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CRASH COURSE

Northwest Twin Falls developments could mean gridlock for residents

Story by Joshua Palmer • Times-News writer

Twin Falls are about to see a lot more That's because some of the biggest and busiest institutions in the community will begin operation in coming months including a new high school, a 177-bed regional hospital, a college science center and a Wal-Mart Supercenter already under construction.

he once-quiet city streets in northwest

By 2011, what had been vacant farmland in the city's northwest corner will be covered by 1 million square-feet of new development. About 80 percent will be commercial, educational and medical facilities, while the remainder will be parking facilities.

Getting to and from those new classrooms, hospital rooms and shops will put countless more cars, trucks, buses, bicyclists and pedestrians on Pole Line Road and other streets.

How many?

No one really knows.

The city of Twin Falls has never done a comprehensive study of how all those new buildings will impact arterials in northwest Twin Falls, and only two of the big projects had any traffic study at all.

Growing concern about traffic congestion has prompted the Twin Falls School District to consider making Canyon Ridge High a closed campus, just to keep student drivers out of the mix during the day.

ST. LUKE'S MAGIC VALLEY **Square feet:** 203,000 **Square feet: MEDICAL CENTER WAL-MART SUPERCENTER** 300,000 (retail) Completion Completion date: 2011 date: Perrine Bridge **Summer** 2009 **Employees:** 1,600 **Employees:** St. Luke's Magic Valley Wal-Mart Walgreen's Medical Center Supercenter i Pole Line Rd W Housing Photos by JUS Cheney Dr Graphic by SANDY SALAS/Times-News Fillmore St **LEGEND** North College Rd Proposed streets Housing Canyon Ridge CSI Health Proposed building High School Science Building Buildings under construction **Square feet: Square feet:** 219,716 72,000 **Completion date: Completion date:** Fall 2009 **Spring 2015**

ity officials have said traffic will increase on roads such as Washington Street North, Pole Line Road West, North College Road and the planned Cheney Drive.

CANYON RIDGE HIGH SCHOO

But independent studies were not required for most projects before the City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission approved them, city employees say. Only Wal-Mart and St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center were required to provide traffic counts to the city.

And even when planning commissioners questioned the accuracy of traffic estimates provided by Wal-Mart, the project was approved by the City Council without in independent study.

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Tell us what you think: Take a survey about the safety issues on Washington Street North.

Mitch Humble, community development director, said the city does not require traffic studies for all new developments. "The city hasn't performed any

real in-depth studies on the traffic numbers in that area," Humble said. "Generally speaking, we don't require traffic studies unless there is a significant impact."

Humble referred questions about what determines a "significant impact" to City Engineer Jackie Fields, who did not respond to multiple requests for information made over several

ity officials say the hospiand Wal-Mart Supercenter being built on Pole Line Road West were the only projects where traffic studies were required as part of the permit process.

Ryan Horsley, former planning and zoning chairman, said WalMart's studies were questionable

Employees/

students:

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"Wal-Mart gave us a study that they did, but when the city said there would have to be restrictions because the traffic count was so high, Wal-Mart came back with a new study that cut down traffic numbers," Horsley said.

Nothing else in Wal-Mart's plan changed, but the traffic count was more favorable. It was accepted by the city without further review.

He said the initially proposed restrictions included requirements that Wal-Mart pay for street upgrades that would only

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- Mitch Humble, community development director

Former Idaho AG possibly headed to Washington

Larry EchoHawk 'finalist' for Indian Affairs job

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

A former Idaho attorney general may return to government service soon, this time in the Obama administration.

Larry EchoHawk, now a law professor at Brigham Young University, offered no comment when the Times-News asked him



EchoHawk

Friday if he's being considered for assistant secretary for Indian Affairs. But a possible EchoHawk nomination has set news services and tribal leaders abuzz in recent weeks, and the Wyoming-born Pawnee seems to be preparing for the job.

President Carter created the

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Most fertility clinics break the rules

By Stephanie Nano **Associated Press writer**

NEW YORK — The California fertility doctor who implanted the octuplet mom with lots of embryos was no lone wolf: Fewer than 20 percent of U.S. clinics follow professional guidelines on how many embryos should be used for younger women.

"Clearly, most programs are not adhering to the guidelines," said Dr. Bradlev Van Voorhis, director of the fertility clinic at the University of Iowa.

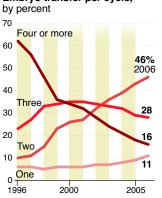
The furor over Nadya Suleman and her octuplets has brought scrutiny to U.S.

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Embryo implants

The transfer rate of four or more fresh-nondonor embryos during one cycle has steadily declined since 1996.

Embryo transfer per cycle,



NOTE: Total does not equal 100 due to rounding; for all age groups.

SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



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TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Bob Edwards, former host of National Public Radio's "Morning Edition," to speak, noon to 1:30 p.m., College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium, Twin Falls, \$25 per person, radio.boisestate.edu or 208-426-3663 or 1-888-859-5278, ext. 663.

"Souvenir: A Fantasia on the Life of Florence Foster Jenkins" by Stephen Temperley presented by Company of Fools and Barksdale Theatre, 3 p.m., Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St., Hailey, tickets: \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and older) and \$15 for children (18 and younger), 578-9122.

EDUCATION/SPORTS

Idaho Youth Soccer Association E-License Course, includes systems of play, laws and restarts, more games and exercises for practices, more tactical ideas, including

the tactics of two-on-one situations and more on goalkeeping, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Twin Falls High School, \$65 IYSA members and \$95 non-members, 208-316-7005 or twinfallsrapids@yahoo.

EXHIBITS

"Cantabile," featuring the work of Chinese artist Andrew Lui, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Gallery DeNovo, 320 First Ave. N., Suite 101, free admission, Gallerydenovo.com or 726-8180.

HOME AND GARDEN

Southern Idaho Home & Garden Show, features over 100 home-improvement booths including new home construction, remodeling, spas, gardens and landscaping; also financing professionals, food court and special Kimberly Nursery showcase on sustainable "green products," 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eldon Evans Expo Center, College of Southern Idaho, Twin Falls, admission: \$3 for adults and no cost for children under age 12, 208-737-6008 or 208-737-6004.

TODAY'S DEADLINE

Feb. 22 Reservation deadline for Feb. 24 Agape Interfaith Ministry luncheon, with program: Celebrate (historical highlights of AIM) by Leona Patterson and music by Pastor Andy Morris, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Basque Center on University Avenue, Gooding, \$8 lunch (reservations: 934-5700 by today), no fee for program only, 208-366-2974 or riveroads@MSN.com.

