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Two rivers in one

How history allowed the Snake River to run dry

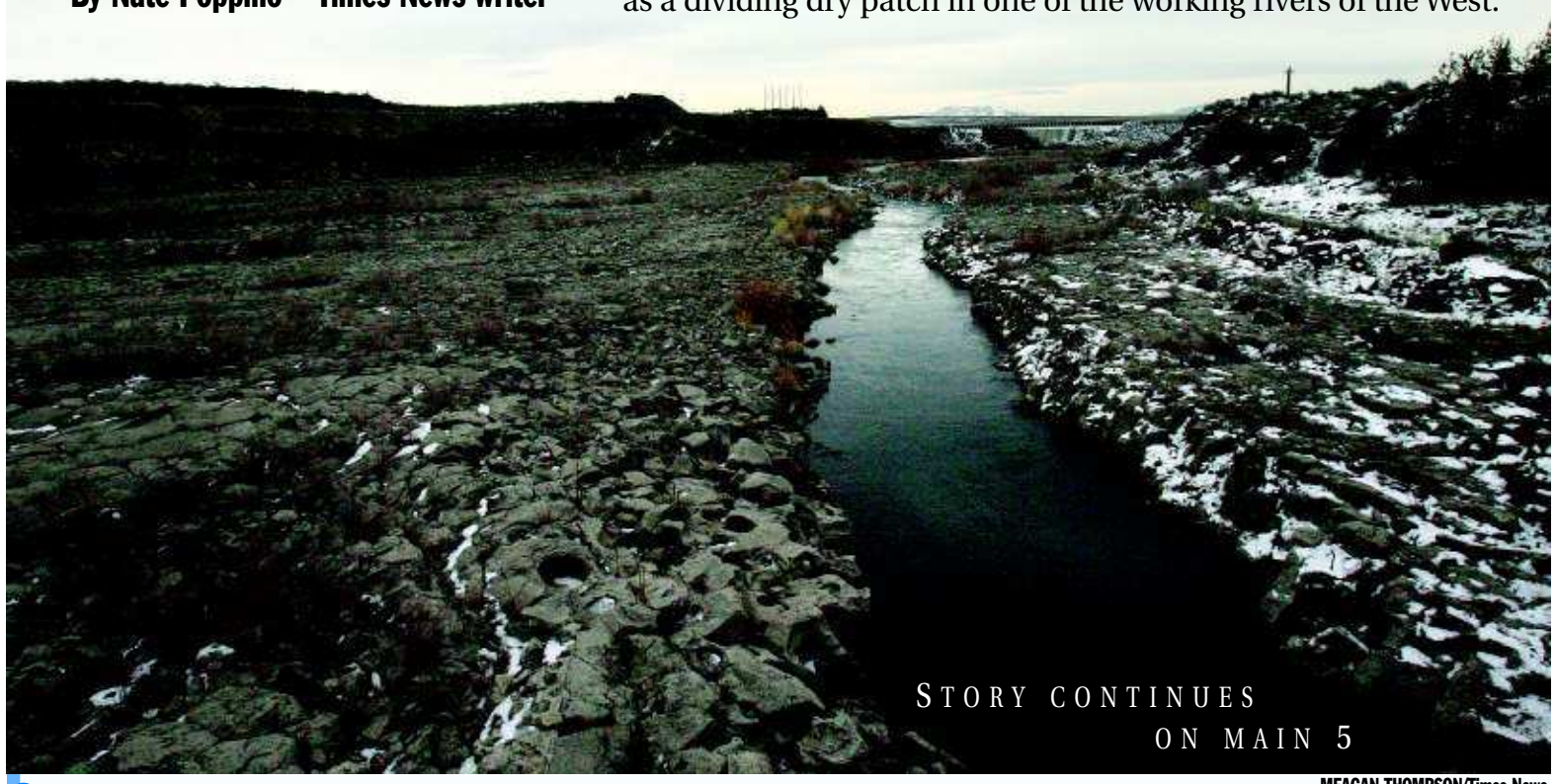
By Nate Poppino • Times-News writer

When Idaho water officials speak of keeping southwestern water users from interfering with recharge water rights upstream of Milner Dam, they probably leave the general public scratching their heads.

It's not the public's fault — they just assume the Snake River is only one river.

To state officials and water users, it's really two, divided and diverted just below Milner.

It's not the only place where the Snake runs low. But over time, legal battles and changes to state law have enshrined the dam as a dividing dry patch in one of the working rivers of the West.



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Milner Dam timeline

1900s: Snake River upstream from Milner fully developed for irrigation.

1905: Milner Dam first built. Twin Falls Canal Co. is the first to divert water there, followed by North Side a couple of years later.

1920: A joint board of state and federal engineers determines "the greatest use of the water of Snake River will be found in the dedication of the entire flow of the stream to irrigation..." They admit this will dry up Milner, but that the river will be replenished later.

1922: The state commissioner of reclamation reports that Snake River Canyon springs could adequately support power development.

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1937: USGS District Engineer D. Lynn Crandall argues that any new hydropower rights for Idaho Power need to make clear that the priority applies only to rights below Milner.

1954: A report on Idaho Power's Hells Canyon license notes 155,000 acre-feet will spill past Milner every year for the company.

1957: Edward Ermine explains the two-river system to a congressional subcommittee on irrigation and reclamation while advocating federal construction of Hells Canyon Dam.

1962: U.S. Assistant Secretary of the Interior Kenneth Holum advises the Federal Power Commission to uphold the arrangement and subordinate hydropower to above-Milner irrigation for three dam licenses.

1965: Idaho Water Resource Board created, in part to keep Idaho water in Idaho.

1977: Twin Falls and North Side canal companies file for a hydropower right at Milner for up to 12,000 cubic-feet of water per second (cfs).

1978: State lawmakers allow the board to set minimum river flows; state water plan formalizes the two rivers with a 0 cfs flow at the dam.

1983: In the "7,500 Case," Idaho Power seeks for the first time to enforce its downstream rights against upstream users, according to state officials. The company argues decades later in court documents that it never conceded its rights were subject to zero-flow.

1984: Swan Falls Agreement reflects Milner divide; state and Idaho Power lawyers still argue today whether the agreement allows subordination for recharge upstream, and Idaho Power argues that the drafters of the agreement didn't consider zero-flow an integral component.

1985: Change to state statute restricts what water users below Milner can consider above the dam when determining their rights.

1993: Milner Dam is renovated and a power plant is installed, which Idaho Power runs on behalf of the canal companies.

2004: Nez Perce Agreement requires flow augmentation over the dam of up to 220,000 acre-feet annually.

See more about Milner Dam at Magicvalley.com

Death at Sun Valley Co. a possible homicide

Two employees allegedly in late-night altercation

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

SUN VALLEY — One Sun Valley Co. employee is dead and another is in police custody following an apparent crime at Oregon Dorm, an employee housing unit for the company.

Corey D. Drehmel, 19, has been booked into Blaine County Jail on charges of aggravated battery, but Sun Valley police are treating the case as a suspected homicide, said Assistant Chief Mike Crawford on Saturday afternoon.

INSIDE
Body found in Twin Falls motel.
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Awaiting autopsy is the body of 49-year-old Jerome James. Both men were employees of Sun Valley Co.

Just after 11 p.m. Friday, resort security and Sun Valley police responded to a report of a physical altercation between Drehmel and James, roommates in the dorm.

According to a Sun Valley Police Department press release, when Drehmel opened the door, the officer saw James, on

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Education cuts coming, but who's complaining?

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

BOISE — In 2002, Idaho educators stormed the steps of the Capitol to protest cuts to the public schools budget.

With cuts again looming seven years later, the scene outside the Legislature is much quieter, although lawmakers could give public schools less money than the year before for the first time in state history.

INSIDE
Governor's road bills arrive this week.
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Legislators from both parties, Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna and the teachers union offer a simple explanation — there's no end in sight to the current economic downturn, among the worst ever in Idaho, and teachers understand the difficulties the state and school districts face.

"The economy has fallen so fast and so

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Teens who 'sext' racy photos on phones charged with porn

By Martha Irvine
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — Though youth is fleeting, images sent on a cell phone or posted online may not be, especially if they're naughty.

Teenagers' habit of distributing nude self-portraits electronically — often called "sexting" if it's done by cell phone — has parents and school administrators worried. Some prosecutors have begun charging teens who send and receive such images with child pornography and other serious felonies. But is that the best way to handle it?

"Hopefully we'll get the message out to these kids," says Michael McAlexander, a prosecutor in Allen County, Ind., which includes Fort Wayne. A teenage boy there is facing felony obscenity charges for allegedly sending a photo of his private parts to several female classmates. Another boy was recently charged with child pornography in a similar case.

In some cases, the photos are sent to harass other teens or to get attention. Other times, they're viewed as a high-tech way to flirt. Either way, law enforcement officials want it to stop, even if it means threatening to add "sex offender" to a juvenile's confidential record.

"We don't want to throw these kids in jail," McAlexander says. "But we want them to think."

This month in Greensburg, Pa., three high school girls who sent seminude photos and four male students who received them were all hit

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MORNING BRIEFING

Pat's Picks ... Pat Marcantonio

Three things to do today

• The 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games take place at several venues across Idaho, with an estimated 417 snowboarders and cross-country skiers from 39 different countries hitting Sun Valley. For more info on schedules, go to http://www.2009worldgames.org.

• Take a hatchery tour of the Thousand Springs area. From Thousand Springs area fish hatcheries to the Hagerman State Hatchery to the National Fish Hatchery, millions — and I mean millions — of steelhead and trout end up in Idaho lakes and streams. Many of these hatcheries have viewing areas with beautiful views, but leave your fishing pole at home. For maps, go to http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/fish/hatcheries.

• If you haven't done so, walk the trail along the Snake River Canyon. You can start by parking in the lot at the visitor's center near the Perrine Bridge. You will be in for breathtaking view.

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

Jazz with Cheryl Morrell and Alan Pennay, 5 to 8:30 p.m., and **Leana Leach Trio,** 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., Duchin Lounge, Sun Valley Lodge, no cover, 622-2145.

"Forever Plaid," 6:30 p.m. doors open and 7:30 p.m. show, Boiler Room, Sun Valley Village, $12, 622-2135.

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.

PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY

Photos courtesy of the Twin Falls Public Library

Dick Tanaka called the *Times-News* this week and said the men in the front row on the left of the photo are his father, Eddie Tanaka, and his uncle, Ray Tanaka. Tanaka thought the photo was taken in the 1930s.

A large steam tractor pulls four freight wagons. If you have more information about this photo, please send it to frontdoor@magicvalley.com.

Body discovered at T.F. motel

Cause of death, identity still unknown

By Damon Hunzeker
Times-News writer

A woman was found dead in her Twin Falls motel room Saturday afternoon with a bag over head. But as night fell, Twin Falls Police had not positively identified the victim or the cause of death.

Twin Falls Police responded at 2:48 p.m. to the El Rancho Motel, 380 Addison Ave. W., where the woman's body was found by the motel's manager.

"We received a report that a female in room 15 was deceased. That's been confirmed, and that's all we know at this point," Staff Sgt. Dan Lewin said Saturday afternoon.

Other people at the motel seemed to know a little more than that.

According to motel owner Eric Watte, the woman who had been living in the room, whom he estimated to be in her late 30s or early 40s, had been at the motel for about two weeks. Her first name was Lisa. The last name signed on the registration card was illegible.

Juan Gomez, El Rancho manager, found the body after the victim's boyfriend, who reportedly lives at the Dunes Motel across the street, tried to contact the woman and said nobody was answering the phone or the door.

"He was here last night, too," Gomez said.

"He came here today so he could get in and check on her," Watte said.

Gomez then described the scene.

"I opened the door. She had a plastic bag over her head, and her hands were holding it," he said. "I called the police … but you know when somebody's dead."

While waiting for investigators and the crime-lab van to arrive, Lewin said, "We can't even confirm that the body is the resident everyone thinks it is, but my job is keep the scene as pristine as possible until they get here."

An autopsy will be performed "as soon as possible," according to a news release by the department Saturday night.

Police are working with the county coroners office and prosecutors office. Anyone with information about the incident should call the police department at 735-4357.

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his back and unresponsive on the floor, blood coming from his nose.

James, who did not have a pulse and whose eyes were fixed and dilated, received CPR from the officer and was transported to St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead. The Blaine County coroner later took custody of James' body, which is expected to be autopsied on Monday.

"There was an altercation at the time of his death, but he doesn't appear to have any external injuries," said coroner Russ Mikel on Saturday afternoon.

Drehmel is scheduled to be arraigned at 1:30 p.m. Monday at Blaine County 5th District Court. The investigation is ongoing, and the county prosecuting attorney's office is reviewing the case with an eye toward additional charges.

Although crimes this serious are rare in Sun Valley, police respond about once a year to a major incident on the Sun Valley Co. campus, said Sun Valley Police Chief Cam Daggett. Sun Valley Co. does not keep statistics on criminal incidents on campus, said company spokesman Jack Sibbach. He emphasized the unusual nature of the alleged crime on Friday night: "Very rarely in the 30 years I've been here have we had any incidents of significance," he said.

A young female employee of the company who didn't want to be identified, because she has felt less than safe living in the dorms, said security on campus needs improvement. She said Drehmel knocked on her door looking for her roommate the evening of the alleged battery, appeared to be intoxicated and was seeking individuals with whom he had disagreements in the past.

Police Chief Daggett did not release any information about what may have led to the altercation between James and Drehmel, or any criminal history either man may have. He said he expects to release more information about the incident in the coming days.

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with child pornography charges. And in Newark, Ohio, a 15-year-old high school girl faced similar charges for sending her own racy cell phone photos to classmates. She eventually agreed to a curfew, no cell phone and no unsupervised Internet usage over the next few months. If she complies, the charges will be dropped.

In Pennsylvania, all but one of the students accepted a lesser misdemeanor charge, partly to avoid a trial and further embarrassment, a public defender in the case said. The mother of one boy is considering fighting all charges.

Whatever the outcome, the mere fact that child pornography charges were filed at all is stirring debate among students and adults.

At Greensburg-Salem High School in Pennsylvania, junior Jamie Bennish says she's not sure the boys in her school's case should've been charged.

"They did not necessarily choose to receive the pictures, although I find it questionable that they did not delete the photos from their cell phones after some period of time," she says. "As for the girls, there is no excuse for exposing yourself in that way, and any charges they receive they have brought upon themselves."

Dante Bertani, chief public defender in Westmoreland County, Pa., where the students went to court, called the felony charges "horrendous." He says such treatment should be reserved for sex offenders, not teenagers who might've used poor judgment, but meant nothing malicious.

"It should be an issue between the school, the parents and the kids — and primarily the parents and the kids," Bertani says.

These cases do pose a dilemma, concedes Wes Weaver, the principal at Licking Valley High School, where the Ohio girl attends school.

He agrees that pornography charges or other felonies are not appropriate, noting that "the laws have not caught up to technology."

But he says there has to be some way to educate students and their parents about the harm these photos can do — and the fact that, once they're out there, they often get widely circulated.

"I don't think we're anywhere near having a handle on this," Weaver says. "It's beyond our scope as a school."

Education

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much deeper than people realized, and there is no hidden pot of money someplace. Education's gonna have to give a little," said Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, who sits on the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee.

The different feel to this year's session comes as legislators plan to cut most agencies, which in turn are waiting to see how deep those cuts will go. Lawmakers have already dipped into reserves to hold schools harmless during mid-year budget cuts, and House Speaker Lawerence E. Denney, R-Midvale, said most of that money might be drained this year.

"It's going to be very difficult to cut public education (for next year)" he said. "If we leave public ed whole, it means we have to double the cut for everyone else and we just can't do that."

There's a number of financial questions that still need to be answered. Revenue figures for this year aren't final. JFAC has yet to set an amount for the 2010 budget, partially a reaction to economic uncertainty. And details of a federal stimulus package remain nebulous, though Senate Democrats and a small group of Republicans on Friday reached an agreement on an $827 billion economic stimulus measure.

"There's a lot of unknowns out there," Idaho Education Association President Sherri Wood said. "To say there's a line in the sand or a magical number of cuts that would affect children or to cause teachers to say 'we can't have that,' I can't say that. We have not had those discussions. What kinds of actions we will take, or teachers will be willing to do, we aren't there yet."

At the same time, she noted legislators haven't begun to consider Luna's 10 proposals to trim $62 million from next year's schools budget, including shaving the equivalent of three days of pay from all school employees. Luna said Friday the fact he's proposed using $17 million from reserves for next year indicates that any further holdbacks will more severely hurt education. He said the proposals are designed to give districts flexibility.

"Is it likely that the schools may receive less money in 2010 than they received in 2009?" Senate Pro Tem Bob Geddes, R-Soda Springs, said. "Yes, that's a very real possibility that I'm not sure we can do anything, based on the numbers we're seeing, to avoid that."

But most of the proposals require changing state law. Among the legislation expected to be introduced this week is a proposal to give more flexibility to districts in either reducing teacher salaries or laying employees off.

Luna said it's unclear which of his ideas — aside from early teacher retirement — would be made permanent, a concern of some legislators.

"If the teachers sit back — if the IEA sits back — and lets that happen, then that would be a huge mistake," said JFAC member Rep. Shirley Ringo, D-Moscow, a former math teacher who served in 2003 when lawmakers again clashed with teachers over funding.

Rep. Donna Pence, D-Gooding, another former teacher, said the opinion she hears from teachers is they would prefer to take pay cuts than see a reduction in their numbers.

"I really have a problem going into the statutes. The only way I'd do it is if there's a sunset," she said. "And there are some (legislators) who are not even willing to do that."

Meanwhile, Luna and Republicans have said they are not factoring in the federal stimulus, citing the possibility the federal government will have strings attached in order for states to use the money.

"My position is that the most prudent thing for the legislature to do is move forward, expecting no money from the federal government at this point in time," Geddes said.

But some Democrats, critical of that approach, said it appears that Republicans are ignoring the stimulus and certain areas where they can plan for funding.

"I'm afraid what they're saying is, 'we're not planning for the stimulus funding,'" Senate Assistant Minority Leader Elliot Werk, D-Boise, said. "It's time to quit stalling how we view the stimulus and time to start making sure the people of Idaho get the best representation."

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Blaine County's cities prepare for coming budget shortfalls

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

HAILEY — When it comes to their budgets, the cities in Blaine County may have already seen the writing on the wall, but that writing is getting bigger, scarier and harder to ignore.

Last year, as they planned for this year's budget, the cities saw the economic downturn on the horizon, and most cut their expenses anticipating less revenue. But revenue has turned out to be lower than most expected, and now the cities are facing cuts in services.

"We've knocked the low-hanging fruit off," said Bellevue City Administrator Tom Blanchard. "I'm telling everyone this is just the beginning and we'll be monitoring it very closely."

That's the consensus among the leaders of Ketchum, Sun Valley, Hailey, Bellevue and Carey: Things are likely to get worse before they get better.

Revenue is down for several reasons: the state is sharing less, development has declined, and retail sales — and the local-option taxes that levy extra fees on tourism-related income — have come in less than expected. In Ketchum, for example, taxes on by-the-glass alcohol sales were down 35 percent in January from the same month last year, and other categories declined by similar percentages.

Overall, declining revenue means cities will need to reduce their expenses by between 3 and 8 percent, depending on how far in the hole each city is. How to achieve those cuts varies.

Bellevue isn't buying new safety equipment for fire personnel, its library budget is slashed $5,000, and a Blaine sheriff's deputy that was to be contracted to the city will now patrol elsewhere. Hailey is splitting an employee between two departments instead of filling an empty position, and not hiring a new police officer. Carey may save employee time by holding one public meeting a month instead of two.

Overall, though, the leaders of the cities are committed to making their departments as efficient as possible, and laying off employees is a last resort.

"If we have to cut staff we're also going to have to cut services to our constituents, which won't make a lot of people very happy," said Hailey Mayor Rick Davis. "We're going to maintain our service level as long as we can with what we have, and we're going to come out of this whole thing stronger and better."

Sun Valley, though facing the same conservative budgeting and potential cuts as other Blaine cities, sees a glint of hope this summer.

"There's so many hidden positives in this area that we haven't really marketed," said Sun Valley City Council President Nils Ribi, citing the Sustain Blaine effort to increase marketing the county. He hopes that as international tourism to the city declines, more regional residents, from Boise and the West Coast, will turn to Sun Valley for recreation.

The next few weeks will see city councils and administrators meet frequently to address their budget shortfalls. What will be hardest is anticipating how tight their budgets may get.

"It's a little early in the year to tell, but nobody knows how long this economic trend will exist," said Hailey administrator Heather Dawson.

County also anticipating cuts

HAILEY — Blaine County Commissioners and the county's department heads met for several hours on Friday afternoon to tackle something that will likely worry them over the weekend: how to keep the economic downturn from affecting the county too much.

"As long as we keep our finger on the pulse of what we're spending, we can get through this without too much pain," said Commissioner Tom Bowman. "We're in the very beginning of our 'what-if' scenarios."

To be prepared for those scenarios, the county clerk offered a list of many non-essential services the county provides, from contributions for wolf control to purchase of new vehicles for the sheriff's office. Cutting all these services, the county could save $900,000 — well over the $750,000 the county estimates it'll need to slash from next year's budget — but odds are the cuts will be less dramatic than this worst-case option.

Commissioner Larry Schoen noted that eliminating some line items could end up costing the county more, for things like indigent services and jail costs. "We don't want to cut off our nose to spite our face on some of this stuff."

Each department head agreed to come back to the table in two weeks with a list of everything that could be cut, and goals for what they think is realistic.

The commissioners made no decisions in the work session, but are expected to revisit the budget frequently in coming months.

— Ariel Hansen

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Don't ask me

Steve Crump

Yes, but can the city of Twin Falls do *without* a junior high?

Next September, for the first time in 55 years, Twin Falls won't have a junior high school. I wonder if we know what we're getting into.

With the opening of Canyon Ridge High School, the city's two current junior highs will become middle schools, serving sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders instead of seventh-, eighth- and ninth-graders. That will leave only 27 public junior highs in Idaho, half of them in Boise and Idaho Falls.

Consensus is pretty widespread in the education community that middle schools make more sense than junior highs in preparing students for high school, but I wonder.

Junior high, after all, encompasses such a brew of raging hormones — all aged 12 through 14 — that it serves as a safety valve for a community that middle school can't even touch. After all, junior gave America the noogie, the atomic wedgie, Miley Cyrus and the entire musical catalog of Sha Na Na.

In other words, it makes some sense to confine that many dweebs, geeks and passers-of-notes-in-gym-class to a single setting for the common good.

In its 100-year history — the first junior high, Indianola, opened in Columbus, Ohio, in 1909 — the institution has come to represent immaturity in its most creative forms. Nobody in America doubts what the term *"so junior high"* means.

It's a warmer, fuzzier world down in the middle schools, and seventh-graders — "sevies," as they're universally known — are deemed too fragile to be terrorized by older adolescents. And too young to just suck it up and spend their days hiding in their lockers, as we did.

On the other end of the spectrum, nobody much misses ninth-graders in middle school; nor does anyone much welcome them in high school.

Be that as it may, some educators predict that junior high will disappear altogether by 2020.

And so, in my judgment, will the last of character education in the public schools.

Look, combining sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders in the same school is like putting fruit cocktail in Jell-O: It's gonna be boring no matter how many reunions you take it to.

But segregating seventh- and eighth-graders with kids whom puberty has hijacked invariably produces a crucible every bit as harrowing as "Lord of the Flies."

Barack Obama? He went to junior high. But then so did Rod Blagojevich.

Plus, junior high is responsible for a whole series of behaviors much beloved by this culture.

Ever see smokers huddled outside the back door of their workplace in minus-20-degree temperatures? They learned to do that back of the junior high.

Heck, the very term *junior high* evokes Shaggy and Beavis and Butthead, Clearasil and Donny Osmond and Seventeen magazine, Pop Rocks and laser pointers and Prince Albert in the can.

Sure, we can do without junior high. But should we?

Bison staying in Yellowstone this winter

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — Only one bison has been shot by a hunter after wandering out of Yellowstone National Park this winter, park officials said.

Yellowstone spokesman Al Nash says the park's 3,000 bison are staying within park boundaries so far, despite the snow and cold.

"We have not seen any real movement," he said.

Last year, 1,087 bison were shipped to slaughter as part of a program to prevent the spread of brucellosis to cattle. Another 166 were shot by hunters and American Indian tribes and more than 400 died naturally of winter related causes.

The only bison shot by a hunter this winter was a bull taken on the first day of the season in the Gardiner area.

Montana issues 44 either-sex licenses for its three bison seasons that run from Nov. 15 through Feb. 15.

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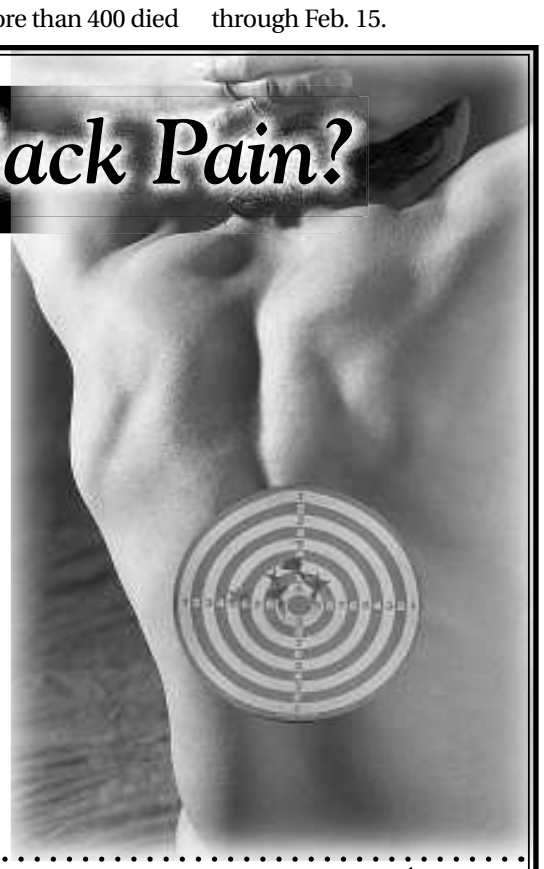

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BOISE — Transportation funding — one of the biggest issues of the 2009 Idaho Legislature — is scheduled to shift into full gear Tuesday.

That's when the new-revenue proposals from Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter will be unveiled to the House Transportation Committee. Clete Edmunson, an Otter aide, said five proposals, totaling $174 million, will be released: raising vehicle registration fees, raising the gas tax, redirecting the 5 percent of revenue from the Idaho State Police to the general fund, eliminating the tax exemption for ethanol and taxing rental cars.

Lawmakers are also expected to disclose their proposals, so there's a good chance Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls, will present his plan to raise the 25-cent-per-gallon gas tax.

• Raising taxes — outside those related to transportation — were ruled out before the session began. Lawmakers have stressed income and sales taxes will stay put.

One exception might be the state beer and wine tax. The beer tax, 15 cents per wholesale gallon, and the wine tax, 45 cents per gallon, each haven't gone up for decades.

Keith Allred, executive director of the bi-partisan group The Common Interest, has proposed raising them for more money for substance abuse treatment and the prison system.

House Speaker Lawerence E. Denney, R-Midvale, and Senate Pro Tem Bob Geddes, R-Soda Springs, appear to be comfortable with raising that tax. Both are teetollers, who don't touch alcohol.

"Doesn't affect me," Denney joked at a reporters' luncheon Thursday. Geddes quipped, "I'm one of those who doesn't contribute a lot to that tax, and it's a good tax if somebody else pays it."

Denney noted that alcohol sales increase during a recession, so it could be a wise area to seek extra funding.

• On Jan. 23 Sen. Les Bock, D-Boise, introduced legislation to make it an infraction when drivers use cell phones without hands-free devices in non-emergency situations. Violation would carry fines up to $75. A number of other states have passed laws banning cell-phone use without hands-free devices.

But it's been dormant, awaiting approval for a hearing by Transportation Committee Chairman John McGee, R-Caldwell.

"It's all up to John McGee," Bock said Friday morning. A few hours later, McGee said of his plans with that bill, "We're reviewing it."

• Quote of the week: "If they want them, fine. If they don't want them, then we've answered that question of why we need to kill them, because they have a very serious impact on our big game herds." — Sen. Gary Schroeder, R-Moscow, whose bill to allow Idaho to transport wolves to other willing states passed the Senate last week. He brought a Canadian gray wolf pelt to a committee hearing and hung it on the wall for effect.

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Two rivers in one

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An agricultural river

How the two-river idea was born varies a bit, depending on who you ask. But most tend to agree on the basics.

In the days before high-lift pumps, Milner was ideal for a dam, said Brian Olmstead, general manager of the Twin Falls Canal Company. It was the last major spot where irrigators could rely on gravity diversion to feed farms. It didn't hurt that the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer replenished the river through springs in the canyon.

The dam was completed in 1905 to serve the Twin Falls South Side Project, run by the canal company. Over the next several decades, various government officials and river users began to see the value of draining the river at Milner.

Many discussed the economic value of dedicating as much water as possible upstream of the dam to irrigation. Calculations were made; the state commissioner of reclamation said in 1922 that a steady average 6,000 cubic feet per second entered the canyon between Milner Dam and the Hagerman Valley, 60 miles away.

Outside pressures strengthened the concept over time, said Laird Noh, who headed the Senate Resources and Environment Committee for 22 of his 24 years as a state senator.

The Idaho Water Resource Board was created in 1965, he said, in response to worries that the city of Los Angeles would divert water from the Snake, spooking Idahoans who needed water to develop a still-growing region of the state.

Just 13 years later, state officials created the idea of minimum stream flows as a response to renewed concerns about possible diversion to Oregon and Washington and the growing realization that some rivers could benefit scenically and environmentally from keeping some water in them. The Snake at Milner wasn't one of those points: the state's first water plan recorded its minimum flow as "zero" to allow upstream users to take all the water before out-of-state interests could.

All these changes would also be shaped by another major player: Idaho Power Co.

A water-law handbook for attorneys at Givens Pursley, a Boise law firm, notes that actions and positions taken by the electric utility and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation when developing American Falls Reservoir and other storage projects helped originate the "two rivers" idea. By 1978, the handbook states, the concept was entrenched enough that Idaho Power only sought to shut off water rights below Milner when claiming its Swan Falls Dam — 40 miles south of Boise on the Snake — wasn't getting enough water.

The two-river system gained more legal heft in 1985, when legislators responding to the Swan Falls issue restricted water users downstream of Milner Dam from taking upstream water to fulfill their rights.

The final piece, Noh said, came in the 1990s when the federal government encouraged states to deregulate electric companies. Idaho legislators watched as Montana and Utah shifted their utilities to the free market, followed shortly by those utilities selling parts or all of themselves — and their hydropower rights — to other companies.

Idaho didn't deregulate its utilities. But the Milner split and the restrictions on Idaho Power's rights, Noh said, assures that the upper Snake water stays available to the state should something similar happen in the future.

Sometimes a trickle, rarely a flood

It's winter, and that means as much as 800 cfs of water runs past Milner Dam — essentially the contents of a large tanker truck every second.

Of course, it doesn't all pass at one place. About one-fourth actually spills over the dam itself. The rest, Olmstead said, is diverted in winter through his company's main canal to a power plant a mile and a half upstream.

The result is a Snake River that for a brief stretch becomes a shadow of itself, winding its way through bare rocks and the narrow beginnings of the canyon.

Sitting nearly nine miles east of Murtaugh, the dam still serves the same purpose it always has, diverting water for four main canals — Twin Falls, North Side, Milner-Gooding and Milner Low Lift. Since 1993, it has also fed a power plant installed by Idaho Power during a dam reconstruction.

In winter, the companies run water through the power plant and use the small income to pay for the reconstruction, Olmstead said. During farming season, that water is added to what flows through their canals.

The power plant-canal combination is a distinctive one that in recent years has led the Magic Valley canal companies to side with Idaho Power more often than their eastern Idaho peers. During tight water years, all the irrigators — and the ag industry by extension — still depend on being able to drain the river, a system that actually gets more use out of the water than if it just carried on down the Snake, said water lawyer T.J. Budge.

"To a large extent, you get to use it twice," Budge said.

In summer months, irrigation diversions can take as much as 8,000 cfs out of the river, Olmstead said. In all but the worst drought years, the companies and Idaho Power keep at least 200 cfs flowing over the dam itself — though the power company now wants to put more of that through the power plant, he said.

About 40 percent of what ends up in the canals gets sucked up by crops. The remainder, he said, either seeps into the ground and returns to the Snake through its numerous springs, or is returned to the canyon through the canal system — not always in the best shape.

In tight water years, average flows can dip for about a month to just a trickle. U.S. Geological Survey records from the past 100 years, however, show that it's never actually reached zero — even now, when everyone largely agrees that too many water rights have been granted.

"It's a real unusual river," Olmstead noted.

Speed bump in the Snake

The zero-flow permission may be essential to irrigation. But it affects far more than just that.

The state's natural-resources agencies, for example, have had to adjust over time to the practice. Doug Megargle, regional fisheries manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, said he adopts a "make do with what we have" approach when it comes to supporting sturgeon and other fish downstream of Milner Dam. The near-drain of the river messes up the life cycles of the fish, depriving them of spawning habitat and other resources.

"When you alter the natural cycle of a river, anything dependent on that cycle has to adapt," he said.

Megargle helps those creatures do that. The reservoirs created by dams, for example, allow for bass fisheries that normally couldn't exist — as well as healthy areas to release fish, to the delight of anglers.

Sonny Buhidar, regional water quality manager for the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, noted that it's harder to keep a river clean when there's less water to dilute contaminants in. But he said he won't mind if Idaho Power reroutes most of the dam's minimum flow because what's there is just a trickle anyway.

"There's no water quality because there's no water," he said. "That's just the way it is."

Recreationists have also been touched by the dry canyon floor.

Sections of the river between the Milner and Twin Falls dams, including that near Murtaugh, can be floated in the spring, taking advantage of minimum flows for salmon and other events. Idaho Power is even required to provide recreational flows for four weekends between May 1 and June 30 each year, and posts information on its Web site for setting up a trip.

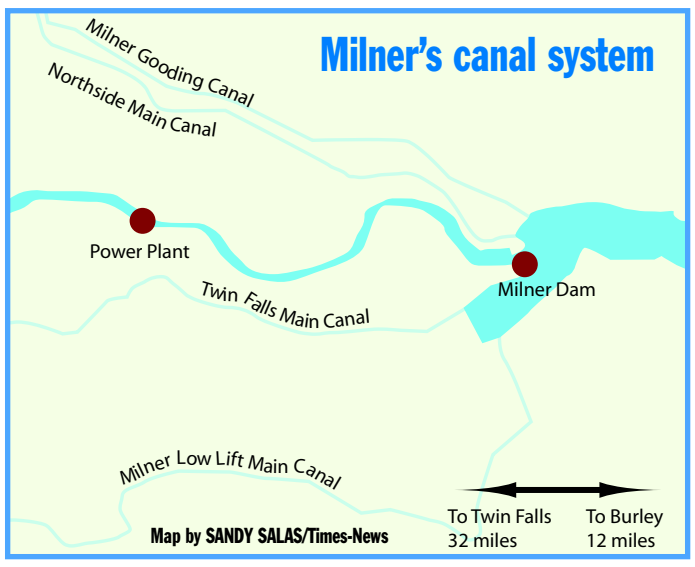
The result has been the occasional out-of-area, perplexed boater. In a story on a canoe trip published in Canoe & Kayak Magazine in March 2008, Jim Stanford wrote he was amazed at how thin the Snake became after Milner Dam, "as if the Empire State Building had been reduced to four stories." He wrote of the number of times he and his photographer had to portage over dry areas, and seemed appalled at the state of the river, describing his surroundings like "being at the bottom of a drained fish tank."

Olin Gardner, who with his wife runs Idaho Guide Service Inc. out of Twin Falls and Riggins, said he would like to see the dam's operators at least change the way they release water. It would make for better runs, he argues, which in turn would attract more outdoors enthusiasts — both seeking guides and rafting on their own — and improve the economy.

"For a private boater, it's developed into one of the premier day trips in the Northwest," he said, arguing that the environmental argument of releasing less water over a longer time doesn't hold up against the potential economic boost.

Olmstead's heard that argument. The canal manager defended the way the river is operated and took the argument further, suggesting that an uncontrolled Snake, without Milner or other dams, would be even worse and would only provide rafting for a few die-hard experts in the spring. He also flipped the economic argument around, noting the costs of taking extra water from irrigators.

"That's millions of dollars for every raft trip," he said.



Bridging the gap

The two pieces of the Snake aren't actually cleanly cut. In fact, at least two ongoing water-law cases will sort out a possible tie — whether efforts to recharge the aquifer upstream of Milner can involve water that would otherwise cross the gap.

Both cases involve Idaho Power, which doesn't necessarily view history through the same lens the state does. The company declined any direct comment for this article, instead pointing to legal filings to explain its point of view.

Objecting to a state filing that recounted the history of the Milner zero-flow policy, the company wrote in a filing last fall of the government's "misleading" portrayal of the policy as guiding the history of water development along the Snake. The company pointed out numerous agreements where its rights have bridged the divide.

"In short, long before the State developed its 'zero flow at Milner' policy, Idaho Power had rights which entitled it to flows for hydropower generation below Milner, and which continue to the present day," attorneys wrote, referring to storage rights at American Falls Reservoir.

That said, the hydropower rights have long been trumped by irrigation and similar uses above Milner. And the company doesn't appear to contest some form of the split.

"Idaho Power is not contesting here that its hydropower water rights are secondary to irrigation and other consumptive uses above Milner Dam," attorneys wrote. "That issue is settled."

The company has fought against expanding the divide, most recently the state's gradual attempt to put recharge at a higher priority than water for Milner. But even without recharge, the split is far from complete.

The Bureau of Reclamation helped muddy the issue in the 1990s when it negotiated flow augmentation water for downstream fish. And former Reclamation Commissioner John W. Keys III helped arrange the 2004 water-rights settlement with the Nez Perce Tribe that resolved a dispute over virtually all the water in the Snake and increased the extra flows — when water's available, that is.

Rich Rigby, a special assistant in Reclamation's Boise regional office, said the fish flows still have to be sorted out every year, but characterized them as "a real success story."

The two-river approach isn't unheard of on other rivers, he mused, but probably very few of those are the size of the Snake.

And the concept has held on in a state with a tumultuous water history. Though people involved in water issues are well aware of it, the general public should be more aware of how their river is handled, Noh said.

Olmstead agreed, saying the canal companies should do a little more public relations work.

"Irrigators are historically bad at getting their word out," he said.

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Huge crowd attends Twin Falls fifth-grader's funeral

By Damon Hunzeker
Times-News writer

As expected, people cried and grieved, but a less predictable emotion was also displayed at Chance Rowe's funeral — lots of laughter.

About 1,000 people attended a memorial service at the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley Saturday morning for Rowe, 10, who died Tuesday after falling out of his dad's truck Monday evening.

Many of the people in attendance wore blue and orange to acknowledge Rowe's favorite football team — Boise State.

Monique Marin's daughter attended Sawtooth Elementary with Rowe.

"A friend of my daughter's told me, 'I could be having the worst day in the world and when I saw him, he'd put a smile on my face.' The kids are all pretty broken up," Marin said on her way into the service.

Eric Clapton's "Tears in Heaven" complemented a slideshow featuring pictures from Rowe's life behind a sign that read, "In Memory of Chance."

But the tears subsided when "Crank Dat" by Soulja Boy blared through the speakers — the poignant pictures replaced by shots of Rowe dancing in a purple mohawk.

Some people told stories of Rowe playing basketball and football. Others just said he made them laugh.

"He was a north and south runner," Sawtooth Assistant Principal Jim Brown said. "He'd put his head down and run until he was on the ground."

Rowe was a member of the junior staff at the Boys and Girls Club — rare for a 10-year-old, Sam Fowler, the executive director, said.

Fowler brought a copy of Rowe's application and read some of Chance's own words to the packed crowd, many of whom were forced to stand in the hall or sit on the floor.

In response to a question on the application about how he would handle a high-stress situation, he answered, "Cool down, sit down, and take it easy."

When asked what made him a leader, he answered, "I do teamwork. I participate. I have manners, and I'm loyal."

After the service, hundreds of blue and orange balloons were released into the sky.

Rowe, who was born premature at a little more than two pounds, endured and conquered physical challenges throughout his life.

All First Federal Bank locations are handling donations to help the family pay for medical and funeral expenses.

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Family and friends of Chance Rowe fill the gymnasium at the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley during a memorial service Saturday morning in Twin Falls. Photos by JUSTIN JACKSON/ Times-News

Family and friends of 10-year-old Chance Rowe walk into the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley for a memorial service Saturday morning in Twin Falls. Rowe died Tuesday after falling out of his dad's truck Monday evening.

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Car collides with bull north of Rupert

By Laurie Welch
Times-News writer

A Rupert man driving on North Meridian Road in Minidoka County struck a bull head-on Thursday and had to be extricated from his vehicle. The bull did not survive the accident.

Lucas O. Bossard, 31, was traveling on North Meridian near the 600 North intersection when the collision occurred at 6:47 p.m., according to the Minidoka County Sheriff's report.

Bossard was driving his 2009 gray Toyota Corolla northbound on North Meridian when he came over a hill and struck the 2,000-pound black bull.

There were no passengers in Bossard's vehicle.

The bull belonged to Nathan D. Mort of Rupert and according to the sheriff's report was standing on the roadway when Bossard hit it.

The loss of the animal was reported at $2,000 and Bossard's vehicle sustained $20,000 in damage, the report said.

After Bossard was extricated from the wreckage he was transported by ambulance to Minidoka Memorial Hospital. The report indicated Bossard sustained non-incapacitating injuries.

The report did not indicate that any citations were issued and said there were no contributing circumstances to the crash and the roadway was dry when the incident occurred.

Bossard was wearing his seat belt and the airbags in his vehicle deployed during the crash, the report said.

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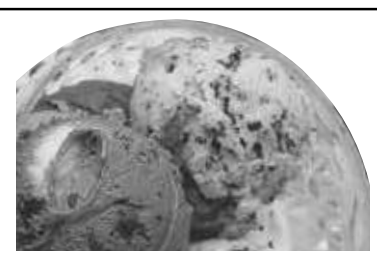

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Simon ekes out win at Boulder Mountain Tour

Zack Simon was in first place as the racers neared Baker Creek, about halfway down the Boulder Mountain Tour course.

KAREN BOSSICK/ For the Times-News

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

The 34th Wells Fargo Boulder Mountain Tour took one hour and 10 minutes to race Saturday. And another 15 minutes to determine the victor.

Six race officials awarded the victory to Rossignol racer Zack Simon after viewing the photo finish shots for 15 minutes.

Simon won't ever skip yoga stretching exercises again.

It was Simon's move — stretching across the finish line — that gave him the edge over Marshall Greene.

"He won by a millimeter, if that," said race organizer Kevin Swigert.

Simon, who races for Rossignol, won the Boulder three years ago as well.

"Today's conditions made it hard to get away from one another, but that's kind of the nature of this course," he said of the 20-mile race course from Galena Lodge to Sawtooth National Recreation Area headquarters.

Simon said he owes his victory to fellow racer Billy Demong, who turned up the pace with three kilometers left.

"He made a good move, and that made me turn it up a notch," Simon said.

Marshall Greene, the oh-so-close runner up, said he snuck up on Simon right at the end and had just pulled alongside him as the finish line came in sight.

"The conditions were nice and fast, it was a great venue," said Greene, an Alpina team racer who was racing the Boulder for the fourth time.

About 700 racers toed the starting line in Senate Meadows near Galena Lodge as the air horn sounded at 10 a.m.

Organizers had thought the racers might break the old record of one hour and six minutes. But a couple inches of snow fell on the course Friday, keeping the speed down.

The sun and warm temperatures brought out dozens of spectators who lined the snow road volunteers built across Highway 75 south of Galena Lodge. And many followed the racers on down the highway — from the comfort of their SUVs — as they cheered on hometown boy Mike Sinnott who finished just short of medaling.

Rebecca Dussault, a former Olympian and a 28-year-old mother of two from Gunnison, Colo., was the top female finisher, cruising the course in one hour and 17 minutes. She also won the Boulder five years ago.

"I haven't raced with this many high-quality women this year," said the Saab-Solomon skier.

"I was beginning to wonder: How can I drop these guys? The Boulder is a hard course to separate yourself from the pack, because there are not very many uphills — and that's usually where I can pull away. But, finally, we got a little bit of a gap and I decided: I'm going to see if I can push it all the way."

Karen Bossick may be reached at 208-578-2111 or kbossick@cox-internet.com.

Top finishers:

Men
1: Zack Simon, 1 hour 10 minutes 55 seconds.
2: Marshall Greene
3: Bryan Fletcher

Women
1: Rebecca Dussault, 1 hour 17 minutes 45 seconds
2: Kristin Trystad-Saari
3: Evelyn Dong

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More co-worker couples losing both incomes at once

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Parent company of Magic Valley Bank receives $27M through TARP

State officials say federal investment does not indicate instability

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

Intermountain Bancorp, which owns Magic Valley Bank, received $27 million in exchange for preferred stock as part of the federal government's Troubled Asset Relief Program.

Idaho Department of Finance officials confirmed that the bank is participating in the program, but were quick to point out that the bank is not in any financial trouble.

The Idaho chartered bank, which is based in Sandpoint but has two branches in Twin Falls and one in Gooding, is listed among more than 300 banks on the U.S. Treasury Department's transaction report for January — a list of about 300 banks in the U.S. that are taking part in the program.

"(Intermountain Bancorp) is taking part in the Capital Purchase Program that is part of the Troubled Asset Relief Program," said Idaho Department of Finance Bureau Chief Mary Hughes. "But we can't stress enough that this program is only available to healthy banks."

The capital purchase program, also known as CPP, allows the U.S. Treasury to purchase preferred stock from S-Corp banks in exchange for low interest loans.

The program, which injects the banking system with capital for business and consumer loans, was labeled by some congressional leaders in January as a "bailout."

U.S. Treasury and state finance officials say the money is a loan that will be paid back with interest — they add that healthy banks have been encouraged to apply for the program.

"The term 'bailout' does not apply to this program," said Gavin Gee, director of Idaho Department of Finance. "It's use does a disservice to the banks that participate, and is misleading to the public."

Intermountain Bancorp, as well as its subsidiary, Magic Valley Bank, have not said what they will do with the CPP money.

Repeated calls from the *Times-News* to Magic Valley Bank were not returned.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, FDIC, requires that all banks participating in the program must report on how the money is used.

