Yemeni offshoot of the terror group headed by Osama bin Laden. The group has been implicated in several attacks on the U.S. Embassy in Yemen's capital Sana.

The announcement from the militant site came the same day that President Barack Obama signed an executive order directing the closure of the jail at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, within a year.

A key question facing Obama's new administration is what to do with the 245 prisoners still confined at Guantanamo. That means finding new detention facilities for hard-core prisoners while trying to determine which detainees are harmless enough to release.

According to the Pentagon at least 18 former Guantanamo detainees have "returned to the fight" and another 43 are suspected of resuming terrorist activities.

3 dead, 12 wounded in Belgian day care stabbings

DENDERMONDE, Belgium (AP) — A young man with a gruesomely painted black-and-white face went on a rampage at a Belgian day care center Friday, stabbing two babies and a female worker to death and seriously wounding 12 others.

sobbing parents rushed to the scene and to nearby hospitals. Shocked rescue workers spoke of finding crying, bleeding toddlers scattered inside the center. Medical workers at six hospitals sprang into action, performing emergency operations to save the 10 children and two adults badly wounded in the attack.

"This was a particularly violent attack. All the kids had multiple stab wounds on their legs, arms, and all over their bodies," Dr. Ignace Demeyer, head of emergency services at Our Lady Hospital in nearby Aalst, told reporters.

The shocking assault caused panic and outrage in the town 20 miles northwest of Brussels, where the day care center sits on a residential street.

"An act of great brutality has happened here against our weakest citizens," said mayor Buyse Piet. "The whole city is united in support for the parents who are in deep grief."

Prosecutor Christian Du Four said the 20-year-old attacker rode his bike up to the Fabeltjesland day care center about 10 a.m., found it unlocked and went in.

"After he entered he started slashing at everyone he ran into ... the day care workers, the children," Du Four told a news conference.

He said the man wielded one, nearly 8-inch knife and had painted his face white with black patches around the eyes.

One worker tried but failed to disarm the intruder and another was stabbed to death, Du Four said. In the mayhem that ensued, the attacker simply walked out and got back on his bicycle before being arrested in a nearby supermarket shortly afterward.

Theo Janssens, a Dendermonde city councilor, arrived with first aid workers. "The situation was horrible. There were blood-stained babies and staff workers everywhere," he said on the VRT television network.



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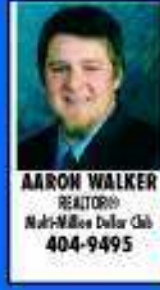
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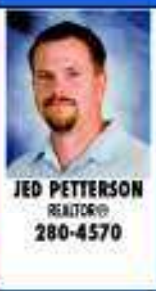
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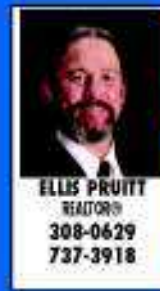
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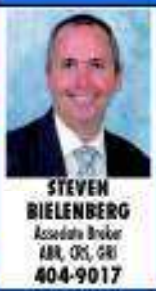
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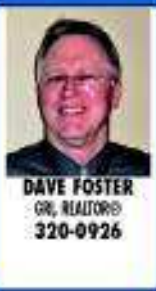
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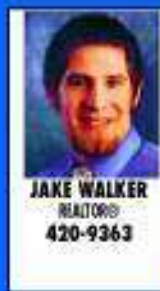
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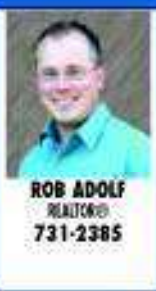
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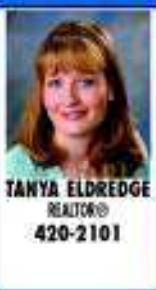
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Saturday, Jan. 24, 2009

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Bobby Wolff

"Our parents' age (worse than our grandparents') has produced us, more worthless still, who will soon give rise to a yet more vicious generation."

—Horace

These days, successful father-son bridge partnerships are relatively rare. Today, the tandem of Hamman and Hamman got the better of declarer in this deal from the Cavendish Pairs.

A spade lead lets three no-trump make easily, but Chris Hamman led the diamond 10. Declarer should probably take the ace to keep East (the danger hand) off lead, but he finessed, and Bob Hamman (Chris' father) took his king and shifted to the spade four, covered by the queen and king.

However, Chris muddled the waters by returning the spade eight at his second turn. This looked to declarer as if it might be coming from an original holding of K-8-5. If this were so, it was right to win the third spade and not the second round.