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.

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

• Construct your own snow box and race it at the Blaine County Recreation District Snow Box Derby at the Rotarun Ski Area in Croy Canyon west of Hailey. It's open to anyone 5 and older with several divisions. Snow boxes must be made only of cardboard, paint, tape and glue. The entry fee is \$10 per participant (\$5 each additional family member); \$25 per participant in the business category.

• Bob Edwards, the host of National Public Radio's "Morning Edition" for more than 30 years, speaks from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium. Edwards has won the DuPont-Columbia Award for radio journalism, a Peabody Award for excellence in broadcasting and the Edward R. Murrow Award from the Corporation of Public Broadcasting for outstanding contributions to

public radio. Tickets are \$25. • And my own pick for the day: I'll be watching the Academy Awards on TV, which is the Super Bowl for movie lovers like me. It's fun, outrageous, phony and

sparkly, all rolled into one.

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.

Crash

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allow right turns from Washington Street North into the retailer's parking lot.

Instead, the commission recommended that Wal-Mart be allowed to build only with the stipulation that the retailer pay to widen Cheney Drive.

Horsley said the Planning and Zoning Commission asked the city to provide a written report on traffic counts based on the "big picture" for the area, rather than looking only at traffic in relation to individual projects.

That report never came, he

"It certainly was an issue with the combined development," Horsley said.

"The city said they couldn't give us traffic counts because there is certain information that isn't available to the (planning and zoning) commission.'

Riedesel Engineering, which has assisted the city in transportation planning, said the most recent report on traffic counts for Washington Street North does not include new development in northwest Twin Falls.

A report from 2006 on traffic counts on Washington Street North between Pole Line Road and Addison Avenue projects average daily traffic to be about 21,500 vehicles in 2029. However, the most recent data collected by Riedesel shows that average daily traffic counts already were at 21,000 in 2006 before construction even started on all the new proj-

By comparison, the average daily traffic count on Pole Line Road West between Washington Street and Blue Lakes Boulevard is about 19,000, according to the Idaho Transportation Department.

Other fast-growing Idaho cities do frequent traffic counts to get the latest picture of how each new developmment will tax public streets before the development is approved.

The city of Nampa, for example, does annual traffic counts. That city has its own equipment to monitor street use, and also requires traffic counts for "almost all non-residential developments," said Sharla Arledge, a city spokeswoman.

It's unclear if Twin Falls has any traffic count equipment. Calls seeking that information from the city engineer and the city's part-time public information coordinator were not returned Friday.

than 3,000 employees will work in the new hospital, high school and health science center. About 900 students will attend classes at the new high school, and an untold number of college students will study at the new CSI health science building.

That's in addition to an unknown number of retail customers and hospital patrons and visitors, or those attending games and special events at Canyon Ridge.

Wal-Mart estimates that it could see as many as 466 vehicles per hour during peak shopping times.

St. Luke's reported that during peak morning and evening hours about 744 vehicles per hour will move to and from the hospital. Pole Line Road West will carry the majority of the load, but 150 cars per hour are expected on Washington Street North.

Brady Dickinson, principal of Canyon Ridge High School, estimates that about 300 students will probably drive their own vehicles to school.

He said his greatest concern is students using residential streets when Washington Street North is congested.

"It's certainly a concern that has us thinking about having a closed campus," Dickinson said. "My biggest concern is that students will drive the side streets to avoid congested intersections. My recommendation would be to avoid Washington because it's going to be congested."

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PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY





hot and cold running water. The ground floor was used for various businesses. Over the years, it included a ladies store, a tobacco shop, and a barbershop. In 1965, a fire destroyed the third floor, and the hotel eventually became The Rogerson Mall.

Snowpack levels

built in 1908 on the north

corner of Main Avenue and

Smith, who was the archi-

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Twin Falls. Although origi-

nally intended to be six

stories, only three were

completed. The top two

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Little Lost	80%	56%
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EchoHawk Continued from Main 1

Cabinet-level post in 1977, inserting it in the Department of the Interior. But the job's been vacant for three years now after the past two people to hold it both resigned.

Though it's confirmed that EchoHawk could possibly fill that vacancy, it's not so clear where the process is at. In January, Sen. Daniel Inouve, D-Hawaii, told attendees at a tribal forum that EchoHawk had been selected for the position and agreed to take it. But on Friday, a spokesman for Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs told the Missoulian of Missoula, Mont., that the White House hasn't officially announced a nominee.

The Missoulian and the Times-News are both owned by Lee Enterprises.

Members of Idaho's congressional delegation said Saturday they weren't aware of any official decision. Rep. Walt Minnick, a Democrat, said through spokesman John Foster that he hasn't heard anything official or formal about the "well-known Idahoan" and the Cabinet post.

Lindsay Nothern, spokesman for Republican Sen. Mike Crapo, said the senator learned through his seat on the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs that EchoHawk is a finalist for the job. While nothing is official yet, he's certainly strongly in the running, and Crapo would support him, Nothern said.

"It'd be good to have him there and have that working relationship," Nothern said.

The former attorney general — who also served as Bannock County prosecuting attorney for several years and ran as the Democratic candidate for state governor in 1994, losing to Phil Batt — has worked to firm up his image with various tribes. He faced early criticism for opposing casinos on tribal land during his time in state office. But many tribes and national organizations seem to be welcoming the new attention to a neglected post, and the Missoulian noted that all of Idaho's federally recognized tribes now support EchoHawk's nomination.

"It doesn't seem there was a heck of a lot of interest during the past administration," Chuck Trimble, a former executive director of the National Congress of Indian Affairs, said of the job he helped push to create. "They could never find an Indian Republican as far right as they were."

Idaho's current attorney general, Lawrence Wasden, was a deputy attorney general under EchoHawk. In Twin Falls for an awards ceremony on Saturday, Wasden addressed the gaming criticism — noting that EchoHawk was elected to represent all Idahoans, not just the



Larry EchoHawk during his unsuccessful campaign for governor of Idaho in 1994.