However, other banks in south-central Idaho chose

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MEGA-MONDAY

Tighter conditions expected on banks getting bailout cash; Geithner to unveil plan Monday

By Martin Crutsinger
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration will impose tighter conditions on banks receiving money under the $700 billion financial rescue program but for now is not expected to ask Congress for more money in its sweeping overhaul of the bailout, industry and congressional officials said Friday.

The decision not to request more money would be a relief to lawmakers, given that the administration is unveiling its changes in the midst of a debate over an economic recovery package that's expected to cost around $800 billion.

The program Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner is scheduled to unveil in a speech Monday could cost more than the $350 billion still unspent in the Troubled Asset Relief Program, or TARP. But officials said the administration would have room to overhaul how the program works before determining whether to seek more money from Congress.

"Some of the reforms can be paid for without a new appropriation," one official familiar with the plan said.

The industry and congressional officials who spoke did so on condition of anonymity because the administration had not yet publicly released details of the program.

Key members of Congress had urged the administration not to request more money for the rescue program. Congress approved the $700 billion program last fall, but since then, many lawmakers have complained that the Bush administration implemented a confused and ad hoc strategy.

"Until they are successful in showing the average American that the money is being used reasonably, there's no point in asking for it, because they won't get it," House Financial Services Committee Chairman Barney Frank, D-Mass., said this week.

The administration declined Friday to provide any specifics of what will be in Geithner's new plan to address the worst financial crisis to hit the country in seven decades. But the Treasury Department said the revamped plan would offer a comprehensive way to stabilize the financial system, while strengthening accountability, oversight and transparency to protect taxpayer money.

Industry and congressional officials said they thought the administration would continue to stress government purchases of bank stock as a way to bolster banks' balance sheets and to try to get them to resume more normal lending.

But these officials said they believed the administration would impose tougher terms on the banks receiving money than in the first round of spending. One official said the new terms will include requirements that banks that accept the next round of money work to get bad assets off their books.

The industry and congressional sources said they believed the new plan would also make broader use of government guarantees of bad assets that banks are carrying on their books. Those bad

See **MONDAY**, Business 3

AP photo

Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner, right, convenes his first meeting as chairman of the President's Working Group on Financial Markets, Thursday at the Treasury Department in Washington. From left are, National Economic Council Director Lawrence Summers, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Chairman Sheila Bair, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke, Geithner, and Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Mary Schapiro.

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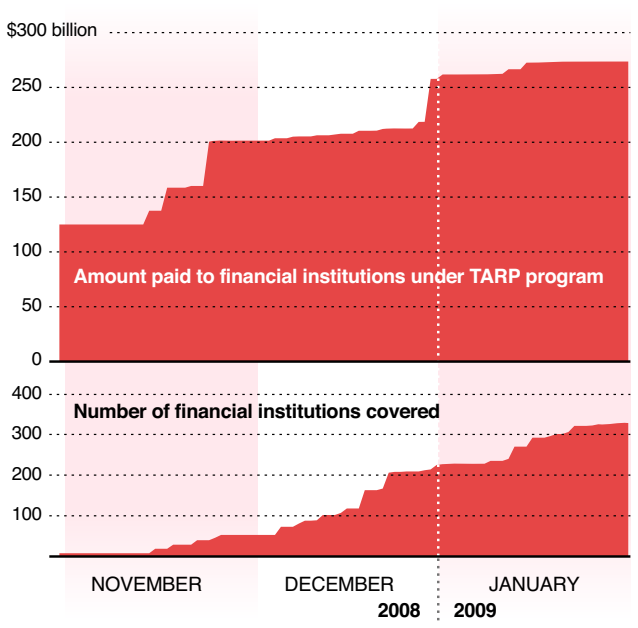
> **— Barney Frank, D-Mass, House Financial Services Committee Chairman**

Billions pumped into banks

The government rolled out a $700 billion bailout last year, known as the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP), hoping that injecting money into banks would expand lending and ease the credit crisis.



NOTE: Statistics include AIG, Chrysler and GM financing program.

SOURCE: Keefe, Bruyette & Woods AP

Stumbling on their sense of entitlement

STEVEN PEARLSTEIN

Tom Daschle still doesn't get it.

John Thain never did.

Barack Obama gets it sometimes, Nancy Pelosi and John Boehner not so much.

Corporate executives think they get it but aren't even close.

College presidents, governors and union leaders, for the most part, don't have a clue.

"It" is an understanding of how fundamentally the political and economic environment has been transformed with the bursting of the bubble economy and how that has jeopardized basic assumptions and expectations and the way we do what we do.

Tom Daschle's problem wasn't that he didn't pay his taxes.

It was that he — along with those who vetted his nomination as health and human services secretary and many of his colleagues in the Senate — found it perfectly ordinary and acceptable that he would be able to cash in on his time in the Senate by earning more than $5 million over two years as a law-firm rainmaker, equity fund-raiser, corporate director and luncheon speaker, all the while being driven around town in a chauffeured town car.

Not exactly Cincinnatus returning to the plow.

For the American public, Daschle became the latest symbol of everything that is wrong with Washington — the influence-peddling and corner-cutting and sacrifice of the public good to private interest. Now that this system has let them down, and left them poorer and anxious about the future, people are angry about it and no longer willing to accept the corruption of the public process

See **PEARLSTEIN**, Business 5

T.F. Chamber announces new Web site at annual banquet

Site emphasizes tourism in area

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce announced the launch of its new website that draws attention to tourism in south-central Idaho.

Chamber officials say they are promoting tourism in the region through podcasts — a way to publish audio and video via the internet — to market the community's economic vitality and quality of life.

Current podcasts cover topics that are unique to south-central Idaho such as BASE jumping, Twin Falls Area History, City of Rocks, the Herrett Center and the region's outdoor recreation opportunities.

"We are trying to do a better job of integrating tourism into our business community," said Shawn Barigar, president and CEO of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

"Right now, tourism is the third largest component to the Idaho economy, and we really want our chamber members to know that."

Barigar added that the chamber received a grant

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Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce 2009 awards

Volunteer of the year
Juliet Ridgeway, Cedar Lanes

1st charter member
Red's Trading Post

2nd charter member
Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company

Rookies of the year
Twin Falls Taxi
Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center

Curtis T. Eaton award
Bill Kyle, Donna Kyle, and Darren Kyle

Person of the year
Phil Hafer
John Reeder

Lifetime achievement
Leon Smith
Floretta Slatter

YOUR BUSINESS

MILESTONES

CHAMBER AMBASSADORS

Courtesy photo

Pictured from left are the 2009 Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors, front row, Kae Cameron, Shauna Kraus, past president, Jared Simkins, Adam Haynes, president, Carleen Clayville, secretary, Ward Maxfield, treasurer; back row, Paul Lyons, Burley Mayor Jon Anderson, Terri McBride, Jayne Runyan, Pat Campbell, Tressa Toner, Michelle Campbell, Tina Hansson, Ben Nelson, Audrey Neiwerth, Ty Osterhout, and Heyburn Mayor George Anderson. The Ambassadors look forward to welcoming new businesses to the community. If you would like to schedule a ribbon cutting or learn more about the Ambassadors, call the Chamber of Commerce at 679-4793.

CHAMBER BOARD

Courtesy photo

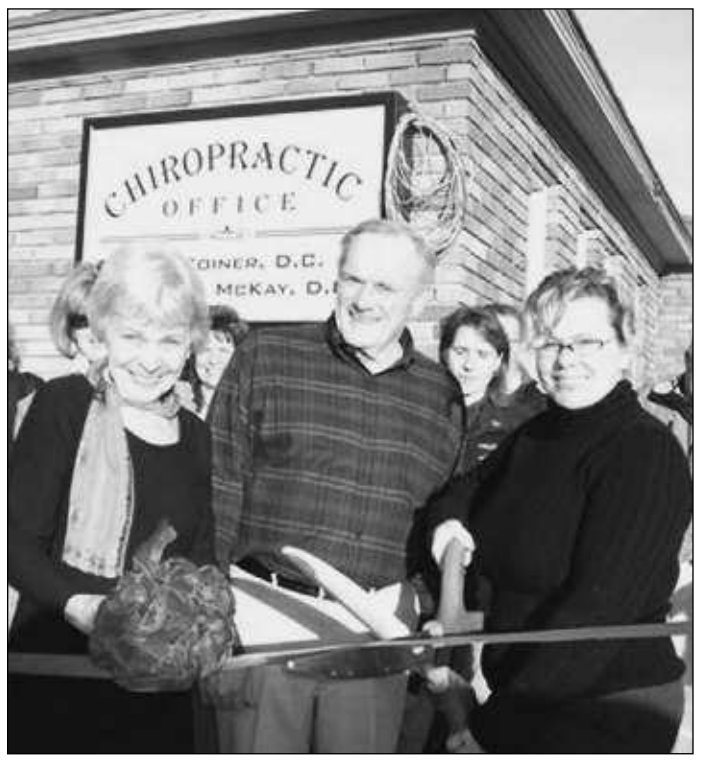
Pictured is the 2009 Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce board of directors, from left, front left, David Nebeker, 1st vice president; Brent Tolman, president; David Hruza, 2nd vice president; Annette Braegger, past president; back row, Chimene Smith, Brent Stoker, Dr. Ron Christensen, Ken Harman, Darrin Preece, Shauna Kraus, Cathy Kraus, and Ward Maxfield.

REALTOR LEADERSHIP

Courtesy photo

The South Central Chapter of the Women's Council of Realtors has elected new leadership positions for 2009 as follows: Linda Ekren, Canyonside Irwin Realty, President; Connie Herbert, Silver Sage Realty, President Elect; Joy Eckhardt, Westerra Real Estate, Vice President of Membership; Juli Lee, Magic Valley Realty, Secretary; and Pam Canoy, Republic Mortgage, Treasurer. In addition Bonnie Boeker will serve the Council as Past President. WCR is a network of successful realtors and affiliates who empower members to exercise their potential as entrepreneurs and industry leaders. They have over 290 chapters and 16,000 members and holds business resource luncheons once a month on a local level. The South Central chapter received the WCR's highest award, the Gold award for Chapter excellence. In addition, the Idaho State Chapter was awarded the State Chapter of the Year for 2007. Pictured from left, Connie Herbert, Pam Canoy, Joy Eckhardt, Linda Ekren, Juli Lee, Bonnie Boeker.

NEW CHIROPRACTOR



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Dr. Kathleen McKay, chiropractor, located at 777 Addison Ave. in Twin Falls, held a ribbon cutting recently along with the Twin Falls Area Chamber's Ambassadors. McKay is new member of the Chamber and is an active Chamber Ambassador. A chiropractor affects your nervous system allowing your brain to talk to every part of your body. She can help patients with all of their chiropractic needs. Information: 734-2343. Pictured, Betty and Ken McKay standing beside their daughter, Dr. Kathleen McKay.

Haskin Insurance an Advantage Agent

The Farmers Alliance Companies in McPherson, Kan., announced that Haskin Insurance Services Inc. in Rupert has been named a Farmers Alliance Advantage Agent for 2009. To qualify as an Advantage Agent, an agency must exhibit superior professionalism and profitability over five consecutive years.

Advantage agents are recognized by Farmers Alliance as the "best of the best." To reach this level of distinction is a reflection of an agency's commitment to customers and community. The Farmers Alliance Companies are represented by independent agents and serve nine states. Farmers Alliance was established in 1888 and writes a full range of property and liability insurance for homes, farms and commercial businesses. Haskin Insurance Services Inc. is at 518 Oneida St., Rupert. Information: Mike Haskin at 436-4141.

CONTRIBUTIONS

D.L. EVANS BANK

Courtesy photo

D.L. Evans Bank was proud to take part in collecting food for the Twin Falls Food Bank and Burley Christmas Council. During the month of December, D.L. Evans Bank Premier Club Members could attend a movie at no cost with a donation of a canned food item. With our Premier Club Members, we were able to raise over 700 canned food items. D.L. Evans Bank is very thankful to have such generous club members to help support our local economy. Pictured, Dan Lloyd; Shelly Wolf; Tina Harman; Carla Blincoe, Premier Club Member; Valerie Kelsey.

Workers give back to communities

Each year, employees at Idaho Central Credit Union give back to the communities where they live and work, and 2008 was no exception.

As part of the Idaho Central Community Involvement Program, employees are encouraged to contribute their own time to a project or event and to give a monetary donation to the cause of their choice.

This year ICCU contributed over $49,800 to non-profit organizations through team member donations, money raised by team members, corporate sponsorships, and manager community involvement funds. Team members of ICCU also volunteered a total of 1,515 hours in their local communities.

In 2008, ICCU employees supported these local non-profit organizations: Relay for Life, March of Dimes, Red Cross Blood Drive, Paint Fest, Paint the Town, Parade of Homes, United Way Annual Campaign, Idaho Food Bank, Toys for Tots, Silver Sage Girl Scouts, and many more.

Idaho Central Credit Union donated a total of $4,273 to local, non-profit organizations in 2008 as part of their Coins That Care program. The organizations who received donations include:

Treasure Valley – Children's Home Society of Idaho and Advocates Against Family Violence

Magic Valley — Mini-Cassia Shelter for Women and Children and the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind

Eastern Idaho — Aid for Friends and Bingham County Crisis Center

Non-profit organizations interested in being part of the Coins That Care program may pick up an application at any Idaho Central Credit Union location. Information: Laura Colborn 637-8317.

CAREER MOVES

Angela Roberts and Jessica Tueller

The Jerome Public Library announced the addition of two new employees.

Roberts

Angela Roberts has been hired as the children's programmer where she will be responsible for weekly story times, summer reading events, and various outreach programs going on through the year. She attended college at Southern Utah University in Cedar City, Utah, where she pursed an education in Botany and Utah State University in Logan, Utah, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Conservation Ecology. She has spent numerous volunteer hours at local elementary schools, nature centers and boys and girls clubs teaching children about outdoor activities.

Tueller

Jessica Tueller will be responsible for library operations and will assist the director with grant writing and ILS implementation activities. She attended the University of Idaho, where she double-majored in History and English: Professional Emphasis. While there, she lived and worked in the last university-run cooperative in Idaho, the Ethel Steel House. She worked with the Latah Historical Society on the McConnell Mansion preservation project and also completed an internship with the Martin Institute for Peace Studies researching the development of peacekeeping in Africa.

Becky Curtis

Curtis

First Federal's **Becky Curtis**, vice president, human resource manager received the Senior Professional Human Resource designation.

Curtis has been with First Federal since 2003 and is a graduate of Northwest Intermediate Banking School.

Grant Bodily

Bodily

Grant Bodily, assistant vice president commercial loan officer, for D.L. Evans Bank, South Pocatello Branch has been awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

The award is given to those instructors with over 35,000 student hours of time providing education on the basics of gun safety, outdoor survival, wildlife identification, conservation, as well as insight into funding sources to provide wildlife to hunters.

Bob Barton

Barton

Cleary Building Corp. held its National Sales Meeting in Milwaukee, Wis., on Jan. 23. The company recognized **Bob Barton,** building sales specialist based out of Hazelton for achieving The 10 Million Dollar Club.

Barton has been employed with Cleary Building Corp. since 2004 and has sold 586 units for $10,329,074. In addition to this award, he also received the President's Award for sales greater than $1,200,000 in 2008.

Amy Kesner

D.L. Evans Bank announced that **Amy Kesner**, assistant vice president, was honored at the National Association of Women Business Owners Gala on Jan. 24. The event celebrated the accomplishment of women in business.

Kesner joined D.L. Evans Bank in 2000, and has been responsible for setting up new branches, bank security, fraud prevention, and liaison to the administrative office.

Marjorie Bernier

Bernier

Marjorie Bernier, office specialist in the Trade and Industry Division at the College of Southern Idaho, was recently awarded the 2008 CSI Classified Employee of the Year by CSI's Professional and Classified Employee organization.

Bernier has worked at CSI for 15 years and was nominated by her peers for the respect with which she treats all students, going the extra mile to help faculty, staff, and students, and for her professional dedication. She received a $1,000 stipend and additional training of her choosing.

Chris Anderson

Anderson

Chris Anderson, production specialist at the Faulkner Planetarium and coordinator of the Herrett Center's Centennial Observatory, was recently awarded the 2008 CSI Professional Employee of the Year by CSI's Professional and Classified Employee organization.

Anderson has worked at the college for 13 years and was nominated by his peers for his commitment well beyond the hours his job requires and the vast array of knowledge and experience he eagerly shares with students and the community. He received a $1,000 stipend and additional training of his choosing.

We want YOUR BUSINESS news

We welcome announcements about new businesses as well as employee changes or advancements.

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The deadline to submit an announcement for the following Sunday is Wednesday at noon.

Announcements must be 150 words or less. The Times-News reserves the right to edit content.

Homebuyers becoming frugal to save for down payments

By J.W. Elphinstone
Associated Press writer

AP photo

A for sale sign is posted near some new homes, Jan. 22 in Lebanon, Ohio. New data this week showed that Americans are saving more than they have in months, and while that's bad news for retailers, it could be good news for the crippled housing market.

She's not ready to audition for the Top Chef TV show, but Nicole Nagel's home cooking is helping her save for a house. The Miami resident is skipping fancy restaurants so she has enough money for a down payment.

"I've had a lot of a bad meals, but they're sacrifices I need to make," said the 29-year-old marketing manager, who hopes to have $20,000 saved by this summer to buy a two-bedroom condo for $250,000.

Americans are saving more than they have in months, new data this week showed. And while that's bad news for retailers and restaurateurs, it could be good news for the crippled housing market. Many potential homebuyers say they've stopped eating out, going to movies, buying iTunes and other nonessentials to save money for larger down payments that lenders now are demanding.

Lenders want buyers with between 20 percent and 25 percent of house price in cash, said Guy Cecala, publisher of Inside Mortgage Finance. Even loans insured by the Federal Housing Administration, a popular option for first-time homebuyers, now require at least 3.5 percent down, up from 3 percent last year.

"Everybody in America better be saving if they want to buy a house these days," Cecala said.

And they're starting to. The personal savings rate rose to 3.6 percent in December and averaged 1.7 percent for 2008, the government said Monday. That's nearly three times the 2007 rate and far above the seven-decade low of 0.4 percent in 2004 — when lenders were wheeling and dealing in no-money-down mortgages.

Of course, many people are saving anew because they are worried about losing their jobs or because the stock market has obliterated their retirement accounts.

But newlyweds Scott and Emily Russell are pinching pennies so they can move out of their one-bedroom condo into a three-bedroom house with a big yard and kitchen. Emily, a high school English teacher in Atlanta, is curbing her clothing splurges, while Scott, a litigation technology consultant, has cut back on his $100 golf outings. They're eating in more and taking leftovers to work with a goal of saving $36,000 by Christmas.

"We've decided to stay put for a while and save some money; do it the right way," said Scott Russell, 30.

Aspiring homebuyers should also get a little financial boost from Uncle Sam. This week, the Senate passed a plan to give homebuyers a tax credit of 10 percent of the value of new or existing homes, up to a $15,000 limit.

The program, if added to the economic stimulus package, would replace a temporary $7,500 credit for first-time homebuyers that was passed last summer.

ChaVonne Gilzean of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., is crossing her fingers for a bigger tax credit, but she still needs some time to put away $4,200 by October to buy a $100,000 townhouse using an FHA loan. That means no new earrings or shoes. No iTunes either, said the 26-year-old health administrator.

She also plans to pay off her $2,700 credit card debt with her tax refund. And she has set up two automatic monthly transfers into her savings account.

"I did it so it wouldn't hurt so bad," Gilzean said with a laugh.

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assets are helping to stifle lending.

The Bush administration used government guarantees in November when it agreed to limit Citigroup's losses on a portfolio of $301 billion of troubled assets.

It used the same approach last month, when it agreed to provide increased support to Bank of America by covering $118 billion of that bank's troubled assets.

The administration's new plan is likely to include at least a limited effort to buy banks' bad assets. One possibility is to use a new lending facility the Federal Reserve is developing called the Term Asset-Backed Securities Loan Facility, these officials said. The Fed on Friday announced new terms and conditions for this program and said a date for it to begin would be announced later this month.

But the program to buy bad assets is expected to be much smaller than the so-called "bad bank" the administration had considered creating to take some toxic assets off banks' books.

Industry and congressional officials said the administration felt such an approach would be too costly and could prove harmful if the purchase of toxic assets forced other banks to revalue similar assets being carried on their books. Some estimates said it could cost more than $1 trillion.

Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., an influential voice on banking matters, had said this week that he did not support the bad bank approach. He instead favored having the government provide guarantees for troubled assets.

The Bush administration committed the first $350 billion from the rescue fund that Congress approved on Oct. 3, leaving the second $350 billion for the new administration.

Obama's team has said it would devote up to $100 billion of the remaining money to help combat a wave of mortgage foreclosures. That could leave only $250 billion to pursue further efforts to bolster banks' balance sheets and get them to resume more normal lending.

Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy.com, said he thinks the administration will eventually need to request another $350 billion from Congress — on top of the $700 billion that's already been approved, given the scope of the bad assets banks are carrying. He said the new administration may find that financial markets are not reassured by its new program without the commitment of additional money.

"If the markets don't believe the government is going to do what is necessary, then the new plan is not going to work," Zandi said. "To clear this mess up, people have to feel confident that the government is going to step into the breach aggressively."

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not to take part in the program because it would prove costly over the long term.

"Right now we really don't see a need to participate," said Alan Horner, president and CEO of First Federal Bank.

"We believe that it would be the most costly fund on our books, so we have avoided it."

Horner did not rule out the option of participating in the program, adding that further declines in the economy could make the program more appealing.

Still, First Federal and other banks in south-central Idaho are not seeing declines in deposits, which are usually used to finance loans for other customers.

Syringa Bancorp and Idaho Bancorp, both based in Boise, were also listed on the report.

The total amount of TARP funds administered to all three banks in Idaho was about $42 million as of January.

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from the Idaho Travel Council to provide the promotional multimedia about tourism in south-central Idaho.

The chamber worked with Southern Idaho Tourism to create the promotional pieces and podcasts, which can be downloaded to digital media players.

The website also includes the community's first business-to-business networking site, which allows chamber members to interact online with other chamber members.

Barigar said the success of the networking site will depend on the level membership participation.

New board members

John Gibson, Farmer's National Bank
Wayne Bohrn, All-Rite Siding & Construction
Mark Goodman, Goodman Electric Motors
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Building permits

CITY OF BURLEY
Sparr McKnight; 2601 Washington Ave.; warehouse; $320,000.
TKO, 917 Zion; new house; $95,596.
Ernest Bell; 235 W. 25th St.; garage; $10,000.
DOT Foods, Inc.; 1541 W. 27th St.; commercial remodel; $9,000.08.
Greg Peterso;, 2701 Mt. Harrison; new house; $155, 263.
Cassia Jt. School District No. 151; 2100 Park Ave.; new building; $60,000.
Kauffman Medical Suite; 1945 Hiland; new sign; $2,400.
Instant Auto Credit; 504 E. Main; new signs; $1,800.
JLA Salon, 709 N. Overland, Suite B; new sign; $2,400.
Mike McGill; 370 N. Burton Ave.; shop; $20,000.
Modern Construction; 2609 Miller Ave.; new house; $203,212.
Elliot Traher; 1057 Oakwood; new house; $179,568.
Cody Liljenquist; 1700 Overland; remodel storage/treatment rooms; $25,000.
David and Lorna Phillips; 1400 Pomerelle St.; alteration; $5,000.
Jose Delgado; 335 W. 3rd St. N.; carport; $3,000.
Burley Inn; 800 N. Overland; new cabinet/sign; $11,600/$43,700.
SUBHED:Cassia County
TKO Construction; 41 E. 210 S., Burley; new house; $130,679.
TKO Construction; 50 W. 160 S., Burley; new house; $93,664.
TKO Construction; 312 Ranchette Drive, Burley; new house; $121,431.
James and Maria Fitzhugh; 481 S. 50 E., Burley; garage/shop; $50,400.
CITY OF RUPERT
Lance Stevenson, 715 6th St.; remodel; $4,000.
Juan Dominguez, 206 Linden; addition; $16,704.
Lance Stevenson, 715 6th St.; garage; $8,360.
Arturo Dominguez, 123 I St.; addition; $19,140.
Ramiro Ruiz, 510 S. C St.; re-roof; $3,000.
TDW Enterprises, 1524 A St.; $2,000.
CITY OF HEYBURN
Bryon Larson; 1535 15th St.; multi-unit house; $58,000.
Jim Stone; 1860 Brockie Ave.; garage; $9,720.
Rex Schorzman; 300 18th St.; shop; $16,704
Ned Seamons; 2109 Mona Ave.; carport; $2,128.
Bill Loughmiller; 820 J St.; new commercial; $111,264.
Mettler Construction, 480 22nd St.; finish top floor; $65,882.
CITY OF PAUL
James Ray Construction; 662 Crocus; $78,407.
Ray Greer; 224 N. 4th E.; addition; $16,704.
MINIDOKA COUNTY
Jared Orton; 608 S. 125 Ln. W., Rupert; new home; $132,536.
Minidoka County; 715 G. St., Rupert; remodel.
Frank Suchan, 413 W. 100 S., Rupert; re-roof/re-side.
Paul Aston, 283 E. 350 N., Rupert; finish interior; $32,472.
Clay Harrison, 350 S. 1250 W., Paul; garage; $8,640.
Amalgamated Sugar; 50 S. 500 W., Paul; commercial building; $41,600.
Amalgamated Sugar; 50 S. 500 W., Paul; commercial building; $90,000.
Juvenito Juarez; 314 S. 500 W., Heyburn; new house; $94,986.
Ken Slack; 496 S. 100 W., Rupert; foundation; $4,048.
Les Tyler; 496 S. 100 W., Rupert; re-roof; $1,600.
Roger Fairchild; 101 S. 161 W., Rupert; re-roof; $1,620.
Delis Farms; 20 S. 500 W., Paul; re-siding; $3,000.
Sprinkler Shop; 365 W. 100 S., Paul; re-siding; $55,000.
Wayment; 269 N. 125 W., Rupert; garage; $9,120.
Adan Arteaga, 20311 4th St., Acequia; mobile home placement; $93,300.
CITY OF TWIN FALLS
D R Callen, 2120 E. 2200 N., Twin Falls; manufactured home; $64,621.
Tyler and Brea Wayment, 3046 N. 3422 E., Kimberly; detached garage; $109,148.
Dell and April Jaynes, 4178 N. 1000 E., Buhl; shop; $80,520.
Kenneth and Estella Aston, 3106 N. 2200 E., Twin Falls; garage; $35,555.
Randy Crowley, 565 Sparks St.; addition; $29,276.
Gary L. Young, 331 Fillmore St.; garage addition; $14,750.
Stan McLauchlin, 1979 11th Ave. E.; shop and carport; $19,059.
TKO Construction, 656 Braden Court; new house; $109,405.
Mtn. States Wireless, 1485 Pole Line Road E., No. 257; tenant improvement; no value listed.
Road Works Ahead Construction Supply, 729 Commercial Ave.; new storage building; $61,441.
Met Life, 1411 Falls Ave. E., No. 101; sign; $600.
Stinker Station, 2259 Addison Ave.; replace sign; no value listed.
EHM Engineers, 115 Filer Ave.; tenant improvement; $13,500.
JCS Property, 344 Second Ave. N.; sign; $2,300.
Motel 6, 1472 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.; remodel seven guest rooms with handicapped bathrooms; $39,200; exterior accessibility; $1,428.
Sunshine Kids, 2013 Addison Ave. E.; wall sign; $508.
La Estrella, 103 Addison Ave. W.; sign; $80.
GOODING COUNTY
Pat sabala, 1608 E. 1600 S., Gooding; pole barn; $18,000.
Jim Scarrow, US HWY. 30, Hagerman; new house; $395,876.
Kick Woolman, 3002 S. 1200 E., Hagerman; garage; $25,344.

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Pam Podger, center right, and John Cramer, center left, two journalists who moved cross country to start jobs at the Missoulian newspaper and were laid off at the same time a week later, pose for a photo with their children Jack, right, and Luke at their home in Missoula, Mont.

More co-worker couples losing both incomes at once

By Melissa Nelson
Associated Press writer

It is a well-known risk to lack diversity in an investment portfolio. Now, couples employed by the same company are learning a similar lesson, the hard way.

As layoffs mount across the country and in all sectors, couples who are co-workers are increasingly vulnerable to losing their families' twin sources of income at once. The lack of variety in job skills can also make it difficult to bounce back, especially in a struggling industry.

Such hard times have befallen Clarkston, Mich., high school sweethearts Victor and Lauri Cox, who married in 1976 and soon took jobs at the General Motors plant; Pam Podger and John Cramer, who met as reporters at The Fresno Bee in California in 1991; and Chad and Lindsey Lewis, who prospered while selling homes for a Tampa builder but now face a more than 60 percent drop in there combined income.

Chad Lewis said the experience "hit us really hard," forcing them to dip into savings in order to afford health insurance and other necessities. But they have found a silver lining: "There is someone there to rely on, to go through this with you."

It may seem harsh for an employer to lay off both spouses simultaneously. But companies risk lawsuits and union contract violations if they consider workers' family status in determining who to eliminate.

And whatever the financial risks, it is simply unrealistic to expect couples who fall in love on the job or while studying the same field in school to be thinking about revenue diversification, said Stephanie Coontz, a family studies professor at Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash.

"I imagine that people will try to be more thoughtful about not putting all their economic eggs in the same basket, but I doubt if they will start trying to meet people outside their field just for economic reasons," Coontz said.

People searching for a lifetime partner say the idea of choosing mates based on their careers would add too much complication to an already difficult process.

"Most of the single people I know are happy just to find another single person they get along with let alone worry about what kind of job they have," said Margaret Warren, 45, a Pensacola artist and computer consultant who dates a restorer of antique automobiles.

It was a shared love of journalism that helped spark romance between Pam Podger and John Cramer.

When the Roanoke Times in Virginia began cutting costs and offering early retirements last year, the couple jumped ship and thought they had found safe harbor at The Missoulian, a 40,000-circulation newspaper in Missoula, Mont.

Less than 10 months later, the publisher laid them off, unsettling the new life they had begun with their two toddlers.

"Do I wish one of us had a sudden yen to go into medicine, law, business? Sure, some days," Podger said.

Former Texas Instruments chairman dead at 86

DALLAS (AP) — Mark Shepherd Jr., a former Texas Instruments Inc. chairman who helped convert it into an electronics giants during a 40-year career, has died, according to TI's chairman.

Shepherd, 86, died Wednesday of complications from pulmonary fibrosis at his ranch in Quitman, Texas.

He played a leading role in the creation of the semiconductor industry and "was a driving force in establishing TI as one of the first global electronics companies," said Rich Templeton, TI's chairman, president and chief executive, in Thursday's online edition of The Dallas Morning News.

TI's innovations during his career included transistor radios, hand-held calculators and semiconductors that changed the way people around the world live.

When he was six-years-old, Shepherd built a vacuum tube in his garage and a year later made his first radio. He graduated from high school at 14.

While attending his father's funeral, he noticed a new building in Dallas for Geophysical Service Inc., an oilfield services company that was about to become Texas Instruments. He went to work for TI in 1948 as a project engineer. He rose through the ranks to become TI's chief engineer, assistant vice president and general manager of the semiconductor components division.

In 1962, Life magazine hailed him as one of the 100 most important young people in the nation.

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Pearlstein

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and the whole notion of public service.

The irony, of course, is that Barack Obama understood all this and tapped into Americans' frustration as the central message of his "change" campaign. But even he, with only four years in Washington, failed to see the depth of the problem or anticipate the ferocity of the backlash.

Obama's first mistake was to hand the keys of the transition office over to a crew made up almost exclusively of Washington insiders who — surprise! — have largely succeeded in restoring to power their friends from the Clinton administration. Worse still, he has fallen for the tired old Washington "wisdom" that the only way to get anything done is to concentrate even more power in an ever larger White House full of czars and councils and chiefs of staff who ostensibly are there to "coordinate" policy but invariably wind up making it, sapping the departments and agencies of whatever importance and energy and creativity they have left.

At the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue, congressional leaders, while nodding in the direction of bipartisan cooperation, have also stuck largely to business as usual. It's hard to know who is to blame more for the party-line vote in the House on a desperately needed economic stimulus bill — the Republicans who cling to stale ideology and spout economic nonsense or the Democrats who shut them out of the drafting process, never bothered to articulate a compelling rationale and lost a golden opportunity to reform the programs as they were expanding them.

Not that the private sector has done any better.

For most of us, it seems inexplicable that a man as smart and sophisticated as John Thain, having been recruited to Merrill Lynch to clean up tens of billions of dollars in losses, could spend

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$1.2 million to redecorate his office or demand that the board of directors give him a $30 million bonus at the end of the year. Nor, when escalating losses threatened to scuttle the sale of the firm to Bank of America, did it occur to Thain that he might want to set aside his plans to fly off to the annual celebrity gabfest in Davos, Switzerland, until the Bank of America chairman finally ordered him to do so.

This goes beyond mere greed. As with Daschle, it springs from a deeply felt but rarely articulated sense of entitlement that now warps the judgment not just of those on Wall Street — from top executives to hotshots on the trading desks — but of those throughout the upper reaches of corporate America. And over time, it has filtered out to law firms and consulting firms, where freshly minted MBAs and legal associates came to expect starting salaries of $150,000 and partners thought it their God-given right to draw $1 million a year.

All that is history. It turns out that those inflated pay stubs weren't really a measure of genuine economic worth but manifestations of the mirage that was the bubble economy. Economically, they are no longer sustainable; socially and politically, they are no longer acceptable.

But it's not only the rich and powerful who are still in denial and need a bit of mental retooling.

Is it too much to ask those college presidents who are about to be the beneficiaries of big increases in student aid and tuition tax credits to use this crisis to finally embrace the productivity revolution and find a way to use technology and new teaching techniques to lower the cost of education?

And if we're going to spend billions to upgrades roads, bridges and public transit and create jobs for unemployed construction workers, what would be so terrible about temporarily suspending the rule requiring that union wages be paid? That way, more jobs would be created and taxpayers would get a better return on their infrastructure investment.

It's also a good thing that Congress is preparing to ship billions of dollars to state and local governments to maintain vital services and forestall layoffs of teachers, police officers, firefighters and social service providers. But in return, shouldn't the governors receiving this temporary relief be required to come up with plans to make the necessary adjustments to balance their budgets over the long term, much as we've already done with aid to struggling automakers? And would it be so terrible if state employees would pitch in by accepting a two-year freeze on wages and a reduction in pension contributions?

It would be lovely if we could get out of this economic mess simply by having the government bail out the banks and spend a trillion more dollars in borrowed money. Unfortunately, it won't be that easy. As Tom Daschle and John Thain have demonstrated, it is going to require fundamental changes in what we do, how we do it, and how the costs and benefits are allocated. It will also require a commitment to shared sacrifice and mutual responsibility that we are only beginning to understand.

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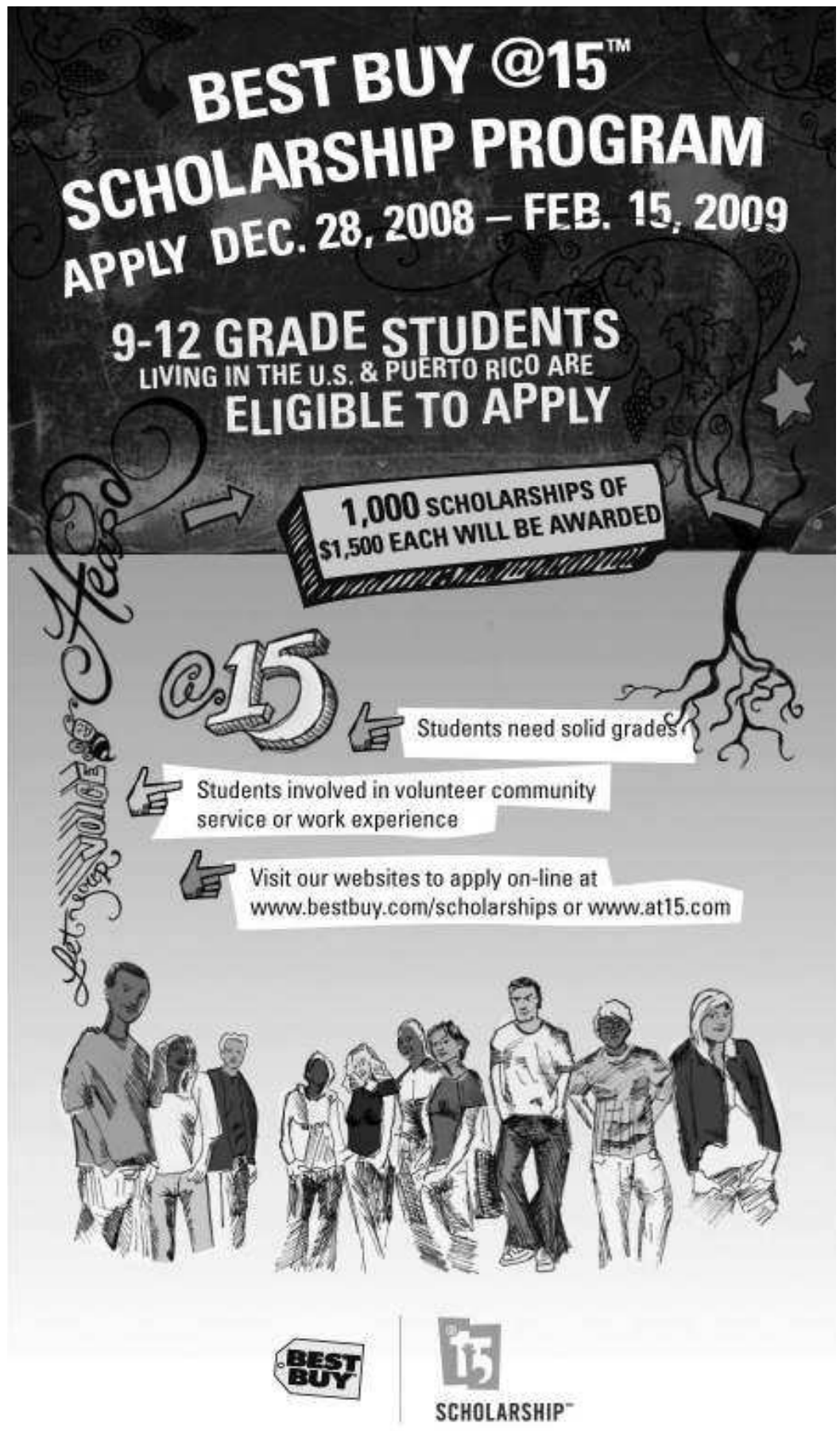


Donald Roland Hutchings

Don Hutchings, 91, left these earthly bonds to join his beloved wife, Dorothy, in Heaven Tuesday morning, Feb. 3. The Lord watched over Don in his final days and he did not allow him to suffer.

Dad lived a full life and worked hard to remain positive after Mom passed Feb. 8 in 2005. He had never cooked before and, after receiving a microwave and tabletop grill, he was able to "heat and eat."

Don was born Oct. 2, 1917, in Dubuque, Iowa, to Mabel and Ruben Hutchings.

They moved to Castaic in southern California when Dad was 3½. His main memory of the Castaic Elementary School was his first day in first grade. Dad said he was standing in line when he and another boy got into a big fist fight and were finally separated by their angry teacher. (Pop liked to make a good first impression!) He also used to talk about the huge tarantulas that dotted the desert around Castaic. (He never did like spiders.)

Dad moved to Kimberly with an aunt in 1932. He met Mom in high school there, and they both graduated in 1935. They got married in Reno in a "no frills" civil ceremony in 1939. The marriage lasted almost 67 years.

Both Mom and Dad loved adventure. At 23, they both learned to fly at the old Twin Falls Airport which was slightly east of the current airport. Like Mom, Dad was a charter member of the Twin Falls Fliers Club, one of the longest running aviation clubs in the United States. Members of the Twin Falls Fliers purchased a new Piper Cub in 1941. The flying club was a wonderful, economical way that average people with average incomes could learn to fly by sharing one or more aircraft.

After receiving his pilot's license in Twin, Don continued his education by passing the Civilian Pilot Training in Boise. In 1942, Dad attended a 17-week advanced flying course in Spokane, Wash. The course included air acrobatics, cross-country flying at night and flight instructor training.

When Dad returned to Twin Falls, he completed 100 hours' instruction to teach would-be pilots. Don wanted to serve his country as a flight instructor.

Mom and Dad were playing cards when they heard over the radio that America had entered into the war. Dad said they jumped up from the table and raced to the airport. They both flew for about 30 minutes because all air space in the United States would quickly be restricted during wartime.

They moved to Pocatello, where Dad was an instructor pilot at the Bennett Flying School at the old Pocatello City airport. Dad told funny stories about some of the student pilots learning to fly. He concluded that the most important piece of equipment on board was the barf bag!

A few months later, Don was called into the U.S. Navy Air Corps. He entered as an ensign and served as a flight instructor at New Orleans. The toughest part about living there was the heavy, muggy air plus all the insects.

A year later, Don and Dot moved to Glenview, a city near Chicago where Dad continued to teach students how to fly. They were lucky to find housing inside the mansion of an elderly widow. Since her huge home had so much space, she divided the inside into separate living areas for service people during World War II.

Don and Dot moved back to Twin Falls following the end of the war. They bought a Piper Cub but sold it shortly after their daughter, Jan, was born.

However, the family flew in rented planes and attended a few fly-ins.

Dad wanted to begin a new career. He studied to become an insurance field man for a company headquartered in Minneapolis, called American Hardware Mutual Insurance. He sold insurance to businesses and individuals; everything but life. His territory was large, running from beyond Boise to the Sun Valley area to the Magic Valley and past Burley. Dad did a lot of driving!

After his business was quite successful, Dad decided to learn a new hobby: golf. He was 50 years old when he began. People might say that 50 is too old, but Dad proved them wrong. He was a member of the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course until he died. Dad became a good golfer and enjoyed playing in local tournaments and with friends. His biggest complaint was sandbaggers! During one very long week, Dad tried to teach Mom how to golf. She finally got fed up, threw her club down and exclaimed, "Crap!" (Her worst swear word.) She was a gardener, not a golfer.

After years of hard work, Dad retired around the age of 60. Then he and Mom were finally able to travel around the world; their dreams had come true.

They visited a variety of countries, such as Nepal (Mount Everest was hidden by clouds), India, Greece, China, Russia (under Communist rule). Dad was reprimanded by the Soviet tour guide when he tried to photograph a mountain range from their airliner — maybe he could have been a spy! They also traveled in the Middle East and saw many historical and biblical locations.

They took a cruise around the Greek Islands and really enjoyed Africa. A few days before he passed, Dad was telling a family friend about Kenya. He said the night sky was so utterly black it was almost unbelievable. With no city lights to interfere, they could easily see the shining moon and stars.

Zebras, deer and all kinds of wild animals walked right up to the spot where they were staying in Kenya.

After all the traveling, Dad focused more on golf. He loved to play during the week at Muni with his buddies, the "Old Guys Group." Younger men also liked to join them, since there was no pressure, just playing for quarters. Their tee-off time was always 11 a.m. Dad golfed every year and finally slowed down this past summer. His arthritis bothered his swing and he didn't have as much energy as in years past. He said that his putting and ball striking were not as good as they used to be, but I reminded him that he did great for being 91! Dad had at least four holes-in-one in his younger years and he usually shot below his age.

Like the rest of his family, Don loved animals. He was a great grandpop for all the cats the family owned over the years. In the last couple years, he always asked Jan how Buster was doing (one of Jan's fat cats).

Dad did not want a "fancy" funeral. He was cremated Thursday, Feb. 5, by the Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. An informal service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at the First Christian Church by the City Park. Pastor Jim Tubbs will officiate. If you have any good stories to tell about Don, please be ready to share them.

Margaret Kuykendall

Margaret Kuykendall, of Twin Falls, passed away Monday, Feb. 2, 2009, at Bridgeview Estates.

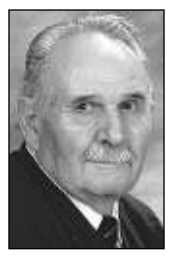
She and her husband, Lowell, had a lifetime of memories with family and friends in Twin Falls. They were especially fond of Art and Karen Lindemer, the most wonderful neighbors in the world. Each morning, Wayne Ford would help Lowell solve the world's problems, especially when it concerned the Jazz or the Kings. Margaret enjoyed her Sunday visits to the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Buhl. She and Mary Potucek would chat over coffee and a sweet roll. Always at a beck and call were Marge and Harry Chapin to lend a helping hand when it was needed. Dr. David McClusky is the best. Thank you wonderful friends.

A private family inurnment was held at the Twin Falls Cemetery in the Garden of Time Columbarium.

Arrangements were under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Clair Keith Ricketts

JEROME — Clair Keith Ricketts, 85, beloved husband, father and grandfather, of Jerome, passed away Thursday, Feb. 5, 2009, at the Chaparelle House in Twin Falls.



Clair was born March 24, 1923, on the family's Falls City farm, to Julian and Josephine Ricketts. He attended Falls City Grade School, graduated from Jerome High School in 1941 and attended the College of Idaho. He joined the U.S. Army February of 1944 and was assigned to the Air Force unit, attending officer training at Montana State College in Bozeman, Mont. He married Virginia Lee Eastman on June 3, 1944.

Clair became part of the new Army Air Corps, serving his country stateside until his March 1946 discharge. He returned to Jerome and worked in partnership with his father, uncle and brother, Dean, on the family farm. The farm is currently operated by his nephew, Stan Ricketts.

Clair was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Jerome, where he served in many capacities. He held many leadership roles in the Boy Scouts of America at the local troop and council levels and received the honor of Silver Beaver.

He was a longtime supporter of the College of Southern Idaho and its programs, including its basketball teams, traveling to out-of-town basketball games and NJCAA tourneys in Hutchinson, Kan. He was the founder and coach of the only organized basketball team at Falls City Grade School. Clair enjoyed hunting, fishing, baseball, archeology, and was an accomplished flint knapper, doing demonstrations in schools and organizations throughout the area.

Clair was a member of Oregon California Trail Association helping to organize the Idaho chapter. He spent many hours walking immigrant trails marking them for OCTA. His early explorations of the area along the Snake River Canyon led to the discovery and documentation of the North Side route of the Oregon Trail. Clair also assisted Virginia as she conducted historical tours of Southern Idaho for CSI. He was also a founder of the Jerome County Historical Society and I-FARM. He was co-owner with Virginia of Falls City Publishing, formed to market her books.