Alas for him, by ducking the second spade, he allowed Chris to unblock the spade suit and, when in with the club queen, to cash the fifth trick for the defense.

In abstract, declarer's best play was perhaps to win the second round of spades because the switch to the spade eight is theoretically the right card (if declarer had Q-7) and not just an attempt at deception.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolf," contact bob@wolff.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bob@wolff.com.

NORTH A 9 3 2 K 10 9 4 A J 10 9 8

WEST K 10 8 5 Q 8 7 5 10 9 6 Q 2

EAST J 7 4 6 2 K 8 7 5 K 7 6 3

SOUTH Q 6 A J 3 Q 4 3 2 A J 5 4

Vulnerable: Neither Dealer: South

The bidding:

South West North East 1 Pass 1 Pass 1 NT Pass 2 Pass 2 Pass 2 NT Pass 3 NT all pass

Opening lead: Diamond 10

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:

A 9 3 2 K 10 9 4 A J 10 9 8

South West North East 1 Pass 1 Pass 1 NT Pass 2 Pass 2 NT Pass 3 NT all pass

ANSWER: Partner's sequence is invitational, suggesting diamond length and 10 or 11 points. It is tempting to bid on to try to improve the contract, but it is hard to see any real fit or source of tricks. I would pass, hoping that partner can scramble eight tricks from somewhere.

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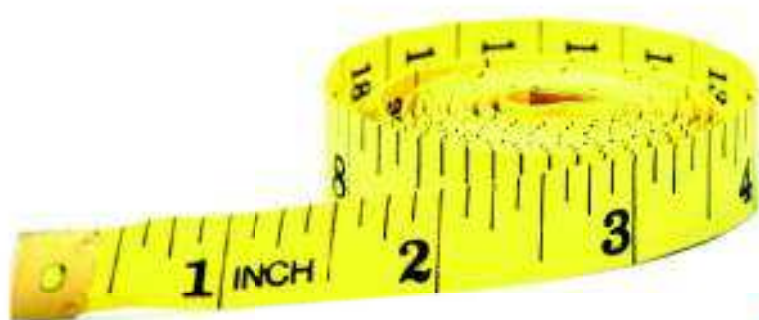
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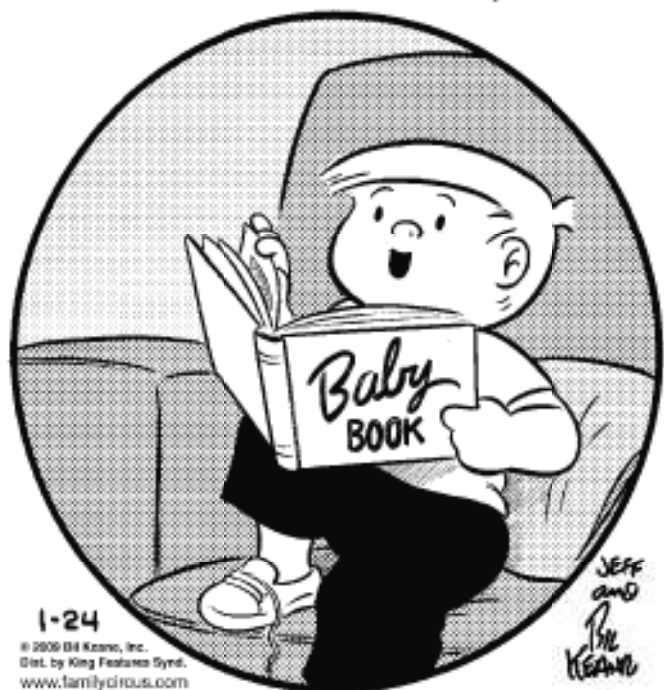
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Woman's idea of fun may earn her a bad reputation

DEAR ABBY: Is it possible to be a slut and still be a virgin? I am 20, and I am good at attracting boys, but I'm still a virgin because I have never had an actual relationship.

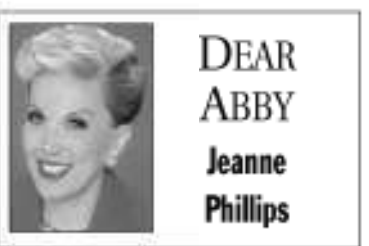
I "hook up" with many guys, sometimes two in the same weekend. I bring them home from parties, but they aren't strangers. I know them from school.