About Larry EchoHawk

- Age: 60. · Birthplace: Cody,
- Wyo. · Residence: Orem,
- Utah Profession: Attorney (senior partner in a
- Pocatello law firm); professor at Brigham Young University law school.
- · Previous professional experience: General counsel, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes (1977-86)
- Party affiliation: Democrat
- Bachelor's degree, BYU (1970); law degree, University of Utah (1973) • Elected office: Idaho

• Education:

House of Representatives, 1983-86 (representing Bannock County): Bannock County prosecuting attorney, 1986-1991; Idaho attorney general, 1991-95; ran unsuccessfully for governor in 1994, losing to Republican Phil Batt.

About the BIA

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55.7 million acres of

Interior in 1849. Purpose: To manage

land held in trust for Native Americans. · Current assistant sec-

retary of the interior for

Indian affairs: Vacant. • Employees: 9,600 Annual budget: \$2.4

billion

tribes — and said he'd be happy to see the man he grew to know well get the job. "I think it is high praise that he would be even considered for this position, and I can't

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think of anyone better to do it," Wasden said.

Missoulian writer Jodi Rave contributed to this report.

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fertility clinics and how well they observe the guidelines, which are purely voluntary. The controversy had led to talk of passing laws to regulate clinics, something that has already been done in Western Europe.

"There are enough clinics that quite openly flout professional guidelines that we really do need to start thinking about public policy in this area," said Marcy Darnovsky of the Oakland, Calif.-based Center for Genetics and Society, a public interest group. "I think it's way over-

The 20 percent figure is contained in reports filed by clinics with the Centers for Control Disease and Prevention.

Fertility doctors say there are many reasons clinics skirt the guidelines: pressure from patients who want to use more embryos to improve their chances of getting pregnant; financial concerns from those who are paying for their treatment out of their own pockets; and the competition among clinics to post good success rates.

And the only penalty for violating the guidelines is expulsion from some of the industry's professional organizations, though that can affect whether insurance companies will cover a clinic's treatments.

"You have patients who are desperate and you have doctors who are driven by success rates. It's not a good combination," said Pamela Madsen, founder and former head of the American Fertility Association.

When the guidelines were issued in 1996 by the Society American Reproductive Medicine, the intent was to cut down the number of multiple births, particularly triplets and higher, that can result when many embryos are implanted and more than one takes. Big multiple births can lead to disastrous, life-threatening complications, lifelong disabilities such as cerebral

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- Pamela Madsen, founder and former head of the American Fertility **Association**

palsy, and crushing medical

The guidelines suggest how many embryos doctors should use, with the number varying by age and other factors. They also allow for some flexibility for more if previous attempts have failed or the embryo quality is poor.

The group credits the guidelines with reducing triplets and higher multiple pregnancies from 7 percent of attempts to 2 percent in 2006. Nearly two-thirds of the procedures involved four or more embryos in 1996; that has fallen to 16 percent.

But for women under 35, government records show that just 83 of 426 clinics followed the guidance calling for one and no more than two embryos. The average for fresh embryos (as opposed to frozen) implanted in women in that age group ranged from a 1.4 to 4.8. The vast majority of the clinics averaged between two and three embryos.

Dr. Mousa Shamonki, director of the IVF program at the University of California, Los Angeles, said his patients frequently ask for more embryos to boost their chances of getting pregnant. He tells patients that it's not OK to end up with triplets or even twins.

"The only thing that happens when you add additional embryos is you're increasing the multiple pregnancy rate," he said. "You're rarely increasing the overall pregnancy rate significantly.'

Stimulus questions loom large in Boise

BOISE — **¬** he Legislature begins its seventh

week Monday one like never before. The joint budgeting committee will hear four days of reports from its

staff regarding possible ways to use Idaho's portion of the \$787 billion federal stimulus. The reports come as state agencies prepare to submit to Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter their proposals to use the stimulus. Otter has also appointed a panel of former governors and budget directors some are now lobbyists to give him recommendations for how to use the money.

Other news and events at the Capitol Annex:

 Hearings on two controversial bills to change education to save money will not be held this week, **House Education** Chairman Bob Nonini, R-Coeur d'Alene, said on Friday.

The stimulus initially delayed the hearings, as well as the entire state budgeting process. The bills — which sparked outcry from Democrats and educators for lacking temporary clauses — are undergoing a review of a bipartisan four-member subcommittee that includes Rep. Donna Pence, D-Gooding, a former teacher.

"Things have been going real well," Nonini said. "They're trying to address how we can bridge some differences on these bills."

• Rep. Bert Brackett, R-Rogerson, and other Magic Valley legislators plan to introduce bills next week to give the State Board of Education more leeway when deciding whether to dissolve small schools.

Currently such closures are mandates for a handful of reasons, including



LEGISLATIVE **NOTEBOOK Jared S. Hopkins**

when they have declining enrollments of less than five students.

Under Brackett's proposal, the word "shall" would be changed to "may," which means the board wouldn't be required to dissolve the schools.

"It would allow for discretion," Brackett said.

• Members of the House **Transportation Committee** met Friday to map out a schedule on the dozen or so bills to raise new revenue, which remains one of the top issues. Hearings are expected to begin on Tuesday and on Thursday the committee will hold hearings on the various proposals to raise the 25-centper-gallon gas tax.

• Rep. Eric Anderson, R-Priest Lake, held a forum Thursday on quagga mussels, a striped mollusk in the same family as the pesky zebra mussel that some fear will migrate to Idaho and clog lakes and water sys-

In the Magic Valley, many fear irrigators would be affected.

Anderson brought in experts from Michigan and Florida to speak to a task force of legislators studying invasive species. He said after the meeting that there's growing support for a bill that would require boatowners to use stickers and regularly get their boats cleaned.

Funding could come from the state's emergency funding measures known as deficiency grants.

 Quote of the week: "We'd love to know what's driving the cheese market. The cheese market is a

strange market," Idaho

Dairyman's Association **Executive Director Bob** Naerebout, on Wednesday, during his annual update to the House Agricultural Affairs Committee.

He said some national companies are using more cheese, including the chain Domino's Pizza, which is

preparing to offer a special pizza with 40 percent more cheese.

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Magic Valley Spine



Dr. Sam Barker and Family Thank Ronald McDonald House

Two years ago in February my daughter Kylie was born with heart problems that required her to have open heart surgery. She was whisked away to Primary Children's Medical Center before my wife even had a chance to see her. Kylie needed two surgeries in that first month she was lucky just to survive. I had to shut down my chiropractic office and, for one month, my wife and I lived at the Ronald McDonald House in Salt Lake. That month was filled with a lot of tears and a lot of prayers.