He is survived by his loving wife of 64 years; three sons, Keith Alan (Jan) of Meridian, Dennis of Jerome and Don (Eda) of Highlands Ranch, Colo.; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Dean.

A private graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9, at Sunset Memorial Park and a memorial service at 3 p.m. at the Jerome First Presbyterian Church, with Pastor Ronald Matheney officiating.

The family wishes to thank the Chaparelle House staff for their loving care.

Memorials may be made to the Jerome County Historical Society or the First Presbyterian Church of Jerome at 262 E. Ave. A.

Reed Lee Stewart

FAIRFIELD — Reed Lee Stewart, of Fairfield, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 5, 2009.

Reed was born on March 15, 1957, in Gooding, to William F. "Bill" and Opal Stewart; he joined four older brothers, Steve, Terry, Alan and Mark. Reed was raised in Fairfield and attended Camas County schools. He graduated from Camas High School in 1976. After high school, Reed attended Idaho State University for one year. After attending college, Reed returned to Fairfield and started working for his Dad in the family business. Together, Bill and Reed earned their real estate license and started "Stewart Realty."

Reed met Robin Olvey in the spring of 1987 and on Oct. 10, of the same year, Reed married Robin and their daughter, Alizabeth. The following year on Oct. 27, 1988, Reed and Robin welcomed their son, Carroll William "C.W." into the world. In 2006, Reed gave his daughter away and gained a son-in-law; Reed welcomed Aaron into the family and quickly put him to work in the store! Reed and Robin, along with their children, worked together successfully in their grocery store, The Market Basket, for 13 years. In May 2007, Reed stood by proudly as Alizabeth and Aaron made him a grandpa for the first time with the birth of his granddaughter, Lynlee Grayce.

Reed is survived by his wife, Robin; their children, Alizabeth and Aaron; their son, C.W.; and his grandchildren, Lynlee and Aaden Stolzman, along with many other family members and friends who were very dear to Reed.

Reed was preceded in death by his mother and father and brother, Terry.

Reed was greatly loved and will be greatly missed.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at the Camas County High School gymnasium. Arrangements are under the direction of Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding, (208) 934-4406.

Lyla Ann Murphy

WENDELL — Lyla Ann Murphy was born Jan. 21, 1940, and passed away Monday, Dec. 1, 2008, in Tucson, Ariz.

She was born and raised in Twin Falls. She had owned and operated the Wendell Barbershop prior to her retirement.

She is survived by daughter, Marann (Marnie) Cowell and her three children, Orion, Stefan and Sarene of Tucson, Ariz.; her son, Brad Murphy and his five children, Kaomi, Kymber, William Lyle, Kyra and Bryan of Wendell; and daughter, Bobbie Ettinger of Tucson, Ariz. Lyla was preceded in death by both of her parents, William Lyle and Ila E. Murphy; and a brother, Robert Rex Murphy.

A service will be held at the Filer Church of the Nazarene at a later date.

Savannah Lyne Maxine Beverly

Savannah Lyne Maxine Beverly, our little angel, was carried home to heaven in the arms of angels on Monday, Feb. 2, 2009, in Buhl.

Savannah was born Dec, 23, 2008, in Twin Falls. She was born with dark hair, beautiful blue eyes and a beautiful smile. She was very loved while on this earth and will be deeply missed by all her family and friends. She filled each day with sunshine and love.

She is survived by her parents, Megan D. Read and Jon L. Beverly of Buhl. She is also survived by her sister, Macalyne S.M. Beverly of Buhl; and half-sister, Isabelle Beverly of Twin Falls. Savannah is survived by her grandparents, Timothy W. and Shaunna B. Denton of Buhl, Katie A. Tribble of Salt Lake City, Utah, Donna Schaeffer of Twin Falls, and Emily Beverly of Oklahoma. She is also survived by her great-grandparents, Roger and Sharyl Read of Buhl, and Kathy Disney of Blackfoot. Savannah is also survived by many aunts and uncles; and one close cousin, Braydyn W. Read.

A memorial service for our little angel will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

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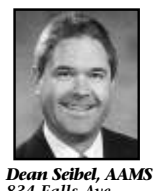
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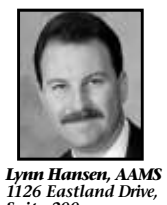
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SERVICES

Allen E. Osborne of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Amazing Grace Church in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Mary Bonar of Buhl, funeral at 2 p.m. Monday at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 Ninth St. in Buhl.

Bethene B. Goold of Heyburn, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Hansen-Payne Mortuary, 321 E. Main St. in Burley; visitation one hour before the service Monday at the mortuary.

Marguerite Bell Wells of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 4 p.m. Monday at In His Name Christian Fellowship, 660 Highway 30 in Filer (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Claudia Madeline Walthall Walters

JEROME — Born Oct. 23, 1915, passed away Feb. 5, 2009, in Jerome, with her loving family at her side.

Madeline was born in Lincoln, Neb., to Claude and Catherine Walthall. Madeline and her family moved to Mountain Home, Ark., in 1920. Madeline grew up in the Ozark Mountains with her sister, Mary, and brother, Roy, where they had many happy memories of swimming and riding the ol' mule to school. After graduating from high school in 1933, Madeline taught elementary school in the Mountain Home, Ark., area. She then moved with the family to Idaho in 1938.

At a dance held by Virgil Lickley, Madeline met a cowboy named Charley Walters. They married in 1940 and made their home on the farm and ranch in the Sugar Loaf area across the Red Bridge. Charley and Madeline raised a family of seven children, and lived the simple country life filled with hard work, laughter, and music.

Madeline is survived by her children, Riley (Ruth) Walters, Gail (Tony) Kuntz, Charlotte (Rich) Allen, Marilyn (Kirk) Brower, Mark (Sandra) Walters, Douglas (Terry) Walters and Sylvia (Randy) Dill. She is also survived by 19 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at the Jerome Methodist Church, with Pastor Carol Thompson officiating. There will be a reception to follow at 2 p.m. at the Jerome Elks Lodge on Highway 93 in Jerome. Services are under the care and direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Tosha Marie Hanson

Tosha Marie Hanson, 20, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2009, at her home.

She was born April 20, 1988, in Blackfoot, to Gary and Holly (Mauchley) Nelson. Tosha lived in Aberdeen for 13 years, attending K-eighth grade in the Aberdeen school, then she moved to Gooding and attended ninth and 10th grade at Shoshone High School. In the 11th grade, she moved to Twin Falls and attended Twin Falls High School.

She married Justin Hanson, while she was in the 12th grade. Tosha worked at Classy Castle Daycare and ABC-123 Daycare. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

She loved kids, reading, puzzles, search and find word search, embroidery projects, movies, snowmobiling, boating, riding motorcycles with dad, playing games with family and, most of all, being a mom.

Tosha is survived by her husband, Justin of Twin Falls; daughter, Chloe Mae; mom, Holly (Tim) Fleming of Twin Falls; father, Gary (Jean) Nelson of Aberdeen; sisters, Tara (Adam) Simpson of Twin Falls and Tauni Nelson of Twin Falls; brother, Tyler Nelson of Twin Falls; and her grandparents.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, at Hankins LDS 11th Ward Chapel, with visitation starting at 9 a.m. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Condolences may be made at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com.

Ronald Frank Harman

KIMBERLY — Ronald Frank Harman, 76, of Kimberly, loving husband, father, brother, uncle and friend passed away Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2009.

Ron was born July 23, 1932, to Edwin Frank and LaVon (Flowers) Harman in Salt Lake City, Utah. He attended schools in Salt Lake and graduated from Granite High in 1950. His fondest memory from school was being elected student body Judge his senior year. In 1951, Ron joined the United States Navy. He served on the USS William Seiverling as a cook. Ron was honorably discharged in 1954. Ron loved to cook, so he opened Ron's Cafe in Murray, Utah. He ran it with help from his mom, LaVon; sister, Bonnie and Aunt Nell.

Ron was a member of the LDS Church. He enjoyed his time working with Explorer Scouts and all the rafting trips they took. Ron started his career in the movie theater business at the Uptown Theater in Salt Lake. He managed theaters in Utah, Colorado and Idaho. He received many rewards, including the President's Award from the National General Corp. He ended his movie theater career at Interstate Amusement in Twin Falls.

Ron met Irene (Liz) Maurer in Provo, Utah. They married Oct. 3, 1963. Last year, they celebrated 45 years together. In his early years, Ron loved hunting and fishing with his dad, Frank, and uncles, Bill and Glen. Later, Ron enjoyed his trips to Jackpot with his wife, Liz, and daughter, Mary. In the spring and summer, he could be found on the golf course win his daughter, Gloria. Once August rolled around, he would be rooting for his NFL team, the Denver Broncos.

Ron is survived by his wife, Liz; daughters, Gloria Harman of Twin Falls and Mary Harman of Kimberly; sister, Bonnie (Thomas) McLean; niece, Susan (Michael) Gann; great-nieces, Michelle and Nicole Gann; best friend, Michael Grady; cousins, Kay and Scott Blain, and Dick (Mary) Flowers; furry companion, Bingo; and grand dog Molly Lou. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Dad, you will be in hearts forever until we meet again. We love you.

A private graveside service was held. Arrangements were handled by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Buffalo Springfield drummer Dewey Martin dies at 68

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dewey Martin, the muscular, gregarious drummer and singer who helped found the pioneering country rock band Buffalo Springfield with Neil Young and Stephen Stills, has died. He was 68.

Martin was found dead Sunday by a roommate in his Van Nuys apartment, longtime friend Lisa Lenes said. She said Martin had health problems in recent years and she believed he died of natural causes.

Martin, along with Young, Stills, singer-songwriter-guitarist Richie Furay and bassist Bruce Palmer, formed Buffalo Springfield in Los Angeles in 1966 and quickly became one of the hottest live acts on the West Coast, helped in part by the grinning, blond Martin.

Their self-titled debut album included the hit "For What It's Worth," a solemn observation of 1960s turmoil.

DEATH NOTICES

Jane C. Siren

JEROME — Jane C. Siren, 86, of Jerome, died Thursday, Feb. 5, 2009, at her home.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome (Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome).

Robert L. Davis

GLENNS FERRY — Robert "Bob" L. Davis, 72, of Glenns Ferry, died Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2009, at his home.

A graveside service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at Glenn Rest Cemetery in Glenns Ferry (Rost Funeral Home, McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain Home).

David C. Peterson

JEROME — David C. Peterson, 58, of Jerome, died Thursday, Feb. 5, 2009, at Twin Falls Care Center.

A celebration of life will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, at Rock Creek Community Church in Twin Falls (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Harland Wolters

Harland Wolters, 86, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Feb. 6, 2009.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Vela Blades

Vela "Jonnie" Blades, 87, of San Jose, Calif., died Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2009, in San Jose.

A service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Donald D. Billingsley

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Donald D. Billingsley, 76, formerly of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2009, in Sacramento, Calif.

There will be no service in Twin Falls. Anyone remembering Don is asked to send a donation to a charity of their choice.

Nancy L. Marron

Nancy L. Marron, 67, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Feb. 6, 2009, at her home after a battle with cancer.

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

Dianne K. Bolt

Dianne Kay Bolt, 52, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Feb. 6, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Dorothy Toombs

Dorothy Toombs, 89, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Feb. 6, 2009, at Heritage/Woodstone Assisted Living.

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

George Steele

HOLLISTER — George Steele, 83, died Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center.

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

Wayne L. Hayden

BURLEY — Wayne L. Hayden, 73, of Burley, died Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009, at his home.

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Robert Downing

BOISE — Robert Downing, 86, of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009, at the Veterans Regional Medical Center in Boise.

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

Janis Woodbridge

WENDELL — Janis Woodbridge, 71, of Wendell, died Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009, in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Glenn E. Roach

Glenn E. Roach, 86, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Feb. 6, 2009, at Twin Falls Care Center.

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

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mild temperatures and mostly cloudy skies. Highs near 46.
Tonight: Becoming cloudy after midnight. Lows near 30.
Tomorrow: Cloudy and cooler. A chance of rain and snow showers. Highs near 41.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mild temperatures and mostly cloudy skies. Highs 40 to 45.
Tonight: Becoming cloudy after midnight. Lows near 30.
Tomorrow: Cloudy and cooler. A chance of rain and snow showers. Highs 35 to 40.

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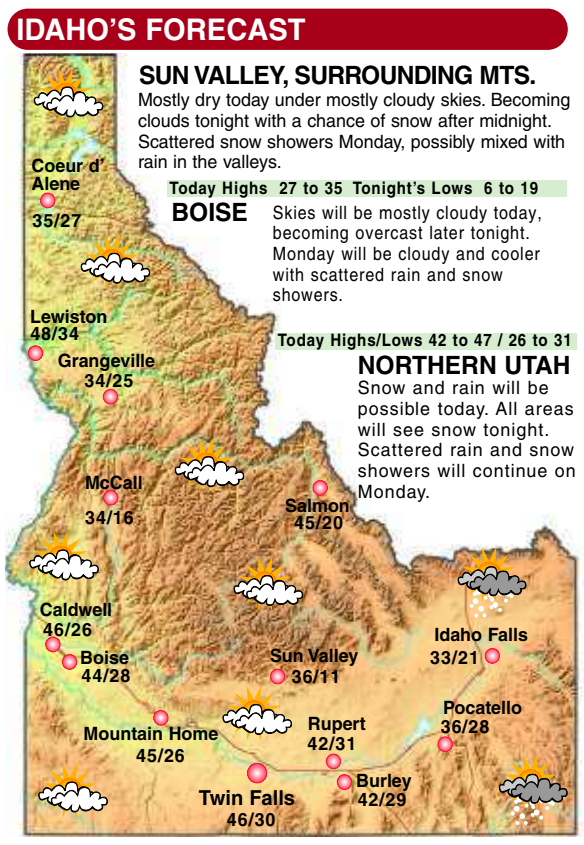

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Mostly dry today under mostly cloudy skies. Becoming clouds tonight with a chance of snow after midnight. Scattered snow showers Monday, possibly mixed with rain in the valleys.

Today Highs 27 to 35 Tonight's Lows 6 to 19

BOISE

Skies will be mostly cloudy today, becoming overcast later tonight. Monday will be cloudy and cooler with scattered rain and snow showers.

Today Highs/Lows 42 to 47 / 26 to 31

NORTHERN UTAH

Snow and rain will be possible today. All areas will see snow tonight. Scattered rain and snow showers will continue on Monday.

Yesterday's State Extremes: 47 at Lewiston **Low:** 13 at Stanley

weather key: **bz**-blizzard, **c**-cloudy, **fg**-fog, **hs**-heavy snow, **hz**-haze, **ls**-light snow, **mc**-mostly cloudy, **mx**-wintery mix, **pc**-partly cloudy, **r**-rain, **sh**-showers, **sn**-snow, **su**-sunny, **th**-thunderstorm, **w**-wind

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Mostly cloudy and mild	Becoming overcast after midnight	Cloudy, cooler and a chance of showers	Scattered rain and snow showers	Mostly cloudy, a chance of snow	Off and on snow showers
High 46	Low 30	41 / 27	41 / 26	38 / 27	38 / 25

Yesterday's Weather

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Burley	39	24	0.00"
Challis	43	25	Trace
Coeur d' Alene	36	30	0.00"
Idaho Falls	34	20	0.00"
Jerome	35	21	0.00"
Lewiston	47	32	Trace
Lowell	47	33	0.09"
Malad	not available		
Malta	34	21	0.00"
Pocatello	38	18	0.00"
Rexburg	33	20	0.00"
Salmon	37	23	0.00"
Stanley	38	13	0.00"

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature

Yesterday's High	34
Yesterday's Low	26
Normal High/Low	38 / 20
Record High	56 in 2007
Record Low	-9 in 1989

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to Date	0.09"
Normal Month to Date	0.23"
Year to Date	3.98"
Normal Year to Date	4.59"

Humidity

Yesterday's Maximum	93%
Yesterday's Minimum	75%
Today's Maximum	84%
Today's Minimum	60%

Barometric Pressure

6 pm barometer
Yesterday 30.07 in.

A water year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30

Temperature & Precipitation valid through 5 pm yesterday

Sunrise and Sunset

Today	Sunrise: 7:44 AM	Sunset: 6:01 PM
Monday	Sunrise: 7:42 AM	Sunset: 6:02 PM
Tuesday	Sunrise: 7:41 AM	Sunset: 6:04 PM
Wednesday	Sunrise: 7:40 AM	Sunset: 6:05 PM
Thursday	Sunrise: 7:38 AM	Sunset: 6:06 PM

Moon Phases

Feb 9 Full Moon
Feb 16 Last Qtr.
Feb 25 New Moon
Mar 4 First Qtr.

Moonrise and Moonset

Today	Moonrise: 5:15 PM	Moonset: 7:09 AM
Monday	Moonrise: 6:34 PM	Moonset: 7:40 AM
Tuesday	Moonrise: 7:50 PM	Moonset: 8:07 AM

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Low Moderate High
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The higher the index the more sun protection needed

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REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W	Tuesday Hi	Lo	W
Boise	44	28	mc	41	26	mx	42	25	mx
Bonners Ferry	34	25	mc	31	21	ls	28	24	ls
Burley	42	29	mc	39	23	ls	36	24	ls
Challis	43	19	mc	33	18	ls	41	14	ls
Coeur d' Alene	35	27	mc	32	23	ls	29	26	ls
Elko, NV	43	27	mx	38	21	ls	38	20	ls
Eugene, OR	47	34	r	42	33	sh	44	37	r
Gooding	48	31	mc	43	28	mx	43	27	mx
Grace	33	23	ls	34	17	ls	32	19	ls
Hagerman	49	29	mc	44	26	mx	44	25	mx
Hailey	37	23	mc	33	16	ls	30	14	ls
Idaho Falls	33	21	ls	35	18	ls	30	19	ls
Kalispell, MT	37	25	pc	39	19	ls	36	20	ls
Jackpot	39	26	mc	31	15	sn	26	15	pc
Jerome	40	24	mc	36	17	ls	33	15	ls
Lewiston	48	34	mc	40	31	mx	40	34	mx
Malad City	37	24	ls	38	18	ls	36	20	ls
Malta	39	26	mc	36	20	ls	33	21	ls
McCall	34	16	mc	28	9	ls	28	8	ls
Missoula, MT	42	27	pc	39	23	ls	37	21	ls
Pocatello	36	28	ls	37	22	ls	35	24	ls
Portland, OR	46	36	r	41	33	sh	42	36	r
Rupert	42	31	mc	39	25	ls	36	26	ls
Rexburg	31	19	ls	33	15	ls	27	17	ls
Richland, WA	38	29	r	32	26	mx	39	26	ls
Rogerson	46	31	mc	41	28	mx	41	27	mx
Salmon	45	20	mc	35	19	ls	43	15	ls
Salt Lake City, UT	43	32	mx	42	25	mx	35	27	ls
Spokane, WA	41	28	mc	38	22	mc	35	23	mc
Stanley	32	9	mc	33	7	ls	33	0	ls
Sun Valley	36	11	mc	37	9	ls	37	2	ls
Yellowstone, MT	31	8	ls	30	7	ls	25	5	ls

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	68	44	pc	63	45	pc
Atlantic City	53	33	pc	53	33	pc
Baltimore	59	29	pc	47	33	pc
Billings	50	28	sh	50	27	pc
Birmingham	68	47	pc	71	52	pc
Boston	51	21	sh	33	20	su
Charleston, SC	65	50	su	65	50	mc
Charleston, WV	51	34	sh	59	40	pc
Chicago	39	30	pc	47	45	th
Cleveland	36	25	ls	48	36	pc
Denver	41	25	ls	50	22	pc
Des Moines	40	33	pc	55	38	th
Detroit	38	21	pc	39	37	pc
El Paso	62	37	th	66	36	pc
Fairbanks	-3	-23	mc	-5	-24	mc
Fargo	32	23	pc	34	23	mx
Honolulu	78	68	sh	80	67	sh
Houston	76	63	sh	75	64	sh
Indianapolis	44	34	pc	53	44	r
Jacksonville	72	43	su	72	48	pc
Kansas City	47	44	mc	64	43	th
Las Vegas	52	45	r	52	39	r
Little Rock	68	52	pc	64	55	th
Los Angeles	59	50	sh	56	43	sh
Memphis	67	53	mc	70	58	th
Miami	75	66	pc	77	67	pc
Milwaukee	40	30	pc	38	40	r
Nashville	62	47	sh	67	53	mc
New Orleans	74	57	pc	74	62	sh
New York	51	25	pc	40	28	pc
Oklahoma City	63	53	th	66	45	th
Omaha	43	37	mc	55	34	mx
Phoenix	61	48	sh	63	43	sh
Portland, ME	45	11	mx	26	17	su
Raleigh	66	41	pc	57	41	pc
Rapid City	45	28	mx	35	25	sn
Reno	50	28	ls	34	21	ls
Sacramento	53	43	r	52	34	sh
St. Louis	50	44	mc	60	46	th
St.Paul	33	22	pc	37	34	mx
San Antonio	77	61	c	76	58	th
San Diego	64	50	pc	61	48	sh
San Francisco	54	44	r	54	42	sh
Seattle	44	36	r	42	33	r
Tucson	59	40	th	62	38	sh
Washington, DC	60	31	pc	48	33	pc

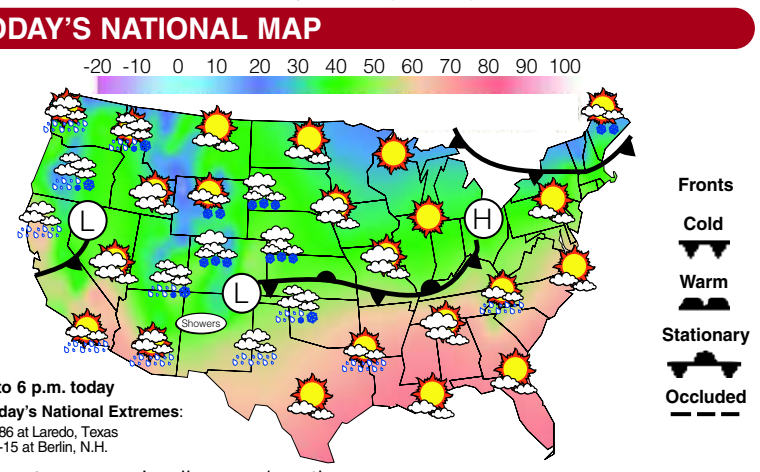
WORLD FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W
Acapulco	83	71	pc	84	73	pc
Athens	64	57	pc	58	48	th
Auckland	80	52	pc	78	59	sh
Bangkok	95	73	pc	94	72	pc
Beijing	50	29	pc	55	32	pc
Berlin	37	31	pc	38	28	pc
Buenos Aires	89	68	pc	97	70	pc
Cairo	86	66	pc	81	54	pc
Dhahran	81	64	sh	77	61	pc
Geneva	29	-1	ls	33	32	r
Hong Kong	69	66	r	70	67	pc
Jerusalem	79	60	pc	85	52	pc
Johannesburg	72	57	sh	74	57	sh
Kuwait City	74	56	pc	75	61	pc
London	39	31	ls	39	35	r
Mexico City	71	39	pc	72	41	pc
Moscow	33	32	pc	33	32	r
Nairobi	79	51	pc	73	52	sh
Oslo	26	-4	pc	22	-5	pc
Paris	38	32	pc	41	39	r
Prague	35	28	pc	33	26	pc
Rio de Janeiro	88	72	th	86	72	th
Rome	51	43	sh	53	45	sh
Santiago	85	55	pc	86	54	pc
Seoul	45	31	pc	48	30	pc
Sydney	91	70	pc	77	65	pc
Tel Aviv	71	66	pc	74	60	pc
Tokyo	47	31	pc	44	34	pc
Vienna	46	29	ls	36	29	pc
Warsaw	43	30	r	39	30	pc
Winnipeg	30	26	pc	33	32	ls
Zurich	29	5	ls	30	29	ls

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W
Calgary	35	24	pc	38	23	pc
Cranbrook	32	19	pc	28	9	ls
Edmonton	37	27	pc	34	24	pc
Kelowna	30	5	pc	25	-4	ls
Lethbridge	37	27	pc	34	24	pc
Regina	34	28	pc	34	26	pc
Saskatoon	34	22	pc	33	21	mx
Toronto	38	24	pc	35	29	pc
Vancouver	38	28	ls	36	29	ls
Victoria	41	34	r	39	33	ls
Winnipeg	30	26	pc	33	32	ls

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Valid to 6 p.m. today

Yesterday's National Extremes:
High: 86 at Laredo, Texas
Low: -15 at Berlin, N.H.

GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The true road to personal improvement is not miraculous; it is slow and calls for a great deal of perseverance, but it is indeed possible to progress along this road, and your effort will be amply repaid."

David Fischman, Author of The Secret of the Seven Seeds

MIDDLEKAUFF

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Study pinpoints West's windy, sunny resource areas

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — The Western Governors' Association is working to identify the windiest and sunniest areas of the West — in other words, those areas best suited for major renewable energy projects.

Working with the Department of Energy, the Governors' Association this week released a draft study naming areas that contain the most potential for development of renewable energy sources, also including geothermal and hydropower.

The study says renewable energy projects could generate more than 235,000 megawatts of energy in the 12 western states, Mexico's Baja California and the Canadian provinces of British Columbia and Alberta.

Association officials say the "Western Renewable Energy Zone" project is intended to bring more renewable energy online by facilitating the construction of transmission lines between resource areas and population centers. The project is soliciting public comment on its early findings.

"The number one issue that renewable energy folks identified for us as being an impediment to greater development of renewable energy was transmission," said Rich Halvey, the Governors' Association energy program director. "We're looking at big resource areas and large-sized transmission lines that are going to move the power over significant distances."

The ongoing study finds Wyoming to have the most wind power potential — nearly 25,000 megawatts — and Arizona to have the most solar power potential — more than 22,000 megawatts. For reference, an average coal-fired power plant produces about 500 megawatts, Halvey said.

The Twin Falls Health Initiatives Trust, Ltd.
will hold a
GRANT AWARD CELEBRATION
Friday February 13, 2009 at 2:30 pm
Twin Falls County Courthouse
3rd Floor Conference Room
Refreshments will be available and the public is welcome!

This gathering is a celebration of the first awards for health, wellness and related education as envisioned by the agreement between Twin Falls County and St. Luke's Medical System. All of the organizations who were awarded grant funds are invited, Board members will attend and the public is welcome!

TWIN FALLS HEALTH INITIATIVES TRUST

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Buds & Blooms has recently **MOVED TO A NEW LOCATION** at 2091 4th Ave East in Twin Falls. Mary Lewis moved the business to her own property to help keep costs down for the company to ensure lower pricing for our current and potential customers. The new location is more personable and is located all on one level. New signage and upgrades to landscaping are coming soon.

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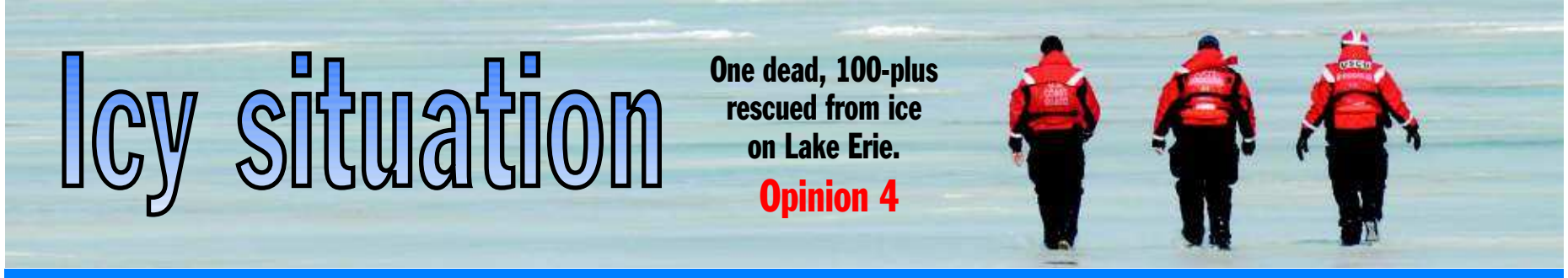

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EDITORIAL

Why we can't afford to ignore the potholes

There's no shortage of expertise about highways in the Legislature, but for the second time in three years state Rep. Leon Smith is playing a critical role in unsnarling the biggest public-policy traffic jam in state government.

A week after the release of a highly-anticipated audit of the Idaho Transportation Department, the six-term Twin Falls Republican was asked by the House Transportation Committee chairwoman to analyze the 162-page report — and make recommendations to lawmakers.

To us, his ideas seem like the outlines of a solution to the state's chronic, $240 million-a-year road maintenance deficit — or at least a promising start.

Why has Smith become the House's go-to guy on transportation issues? Because he does his homework, he knows what he's talking about (as a former chairman of the Idaho Transportation Board) and he's a mediator by profession.

Plus, unlike many of his more ideological colleagues, Smith understands what actually works when the rubber meets the road.

Our view: Twin Falls state Rep. Leon Smith is right: It's time to begin fixing our highways, and raising the gas tax is the way to do it.

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

And he believes that the revenue stream needed to fill the potholes must flow sooner, not later.

Smith is working on legislation to increase the 25-cent per gallon gas tax by a nickel. And he wants the extra funds this year — not over several years, as Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter has proposed.

"We need that money right now," he said. Every cent raises $8 million, but a portion of that is funneled off to local highway districts.

Smith's other conclusions:

• Use new revenue for "maintenance, preservation and restoration." This parallels the audit's finding that the state's policy of fixing the worst roads before maintaining the better ones is draining funds and damaging roads in the long-term.

• Restore the $6 million pavement management system the audit's experts propose. A similar system was cut a few years ago.

• Hold off on authorizing additional bonds for the "Connecting Idaho" highway projects for a couple of years to allow systems and personnel to make adjustments.

• Concentrate ITD hiring on professional engineers and develope a career-path incentive. The audit cited high turnover the ITD has endured.

Of course it's by no means certain that lawmakers will raise anybody's taxes to fix the highways this session. This is a Legislature badly shellshocked by the scariest Idaho economy since the Great Depression.

But it's also a Legislature whose spending decisions will be shaped by the economic stimulus package that will be approved, in one form or another, by Congress and signed by President Obama.

Yes, legislators can make a case for delaying additional road funding until, say, fiscal year 2012. But by then, Idaho's highway maintenance deficit will be in the neighborhood of $1 billion — and negatively affecting the state's economy in a variety of ways.

That's too big a hole to climb out of. Maybe potholes aren't the priority this session, but that doesn't mean the Legislature can pretend they're not here.

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Students at North Valley Academy in Gooding line up to leave class last August.

CHARTERING TROUBLE

Idaho can't afford any more charter schools for now

SEN. RICHARD SAGNESS

Superintendent Tom Luna was recently quoted in a Twin Falls Associated Press release as supporting efforts to statutorily raise the cap on the number of new charter schools that can open each year. The number is currently limited to six. Superintendent Luna further states that such limitations could deny some children educational opportunities.

In my opinion, it is important to remember the educational opportunities lost to traditional public schools students as a result of funds lost to support current and additional charter schools, particularly during our time of severe budget constraints.

Currently there are 31 charter schools, 27 non-virtual and four virtual, operating in Idaho. These schools enroll approximately 10,768 students and receive approximately $58.3 million from the state's public school budget. The breakdown is $43,865 million for non-virtual charter schools, which effectively comes from the budgets of the traditional public school districts in

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Politicians get mad at us sometimes, and that's OK

132 FAIRFIELD ST. WEST
James G. Wright

The man on the other end of the telephone line was livid.

"You're not making any friends!" he said with passion.

Had he been able to see my smile, he likely would have gone into cardiac arrest.

You see, when it comes to work I ascribe to the old axiom that a journalist should be friendly, but never friends — especially with politicians.

The reason is simple: A big part of what we do here is watchdog journalism — the art and science of keeping an eye on public officials and raising a fuss when they do something amiss. Because it's human nature to be protective of your pals and hard to be objective about their faults, it is best to avoid getting too close to anyone whose paycheck comes out of a taxpayer's pocket.

The angry fellow is a state legislator — I won't say who because it was a private conversation — who was displeased about a couple of recent editorials he felt were insulting to the 105 members of the Idaho Legislature, and indicative of a generally anti-government bias on the part of the paper.

The most recent offense was an editorial noting that members of two legislative committees had accepted a total of $4,500 in campaign contributions from Realtors in the months prior to killing proposed septic system regulations the Realtors didn't like.

The guy on the other end of the line said it was unfair to draw a link between donations and legislative action because there are often many good reasons for voting one way or the other, and that in his time in the Legislature he had never seen a member cast a vote tied to a campaign contribution.

That may well be true, but are campaign contributions a way of gaining influence and swaying a vote?

If the answer is no, someone might want to tell the lobbyists and special interests who rain millions of dollars on political campaigns each election year. Call me a cynic, but I'm thinking they wouldn't throw that kind of money around unless they expected to get something for it.

And consider the case of Joan Cloonan, state environmental quality board member and unsuccessful candidate for an Ada County House seat in the last election. She accused Idaho Association of Realtors lobbyist John Eaton of offering her a $500 contribution at a board meeting where a "no" vote there would have kept the septic tank rules from even reaching the Legislature.

Eaton never sent a dime, Cloonan says, and when she confronted him about it he told her, "Well, you didn't vote for me."

Eaton has maintained that there was no promise of money in exchange for a vote — that would be a bribe — and both the secretary of state and the attorney general determined that he didn't break the law.

So does it mean that we're biased and downright anti-government to note the campaign contributions given to members of the House and Senate committees that killed the regulations?

Guilty as charged.

We're biased in favor of transparency in government.

We're opposed to bad government.

We care more about maintaining our independence and living up to the public trust than we do about making friends in political circles.

I do concede one good point to the man calling from Boise. Reporting a cumulative dollar amount for a whole committee might inadvertently lump in lawmakers who took no money, or who cashed the check but voted against what their sponsor wanted.

Next time we'll list the lawmakers individually, with the amount of money they accepted and how they voted.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Public execution of education will hurt Idaho

The sky is falling! Legislative Chicken Littles and the State Education superintendent sharpen their knives, ready to carve public education's carcass — have we forgotten why Idaho's schools may lose $62 million this year?

Do you recall Gov. Risch's snake oil show, convincing near-sighted legislators to eliminate property taxes dedicated to public education, then hiking the sales tax 20 percent? He easily snookered Republicans into believing Idaho was immune from economic meltdowns. We could "trust" the Legislature to protect education's budgets with rainy-day caches, so no public hearings were allowed. The Democrats' impotent whining from the sidelines merely provided background music to the dancing clowns. In the end, property tax cuts and sales tax hikes have created enormous instability to the state's budget.

Now the new governor cheerleads the deconstruction of Idaho's educational laboratories — K -through-college. As usual, the state super looks confused, while the Board of Education looks for matches to kindle the book burning. Legacies of Idaho's previous education-supporting governors — Andrus, Batt and Evans — are now eclipsed by midgets pushing hidden agendas.

The public execution of education has several foreseeable impacts. Smaller school districts will face new pressures to consolidate, eliminating administrative and coaching jobs. What a crisis to behold — legislators defending partisan butchery against insular school boards!

When the economy rebounds, the search for businesses willing to move to Idaho won't carry yesterday's punch. Without a prioritized, adequately funded educational system, chief executive officers will relocate neither businesses nor professional staffs to the "Mississippi of the North."

As the saying warns: "It takes a carpenter to build a barn, but any fool can break down the door."

CHRIS TALKINGTON
Twin Falls

Power-line plan may benefit Idaho travelers

Utility companies' vast plans to cross south Idaho with more power lines could benefit travelers by symbiotically bringing improvements to the rudimentary Minidoka-Arco road. Ultimately, if planned right, in conjunction with far-sighted transportation department leaders, an improved road through that remote area would save motorists who travel the evermore popular Magic Valley to Challis-Salmon route, several hours each trip.

A workable plan like this, reminds me of another unique power line solution proposed by an idealistic friend, which I would like to elaborate on in the MagicValley.com discussion forum.

A third item, not many people are blogging about, is another important costly infrastructure aspect, which we likely will be saddled with within 10 years. It's easy to predict that older power lines across the country will begin deteriorating en masse, due to reaching the end of their expected life spans, as will ancient bridges, water, sewerage, gas and oil pipelines.

However, it's not fashionable for politicians to blow a bunch of hot steam complaining about imminently needed infrastructure improvements when so few of their constituents are willing to listen to the tedious subject. And why should our elected officials waste their precious time writing the words to a sermon no one wants to hear until after the collapse? Who wouldn't agree that liberating expensive ski hills from fires and hauling in truckloads of sand for washed-out resort beaches, are the more apt issues for leaders' fickle constituents?

In the meantime, notch a friendly reminder onto the beginning of your next Mayan Calendar to be prepared for frequent brownouts and worse throughout our country within the decade, due to our infectious infrastructure deficit disorder.

JIM BANHOLZER
Hailey

Idaho needs a junior college football program

Regarding the recent letter in the *Times-News* about the College of Idaho doing things the right way in respect to the sports program:

I applaud it for the tack it has taken in dealing with accountability in the sports realm. My question hits at a different subject. Why isn't there a junior college football program in the entire state of Idaho? It is utterly ridiculous for parents to be required to make a weekend trek to Utah, Oregon or Washington to watch their sons play on a weekend.

Many young men require that extra two years of physical and mental maturity before trying to make it at a major or sub-division college program. The only option my grandson had was to go out of state. He chose the United States Marines instead. If an in-state option had been available to him, who knows?

Also, a successful junior college programs funds not only other athletic programs but academic programs as well. This is no longer just a basketball state for junior colleges. With the success of the Boise State University football program, there is a need for a feeder program for in-state players. A junior college football program fits the bill.

C'mon, Idaho; let's wake up so mom and dad don't have to make that long weekend trek any longer.

HAROLD PRINGLE
Twin Falls

Obama puts unneeded priority on digital TV

When you have trouble getting the big stuff done, you pick on the small stuff just to show your authority. Obama's persuasiveness convinced Congress to delay the conversion of digital TV from Feb. 17 to June, claiming 6 million TVs are not ready for the change. I'd bet that if there are 6 million set owners not ready now, they will not be ready in June.

The industry has given us three years to get a set that will receive a digital signal or a set-top converter for those with an antenna. Every TV broadcast station has been running information 24/7 to educate the public. TV stations have spent millions in making the change to digital TV that, in all probability, will not increase their revenue.

And now the great deliverer has entered into the field of broadcasting to make his presence felt. If digital TV conversion was this high on Obama's priority list after all the preparation and education, I shake with fear as to how far down the ladder he will reach into our lives.

ALLEN LEE
Jerome

Voters fell for Obama, pied-pipers of persuasion

There is a glaring lack of objectivity and an unwillingness (or inability) to utilize true critical-thinking skills, on the part of most of the "drive by" (liberal) news media. Therefore, I am thankful for the willingness of the *Times-News*, and at least one radio station (KLIX) and CNN (Lou Dobbs), to provide access to professionals such as Rush Limbaugh, Sean Hannity, Cal Thomas and Michelle Malkin, giving us welcome relief from the likes of Tom Brokaw, Katie Couric, George Stephanopoulos, Larry King and the other worshippers at the "Shrine of Obama."

I am convinced that we have at least two generations of voters who are so indoctrinated by the liberal-socialist, "pop-rock" pied pipers of persuasion that they fell emotionally for an untested, unprepared and unqualified candidate who quickly is attempting to shroud himself in the mantels of FDR, Lincoln and Reagan, to hide his Carter-Clinton similarities. Remember the expressions (verbal and facial) of so many during the coronation (whoops) inauguration ceremonies? Does it remind anyone of the expressions during Woodstock, et aI, in which too much smoking was going on (and I don't mean "EI Ropos")?

Now our new president has already stubbed his toe on Gitmo, abortion and contraceptives and has pushed a "porkulus-stimulus" bill through, although he had promised "no pork." How many will be willing to buy new "Big Three" autos which will cost probably $8,000 to $9,000 higher than the previous sticker price? Does Nancy Pelosi still love the name "car Czar?" But, a local liberal claims the "Employee Free Choice Act" will change things for the better. Not with the Washington-liberal "scum" in charge of things. Don't bet the farm on it!

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which they are located. The virtual charter schools enroll students from all over the state, and so their budget allocation is from the state education allocation that funds all public schools In Idaho.

In most instances, the school districts affected by the addition of any new charter schools are currently educating the students that would leave for any new charter schools.

Academically, there is little evidence that students educated in charter schools perform any better than students enrolled in traditional public schools, when considering the charter school advantages of smaller class sizes and other factors which can potentially affect student performance.

Traditional public school budgets are being stretched to pay for textbooks, library books, technological support, teacher in-service training and other needs that affect instruction. Student learning opportunities are already deemed to be inadequate and are anticipated to be cut. During such times, it hardly seems prudent to negatively impact our traditional public schools even further by starting more new charter school districts, which is essentially what happens when a new charter school opens.

It is conflicting that Superintendent Luna discusses developing policies to encourage school district consolidation, while at the same time using federal dollars to provide development funds for new charter schools. He's advocating their approval and initiation, at the expense of the state, and the vast majority of our kids. In my judgment, when you are advocating an increase in the number of charter schools and the associated state education dollars, beyond the $58.3 million charter schools currently receive, you are really advocating choice for the few, at the expense of opportunity for the many.

> "Academically, there is little evidence that students educated in charter schools perform any better than students enrolled in traditional public schools."

Simply, this is an unfair and unwise use of our state's limited resources. In response, I am initiating legislation that will put a three-year moratorium on the establishment of new charter schools.

Democrat Richard Sagness of Pocatello, a retired dean of the College of Education at Idaho State University, has represented Bannock County in the Idaho Senate since 2008.

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OTHER VIEWS

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

... use stimulus, save schools

Post Register, Idaho Falls

Last week, Idaho Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna walked into the legislative budget committee and oozed regret about being forced to cut Idaho's school budget deeply.

"Let me make it clear — I do not want to cut education funding," Luna said. "I didn't run for this office to cut funding on public education."

Who does he think he's fooling? There's a lifeline out there, and he won't even discuss it.

Just the day before, the U.S. House of Representatives voted ... for President Barack Obama's stimulus package that provides $160 million to stabilize Idaho's budget, more than enough to cover the $76 million in public school spending cuts and the $28 million reduction in college and university spending Gov. Butch Otter has proposed.

Nobody suggests building a budget around a possibility. Yet Luna offered lawmakers none of these details ...

Come on ....

Just the prospect of a federal package opens the door to spending some of the more than $300 million in state reserves to keep the schools afloat.

Luna is the face of public education. If he doesn't speak up for public schools, nobody will ...

... Obama's economic stimulus package is the only way to avoid cutting Idaho's schools. You'd think Luna would be rejoicing at this prospect, not obscuring it ...

... abandon mandatory sentencing

Lewiston Tribune

If Brent Reinke, director of the Idaho Department of Correction, thinks a private, for-profit company can operate the state's prison at Orofino more cheaply than his department can without the need for profit, legislators should demand to know what he's doing wrong.

If the answer is that he is protecting inmates from violence at the hands of other inmates, or that he is paying employees a decent wage with decent benefits, they should tell him to forget privatization.

The usual rationale behind privatizing functions that have been public is that private industry is more efficient than government enterprises, and can therefore provide the same service at lower cost. But what is often delivered is lower service at lower cost. Just ask the British about their rail system, which under privatization became a disgrace compared to the government-run system in France.

Or, for that matter, ask the Idaho Department of Correction. Its own study of the privately run Idaho Correctional Center south of Boise revealed a level of inmate-on-inmate violence three times that of state-run lockups.

In fairness to Reinke, the instigation to look into ways to cut costs does not come from him. Gov. Butch Otter has recommended that legislators cut his department's budget by 12 percent to deal with declining revenues.

And doing that has to be anything but easy.

As state Rep. Ken Roberts points out, however, the Idaho Correctional Institution-Orofino should not lead the list of places to start cutting costs. Even before the current economic downturn, Clearwater County suffered from high unemployment compared to other regions of the state, and any loss of state jobs, or diminution of their value, would only add to the county's pain ...

If Otter and legislators want to know how to cut correction costs without harming those state workers, and the Orofino area, a former governor has the answer for them. After conducting his own survey of the cause of rising incarceration costs, Phil Batt relayed the recommendation he heard from nearly all the judges, prosecutors, correction officers and school officials he spoke with: abandon the mandatory minimum sentences that automatically clog the prison pipeline.

Legislators have refused to do that, and no governor since Batt has asked them to ... That's nine years' worth of wasted time, and money.

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NATION & WORLD

Obama and Senate Republicans bicker over stimulus

By Andrew Taylor and Philip Elliott
Associated Press writers

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WATCH: AP video of President Barack Obama urging legislators to pass a bill that will jump-start the economy and put people back to work.

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama and Senate Republicans bickered Saturday over his historically huge economic recovery plan after states and schools lost tens of billions of dollars in a late-night bargain to save it.

The $827 billion measure is on track to pass the Senate on Tuesday despite stiff opposition from the GOP and disappointment among Democrats, including the new president who labeled it imperfect. Next up: Difficult negotiations between the House and Senate, which are divided over spending for tax cuts, education and aid for local governments.

"We can't afford to make perfect the enemy of the absolutely necessary," Obama said in his weekly radio and Internet address, sounding a note of pragmatism that liberal followers rarely heard on the campaign trail.

Still, the popular president — six in 10 voters approve of his performance so far — scolded Republicans with a pointed reminder that Democrats, not Republicans, were victorious in November.

Hours later, the Senate convened a rare Saturday session to debate a compromise forged between GOP moderates and the White House on Friday, a rare burst of comity aimed at securing passage of the bill with a few Republican votes joining the Democratic majority.

The compromise reached between a handful of GOP moderates led Susan Collins of Maine, the White House and its Senate allies stripped $108 billion in spending from Obama's plan, including cutbacks in projects that likely would give the economy a quick lift, like $40 billion in aid to state governments for education and other programs.

Yet it retained items that also probably won't help the economy much, such as $650 million to help people without cable receive digital signals through their old-fashioned televisions or $1 billion to fix problems with the 2010 Census.

See **STIMULUS**, Opinion 5

AP photo

Phil Berent of New York, wearing a pink bracelet to show he is looking for work, speaks with recruiter Kevin Johnson of Account Pros, wearing a green bracelet, at a Wall Street Pink Slip Party on Wednesday in New York.