Since my best friends and I moved into our apartment, I have brought five different guys home with me, but I have not had sex with any of them. The other day, one of my friends told me I'd better be careful that I don't get a reputation. I was surprised because I thought you had to actually have sex with a lot of people in order to get a bad reputation. I'm just having fun. What do you think?

—HAVING FUN IN VIRGINIA

DEAR HAVING FUN: It depends upon what you mean by "fun." If your definition of fun is doing "everything but," then the person who warned you about you getting a reputation has a point — eventually you will get a reputation.

However, if all you and these guys are doing is hanging out, then I'd say the person who warned you may be jealous. It reminds me of the saying, "A slut" is anyone who is more popular than me.



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm a man in my 60s, and my health isn't the greatest. My son "Dan" asked me to move in with him, but I'm reluctant. I spent some time with his girlfriend, "Twylla," when they lived with me for six months, and the entire time all she did was complain to me about my "no-good son." During that "visit" she never lifted a finger to do dishes, clean her room or even prepare a meal for herself.

I can still take care of myself, but I'm not able to take care of Twylla. Last night she phoned me screaming and crying because Dan went to his friend's house without her. I told her if she didn't like the way he treated her, to go home to Mommy and Daddy. When she called them, they told her Dan is entitled to a night out with his male friends. (They told me about it.) I told her father to come and get her if she thinks my son is abusing her.

I like Twylla when she's not complaining, but I need a polite way to tell her to shut up. Dan

works 12-hour shifts, seven days a week, and deserves to relax. He has had to call the police about her; they locked her in the psych ward because she took pills and tried to commit suicide.

I want to spend time with my son and grandson, but I need some rules for Twylla's conduct before moving in with them. What do you suggest?

—AT A LOSS IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR AT A LOSS: You need more than a polite way to tell your son's girlfriend to "shut up." You need to think again about moving into their home, which would be a stressful environment.

If you move in, Twylla will expect you to continue your assigned role as her parent, housekeeper, confidant and referee as she dumps her complaints (real or imagined) about your son on you. Twylla may be a nice girl when she's in her right mind, but it appears her mental health is fragile. If you were in good health, my advice might be different. But as things stand, the stress could cause your health to deteriorate further.

Because you would like to spend more time with your son, my advice is to stay close to them — but in your own place. That way you'll have some refuge and respite, and so will Dan.

IF JANUARY 24 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Your year ahead can be one in which you climb to the pinnacle of success. Bank on your good business instincts to see you through the next several weeks and make sensible, detailed plans. Groups or organizations can distract you from your personal aims, but you have the wisdom to stick to your guns and launch crucial plans in late February. Impatience or a know-it-all attitude can temporarily create friction or trouble in October, which is a poor month to start any business project or take on additional responsibilities like a car loan or house payment. Conditions improve dramatically by this time next year and will give you the green light to move ahead.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A penny saved is a penny earned. This isn't the time to gamble with your spare change or empty the piggy bank. You could be mildly titillated by an enticing offer from a quite unexpected source.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Sing for your supper. Sometimes you have to play the tune the audience wants to dance to, even if it isn't the music you prefer to hear. People in general won't be enamored by business propositions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): There may be a few detours in

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your life. These usually signal that there is an improvement going on that you can't see. You might not get what you want but you will surely get what you need.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Count your chickens before they hatch. Don't let distractions interfere with planning. The focus of a romantic conquest may shift swiftly so don't give your heart away for a moment of pleasure.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Detours always eventually lead back to the main road. You can get by unscathed if you maintain your faith in the infinite wisdom of the universe. You will never be given more than you can handle.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Grow up and act your age. There is no reason to repeat an old mistake when there are plenty of new ones to be made. You have enough experience to know when you are taking an unreasonable risk.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may be facing a pile of questions without a shovel at hand. Rather than concentrating on an overwhelming set of circumstances, try sneaking off to a quiet corner and meditating on the best tactics.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Protect your interests. When walking across hot coals, it is wise to wear thick-soled shoes. Outfox someone who is fostering a deliberate misunderstanding by refusing to be overly sensitive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may be restless and can't rest contentedly on your laurels. Consider your previous accomplishments as only a stepping-stone to greater things. Use your wisdom to envision a better future.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): This isn't the time to squander a nest egg on a quickly eaten omelet. Spend time, not money, today. You need to focus on researching the best prices and best values before you make another change.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You obeyed signs that read "yield." You have given in on a crucial detail. Now it is time to exercise control with finances and be firm about a commitment. Do what is necessary to honor a promise.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Rules rub a rebel the wrong way. Be good humored about any lines that must be toed and any crosses that must be borne. You can still cross your t's with a flourish and dot your i's with a smiley face.