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Oon't ask me **Steve Crump**

Stupid's fixable, but there's no cure for ugly

come to grips with some hard truths these past few months about our economy, about our priorities, about ourselves.

But I don't think American women have yet accepted the most difficult fact of all: American men are getting

Not spiritually or emotionally less attractive, mind you, but downright physically homely.

I reached this epiphany, of all places, while reading a biography of 1960s TV game-showmeister Chuck Barris, who claims to have been a CIA hitman all the while producing "The Gong Show," "The Newlywed Game" and "\$1.98 Beauty Show." (George Clooney, coincidently one of the last remaining handsome men in America, made the book, "Confessions of a Dangerous Mind," into a movie a few years ago.)

Anyway, reading about "The Dating Game," another Barris project that ran on ABC from 1965-73, provoked enough nostalgia that I typed "The Dating Game" into the Google image search engine on my computer. Google found dozens of still photographs of the

It being the '60s, the male contestants were dressed funny and had bad haircuts — but they all *had* hair, none of their heads were shaved, none of them were sporting three-day beards, none of their ears or noses were pierced and all could actually tie a necktie.

My dears, in case you haven't looked outside lately, that's just not the case anymore.

Have you been to the DMV, the mall, the big-box home improvement store lately? They're male leper colonies.

I blame Brad Pitt, which is a roundabout way of saying I blame you.

Look, Mr. Pitt is a goodlooking fella given to fashion, um, eccentricities. One day he decides not to comb his hair, the next he cuts it all off. One month he shaves; the next year he doesn't.

Fortunately, he's writing checks that his face and form can cash. That guy who wakes up next to you can't say that.

So every time the women of America sigh, "Brad Pitt is so hot!" another million guys shave their heads and stop shaving their faces. This is not a good thing.

And it's bad on two levels: Any man under 40 who cuts

MAGIC VALLEY SYMPPOMY

"The Music of Spain"

Friday, February 27, 7:30pm

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all hair off is admitting to the world that he was going bald anyway — it's the moral equivalent of wearing sweatpants to work every day — and the specter of 5 o'clock shadow on chubby face makes the angels weep.

We — all of us — have inherited a beautiful country that we're rapidly sullying with poorly focused testosterone.

So for you women who are in a committed relationship with a man, I think your duty to your fellow citizens is clear: You must tell him that if he comes home from the barbershop looking like Michael Chiklis or Howie Mandel, his new sleeping quarters will be the old couch in the attic with the springs sticking out until such time as his hair grows back and he can rejoin civilization.

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"The cure for boredom is curiosity. There is no cure for curiosity."

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FRIDAY ARRAIGNMENTS James Galan, 18, Twin Falls; DUI; \$100 bond; March 10 pretrial; private coun-

Christopher Gene Galvin, 19, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance, minor consumption of alcohol; \$500 bond; public defender appointed; March 10 pretrial

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CIVIL FILINGS

Thomas E. and Daphne L. Weaver vs. Conley Dyer, Jim Lattimer and Does I-V. Seeking judgment against defendants for compensatory damages for medical expenses, pain and suffering, permanent disfigurement, and lost earnings; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiffs seeking reimbursement for injuries sustained by Daphne Weaver. Plaintiffs allege that while riding her bike in a triathlon near Murtaugh a dog began to chase her and bit her foot causing her to be knocked into traffic where she was struck by a vehi-

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Selected for their service Students receive Congressional Awards

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

There may not have been a congressman in sight.

But for the 15th year in a row, parents, public officials and others swelled the auditorium Saturday at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School to celebrate student winners of the Congressional Award, designed to promote and recognize achievement, initiative and service in America's youth.

In all, 33 students from Boise to Blaine County worked their way into bronze and silver medals this year. Gold medalists get their awards in a separate ceremony in Washington, D.C.

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, was set to deliver the welcoming remarks for the ceremony, but had to cancel at the last minute due to illness. Instead, new Idaho Lt. Gov. Brad Little — on his first official trip to Twin Falls, and serving as governor since Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter was out of the state — spoke in his place.

Little, whose wife is one of the state awards council's original board members, spoke of attending one of the D.C. ceremonies and of how the Idaho students stood out from their peers.

"That's what makes America, that's what makes Idaho what it is today," he said of the service work nurtured by the program.

Cynthia Jesinger, executive director of the state council, said the 33 students have contributed more than \$87,000 in volunteer labor and services, joined by more than \$190,000 from the state's gold medal-

While many tended to go abroad for their work in past years, the medalists tended to stay in-state this year, she noted.

'They stand ready to help our state when we're facing a few economic challenges," she said.



Idaho's Lt. Gov. Brad Little speaks at the Congressional Awards Ceremony at O'Leary Junior High School Saturday afternoon in Twin Falls.

Proud parents filled the room. Laird and Vickie Stone — picking up the award for their son, Grayson, who won bronze and silver awards last year and has since worked his way to a gold — seemed taken aback by what he'd accomplished.

"The kid has always been an incredible giver," Vickie Stone said.

This year, the state council will hold the 16th annual ceremony for Boise and the first ceremonies in eastern Idaho and the Panhandle, Jesinger



Congressional Award winners honored Saturday:

Boise High School: Hanna Fischer, bronze

Home-schooled:

Katelyn Benton, Nampa, silver Zach Edenfield, Star, bronze Kyle Felzien, Meridian, silver MacKenzie Felzien, Meridian,

Elizabeth Knapp, Meridian, bronze

Twin Falls High School:

Angela Bixler, bronze Julie Bixler, bronze Steven Boomhower, silver Samuel Fitts, bronze Marissa Freitas, bronze Nathaniel Goss, silver Elizabeth Middleton, silver

Jerome High School: Shelby Walters, bronze

Kimberly High School:

Cory Berry, silver Samantha Breeding, silver Kaitlyn Goetz, bronze

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Isaac Makings, silver Nellie Makings, bronze Ashley Stucki, silver

The Community School:

Jon Atkinson, silver Julianna Lamb, silver Bronwen Raff, silver Emily Williams, bronze

Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School:

Austin Dobbs, bronze Dylan Dobbs, silver

Wood River High School: Dakota Barnes, bronze Sean Dahlman, bronze

Ashton Lupton, bronze Jack Reidy, bronze Kylee Richmond, bronze Britton Stevenson, bronze

Xavier Charter School: Cole Meyerhoeffer, bronze

In addition, Laird Stone accepted a gold medal on behalf of his son, Grayson, who attends the University of Idaho and was unable to attend this year's ceremony. The medal was awarded in 2008, but Grayson Stone was also unable to attend last year's award ceremony.