Job-seekers adopt new strategies in face of layoffs

By Samantha Gross
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — The bar was crowded with well-dressed professionals enjoying drinks and conversation, a typical evening — except that many of them had no job.

The event was a Wall Street Pink Slip Party, where the unemployed mix with recruiters and curious bystanders to network, look for work, and share their stories.

With employers shedding 600,000 more jobs in January, the undercurrent at this party in a Manhattan bar was decidedly glum.

"Wall Street, directly or indirectly, has ruined the best 10 years of my life," said Susan Lange, speaking of colleagues and friends she lost on Sept. 11, 2001, and the sense now, after being laid off from her job as an AIG training manager, that her world has again turned on its head.

"I'm devastated," the 39-year-old woman said.

Figures released Friday showed that the unemployment rate hit 7.6 in January, a month with more layoffs than at any other time since 1974.

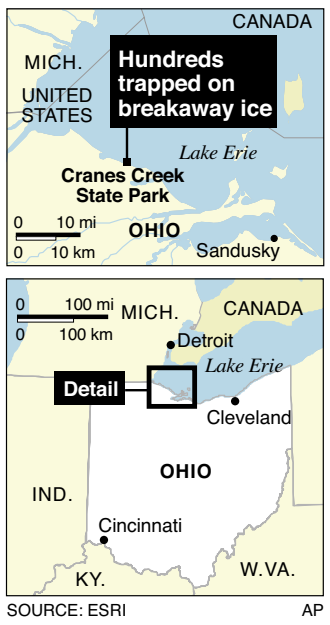
Jobseekers are gathering in bars, delving into the business networking Web site LinkedIn, waiting in lines at city help centers, and even starting up hopeful conversations with prosperous-looking strangers on commuter trains — all in the hope of landing jobs in what seems to be a shrinking pool of opportunity.

"Places have hiring freezes. And they have cutbacks. And they have layoffs.

See **PINK SLIP**, Opinion 5

Officials: 1 dead, 134 rescued from ice on Lake Erie

By John Seewer
Associated Press writer



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OAK HARBOR, Ohio — A miles-wide ice floe broke away Saturday from Lake Erie's shoreline, trapping more than 130 fishermen offshore, some for as long as four hours. One man fell into the water and later died of an apparent heart attack.

A Coast Guard spokesman, Chief Petty Officer Robert Lanier, said 134 people had been plucked from the ice by late afternoon. Rescuers in helicopters lowered baskets onto the ice, and people climbed in and were lifted to safety. Others boarded air boats that glided across the ice.

"We were in no danger," said Norb Pilaczynski of Swanton, Ohio, who was rescued from the lake along with several of his friends. "We knew there was enough ice out there."

The day began with fishermen setting down wooden pallets to create a bridge over a crack in the ice so they could roam farther out on the lake. But the planks fell into the water when the ice shifted, stranding the fishermen about 1,000 yards offshore.

"We get people out here who don't know how to read the ice," Ottawa County Sheriff Bob Bratton said. "What happened here today was just idiotic. I don't know how else to put it."

Leslie Love, 65, of New Albany, Ohio, died of an apparent heart attack after his snowmobile broke through the ice while he was searching for a safe place to cross back to shore, according to the Ottawa County sheriff's office.

See **STRANDED**, Opinion 5

Artist behind Obama 'Hope' poster is arrested in Boston

By Martha Groves
Los Angeles Times

AP photo

Artist Shepard Fairey speaks during an exhibit of his work Tuesday at the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston.

The red, white and blue "Hope" posters bearing the image of Barack Obama brought worldwide fame to the Los Angeles street artist who created them and arguably helped their subject win the White House.

But Shepard Fairey, a guerrilla artist willing to go to jail for his distinctive graffiti, hasn't gone entirely mainstream. Fairey was arrested Friday night in Boston on his way to the Institute of Contemporary Art for a kickoff event for his first solo exhibition, "Supply and Demand." Two warrants had been issued for Fairey on Jan. 24 after police determined he had tagged property in two locations with his street art campaign featuring Andre the Giant and the word "Obey," said Boston police officer James Kenneally.

Fairey, a commercial artist and graphic designer, is expected to be arraigned on Monday, said Jake Wark, a spokesman for the Suffolk district attorney. The Associated Press reported that Fairey was released on bail a few hours after his arrest.

Fairey's Obama image has been sold on hundreds of thousands of stickers and posters and was unveiled at the National Portrait Gallery in Washington before Obama's inauguration. But the artist is embroiled in a dispute with the Associated Press over whether he illegally used a copyrighted AP photo to produce his Obama poster.

Fairey had spent the last two weeks in Boston installing his solo exhibition at the institute, giving sold-out public talks, being honored by the Rhode Island School of Design (his alma mater) and creating and unveiling outdoor artworks. Those included a 20-by-50-foot banner called "Peace Goddess" on the north side of City Hall and two murals on the Tufts University campus.

The Boston Globe reported that Fairey, who was influenced by artists such as Andy Warhol and Keith Haring, said he had been arrested 14 times. Because of the arrest Friday, he was unable to serve as DJ for that night's sold-out "Experiment" party at the institute, where more than 750 people were waiting for his appearance.

"The street thing is an outlet for me," he told the Los Angeles Times in 2007. "It's the freedom of it that's really exciting."

He added: "I don't have this obsessive need to do street art all the time because it's already opened doors for me. I'm now able to do things that won't be cleaned in a day, that won't get me arrested."

AROUND THE WORLD

NEBRASKA

Motorists return $2,000 lost by motorcyclist

OMAHA — An Omaha man is smiling with relief because a posse of strangers rounded up and returned more than $2,000 that spilled from his dropped wallet.

Anthony Burres says he was riding his motorcycle Thursday when his wallet loaded with hundred-dollar bills fell from his pocket onto the street.

Burres says a driver followed him for several blocks, flagged him down, and told him of his loss.

When he returned to the scene, he couldn't believe his eyes. Several other drivers had stopped, picked up the money, and were waiting for him so they could return it.

Says Burres: "About eight to 10 people just handed me all kind of money."

Burres says only one $100 bill was missing from his original $2,500.

BRITAIN

Bugatti found in garage auctioned for big bucks

LONDON — A car abandoned in a garage in Britain for half a century sold at an auction in Paris for euro3.4 million (about $4.4 million) Friday.

The 1937 Bugatti Type 57S went under the hammer at Bonhams' Retromobile car show and sale in Paris. It was sold on behalf of the family of its last owner, Dr Harold Carr.

The orthopedic surgeon drove the car for several years, but in the early 1960s it was parked in his garage in Gosforth, near Newcastle in northern England, where it remained for nearly 50 years until his death in 2007.

Bugatti once represented the height of motoring achievement. The supercar was so ahead of its time it could go up to 130 mph when most other cars topped out about 50 mph.

PUERTO RICO

56-year-old becomes 1st woman to swim Atlantic

SAN JUAN — Jennifer Figge pressed her toes into the Caribbean sand, exhilarated and exhausted as she touched land this week for the first time in almost a month.

Reaching a beach in Trinidad, she became the first woman on record to swim across the Atlantic Ocean — a dream she'd had since the early 1960s, when a stormy trans-Atlantic flight got her thinking she could don a life vest and swim the rest of the way if needed.

The 56-year-old left the Cape Verde Islands off Africa's western coast on Jan. 12, battling waves of up to 30 feet (9 meters) and strong winds.

David Higdon, a friend of Figge who kept in touch with her via satellite phone, said she had originally planned to swim to the Bahamas, but inclement weather forced her to veer 1,000 miles off course to Trinidad, where she arrived on Feb. 5.

Figge woke most days around 7 a.m., eating pasta and baked potatoes while she and the crew assessed the weather. Her longest stint in the water was about eight hours, and her shortest was 21 minutes.

COLORADO

Woman arrested in 1968 barroom slaying

DENVER — A 65-year-old woman wanted in a 1968 slaying at a Denver bar was arrested Friday in Dayton, Ohio, where police say she had been living under an alias.

Denver police spokeswoman Sharon Avendano said Tina Louise Lester was arrested at her home on suspicion of first-degree murder. Lester is accused of fatally shooting 36-year-old Ronald E. Schlatter of the northern Colorado town of LaPorte.

Her arrest stemmed from the "oldest outstanding murder warrant obtained by the Denver Police Department," said Avendano.

Avendano said she didn't know if Lester had an attorney. She had been living in Dayton under the name Agnes Ramey.

Avendano said "good police work" and the use of new technologies led to Lester's arrest.

— From wire reports

Pink slip

Continued from Opinion 4

There are a lot more people in the job market," said 32-year-old Ana Arrendell, who has been searching for work since August.

At first, she was looking only for a job in her field, graphic design. But as the months have gone by, Arrendell has lowered her expectations. "Right now, I'll take anything," she said Friday as she left a New York City-run office that offers resume-writing assistance and interview training.

Already having given up hope for a Wall Street job making $80,000 per year right out of college, recent graduate David Gunther is getting creative as he tries to expand his business network.

The 23-year-old has begun hanging around commuter ferries and suburban trains, chatting up professional-looking types traveling to areas where executives live. Recently, at an electronica concert — a wildly different atmosphere than at the career services office at his university — he talked to some fans who introduced him to an entertainment-industry manager. Now he's preparing for a job interview with the man.

Since the Wall Street Pink Slip Party was launched in November, the intensity at the parties is increasing, says organizer Rachel Pine. The first event drew a mix of people, only a quarter of them laid off. By the Feb. 4 event, 85 to 90 percent of the 400 people were looking for work.

The scene at the bustling Public House bar on Wednesday night was varied, as men and women in a mix of suits and corporate casual wear — and pink glow-in-the-dark wristbands that marked them as jobseekers — homed in on recruiters wearing green wristbands.

Some were approaching their job search with equanimity, figuring they could rely on savings socked away during the flush years. Others seemed more desperate, counting their change after paying for the coat check.

Stranded

Continued from Opinion 4

Love collapsed after he was helped back onto solid ice, the sheriff's office said. A relative performed CPR until a helicopter transported Love to a hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Ice on western sections of Lake Erie was up to 2 feet thick Saturday, National Weather Service meteorologist Bill Randel said. The ice cracked as temperatures rose and winds of up to 35 mph pushed on the ice.

"The crack blew up," said Chuck Hasty of Holland, Ohio, who has been out on the ice all week. "It was a matter of a minute or so."

When fishermen realized late Saturday morning that the ice had broken away, they began to debate the best way off. Some chose to sit and wait for authorities, while others headed east in search of an ice bridge.

"I don't know how many snowmobiles and four-wheelers took off like a gold rush to the east," Hasty said.

Fishermen closer to the ice break used their cell phones to warn those farther from shore.

For entertainment while they waited, one angler dropped a recently hooked walleye — the target catch of the season — back into the water as a group gathered to watch it swim, said fisherman David Hudzinski of Muskego, Wis.

Others managed to get to land on their own by riding their all-terrain vehicles about five miles east to where ice hadn't broken away.

A second fisherman went into the frigid water when he tried to drive his ATV over a small crack in the ice, Lanier said. A rescue boat pulled him out within a few minutes, and he was brought to shore and wrapped in blankets. The man was not treated at a hospital and went home, Lanier said.

Those rescued had to leave behind most of their equipment, including coolers, snowmobiles and ATVs.

Stimulus

Continued from Opinion 4

Among the most difficult cuts for the White House and its liberal allies to accept was the elimination of $40 billion in aid to states, money that economists say is a relatively efficient way to pump up the economy by preventing layoffs, cuts in services or tax increases.

"It reduces a number of highly stimulative items like state fiscal relief ... and largely substitute for it some large tax cuts that are highly ineffective as stimulus," said Bob Greenstein, founder of the liberal Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. "So your net result is a bill that gets significantly less bang for the buck."

For all the talk of cuts, the bill retains the core of Obama's plan, designed to ease the worst economic recession in generations by combining hundreds of billions of dollars in spending to boost consumption by the public sector with tax cuts designed to increase consumer spending.

Negotiators left in the package $70 billion to address the alternative minimum tax to make sure families wouldn't be socked with unexpected tax increases averaging $2,300 or so. The problem was going to be fixed later in the year anyway, and congressional economists say fixing the AMT problem helps the economy by surprisingly little.

While publicly supportive of the bill, White House officials and top Democrats said they were disappointed that so much money was cut, including almost $20 billion for construction and repair of schools and university facilities. Those funds would have supported many construction jobs.

The $827 billion package debated in the Senate on Saturday — down from a $937 billion or so version debated during the week — included Obama's signature tax cut of up to $1,000 for working couples. Also included is a tax credit of up to $15,000 for homebuyers and smaller breaks for people buying new cars.

Much of the new spending would be for victims of the recession, in the form of extending unemployment insurance through the end of the year and increasing benefits by $25 a week, free or subsidized health care, and increased food stamp payments.

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Navy takes off fuel, water, people to lighten ship stuck on Hawaiian reef

By Herbert A Sample
Associated Press writer

AP photo

The USS Port Royal sits grounded atop a reef about a half-mile south of the Honolulu airport, Friday.

HONOLULU — The Navy is moving fuel, water and personnel off a grounded, $1 billion cruiser so tugboats and a salvage ship can try again early this morning to free the vessel from a rock and sand shoal.

The USS Port Royal, a guided missile cruiser, ran aground on Thursday evening, about a half-mile south of the Honolulu airport.

With less fresh water, fuel and crew, the ship should be 215 tons lighter and easier to move at high tide today.

Rear Admiral Joseph Walsh, deputy commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet, says there is no structural damage from the grounding. But a rubber casing around sonar equipment at the bow may be taking in water.

Navy tugboats and a salvage ship, the USS Salvor, tried to tow out the cruiser at high tide early Saturday, but the ship remained stuck, said Pacific Fleet spokeswoman Agnes T. Tanyan.

The 9,600-ton warship ran aground Thursday night while on its first sea trials after finishing routine maintenance in dry dock.

The ship, which is based at Pearl Harbor and has a crew of 320, got stuck as it was transferring shore-based officials, including a rear admiral, to a smaller boat to take them ashore.

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An emergency vehicle races away from a blaze near a structure in the Gippsland region of Australia's Victoria state, Saturday. Raging wildfires swept southeastern Australia, killing at least 25 people and razing scores of homes as scorching temperatures and gale-force winds combined into a deadly inferno.

Death toll in Australian fires rises to 25

By Rohan Sullivan
Associated Press writer

SYDNEY — Walls of flame roared across southeastern Australia on Saturday, razing scores of homes, forests and farmland in the sunburned country's worst wildfire disaster in a quarter century. At least 25 people died and the toll could rise to more than 40, police said.

Witnesses described seeing trees exploding and skies raining ash as temperatures hit a record 117 degrees Saturday and combined with raging winds to create perfect conditions for uncontrollable blazes. A long-running drought in southern Australia — the worst in a century — has left forests extra dry.

The fires were so massive they were visible from space. NASA released satellite photographs showing a white cloud of smoke across southeastern Australia.

Police said they believed some of the fires were set deliberately and predicted it would take days to get all the blazes under control.

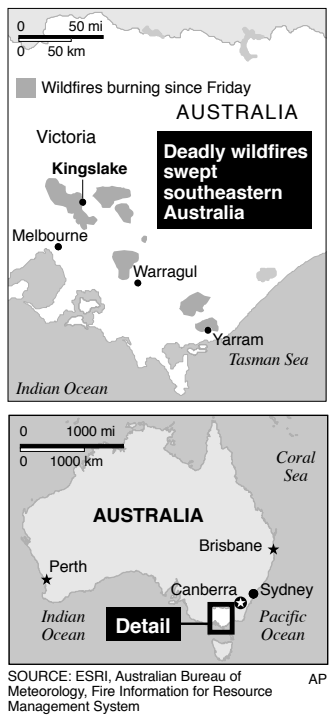
The threat eased somewhat early Sunday as temperatures fell sharply, winds slowed, and rain began falling in some areas.

Thousands of firefighters struggled through Saturday night to make headway against the largest of about a dozen large fires in Victoria state that earlier in the day ripped unchecked across at least 115 square miles of forests, farmland and towns. The single worst fire was about 60 miles north of the southern city of Melbourne.

"The whole township is pretty much on fire," Peter Mitchell, a resident of the town of Kinglake, where at least six people died, told Australian Broadcasting Corp. radio during the inferno. "There was no time to do anything. ... It came through in minutes."

Victoria Police Deputy Commissioner Kieran Walshe said investigators making their way into burned out areas had confirmed 25 deaths, all of them in Victoria state.

"To have 25 confirmed deceased, that gives me great concern that the numbers are going to get substantially higher as the day goes on, as we're able to get into the fire zones behind the fires to do those searches," Walshe told Nine Network television.



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"It's been, I think, the worst day in our history," said Victorian Premier John Brumby, whose parents' house was among those saved by firefighters Saturday.

Temperatures that reached a state record of around 117 degrees Fahrenheit eased late Saturday as a cool front moved through the hard-hit Gippsland region east of Melbourne, but along with it came wind changes that pushed the fires in new and unpredictable directions.

Forecasters said temperatures would only reach about 77 degrees on Sunday around Melbourne.

On Saturday, steel-gray smoke clogged the air and flames roared to two-story heights, while homes and businesses burned. At least one fire truck was charred, though the crew escaped injury and went on to rejoin the fight, officials said.

In the Gippsland town of Taralgon, resident Lindy McPhee watched in fear as a fire front edged closer to the town until rain began falling late Saturday.

"It's raining black soot," McPhee told Sky News television. "We'd been watching the glow for hours."

In Wittlesea, another Gippsland town, organizer Sally Tregae said she canceled performances at the town's annual country music festival and sent thousands of visitors out of town to safety.

Ecuador's president orders U.S. diplomat expelled over aid dispute

By Gabriela Molina
Associated Press writer

QUITO, Ecuador — President Rafael Correa on Saturday ordered the expulsion of a top U.S. diplomat he accused of suspending $340,000 in annual aid because Ecuador would not allow the U.S. to veto appointments to the anti-smuggling police.

A U.S. Embassy spokeswoman said the official in question, the Immigration and Customs Enforcement attache, left the country in early January when his assignment ended, and that the aid suspension was a U.S. government decision.

Ecuador's leftist president said the official, Armando Astorga, announced the suspension of aid to anti-contraband police in a Jan. 8 letter that also demanded they return all donated equipment — including vehicles, furniture, cameras and phones.

Correa said Astorga also said in the letter addressed to Ecuador's police chief that $160,000 in annual aid to the Human Trafficking Unit "is being reconsidered."

"Mr. Astorga, Keep your dirty money! We don't need it. Here there is sovereignty and dignity," Correa said during his weekly radio address, calling the American "insolent and foolish."

"Mr. Foreign Minister: Give this man 48 hours to get his suitcases and get out of the country," Correa said. He told police chief Jaime Hurtado to return the equipment "to the last eraser."

U.S. Embassy spokeswoman Marta Youth said Astorga left Ecuador last month and that the decision to suspend the assistance was in response an Ecuadorean government policy, without elaborating.

Fred Lash, a spokesman for the US State Department, said the announcement of the expulsion "caused some people to start some dialogue, at least immediately."

Lash said he heard that U.S. ambassador Heather Hodges was planning to talk with the Ecuador's foreign minister to "check why this announcement was made."

U.S.-Ecuador relations have been warmer, with U.S. diplomats praising Correa's cooperation in anti-narcotics efforts even after he accused the CIA of paying Ecuadorean military officers for information.

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Biden to Iran: U.S. will talk, but is ready to act

By Lolita C.Baldor
Associated Press writer

MUNICH — Vice President Joe Biden warned Saturday that the U.S. stands ready to take pre-emptive action against Iran if it does not abandon nuclear ambitions and its support for terrorism.

But in his first major policy speech as President Barack Obama's No. 2, Biden also declared the U.S. open for talks with Iran and Russia to repair relations. And he reached out to the world with a promise that the Obama administration will work with allies to solve global problems.

"We will draw upon all the elements of our power — military and diplomatic, intelligence and law enforcement, economic and cultural — to stop crises from occurring before they are in front of us," he told the gathering in his 25-minute address.

The much anticipated speech got high marks from world leaders in the audience at this annual security conference.

"I think Vice President Biden came to Munich today in a spirit of partnership," British Foreign Secretary David Miliband told AP Television News. "I think he set an ambitious agenda with big goals and high objectives, and he called and challenged us to work with him. I think that's the right spirit."

While Biden's speech was short on details of emerging Obama administration policies — including its plans and ambitions for Afghanistan — his remarks set a tone of partnership in contrast to what some allies saw as a more bullying posture by the previous administration.

"We'll work in a partnership whenever we can, and alone only when we must. The threats we face have no respect for borders," Biden said. "We'll engage. We'll listen. We'll consult. America needs the world, just as I believe the world needs America."

On Iran, Biden said the U.S. will strive to act preventively and avoid having to choose between the risks of war and the dangers of inaction. And he said if Tehran gives up its nuclear program, there will be meaningful incentives.

He said the U.S. continues "to develop missile defenses to counter a growing Iranian capability, provided the technology is proven and it is cost-effective."

Biden

During much of the morning, Iranian parliamentary speaker Ali Larijani was in the room. But according to a participant inside the meeting, Larijani left the room during a break and did not return for the Biden address. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because the official was not authorized to speak about Larijani's activities.

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Sweet weekend

CSI men rout Eastern Utah, climb in SWAC standings

By Mike Christensen
Times-News writer

All in all, a pretty sweet weekend for the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team.

The Golden Eagles came into the week with a three-game losing streak and a sub-.500 record in conference play.

What a difference two days can make.

CSI (18-6, 5-4 SWAC) completed a two-game sweep of the visiting College of Eastern Utah with an emphatic 85-60 win on Saturday, moving into a tie with CEU (19-4, 5-4 SWAC) for third in the conference and within two games of league-leading Salt Lake Community College (20-3, 7-2), which suffered a 63-54 home loss to North Idaho College (21-3, 6-3) on Saturday.

CSI's weekend wins also included the season debut of University of Connecticut transfer Nate Miles, who scored a game-high 25 on Saturday after netting 24 in Friday's 118-112 overtime win.

CSI came out of gates blistering, knocking down 11 of its first 12 shots Saturday in grabbing a 24-4 lead less than 6 minutes into the game. The host Golden Eagles led 11-0 before the games was 3 minutes old.

"That hoop was about the size of a swimming pool," said CSI head coach Steve Gosar. "The starters really set the tone. They came out and made some plays and knocked down shots."

While Eastern Utah overcame a 17-point deficit to force overtime on Friday, it had no answers on Saturday as CEU played without head coach Chris Craig, who was ejected from Friday's game and thereby had to miss Saturday's affair.

Four CSI players scored in double figures, with Jay Watkins scoring 15 and both Daequon Montreal and Aziz Ndiaye chipping in 10. Ndiaye also had 14 rebounds and four blocks. He scored eight of his points during CSI's pivotal early run.

"What a whale of a ballgame," said Gosar. "He really set the tone inside."

Ndiaye chalked up his success to just "executing in the block and making my move when I got the ball."

Miles then came off the bench and started hitting

See **CSI**, Sports 5

ANDY ARENZ/For the Times-News

CSI's Nate Miles shoots a three-pointer over Aaron England of the College of Eastern Utah in the first half of Saturday's game.

Raft River comes up short in SRC title game, 59-46

By Diane Philbin
Times-News writer

Despite a game-high 26 points by senior standout Sally Hansen and a battle until the final buzzer by the underdog Trojans, the Challis Vikings outdueled Raft River 59-46 in the championship game of the Class 1A Division I Snake River Conference Tournament in Shoshone.

"We just didn't compete for two halves," said Raft River coach Jeremy Qualls. "We chipped away and we felt we could make a run, but every time we would score, we would make a mistake and they would get a basket.

"It was just one of those games that got away from us."

For the Trojans it was not a loss due to a lack of effort, but a matter of Challis executing just a little bit better.

Led by two seniors — Ashley McGowan and Kristen Garlie — that have started since they were freshmen and strong sophomores Jenna Hamilton and Lauren Garlie, Challis is loaded. Plus the Vikings have the experience and confidence of competing at the Class 2A state tournament last year where the Vikings finished in third place.

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Raft River High School's Whitney Holtman (15) goes up for a shot during the first half of play against Challis Saturday night.

Parish, Burley oust Minico in GBW tourney

RYAN HOWE/Times-News

Burley's Paige Andersen drives the lane as Minico's Kendra Bailey defends during their girls basketball game at Burley High School Saturday.

Bobcats face Jerome on Monday for title

By Ryan Howe
Times-News writer

Minico's defensive game plan for Saturday's Great Basin Conference West tournament elimination game against Burley worked to perfection: The Spartans focused on stopping Burley's leading scorer Kassi Kerbs and dangerous post player Sky Palomarez.

Only problem was, no one accounted for Carli Parish.

The Burley senior poured in 17 points to lead the Bobcats to a 47-33 victory over their cross-river rivals.

Minico held Kerbs and Palomarez to a combined 11 points.

"We all decided that if they're shutting down Kassi,

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

Holloway, Lucet team up to batter CEU

By Mike Christensen
Times-News writer

Holloway

Lucet

Stockton and Malone? They've got nothing on Martina and So.

The sophomore duo of point guard Martina Holloway and forward Soana Lucet put on quite a show Saturday afternoon as the No. 12 College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team obliterated the visiting College of Eastern Utah 89-69.

Holloway dished out 15 assists and Lucet was frequently on the receiving end of those, scoring a game-high 27 points on 11-of-14 shooting.

"They both really make each other better," said CSI head coach Randy Rogers.

CSI (19-4, 8-1 Scenic West Athletic Conference) jumped to an 18-2 lead with a combination of layups and 3-pointers and was never threatened in the wire-to-wire win.

"We were upset about how we played (Friday) night. We wanted to come out with more energy and prove to them that we were a better team," said freshman Nicole Harper, who scored five of CSI's first seven points.

Leading 28-13, the host Golden Eagles removed all doubt with an 18-0 run fueled by 10 points from Lucet. The closest CEU got from there was the final score as the lead ballooned to as many as 33 points.

"I thought we made the extra pass, which gave us more good looks and open layups," said Rogers.

As for Holloway and Lucet, their teammates for nothing put praise for the dynamic duo.

"You always know that you're going to get the ball from Martina – the perfect pass," said Harper. "And you can always count on So to make the basket."

CSI also got a big lift from freshman MeChel Hunt, who scored a season-high 17 points and led CSI with six rebounds.

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A-Rod reportedly tested positive for steroids in 2003

The Associated Press

Rodriguez

NEW YORK — As Barry Bonds prepares to defend his name, the slugger who may eventually surpass him as the all-time home run leader has become ensnared by the Steroids Era: Alex Rodriguez.

Rodriguez tested positive for two anabolic steroids during his MVP season with Texas in 2003, *Sports Illustrated* reported on its Web site Saturday.

The New York Yankees star has long denied using performance-enhancing drugs. He declined to discuss the tests when approached by SI on Thursday at a gym in Miami.

"You'll have to talk to the union," he said.

Major League Baseball and the players' union issued statements Saturday, refusing to confirm or deny the report, citing player confidentiality.

An e-mail from The Associated Press to Rodriguez's agent, Scott Boras, was not immediately returned. The Yankees and Rangers declined comment.

The SI revelations come at a time when baseball's focus on drugs has concerned Bonds and the legal maneuvering leading to the start of his trial March 2. The government is trying to prove Bonds lied when he told a grand jury he never knowingly took performance-enhancing drugs.

A three-time AL MVP, Rodriguez has hit 553 career homers. At age 33, the All-Star third baseman is the highest-paid player in baseball and regarded by many as the most likely to break Bonds' record of 762.

With this latest report, Rodriguez joined a growing Who's Who lineup of drug-tainted stars that includes Bonds, Roger Clemens, Mark McGwire, Rafael Palmeiro and Jose Canseco.

In his 2008 book, "Vindicated: Big Names, Big Liars, and The Battle to Save

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INSIDE

AP columnist Tim Dahlberg on what happens to A-Rod now.

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Declo wraps up Canyon's top seed

Times-News

Connor Garner scored 25 and Shaylon Fenstermaker added 17 as Declo wrapped up the Canyon Conference regular-season title with a 68-58 win at Glenns Ferry on Saturdya.

The Hornets (14-5, 4-0 Canyon) opened up a lead in the third quarter and held off the Pilots (13-5, 2-2) by getting strong rebounding and second-chance points.

"Thought out guys played hard, we just didn't match up well on the boards. They got a lot of putbacks," said Glenns Ferry coach Jeremiah Johnston. "We were within a couple in the fourth quarter, and we increased the tempo and both teams scored a lot of points."

Michael Crane had 21 for Glenns Ferry, and Ross Arellano added 15.

Both teams return to action Wednesday, when Glenns Ferry visits Richfield and Declo hosts American Falls.

Declo 68, Glenns Ferry 58

Declo	15 12 18 23 – 68
Glenns Ferry	13 12 12 21 – 58

DECLO (68)

Jarad Erickson 4, Connor Garner 25, Brandon Petersen 5, Tyler Briggs 11, Shaylon Fenstermaker 17, Jeremy Jenkins 6. Totals 29 7-12 68.

GLENNS FERRY (58)

Mike Crane 21, Ross Arellano 15, Gabe Arevelo 7, Johnny Popoca 8, Philip Owsley 7. Totals 23 7-13 58.

3-point goals: Declo 3 (Briggs, Petersen, Garner); Glenns Ferry 5 (Arellano 2, Popoca 2, Arevelo). Total fouls: Declo 13, Glenns Ferry 12. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: Glenns Ferry, Crane.

FRUITLAND 59, BURLEY 55

Burley dominated the first half but a third-quarter collapse let Fruitland back into the game and the host Grizzlies capitalized to take a 59-55 win on Saturday afternoon.

Kyle Hepworth led Burley (8-11) with a game-high 24 points, including half a dozen 3-pointers. But the Bobcats couldn't overcome a poor free-throw performance (4-for-14) and a miserable shooting stretch during the third quarter in which Fruitland outscored Burley 22-8.

"They just shot the ball well and we missed some shots we'd normally make. They just went on a big run on us," said Burley coach Jack Bagley, whose team played its third game in four days. "Throw that third quarter in with poor free-throw shooting and it killed us."

Burley is at Preston to close the regular season on Friday.

Fruitland 59, Burley 55

Burley	11 14 8 22 – 55
Fruitland	6 11 22 20 – 59

BURLEY (55)

Karch Hinckley 9, David Fillmore 1, A.J. Hunter 4, Kyle Hepworth 24, Kace Redder 2, Alex Greener 4, Bill Blauer 11. Totals 22 4-14 55.

FRUITLAND (59)

Devin Decroo 9, Ty Pena 12, Zach Fabricius 7, Steven Vanpatten 3, Jacob Crim 5, Matt Stanger 19, Hans Dahle 4. Totals 19 19-27 59.

3-point goals: Burley 7 (Hepworth 6, Hinckley); Fruitland 2 (Vanpatten, Crim). Total fouls: Burley 22, Fruitland 19. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

SHO-BAN 47, OAKLEY 44

Magic Smith scored 32 as Sho-Ban remained atop the Snake River South standings with a 47-44 win at Oakley on Saturday night.

Payson Bedke scored 15 for the Hornets (7-9, 4-3), all of it coming on 3-pointers.

Oakley hosts Lighthouse Christian on Tuesday.

Sho-Ban 47, Oakley 44

Sho-Ban	12 10 15 10 – 47
Oakley	13 9 10 12 – 44

SHO-BAN (47)

Eldridge 2, Galloway 4, Coby 3, Edmo 6, Smith 32.

OAKLEY (44)

Mark Pickett 4, Scott Arnell 4, Hunter Wadsworth 9, Payson Bedke 15, Colten Wadsworth 2, Paxton Robinson 2, Spencer Petersen 8.

3-point goals: Sho-Ban 3 (Edmo 2, Coby); Oakley 6 (Bedke 5, H. Wadsworth). Total fouls: Sho-Ban 9, Oakley 11. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

KIMBERLY 74, WENDELL 55

A.J. Schroeder scored 17, Cody Wadsworth added 15 and Kimberly moved to 6-1 in the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference with a 74-55 win over visiting Wendell on Saturday.

Lael Schoessler added 12 and Eric Marvin 11 for the Bulldogs (12-5), who outscored the Trojans 46-23 in the second half.

"I thought we just wore them down in the second half. They only suited up eight players," said Kimberly head coach Marvin Mumm. "We did a good job of attacking them in the second half."

Kimberly is at SCIC-leading Filer on Tuesday.

Kimberly 74, Wendell 55

Wendell	8 14 11 22 – 55
Kimberly	15 13 22 24 – 74

WENDELL (55)

Nolan Stouder 6, William Fien 6, Jordan Lancaster 17, John Campbell 4, Nathan Ormond 13, Gary Koopman 9. Totals 15 22-28 55.

KIMBERLY (74)

A.J. Schroeder 17, Isaac Makings 3, Lael Schoessler 12, Nick Dame 1, Eric Marvin 11, Duston Brown 6, Cody Wadsworth 15, Jared Mumm 9. Totals 23 23-35 74.

3-point goals: Wendell 1 (Lancaster); Kimberly 5 (Schroeder 2, Makings, Marvin, Wadsworth). Total fouls: Wendell 24, Kimberly 23. Fouled out: Wendell, Keith Mowery, Campbell. Technical fouls: none.

Yturbe commits to Northwest Nazarene

Arguably the best prep girls soccer player to come through the Magic Valley in some time is taking her act to the NCAA level.

Buhl goal machine Autumn Yturbe signed a National Letter of Intent to play college soccer at NCAA Division II Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa, the university's athletic department said in a statement issued Friday.

The three-time all-High Desert Soccer Conference forward tallied a remarkable 166 goals in her four-year career. In her senior season she found the back of the net 41 times, including three goals in the final 11 minutes of the Indians' 4-3 victory in the HDSC title game.

Yturbe said that despite her illustrious career, NNU was pretty much the only school to register a serious interest in adding her to its ranks. Nevertheless, the Buhl senior was excited at the prospect of continuing her soccer career.

"I'm happy to be able to go somewhere. I thought I could play a college sport, but I didn't know if it would ever truly happen. Living in a small town you don't get much advertisement," Yturbe said. "When we were there for girls state I went to a camp at the school, and it was pretty cool. I like it up there."

Yturbe was one of four athletes to commit to the NNU women's soccer team on Friday, joining Columbia High defender Katie Butler, Westside Christian (Lake Oswego, Ore.) forward Sarah Staropoli and Shoreline (Wash.) Community College defender-midfielder Lacey Thompson.

"This is a great group of girls that we're adding to our program for 2009," NNU coach Jamie Lindvall said in a statement released by the university. "Both technically and tactically I'm excited about what each of them adds to our team. I think one of the greatest strengths of this recruiting class is the creativity and vision that each of them shows on the field."

— David Bashore

Boys basketball

FILER 46, BUHL 41

Filer rallied to beat Buhl 46-41 Saturday night in Buhl. The Indians led by five at intermission and were still up in the late going before the Wildcats took over.

"The difference in the ball game tonight was our shot selection down the stretch wasn't the best," said Buhl coach Ryan Bowman, "and we missed some key free throw opportunities."

Filer got 14 points from Bryce Beard and 11 from Nathan Karel. Nick Hamilton and Cader Owen each scored 11 for Buhl (3-15, 2-5 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference).

While Buhl has struggled much of the season, Bowman said his team is coming along and starting to compete with conference foes, which could bode well for the upcoming SCIC tournament.

Filer 46, Buhl 41

Filer	7 9 15 15 – 46
Buhl	8 14 11 8 – 41

FILER (46)

Bryce Beard 14, Mat Jones 3, Nathan Hughes 8, Justin Orban 6, Andrew Wright 2, Nathan Karel 11, Ryan Karel 2. Totals 16 9-17 46.

BUHL (41)

Nathan Romans 4, J.D. Leckenby 4, Garret Schilz 6, Gabe Jacobson 3, Nick Hamilton 11, Cader Owen 11, Tyler Montgomery 2. Totals 14 7-17 41.

3-point goals: Filer 4 (Beard 3, Orban 1); Buhl 6 (Schiltz 2, Hamilton, Jacobson, Owen 2); Total fouls: Filer 16, Buhl 20. Fouled out: none.

Girls basketball

CLASS 1A DIVISION II NORTHSIDE CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT
DIETRICH 77, BLISS 29

Shayla Porter scored 24 and Moriah Dill added 23 as Dietrich eliminated Bliss 77-29 in Dietrich on Saturday.

The Blue Devils (16-6) hit 34 field goals in the win.

Bliss hit five field goals, but only 11 total shots from the floor.

Dietrich advances to an elimination game Friday against Camas County.

Dietrich 77, Bliss 29

Dietrich	18 19 22 18 – 77
Bliss	5 10 5 9 – 29

DIETRICH (77)

Ellie Dalton 6, Nakia Norman 4, Moriah Dill 23, Jessica Perron 8, Shayla Porter 24, Dayna Phillips 12. Totals 34 8-28 77.

BLISS (29)

Abby Burk 4, Amy Young 1, Ashley Taylor 3, Ariel Burk 3, Demsie Butler 2, Savanaha Kehrer 6, Sarah Rasmussen 6, Dougless Skinner 4. Totals 11 2-7 29.

3-point goals: Dietrich 1 (Porter); Bliss 5 (Rasmussen 2, Taylor, Ar. Burk, Kehrer). Total fouls: Dietrich 10, Bliss 20. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Wrestling

KIMBERLY 2-3 AT ABERDEEN DUALS

The Kimberly wrestling team won two of its three duals at the Aberdeen Duals on Saturday. Coach Troy Palmer was pleased with his team's results, especially since the Bulldogs gave up five forfeits in each match, thereby giving up 30 points.

"The kids really came through," said Palmer.

Nolan Ward went undefeated in two days in Aberdeen with a 7-0 record, while Tucker Mulberry and Koltin Kenney went 7-1. Allen Hunt and Jamie Folk had 6-1 marks, while Tyson Hardy finished with a 5-2 record and Nate Young was 4-2 record.

Kimberly 52, Valley 27

103: Casey Ivey, Valley, won by forfeit; 112: Parker Lamun, Valley, won by forfeit; 119: Koltin Kenney, Kimberly, pinned Caleb Gerrard 3:56; 125: Connor Beames, Valley, won by forfeit; 130: Aaron Raff, Valley, won by forfeit; 135: Derek Gerratt, Valley, dec. Tucker Mulberry 6-0; 140 Tyson Hardy, Kimberly, dec. James Sizemore 15-2; 145: Nolan Ward, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 152: Nate Young, Kimberly, pinned Skylor Kuntz 4:44; 160 Sam Wasko, Kimberly, pinned Andrew Munsee 1:35; 171: Cheynce Bennett, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 189: Allen Hunt, Kimberly, pinned Derek Murphy 2:48; 215: Caleb McClimans, Kimberly, pinned Lance Sirucek 2:43; 285: Jamie Folk, Kimberly, pinned Zach Rarick 00:53.

Firth 42, Kimberly 41

103: Tyson Wilding, Filer, won by forfeit; 112: Kurtis Downs, Filer, won by forfeit; 119: Koltin Kenney, Kimberly, T-fall Jacob Butler 15-0; 125: Kris Lockyer, Filer, won by forfeit; 130: Cooper Clemens, Filer, won by forfeit; 135: Tucker Mulberry, Kimberly, pinned Taylor Nover 2:35 140 Tyson Hardy, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 145: Nolan Ward, Kimberly, pinned Preston Christensen 00:32; 152: Nate Young, Kimberly, pinned Braden Hunt 1:33; 160: Braden Christensen, Filer, pinned Sam Wasko 2:04; 171: Allen Hunt, Kimberly, pinned Jake Madsen 00:31; 189: Evan Siepier, Filer, pinned Caleb McClimans 1:50; 215: James Jolley, Filer, won by forfeit; 285: Jamie Folk, Kimberly, won by forfeit.

Kimberly 29 Teton 45

103: double forfeit; 112: Dylan White, Titon, won by forfeit; 119: Koltin Kenney, Kimberly, T-fall Nick Wells 15-0; 125: Tim Heffron, Titon, won by forfeit; 130: Tyler Melacharek, Titon, won by forfeit; 135: Tucker Mulberry, Kimberly, pinned Jacob Ect 00:56; 140: Josh Wise, Titon, dec, Tyson Hardy 11-10; 145: Nolan Ward, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 152: Nate Young, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 160: Kyle Hansen, Titon, pinned Sam Wasko 4:51; 171: Allen Hunt, Kimberly, pinned Matt Murdock 00:43; 189: CT Simonet, Titon, pinned Caleb McClimans 2:01; 215: Corbin Waddell, Titon, won by forfeit; 285: Jake Thomas, Titon, pinned Jamie Folk 00:44.

Filer 39, Kimberly 36

103: Andrew Juarez, Filer, won by forfeit; 112: Sheldon Macklin, Filer, won by forfeit; 119: Koltin Kenney, Kimberly, pinned Pedroe Nunez 2:04; 125: Matt Hass, Filer, won by forfeit; 130: Taylor Deaton, Filer, won by forfeit; 135: Tucker Mulberry, Kimberly, pinned Levi Drieschal 4:37 140 Tyson Hardy, Kimberly, dec. Andrew Rainsdon 5-4; 145: Nolan Ward, Kimberly, pinned Tyler Reeder 00:47; 152: Nate Young, Kimberly, Dec. Brian Faria 5-0 160 Ryan Orr, Filer, dec. Sam Wasko 11-6; 171: Allen Hunt, Kimberly, pinned Dillon Hatch 00:40; 189: Len Rogers, Filer, pinned Caleb McClimans 2:24; 215: Cody Leggskyler, Filer, won by forfeit; 285: Jamie Folk, Kimberly, pinned Brett Packham 1:22.

Kimberly 42, Grace 18

103: double forfeit; 112: Austin Werner, Grace, won by forfeit; 119: Koltin Kenney, Kimberly, pinned jacob Brogan 1:53; 125: double forfeit; 130: double forfeit; 135: Tucker Mulberry, Kimberly, pinned Josh Benson 4:21 140 Tyson Hardy, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 145: Nolan Ward, Kimberly, pinned Spensor Peck 1:10; 152: Taylor Peck, Grace, pinned Nate Young 1:46 160 Sam Wasko, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 171: Allen Hunt, Kimberly, won by forfeit; 189: Ivan Goryoles, Grace, pinned Caleb McClimans :41; 215: double forfeit; 285: Jamie Folk, Kimberly, won by forfeit.

2008-09 High School Girls Basketball District Tournaments

Class 5A Region Four-Five-Six
Tuesday, Feb. 3
Game 1: Skyline 49, Idaho Falls 45
Game 2: Highland 49, Twin Falls 33
Thursday, Feb. 5
Game 3: Idaho Falls 56, Twin Falls 54 (Twin Falls eliminated)
Game 4: Madison 76, Skyline 68
Saturday, Feb. 7
Game 5: Skyline 62, Idaho Falls 45 (Idaho Falls eliminated)
Game 6: Highland 57, Madison 45
Tuesday, Feb. 10
Game 7: Skyline (10-13) at Madison (13-9), 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 12
Game 8: Championship, Winner 6 at Highland (22-0), 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 13
Game 9: Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m.

Class 4A Great Basin Conference
West Division
Tuesday, Feb. 3
Game 1: Burley 58, Wood River 42
Game 2: Jerome 63, Minico 26
Thursday, Feb. 5
Game 3: Minico 52, Wood River 37 (Wood River eliminated)
Game 4: Jerome 46, Burley 27
Saturday, Feb. 7
Game 5: Burley 47, Minico 33 (Minico eliminated)
Monday, Feb. 9
Game 6: Championship, Burley (18-5) at Jerome (18-4), 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 10
Game 7: Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m.

Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference
Monday, Feb. 2
Game 1: Kimberly 51, Buhl 42
Game 2: Filer 54, Gooding 31
Tuesday, Feb. 3
Game 3: Buhl 56, Gooding 38 (Gooding eliminated)
Game 4: Wendell 43, Filer 34
Wednesday, Feb. 4
Game 5: Buhl 51, Filer 46 (Filer eliminated)
Game 6: Kimberly 52, Wendell 44
Monday, Feb. 9
Game 7: Buhl (8-15) at Wendell (16-6), 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 11
Game 8: Championship, Winner 6 vs. Kimberly (17-3), 7 p.m., at CSI
Friday, Feb. 13
Game 9: Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m., high seed hosts
* Champion receives state tournament berth. Second-place team will face District III runner-up in state play-in game at 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 14, at Glenns Ferry.

Class 2A Canyon Conference
Tuesday, Feb. 3
Game 1: Declo 76, Glenns Ferry 22
Thursday, Feb. 5
Game 2: Valley 60, Declo 45
Monday, Feb. 9
Game 3: Glenns Ferry (0-21) at Declo (12-10), 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 12
Game 4: Championship, Winner 3 at Valley (18-3), 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 13
Game 5: Second championship, Loser 4 at Winner 4, if necessary, 7 p.m.
* Champion receives berth to state tournament, Feb. 19-21 at Bishop Kelly High School in Boise.

Class 1A Division I Snake River Conference
At Shoshone High School
Saturday, Jan. 31
Play-in game
Oakley 61, Lighthouse Christian 30 (Lighthouse Christian eliminated)
Tournament
Wednesday, Feb. 4
Game 1: Challis 85, Hansen 21
Game 2: Sho-Ban 44, Shoshone 40
Game 3: Raft River 46, Oakley 44
Game 4: Hagerman 40, Castleford 36
Friday, Feb. 6
Game 5: Shoshone 41, Hansen 34 (Hansen eliminated)
Game 6: Oakley 49, Castleford 27 (Castleford eliminated)
Game 7: Challis 64, Sho-Ban 48
Game 8: Raft River 57, Hagerman 29
Saturday, Feb. 7
Game 9: Shoshone 30, Hagerman 29 (Hagerman eliminated)
Game 10: Sho-Ban 67, Oakley 58 (Oakley eliminated)
Game 11: Championship, Challis 59, Raft River 46
Monday, Feb. 9
Game 12: Shoshone (11-12) vs. Sho-Ban (12-9), 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 11
Game 13: Second place, Raft River (16-6) vs. Winner 12, 7:30 p.m.
* Champion and second place gets state tournament berth. Third place advances to play-in game at 3 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 14, at Glenns Ferry, against the third-place team from District III.