Today is Saturday, Jan. 24, the 24th day of 2009. There are 341 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Jan. 24, 1908, is considered the starting date of the Boy Scouts movement in England, under the aegis of Robert Baden-Powell.

On this date: In 1742, Charles VII was elected Holy Roman Emperor during the War of the Austrian Succession. In 1848, James W. Marshall discovered a gold nugget at Sutter's Mill in northern California, a discovery that led to the gold rush of '49.

In 1924, the Russian city of Petrograd (formerly St. Petersburg) was renamed Leningrad in honor of the late revolutionary leader. (However, it has since been renamed St. Petersburg.)

In 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Churchill concluded a wartime conference in Casablanca, Morocco. In 1965, Winston Churchill died in London at age 90.

TODAY IN HISTORY

In 1978, a nuclear-powered Soviet satellite, Cosmos 954, plunged through Earth's atmosphere and disintegrated, scattering radioactive debris over parts of northern Canada.

In 1984, Apple Computer began selling its Macintosh PC.

In 1987, gunmen in Lebanon kidnapped educators Alann Steen, Jesse Turner and Robert Polhill and Mithleshwar Singh (All were eventually released.)

In 1989, confessed serial killer Theodore Bundy was executed in Florida's electric chair.

In 2003, Tom Ridge was sworn in as the first head of the new Department of Homeland Security. Ten years ago: House prosecutors interviewed Monica Lewinsky, a move that triggered fresh partisan convulsions in President Bill Clinton's impeachment trial. Olympic leaders recommended the expulsions of six

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PUBLISH: January 17 and 24, 2009

PUBLIC NOTICE
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ORDINANCE NO. 08-508
(As Amended by Ordinance No. 09-501)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, IDAHO, AMENDING TITLE 8, CHAPTER 2 OF THE RUPERT CITY CODE ADDING SECTION 19 TO PROHIBIT THE HOSTING OF DISRUPTIVE PARTIES OR EVENTS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY AND PROHIBITING UNDERAGE POSSESSION OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL, CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, OR INTOXICATING SUBSTANCES AT THE SAME, PROVIDING THAT VIOLATION OF SUCH IS A MISDEMEANOR, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City desires to regulate gatherings on private property within the City that are disruptive to the public peace, health, safety, or welfare; and
WHEREAS, the City believes that parties, gatherings or events that permit the underage possession, consumption, and/or influence of alcohol or the possession, consumption, use, and/or influence of controlled or intoxicating substances is disorderly and dangerous to the City's young people and the public in general,
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RUPERT, IDAHO, AS FOLLOWS:
Section 1: Rupert City Code, Title 8, Chapter 2 is amended to add the following section:

8-2-19 DISORDERLY HOUSEHOLD OR PREMISES

A. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to host a party, gathering or event at any household or premises within the City of Rupert:

1. which is disruptive to the public peace, health, safety, or welfare due to the magnitude of the crowd, loud music or other noise, disturbances, unruly behavior by those attending the party, excessive traffic or destruction of property; or
2. where a person under the age of twenty-one (21) years is in possession of, is consuming or is under the influence of an alcoholic beverage and the person or persons responsible for the party knew or reasonably should have known that the person in possession of, consuming, or under the influence of an alcoholic beverage is under the age of twenty-one (21) years; or
3. where a person is in possession of, is under the influence of, or is ingesting, injecting, smoking, inhaling, or otherwise introducing into the human body any controlled substance or intoxicating substance and the person or persons responsible for the party knew or reasonably should have known that persons at the party were in possession of, under the influence of, or ingesting, injecting, smoking, inhaling, or otherwise introducing into the human body any controlled substance or intoxicating substance.

B. Definitions:

1. "Party" means a party gathering or event or other assembly of persons for a social occasion or activity.
2. "Household or premises" means any home, apartment, condominium, premises or other dwelling unit or meeting room or hall or any other building, including the yard and curtilage of such household or premises which are owned, rented, leased or under the control of the person or persons responsible for the party, regardless of whether such premises are occupied on a permanent or temporary basis, or merely occupied as a premises for a social function.
3. "Person responsible for the party" means:
 - a. The person or persons in charge of the premises where the party takes place; and/or
 - b. The person or persons authorizing the use of the premises for the party; and/or
 - c. The person or persons who organized the party.
4. "Minor" means a person under the age of twenty-one (21) years.
5. "Alcoholic beverage" means any beverage containing alcohol, including liquor, spirits, beer, and wine.
6. "Knowingly" for purposes of this Section means having a general knowledge of or reason to know which warrants further inquiry or inspection.
7. "Controlled substance" means any drug, substance, or immediate precursor of such as defined in Title 37, Chapter 27, Idaho Code.
8. "Intoxicating substance" means any drug, beverage, or substance, other than an alcoholic beverage and/or other than any other drug that is lawfully prescribed by a medical professional to the person introducing said drug into his or her body, which causes a person's mental or physical functioning to be substantially impaired as a result of introducing the same by any means into the human body.