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Filer school project could come in under budget

By John E. Swayze **Times-News correspondent**

FILER — A multimillion dollar expansion project in the Filer School District could come in under budget.

Earlier this month, school board members participated in reviewing dozens of bid proposals for the construction of an \$11 million intermediate school and \$1.2 million for a six classroom expansion at Filer High School.

The new 47,000-square foot intermediate school, to be built on land to the northwest of the existing Filer Elementary School, will house fourth through sixth grade classes and open up space at both the elementary and middle school.

Joe Reams, construction supervisor with Brennan Construction in Pocatello, used the results to develop a revised construction budget he presented Thursday for approval.

Reams said. "But if you decide to go with the budget items I've presented, you'll save about \$1.8 million."

The original \$343,000 furniture and equipment budget for both the new school and high school addition have been increased to \$650,000. Filer Elementary School Principle Matt Mahannah was relieved to see the change.

"The old budget didn't leave any funds for computers, and we wouldn't have had much of a library," he said.

"We would have had to strip books from over here."

Three separate roofing projects will also see budget increases. The budget for repairs to Filer Elementary School's roof has jumped from \$450,000 to \$700,000. The budget for roof repairs at Hollister Elementary has been doubled to \$200,000.

Filer Middle School has been allotted \$200,000. "A few of the individual About \$90,000 will be used



Filer Elementary School fourth-grade students are seated Friday where the new intermediate school will be built. 'This will be the first group of students to be part of the school,' Filer Elementary Principal Matt Mahannah said. 'They're seated in the area where their sixth-grade classroom will eventually be.'

to repair the gym roof and \$110,000 for any remaining repairs. Repaving of the west-end parking lot has also been moved from an estimated \$75,000 \$350,000.

"I haven't bid out the roof projects yet, but each one will be done as a separate package," Reams said. "The

middle school roof budget might be a little heavy, but I really don't know the scope of what you have there."

An additional \$800,000 is earmarked for football field lights, restrooms, bleachers, concessions and a press box. These items will also be bid out separately.

Preliminary construction

activity, such as sod removal, could begin as early as next week. But board approval of the budget changes has been postponed a few weeks, until members of the district's long range planning committee have had a chance to

"The committee actually got this whole thing rolling in 2006 and there are some things here we really need to talk with them about," School Board Chairman Eric Williams said. "But this (under budget) is really a nice place to be."

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T.F. county dissolves group of legal guardians

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

It may take a few years to cycle its last couple of clients

But barring a possible reorganization, the stage is now set for the Twin Falls County Board of Community Guardians to quietly dissolve.

commissioners County voted Tuesday to disband the little-known organization, largely over concerns about its operating practices and a lack of volunteers.

The board had existed for years with the goal of providing legal guardians on a volunteer basis to the elderly, the developmentally disabled and others who needed one but couldn't pay for the service. It served "the lost souls of the world,"

member and Twin Falls attorney specializing in elder law.

It was a small yet serious service, he said, aimed at people who didn't have family to step in for them, but needed someone to speak for them for example, people who tend to wander away or have behavioral problems at nursing homes.

Unlike some in the state, Twin Falls' board was completely a volunteer service, Voorhees said, limiting what its volunteers could take on. The board probably turned away three times as many client offers as it accepted because volunteers couldn't handle the more-complicated cases, he

The bigger problem, as commissioners saw it, was the ten-

said Dennis Voorhees, a board dency over time for board members to take on clients rather than maintain a pool of volunteers. That practice resulted from the fact that not enough people needed help to justify a pool, Voorhees said, but meant some board members spent more time on their specific cases and less time guiding and running the board.

> Those low client numbers mean it's not clear how much of a need the board's absence will create — though Office on Aging Director Jim Fields, whose office's adult protection service handles similar issues, said a county board is a valuable thing to have.

Commissioners last week said that they're allowing the current volunteers to finish their cases, then phase the board out and let the private

sector handle things. But they acknowledged that the board could eventually be reformed - though Commissioner Terry Kramer said at least 14 people would need to be signed up, half for the board and half to volunteer.

Voorhees said he plans to pursue that goal, and is actually glad the commissioners have forced the board to reexamine itself. He argued as part of the solution that the county needs to provide a less-than-parttime staffer to provide administrative support for the board something Kramer said is already done through both his and the prosecutor's office.

"I'm looking at this dissolution resolution as a step in a procedure to improve our function, not to stop our function," Voorhees said.

Energy studies building dedicated in E. Idaho

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter, all members of Idaho's congressional delegation and the presidents of the state's three universities took part in the dedication of the \$17 million Center for Advanced Energy Studies in eastern Idaho.

"This represents the beginning of great things to come to the state, region and our nation through research going on here at CAES," facility director Harold Blackman said Friday, the Post Register report-

The center is a public-private partnership involving Boise State University, Idaho State University, University of Idaho and the Idaho National Laboratory.

"This is a world-class facility the state of Idaho and its citizens should be proud of," said Shane Johnson of the U.S. Department of Energy.

The center will focus on energy science and engineering research, particularly nuclear power, biofuels, geothermal power and hydropower.

"The intent is to bring in students to work side-byside with the scientists, and hopefully, many of them will stay right here for work," Idaho Falls Mayor Jared Fuhriman said after the dedication.

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Colo. (AP) — Hikers who climb to Pikes Peak's summit but don't feel up to walking the 12 miles back down could soon have to pay for

The Colorado Springs city

Tuesday on a proposal from Pikes Peak Highway officials that would charge up to \$500 for each uninjured hiker who calls 911 for a ride

The city runs the toll road back down," highway man-

the U.S. Forest Service owns the land.

"Some of the people just say 'I want to get to the top of this mountain,' and they don't realize they have to get

council is expected to vote up the 14,115-foot peak, but ager Jack Glavan told The cue operations and had no who call for a ride before (Colorado Springs) Gazette.

The likelihood of the council's approval was not immediately known. Forest Service spokeswoman Barbara Timock said the agency is not involved in resopinion on the proposal.

Some 15,000 people a year attempt to climb Pikes Peak, the second-most visited mountain in the world behind Japan's Mount Fuji. Under the proposal, hikers

highway workers have gone home would pay \$100. The fee could go up to \$500 when hikers call 911 after hours, and it could increase if the road has to be plowed to fetch the caller.