Class 1A Division II Northside Conference
At Dietrich High School
Thursday, Feb. 5
Game 1: Camas County 43, Bliss 20
Game 2: Carey 53, Magic Valley Christian 22
Friday, Feb. 6
Game 3: Richfield 55, Camas County 24
Game 4: Carey 48, Dietrich 36
Saturday, Feb. 7
Game 5: Dietrich 77, Bliss 29 (Bliss eliminated)
Game 6: Magic Valley Christian (1-12) vs. Camas County (9-8), late
Friday, Feb. 13
Game 7: Dietrich (16-6) vs. Winner 6, 6 p.m.
Game 8: Championship, Richfield (21-0) vs. Carey (11-7), 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 14
Game 9: Second place, Loser 8 vs. Winner 7, 7 p.m.

CSI softball splits another DH with Salt Lake CC

Times-News

Going into Saturday's "home" doubleheader with Salt Lake Community College, College of Southern Idaho softball coach Nick Baumert would have taken a split.

Leaving it, a split feels a little hollow.

CSI took the opening game of the doubleheader 4-3 in St. George, Utah, and was poised to complete the sweep, but Salt Lake scored seven unanswered runs in the final two innings to win 8-5 and salvage the split.

Salt Lake came out and took a 3-0 lead in the opener, but a four-run fifth, highlighted by a two-run homer from Ashley Chappel, one of two on the day, sparked CSI (10-4-2, 6-2 SWAC) to the win. Erin Olander delivered the decisive runs with a two-out two-run double moments after Chappel's round-tripper.

In the second game, CSI held a 5-1 lead in the sixth inning, but a botched double-play attempt preceded a three-run homer. It didn't give Salt Lake the lead but the damage was already done.

"We never recovered from that play," said Baumert.

Still, Baumert was somewhat pleased with the split despite the late-inning collapse.

"Obviously I feel like we let one slip away but if you split against the top teams, you're going to steal one here or there, you put yourself in a good spot in the conference," he said.

CSI travels to Snow College this coming weekend for two doubleheaders.

Game 1

CSI 4, Salt Lake 3

Salt Lake	200 100 0 – 3 10 0
CSI	000 040 x – 4 8 1

Clark, McDonald (6) and Gray. Nielson and Zimmerman. W: Nielson (4-0-2). L: Clark.

Extra-base hits – 2B: CSI, Erin Olander. HR: Salt Lake, Graham, Phillips; CSI, Ashley Chappel.

Game 2

Salt Lake 8, CSI 5

Salt Lake	010 005 2 – 8 8 3
CSI	003 200 0 – 5 7 0

McDonald, O'Brien (4) and Gray. Bryant, Dimond (6), Nielson (6) and Zimmerman. W: O'Brien. L: Bryant (2-1).

Extra-base hits – 2B: Salt Lake, Phillips. HR: Salt Lake, McDonald; CSI, Ashley Chappel, Kayla Powell.

Trojans

Continued from Sports 1

"We think we keep getting better especially on defense," said Hamilton. "We play and work well together. On defense, we always know who has who."

Raft River fell behind 21-8 after the first quarter and trailed 29-22 at the half. Hansen scored 12 of the Trojan points in the first half, but didn't get much help.

"It was a tough-fought game and Raft River came to play," said Challis coach Tom McGowan.

Hamilton led the Vikings with 18 points followed by Kristen Garlie with 13 and Lauren Garlie with 12.

"Challis is a well-balanced and well-coached team," said Qualls.

Consolation

SHOSHONE 30, HAGERMAN 29

Kelly Perron and Taylor Astle combined to score six points in the game's final eight seconds as Shoshone rallied to stun Hagerman 30-29, eliminating the Pirates (13-10).

Perron, who finished with seven points, was fouled on a 3-point attempt and calmly hit all three foul shots. Astle stole the ensuing inbounds pass and hit a lay-up while being fouled, then sunk the decisive free throw with 3.5 seconds left.

"I've coached a lot of years and never had a team score six points in eight seconds," said Shoshone coach Tim Chapman. "Kelly stepped up there, ice in her veins and sank all three, and Taylor had a great steal."

Astle finished with a game-high 15 points for the Indians (11-12), who will face Sho-Ban on Monday in the tournament's last elimination game.

Kaitlyn Nebeker led Hagerman with 12 points.

SHO-BAN 67, OAKLEY 58

Shayann Johnson scored 21, Jill Graves added 18 and Sho-Ban finally ended Oakley's valiant tournament run with a 67-58 win, advancing to face Shoshone on Monday.

Samantha Bear added 14 points and Corianna Honena kicked in 11 for the Chiefs (12-9).

Kori Poulton led four Hornet scorers in double figures, while Jordan Lierman added 15, Kaylani Setoki 12 and Saless Terry 11. But Oakley (5-15) couldn't overcome rebounding and free-throw difficulties.

Still, head coach Kristin Jones was more than pleased with the effort shown throughout the tournament.

"They played great this tournament, really stepped up. We came out consistently playing hard, every game, giving them a battle," said Jones. "I think a lot of people thought we'd be the first team out. They surprised everyone."

Challis 59, Raft River 46

Raft River	8 14 11 13 – 46
Challis	21 8 15 15 – 59

RAFT RIVER (46)

Hailey Higley 8, Sally Hansen 26 , CeAnn Carpenter 2, Whitney Holtman 6, Marli Manning 2, Chelzee Nye 2. Totals 18 10-12 46.

CHALLIS (59)

Ashley McGowan 4, Jenna Hamilton 18, Nicole Helm 5, Shelby Tritthart 5, Lauren Garlie 12, Kristen Garlie 13, Amber Kemmerer 2.Totals 26 5-8 59.

3-point goals: Challis 2 (Hamilton, Helm). Total fouls: Challis 14, Raft River 8. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Shoshone 30, Hagerman 29

Hagerman	2 6 9 12 – 29
Shoshone	4 7 9 10 – 30

HAGERMAN (29)

Kaitlyn Nebeker 12, Sally Traughber 2, Haley Arriaga 2, Aubrey Goolsby 9, Amanda Regnier 4. Totals 11 5-10 29.

SHOSHONE (30)

Taylor Astle 15, Lacey Kniep 4, Jennica Kerner 2, Michelle Aoi 1, Jenny Perron 1, Kelly Perron 7. Totals 8 12-19 30.

3-point goals: Hagerman 2 (Nebeker 2); Shoshone 2 (Astle, Kniep). Total fouls: Hagerman 16, Shoshone 14. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Sho-Ban 67, Oakley 58

Oakley	10 17 13 19 – 58
Sho-Ban	19 12 16 20 – 67

OAKLEY (58)

Whitney Smith 7, Kaylani Setoki 12, Saless Terry 11, Sabrina Wybenga 8, Jordan Lierman 15, Kori Poulton 16. Totals 22 10-25 58.

Burley

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the rest of us have to step up and start making shots," said Parish, who was 9-for-10 from the foul line.

Burley (18-5) advances to play Jerome in Monday's conference championship game. The Bobcats now face the daunting task of beating Jerome twice to win the tournament's double-elimination format. But Burley has already ensured itself at least a state tournament play-in opportunity. Monday's tip-off is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Jerome High School.

"That was a great team win," said Burley coach Gordon Kerbs. "Everybody did something positive. I've felt all along that these kids have a lot of character."

Minico finished its season 10-13 despite 13 points from Brecka Fetzer and 10 from Laci Garner.

"We were focusing so much on (Kassi Kerbs and Palomarez), we had a whole defense just for them," Garner said. "We didn't think the other players would step up. But I'm really proud of (my team) for sticking with it, even when we got down. It was just one of those nights."

Burley, which tallied its third win over Minico this season, built a 10-point lead midway through the second quarter and was never threatened the rest of the night as the Bobcats clamped down defensively.

"(Burley) played good defense and got a lot of offensive rebounds and we just couldn't answer them," said Joe D. Shepard, who concluded his first season as Minico's head coach. "I'm proud of this group and I really enjoyed this season and I look forward to summer ball and next season."

Burley 47, Minico 33

Minico	5 11 6 12 – 47
Burley	12 14 8 13 – 33

MINICO (33)

Katelyn Foreman 2, Kelli Kindig 1, Brecka Fetzer 13, Tianna Stimpson 6, Laci Garner 10, Marlee Chandler 2. Totals 12 6-13 33.

BURLEY (47)

Carli Parish 17, Kassi Kerbs 9, Cheri Preston 4, Brandee Potts 1, Paige Andersen 7, Teresa Wayment 6, Sky Palomarez 2, Shawna Pace 1. Totals 16 13-16 47.

3-point goals: Minico 3 (Fetzer 2, Stimpson); Burley 2 (Kerbs, Andersen). Total fouls: Minico 14; Burley 18. Fouled out: none.

CSI baseball drops pair on road

Times-News

South Mountain Community College swept the College of Southern Idaho baseball team in a doubleheader Saturday in Phoenix. The Cougars won 6-2 and 3-2, dropping the Golden Eagles to 2-3 on the season.

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

NBA
All Times MST

EASTERN

ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	42	10	.808	—
Philadelphia	25	24	.510	15½
New Jersey	24	27	.471	17½
New York	21	28	.429	19½
Toronto	19	34	.358	23½
SOUTHEAST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Orlando	37	12	.755	—
Atlanta	29	21	.580	8½
Miami	26	23	.531	11
Charlotte	19	30	.388	18
Washington	10	40	.200	27½
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Cleveland	39	9	.813	—
Detroit	27	21	.563	12
Milwaukee	24	29	.453	17½
Chicago	22	29	.431	18½
Indiana	20	31	.392	20½

WESTERN

SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	33	15	.688	—
New Orleans	29	18	.617	3½
Houston	31	20	.608	3½
Dallas	30	20	.600	4
Memphis	14	36	.280	20
NORTHWEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Denver	34	17	.667	—
Portland	30	19	.612	3
Utah	29	22	.569	5
Minnesota	17	32	.347	16
Oklahoma City	12	38	.240	21½
PACIFIC	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
L.A. Lakers	40	9	.816	—
Phoenix	27	21	.563	12½
Golden State	16	35	.314	25
L.A. Clippers	12	39	.235	29
Sacramento	11	40	.216	30

Friday's Games

Atlanta 102, Charlotte 97
Indiana 107, Orlando 102
Boston 110, New York 100
New Orleans 101, Toronto 92
Denver 124, Washington 103
L.A. Clippers 126, Memphis 105
Oklahoma City 102, Portland 93
Utah 111, Sacramento 107
Phoenix 115, Golden State 105

Saturday's Games

L.A. Clippers 121, Atlanta 97
Philadelphia 94, Miami 84
New Jersey 114, Denver 70
Memphis 78, Toronto 70
Houston 107, Minnesota 90
Dallas 115, Chicago 114, OT
Detroit 126, Milwaukee 121, OT

Sunday's Games

San Antonio at Boston, 11 a.m.
L.A. Lakers at Cleveland, 1:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Orlando, 4 p.m.
Indiana at Washington, 4 p.m.
Charlotte at Miami, 4 p.m.
New York at Portland, 4 p.m.
Sacramento at Oklahoma City, 5 p.m.
Minnesota at New Orleans, 5 p.m.
Phoenix at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Utah at Golden State, 7 p.m.

Monday's Games

Phoenix at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Charlotte, 5 p.m.
Houston at Milwaukee, 6 p.m.
New Orleans at Memphis, 6 p.m.

NBA Boxes

Mavericks 115, Bulls 114, OT

CHICAGO (114)
Deng 3-15 4-6 10, Thomas 8-14 6-7 23, Noah 4-4 0-3 8, Gordon 9-18 6-6 28, Rose 11-25 0-0 22, Hinrich 4-9 0-0 10, Nocioni 4-9 2-2 13, Sefolosha 0-0 0-0 0, Gray 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-94 18-24 114.
DALLAS (115)
Howard 5-9 2-3 13, Nowitzki 16-34 11-11 44, Dampier 3-8 0-0 6, Wright 2-6 2-2 6, Kidd 2-4 0-0 5, George 2-4 0-0 4, Terry 3-7 0-0 8, Bass 2-6 1-2 5, Barea 8-17 2-4 20, Singleton 2-2 0-0 4, Carroll 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 45-97 18-22 115.

Chicago	**24**	**26**	**25**	**39 — 114**
Dallas	**20**	**28**	**29**	**20 — 115**

3-Point Goals—Chicago 10-17 (Gordon 4-6, Nocioni 3-4, Hinrich 2-5, Thomas 1-1, Rose 0-1), Dallas 7-17 (Barea 2-4, Terry 2-6, Howard 1-1, Kidd 1-2, Nowitzki 1-2, Wright 0-1, George 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 59 (Thomas 12), Dallas 54 (Dampier 10). Assists—Chicago 22 (Rose 9), Dallas 25 (Kidd 10). Total Fouls—Chicago 25, Dallas 23. Technicals—Nocioni, Dallas defensive three second. A—20,349 (19,200).

Pistons 126, Bucks 121, OT

DETROIT (126)
Prince 3-11 0-0 7, Johnson 2-2 1-2 5, Wallace 10-17 0-0 27, Iverson 6-17 15-16 27, Stuckey 1-10 4-4 6, Hamilton 15-25 6-6 38, Maxiell 0-0 0-0 0, McDyess 8-11 0-0 16, Afflalo 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 45-94 26-28 126.
MILWAUKEE (121)
Jefferson 7-14 1-3 16, Villanueva 11-20 9-11 33, Elson 0-3 0-0 0, Mbah a Moute 2-6 0-0 4, Sessions 13-18 18-21 44, Alexander 1-2 0-0 2, Gadzuric 0-1 1-2 1, Bell 3-9 2-2 10, Bogans 3-9 2-2 8, Jones 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 41-84 33-41 121.

Detroit	**30**	**24**	**25**	**30 — 126**
Milwaukee	**19**	**26**	**37**	**27 — 121**

3-Point Goals—Detroit 10-18 (Wallace 7-10, Hamilton 2-3, Prince 1-3, Afflalo 0-1, Iverson 0-1), Milwaukee 6-17 (Villanueva 2-5, Bell 2-5, Jones 1-2, Jefferson 1-2, Bogans 0-3). Fouled Out—Villanueva. Rebounds—Detroit 53 (Prince 13), Milwaukee 49 (Elson 8). Assists—Detroit 31 (Prince, Iverson 9), Milwaukee 21 (Sessions 12). Total Fouls—Detroit 28, Milwaukee 23. Technicals—Johnson, Wallace. A—17,297 (18,717).

Rockets 107, Timberwolves 90

MINNESOTA (90)
Gomes 5-14 1-1 12, Love 1-7 2-2 4, Jefferson 16-30 4-7 36, Foye 3-15 1-2 10, Telfair 4-9 2-2 13, Miller 3-5 0-0 7, McCants 1-5 1-2 4, Cardinal 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 35-88 11-16 90.
HOUSTON (107)
Battier 1-4 0-0 3, Scola 3-10 2-2 8, Yao 12-18 6-7 30, McGrady 6-16 0-0 15, Alston 8-10 2-2 22, Artest 6-12 1-2 14, Landry 5-9 0-0 10, Mutombo 0-0 0-0 0, Brooks 0-3 0-0 0, Hayes 0-2 0-0 0, Wafer 1-1 3-4 5. Totals 42-85 14-17 107.

Minnesota	**27**	**23**	**21**	**19 — 90**
Houston	**20**	**30**	**28**	**29 — 107**

3-Point Goals—Minnesota 9-25 (Telfair 3-5, Foye 3-8, Miller 1-2, McCants 1-4, Gomes 1-5, Cardinal 0-1), Houston 9-19 (Alston 4-4, McGrady 3-4, Battier 1-4, Artest 1-5, Brooks 0-1, Landry 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Minnesota 48 (Jefferson 22), Houston 56 (Scola 10). Assists—Minnesota 23 (Telfair 9), Houston 24 (Battier, Artest, Alston 6). Total Fouls—Minnesota 12, Houston 17. A—16,815 (18,043).

Nets 114, Nuggets 70

DENVER (70)
Anthony 5-11 4-8 15, Martin 2-7 0-0 4, Nene 3-7 3-3 9, Jones 3-8 1-2 7, Billups 4-11 0-0 9, Andersen 1-2 4-4 6, Smith 3-8 0-0 7, A.Carter 3-7 1-2 8, Kleiza 1-4 1-4 3, Balkman 1-3 0-0 2, Weems 0-2 0-0 0, Petro 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 26-73 14-23 70.
NEW JERSEY (114)
Hassell 4-8 3-4 11, Anderson 5-12 0-0 13, Lopez 6-12 3-4 15, V.Carter 5-10 2-2 12, Harris 6-10 14-17 28, Boone 1-2 0-0 2, Dooling 2-4 2-2 8, Hayes 4-12 5-6 14, Douglas-Roberts 0-1 0-0 0, Williams 2-3 1-2 5, Ager 2-5 2-4 6. Totals 37-79 32-41 114.

Denver	**19**	**20**	**16**	**15 — 70**
New Jersey	**24**	**35**	**33**	**22 — 114**

3-Point Goals—Denver 4-15 (Anthony 1-2, A.Carter 1-3, Smith 1-3, Billups 1-5, Kleiza 0-1, Martin 0-1), New Jersey 8-22 (Anderson 3-7, Dooling 2-2, Harris 2-5, Hayes 1-5, Ager 0-1, V.Carter 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Denver 42 (Nene 7), New Jersey 65 (Anderson 12). Assists—Denver 15 (Billups 3), New Jersey 26 (V.Carter 8). Total Fouls—Denver 27, New Jersey 20. Technicals—Anthony, Billups, Denver Coach Karl. Flagrant Fouls—Williams. A—17,697 (19,990).

Grizzlies 78, Raptors 70

TORONTO (70)
Graham 6-10 2-2 14, Bargnani 1-11 6-8 8, O'Neal 2-9 2-2 6, Parker 2-10 0-0 4, Calderon 5-15 7-7 18, Moon 2-4 2-2 6, Kapono 4-15 0-0 12, Ukic 1-4 0-0 2, Voskuhl 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-78 19-21 70.
MEMPHIS (78)
Ross 3-5 0-0 8, Warrick 5-15 6-6 16, Gasol 4-4 0-0 8, Mayo 6-19 2-2 16, Conley 5-15 5-7 15, Milicic 1-7 0-2 2, Buckner 1-5 0-0 2, Miles 3-4 0-0 6, Jaric 2-4 0-0 5. Totals 30-78 13-17 78.

Toronto	**21**	**14**	**20**	**15 — 70**
Memphis	**18**	**25**	**17**	**18 — 78**

3-Point Goals—Toronto 5-23 (Kapono 4-11, Calderon 1-3, Moon 0-1, Parker 0-3, Bargnani 0-5), Memphis 5-17 (Ross 2-3, Mayo 2-7, Jaric 1-2, Buckner 0-2, Conley 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Toronto 49 (Moon 9), Memphis 60 (Buckner, Milicic, Gasol, Mayo, Warrick 8). Assists—Toronto 12 (Calderon 5), Memphis 17 (Conley 8). Total Fouls—Toronto 18, Memphis 21. Technicals—O'Neal, Toronto defensive three second 3, Jaric, Memphis defensive three second. A—11,498 (18,119).

Clippers 121, Hawks 97

L.A. CLIPPERS (121)
Thornton 13-22 4-5 31, Randolph 10-18 2-2 25, Camby 6-7 4-5 16, Gordon 5-10 0-0 11, B.Davis 6-15 0-2 13, F.Jones 0-1 0-0 0, R.Davis 4-7 0-0 12, Jordan 2-2 1-2 5, Novak 2-3 1-1 6, Hart 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 49-86 12-17 121.
ATLANTA (97)
Williams 5-11 6-6 17, Smith 6-10 4-7 16, Horford 4-6 0-0 8, Johnson 6-15 2-3 17, Law 3-9 2-3 8, Pachulia 4-7 4-4 12, Evans 2-5 4-4 10, Murray 1-7 2-3 5, S.Jones 0-0 0-0 0, West 2-3 0-2 4. Totals 33-73 24-32 97.

L.A. Clippers	**27**	**28**	**35**	**31 — 121**
Atlanta	**17**	**24**	**31**	**25 — 97**

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 11-22 (R.Davis 4-6, Randolph 3-3, Novak 1-2, Thornton 1-2, Gordon 1-3, B.Davis 1-5, F.Jones 0-1), Atlanta 7-16 (Johnson 3-5, Evans 2-4, Murray 1-2, Williams 1-3, Law 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 47 (Randolph 9), Atlanta 43 (Smith 15). Assists—L.A. Clippers 38 (F.Jones 9), Atlanta 19 (Law 6). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 22, Atlanta 17. Technical—Atlanta Coach Woodson. A—18,729 (18,729).

76ers 94, Heat 84

MIAMI (84)
Marion 3-8 5-5 11, Haslem 4-11 0-0 8, Magloire 2-2 1-2 5, Wade 8-19 5-8 21, Chalmers 7-15 2-5 18, Anthony 1-1 0-0 2, Beasley 7-12 0-0 14, Jones 1-6 0-0 3, Quinn 1-3 0-0 2, Diawara 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-77 13-20 84.
PHILADELPHIA (94)
Iguodala 4-10 3-4 12, Young 6-11 1-3 14, Dalembert 1-1 0-0 2, Green 5-12 0-0 10, Miller 3-7 9-9 15, Williams 2-9 6-6 10, Evans 0-3 5-6 5, Ivey 4-7 1-2 11, Speights 5-8 5-6 15, Ratliff 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 30-69 30-36 94.

Miami	**23**	**21**	**25**	**15 — 84**
Philadelphia	**26**	**18**	**19**	**31 — 94**

3-Point Goals—Miami 3-19 (Chalmers 2-6, Jones 1-6, Quinn 0-1, Beasley 0-2, Wade 0-4), Philadelphia 4-14 (Ivey 2-3, Iguodala 1-2, Young 1-3, Williams 0-3, Green 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 46 (Haslem 9), Philadelphia 49 (Dalembert 10). Assists—Miami 23 (Wade, Chalmers 7), Philadelphia 21 (Miller, Iguodala 5). Total Fouls—Miami 25, Philadelphia 18. Technical—Magloire. A—17,216 (20,318).

Friday's NBA Late Boxes

Suns 115, Warriors 105

GOLDEN STATE (105)
Jackson 10-21 2-4 24, Azubuike 0-3 0-0 0, Biedrins 5-6 1-1 11, Ellis 5-12 5-6 15, Crawford 5-13 6-6 17, Maggette 9-22 6-8 25, Turiaf 4-7 3-4 11, Watson 1-2 0-0 2, Morrow 0-0 0-0 0, Kurz 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-86 23-29 105.
PHOENIX (115)
Hill 12-17 3-3 27, Stoudemire 7-18 5-7 19, O'Neal 4-11 4-8 12, Richardson 9-14 5-6 25, Nash 9-19 1-1 19, Amundson 1-2 1-2 3, Barnes 1-4 0-0 2, Barbosa 2-5 4-4 8. Totals 45-90 23-31 115.

Golden State	**21**	**33**	**31**	**20 — 105**
Phoenix	**31**	**28**	**27**	**29 — 115**

3-Point Goals—Golden State 4-14 (Jackson 2-6, Maggette 1-3, Crawford 1-3, Azubuike 0-1, Watson 0-1), Phoenix 2-4 (Richardson 2-3, Nash 0-1). Fouled Out—O'Neal. Rebounds—Golden State 51 (Biedrins 11), Phoenix 55 (Stoudemire 15). Assists—Golden State 17 (Jackson, Crawford 6), Phoenix 19 (Nash 8). Total Fouls—Golden State 28, Phoenix 22. Technicals—Jackson, Golden State Coach Nelson, Amundson, Hill, Phoenix defensive three second 2. A—18,422 (18,422).

Jazz 111, Kings 107

UTAH (111)
Brewer 5-12 6-7 16, Millsap 0-3 2-4 2, Okur 12-22 3-5 28, Korver 3-3 3-3 11, D.Williams 11-19 12-13 34, Collins 1-3 1-2 3, Price 1-2 0-0 3, Knight 0-1 0-0 0, Harpring 6-9 2-3 14, Koufos 0-0 0-0 0, Almond 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-74 29-37 111.
SACRAMENTO (107)
Salmons 5-15 0-0 12, Thompson 5-12 4-5 14, Hawes 4-9 0-2 8, Martin 10-20 13-18 37, Udrih 1-2 0-0 2, Garcia 2-8 2-2 7, Jackson 4-11 7-8 15, Moore 5-6 2-4 12. Totals 36-83 28-39 107.

Utah	**28**	**17**	**35**	**31 — 111**
Sacramento	**25**	**30**	**22**	**30 — 107**

3-Point Goals—Utah 4-13 (Korver 2-2, Okur 1-2, Price 1-2, Brewer 0-2, D.Williams 0-5), Sacramento 7-24 (Martin 4-9, Salmons 2-5, Garcia 1-4, Hawes 0-1, Jackson 0-5). Fouled Out—Thompson. Rebounds—Utah 48 (Okur 11), Sacramento 53 (Hawes 8). Assists—Utah 19 (D.Williams 4), Sacramento 24 (Salmons 7). Total Fouls—Utah 26, Sacramento 30. Technical—Sacramento defensive three second. A—17,317 (17,317).

Men's College Scores

Far West

Arizona 87, Oregon 77
Arizona St. 49, Oregon St. 38
Cal Poly 75, Cal St.-Fullerton 72
Colorado St. 71, TCU 65
E. Washington 54, N. Arizona 50
Memphis 68, Gonzaga 50
Montana 78, Montana St. 63
N. Colorado 79, Idaho St. 74
New Mexico 73, UNLV 69, OT
New Mexico St. 62, Nevada 60
Pepperdine 58, Loyola Marymount 43
S. Utah 81, UMKC 69
San Diego 73, San Francisco 63
UC Riverside 58, UC Davis 53
UC Santa Barbara 65, UC Irvine 56
UCLA 89, Notre Dame 63
Utah 80, Wyoming 70
Utah St. 60, Louisiana Tech 52

Southwest

Ark.-Little Rock 66, Denver 57
Chicago St. 78, Texas-Pan American 72
Houston 72, Rice 65
Kansas St. 65, Texas A&M 60
Middle Tennessee 89, Houston Baptist 77
North Texas 92, Louisiana-Lafayette 74
Oklahoma 77, Colorado 72
Prairie View 75, Texas Southern 55
SMU 73, CS Bakersfield 56
Sam Houston St. 75, Cent. Arkansas 52
Stephen F.Austin 74, Lamar 62
Texas Tech 83, Baylor 76
Tulsa 76, UTEP 65

Midwest

Bowling Green 67, Cent. Michigan 61
Butler 69, Wright St. 51
Cleveland St. 83, Loyola of Chicago 70
Detroit 56, Valparaiso 55
Drake 68, Bradley 54
E. Illinois 70, SE Missouri 62
Evansville 61, Wichita St. 52
IPFW 74, Oral Roberts 65
Iowa 56, Northwestern 51
Kansas 78, Oklahoma St. 67
Kent St. 63, Ball St. 56
Miami (Ohio) 53, Toledo 40
Michigan St. 75, Indiana 47
Missouri 82, Iowa St. 68
N. Dakota St. 91, IUPUI 69
Nebraska 58, Texas 55
Oakland, Mich. 78, Centenary 65
Ohio 57, E. Michigan 45
Ohio St. 64, Minnesota 58
Pittsburgh 92, DePaul 69
S. Illinois 72, Missouri St. 64
W. Illinois 62, S. Dakota St. 59
Wis.-Green Bay 72, Wis.-Milwaukee 68
Youngstown St. 68, Ill.-Chicago 60

South

Alabama A&M 78, MVSU 65
Alabama St. 65, Ark.-Pine Bluff 59
Appalachian St. 77, Elon 63
Auburn 78, Tennessee 77
Austin Peay 83, Murray St. 80
Bethune-Cookman 64, Norfolk St. 57
Coastal Carolina 70, High Point 68
Coll. of Charleston 77, Davidson 75
Delaware St. 49, Hampton 39
Duke 78, Miami 75, OT
ETSU 102, Florida Gulf Coast 78
East Carolina 89, UCF 75
Fla. International 80, Arkansas St. 76, OT
Florida St. 65, Clemson 61
Furman 72, Chattanooga 70
Georgia St. 70, Delaware 67
Howard 72, Md.-Eastern Shore 65
Jackson St. 81, Alcorn St. 65
Jacksonville St. 75, E. Kentucky 70
James Madison 68, George Mason 66
Kennesaw St. 69, North Florida 65, OT
Liberty 57, Winthrop 47
Longwood 68, Savannah St. 64
Louisiana-Monroe 61, New Orleans 56
Marshall 89, Tulane 86, OT
Mercer 72, Jacksonville 71
Mississippi St. 86, Arkansas 77
Morehead St. 72, Tennessee Tech 64
Morgan St. 73, Winston-Salem 64
N. Carolina A&T 73, Florida A&M 63
North Carolina 76, Virginia 61
Radford 78, Presbyterian 61
S. Carolina St. 69, Coppin St. 61
S.C.-Upstate 54, Stetson 53
South Carolina 79, Georgia 68
Southern U. 68, Grambling St. 57
Tenn.-Martin 100, Tennessee St. 73
Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 69, Nicholls St. 68
Texas-Arlington 85, Northwestern St. 66
Texas-San Antonio 66, SE Louisiana 61
The Citadel 75, W. Carolina 66
Troy 78, Florida Atlantic 63
UAB 66, Southern Miss. 49
UNC Asheville 80, Charleston Southern 71
UNC Greensboro 84, Georgia Southern 76
VMI 94, Gardner-Webb 88
Va. Commonwealth 76, William & Mary 54
Vanderbilt 71, Mississippi 61
W. Kentucky 67, South Alabama 59
Wofford 74, Samford 61

East

American U. 66, Lehigh 58
Binghamton 63, Stony Brook 61, OT
Boston U. 67, New Hampshire 49
Bryant 72, Quinnipiac 68
Buffalo 68, N. Illinois 46
Cincinnati 64, Georgetown 62, OT
Colgate 55, Army 53
Connecticut 69, Michigan 61
Cornell 88, Penn 73
Dartmouth 57, Yale 54
Duquesne 72, Xavier 68
George Washington 87, Fordham 62
Harvard 64, Brown 63
Hofstra 71, Towson 68
Holy Cross 64, Lafayette 50
Iona 66, Marist 65, OT
La Salle 72, St. Bonaventure 67
Manhattan 72, Loyola, Md. 65
Mount St. Mary's, Md. 75, Fairleigh Dickinson 68
Navy 62, Bucknell 60, OT
Northeastern 77, UNC Wilmington 65
Old Dominion 63, Drexel 53
Princeton 63, Columbia 35
Rider 90, Siena 88
Robert Morris 64, Cent. Connecticut St. 44
Sacred Heart 101, Long Island U. 72
St. Francis, NY 82, Monmouth, N.J. 77
UMBC 73, Maine 68, OT
Vermont 79, Albany, N.Y. 70
Villanova 102, Syracuse 85
Wagner 75, St. Francis, Pa. 58
West Virginia 86, Providence 59

BETTING

Glantz-Culver Line
For Feb. 8
NFL
Pro Bowl
At Honolulu

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
NFC	2½	2½	(65)	AFC

GAME PLAN

LOCAL

COLLEGE BASEBALL
CSI at Glendale (Ariz.) Community College, noon

TV SCHEDULE

AUTO RACING
11 a.m.
FOX — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, pole qualifying for Daytona 500
4:30 p.m.
ESPN2 — NHRA, Winternationals, final eliminations, (same-day tape)
BOWLING
11 a.m.
ESPN — PBA, Dick Weber Open
GOLF
11 a.m.
TGC — PGA Tour, Buick Invitational, final round
1 p.m.
CBS — PGA Tour, Buick Invitational, final round
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
11 a.m.
CBS — Purdue at Illinois
3:30 p.m.
FSN — Washington at Stanford
5:30 p.m.
FSN — Maryland at Georgia Tech
NBA BASKETBALL
11 a.m.
ABC — San Antonio at Boston
1:30 p.m.
ABC — L.A. Lakers at Cleveland
6 p.m.
ESPN — Phoenix at Detroit
NFL FOOTBALL
2:30 p.m.
NBC — Pro Bowl, at Honolulu
NHL HOCKEY
10:30 a.m.
NBC — Detroit at Pittsburgh
RODEO
6 p.m.
VERSUS — PBR, Troy-Bilt Invitational, at Tallahassee, Fla. (same-day tape)
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
11:30 a.m.
FSN — Oklahoma at Oklahoma St.
Noon
ESPN2 — Ohio St. at Michigan St.
1:30 p.m.
FSN — Stanford at Washington
3 p.m.
ESPN2 — Tennessee at Florida

FOOTBALL

NFL Playoffs
All Times MST
Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 1
Tampa, Fla.
Pittsburgh 27, Arizona 23
Pro Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 8
At Honolulu
AFC vs. NFC, 2:30 p.m. (NBC)

GOLF

PGA Tour Buick Invitational
Saturday
San Diego
Purse: $5.3 Million
Played On Two Courses Par 72
South Course - Torrey Pines - 7,628-Yards
North Course - Torrey Pines - 6,915 Yards
Third Round

John Rollins	70-64-70—204	-12
Camilo Villegas	63-70-74—207	-9
Nick Watney	69-69-71—209	-7
Luke Donald	70-69-71—210	-6
Paul Goydos	72-66-72—210	-6
Charles Warren	74-69-68—211	-5
Lucas Glover	69-73-69—211	-5
Charley Hoffman	71-66-74—211	-5
Aaron Baddeley	66-76-70—212	-4
J.J. Henry	70-71-71—212	-4
George Mcneill	71-70-71—212	-4
Mathew Goggin	69-70-73—212	-4
Ben Crane	69-74-70—213	-3
Jeff Klauk	71-73-69—213	-3
J.B. Holmes	73-70-71—214	-2
Bill Haas	72-70-72—214	-2
Marc Leishman	74-68-72—214	-2
Nathan Green	70-72-72—214	-2
Harrison Frazar	69-70-75—214	-2
Dean Wilson	71-73-71—215	-1
Nicholas Thompson	75-70-70—215	-1
Jarrod Lyle	71-74-70—215	-1
Jason Day	69-76-70—215	-1
Ted Purdy	74-71-70—215	-1
Retief Goosen	71-71-73—215	-1
Robert Garrigus	68-74-73—215	-1
Phil Mickelson	70-72-73—215	-1
Ben Curtis	76-66-73—215	-1
Jason Dufner	70-70-75—215	-1
Brandt Snedeker	75-68-73—216	E
Webb Simpson	72-73-71—216	E
Jonathan Kaye	70-73-73—216	E
Scott Sterling	69-72-75—216	E
Lee Janzen	74-72-70—216	E
Bubba Watson	71-68-77—216	E
Aron Price	72-72-73—217	+1
Matt Jones	70-73-74—217	+1
Jesper Parnevik	71-74-72—217	+1
Davis Love Iii	66-77-74—217	+1
Gregor Main	70-75-72—217	+1
Ricky Barnes	69-73-75—217	+1
Dustin Johnson	74-71-72—217	+1
Parker Mclachlin	74-71-72—217	+1
Ryuji Imada	70-72-75—217	+1
Hunter Mahan	74-70-74—218	+2
Fred Couples	74-70-74—218	+2
Kent Jones	70-71-77—218	+2
Tom Pernice, Jr.	75-68-76—219	+3
Padraig Harrington	71-74-74—219	+3
Kevin Sutherland	77-68-74—219	+3
Rod Pampling	72-74-73—219	+3
Bart Bryant	73-69-77—219	+3
James Nitties	79-67-73—219	+3
Tommy Gainey	77-69-73—219	+3
Glen Day	72-74-73—219	+3
Pat Perez	73-73-73—219	+3
John Senden	76-70-73—219	+3
Y.E. Yang	77-69-73—219	+3
Jason Gore	70-69-80—219	+3
Charles Howell Iii	72-71-77—220	+4
Tag Ridings	71-72-77—220	+4
Rick Price	72-73-75—220	+4
Stuart Appleby	68-74-78—220	+4
David Mathis	75-71-74—220	+4
Arjun Atwal	72-74-74—220	+4
Carl Pettersson	77-69-74—220	+4
James Driscoll	73-73-74—220	+4
D.A. Points	70-72-79—221	+5
Johnson Wagner	76-70-75—221	+5
John Huston	71-71-79—221	+5
Matt Bettencourt	74-72-75—221	+5

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EASTERN

ATLANTIC	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
New Jersey	33	17	3	69	165	134
N.Y. Rangers	29	19	5	63	135	146
Philadelphia	27	15	9	63	164	151
Pittsburgh	26	23	5	57	167	165
N.Y. Islanders	16	31	5	37	128	174
NORTHEAST	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Boston	39	8	7	85	188	121
Montreal	29	18	6	64	162	153
Buffalo	28	20	6	62	161	148
Toronto	20	24	9	49	157	193
Ottawa	18	25	8	44	122	149
SOUTHEAST	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Washington	34	16	4	72	178	155
Carolina	27	22	5	59	142	156
Florida	25	19	8	58	146	146
Tampa Bay	18	24	11	47	134	164
Atlanta	18	30	5	41	151	187

WESTERN

CENTRAL	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Detroit	34	11	7	75	196	154
Chicago	29	13	8	66	169	126
Columbus	25	23	5	55	142	152
Nashville	25	24	3	53	127	144
St. Louis	22	24	6	50	150	161
NORTHWEST	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Calgary	30	18	4	64	161	155
Minnesota	26	22	3	55	131	116
Edmonton	26	23	3	55	144	163
Vancouver	23	20	8	54	147	149
Colorado	25	27	1	51	146	163
PACIFIC	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
San Jose	36	7	7	79	172	119
Anaheim	27	24	5	59	156	156
Dallas	25	19	7	57	158	163
Phoenix	24	25	5	53	136	164
Los Angeles	23	21	7	53	134	142

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.

Friday's Games

Buffalo 3, Montreal 2
New Jersey 5, Atlanta 1
Pittsburgh 4, Columbus 1
Nashville 2, Minnesota 0
Dallas 10, N.Y. Rangers 2

Saturday's Games

Philadelphia 4, Boston 3, OT
Anaheim 2, Calgary 1
Detroit 8, Edmonton 3
Ottawa 3, Buffalo 2, SO
Toronto 5, Montreal 2
Columbus 3, San Jose 2, OT
Washington 3, Florida 1
Los Angeles 3, New Jersey 1
Tampa Bay 1, N.Y. Islanders 0
St. Louis 4, Colorado 1
Carolina 7, Phoenix 2
Chicago at Vancouver, late

Sunday's Games

Detroit at Pittsburgh, 10:30 a.m.
Edmonton at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Nashville at Dallas, 4 p.m.

Monday's Games

N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey, 5 p.m.
Montreal at Calgary, 7 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP World Tour PBZ Zagreb Indoors
Saturday
At Dom Sportova
Zagreb, Croatia
Purse: $576,280 (WT250)
Surface: Hard-Indoor
Semifinals
Marin Cilic (2), Croatia, def. Viktor Troicki, Serbia, 6-2, 7-5.
Mario Ancic (7), Croatia, def. Jan Hernych, Czech Republic, 6-7 (4), 6-3, 7-6 (9).
Doubles
Semifinals
Martin Damm, Czech Republic/Robert Lindstedt (1), Sweden, def. Philipp Petzschner, Germany/Alexander Peya, Austria, 6-4, 6-4.

ATP World Tour Movistar Open
Friday
At Club Naval de Campo Las Salinas
Vina del Mar, Chile
Purse: $496,750 (WT250)
Surface: Clay-Outdoor
Singles
Quarterfinals
Tommy Robredo (2), Spain, def. Juan Ignacio Chela, Argentina, 0-6, 6-3, 6-4.
Jose Acasuso, Argentina, def. Sebastian Decoud, Argentina, 6-4, 6-2.
Pablo Cuevas, Uruguay, def. Paul Capdeville, Chile, 7-5, 7-5.
Fernando Gonzalez (1), Chile, def. Juan Monaco (5), Argentina, 6-0, 6-2.
Doubles
Semifinals
Frantisek Cermak, Czech Republic/Michal Mertinak (1), Slovakia, def. Alberto Martin/Tommy Robredo (4), Spain, 6-2, 7-6 (5).
Pablo Cuevas, Uruguay/Brian Dabul (3), Argentina, def. Oscar Hernandez/Albert Montanes, Spain, 7-5, 6-3.

ATP World Tour SA Open
Saturday
At Montecasino
Johannesburg
Purse: $500,000 (WT250)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Semifinals
Jeremy Chardy (5), France, def. David Ferrer (2), Spain, 1-6, 7-6 (9), 7-6 (4).
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (1), France, def. Frederico Gil, Portugal, 6-3, 6-4.
Doubles
Semifinals
Rik de Voest, South Africa/Ashley Fisher (4), Australia, def. Jeff Coetzee/Wesley Moodie (1), South Africa, 7-5, 6-4.

SKI REPORT

Idaho

Bogus Basin — Sat 6 32am partly cloudy 28 degrees hard packed machine groomed 42 - 48 base 66 of 66 trails, 27 miles, 2600 acres 8 of 8 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p;,
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ESCAPE FROM MIAMI

No. 4 Duke rallies past Hurricanes

DURHAM, N.C. — Gerald Henderson scored the go-ahead basket with 3:16 left in overtime, and No. 4 Duke rallied from a 16-point second-half deficit to beat Miami 78-75 on Saturday.

Henderson had 18 of his 19 points after halftime for the Blue Devils (20-3, 7-2 ACC), who struggled the entire way in bouncing back from a blowout loss at Clemson.

Jon Scheyer led Duke with 22 points, while Kyle Singler shook off a terrible shooting day to come up with a key overtime basket that helped the Blue Devils stay in front late.

Duke trailed by 13 at halftime and 38-22 early in the second half before rallying.

Jack McClinton scored 34 points to lead Miami (15-8, 4-6).

AP photo

Duke's Gerald Henderson (15) is congratulated by Jon Scheyer (30) during the second half against Miami, in Durham, N.C., Saturday. Duke won 78-75 in overtime.

NO. 1 CONNECTICUT 69, MICHIGAN 61

STORRS, Conn. — Hasheem Thabeet scored 17 points and pulled down 12 rebounds to help the top-ranked Huskies win their 11th straight.

Jerome Dyson led UConn (22-1) with 19 points and Jeff Adrien had nine points and 14 rebounds. Adrien's final rebound, on the last shot of the game, gave him 1,000 for his career, just the sixth player in school history to score 1,000 points and grab 1,000 rebounds.

NO. 2 OKLAHOMA 77, COLORADO 72

NORMAN, Okla. — Blake Griffin had 26 points and 12 rebounds for his 20th double-double, and Tony Crocker added 24 points with a career-high seven 3-pointers to lead the Sooners.

Colorado rallied within 73-70 on Cory Higgins' jumper with 12.2 seconds left, but the Sooners (23-1, 9-0 Big 12) sealed it from the foul line for their 12th straight win.

NO. 3 NORTH CAROLINA 76, VIRGINIA 61

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Wayne Ellington scored 20 points and the Tar Heels shook off a sluggish start for their seventh straight win.

Tyler Hansbrough had 15 points and 13 rebounds, Danny Green added 17 points and Ty Lawson scored all 10 of his points during the game-breaking run for North Carolina (21-2, 7-2 ACC).

NO. 6 PITTSBURGH 92, DEPAUL 69

ROSEMONT, Ill. — DeJuan Blair scored a career-high 32 points with 14 rebounds, Levance Fields added a personal-best 16 assists and the Pirates won in a rout.

DUQUESNE 72, NO. 9 XAVIER 68

PITTSBURGH — Aaron Jackson made five foul shots in the final minute and had 21 points, and Duquesne snapped Xavier's 11-game win streak despite going the final 7:44 without a basket.

FLORIDA STATE 65, NO. 10 CLEMSON 61

CLEMSON, S.C. — Toney Douglas had 23 points and the Seminoles rallied from 19 down in the second half to stun the Tigers three days after their own rout of No. 4 Duke.

Clemson (19-3, 5-3 ACC) led 44-25 with 15 minutes to go before the Seminoles (18-5, 5-3) came back. Solomon Alabi had 17 points, including a turnaround jumper with 2:03 left that put Florida State ahead for good.

NO. 11 BUTLER 69, WRIGHT ST. 51

DAYTON, Ohio — Zach Hahn scored a career-high 17 points to help the Bulldogs finish off a week on the road with a victory at one of their least-favorite places.

NO. 13 MICHIGAN ST. 75, INDIANA 47

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Chris Allen scored 16 points and Draymond Green had season highs with 15 points and 12 rebounds to help the Spartans win without an ill Raymar Morgan.

NO. 14 MEMPHIS 68, NO. 18 GONZAGA 50

SPOKANE, Wash. — Tyreke Evans scored 22 points as No. 14 Memphis beat No. 18 Gonzaga 68-50 on Saturday in a showdown of teams dominating their conference races and seeking more national attention.

Robert Dozier added 18 points and 10 rebounds for Memphis (20-3), whose 14-game winning streak is second longest in the nation.

NO. 15 UCLA 89, NOTRE DAME 63

LOS ANGELES — Alfred Aboya scored 19 points to help the Bruins send Notre Dame to its seventh consecutive loss for the first time since 1992-93.

NEBRASKA 58, NO. 16 TEXAS 55

LINCOLN, Neb. — Ade Dagunduro made a rare 3-pointer with 50 seconds left and finished with 17 points to help the Huskers overcome a 12-point second-half deficit against Texas.

NO. 17 VILLANOVA 102, NO. 20 SYRACUSE 85

PHILADELPHIA — Dante Cunningham matched a career high with 31 points to help the Wildcats roll to their fifth straight win.

OHIO ST. 64, NO. 19 MINNESOTA 58

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Evan Turner made seven free throws in the final 64 seconds, leading the Buckeyes to their fourth straight and fifth this season over a ranked opponent.

NO. 21 KANSAS 78, OKLAHOMA ST. 67

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Cole Aldrich had 12 points and a career-high 18 rebounds to help the Jayhawks stretch the nation's best home winning streak to 37.

NO. 24 ARIZONA STATE 49, OREGON STATE 38

CORVALLIS, Ore. — Jeff Pendergraph scored 15 points, all in the second half, and the Sun Devils won their fourth consecutive conference road game.

— The Associated Press

AP photo

Denver Nuggets' Linas Kleiza, left, Chauncey Billups, center, and Kenyon Martin, right, watch from the bench during the fourth quarter against the New Jersey Nets, Saturday in East Rutherford, N.J. The Nets defeated the Nuggets 114-70.

Nets hammer Nuggets by 44

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Devin Harris scored 14 of his 28 points from the free-throw line and the New Jersey Nets won their season-high fourth straight game with a stunning 114-70 victory over the frustrated Denver Nuggets on Saturday night.