C. The Court may order restitution to be paid by the person or persons responsible for a party or gathering that requires a subsequent law enforcement or emergency response. Such restitution, if ordered, would include actual costs for law enforcement or other emergency services incurred for the purpose of abating any of the conditions or violations described in this code Section.

D. Any person in violation of this Section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 2: This Ordinance shall be effective after passage and publication as required under Idaho law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 6th day of January, 2009, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rupert.

CITY OF RUPERT
By Paul E. Fries, Sr.
Paul Fries
ATTEST:
Carmia J. Maxey
Carmia Maxey, City Clerk

PUBLISH: January 24, 2009



NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Loan No. 2920799 T.S. No. 200801512 - 31676 On 04/20/2009 at 11:00 a.m. (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho: In the lobby of Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Falls Ave. East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Pioneer Lenders Trustee Services, LLC, as Trustee will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 29, Township 9 South, Range 17 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of said SW14/SW1/4; THENCE North 0°11'10" East a distance of 1032.49 feet along the westerly boundary of said SW14/SW1/4 to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE North 0°11'10" East a distance of 284.60 feet to the northwest corner of said SW14/SW1/4; THENCE South 89°46'45" East a distance of 210.93 feet along the northerly boundary of said SW14/SW1/4; THENCE South 1°26'46" West a distance of 284.66 feet; THENCE North 89°46'45" West a distance of 204.68 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. The above described parcel contains 1.36 acres more or less and is subject to the rights of a public road which affects the westerly 25.00 feet thereof. AND ALSO including use of an easement for the purpose of ingress and egress over a 50 feet wide strip of land for roadway purposes allowing 25 feet on each side of the following described centerline. Beginning at the southwest corner of said Section 29, Township 9 South, Range 17 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho; THENCE South 89°39'00" East a distance of 1301.69 feet along the southerly boundary of said Section 29; THENCE North 0°06'21" East a distance of 25.00 feet to the real point of beginning; THENCE North 0°06'21" East a distance of 724.94 feet; THENCE North 89°46'45" West a distance of 632.84 feet; THENCE North 41°10'44" West a distance of 168.66 feet; THENCE South 75°27'30" West a distance of 162.97 feet; THENCE South 89°46'04" West a distance of 146.11 feet; THENCE South 57°26'22" West a distance of 63.18 feet to the terminus of said 50 feet wide easement. AND ALSO including use of art easement for the purpose of ingress, egress and public utilities over a strip of land 25.00 feet in width also, located in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 29, Township 9 South, Range 17 East, Boise Meridian, in Twin Falls County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of said SW14/SW1/4; THENCE North 0°33'31" West a distance of 1032.42 feet along the westerly boundary of said SW14/SW1/4; THENCE South 89°46'45" East a distance of 184.08 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE South 89°46'45" East a distance of 25.01 feet to the southeast corner of the above described parcel; THENCE South 1°25'46" West a distance of 268.03 feet to the southwest corner of the above described 60.00 feet wide easement; THENCE South 57°26'22" West a distance of 30.16 feet; THENCE North 1°26'46" East a distance of 282.36 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. 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 930 Canyon Rim Road, Twin Falls, Idaho 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 Young C. Jang and Eun Suk Jung, as grantors, to Titlefact Inc., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of First Security Bank, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 12/01/1998 and recorded on 12/01/1998, as Instrument No. 1998-021535, and re-recorded on 12/03/1998, as Instrument No. 1998-021687, of Official Records 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 12/01/1998. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,241.83, due per month for the months of 8/1/2008 through -, 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 \$130,198.58, plus accrued interest at the rate of 6.875% per annum from 07/01/2008. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further cause. Melmet Default Services, Inc. 1820 E. First Street, Suite 410, Santa Ana, CA 92705-4063 Sale Information Line: 714-259-7850 Reinstatement and Pay-Of Requests: (714) 480-5472 THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: 12/9/08 Pioneer Lenders Trustee Services, LLC By: Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer ASAP# 2950439

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



100 Lost and Found
FOUND Chihuahua, male. Found on East K in Jerome. Call 208-324-4770 to identify.

101
FOUND Dog in Hazelton at the Chevron on 1/18. 208-410-3939

102
FOUND Stock Dog, nice young fixed male, red and white. Found at Nat Soo Pah near Hollister. 208-308-8919

103
LOST English Setter, male, black/white, red collar, last seen east of Gooding near old Shoshone Hwy. Call Bob 208-308-8508.