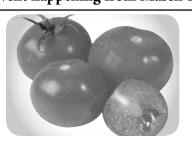
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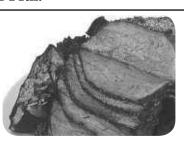
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Too predictable? Tonight's Academy Awards aim to shake things up

By David Germain **Associated Press writer**

LOS ANGELES — Academy Awards organizers are going all out to inject more suspense into Hollywood's biggest party Sunday.

If only the competition itself would cooperate.

While there are close races in key categories, this year's show again suffers from a predictability factor for the top prize. Best picture is expected to go to "Slumdog Millionaire," the movie that "Slumdog has won the same honor at every other awards ceremony that matters.

Predictability can translate into a ho-hum attitude among TV viewers, who are less likely to sit through a marathon Oscar broadcast just to hear a winner announced at the end of the evening that everyone expected beforehand.

The Oscars had their lowest TV ratings ever last year, when the best-picture prize was handed to "No Country for Old Men," which dominated earlier awards shows just as "Slumdog Millionaire" has.

A best-picture nomination for "The Dark Knight" might have helped, since more viewers tend to tune in when such behemoth films are in the running. Though "Dark supporting-actor Knight' nominee Heath Ledger looks like a lock to become only the second performer ever to win an Oscar posthumously, the Batman blockbuster was left out of other top categories.

"Slumdog Millionaire," an infectious story of a Mumbai street orphan who finds fame, love and wealth in the face of terrible hardship, faces off for best picture against the romantic fantasy Curious Case of Benjamin Button," the Richard Nixon tale "Frost/Nixon," the Harvey Milk drama "Milk" and the Holocaust-themed saga "The Reader."

Oscar planners are trying to spice up the show with an air of mystery. Filmmakers Bill Condon and Laurence Mark are overseeing the ceremony, their first time working on the Oscars, which they hope to shake up with new approaches to what has become a staid procession of awards, many of which the average viewer doesn't care about.

They won't reveal just what they have in mind, other than to say they want to try different methods of presenting the trophies and otherwise reinvigorate the festivities.

"That's what we're hoping to do across the board, just freshen them up and surprise people again with the way these awards are given," Condon said.

Organizers dropped their usual onslaught of announcements about A-list celebrities appearing as awards presenters. Their identities are being kept secret, and their presence – at least in some cases — is being kept off the red carpet.

Audiences can count on a healthy dose of stars among the acting nominees, who include past Oscar winners Meryl Streep, Sean Penn, Angelina Jolie and Marisa Tomei.

Jolie's romantic partner, Brad Pitt, also is nominated, along with Kate Winslet, Anne Hathaway, Penelope Cruz and Robert Downey Jr.



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comic performance, the sort Vietnam flick, for which that usually does not fare well among the heavy dramas favored by Oscar voters. He's nominated as supporting actor for "Tropic Thunder," in which he plays an awardshimself in his roles — his lat-

Downey's character underwent a radical procedure to darken his skin.

While Downey is almost certain to be an also-ran in his two-woman race between Streep as an old-school nun in "Doubt" and Winslet as a former concentration camp guard in "The Reader." It would be the third Oscar for







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Economy strains under weight of unsold items

From cars and trucks to dolls and electronics, U.S. has a glut of products without buyers

By Annys Shin The Washington Post

The unsold cars and trucks piling up at dealerships and assembly lines as consumers cut back and auto companies scramble for federal aid are just one sign of a major problem hurting the economy and only likely to get

The world is suddenly awash in almost everything: flat-panel televisions, bulldozers, Barbie dolls, strip malls, Burberry stores. Japan this week said its economy

shrank at an 12.7 percent annual pace in the last three months of 2008 as global demand evaporated for Japanese cars and electronics. Business everywhere are scrambling to bring supply

in line with demand. Downsizing can be tricky,

though. No one knows how much worse the economy will get, and while everyone waits for the recession to peter out, businesses are grappling with how to cut costs and survive without sabotaging their ability to grow when the economy picks up.

And there is a lot to cut.

"There is over-capacity in everything," from "retail to manufacturing to housing," said Richard Yamarone, chief

economist Research. "If capacity is too large, you don't need that many people employed, which is another reason we're seeing such high job losses."

As long as capacity far outstrips demand, businesses have little reason to expand, buy new equipment or hire workers. Even if the government funds bridge repairs

See **GLUT**, Business 3

"They're trying to use my money to make money. I just see banks trying to make that 50 cents or a buck and a half when I should be given the service for free."

— Arthur Santa-Maria, a laid-off engineer who lives just outside Albuquerque, N.M.

Jobless hit with bank fees on benefits O REST FOR THE WEAR]

By Christopher Leonard Associated Press writer

First, Arthur Santa-Maria called Bank of America to ask how to check the balance of his new unemployment benefits debit card. The bank charged him 50 cents.

He chose not to complain. That would have cost another 50 cents.

So he took out some of the money and then decided to pull out the rest. But that made two withdrawals on the same day, and that was \$1.50.

For hundreds of thousands of workers losing their jobs during the recession, there's a new twist to their financial pain: Even when they're collecting unemployment benefits, they're paying the bank just to get the money — or even to call customer service

to complain about it.

Thirty states have struck such deals with banks that include Citigroup Inc., Bank of America Corp., JP Morgan Chase and US Bancorp, an Associated Press review of the agreements found. All the programs carry fees, and in several states the unemployed have no choice but to use the debit cards. Some banks even charge overdraft fees of up to \$20 - even though they could decline charges for more than what's on the card.

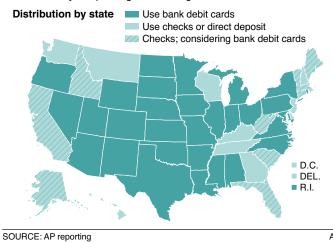
"They're trying to use my money to make money," said Santa-Maria, a laid-off engineer who lives just outside Albuquerque, N.M. "I just see banks trying to make that 50 cents or a buck and a half when I should be given the service for free."

Missouri and Kansas both participate in the debit card programs, issuing the cards through Central Bank and Citigroup, respectively. The states say the contracts will save hundreds of thousands of dollars annually, but

See **FEES**, Business 3

Bank cards replacing jobless checks

Kansas is one of 30 states that outsources unemployment benefits distribution to banks. The state expects to save \$300,000 by not printing and mailing checks.