Rookie Brook Lopez added 15 points and nine rebounds and Vince Carter had 12 points and eight assists in one of the most impressive performances of the season for Lawrence Frank's young team.

The loss snapped a four-game winning streak and was only the 17th of the season for Denver, which was off to its best 50-game start since joining the NBA in 1976.

MAVERICKS 115, BULLS 114, OT

DALLAS — Dirk Nowitzki scored 44 points, 14 in overtime, and the Dallas Mavericks overcame a hand injury to second-leading scorer Jason Terry for a 115-114 victory over the Chicago Bulls on Saturday night.

Nowitzki hit three straight jumpers on Dallas' first three possessions of the overtime for a 103-99 lead, and the Mavericks went on to win for the fifth time in six games.

Chicago got within 113-111 with 3.8 seconds left in overtime on Tyrus Thomas' 3-pointer.

But Nowitzki hit a pair of free throws with 2.9 seconds left to close out the Bulls. Nowitzki fell two points short of his season high set on Dec. 13 against Oklahoma City.

Ben Gordon scored 28 points, Thomas added 23 points and 12 rebounds, and rookie Derrick Rose had 22 points and nine assists for the Bulls.

PISTONS 126, BUCKS 121, OT

MILWAUKEE — Allen Iverson and Richard Hamilton combined for 15 of Detroit's 17 points in overtime and the Pistons rallied for an overtime win.

Hamilton finished with 38 points, a career high as a reserve and the most off the bench in Pistons' history, and Iverson added 27 points and nine assists to give the Pistons their second straight gritty win after a 3-9 stretch. Rasheed Wallace scored 27 points and Antonio McDyess had 16.

76ERS 94, HEAT 84

PHILADELPHIA — Andre Miller and Marreese Speights scored 15 points, Royal Ivey ignited a second-half comeback with 11 off the bench and Philadelphia beat Miami.

Dwyane Wade had 21 points and Mario Chalmers added 18 for Miami.

ROCKETS 107, TIMBERWOLVES 90

HOUSTON — Yao Ming scored 30 points, Rafer Alston added 22 and Houston rallied from a 15-point deficit in the first half to beat Minnesota.

Tracy McGrady added 15 points and Ron Artest 14 for the Rockets, who also overcame Al Jefferson's 36 points to beat Minnesota for the sixth straight time.

CLIPPERS 121, HAWKS 97

ATLANTA — Al Thornton scored 31 points and Zach Randolph had 25 in Los Angeles' victory.

The Clippers, whose 21-point win Friday at Memphis stopped an 11-game road losing streak, improved to 7-19 away from the Staples Center. And they were barely challenged by the Eastern Conference's fourth-best home team.

Los Angeles earned consecutive wins for the first time since Dec. 16, a span of 26 games.

GRIZZLIES 78, RAPTORS 70

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — O.J. Mayo scored 12 of his 16 points in the fourth period, including nine straight, and Memphis held on.

Mayo's 3-pointer with 25.7 seconds left was costly for the Raptors, who had erased a 13-point lead in the second half and lost their sixth straight.

Jose Calderon led the Raptors with 18 points and five assists.

— The Associated Press

Bobcats send Morrison to Lakers for Radmanovic

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — The Charlotte Bobcats traded managing partner Michael Jordan's first draft pick on Saturday, sending struggling forward Adam Morrison and reserve guard Shannon Brown to the Los Angeles Lakers for forward Vladimir Radmanovic.

Jordan's first major decision after becoming part owner with the final say on all basketball decisions was taking Morrison with the third overall pick in the 2006 draft over Brandon Roy, Rudy Gay and others.

The former Gonzaga star known in college for his shaggy hair and thin mustache never lived up to expectations and had fallen out of favor with first-year coach Larry Brown. He was jettisoned for the 6-foot-10 Radmanovic, who was averaging 5.9 points and 2.5 rebounds a game with the Lakers.

The move is a sign of another failed decision by Jordan, who was widely criticized for selecting Kwame Brown with the No. 1 overall pick in 2001 when he ran the Washington Wizards.

"We definitely wish him well," Bobcats general manager Rod Higgins said of Morrison. "He's a good kid and hopefully he gets an opportunity to play. You never know, he might get a chance to win a (championship) ring."

The move is the third trade the Bobcats have made this season in a roster shakeup under Brown, who is trying to get the fifth-year Bobcats to the playoffs for the first time. Radmanovic will become the 22nd player to suit up for Charlotte this season, an NBA high.

Morrison, who cut his trademark hair short before this season, will get a chance to crack the Lakers' rotation and become an outside scoring threat. Morrison, who averaged a national-best 28.1 points for Gonzaga in 2005-06, missed all of last season after tearing a knee ligament in a preseason game.

Utah State gets past Louisiana Tech

Aggies lose TFHS graduate Jardine to injury

LOGAN, Utah — Utah State extended the nation's longest winning streak with a game that got much closer than the Aggies expected or wanted.

After opening the second half with a 12-0 run and leading by 17, No. 25 Utah State needed to hold off several rallies by Louisiana Tech down the stretch and win 60-52 on Saturday night.

Utah State's 18th straight win was not the most memorable of the streak, but it's one coach Stew Morrill surely won't let the Aggies forget soon. The Bulldogs got within four points twice in the final minutes before the Aggies (23-1, 11-0 Western Athletic Conference) finally clinched it.

"We got ahead by quite a bit and then we kind of let them back in it. We want to finish a game off and not have it so close at the end," said Tyler Newbold, who had 13 points, seven rebounds and a crucial steal at the end.

After making two free throws to give the Aggies a 58-52 lead, Newbold swiped the ball away from Jamel Guyton, drew a foul and made two more foul to clinch it. Newbold was 8-for-8 from the foul line and Gary Wilkinson went 8-for-9 as the Aggies outscored the Bulldogs 15-6 on free throws.

Wilkinson scored 16 points and Jared Quayle had eight assists for Utah State.

The Aggies held the Bulldogs (9-15, 3-8) scoreless for the first six minutes of the second half, but Louisiana Tech started hitting shots and quickly trimmed the lead to single digits.

"I think that's been the story of the year for us," Wilkinson said. "We start really aggressive and tenacious and then we kind of relax. We kind of think, 'Oh, it's in the bag.' That's going to come back to bite us. We let up defensively. We're not as physical, we're not as tough and we just let teams back in."

Kyle Gibson scored 14 to lead the Bulldogs, who have lost five straight.

The Aggies lost Twin Falls High graduate Brady Jardine when he took an elbow to the head in the lane in the first half. He was helped to the locker room and did not return.

AP photo

Utah State forward Tai Wesley (42) sends Louisiana Tech forward Adrian Rogers to the floor on an offensive foul during the first half Saturday in Logan, Utah.

Idaho on the islands

The Idaho Vandals played at Hawaii late Saturday night. For results from the game, see Monday's *Times-News*.

BOISE STATE 89, SAN JOSE STATE 83

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Ike Okoye scored a career-high 22 points and Anthony Thomas made a pair of clinching free throws with 41 seconds left as Boise State held on to beat San Jose State 89-83 on Saturday night.

Okoye, who went into the game averaging just 8.7 points this season, went 8-of-12 from the floor and was 6-for-10 from the line. He also had six rebounds.

Thomas finished with 15 points and five assists for the Broncos (16-6, 6-3 Western Athletic Conference), who have won four of five after stumbling with back-to-back conference losses to Nevada and Utah State.

Adrian Oliver scored a career-high 37 points for San Jose State (10-11, 4-6), coming within three points of tying the school record. The Spartans sophomore guard missed two shots in the final 30 seconds, including a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

N. COLORADO 79, IDAHO STATE 74

GREELEY, Colo. — Idaho State fell to 4-6 in Big Sky Conference play and 7-17 overall with a 79-74 loss at Northern Colorado on Saturday.

Chron Tatum scored 18 points and had five rebounds for the Bengals, while Matt Stucki had 15 points and five assists and Austin Kilpatrick scored 14.

Devin Beitzel's 19 points paced Northern Colorado (10-15).

UTAH 80, WYOMING 70

LARAMIE, Wyo. — Luke Nevill, Luka Drca, Lawrence Borha and Tyler Kepkay all scored 15 points Saturday to lead Utah to an 80-70 win over Wyoming.

— The Associated Press

Rollins gets on a roll at Torrey Pines, claims lead

SAN DIEGO (AP) — It was easy for John Rollins to feel ignored, even after taking a three-shot lead in the Buick Invitational.

He played in the final group Saturday with Camilo Villegas, whose picture can be found in magazines that Rollins doesn't even read, and Charley Hoffman, who grew up in San Diego and had plenty of supporters at Torrey Pines.

Despite three-putt bogeys on three of his final seven holes, Rollins hit enough solid shots on the South Course for a 2-under 70 and had the outright 54-hole lead for the first time in his nine years on the PGA Tour.

He got up from his chair in the press center as Villegas arrived, and the Colombian playfully said, "Go on, get out of here."

"You're the star," Rollins replied.

Rollins doesn't seem to mind. He has two PGA Tour victories, but currently is camped at No. 199 in the world ranking after a dismal year in which his swing was altered after he lost 40 pounds.

"Obviously, everybody wants to see 'Spider-Man' do his thing. Yes, the cover of all the magazines, all that kind of stuff," Rollins said. "I was just out there doing my job, and I had fun with it. I think as the round got going, and I did have the lead, I think there were some fans that start to sort of cheer me on and try to keep me going.

"But it was definitely a two-man fight in the gallery's eyes."

It might be a two-man battle Sunday on the South Course, although that depends on Rollins.

After missing a 4-foot par putt on the 18th hole, Rollins was at 12-under 204. He has had a share of the 54-hole lead three times without winning, but this is the first time he has some wiggle room.

Villegas had a one-shot lead to start the round and was five behind at the turn after a double bogey on the par-5 ninth when his bunker shot flew into the gallery. But he steadied himself the rest of the way for a 2-over 74, leaving him at 207. They will be joined in the final group by Nick Watney, who shot a 71 and was five shot out of the lead.

"Unfortunately, I made a couple mistakes that set me a little bit back," Villegas said. "But it's OK. I'll come back tomorrow with a good attitude and give it my best."

Paul Goydos nearly holed out a wedge on the final hole and tapped in for birdie for a 72, putting him at 210 with Luke Donald (71). The group another shot behind included Hoffman, who provided his hometown fans with the wrong kind of treat when they were able to watch him tee off twice on the opening hole.

Hoffman's first tee shot went into a pine tree and never came out. He spotted one ball with a pair of binoculars, tossed an umbrella to dislodge it from the tree, but it wasn't hit. After five minutes, he had to trudge back to the tee box and reload, opening with a triple bogey. He made up those shots five holes later, but ultimately settled for a 74.

John Rollins points after his tee shot on the No. 5 hole of the South Course at Torrey Pines goes awry in the third round of the Buick Invitational on Saturday, in San Diego.

AP photo

FAMILIAR FOES

Steelers, Cards square off again in Pro Bowl

By Jaymes Song
Associated Press writer

AP photo

Arizona Cardinals quarterback Kurt Warner signs autographs for fans after NFC Pro Bowl practice at Aloha Stadium, Saturday in Honolulu. The game is set for this afternoon.

HONOLULU — Peyton Manning's first Pro Bowl experience came when he was just 3 years old.

He watched his father, Archie, from the stands of Aloha Stadium in the NFL's first all-star game in Hawaii. And little brother, Eli, wasn't even born yet.

This time, dad is the one proudly cheering on his sons in the final game in Honolulu — at least for now, as the NFL experiments with moving the game to the mainland.

"We're very proud," Archie Manning said.

The Manning brothers are on opposite sidelines and the first quarterback-playing brothers in Pro Bowl history.

Peyton, of the Indianapolis Colts, is making his ninth appearance in Hawaii in 11 seasons and will start for the AFC. Meanwhile, Eli is representing the New York Giants and making his Pro Bowl debut as a reserve for the NFC.

So who's dad pulling for?

"No. No. No. No. It doesn't matter," Archie Manning said. "I just don't want anybody to get hurt in this game. I don't care if they play for the Colts or Giants or Patriots or Titans, I don't want anybody to get hurt."

Besides the first QB siblings, Sunday's Pro Bowl also features another intriguing matchup for fans who didn't get enough from the Super Bowl: The Pittsburgh Steelers' shutdown defense versus the Arizona Cardinals' high-powered offense.

"Maybe the fans want to see an exciting game like that, but I don't know if my heart can take it anymore," Steelers linebacker James Farrior said. "This is the closest they can get, but this don't even come close to what they want to get back from us."

The world champion Steelers have three members on the AFC squad, and they're all on defense: Farrior, Troy Polamalu and James Harrison, who's still trying to catch his breath from his Super Bowl-record 100-yard interception return for a touchdown.

Pro Bowl
AFC vs. NFC
2:30 p.m., NBC

They'll go up against an NFC offense featuring three starters from the Cardinals: quarterback Kurt Warner and receivers Larry Fitzgerald and Anquan Boldin.

"We can maybe beat them here," said Warner, who's considering retirement. "But I don't know if it's the same consolation as beating them in the Super Bowl."

Farrior doesn't know what to expect from the Cardinals in the Pro Bowl, which is usually played at half-speed and features more handshakes than hits.

"I don't know how they're going to act, if they're going to play hard or they're going to try to enjoy this like everybody else," he said. "But those guys are a great team and they showed the heart of a champion. We just came up with the plays at the end."

Boldin said he's moved on from the Super Bowl.

"This is an all-star game," he said. "We all just want to come out and have fun."

The he added, with a laugh:

> "We can maybe beat them (the Steelers) here."
> **— Cardinals quarterback Kurt Warner**

"It's not anything as far as revenge."

But for the first time in forever, the Cardinals aren't on the underdog team. The NFC, which also features All-Pro running back Adrian Peterson, is favored by 2½.

Polamalu didn't like the sound of a mini-rematch of the Super Bowl.

"I don't want any more of them. No way," Polamalu said.

While the world champs have only three representatives, the New York Giants have seven, including Eli Manning and John Carney, the oldest player to participate in the Pro Bowl.

Carney, who's two months away from turning 45, is joined by Giants teammate and punter Jeff Feagles, who's a month shy of turning 43.

One of the highlights of the week came when they showed up at practice wearing leather helmets.

"It looked great," Giants center Shaun O'Hara said. "It looked like their rookie year."

In a twist, Eli Manning, who led the Giants to a Super Bowl win last year, is now a backup to Warner, who he replaced in New York.

Besides possibly being Warner's final game, it may be the final time several players put on their team's helmets because of the possibility of free agency or requests to be traded. Among them is Tennessee quarterback Kerry Collins, who isn't worried about his future right now. He's too busy enjoying the scenery.

"It's amazing to look out there and see Tony Gonzalez, Reggie Wayne, Andre Johnson, Brandon Marshall," he said. "One after the other, it's just phenomenal players. It's a real treat."

For offensive players, the Pro Bowl is a dream come true. With no blitzing and limited defensive schemes, they won't have to worry being tormented by players like Ray Lewis or Joey Porter.

"It's a vanilla defense, so you know you're going to get a lot of one-on-one coverage," Collins said. "So from a quarterback's standpoint, that's all you can ask for."

In his 14th season, Collins is one of the most veteran players in the game. But he knows who's in charge of the AFC.

"Peyton's like the mayor around here," he said.

Peyton in 2012? If not politics, Manning has already shown some promise with acting. Still, Manning insists he'll stick with what he knows best: "I am a meathead football player," he said.

Harvick steals win in Shootout

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Kevin Harvick used a thrilling last-lap pass to steal a Daytona 500 victory.

He's apparently got the move mastered.

Harvick powered past Jamie McMurray on the outside of the last lap Saturday night to grab a come-from-nowhere victory in the exhibition Budweiser Shootout.

"That was some wild racing," he said from Victory Lane. "What a race. That was wild as heck there at the end."

Wild indeed.

It was Harvick's first victory in 71 races, dating to the All-Star race in May 2007. The only other event he won that year was the season-opening 500, when he nipped Mark Martin in a photo finish. Harvick was winless in 2008.

Now he's got the momentum heading into next weekend's Daytona 500, and NASCAR has the start to the season it desperately needed after an offseason filled with layoffs, sponsorship troubles and constant concern about the economic crisis.

"With the economy the way it is and the amount of layoffs — it's almost depressing right now to turn the news on," second-place finisher McMurray said. "I get up at 6 a.m., I turn the news on and headline is how many people are getting laid off from major corporations. I think it will be a tough year for us to sell tickets."

Harvick started 23rd in the Shootout, spent most of the race in the back dodging wrecks, then slowly worked his way up toward the front. McMurray seemed headed for the win until a late wreck between Greg Biffle and David Stremme set up a two-lap overtime sprint to the finish.

Harvick was in fourth on the restart, and didn't seem to have anything for McMurray.

But as they closed in on the finish line, he used a huge push from Denny Hamlin to slide past McMurray on the outside.

"It will be a long night," McMurray said. "I'll think about what maybe I should have done different."

Harvick coasted to the win as Hamlin, Jimmie Johnson and Kyle Busch all crashed behind him.

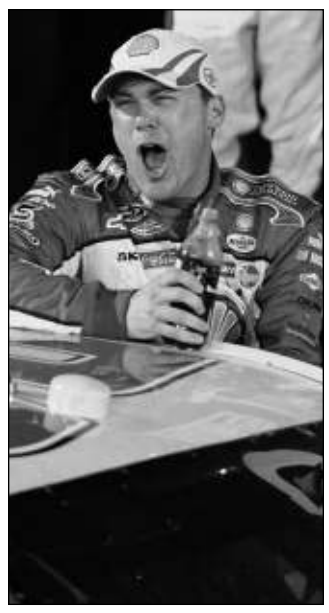
McMurray knew holding on for the win would be difficult when he restarted in the lead for the final two laps.

"It's just honestly the leader is kind of a sitting duck," McMurray said. "It's cool because you can pass him."

Tony Stewart was third in his first race as owner of his race team. He left Joe Gibbs Racing at the end of last year to take over Stewart Haas Racing.

"Yeah, I'll take that for a debut night," Stewart said. "It wasn't the prettiest third-place spot, but we were in the right spot at the right time."

Jeff Gordon was fourth and was followed by AJ Allmendinger, Kasey Kahne and Carl Edwards.



AP photo

NASCAR driver Kevin Harvick celebrates after winning the NASCAR Bud Shootout auto race in Daytona Beach, Fla. Saturday.

CSI

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from the outside as CSI built a 27-point lead before an 11-0 CEU run helped cut the lead to 48-30 at halftime. But the gap never got lower than 17 after intermission.

While Miles said he rushed his shot and forced things on Friday, he was at ease on Saturday in tallying eight rebounds, four assists and three steals to go with his scoring.

"I was real relaxed," said Miles. "After I hit the first one, I knew it was pretty much a wrap after that."

While he wound up only 4-for-13 from 3-point range, most of the misfires looked good until rimming out.

"Every shot I shot felt good," he said.

CSI showed vast improvement at the foul line, going 17-for-22 after Friday's 36-of-56 effort. The host Golden Eagles won the rebounding battle 43-37 and held Eastern Utah to 36 percent shooting. CEU star Darington Hobson finished with 21 points and 12 boards, but was the only Eastern Utah player in double figures.

"I was very, very happy with tonight's effort," said Gosar, whose team travels to Ephraim, Utah, for a pair of games at fifth-place Snow College this week.

While CSI is still adjusting to having Miles in the lineup, his presence on the floor opens up a number of options for the Golden Eagles, who suddenly find themselves in the thick of the SWAC race with six games to play.

Said Gosar: "If we can just get a little bit better, one day at a time, we're going to be in pretty good shape in March."

CSI 85, No. 15 Eastern Utah 60

EASTERN UTAH (19-4, 5-4 SWAC)
Mike Scott 2-3 2-3 6, Darington Hobson 8-17 5-6 21, Stephen Franklin 3-9 0-1 7, Chandler Pearson 0-3 0-0 0, Philip Thomas 2-9 4-4 8, Isaiah Williams 1-2 1-2 4, Aaron England 3-6 0-0 8, Nick Thompson 1-4 0-0 2, Fernando DeFavari 1-4 0-2 2, Cliff Colimon 0-1 2-2 2, Melvin Williams 0-0 0-2 0, Chris Bradley 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-58 14-22 60.

CSI (18-6, 5-4 SWAC)
Daequon Montreal 5-9 0-0 10, Jamelle Barrett 2-6 5-6 9, Jay Watkins 6-9 2-2 15, Aziz Ndiaye 5-7 0-2 10, Louis Garrett 0-2 0-0 0, Charles Odum 2-6 0-0 5, Cheyne Martin 3-9 0-0 0, Nate Miles 7-18 7-8 25, Romario Souza 0-1 2-2 2, Max Carrier 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 30-68 17-22 85.

Halftime: CSI 48, CEU 30. 3-point goals: CEU 4-15 (Scott 0-1, Hobson 0-3, Franklin 1-1, Pearson 0-3, Williams 1-1, England 2-5, Thompson 0-1); CSI 8-27 (Barrett 0-2, Watkins 1-2, Garrett 0-2, Odum 1-2, Martin 2-6, Miles 4-13). Rebounds: CEU 37 (Hobson 12); CSI 43 (Ndiaye 14). Assists: CEU 11 (Scott 7); CSI 20 (Barrett 8). Turnovers: CEU 22; CSI 16. Total fouls: CEU 18; CSI 15. Fouled out: CEU, Franklin; CSI, Garrett. Technical fouls: CEU, DeFavari.

Eagles

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Kaylie Robison scored 16 for Eastern Utah (12-12, 3-6 SWAC), which outscored CSI 50-39 after halftime. Megan Pearson netted 11 and Kasey Day had a game-best 13 rebounds.

While Rogers was disappointed in his team's second-half defense, he had nothing but praise for the efforts of his sophomore stars.

"So ran the floor real well," he said. "Martina did a great job distributing the ball tonight. Really, the way Martina goes, we go."

CSI is on the road the next two weekends for SWAC doubleheaders, beginning with a trip to Snow College (Ephraim, Utah) this Friday and Saturday. Two wins would all but wrap up the SWAC regular-season title.

Notes: The Salt Lake Community College (13-11, 4-5 SWAC) women beat North Idaho College 70-59 on Saturday, dropping the No. 17 Cardinals to 18-6 overall and 5-4 in conference play.

No. 12 CSI 89, Eastern Utah 60

EASTERN UTAH (12-12, 3-6 SWAC)
Amber Strong 3-7 0-0 7, Kaylie Robison 5-11 6-8 16, Kasey Day 4-5 0-2 8, Rachel Rasmussen 1-3 0-0 2, Livnat Alon 3-8 0-0 8, Megan Pearson 4-6 2-2 11, Ande Miller 0-3 1-5 1, Megan Garvin 0-1 0-0 0, Veronica Siqueiros 1-4 2-2 5, Nicki Callister 0-0 0-0 0, Adrianna Cordova 3-6 3-4 9, Stacey Stringham 0-3 2-2 2, Savana Gines 0-4 0-0 0, Merisha Black 0-0 0-1 0, Makenda Hill 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 24-62 16-26 69.

CSI (19-4, 8-1 SWAC)
Martina Holloway 4-7 0-0 11, Nicole Harper 3-8 0-0 7, LaCale Pringle-Buchanan 2-8 1-2 6, Shauneice Samms 4-8 2-3 10, Soana Lucet 11-14 5-7 27, Emiliya Yancheva 0-5 0-0 0, Kalika Tullock 0-3 0-0 0, MeChel Hunt 6-9 5-7 17, Cassie Wood 2-4 1-2 5, Noelle Milicic 2-4 0-0 4, Kiara Tate 1-5 0-1 2. Totals 35-75 14-22 89.

Halftime: Halftime CSI 50, CEU 19. 3-point goals: CEU 5-18 (Alon 2-4, Strong 1-4, Pearson 1-2, Gines 0-2, Miller 0-3, Garvin 0-1, Siqueiros 1-2); CSI 5-16 (Holloway 3-5, Harper 1-5, Pringle-Buchanan 1-2, Tate 0-1, Yancheva 0-1, Hunt 0-1, Milicic 0-1). Rebounds: CEU 45 (Day 13); CSI 43 (Hunt 6). Assists: CEU 14 (Day, Strong 4); CSI 28 (Holloway 15). Turnovers: CEU 29; CSI 20. Total fouls: CEU 16; CSI 23. Fouled out: CSI, Tullock. Technical fouls: none.

MARTIAL ARTS

Courtesy photo

New black belts

Success Martial arts has three new Black Belts. Pictured, from left, Dario Mandura, Carol Hunt and Julie Moore completed their 13-month Black Belt Preparation Cycle, consisting of 20 separate Success Challenges, three Empathy Days (one deaf, one blind and one on crutches), 432 classes, as many as 50 private lessons, at least four 6-hour boot camps, as many as eight tournaments, more than 50 physical conditioning sessions and more than 200 rounds sparring. They were awarded the Black Belt and Junior Black Belt ranks on Jan 30.

Courtesy photo

Pil Sung holds food drive

Pil Sung Martial Arts of Rupert held a canned food drive for needy families in Rupert this past Christmas season. The Little Tigers (ages 4-6), the colored belts and the black belts competed to bring in the most items, with the Little Tigers winning with 624 items. The black belts came in second with 609 items and the colored belts came in third with 465 items. The Little Tigers were served dinner by the black belts and colored belts at the annual Pil Sung Christmas Dinner. The Little Tigers, pictured, from left, are Dylan Huerta, Kaylee Leonard, Kody Leonard and Tori Bailes. Not pictured: Paul Pugh, Kayden Parkinson, Issac Lopez , Grayson Boldt, Alex Lopez and Jackson Boldt.

Magic Valley gymnasts fare well at meets in Boise area

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Magic Valley Gymnastics competed at two recent tournaments, the Gem State Invitational Jan. 30-31 at the Expo Idaho in Boise and the Danik Winterfest Jan. 24 at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa.

Magic Valley competed against 22 other teams at the Gem State invite, with 378 total participants. Six different teams competed at the Danik meet.

At right are results for Magic Valley gymnasts that finished in the top 10 at each event.

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Magic Valley Gymnastics

Gem State Invitational

Name	Age	Vault	Bars	Beam	Floor	All around
Level 5						
Kylie Baumert	8	8	4	8	6	6
Brookelynn Herman	10	2	1	5	2	1
Tannah Sellers	10	8	8	3	5	8
Amy Romer	13	2	7	8	7	7
Danika Barela	10	8	7	6	5	6
Lindsay Fustos	10	7	6	9	6	9
Level 6						
Brinley Reed	9	1	1	1	1	1
Madison Miller	10	7	2	9	5	5
Gabby Borrayo	12	3	4	6	1	3
Level 7						
Lani Romer	16	6	4	4	7	5
Ashley Geist	16	7	8	5	2	6
Level 8						
Courtney Ellis	12	5	6	8	7	7
Ciera Hawkins	17	7	9	8	6	8
Level 10						
Mckenzey Martinez	14	—	—	—	2	2

Danik Westerfest Classic

Name	Age	Vault	Bars	Beam	Floor	All around
Level 4						
Grace Parker	7	2	2	9	7	4
Hailee Nebeker	6	7	10	—	10	—
Rylee Leak	7	9	—	—	—	—
Hallie Thompson	8	1	1	4	7	2
Billei Lynn McCarthy	8	9	5	3	6	6
Level 5						
Kylie Baumert	8	9	7	8	8	10
Bookelynn Herman	10	2	3	6	3	3
Tannah Sellers	10	—	—	10	6	—
Lindsay Fustos	10	10	8	—	—	—
Danika Barela	10	—	—	—	9	—
Level 6						
Brinley Reed	9	6	1	1	1	1
Gabby Borrayo	12	5	6	2	7	5

Your Scores

BOWLING

SUNSET BOWL, BUHL

MONDAY YABA

BOYS' SERIES: Rick Stoltenburg 367, Joe Stolbenburg 339, Chaz Hicks 225, Adam Minds 109.
BOYS GAMES: Rick Stoltenburg 156, Joe Stolbenburg 122, Chaz Hicks 96, Adam Mings 49.
GIRLS' SERIES: Julie Anne Nejecheleba 205, Sarah Thompson 161, Alexis Breck 161.
GIRLS GAMES: Julie Anne Nehecheleba 93, Alexis Breck 67, Sarah Thompson 63.

SUNSET SENIORS

MEN'S SERIES: Ed Hanna 535, Tom kINNETT 527, Al Kooiman 518, John Kodesh 512.
MEN'S GAMES: Ed Hanna 213, Tom Kinnett 202, Al Kooiman 194, Josh Kodesh 188.
LADIES SERIES: Lois Tomlinson 510, Verna Kodesh 467, Elda Huff 411, Phyllis Callen 373.
LADIES GAMES: Lois Tomlinson 200, Verna Kodesh 160, Elda Huff 157, Dixie Schroeder 154.

LUCKY STRIKERS

SERIES: Mandi Olson 583, Lois Tomlinson 497, Claudene Stricklen 475, Morgan Breck 473.
GAMES: Mandi Olson 234, Morgan Breck 199, Lois Tomlinson 182, Beverly Rodig 178.

MASON TROPHY

SERIES: Lois Tomlinson 498, Dianne Davis 484, Linda Loomis 447, Dixie Schroeder 437.
GAMES: Carol Ruhter 188, Lois Tomlinson 185, Linda Loomis 170, Dianne Davie 170.

PINBUSTERS

SERIES: Dee Maier 677, Dirk McCallister 662, Dustin McCallister 643, Jordan Hicks 633.
GAMES: Dee Maier 257, Dustin McCallister 236, Cody Hicks 236, Mitch Olsen 227.

SPARE PAIRS

MEN'S SERIES: Harvey McCoy 641, Curt Quaintance 577, Josh Kennedy 577, Tom Wiggs 560.
MEN'S GAMES: Harvey McCoy 233, Ron Romero 231, Bob Fields 223, Cody Hicks 222.
LADIES SERIES: Darla McCallister 541, Lois Tomlinson 528, Claudene Stricklan 505, Jeri Quaintance 495.
LADIES GAMES: Stephanie Leitch 211, Darla McCallister 210, Lois Tomlinson 195, Claudene Stricklan 182.

STARLITE

MEN'S SERIES: Matt Olson 685, Dirk McCallister 596, Jordan Hicks 585, Chuck Hicks 534.
MEN'S GAMES: Matt Olson 268, Jordan Hicks 217, Brian Tadlock 212, Drew Foster 210.
LADIES SERIES: Mandi Olson 556, Teresa Boehm 489, Darla McCallister 485, Jeanne Hicks 474.
LADIES GAMES: Mandi Olson 202, Diana Griffin 202, Darla McCallister 179, Teresa Boehm 178,

BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS

MON. MIXED FOLLIES

MEN'S SERIES: Jim Brawley 605, Glenn Bessire 594, John Bonnett 584, Jim Kruse 584.
MEN'S GAMES: Jim Brawley 237, Jim Kruse 236, John Bonnet 230, Glenn Bessire226.
LADIES SERIES: Marilyn Melody 547, Joelle Moses 516, Kay Puschel 52, Ann Shepherd 510.
LADIES GAMES: Marilyn Melody 210, Tiffany Maldonado 206, Joelle Moses 204, Kay Puschel 189, Georgia Randall 189.

SH-BOOM

MEN'S SERIES: Nathan Ybarra 693, Blake Kondracki 609, Ryan Shull 602, Craig Pitman 597.
MEN'S GAMES: Nathan Ybarra 256, Ryan Shull 255, Craig Pitman 234, Blake Kondracki 233.
LADIES SERIES: Julie Shull 517, Kathi Jeroue 494, Diana Brady 493, Shannon Kondracki 490.
LADIES GAMES: Diana Brady 202, Juliana Howell 199, Shannon Kondracki 195, Kathi Jeroue 186.

MID MORN.MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Tom Smith 633, Dick DeRoche 614, Blaine McAllister 613, Matt Baysinger 598.
GAMES: Glen Jones 257, Tom Smith 245, Dick DeRoche 235, Maury Miller 225, Matt Baysinger 225.
LADIES SERIES: Gail Cederlund 584, Kim Leazer 556, Bernie Smith 485, Bonnie Draper 478.
LADIES GAMES: Gail Cederlund 211, Kim Leazer 193, Char DeRoche 185, Bernie Smith 183.

TUES. A.M. TRIOS

SERIES: Barbara Frith 524, Carol Clark 509, Londa Stout 508, Ann Brewer 481.
GAMES: Barbara Frith 202, Ann Brewer 186, Carol Clark 186, Londa Stout 179.

LATECOMERS

SERIES: Susan Kepner 538, Barb Aslett 527, Linda Vining 508, Charm Petersen 505.
GAMES: Charm Petersen 202, Sherry Blass 191, Amy Wilkinson 190, Julie Fife 190.

TUESDAY MAJORS

BOYS' SERIES: Anthony Vest 680, Tyler Black 501, Cody Worden 475.
BOYS' GAMES: Anthony Vest 247, Tyler Black 180, Cody Worden 168, Joe Campbell 167.
GIRLS' SERIES: Erica Reeves 489, Koti Jo Moses 414, Miranda Curtis 337.
GIRLS' GAMES: Erica Reeves 183, Koti Jo Moses 162, Miranda Curtis 121,.

CONSOLIDATED

SERIES: Todd Fiscus 739, Jim Coggins 720, Neil Welsh 709, Daniel Wade 687.
GAMES: Todd Fiscus 278, Neil Welsh 268, Daniel Wade 258, Dave Wilson 267.

M.V.SENIORS

MEN'S SERIES: Ed Dutry 559, Myron Schroeder 556, Tom Draper 553, Ray Massey 530.
MEN'S GAMES: Clayne Williams 208, Ed Dutry 203, Myron Schroeder 200, Tom Draper 190.
LADIES SERIES: Shirley Kunsman 513, Dee Hall 511, Linda Vining 486, Susan McCann 481.
LADIES GAMES: Dee Hall 194, Shirley Kunsman 185, Jean McGuire 172, Nadine Koepnick 171, Lavona Young 171.

LADIES CLASSIC

SERIES: Dani Bruns 563, Ann Shepherd 562, Jeanette Johnson 560, Diana Brady 530.
GAMES: Dani Bruns 226, Jeanette Johnson 213, Ann Shepherd 201, Georgia Randall 199.

SUNSET

SERIES: Ann Shepherd 576, Julie Shull 576, Kristy Rodriguez 568, Kim Leazer 549.
GAMES: Sylvia Inman 226, Ann Shepherd 214, Kathi Jeroue 213, Mary Doerr 213.

FRI. P.M. SENIORS

MEN'S SERIES: Harry Burket 647, Tom Smith 647, Dave Wilson 64, Rich Farnsworth 708.
MEN'S GAMES: Harry Burket 300, Tom Smith 246, Dave Wilson 236, Myron Schroeder 219.
LADIES SERIES: Linda Vining 500, Jean McGuire 492, Carolyn Hanson 481, Shirley Merrill 464, Charm Petersen 464.
LADIES GAMES: Joyce Gibbons 205, Shirley Merrill 184, Carolyn Hanson 183, Linda Vining 176.

MOONSHINERS

SERIES: Deanna Heil 502, Jackie Boyd 482, Flame Klundt 471, Crystal Brassfield 456.
GAMES: Deanna Heil 201, Flame Klundt 166, Debra White 163, Jackie Boyd 163, Crystal Brassfield 163.

MOOSE

SERIES: Cobey Magee 767, Rob Maxfield 725, Rod Jerke 702, Tom Smith 701.
GAMES: Cobey Magee 280, Rob Maxfield 267, Rod Jerke 258, Bret Fuller 256.

PEEWEE & BUMPER

SERIES: Riley Magee 206, Ravyn Barela 161.
GAMES: Riley Magee 108, Ravyn Barela 90.

GIANTS

BOYS' SERIES: Joe Campbell 533, Matt Thrall 467, Jaden Tuma 429, Jayson Makay 363.
BOYS' GAMES: Joe Campbell 205, Matt Thrall 200, Jaden Tuma 163, Braeden Lowe 145.
GIRLS' SERIES: Koti Jo Moses 475, Brooke Waters 448, Elyse Matlock 354, Brooke Newlan 352.
GIRLS' GAMES: Brooke Waters 173, Koti Jo Moses 167, Cheyenne Uker 146, Kaylee Mckay 137.

SNAKE RIVER BOWL, BURLEY

MONDAY MARAUDERS

SERIES: Kristie Johnston 511, Lori Parish 463, Diane Strolberg 456.
GAMES: Lori Parish 196, Kristie Johnston 194, Sharon Schafer 187.

ODDBALL

SERIES: Debe Ingram 517, Pat Hicks 468, Sharon Hayden 463.
GAMES: Debe Ingram 223, Pat Hicks 171, Sharon Hayden 169.

LADIES TRIOS

SERIES: Annette Hirsch 592, Tiffinay Hager 564, Louise Somsen 521.
GAMES: Annette Hirsch 229, Debbie Morgan209, Tiffinay Hager 205.

MEN'S CLASSIC TRIO

SERIES: Tyson Hirsch 961, Bob Bywater 787, Brad Holm 771.
GAMES: Tyson Hirsch 278, Brad Holm 247, Bob Bywater 240.

TUESDAY MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Byron Hager 650, Shon Bywater 623, Jordan Parish 624.
MEN'S GAMES: Byron Hager 300, Jordan Parish 249, Shon Bywater 223.
LADIES SERIES: Tiffinay Hager 586, Stacy Hieb 540, Christine Rowley 497.
LADIES GAMES: Tiffinay Hager 226, Stacy Hieb 192, Christine Rowley 182.

WEDNESDAY MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Tyson Hirsch 743, GalanRogers 666, Jordan Parish 632.
MEN'S GAMES: Tyson Hirsch 268, Jordan Parish 254, Galan Rogers 238.
LADIES SERIES: Annette Hirsch 635, Susan Fowler 426, Gayle Erekson 374.

RAILROADERS

SERIES: Diane Adamson 535, Kristine Jones 518, Kim Son 517.
GAMES: Kristine Jones 204, Kay Heffington 192, Diane Adamson 187.

THURS. AM DOUBLES

SERIES: Derry Smith 544, Kym Son 189, Delores Carson 505.
GAMES: Derry Smith 200, Kym Son 189, Delores Carson 185.

MA & PA

MEN'S SERIES: Brent Olson 573, Greg Poole 468, Randy Rose 453.
MEN'S GAMES: Greg Poole 206, Brent Olson 199, Gary Adams 172.

LADIES SERIES: Nadean Moore 375, Jackie Garcia 372, Esther Rose 370.
LADIES GAMES: Kay Poole 165, Nadean Moore 150, Nancy Firkins 147.

MAJOR

SERIES: Jordan Parish 746, Kory Knopp 692, Justin Mayer 670.
GAMES: Jordan Parish 268, Bob Bywater 265, Justin Mayer 257.

EARLY BIRDS

MEN'S SERIES: Matt Blauer 586, Duane Smith 550, Dusty Penrod 524.
MEN'S GAMES: Matt Blauer 241, Duane Smith 218, Aam Galan 214.
LADIES SERIES: Georgia Schultz 500, Megan Martinez 440, Cheyann Blauer 417.
LADIES GAMES: Becky Smith 192, Georgia Schultz 172, Megan Martinez 168.

PIN HEADS

MEN'S SERIES: Anthony Meyer 594, Jared Studer 551, Brody Albertson 486.
MEN'S GAMES: Anthony Meyer 256, Jared Studer 206, Brody Albertson 178.
LADIES SERIES: Amanda Rowley 499, Bridget Albertson 469, Dominique Powers 343.
LADIES GAMES: Amanda Rowley 170, Bridget Albertson 166, Dominique Powers 138.

TUESDAY TEENS

BOYS' SERIES: Jared Studer 488, Brody Albertson 432, Cameron Black 194.
BOYS' GAMES: Jared Studer 206, Brody Albertson 157, Cameron Black 75.
GIRLS' SERIES: Amanda Studer 486, Kiara Hieb 479, Bridget Albertson 456.
GIRLS' GAMES: Kiara Hieb 181, Amanda Studer 170, Bridget Albertson 165.

MINICO HIGH SCHOOL

BOYS' SERIES: Brody Albertson 552, Jared Studer 547, Dale Amen 416.
BOYS' GAMES: Brody Albertson 204, Jared Studer 203, Dale Amen 156.
GIRLS' SERIES: Bridget Albertson 451, Rachel Watson 407, Jackie Mancias 399.
GIRLS' GAMES: Bridget Albertson 184, Rachel Watson 176, Jackie Mancias 399.

BURLEY HIGH SCHOOL

BOYS' SERIES: Anthony Meyer 509, Cory Anderson 408, Daniel Posada 407.
BOYS' GAMES: Andrew Morgan 190, Jim Hollahan 179, Luis Miramontes 178.
GIRLS' SERIES: Kiara Hieb 494, Molly Mills 457, Taylor Galow 365.
GIRLS' GAMES: Kiara Hieb 182, Molly Mills 171, TaylorGalow 146.

MAGIC BOWL, TWIN FALLS

COMMERCIAL

SERIES: Rick Frederiksen 749, Zack Black 746, Matt Olson 738, Ian DeVries 731.
GAMES: Ian DeVries 290, Rick Frederiksen 276, Zack Black 268, Tad Capurro 267.

MASON

SERIES: Kathy McClure 618, Skeet Donaldson 510, Monica Stephens 502, Vi Croshaw 496.
GAMES: Skeet Donaldson 203, Monica Stephens 190, Kathy McClure 189, Vi Croshaw 182.

PIONEER

SERIES: Georgia Randall 601, Julie Shull 583, Erin Dayley 570, Barb Reynolds 551.
GAMES: Leslie Vanderham 236, Georgia Randall 215, Julie Shull 212, Erin Dayley 203.

VALLEY

SERIES: Tony Brass 738, Leon Klimes 714, Cobey Mgee 695, Tad Capurro 683.
GAMES: Tony Brass 278, Jeff Theren 267, Mike Tackett 258, Rod Jerke 246, Cobey Magee 246.

FIFTY PLUS

MEN'S SERIES: Roger Graefe 619, Blaine Ross 606, Hubert Bluteau 593, Charles Lewis 588.
MEN'S GAMES: Hubert Bluteau 244, Blaine Ross 230, Roger Graefe 230, Howard Harder 213, Fred Ott 213.
LADIES SERIES: Dot Van Hook 520, Gloria Harder 501, Dixie Eager 487, Sharon Knudson 482.
LADIES GAMES: Sharon Knudson 190, Gloria Harder 189, Dixie Eager 183, Dot Van Hook 182.

THURS. MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Robert Watkins 603, Joe McClure 598, Jeff Whittemore 575, Tim Craig 544.
MEN'S GAMES: Robert Watkins 233, Joe McClure 223, Jeff Whittemore 217, Andrew Bunde 207.
LADIES SERIES: Elara Smith 518, Kathy McClure 485, Georgia Johnson 470, Lori Williamson 460.
LADIES GAMES: Elara Smith 19, Kathy McClure 187, Georgia Johnson 181, Kim Daigh 168.

EARLY FRI. MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Tad Capurro 656, Clint Koyle 608, Robbie Watkins 600, Joe McClure 596.
MEN'S GAMES: Tad Capurro 235, Trevor Wakley 223, Clint Koyle 222, Joe McClure 214.
LADIES SERIES: Julie Capurro 569, Julie Shaffer 559, Glenda Barrutia 556, Bobbie Thompson 545.
LADIES GAMES: Melissa Straub 243, Lisa Dickenson 225, Julie Shaffer 210, Julie Capurro 207.

T.F HIGH SCHOOL

BOYS' SERIES: Tyler Black 628, Anthony Vest 554.
BOYS' GAMES: Tyler Black 211, Anthony Vest 201.
GIRLS' SERIES: Kaitlynn Simpson 561, Jessica Jenkins 524, Ryann Simpson 507.
GIRLS' GAMES: Kaitlynn Simpson 231, Jessica Jenkins 196, Ryann Simpson 189, Marissa Eggleston 187.

Magic Valley Marlins swim well in Cabin Fever invite in Caldwell

For the Times-News

CALDWELL — Twenty Magic Valley Marlins swimmers traveled to Caldwell last weekend to compete in the Cabin Fever Invitational.

A number of Marlins won individual events. Leading the way was Parker Twiss, 12, who won five individual events and took third in another. Maddie Johnson (age 10), Mason Johnson (8), Cameron Kendrick (10) and Matt Twiss (10) all placed first in three of their events.

Zach Malina (10) and Erik Steinke (11) each took home a top finishes in the Individual Medley.

Wes Walton, Zach Malina, Parker Twiss and Matt Twiss have all qualified for the Northwest Section Age Group Championships in Seattle, Wash., March 27-29. Twenty-eight Marlins have qualified for the YMCA Regional Meet March 6-8 in Portland, Ore., and 83 Marlin swimmers have qualified for the Snake River Winter Championships Feb. 20-22 in Nampa.

For more information about the Marlins or to join, contact Dennis Burgett at 410-0301, Lisa Johnson at 308-3710 or Noella Biedenbach at 539-5592.