104
LOST Goffin Cockatoo in Filer area 2200 E 3300 N on 1/20/09. White with pink tint. Please call 208-736-1645 or 208-410-9887

105
LOST Lab mix puppy 12 weeks old, wearing purple collar, last seen around Thompson Park on 01/20. Please call 404-6874.

106
LOST Ping golf bag with golf clubs. Lost on Golf Course Rd. heading West on 1/17. Reward avail. 208-720-3988

107
LOST Shih Tzu looking dog. Black and white male with long hair. Small colored collar. Last seen 1/19 by Burley High School. Kids really miss him. Please call 431-9930. \$50 Reward.

108
LOST Standard Schnauzer, kid's dog, lost in Gooding on 12/24. REWARD. Call 208-961-0226.

109
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110
Special Notices
AL-ANON Tuesdays-7:00pm 1836 Elba, Burley 208-678-9518

111
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Burley Meetings N/S 1321 Oakley Ave. #9 Saturday, 7pm Spanish Speaking. Monday-Thursday, 8pm 219-3403 / 438-5448 312-5051 / 679-9414

112
Rupert Meetings N/S 6th & 1st Street Monday, 8pm Friday, 8pm 2220 E. Ellis, Paul Wednesday, 12 noon 436-9449 / 436-5842 432-6718 / 678-9518 679-9414

113
CHOICES FOR RECOVERY Monday, 4-5:30pm Minidoka Memorial Hospital, 1218 8th St., Rupert. 431-9741

114
CRYSTAL METH ANONYMOUS Tuesday, 6:30pm. Thursday, 6:30pm. 109 E. Main, Burley. 878-CLUB or 312-4590

115
NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS Sunday 11am-12:30pm Sunday 7pm Monday-Ladies only, 6-7:30pm Monday 8pm Tuesday 7pm Wednesday 7-8:30pm Thursday 7pm Friday 7pm Saturday 8pm 220 East Ellis, Paul Saturday 9pm 1230 J St., Heyburn MCANA Meeting info 208-438-4935

106 Special Notices

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By Dave Green

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6	7	9	1	3	2	4	8	5
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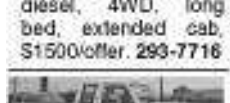


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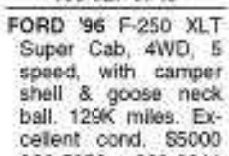


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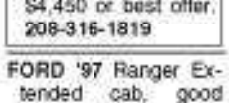
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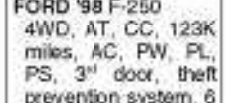
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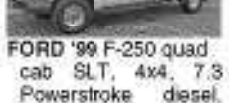
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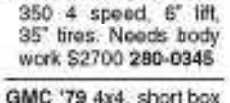
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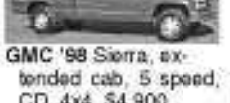
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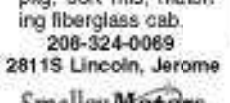
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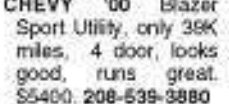
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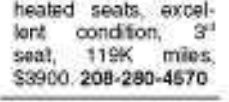
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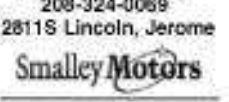


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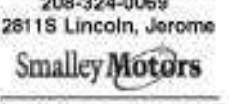
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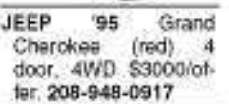
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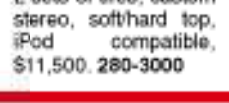
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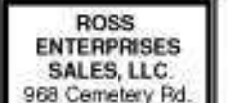


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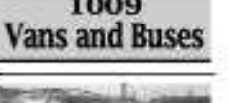
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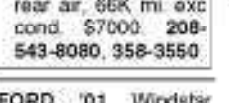
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