Recently unemployed engineer Arthur Santa-Maria poses for photot at a Bank of America ATM in Los Lunas, N.M. Santa-Maria was surprised to learn he must pay fees to withdraw his unemployment money using a stateissued Bank of America debit card.

Idaho bank group seeks advice for bailout money

President to travel to southern Idaho for talks

The Associated Press

BOISE — A bank holding company based in northern Idaho that received \$27 million in federal bailout money is looking for ways to lend it in ways that will help improve communities.

Sandpoint-based Intermountain Community Bancorp has about 20 bank branches, including Magic Valley Bank, scattered across Idaho, one in eastern Oregon and two in Eastern Washington.

Curt Hecker, president and CEO of the company, said he plans to travel to southern Idaho next month to talk with government leaders, as well as economic development and nonprofit groups.

The bank received money from the \$700 billion Troubled Asset Relief approved by Program Congress last fall.

Earlier this month, the nation's top bankers were called before the U.S. House Financial Services Committee to account for how the money is being

The money was intended to be used to unfreeze credit markets and lead to more lending to avoid a worsening of the financial crisis. But reports have surfaced of bank junkets and big bonuses for executives of banks that received bailout money.

Hecker said the federal money Intermountain received came from the cappurchase program

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"It's time from my standpoint to go out and design new products and services. And who better to do it with than our customers and communities based upon what the real needs are."

- Curt Hecker, president and CEO of Sandpointbased Intermountain **Community Bancorp**

BENEFITING FROM NEW STIMULUS PLAN MEANS TAX PLANNING

The Associated Press

billion \$787 Recovery American and Reinvestment Act of 2009 is law, and government agencies are now working on how to get the money to those who qualify.

Here is a snapshot of some of the benefits and how to access them, according to the IRS and tax experts:

WORKERS

What: Making Work Pay tax credit.

How: Payroll administrators at your workplace will make the withholding adjustment in your paycheck automatically this spring. If

you want your payment in a lump sum in tax refund

instead of in paycheck, request to adjust withholding.

UNEMPLOYED

What: A \$25 weekly boost in unemployment checks. Exemption from federal taxes the first \$2,400. Extension of unemployment benefits. Federal subsidy to pay 65 percent of COBRA health insurance premi-

How: Contact the state agency administering your unemployment benefits for the pay boost and benefit extension. COBRA insurance coverage likely will be administered by former employer.

HOMEBUYERS

Benefit: A tax credit of 10 percent of the value of the home, up to \$8,000, for first-time buyers between Jan. 1 and Dec. 1, 2009. How: If you've already filed your taxes for 2008 to get the previous \$7,500 credit, you can file an amendment to get the full credit. Otherwise.

file for the benefit when you do your 2009 taxes early next year.

HOMEOWNERS

Benefit: Tax credits for energy-efficient improvements such as furnaces, windows, doors. Applies to 2009 and 2010 tax returns, with a lifetime cap of \$1,500. How: Fill out IRS Form 5695 to claim the credits when you do your

CAR BUYERS

Benefit: Deduction of state and local sales and excise taxes on the first \$49,500 toward a new car, light truck, recreational vehi-

cle or motorcycle bought by the end of the year. Tax credit of up to \$7,500 if you buy a plug-in

hybrid. How: Claim it on your taxes next year or adjust your payroll withholding and get it spread out in additional money in your

paycheck.

PARENTS

Benefit: A child tax credit of up to \$1,000 for each qualifying child under 17. Increase in earned income credit for fami-

lies with three or more children. How: You can choose to adjust your withholding to get this money back money in your paycheck or you can wait until you

through additional do your taxes for 2009 and 2010 and get it back in a lump sum. Talk to your tax professional.

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CAREER MOVES

Bank employees

Evans Bank announced its 2008 Employee of the Year recipients.

Albion branch, Sue Keller; North Burley branch, Shelly Wolf; Rupert branch, Diane Allen; South Burley branch, Suzette Wilde; Idaho Falls Branch, Joy Storer; North Pocatello branch, Stephanie Micheel; Twin Falls Blue Lakes branch, Blake Roemer; Twin Falls downtown branch, Corie McCarthy; Twin Falls Financial Center, Jessica Laraway; Jerome branch, Sandy McIntyre; Hailey branch, Penny Hogan; Meridian branch, Lori Elliott; Nampa branch, Monty Law; Nampa Karcher branch, Karma Gardner; Boise West State branch, Andrea Kinslow; Boise Vista branch, Vickie Peugh; Boise Cole and Emerald branch, David Marshall; Boise downbranch, town Alissa Sorensen; Twin Falls real estate, Marlys Taylor; Boise real estate, Kyndra Kirby; data center, Nestor Lopez; Central, Jason VanBuskirk; Burley operations center, Linda Kester; corporate, Tina

Shirley Lee

Harman.

Shirley Lee, personal publishing consultant with Heritage Makers, received

two awards at the Reg-Conional ference Training held Feb. 6-7 in Sandy, Utah. For

in a row, Lee



was awarded First Place Personal Volume for Consultants in the Region. In addition, she was awarded First Place Sponsoring for Consultants in the Region. She has been with Heritage Makers for two years and helps her customers create custom books with their own photos about family history and life events.

Kim Brackett

Agriculture recently appointed Idaho beef pro-

ducer Kim **Brackett** to a three-year term on the Cattlemen's B e e f Promotion and Research Board, which oversees ad-



ministration the national Beef Checkoff Program.

Brackett took the oath of office during the 2009 Cattle Industry Convention in Phoenix, Ariz., and was seated during the Cattlemen's Beef Board meeting on Jan. 31, becoming one of 106 producers and importers nationwide representing all cattlemen by making recommendations about how to invest beef checkoff dollars.

Brackett is a cowcalf/stocker from Castleford. She has been an active member with the Idaho Beef Council, serving as chair,

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vice chair and treasurer; Idaho Cattle Association, serving as committee and sub-committee chair; and the 71 Livestock Association.

Lori Johnson

The National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators (NCBDE) announced Lori Johnson, Registered Dietician for Minidoka Memorial Hospital, achieved Certified Diabetes Educator (CDE)

status by successfully completing the Certification Examination for Diabetes Educators. Achieving



status demonstrates that Johnson possesses distinct and specialized knowledge, thereby promoting quality of care for people with diabetes.