Cabin Fever Results

Relay Events

Girls 12U 200 Medley – 4th (Cameron Kendrick, Caitlin Crist, Maddie Johnson and Christin Hoard)
Girls 14U 200 Medley – 7th (Amanda Crist, Katelynn Baumert, Whitney Hoard and Kamille Juarez)
Boys 14U 200 Medley – 2nd (Zach Malina, Parker Twiss, Matt Twiss and Brandon Hoard)
Girls 10U 200 Free – 6th (Kyra Schroeder, Caitlin Crist, Kylie Baumert and Jayden Stoddard)
Boys 10U 200 Free – 2nd (Freddyjim Atwood, Zach Malina, Mason Johnson and Matt Twiss)
Girls 14U 200 Free – 6th (Amanda Crist, Cameron Kendrick, Maddie Johnson and Christin Hoard)
Girls 18U 200 Free – 4th (Kamille Juarez, Whitney Hoard, Katelynn Baumert and Ashlee Twiss)

Individual Events

Katelynn Baumert
11-12 50 Back – 18th
11-12 100 Breast – 6th
11-12 100 IM – 17th
11-12 50 Breast – 17th
11-12 50 Free – 19th
11-12 100 Back – 13th

Kylie Baumert
8 & Under 25 Breast – 10th
8 & Under 25 Free – 7th
8 & Under 50 Back – 14th

Amanda Crist
11-12 50 Back – 9th
11-12 50 Fly – 9th
11-12 100 IM – 10th
11-12 200 Free – 14th
11-12 50 Breast – 6th
11-12 100 Fly – 6th

Caitlin Crist
9-10 100 Free – 9th
9-10 100 Breast – 7th
9-10 50 Fly – 5th
9-10 50 Breast – 6th
9-10 50 Free – 11th
9-10 100 Back – 5th

Brandon Hoard
13-14 100 Free – 7th
13-14 100 Back – 5th
13-14 100 Fly – 3rd
13-14 100 Breast – 3rd
13-14 50 Free – 5th

Christin Hoard
11-12 100 Free – 14th
11-12 50 Back – 17th
11-12 50 Fly – 3rd
11-12 50 Breast – 3rd
11-12 50 Free – 5th

Whitney Hoard
13-14 100 Free – 29th
13-14 100 Fly – 10th
13-14 100 Breast – 11th
13-14 50 Free – 20th

Maddie Johnson
9-10 50 Back – 1st
9-10 100 Breast – 3rd
9-10 100 IM – 1st
9-10 50 Breast – 2nd
9-10 50 Free – 2nd
9-10 100 Back – 1st

Mason Johnson
8 & Under 50 Free – 2nd
8 & Under 50 Breast – 1st
8 & Under 100 IM – 2nd
8 & Under 100 Free – 1st
8 & Under 50 Fly – 1st
8 & Under 50 Back – 2nd

Bryer Jones
9-10 50 Free -11th

Kamille Juarez
13-14 100 Free – 27th
13-14 100 Fly – 12th
13-14 200 Free – 21st
13-14 100 Breast – 18th
13-14 50 Free – 23rd

Cameron Kendrick
9-10 100 Free – 2nd
9-10 100 Breast – 1st
9-10 200 IM – 1st
9-10 200 Free – 2nd
9-10 50 Breast – 1st
9-10 100 Back – 2nd

Ethell Malina
8 & Under 50 Free – 9th
8 & Under 25 Back – 7th
8 & Under 50 Breast – 7th
8 & Under 100 Free – 9th
8 & Under 25 Breast – 7th
8 & Under 50 Back – 9th

Zach Malina
9-10 100 Free – 4th
9-10 50 Back – 3rd
9-10 100 IM – 1st
9-10 50 Breast – 2nd
9-10 50 Free – 6th
9-10 100 Back – 3rd

Kyra Schroeder
8 & Under 50 Free – 11th
8 & Under 25 Back – 8th
8 & Under 100 Free – 11th
8 & Under 25 Breast – 13th
8 & Under 50 Back – 10th

Erik Steinke
11-12 100 Free – 4th
11-12 100 Breast – 2nd
11-12 200 IM – 1st
11-12 200 Free – 5th
11-12 100 Fly – 2nd

Jayden Stoddard
9-10 50 Free – 24th
9-10 100 Back – 15th

Ashlee Twiss
15 & Over 100 Free – 16th
15 & Over 100 Back – 12th
15 & Over 500 Free – 5th
15 & Over 200 Free – 13th
15 & Over 100 Breast – 10th
15 & Over 200 Back – 7th

Matt Twiss
9-10 100 Free – 2nd
9-10 50 Fly – 1st
9-10 200 IM – 2nd
9-10 200 Free – 2nd
9-10 50 Free – 1st
Senior 100 IM – 1st

Parker Twiss
11-12 100 Free – 1st
11-12 200 Breast – 1st
11-12 50 Fly – 3rd
11-12 200 Free – 1st
11-12 50 Breast 1st
11-12 50 Free 1st

THE BASEBALL ECONOMY

Pitchers, catchers and worry for baseball

NEW YORK (AP) — Randy Wolf was offered a $27 million, three-year contract by the Houston Astros in mid-November. A week later, Astros executives realized they couldn't afford him.

They called Wolf's agent the following day and withdrew the offer. On Friday, with spring training a few days away, the pitcher agreed to a $5 million, one-year deal with the Los Angeles Dodgers that allows him to earn $3 million more in bonuses.

It's been a most unusual offseason for a sport coming off a record $6.5 billion in revenues last year. The economic downturn is just hitting baseball, where uncertainty has replaced anticipation as pitcher and catchers prepare for the start of workouts on Valentine's Day.

More than 70 players remain unsigned from the group of 171 that filed for free agency after the World Series, about a dozen more than at this point last year. Other job-seekers include some players from the pool of 42 cut loose in mid-December, when teams failed to offer 2009 contracts.

Manny Ramirez, Ken Griffey Jr., Adam Dunn, Bobby Abreu, Garret Anderson, Orlando Hudson and Orlando Cabrera are looking for work. The players' association is considering whether to open its own spring training camp, as it did in Homestead, Fla., following the end of the 1994-95 strike.

"We're living in very tough economic times, obviously — the toughest economic environment I think since the Great Depression," commissioner Bud Selig said in a telephone interview Thursday.

Sluggers already have shrunken, thanks to drug testing. Will attendance and revenue be next?

Management executives think the impact soon will be felt at the gate and in their sales offices — ads and sponsorships are bound to be off when current contract expire.

"I don't think Lehman Brothers is buying anything, because they don't exist anymore," Astros president of baseball operations Tal Smith said.

Several teams say season-ticket sales are at or above 2008 levels. However, executives are worried that the impact of the recession will be felt more with individual tickets, which some haven't put on sale yet.

"I started last October at the playoffs — I said owners should not get cocky," Selig said. "Look, whatever anybody else says or thinks, baseball is related to the environment we live in. And, therefore, I don't sense anything but the same concern that I hear everywhere I go from people in every business, including the other sports."

Clubs also are just beginning to gauge whether there will be cutbacks on spending for ballpark signage, yearbook and program advertisements, individual-game luxury suite rentals.

"We won't see the full impact — no club will — until at least 2010," Boston owner John Henry wrote in an e-mail to The Associated Press. "There is no doubt that the fear and uncertainty within the global financial system found its way into MLB board rooms. None of us know to what extent we will be impacted by this continuing crisis. But we all know that we will. Clubs had good reasons to be cautious this year."

In Milwaukee, where the outlook in his office is sunny no matter the weather, Selig is cautiously optimistic.

"There's something about spring training, and I think maybe even more so this year with all the things that have gone on," he said. "People really look forward to it. It's sort of a beginning again of hope."

Four teams have new training bases this year, with the Los Angeles Dodgers and Chicago White Sox moving to a shared facility in Glendale, Ariz.; the Cleveland Indians shifting to Goodyear, Ariz., where the Cincinnati Reds will join them in 2010; and the Tampa Bay Rays shifted from St. Petersburg to Port Charlotte.

The White Sox had been based in Tucson, Ariz., and the Indians in Winter Haven, Fla.

Los Angeles created a stir by boosting its top spring training ticket price to $90 from $20 last year at Vero Beach, Fla., which had been the team's spring home since 1948. Many other teams, however, have kept ticket prices level — both for spring training and the regular season.

The Boston Red Sox had intended to boost their ticket prices, then announced in early November that after 14 consecutive years of increases they would leave prices the same at $12 to $125 for single-game tickets — and give discounts for any season tickets purchased before Dec. 17.

"The Yankees move into a new ballpark this year with much higher prices and much higher revenues. We knew we couldn't keep pace with them, but we thought we had to try to generate higher revenues in 2009," Henry wrote. "The economy's impact on our fans, however, was our overriding concern."

At the new, $1.5 billion Yankee Stadium, where a steak house and martini bar are among 13 restaurants, lounges and food courts for the public, tickets are priced at up to $2,500 per game. At the Mets' $800 million Citi Field, top tickets average $495.

After missing the playoffs for the first time since 1993, the Yankees committed $423.5 million to add pitchers CC Sabathia and A.J. Burnett, and first baseman Mark Teixeira.

The spending spree sparked Milwaukee owner Mark Attanasio to say baseball should push for a salary cap when the current labor deal expires after the 2011 season.

"If you've got some owners that are upset, I'm just not going to let it worry me. I'm not going to lose sleep over it," Yankees co-chairman Hal Steinbrenner said.

Lesser players, however, struggled to find teams.

AP photo

A tractor trailer truck loaded with Boston Red Sox training equipment and supplies departs Fenway Park, in Boston, Friday. Red Sox pitchers and catchers are scheduled for their first workout next Saturday at the teams training camp, in Fort Myers, Fla.

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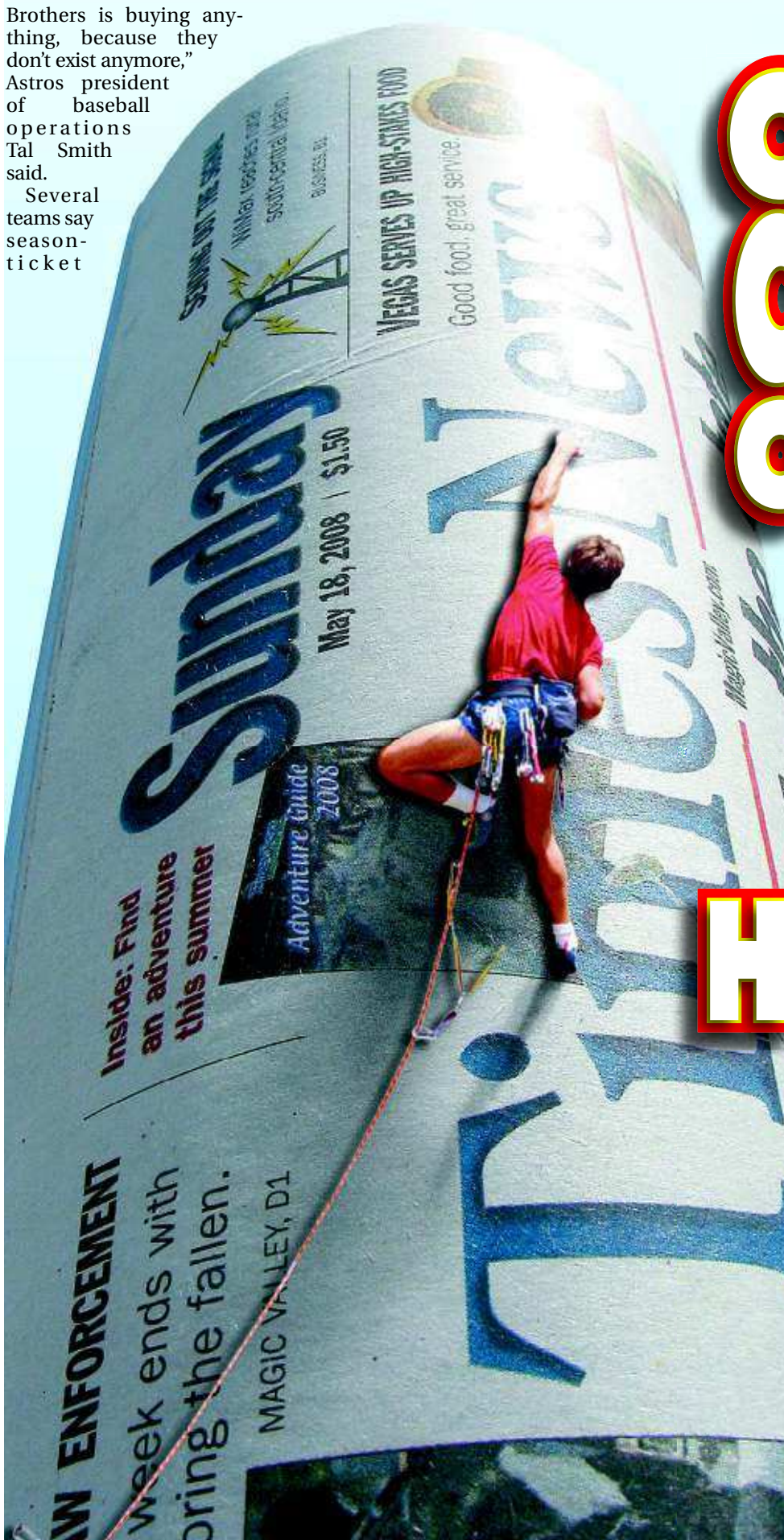

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Reported A-Rod test juices scandal that grows on

TIM DAHLBERG

Barry Bonds may never see the inside of a jail cell. Odds are Alex Rodriguez won't even get his hand slapped.

It doesn't really matter much anymore. By now we're so numb to the whole steroid mess in baseball that it wouldn't be much of a surprise if Bud Selig copped a plea to hawking syringes to clubhouse attendants.

This was supposed to be over a year ago when the Mitchell Report named names, assigned blame, and declared it over. But this is the noxious gift that just keeps on giving.

Pitchers and catchers report next week in an annual rite that has fans everywhere dreaming of green grass, new ivy and first place. Meanwhile, the stench of a scandal baseball let fester for more than a decade grows even stronger and forces us once again to rethink everything that has happened before.

The only difference is that at least now we know. The days of presuming innocence are long gone.

The three people in the country who still might have thought Bonds hit all his home runs due to hard work and good hand-eye coordination surely had to change their minds this week when court papers unsealed in San Francisco painted a damming case against him. The judge may not allow much of it into evidence, but the court of public opinion has already delivered its verdict.

Officially, Bonds remains the greatest home run hitter ever, even though his records are so tainted they're laughable. Until Saturday, all baseball fans could hope for was that Rodriguez would play long enough to pass him on the all-time home run list and restore some order to baseball's most revered mark.

Sure, A-Rod had his share of problems. His teammates didn't like him, his wife divorced him and Joe Torre kept calling him names.

But he was the one slugger who was supposed to be above the whole mess. He was the one player so naturally gifted that you could look at him and believe that the home runs he hit out of Yankee Stadium with great regularity were struck without the aid of modern science.

And now we're faced with the very real possibility it all was one giant A-Fraud.

Bonds was bad enough. Roger Clemens was both disgusting and disturbing.

But now we have to get used to the idea of A-Roid?

Sports Illustrated's report that Rodriguez tested positive for using two different steroids in 2003 topples the last of the big names in a steroid scandal that has now tainted five of the top 12 home run hitters of all time and destroyed the reputation of the greatest pitcher of his generation.

Like Bonds, A-Rod won his league's MVP award in 2003. Like Bonds, who also tested positive that year, he didn't bother to credit chemists for his success.

"It really is a validation to all the hard work and dedication," Rodriguez said at the time.

His numbers were always staggering, beginning with his days with the Seattle Mariners all the way through his current stint in the Bronx. The 47 homers he hit in 2003 didn't spark any suspicions because he had hit 57 and 52 each of the two years before.

But now the numbers are meaningless. Unless A-Rod can somehow show he wasn't juiced, the monster years he began having about the same time designer steroids became the drug of choice in baseball, all of his statistics will be forever suspect.

Here's a statistic that might be more relevant: A whopping total of 104 players tested positive for performance-enhancing drugs in the first round of steroid testing in baseball in 2003, even though they knew the tests were coming.

The tests were supposed to be destroyed, and the players never named. But two of the biggest names in baseball have now been outed, and you can only wonder how nervous some current and former players are as the battle over the samples is waged in federal court.

Selig and others never saw this coming. They only grudgingly began testing for steroids after pressure from politicians grew and the home run totals became increasingly bloated, and the last thing they wanted were the stars of the game dragged through courtrooms for a problem they liked to pretend didn't even exist.

Now Bonds is going on trial next month in a spectacle that will overshadow spring training and further embarrass baseball. At the same time, federal investigators are eagerly hunting down the evidence they need to indict Clemens on charges he lied about his alleged steroid use.

At least those players are out of the game. Rodriguez will keep playing, earning more money than anyone in baseball as he chases those ahead of him on the all-time home run list.

When the Yankees re-signed him a year ago, that chase was seen as so magical that A-Rod will receive an additional $6 million each time he ties Willie Mays, Babe Ruth, Hank Aaron or Bonds on the list. He'll get another $6 million for the home run that breaks Bonds' mark of 762.

Assuming Rodriguez did indeed test positive, those milestones could prove embarrassing. Every home run he hits and every player he passes will simply be another reminder that he cheated along the way.

And everywhere he goes, they'll stand and chant his name: "A-Roid, A-Roid."

Steroids

Continued from Sports 1

Baseball," Canseco claimed he introduced Rodriguez to a steroids dealer. Canseco, who has admitted using steroids, subsequently said he had no knowledge of any drug use by Rodriguez.

The drug allegations follow an already bumpy offseason for Rodriguez, marked by further talk of his dalliance with Madonna and clubhouse gossip stemming from Joe Torre's book in which some teammates referred to him as "A-Fraud."

But a week before the Yankees open spring training, Rodriguez — certain to be dubbed "A-Roid" in the New York tabloids — faced more serious allegations after four sources told SI about his drug tests.

Rodriguez's name appears on a list of 104 players who tested positive for performance-enhancing drugs in a 2003 baseball survey, SI said. He reportedly tested positive for Primobolan and testosterone.

In a December 2007 interview with "60 Minutes," three days after George Mitchell's report on drugs in the sport was released, Rodriguez denied using performance-enhancing drugs. He reiterated his stance at spring training last year.

Rodriguez played for the Rangers in 2003, when he won the AL home run title and MVP award. He was traded to the Yankees in 2004.

He is drawing a major league-high $27 million salary after signing a record $275 million, 10-year contract with New York in 2007.

"We are disturbed by the allegations," MLB executive vice president Rob Manfred said in a statement. "Because the survey testing that took place in 2003 was intended to be nondisciplinary and anonymous, we cannot make any comment on the accuracy of this report as it pertains to the player named."

Said the union: "Information and documents relating to the results of the 2003 MLB testing program are both confidential and under seal by court orders."

"Anyone with knowledge of such documents who discloses their contents may be in violation of those court orders," the union added.

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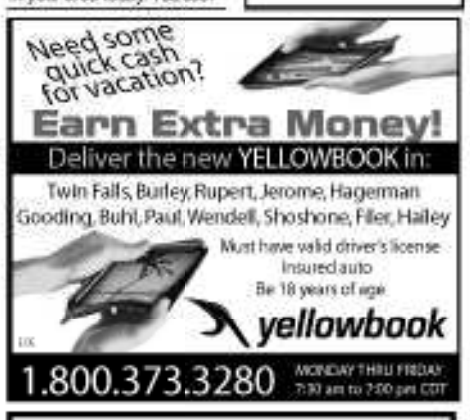

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Couple clashes over roles played by men and women

DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm a fiercely independent and headstrong woman. I have recently begun dating my childhood sweetheart, "Jess," again after 20 years. Jess is traditional and would prefer I surrender my independence and allow him to take the "man's" role. We are trying to compromise, but now another issue has come up.

My best friend, "Wendell," recently proposed to his girlfriend and asked me to be his best woman at the wedding. Of course I accepted. I'm excited about the honor he has bestowed upon me, and I will be wearing a tuxedo and stiletto heels.

Jess is totally against it. He says Wendell is treating me like I'm a man and I'm going along with it. Every time the subject comes up, Jess gets angry. He hasn't met Wendell yet, and I would love more than anything for my two special guys to get along. What am I to do?

— ON THE SPOT IN WALDORF, MD.

DEAR ON THE SPOT: Before you go much further with Jess, it is important that you clearly understand not only what he feels a "man's role" is, but also exactly what he thinks a woman's role should be. Your relationship with him would be a lot healthier if he could accept you just as you are — and from your description of what's going on, I'm not sure he's flexible enough to do that.

It appears that Jess' thinking is firmly rooted in the 1930s. He may be a lovely person, but from my perspective, his definition of "compromise" is for you to assume the role of a female of that era. Women have come a long way since then, and I don't think assuming that role would be healthy for you.

DEAR ABBY: I have two grandsons and a new granddaughter. My daughter-in-law keeps dressing the infant in black dresses for her monthly pictures.

Abby, I can't stand to see a beautiful baby dressed in black. I have purchased lovely, colorful outfits for her at children's shops only to have her mother return them. Is this a new trend, does she have terrible taste, or am I crazy?

— FEELING BLUE IN RICHLAND, WASH.

DEAR FEELING BLUE: It's not a new trend, it isn't terrible taste, and you're not crazy. It is, however, a matter of PERSONAL taste. Black garments are available for children of all ages. When I mentioned your letter to a photographer who specializes in children's portraits, I was informed that wearing black is not typical in children's photos — unless the parents are into Goth. Could this include your daughter-in-law?

DEAR ABBY: A few months ago, my sister's husband of 20 years suddenly left her for a 23-year-old girl. He is living openly with her, even though he is still married to my sister. What is most disturbing is some members of his family are openly supporting this affair.

The shock of my brother-in-law's infidelity is painful enough, but the insensitivity of these family members is unbelievable. Are those people ignorant or just plain evil?

— HURTING FOR MY SISTER

DEAR HURTING: The situation you have described is very sad. Not knowing the husband's family, I can't judge whether they are ignorant or evil. However, it's clear that in this case, blood is thicker than water — and for whatever reason, some of the in-laws never bonded emotionally with your sister.

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

IF FEBRUARY 8 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: In April your morale will get a boost as helpful people give you a leg up or guide you to achieve heartfelt ambitions. You might receive the answer to your prayers or a lucky break, but rest assured that whatever comes to you will be good for you. Reach for the stars and go for the gold in all areas of your life. Avoid credit purchases or making major decisions in August when you are apt to bite off more than you can chew. In late August, and again in November, your optimism will be rewarded and you can safely launch important plans or count on help from the universe.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): There's a good moon on the rise. The full moon this week might illuminate your goals, hopes and dreams. You may make a new lifelong friend or be called upon to provide some help or assistance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Turn up the heat. The projects and promises you have kept simmering on the back burner can be put into motion during the week ahead. Find ways to enhance your reputation and aim for career success.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Think twice. When you consider realizing your dreams, you not only need to be inspired — you also need to have the facts. This weeks' full moon might shed light on knowledge that you need to enjoy success.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Twist and shout. It is a good week to become flexible once again by exercising your body as well as your brains. Situations that kept you hemmed in and rigidly in place are dropping by the wayside.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The messages we send out to the universe, whether they are negative or positive, reverberate and return to us. This weeks' full moon might remind you to trust others if you want them to trust you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): "Facts are the enemy of truth." You aren't about to play the part of Don Quixote this week, but you might understand what he meant. Look beyond the facts. Learn to rely upon intuitive understanding.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Tune in to the magic of the moment and tune out your doubts and cares. There is a full moon this week that could pinpoint ways that you can go the extra mile to honor the promises you have made.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Grow up. You are long past the terrible two's where you must say "no" to everything. Open yourself to a new world of possibilities by saying "yes" to whatever presents itself this week.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Drink from the fountain of knowledge. In Heinlein's famous sci-fi book, the Martian hero "grokked" information by merging his understanding with that of others. Learn on several levels.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The full moon this week might trigger greater understanding of how your values affect your earning power. in order to make money through work or investments you must trust the people involved.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This week's full moon might remind you that everyone needs a little romance in their life. You might reflect upon the commitments you have made and the trust that other people place in you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Establish a long lasting rapport with others. Seek a greater depth of intimacy with someone by looking deeper than the surface. The full moon this week might sprinkle your sleeping dreams with wisdom.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Feb. 8, the 39th day of 2009. There are 326 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 8, 1968, three black college students were killed in a confrontation with highway patrolmen in Orangeburg, S.C., during a civil rights protest against a whites-only bowling alley.

On this date:

In 1587, Mary, Queen of Scots was beheaded at Fotheringhay Castle in England after she was implicated in a plot to assassinate her cousin, Queen Elizabeth I.

In 1693, a charter was granted for the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

In 1837, the Senate selected the vice president of the United States, choosing Richard Mentor Johnson after no candidate received a majority of electoral votes.

In 1904, the Russo-Japanese War, a conflict over control of Manchuria and Korea, began as Japanese forces attacked Port Arthur.

In 1910, the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated.

In 1924, the first execution by gas in the United States took place at the Nevada State Prison in Carson City as Gee Jon, a Chinese immigrant convicted of murder, was put to death.

In 1974, the last three-man crew of the Skylab space station returned to Earth after spending 84 days in space.

In 1978, the deliberations of the Senate were broadcast on radio for the first time as members opened debate on the Panama Canal treaties.

In 1989, 144 people were killed when an Independent Air Boeing 707 filled with Italian tourists slammed into a fog-covered mountain in the Azores.

In 2007, model, actress and tabloid sensation Anna Nicole Smith died in Florida at age 39 of an accidental drug overdose.

Ten years ago: The Senate heard closing arguments at President Bill Clinton's impeachment trial, with House prosecutors challenging senators to "cleanse the office" and the president's attorney dismissing the case as one of partisan retribution. Jordan's King Hussein was laid to rest during a five-hour funeral in Amman attended by dignitaries from all over the world, including Clinton and former U.S. Presidents George H.W. Bush, Jimmy Carter and Gerald R. Ford.

Five years ago: President George W. Bush denied marching America into war under false pretenses and said in an interview on NBC's "Meet the Press" the U.S.-led invasion was necessary because Saddam Hussein could have developed a nuclear weapon. The National Football Conference won the Pro Bowl, defeating the American Conference 55-52. In the National Hockey League All-Star Game, the Eastern Conference defeated the Western Conference, 6-4. At the Grammy Awards, rap funksters OutKast won album of the year for "Speakerboxxx-The Love Below;" Beyonce took home five trophies.

One year ago: Scotland Yard investigators concluded that Pakistani opposition leader Benazir Bhutto died on Dec. 27, 2007, as the result of a bomb blast, not a gunshot. Latina Williams, a 23-year-old nursing student at Louisiana Technical College in Baton Rouge, shot and killed two other students and then herself. Novelist Phyllis A. Whitney died in Charlottesville, Va., at age 104.

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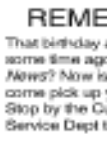

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By Alan P. Olschwang, Huntington Beach, California

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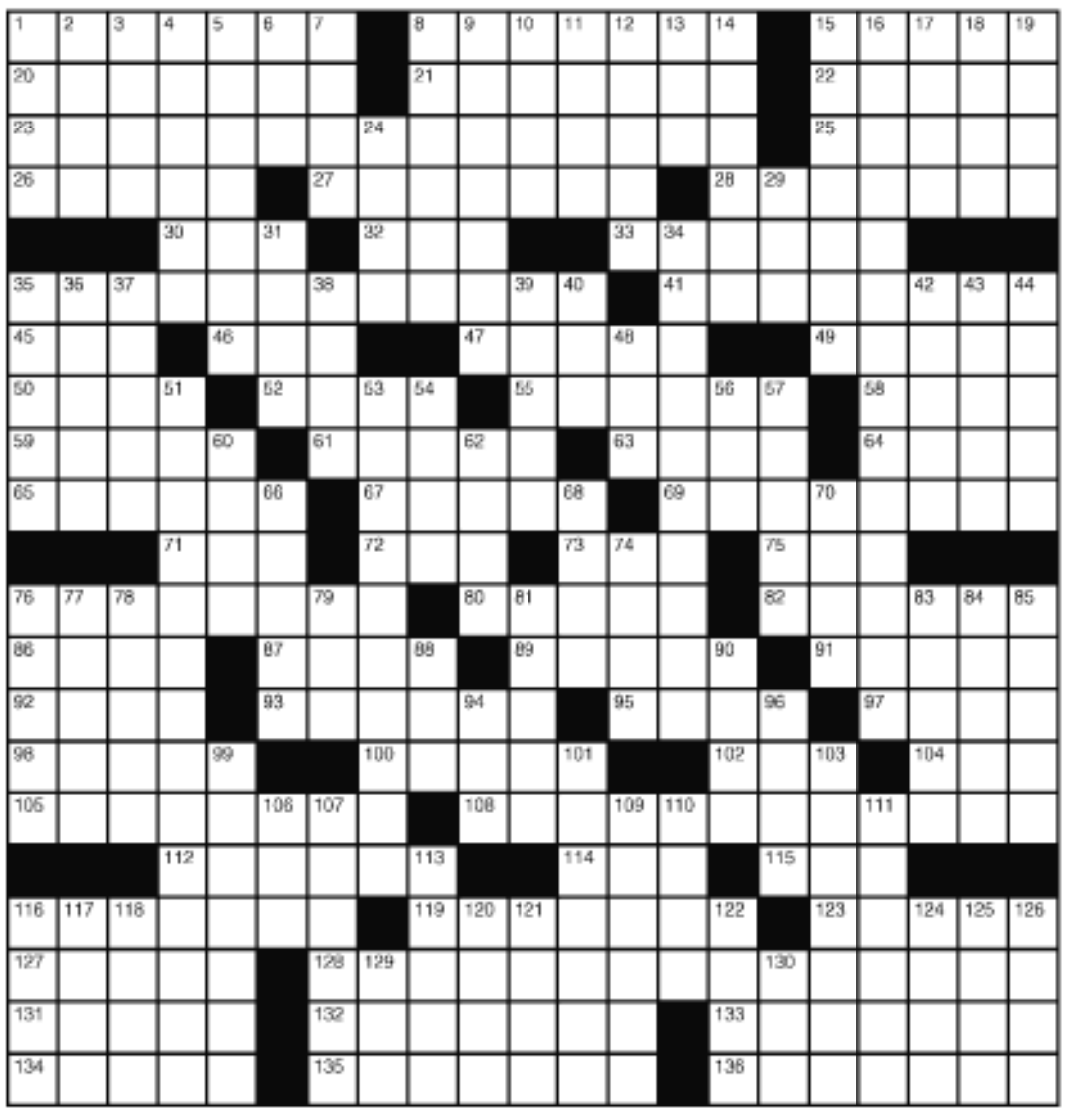

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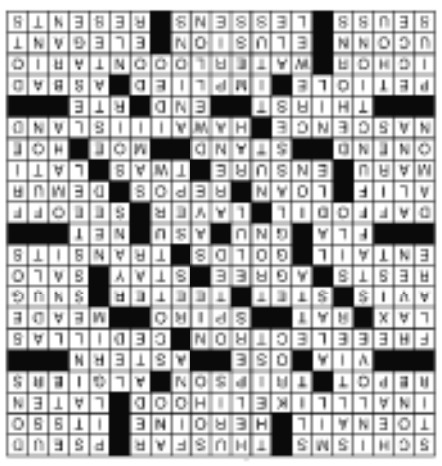

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Deputy City Clerk
City of Twin Falls
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Twin Falls, ID 83303-1907

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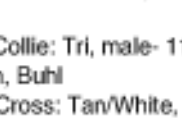

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FOUND

1. Bloodhound: Red male - Morningside School
2. Chihuahua: White/tan, male - Lincoln Elementary School
3. Border Collie cross: Black/white male - Hollister
4. 2 Samoyed: White, males- Hankins North
5. Shar-Pei/Shepard: Black/tan female- Washington St. South (has small puppy)
6. Pyrenees cross: White, female- 3298 East 3400 North
7. Pyrenees cross: White/gray, male - 3298 E 3400 North
8. Samoyed cross: Gray/white, female- 2492 East 4300 North
9. Samoyed: White, male - 2492 East 4300 North
10. Shar-Pei/Pyrenees: white/gray, female - I-84, Bliss, ID
11. Terrier/Bearded Collie: Red/white, female, Maverick (Shoshone Street)
12. Border Collie/Pit Bull: Black/White, female puppy
13. Rottweiler/Shepherd: Black/brindle, male- Windemere Circle (puppy)
14. Chow/Retriever: Black, male- Depot Grill
15. Border Collie: Tri, male- 1129 East 3900 North, Buhl
16. Pit Bull Cross: Tan/White, female- 1129 East 3900 North, Buhl (8 small puppies)
17. Rottweiler: Black/Tan, female- 3rd ave West (pink collar)

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6. Heeler: White/brown, spayed female, adult
7. Hound/Lab: Black, neutered male, pup
8. Lab: Black spayed female, puppy
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Conceptis SudoKu By Dave Green

				4				8
				6				7
		7			5		3	
		9			6		7	
		8				2		
	4		3			1		
	2		9			8		
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Difficulty Level ★★★★★ 2/08

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Answer to previous puzzle

8	4	5	9	3	6	1	2	7
3	2	6	1	7	4	8	5	9
1	9	7	2	5	8	4	3	6
6	8	9	3	4	1	2	7	5
4	3	1	7	2	5	9	6	8
7	5	2	8	6	9	3	4	1
2	1	3	6	8	7	5	9	4
9	7	4	5	1	3	6	8	2
5	6	8	4	9	2	7	1	3

Difficulty Level ★★★★ 1/07

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101 Lost and Found

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LOST Chihuahua mix, male, lost on President streets. Brown/white. If found call **308-5538.**

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101 Lost and Found

LOST Schnauzer small all black female, answers to Bella. Lost at 672 W 100 S of Paul. Reward! **678-0109**

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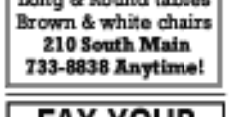

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Left at the Post, Dodge City, Kan.

ANSWER: One hand never proves anything. But here you do not JUST have an 11-count. Your two suits are in an easy sequence to bid, you have two aces, and two building cards are in each of your long suits. This is a minimal but respectable opening. And remember, thrice blessed is he who strikes the first blow.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
We recently had a problem when I picked up a balanced 16-count and opened my five-card major. My partner had a balanced 18-count with only three hearts and four clubs. Is there a generally agreed way to describe these strong hands if playing two-over-one?

Overbalanced, Levittown, Pa.

ANSWER: The bidding should go one heart - two clubs - three no-trump, and then on to slam. The jump in no-trump in a game-forcing auction is NOT weak; it shows a strong no-trump equivalent. The same principle applies to responder's jump and also in fourth-suit-forcing auctions. Using such jumps as weak not only is counterintuitive, but wastes space when you need it most.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
I held ♠ Q-J-2, ♥ A-7-2, ♦ K-9-6-3, ♣ A-J-5 and opened one no-trump. My LHO doubled for penalty and my partner redoubled to show a good hand. When the next player ran to two clubs, was I justified in doubling, or was it better to pass and let partner act with extra shape himself?

Mighty Mouse, Durham, N.C.

ANSWER: There is no simple answer here; my instincts are that double shows four trumps or a maximum defensive hand with three. Admittedly, this way you sometimes let them off the hook, but it is better to use double as "the goods" and not as a speculative try for a penalty.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
As opener, what should I bid with ♠ Q-J-4-2, ♥ A-10-2, ♦ K-5, ♣ Q-10-8-3? If I open one club and partner responds one heart, do I raise hearts, or do I bid spades, planning to support hearts later?

On the Fence, Madison, Wis.

ANSWER: With this sort of hand I tend to rebid one spade, prepared to lose hearts altogether if my partner takes the minimum action of rebidding one no-trump or supporting clubs. With much worse spades, or much better hearts, I might raise hearts directly.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
How much do I need to balance over a minor suit? And if the answer is "less than is needed for direct action," how does my partner know when to pull in a notch?

Balancing Act, Corpus Christi, Texas

ANSWER: The answer is simple. The hand in balancing seat throughout the auction mentally adds a king to his high cards and bids appropriately, while responder subtracts a king. So if I had 14 points and did balance, I would consider moving over a simple raise from my partner (for which the range is approximately 8-10 points, not 5-7 points).

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolff," contact kay19872@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.

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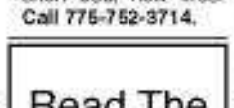

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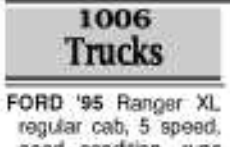

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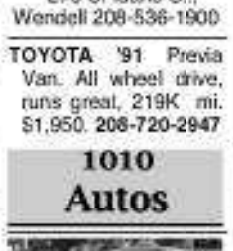

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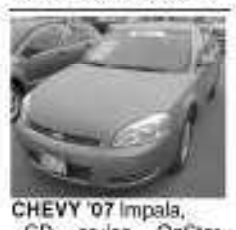

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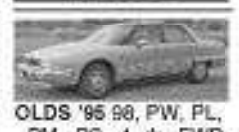

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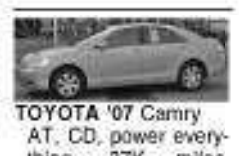

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Can this Filer family get control of its finances?

Back from the brink

Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Frank Ellis, left, describes how the family should make specific financial goals and rethink expenses to find ways to save money, such as buying food in bulk and resisting impulse buying. At top, John Darnall listens while his wife, Jamie, discusses the family finances.

By Melissa Davlin
Times-News writer

Jamie Darnall's wallet has been feeling pretty light lately.

The Filer stay-at-home mother and her husband, John, are struggling to build up their savings while providing for their three sons, Caleb, 8, Connor, 6, and Carson, 4. John, a police officer, brings home about $2,000 monthly. Their house payment is just over $1,000. Still, they find themselves counting pennies and unable to put money into a rainy day account.

So where is the rest of their cash going?

"I feel like a gloomy cloud is hovering over me and I would really like to learn what I can do to better our spending for my family's sake," she wrote in an e-mail to the *Times-News*.

We paired the Darnall family with College of Southern Idaho associate economics professor Frank Ellis, who agreed to help the family overcome their money woes. Ellis met with John and Jamie on Jan. 21 and gave them tools to map out their financial goals and get their spending under control.

The Darnalls aren't doing that bad financially, Ellis pointed out. They don't have major credit card debt and they're

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Carson Darnall, 4, watches television while his parents, John and Jamie Darnall, meet with economics professor Frank Ellis during a visit at their home in Filer.

Saving savvy

Frank Ellis' advice for the Darnalls can help almost anyone save. Here are some tips he gave the Filer family:

- **Define goals.** And don't make them vague, like "I want to retire comfortably."

"Goals generally are better if they're very specific," Ellis said. Decide exactly what you want — say, an Alaskan cruise in 2011, or to pay off your credit card debt by the end of the year.

- **Make plans.** Goals mean nothing if you don't map out how to reach them, Ellis said.

"If they say, 'I want a million dollars before I retire,' that's a wish, not a goal," he said. Figure out what you need to do to get that million dollars.

- **Pay yourself first.** Make your savings account a priority instead of something you think about if you have extra money. When you get your paycheck, funnel money into your savings even before you pay your bills, Ellis said.
- **Make double payments when possible.** Got some extra money at the end of the month? Pay extra on your car or house loan, Ellis recommended, and instruct the lender to put that money toward the principal. The sooner you pay off your debts, the less interest you will have to pay and the more moolah you will save in the long run.
- **Check your interest rates.** Are you losing a lot of money through credit card interest? See if the card company will lower it for you. According to Ellis, customer service reps will often lower rates when the customer asks. Tell them you're thinking about switching to a company with a lower interest rate. Let them earn your business, he said.
- **Hold off on unnecessary purchases.** See something you absolutely must have? Put your wallet away and cool your heels for a couple of weeks. If you still want it in two weeks, go ahead and buy it if you have the money, Ellis said. Often, though, you'll find that the handbag that looked so irresistible 14 days go has lost its charm, saving you money, guilt and coveted closet space.
- **Don't be afraid to return items.** If you're still guilty of impulse spending, you probably feel buyer's remorse. If you get home and find that you don't need another pair of black pumps after all, feel free to return it, Ellis said. Just make sure you save the receipts, and remember that not all items (like swimsuits and underwear) can be returned.

First-aid steps you won't find in a Scout manual

SPILT MILK
David Cooper

Now age 11, my oldest son is thick in the middle of Boy Scout training. And one of the first areas of expertise a new Scout must master is the first aid merit badge.

First aid is the essence of good Scouting and its motto, "Be Prepared." I have full confidence in his trained leaders and their ability to help him learn skills noted in the Boy Scout Handbook and merit badge manual.

But that doesn't mean the Scout handbook has all the answers. Far from it, in fact.

With almost a dozen years in parental training, I have a laundry list of first-aid tips not listed in any manual or medical training book. They aren't exactly tips as much as rules of the road for keeping your kids healthy. OK, just keeping them alive.

So in the spirit of this training, here are some extra safety and sanity tips for health disasters in your home.

Beware of weekends — It's a rule at our house that once the doctor's clinic has closed (late at night, or on weekends), you are not allowed to roughhouse in any way, shape or form. Sundays are always the worst. In the past six years, we have had two broken limbs, one concussion and two stitched foreheads, all on the day of rest or, as we call it, Sunday Bloody Sunday.

This of course requires a visit to the emergency room, which in turn doubles or triples your medical costs. Naturally, I'd prefer that my kids never get hurt. But if they're going to do wild stunts, they must be planned cost-effectively.

There is only one earache — I'm no doctor, but when a kid gets an earache, it tends to never go away. It may subside awhile, or become less intense, but it always comes back, like a spare sock in the laundry. No amount of amoxicillin or black magic can cure it. So once your child gets one, be prepared for a few years of agony and a few extra pacifiers.

Losing a tooth is a good thing — Don't worry about your kids' smiles. Unless they're hit by a car, any incident where they lose a tooth is usually a natural occurrence. The point is, don't try to keep the tooth in if it's falling out. Twice now, one of our kids has knocked a tooth loose and we've done our best to straighten it, only to have a dead tooth stay in place. The result is kids that look like Cabbage Patch Dolls that resemble Leon Spinks.

Bouncing beds are worse than trampolines — I think trampolines get a bad rap. Occasionally a child who visits our house is restricted by his parents from jumping on ours. We've even had insurance companies that refuse policies if you have a trampoline.

But by comparison, jumping on the bed is like a trip to Fallujah; somebody's not going to make it out in one piece. For some reason kids equate a bed to a peaceful, serene and restful setting, even if they're doing front-flips off the mattress. If your kids like to jump and you have both a tramp and a bed, stick with the trampoline.

Always attend your son's circumcision — OK, so maybe this doesn't fall into the category of safety and first aid. But if you want to have your son's trust for future traumatic injuries, be there when the ceremonious cutting begins. Of my three boys, I was there for only my last son's procedure and that's because the doctor recommended I go. Although it was traumatic, I was able to soothe him in his first truly excruciating moment of pain. As for the other boys, well, they still won't even trust me if I take them for flu shots.

That's about it for first-aid tips. But I'm leaving out the part where a yo-yo can be used as a tourniquet.

David Cooper is a father of five. Reach him at david.cooper@lee.net.

When does 'that magical spark' ignite?

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — Pete Cantor, who divides his time between Sun Valley and Jerome, relates how he was smitten by his wife, Janet, when she poured coffee down his police uniform after he told her she'd just served him his worst breakfast ever.

Penny Mazzola of Ketchum recounts how she challenged a young dental student from Chicago to follow her down Limelight in the days when it was never groomed, hoping to dump him. It didn't work. Chris Mazzola turned out to be a college ski racer who whizzed by her and kept on going — right into her heart.

These are a couple of the 38 tales of love in Walter Littenberg's new book, "Sun Valley Love Stories."

Littenberg will unveil the book at a no-host gathering of the couples who contributed to the book from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday at The Sun Valley Club.

"This little book is really cool, if I dare say so myself. The unique journey toward love for each couple is a great read, and each story is unique," Littenberg said.

Littenberg, a Hailey entrepreneur who has created such products as a plastic card that shows people how to tip in restaurants, embarked on the book three

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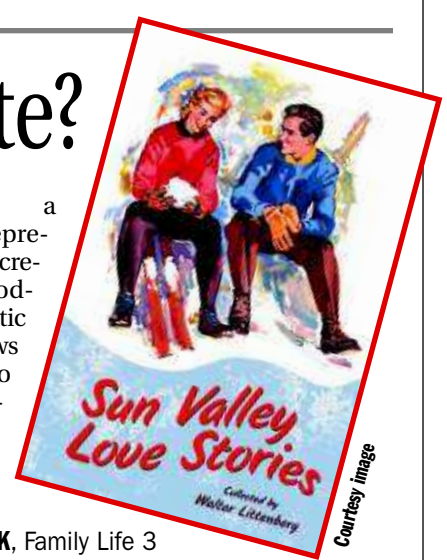

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SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center

530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $4.50, seniors; $5.50, under 60; $2.50, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; lounge and pool rooms; bargain center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Daily lunches are available for take-out from 11 a.m. to noon; seniors 59 and under, $5.50; seniors 60 and older, $4.50. 734-5084.

MENUS:

Monday: Meatloaf
Tuesday: Lasagna
Wednesday: Sweet-and-sour chicken
Thursday: Country-fried steak
Friday: Baked mahi-mahi

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Quilting, 8 a.m.
Monday bridge, 1 p.m.
Tai chi, 1 p.m., $1
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday
Blood pressure, 10 a.m. to noon
Exercise class, 1 p.m.
Let's Dance, 6 to 11 p.m.
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls for sale, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.; $1.50 each; coffee and roll, $2
Quilting, 8 a.m.
Tai chi, 1 p.m., $1
Elks Card Club, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Exercise class, 1 p.m.
Friday: Quilting, 8 a.m.
Texas Hold'em, 1 p.m.
Tai chi, 1 p.m., $1
Saturday: Valentine's prime rib dinner, 5 to 7 p.m., $10

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $4, seniors; $5, under 60. Sunday buffet: 1 p.m.; $5, seniors; $6, under 60; $4, under 12. Center hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday.

MENUS:

Monday: Tomato soup and cheese sandwich
Tuesday: Meatloaf
Wednesday: Breakfast
Thursday: Chicken pie

ACTIVITIES:

Today: Fried chicken dinner, 1 p.m.
Monday: SilverSneakers exercise program, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Energy assistance, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Bus runs for lunch pickup, call 543-4577 by 10:30 a.m.
Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly. Lunch and full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; take-out; home delivery. Suggested donation: $4, seniors; $5, under 60; $2.50, under 12. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Pizza
Wednesday: Polish sausage and sauerkraut
Friday: Roast pork

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Nu-2-U Thrift Store open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
AA meeting, 8 p.m.
Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m.
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.; everyone over 18 welcome
Wednesday: Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.
Friday: Nu-2-U open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Foot clinic
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Bingo, 11:50 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $4. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Bingo, 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Thursday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizen Center

308 Senior Ave., Gooding. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $3.50 for seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Lasagna
Tuesday: Campfire casserole
Wednesday: Soup and salad bar
Thursday: Creamed chicken
Friday: Soup and sandwich

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.
Wild one, 5 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.
Pinochle at Shoshone, 1 p.m.
Hand and foot, 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Board meeting, 1 p.m.
Shuffleboard, 5 p.m.
Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m.
Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Friday: Bridge and duplicate bridge, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Wendell Senior Meal Site

105 W. Ave. A. Lunch served at noon Mondays. Hours, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hagerman Valley Senior and Community Center

140 E. Lake, Hagerman. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $4, seniors; $5, under 60; $2, under 12. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; thrift shop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; free high-speed Internet.

MENUS:

Monday: Roast beef
Wednesday: Fish
Friday: Pork chops

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E., Jerome. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $3.50, seniors; $5, non-seniors. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free transportation to and from center Wednesdays through Fridays, call center for information at 324-5642.

MENUS:

Monday: Taco salad
Tuesday: Spaghetti
Wednesday: Pepper steak
Thursday: Lasagna
Friday: Chicken salad

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Bridge, 12:30 p.m.
Free massages
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Snack bar, 6 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.
Bridge, 12:30 p.m.
Dick and John
Secure Horizons, 1 p.m.
Pinochle, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Board meeting, 10 a.m.
Foot clinic, 1 p.m.
Friday: SilverSneakers, 10:30 a.m.
Fiddlers, 12:30 p.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Taxes, 1 to 4 p.m.
Kids Club, 4 to 6 p.m.

Silver and Gold Senior Center

210 E. Wilson, Eden. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $3.50, seniors; $5, non-seniors. Center hours: 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

MENUS:

Tuesday: Meatballs
Thursday: Rib-a-que

ACTIVITIES:

Tuesday: Board meeting
Wednesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Saturday: Pancake breakfast, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Richfield Senior Center

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $3.50, seniors; $5.50, under 60.

MENUS:

Monday: Sweet-and-sour chicken
Thursday: Tomato sandwich and cheese soup

Golden Years Senior Citizens Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $3.50, seniors; $5.50, under 60. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday.

MENUS:

Tuesday: Enchiladas
Wednesday: Chili dogs
Friday: Potato bar

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.
Quilting, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Board meeting, 10:30 a.m.
Pinochle with Gooding, 1 p.m.
Bingo
Wednesday: Black Out Bingo, 12:30 p.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Bingo

Camas County Senior Center

127 Willow Ave. W., Fairfield. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $3, seniors; $4, under 60; $2, under 10. Quilting, pool, table games, puzzles, TV, videos. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MENUS:

Tuesday: Chicken enchiladas
Wednesday: Meatloaf
Friday: Beef stew or clam chowder

ACTIVITIES:

Thursday: Art class, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Hailey. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $3, seniors; $5, non-seniors. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

MENUS:

Tuesday: Chicken cacciatore
Wednesday: Beef stew
Friday: Baked ham

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Salad and soup bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Fit and Fall-proof, 1 p.m.
Tea at Blaine Manor, 3 p.m.
Duplicate bridge, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Foot clinic, 10 a.m.
Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Fit and Fall-proof, 1 p.m.
Win on Wednesday
Yoga, 5:30 p.m.
Friday: Hearing counselor by appointment
Fit and Fall-proof, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Sweetheart Ball, 5 to 8 p.m.

Carey Senior Center

Main Street. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $3, seniors; $5, non-seniors.

MENU:

Thursday: Baked ham

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $5, seniors; $6, non-seniors; $3, under 12; $4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Spaghetti
Tuesday: Finger steaks
Wednesday: Pork roast
Thursday: Chef salad
Friday: Chicken or fish

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Pool, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Walking, 9 a.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m.
Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Walking, 9 a.m.
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SHIBA and Medicare assistance, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call George Schwindeman at 436-9107 or Kitty Andrews at 677-4872 for appointments
Friday: Pool, 1 p.m.
Pinochle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Saturday: Breakfast buffet, 7 to 11 a.m., $5.50

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $4.50, seniors and children under 12; $6, non-seniors. Center hours: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Spaghetti
Tuesday: Patty melt
Wednesday: Birthday dinner
Thursday: Pizza
Friday: Chicken alfredo

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Pool
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Exercise
Tuesday: Pool
Wood carving, 8:30 a.m.
Radio show, 9:06 a.m.
Exercise
Community bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Exercise
Thursday: Pool
Exercise
Movie, 9:30 a.m.
Community pinochle, 6 p.m.
Woodcarving, 6 p.m.
Friday: Pool
Exercise
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.

Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: $4, seniors; $6, under 60; $2.50, under 12. For rides: 366-2051. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Frozen meals are available for weekends and days where no meals are served, call to make arrangements.

MENUS:

Monday: Chili relleno
Tuesday: Roast turkey
Thursday: Pork chops

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Fit and Fall-proof, 10:30 a.m.
Taxes, 1 to 4 p.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Birthday bingo, 2 p.m.
Thursday: Fit and Fall-proof, 10:30 a.m.
Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m.
Cardio, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Taxes, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Photo courtesy of BUTCH STOLZMAN

Jim and Lucille (Scott) Crouson — married Jan. 24, 1958, in Pocatello — renew their vows Jan. 27 at the Living Waters Presbyterian Church in Wendell. 'They are both very active people when it comes to dancing and western shooting,' photographer Butch Stolzman says. 'Lucille goes by the nickname of Scottie now.' The couple's anniversary cake, he adds, was delicious.

Share your best senior shots

On this page, the *Times-News* showcases some of our readers' best photographs of south-central Idaho's senior citizens leading active lives.

So round up your great shot of Grandpa feeding the calves, or that picture of your buddies from the senior center laughing it up over a game of pool. We aren't offering payment, but we'll share our favorite photos here each week.

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- **Include** your address, phone number and e-mail address.
- **Mail prints to:** Virginia Hutchins, Features Editor, *Times-News*, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Are you experiencing toilet troubles with your pet?

By Jura Koncius
The Washington Post

Does your cat or dog drink out of the toilet?

This is not a good thing. According to pet-care expert Gina Spadafori, a toilet is never going to be clean enough to drink out of.

"Dogs are attracted to the water in a toilet because they think it's a wonderfully cool fountain that we have put in the middle of the house for them," she told us. Cats have a harder time getting down to water in a toilet but some manage to do so, even if you have provided a full water bowl somewhere else in the house.

So what can you do to break this pet habit?

Keeping the lid down on your toilet and possibly the door closed to the bathroom are two logical solutions.

Spadafori has a few other ideas. Wash and refill your pet's water bowls twice a day, so there is always a nice supply of fresh water.

Consider buying a pet fountain at a pet store, which has recirculating water in it and is intriguing to cats and dogs. Also see if your cat or dog likes to play with running water from a faucet for a treat.

"There is a natural reason animals want fresh running water," says Spadafori, who has authored eight pet books with veterinarian Marty Becker and whose Web site is www.petconnection.com. "A stagnant pond is more likely to kill you than a fresh mountain stream that is running. Animals are intuitively attracted to fresh water sources."

Finances

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not overdrawing their accounts every month. Also, they've already taken steps to improve their money situation.

"This month we've only eaten out, what, twice?" John said. "That's big for us."

Still, there are areas of their finances that need work. They have department store credit cards with some outstanding balances, and they tend to spend money impulsively — like John's new television, or Jamie's nightly walk to the convenience store for soda.

Regular trips to the drive-through don't help, either.

The Darnalls' bank account was leaking money slowly on little purchases, Ellis said.

To fix the problem, he recommended they track every single purchase they make, from major grocery trips to change spent at vending machines.

"Your family really is a business," Ellis said. It's important to track expenses just like an accountant would.

Along with that, the family needs to settle on a monthly budget — the B-word, as Ellis' wife calls it. Still, it's not as scary and rigid as it sounds.

"The budget is a very flexible tool," Ellis reassured them. If they find that $400 a month isn't enough for food, for example, they should up their food allowance and adjust elsewhere. Likewise, if they're not spending their whole monthly clothing allotment, they can shift the money around to another expense — or savings.

The Darnalls were optimistic about their new financial plan. We'll check in with them throughout the next two months and see how Ellis' advice is working for them.

Ellis left the Darnalls with some budgeting worksheets and encouraging words.

ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

Jamie Darnall and her husband, John, listen to financial advice from College of Southern Idaho economics instructor Frank Ellis at their Filer home. Ellis recommended the couple record every purchase to track how their money is being spent.

Magicvalley.com

WATCH: A video interview with the Darnalls and economics instructor Frank Ellis.

"Financial health is possible for anybody," Ellis said. "It just takes one step at a time."

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Spark

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years ago when he began asking friends at a birthday party how they became acquainted.

He took that one step further, asking 150 couples if they'd write him a 500-word story about how they got together.

"I was not so interested in what happened in the biographical sense but, rather, in that magical spark that's ignited when couples are first attracted to one another," he said. "There are some funny stories and I think people in general like to know those kinds of things about one another."

Littenberg compiled the stories with the help of former Community School headmaster Jon Masik. He self-published them using a vintage ski image for the cover.

The book sells for $14.95 at Chapter One Bookstore and Iconoclast Books in Ketchum. Littenberg is giving all profits to the Croy Canyon Ranch Foundation, a nonprofit entity created to build a continuing care retirement community to replace the aging Blaine Manor Nursing Home.

Ketchum resident Jeanne Cassell is one of the few who have gotten to see the book before its unveiling on Valentine's Day. "It's a clever, attractive book, and I think it should go over well," Cassell said.

Valentine's Day now designed for the whole family

By Lisa A. Flam
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Remember what it was like when you were young and single and Valentine's Day rolled around?

Perhaps you hoped the roses being paraded through the office would land on your desk. That you'd open your mailbox to find chocolates or a card from a secret admirer.

Fast-forward to parenthood, and you're celebrating a different kind of love. Valentine's Day has become an all-out affair for kids, one that goes far beyond the two-faced cards exchanged in grade school with a red lollipop or box of conversation hearts.

The holiday has been reinvented as a day to celebrate the love of family, when children decorate the house with paper chains, share a family meal of heart-shaped pancakes and are showered with pink and red candies or heart-covered teddy bears.

"Valentine's Day is a very big deal for young children," says Debra Immergut, senior editor of Family Fun magazine. "It kind of glows with positive vibes, and even the littlest kids know the phrase 'I love you.' It's a natural fit for kids in a sort of wonderful, innocent way."

While lacy lingerie and fancy chocolates are the holiday hallmarks for grown-ups, the number of craft and baking projects, books, clothing and toys for a pint-sized celebration has been growing as marketers capitalize on the festivities.

And though some may cringe at the commercialism or find the pink-frosted holiday too sweet for their liking, families say it's not about all the stuff. They enjoy spending time baking cookies and sharing thoughts of why they're grateful for each other.

So how exactly did Valentine's go from ripe for romance to all about family?

"There's a kid-centricity in our culture today," said Kit Yarrow, a business professor at Golden Gate University, adding that holidays get kicked up a notch as a result.

The candy-coated combination of greater parental involvement, more holiday products and greater expectations has taken kiddie Valentine's Day to new heights, she said.

"It's a completely different holiday than it was for the parents of today's kids," Yarrow said. "It's a theme party."

And kids love a party, especially one full of sweets.

Every year, Heather Tenney throws a "family love party," with pink streamers, heart-shaped pizza and small gifts. After dinner, she tries to get her kids, ages 4 and 8, off to bed a little bit early so she and her husband can have an at-home date night.

"I used to expect big fireworks on Valentine's Day," says Tenney, of Florence, Ky. "But in truth, this is even better."

There's nothing wrong with celebrating with children, as long as parents aren't short-changing themselves, says Yarrow, who is also a psychologist.

"The primary thing is to make sure your relationship is strong. That makes you a better parent," she said. "Devoting Valentine's Day to your kids at the expense of your spouse is a mistake."

But for some couples, the end of romantic Valentine's Day as they knew it is no big deal. On Feb. 14, restaurants are crowded and baby sitters can be hard to come by. One misstep and the night — with all its buildup — can be ruined.

Of course, couples can always celebrate on a different night, and express their love for each other another (or every) day.

With two daughters, ages 3 and 5, who love the holiday, Jennifer Amorosi doesn't mind that it's become all about the children. She and her husband try to get out once a month anyway, and may designate another night in February to be Valentine's Day.

"It has become a family day for us," said Amorosi, of Whitehouse Station, N.J. "Crafts, special treats and being together is the perfect Valentine's Day for our family.

"I love it," she said. "I wouldn't change a thing."

AP Photo/Pottery Barn Kids
Pottery Barn Kids' Valentine's Chairbacker.

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A children's dress by Old Navy.

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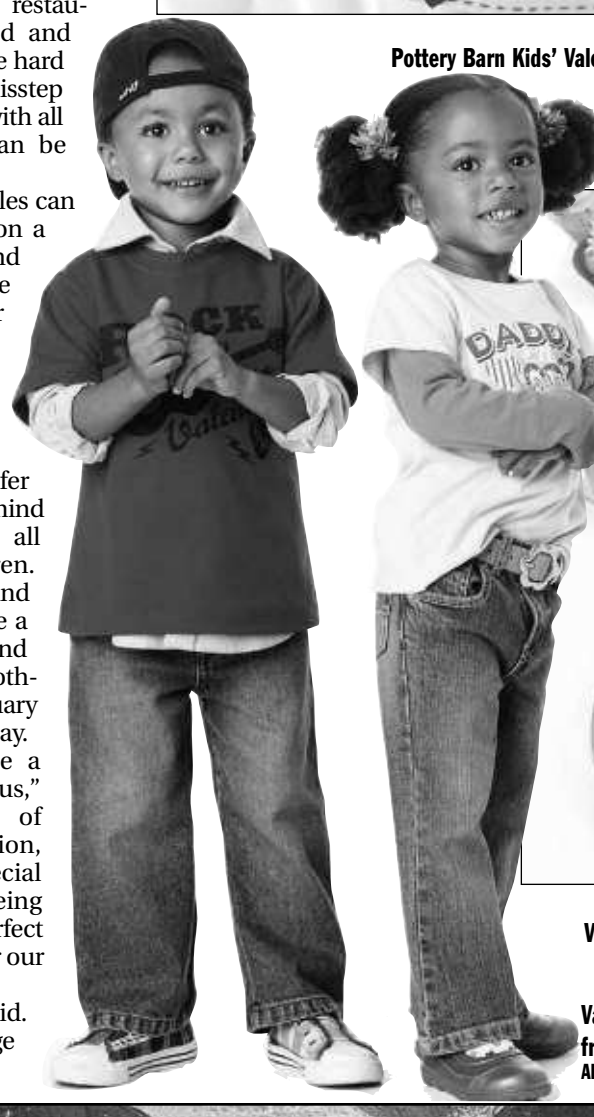
Pottery Barn Kids' Hanging Hearts Mobile.



Pottery Barn Kids' Valentine's Plates.

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Valentine's Plates by Pottery Barn Kids.

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Popping the question doesn't have to break the bank

By Megan K. Scott
Associated Press writer

Don't despair if two months' salary won't buy your sweetie that diamond solitaire she's been eyeing. Here are some engagement ring trends that won't break the budget.

Choose an alternative metal

Platinum has certainly come down in price, but palladium and white gold are much cheaper.

Palladium costs 75 percent less and white gold is 45 percent less than platinum, said Summer Krecke, deputy editor of WeddingChannel.com.

"If you are wearing the ring, no one's going to be able to tell the difference," she said.

Consider one ring

Many women are choosing a ring that can serve as an engagement ring and wedding ring, regardless of budget constraints, said Harry Glinberg, a graduate jeweler gemologist in Wauwatosa, Wis.

"Initially it's going to cost you more because you're paying for more," said Krecke. "You're really saving money in the end."

If you insist on a separate wedding band, consider purchasing everything from one store, said Denise O'Donoghue, jewelry director for Brides. Purchasing an engagement ring and two wedding bands from one place may get you a better deal, she said.

Consider a clarity enhanced diamond

There's no such thing as a completely flawless diamond, but a clarity-enhanced diamond is 50 to 60 percent cheaper than a natural, nice looking diamond, said Glinberg. On a clarity-enhanced diamond, the fractures or inclusions are filled.

Make sure a graduate gemologist looks at whatever diamond you are purchasing, says Glinberg. Unfortunately, not all jewelers are honest and they may try to pass a clarity-enhanced diamond as natural.

Upgrade later

If you're really short on funds, purchase a cubic zirconia ring and upgrade later, said Glinberg. He advises against Mossainite, a mineral that looks similar to a diamond.

"It's less expensive than a natural diamond but still pricey for a fake diamond," he said.

He said it's better to wait and spend money on the real thing.

Go for a colored stone

Spend 10 percent of the cost of a diamond and purchase a colored stone, such as a ruby, emerald or sapphire, said Glinberg.

Princess Diana chose an oval blue sapphire engagement ring, though hers was surrounded with 14 small diamonds. (It also was 18 carats.)

"They have that sparkle," said Krecke about colored stones. "If you're looking at yellow sapphires, it looks like a canary diamond."

AP Photo/Todd Reed
A raw diamond ring from Todd Reed.

AP Photo/Todd Reed
Palladium ring by Todd Reed.

AP Photo/De Beers Diamond Jewellers US Inc.
De Beers Diamond Jewellers US Inc.'s Duo Ring.

AP Photo/Tacori
Eternity band from Tacori.

Consider nontraditional diamonds

Krecke said she has seen a lot of brides opting for halo diamond engagement rings, with small diamonds circling a larger stone.

"It's more cost-efficient. It's timeless and it's still just as beautiful," she said.

She said raw or uncut diamonds are a great option for an individualist. A small rough cut diamond ring costs as little as $600, she said.

"They have this really beautiful brown tone, that ranges from champagne to light cognac," she said. "It really falls under this whole organic trend we're seeing."

Go for a smaller carat

There are some brides who won't be happy unless a ring is one or two carats, said Krecke. But even a slightly smaller carat can save you money at the register.

Purchasing a .90-carat diamond over a 1-carat diamond can save you $1,000, she said.

"And who's going to know the difference other than your jeweler?"

Go for the sentiment

Cynthia Sliwa, co-author of "Jewelry Savvy: What Every Jewelry Wearer Should Know," said she has heard of couples going with something other than a ring, such as a bracelet or necklace. There is usually a rational sentiment behind it.

The downside with a necklace is the wearer can't actually see it, adds Sliwa.

Some couples find a beautiful antique ring or use a ring that has been passed down through the family.

"It could be just about anything," she said. "What's important is the sentiment behind it."

Tattoo the ring on

A tattooed wedding ring is definitely a cheaper option, said Krecke, listing several celebrities who have done it.

"This is really for the couple that bucks tradition and is looking for a way to solidify commitment," she said.

But she said a tattooed rings can be problematic. You can't take it off like a wedding ring. It can take a long time to heal, especially if you use your hands a lot, and it may be frowned upon in a professional working environment, she said.

Simple crafts can make a home office homey

By Jennifer Forker
Associated Press writer

Shouldn't a home office be homey? Give that space a more personal touch with crafts that cater to function while providing reminders of family and friends.

These three crafts, two of them developed by the crafts editor at HGTV.com, are easy on the pocketbook. And fast — we wouldn't want to distract you from work for too long.

MAGNETIC MESSAGE BOARD

Note: Making this extra large is nice, for poetry, inspirational quotes and other things that encourage creativity and help get you through the workday.

Supplies:

Sheet metal, whatever size fits your need, available at home-supply stores

Drill press with metal bit (Don't have one? Find a neighbor.)

4 metal washers

Glue, such as Gorilla Glue or a glue gun with glue stick

High-quality, wide ribbon, such as velvet or silk (to hold a potentially heavy message board); stylish alternative: thick copper wire

Fun, decorative magnets

Assembly:

1. Drill two holes at the upper corners of the sheet metal, at least an inch or more from the top and several inches in from each side. The holes need to be large enough to thread the ribbon through.

2. Glue a washer on the front and back of each hole. These will cover any sharp edges or blemishes created by the drilling.

3. Thread the ribbon through the holes, securing it so that it can hold the weight of the message board. (You might thread the ribbon across the front of the board, loop it back on itself on both ends, then bring it up to tie a bow at the top.)

4. The fun part: Add magnets, family photos, assorted inspirational mementos and any important dates or "to do" lists.

AP photo

Tip: To clean minor blemishes on the sheet metal, rub it with vegetable oil and fine steel wool. Remove all traces of the oil by rubbing with a cotton towel.

Adapted from a craft created by H. Camille Smith, crafts editor, HGTV.com and DIYNetwork.com.

MAGAZINE HOLDER

Supplies:

Mailing box, such as a Postal Office Priority box (12 by 13½ by 2¾ inches), or large cereal box

Fabric, about 32 by 16 inches (Upholstery fabric works well.)

Glue gun with glue sticks

Ruler

Pencil or pen

Box cutter or Exacto knife

Scissors (for cutting fabric)

Iron and ironing board

Decorative trim (optional), such as rick-rack (about 30 inches long, depending on size of box)

Assembly:

1. With the box on its side, measure 6 inches from one bottom corner lengthwise up the box and mark that spot. On the opposite corner, measure 12 inches lengthwise up the box and mark it.

2. Line the ruler up, from one mark to the other, and draw a straight line. Carry that line around the entire box.

3. With a sharp knife or scissors, cut along the line. This gives you the shape of your magazine holder.

4. Decide which end of the box you want facing out in your office: The shorter end, with magazine titles showing, or the taller end, in which the magazines will be hidden. Wrap the box in fabric, starting at whichever end you determine will be the backside, and overlap the fabric in back with the top layer of fabric folded over 1/4 inch and pressed (for a cleaner line).

5. Do not wrap the fabric on the under side of the magazine holder. Instead, fold the fabric over 1/4 inch and press, then line up this pressed edge along the bottom edge of the magazine holder.

6. Once you figure out how best to wrap the fabric, line it up and glue it in place, leaving the edges at the top of the magazine holder open. After the rest of the fabric (sides and bottom) is glued in place, fold the top layer into the box. Cut away the fabric so only a few inches are left inside the box. Glue this fabric to the box (you will have to cut toward the four inside corners so the fabric lies flat (don't cut too far).

7. If using decorative trim, glue it along the bottom edge of the magazine holder.

Tip: Try using wrapping or scrapbook paper, or wallpaper remnants, rather than fabric.

Adapted from instructions for "recycled magazine holder" at http://pinkandpolkadot.blogspot.com. Other instructions available at http://www.allfreecrafts.com.

MEMORY COASTERS

Have family photos, a favorite vacation memory or a funny moment close at hand, right under your drinking glass.

Supplies:

2 pieces of Plexiglas (about 4 1/2 by 4 1/2 inches square). Check with your local home-improvement store, which may have scraps and will cut them to size.

Colored electrical tape (red, blue and black work best)

1 or 2 photos

Glue gun with glue stick

Paint pen (optional)

Assembly:

1. Take the protective film cover off the Plexiglas. Cut the photo(s) to fit, and sandwich the photo(s) between the two pieces of Plexiglas. (If you want a photo on each side, use two. Or use one photo and write the date it was taken on its backside.)

2. Wrap the Plexiglas ensemble with electrical tape, wrapping each corner like a package and gluing it in place. Use one piece of tape to cover each side.

3. Decorate the taped edges with the paint pen, using simple designs.

Adapted from a craft by H. Camille Smith, crafts editor, HGTV.com and DIYNetwork.com.

New toy safety rules and you

By Stacey Garfinkle
washingtonpost.com

WASHINGTON — Congressionally mandated toy safety rules that take effect Tuesday have left freecyclers and resellers of children's products scrambling to understand the law and how it affects them. The result has been word-of-mouth back and forth of truths and rumors about the law.

The rules ban the selling of children's products if they contain more than 600 parts per million of lead. That level drops Aug. 14 to 300 parts per million of lead. Also, certain children's products manufactured after Feb. 10 that contain more than 0.1 percent of phthalates cannot be sold.

"The new law requires that domestic manufacturers and importers certify that children's products made after Feb. 10 meet all the new safety standards and the lead ban. Sellers of used children's products, such as thrift stores and consignment stores, are not required to certify that those products meet the new lead limits, phthalates standard or new toy standards," the Consumer Product Safety Commission wrote in a recent press release.

"The agency intends to focus its enforcement efforts on products of greatest risk and largest exposure. ... Among these are recalled children's products, particularly cribs and play yards; children's products that may contain lead, such as children's jewelry and painted wooden or metal toys; flimsily made toys that are easily breakable into small parts; toys that lack the required age warnings; and dolls and stuffed toys that have buttons, eyes, noses or other small parts that are not securely fastened and could present a choking hazard for young children."

To separate fact from fiction, I spoke with Julie Vallese, the former director of public affairs at the CPSC. It's the CPSC's job to interpret, implement and enforce the toy safety rules. Here are excerpts of that interview:

Q: Who does new law affect most?

A: The law in different ways affects just about anyone who is selling consumer products in the U.S. The law addresses manufacturers, importers and retailers, which includes resellers, and provides their responsibility for doing business in the U.S.

Q: What is the responsibility of resellers and retailers?

A: Responsibility of resellers such as consignment shops and thrift stores is to meet the lead limits of the new law. Under the new law, those shop owners do not need to test and certify the products because they are not the manufacturer. But the new lead limits do apply.

Q: How do they ensure the lead limits are met?

A: XRF technology. It's a portable screening device. To use it, you need to be certified. In terms of shop owners meeting the level of confidence, they would have to hire someone who is certified to come in and do that inventory testing for them.

The agency sees no reason for those shops to close. We think these shops can and should stay open for business, but they need to pay attention to Congress' new rules.

Q: How does it apply to people buying and selling through online sites like Craigslist, eBay, listservs, freecycle, etc.?

A: As a reseller, they've still got obligations to know they are selling products lawfully. We would recommend those kinds of resellers focus very closely on those products that we know cause harm and make sure they are not reselling recalled products We've been working with eBay for a number of years and are now working with Craigslist. We monitor those sites and do ask for auctions to come down when we find violators of the law.

Q: What about consignment sales and yard sales?

A: Anyone who is selling a product or introducing it into a stream of commerce needs to pay attention to safety. And understand that when they pass a product along they are doing it in good faith that there isn't a high level of risk with the product they are passing along.

Q: Cribs have been in the news a lot lately with recalls and issues. What recommendations do you have for parents looking to buy/use hand-me-down cribs?

A: When it comes to cribs, parents should focus on products — cribs should be stable and should not be missing parts. They should make sure the crib is operating as it's intended to. Just as you tune up your car and make sure it is in working order, parents should give cribs that same kind of tune-up attention. Go over it. Make sure parts aren't loose. Make sure hardware isn't protruding from the crib that could cause any number of injuries. If you are given a crib or buy a used crib, check it against the CPSC recall site because there have been many cribs recalled over history but very recently as well.

Stacey Garfinkle writes the "On Parenting" blog for washingtonpost.com, from which this article is adapted.

ENGAGEMENTS

SORENSEN-HUGHES

Shalise Sorensen and James Hughes

Lloyd and Kaye Sorensen of Grace announce the engagement of their daughter, Shalise Kaye Sorensen, to James Spencer Hughes, son of Jim and Rose Ann Hughes of Twin Falls.

Sorensen is a 2008 graduate of Grace High School and attends College of Southern Idaho.

Hughes is a 2004 graduate of Filer High School and attends CSI. He served in the Oklahoma Tulsa Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The wedding is planned for Thursday, Feb. 12, at the Logan LDS Temple in Utah. A reception will follow in Grace.

A second reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at the Filer LDS Stake Center.

WELCH-ELLIS

Mary Welch and Dave Ellis

Mary DeNaughel Welch of Twin Falls and Dave Ellis of Rupert announce their engagement.

Welch is a Burley High School graduate and works for Core-Mark. Ellis is a Valley High School graduate and works for Interstate Manufacturing.

The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at the Rupert West Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 26 S. 100 W.

The couple will reside in Rupert.

WEDDINGS

PAINE-LEHRSCH

MaryBeth and Benjamin Lehrsch

MaryBeth Priscilla Paine and Benjamin Garrick Lehrsch were married Dec. 27 at Heritage Alliance Church in Twin Falls.

The bride is the daughter of the Rev. Clifford and Joan Paine of Kimberly. The groom is the son of Dr. Gary and Cindy Lehrsch of Twin Falls.

Officiating was the Rev. Jim Evans of Heritage Alliance Church in Twin Falls.

Jessica Goldberg, friend of the bride, and Stephanie Paine, sister of the bride, were maids of honor. Bridesmaids were Tami Sargent and Carissa Lentz, friends of the bride. Chloe Silver, friend of the bride and groom, was flower girl.

John Proost, friend of the groom, was best man. Groomsmen were Matt Sargent, friend of the groom; Zach Lehrsch, brother of the groom, and Isaiah Paine, brother of the bride. Samantha Silver and Jaxon Silver, friends of the groom and bride, were ring bearers. Josiah Paine, brother of the bride, and Taylor Christensen, friend of the groom, were ushers.

Music was provided by Pat, Pernecia and Riqui Heineman.

A reception followed at The Ballroom in Twin Falls.

The bride is a 2006 graduate of Kimberly High School and received an associate degree in business from the College of Southern Idaho in May 2008. She attends Boise State University at CSI in the accountancy/finance major. She works for Omega Service Coordination in Twin Falls.

The groom is a 2005 graduate of Lighthouse Christian School and works at NAPA in Twin Falls.

Following a honeymoon cruise to Mexico, the couple resides in Twin Falls.

MITCHELL-WOODSIDE

Trisha and Jason Woodside

Trisha Mitchell and Jason Woodside were married Jan. 3 at Breezes Resort in Nassau, Bahamas.

The bride is the daughter of Jerry and Shirley Walker of Zeigler, Ill. The groom is the son of Dennis and Lucille Woodside of Pinckneyville, Ill., and Rita Woodside of Largo, Fla.

The bride is a graduate of Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Ill., and a former circulation director at the *Times-News*. She is now circulation manager at *The Southern Illinoisan* in Carbondale.

The groom attended Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. He is an account executive and the online sales manager at the *Times-News*.

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Bently Kage Albertson and **Brooklyn Marie Albertson,** twin son and daughter of Kaysha Marie and Jason Allen Albertson of Filer, were born Dec. 1, 2008.

Graham Aiden Jolliff, son of Lisa Erin and Darek Blaine Jolliff of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 3, 2009.

Isabel Viviana Save, daughter of Anna Joy and Mauricio Hernan Save of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 8, 2009.

Kayden Dante Clopton and **Jayden Xavier Clopton,** twin sons of Jesse Marie McKean and James Darrin Clopton of Twin Falls, were born Jan. 18, 2009.

Kayson Kalisto Thomas, son of Sabrina Begay of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 23, 2009.

Juliana Martinez-Medina, daughter of Ana Karen Medina and Serafin Martinez of Jerome, was born Jan. 25, 2009.

Danika Lela Giambruno, daughter of Monika Eileen and Graeme Alexander Giambruno of Buhl, was born Jan. 26, 2009.

Amaia Cruz Hawkins, daughter of Alyssa Cruz Dille and Daniel V. Hawkins of Buhl, was born Jan. 26, 2009.

Ryan Stone Jenkins, son of Priscilla Kay and Rocky Stone Jenkins of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 26, 2009.

Rachel Addison Grover, daughter of Alisa Dawn and James Trenton Grover of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 27, 2009.

Maggie Viola Martin, daughter of Karen Lynn and Randy Scott Martin of Kimberly, was born Jan. 27, 2009.

Isaiah Kemp Thornquest, son of Amanda Ashley and Jacob Paul Thornquest of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 27, 2009.

Kiera Rylee Austin, daughter of Andrea Marie Hunt-Genschmer and Patrick Michael Austin of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 28, 2009.

Johnny Jack Murphy, son of Annie and Mike Shane Murphy of Filer, was born Jan. 28, 2009.

Kaden Elias Tyree, son of Alma Leticia and Joby Eugene Tyree of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 28, 2009.

Kylee Emerald Blunt, daughter of Tara Lynn and Ben Joshua Blunt of Gooding, was born Jan. 28, 2009.

India Rose Arterburn, daughter of Amber Jewel and Robert Justin Arterburn of Buhl, was born Jan. 29, 2009.

Brock Travis Lammers, son of Tara Jean Bogart and Travis Rex Lammers of Filer, was born Jan. 29, 2009.

Robert Levi Stover Jr., son of Cassandra Lee and Robert Levi Stover of Hazelton, was born Jan. 29, 2009.

Michael Allen Brandell, son of Vanessa Ann and Michael Ryan Brandell of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 30, 2009.

Braxton Duane Hanson, son of Makenzie Lynn Smith and Chayse Duane Hanson of Hansen, was born Jan. 30, 2009.

Presly Dawn Shirley, daughter of Heather Dawn and Michael Arden Shirley of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 30, 2009.

Sophia Eileen Quintero, daughter of Blanca Estela and Mario Quintero of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 31, 2009.

Jesus Federico Maciel Gonzalez Jr., son of Patricia Gonzalez Chavez and Jesus Maciel Gonzalez of Jerome, was born Feb. 1, 2009.

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center

Rayssa Menditto Costa, daughter of Juliana and Diego Costa of Jerome, was born Dec. 8, 2008.

Cristofer Ruiz-Hernandez, son of Karla Iveth Hernandez Coello of Wendell, was born Dec. 29, 2008.

Itzel Reyes, daughter of Maria Rosario and Jorge Reyes of Jerome, was born Jan. 3, 2009.

Casey Marie Hallsey, daughter of Stacia Hallsey of Jerome, was born Jan. 4, 2009.

Bradyn Scott Harrison, son of Amanda Kasimatis and Cameron Harrison of Gooding, was born Jan. 4, 2009.

Nathan Lex Puentes, son of Linda Reese and Gabriel Puentes of Jerome, was born Jan. 8, 2009.

Brianna Elizabeth Larison, daughter of Robin and Wiley Larison of Jerome, was born Jan. 10, 2009.

Felipe Manuel Ramirez, son of Cassandra and Rafael Ramirez of Jerome, was born Jan. 10, 2009.

Grace Abigail Becerra-Duque, daughter of Jose Becerra-Zamorano and Maria Duque-Torres of Jerome, was born Jan. 12, 2009.

Kona Korinn Jackson, daughter of Shalana Lawson and Jason Jackson of Hagerman, was born Jan. 13, 2009.

Jacob Joshua Justin Wallin, son of Rachel and Josh Wallin of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 20, 2009.

Katy Deion Whitehawk, daughter of Oly Sedano and Patrick Whitehawk of Jerome, was born Jan. 20, 2009.

Ana Idelia Cervantes Esquivel, daughter of Martha Maria Cervantes Esquivel of Jerome, was born Jan. 23, 2009.

Kegan Michael Fisher, son of Jason and Casandra Fisher of Jerome, was born Jan. 27, 2009.

Caleb Jonathon Trydahl, son of Jon Trydahl and Courtney Woll of Buhl, was born Jan. 28, 2009.

Love on the cheap can heat up couples' recession-era romance

By Melissa Rayworth
Associated Press writer

AP Photo/Christina Brockett

Christina and Kevin Moran of Maryland are all for keeping things romantic.

Christina and Kevin Moran don't want to stop dating.

After more than 10 years of marriage, they're still crazy about each other. Despite the pressures that come from raising five kids and running a small business, they're all about keeping things romantic.

With a recession raging, though, it isn't easy. Expenses that many married couples considered basic a year ago — dropping $50 on a Friday-night baby sitter, buying each other impromptu gifts, planning weekends away sans-kids — are being eliminated.

Couples lying awake at night wondering whether they'll survive the next round of layoffs probably don't have romance on their minds. These days, "the very last thing on that list of priorities is physical connection," says author and marriage therapist Michele Weiner-Davis.

And yet, the same pressures that have Americans cutting back on expenses — rising costs, fear of losing a job, panic over dwindling savings — make it especially vital for couples to stay connected. Under siege, people need all the benefits that a strong relationship can bring.

So how can cash-conscious couples make sure their marriage isn't a casualty of the economic crisis?

Carve out time

As over-scheduled as most parents are, it really is possible to find pockets of time to focus on your spouse. Step One is cutting down on distractions: Don't reflexively reach for your computer, iPod or the remote, says Doug Brown, author of "Just Do It: How One Couple Turned Off the TV and Turned On Their Sex Life for 101 Days (No Excuses!)."

Step Two is getting your kids to bed on time. "If you have one of these deals where the kids float around all night," says Brown, "give up on your sex life."

Call each other during the day just to say hi. And if you work near each other and your schedules coincide, meet for lunch once a week, even briefly. It may be easier to dine at your desk, but the extra effort pays off.

Plan at least one night a week that will belong entirely to the two of you, and decide how you'll spend the time. "People think you lose all this stuff because you don't have the spontaneity," says Brown. "But planning it does give you this anticipation."

Time together doesn't have to be about wild romance, says sex columnist Yvonne K. Fulbright. "Have one evening where you're giving each other a sensual massage, and it's just about that and a good night's sleep."

The Morans try to begin every day taking a shower together — a treat that doesn't take any time away from their daily routines. A bonus: It's a great way to eliminate the fallout from arguments, says Christina Moran. "You can't be mad at someone, when you're standing there naked in front of them."

Be a cheap date

A night out doesn't have to break your budget. Have dinner at home with the kids, then have a baby sitter come for just two hours. Go out for dessert and coffee while the sitter does the work of putting the kids to bed. And have a movie chosen to watch when you get home (a monthly Netflix subscription can be cheaper than a single visit to a mulitiplex).

If there's no money for baby sitters, swap childcare hours with friends — you watch their kids this Friday night, they watch yours next Friday. And don't feel guilty about it.

"I see people with young children who, because they work so much, they're feeling guilty about spending an evening away or a weekend night away," says Weiner-Davis. "The best thing you can do for your kids is to put your marriage first. ... You may be feeling like you're sneaking away and stealing time, but you're really building the foundation of a family."

Small splurges

Two great steaks from the supermarket butcher will cost far less than you'd pay for dinner at a good steakhouse. Ditto for salmon steaks and jumbo shrimp. Put the little kids to bed early on a Saturday night and set the older kids up with a movie, then cook a late — and luscious — dinner just the two of you. Use your favorite dishes and glassware, and bring out the linen napkins.

If you both have work to do on a weeknight — whether it's folding laundry, returning e-mails or doing homework for a class — do it in the same room. Put on some music and have your favorite small treat on hand — cookies and cocoa, maybe, or beer and chips.

Bring home a single flower or a tiny box of chocolates, says Fulbright: "People shouldn't be afraid to make it old-fashioned, the way lovers used to woo each other."

Create a sanctuary

It doesn't have to cost anything, says Doug Brown, to make your bedroom a cozy, inviting place that's all about the two of you. "You've gotta have candles somewhere around the house," he says. "Just straightening up the place and getting rid of the Dora the Explorer dolls and taking the big portrait of granny off the walls ... makes it a really sexy, friendly kind of place."

Add some framed pictures of the two of you, and make sure you've got some good music on hand — maybe songs from your earliest years together.

The single most important element in all of this, Weiner-Davis says, is communication. Spend time really talking with each other about something other than the kids or the miscellany of running your lives.

"Nothing makes you feel more connected to the person than talking about dreams and aspirations and what you can do together in the future," says Weiner-Davis. "There's something really exhilarating and inspiring about planning that together."

Make your own cat toys to save a buck

By Jura Koncius
The Washington Post

Creating your own cat toys might be a way to save money on pet costs in 2009.

Sometimes the things that most catch the attention of your cat are not the pricey gadgets you pick up at the pet store.

What cats most want to do is to interact with you, their best friend, so try to think of something fun you can do with your pet.

Here are some inexpensive ideas for cat playthings, most of which start with common household items. Remember, always supervise your cat when he is playing.

- **Darken** a room and use a flashlight on the wall to get your cat to move around and follow the light.
- **Ping pong** balls make fun toys as they are lightweight for your cats to bat around and they won't scratch your furniture or floors.
- **Use** an old but clean sock with a knot in it to play with your cat. You can also put catnip in the sock to make it more fun.
- **Make** a small fishing pole out of a stick (or use a child's plastic pole) and attach a fabric mouse or a feather at the end. They will love chasing the mouse or feather around as you move the bait.

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Kids Only

Play sports only when you're ready

By Fred Bowen
Special to The Washington Post

A recent newspaper article has me thinking about what is the best age for kids to start playing sports.

The New York Times reported that a new world golf champion has been crowned. His name is Brett Sodetz. He is 3 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 50 pounds and was 6 years old when he beat 82 kids from 12 countries to win his age group in the U.S. Kids Golf World Championship.

Kids are starting to play sports at younger ages. I receive notices for soccer camps for 3-year-olds. A friend's 5-year-old son has been invited to play on a T-ball team this spring. And it seems as if almost every kid is playing on some team by the first grade.

Kids sports get very serious very quickly. For example, the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) sponsors a national basketball championship for boys and girls younger than 8 years old.

Recently, the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), the group that makes the rules for college sports, said college coaches couldn't try to get seventh- and eighth-grade players to agree to play later for their college basketball teams.

I coached kids for years. I think it's important for kids to be active and play sports. But when kids are young — say, 6 to 9 years old — they should play more games at the park or in their own backyard than in organized leagues.

The idea of having a national or world championship for 6- and 7-year-olds or recruiting 12- and 13-year-olds for college basketball is a little crazy.

I know some folks say that kids have to sign up for organized teams at a young age or they will fall behind the other kids. I've even had parents tell me it's "too late" for their kids to start playing team sports because they are 10 years old.

That's silly. What secret skill does a kid learn playing a sport when he is 5 to 9 years old that a 10-year-old can't learn very quickly? If the 10-year-old is a decent athlete who wants to learn and play the game, she will catch up quickly.

So the best age for kids to start playing sports is when they really want to play. That may be 6 or 12 or any time in between. But remember, sports are not just the games with uniforms and referees. Pickup basketball games, playing catch with a friend or soccer matches where the goals are shirts on the ground are sports, too.

And remember you can always enjoy playing sports even if you are not a world champion at 6 years old.

Fred Bowen is an author of sports novels for kids.

Global warming in novel form

The Washington Post

"First Light," by Rebecca Stead, for ages 11 and older

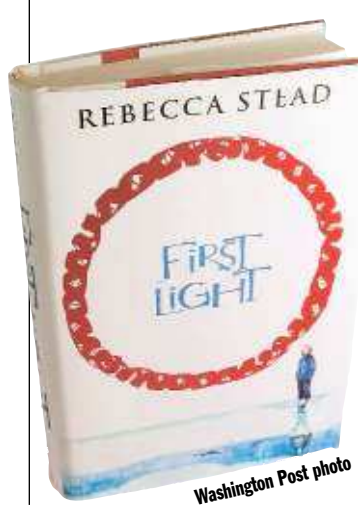
Peter is excited that he gets to skip school to go with his scientist dad to Greenland to study global warming. But at the top of the world, Peter discovers that there's more to life there than driving dog sleds. Could the strange visions he's having be from other people trying to communicate with him?

Meanwhile, far under the ice cap lives Thea, a girl who has never seen the sun.

She dreams of leading her people away from their dark lives under the arctic ice.

But if Thea's world has to melt to set her free, what does that mean for Peter, his family and everyone else on the surface of Earth?

This mysterious novel uses science fiction to tell a tale about global warming and how all living things are connected. With so many kids and grown-ups worried about the environment, "First Light" is a great discussion starter.



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Facts can be just as fun to read as fiction

By Marylou Tousignant
The Washington Post

If your reading tastes are stirred more by fact than fiction, try some of these wonderful stories. They're no less exciting than charming and wizardly fiction books — and they also happen to be true.

"Our Country's First Ladies"

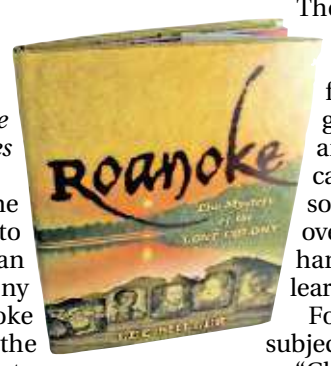
By Ann Bausum (ages 9-13)

We know a lot about the presidents, but much less so about their spouses and other women who filled the role of first lady. This well-written National Geographic book, beautifully illustrated with White House portraits and historical photos, will change that.

Starting with Martha Washington, who helped set the tone for the new American republic, the stories of these 44 women will entertain, inform and inspire.

(The book is a companion to "Our Country's Presidents" by the same author.)

"Roanoke: The Mystery of the Lost Colony"



By Lee Miller (ages 9-12)

If any of the attempts to establish an English colony on Roanoke Island in the late 16th century had succeeded, Jamestown, founded two decades later, would be but a footnote in history.

But none of those earlier efforts, in what is now North Carolina, worked out. In a mystery that continues today, the last group of would-be settlers simply disappeared, becoming known as the Lost Colony.

What happened? The documents, illustrations and first-person accounts in this book provide the clues to help solve the mystery.

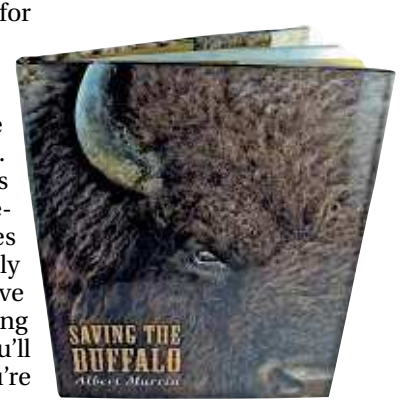
DK Eyewitness series

(ages 9-12)

The Eyewitness books have been around for nearly 20 years, with more than 160 titles ranging from Africa to World War II.

The books are breathtaking. Each page is filled with eye-grabbing pictures and kid-friendly captions. You'll have so much fun poring over them that you'll hardly know you're learning.

Four of the newer subjects in the series are "China," "Great Scientists," "Oil" and "Mesopotamia." Also, eight bestsellers (including World War II) were re-released recently. Each now comes with a handsome wall poster and a CD of clip art that's great for school projects.



"Saving the Buffalo"

By Albert Marrin (ages 9-12)

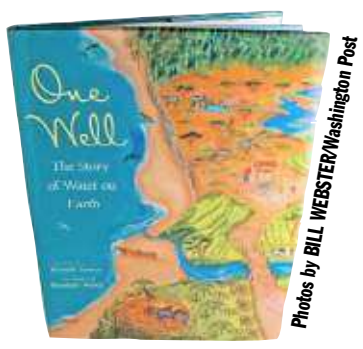
Until the time of the Civil War, buffalo thrived on America's Great Plains.

But in the 1870s and '80s, these majestic animals were hunted nearly out of existence — their hides sold for clothing and other items, their tongues served at fancy restaurants, their heads stuffed and mounted to hang in homes.

Native peoples had hunted buffalo, too. But it was well-armed white hunters, who could shoot as many as 250 buffalo in one outing, who almost caused their extinction.

This book tells that sad story and how the buffalo were saved. The fascinating artwork and photos paint a vivid picture of the developing frontier.

"One Well: The Story of Water on Earth"



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By Rochelle Strauss (ages 9-12)

What do jellyfish and tomatoes have in common? They are about 95 percent water. People are mostly water too — about 70 percent.

Every living thing needs water to survive. And because the amount of water on Earth hasn't changed — ever — we all draw from the same pool. The water you brushed your teeth with this morning might have been slurped by a dinosaur in Jurassic times!

This book is short (32 pages) but covers a lot of ground as it explains the cycle of water, the effects of pollution and climate change, and the need to do what we all learned in kindergarten: share.