She joins the almost 16,000 diabetes educators who hold NCBDE certifica-

Johnson lives in Rupert with her husband, Dac, and two children and works closely with patients at Minidoka Memorial Hospital Home Health and Hospice as well as treats patients on an out-patient basis for proper nutritional education.

Dave Kiesig

Dave Kiesig, horticulture instructor at the College of Southern Idaho, has been awarded the Gold Medal of Horticulture from the Idaho Nursery and Landscape Association.

Kiesig is involved with the Idaho Community Forestry Advisory and is an International Society of Certified Arboriculture Arborist and Proctor. He is also the adviser to the CSI Horticulture Club, is the CSI Hort Club worm farm manager, and assists with several CSI Foundation proj-

He overseas the annual FFA contest in floriculture The U.S. Secretary of and nursery/landscape and is also an adviser for the CSI's award winning campus landscape.

Brian Lopez

Local Lawn and Tree Spraying Service of Twin Falls announced that Brian

Lopez has become a full time service technician. Lopez completed all the required state certified tests through the Idaho



Department of Agriculture. His spray categories include, ornamental herbicide, ornamental insecticide and law and safe-

He has worked for Local Lawn and Tree Spraying Service for three seasons and his services include lawn and tree spraying, and pest control. He is also a part of Buy Idaho.

MILESTONES

IDAHO WATER SPORTS



Courtesy photo

Malibu Boats recognized Idaho Water Sports for their achievements in customer service and sales during the 2008 model year. Malibu Boats, the World's leading water sports boat manufacturer, recently recognized their 2008 outstanding dealers in sales and customer service. Malibu Boats lauded Idaho Water Sports for its efforts and achievements as a water sports boat dealer, presenting it with with two awards in 2008. In the category of customer service, Idaho Water Sports was recognized for outstanding customer satisfaction, which is determined with voluntary surveys sent in by boat buyers. They secured a Malibu Boats Sales Achievement Award as one of the top selling Malibu Boats dealerships in the nation. Pictured from left, Mike Lee, Carol Warr and Gordon Hansen.

CANYON FLORAL



Courtesy photo

Canyon Floral located at 1563 Fillmore St., Unit C, Twin Falls, cut a red ribbon to celebrate the opening of their new floral business and becoming a member of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber's Ambassadors were there to assist. Canyon Floral is a full service florist doing flowers for everyday living. Their designers have more than 90 years of experience. Every order placed is personally designed and arrives artistically arranged. Information: 733 9292 or toll free (877) 355-9292. Pictured from left, Jennifer Lehmann, Iona Lehmann, Robin Routt and Elizabeth Lehmann.

BUHL WINKLE



Buhl Winkle, located at 119 S. Broadway in Buhl, recently held a ribbon cutting conducted by the Buhl Chamber of Commerce. The store features a huge and unique inventory variety of one-of-a-kind creations, consigned by 70 local artisans and crafters. Mary Davidson, assistant manager, is pictured holding the ribbon on the left with Donna Legler, owner, cutting the ribbon. Information: 543-5946.

RIO HONDO



Rio Hondo recently held a grand opening ribbon cutting conducted by the Buhl Chamber of Commerce at their new 220 N. Broadway location in Buhl. Rio Hondo offers a complete line of Hi-Hog livestock equipment, S & S Barns and Buildings, professional farrier supplies, tack, Vaquero protein tubs and a new line of affordable Roper clothing. The business is owned by the Richard and Lynn Brook family and managed by Kevin Donovan. Pictured from left, are Kevin Donovan, Richard Brook, Liz Ditz, Lynn Brook, Al Legalsi, Travis Brook, Rick Brook and Denny Cramer. Information: 543-2798 or visit www.riohondo.com.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Junior high students win Zions Bank drawing

O'Leary Junior High School student Coby Carter and Gooding Junior High School seventh grader, Andrea Bigler have won the Twin Falls and Gooding area drawings for a \$100 scholarship savings account from Zions Bank's Pays for A's program.

Open to all Idaho students ages 13 through 18, Zions Pays

for good grades. Teen students take their most recent report cards from the current academic vear into any Zions Bank location. They'll receive \$1 per "A" deposited into their Teengreen savings accounts, or .50 cents per "A" if they opt for cash. For each "A" on their report cards, students receive automatic entries into one of 182 drawings for scholarship money worth up to \$1,000.

for A's offers cash incentives

Banks

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aimed at banks that are considered healthy financially but in need of capital to make loans. He said the bank is required to pay back the money with interest.

"It's time from my standpoint to go out and design new products and services," said Hecker. "And who better to do it with than our customers and communities based upon what the real needs are."

Intermountain's branches include Panhandle State Bank branches based in Sandpoint, Intermountain Community Bank branches in southwest Idaho, and Magic Valley Bank branches in

"I am going to start the idea generation. If I can support it, that means I can (put) dollars into it."

- Curt Hecker, president and CEO of Sandpoint-based **Intermountain Community Bancorp**

south-central Idaho.

"It sounds like pretty innovative thinking," said Mayor Doug Henderson of Payette, where Intermountain Community Bank

has a branch. "Who knows

better what the needs are?" Nampa Mayor Tom Dale said banks could lend money to help improve the city's downtown district to

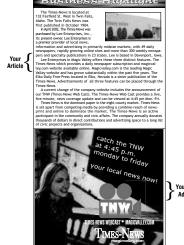
renovate old buildings or build new ones. "That is going to take

some banks to believe in the people who are investing," Dale said. Hecker said he doesn't

know where his community meetings will lead.

"I am going to start the idea generation," he said.

"If I can support it, that means I can (put) dollars into it."



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Billionaire in fraud case always saw bright future

Standford's fraud reached far and wide with hopes of high returns

By Matt Apuzzo **Associated Press writer**

WASHINGTON — On paper, it looked like R. Allen Stanford was making all the right moves.

Subprime mortgages? His never companies got involved. Risky loans? He said he never made one.

"There has never been, and there will never be, an easy way to make money," Stanford wrote to investors last year. "It requires discipline, knowledge, experience, hard work and plain common sense."

But U.S. investigators say companies Stanford's weren't based on any of that. Instead, they say, the Texas billionaire's offshore bank and financial companies used rosy financial predictions and old-fashioned deceit to lure investors into a scam.

Securities and The Exchange Commission shut down three of Stanford's companies this week. FBI agents in Houston are running a parallel investigation, according to a U.S. official who spoke on condition of anonymity because the criminal probe is ongoing. Stanford has not been charged with any crime.

At the behest of the SEC, the FBI tracked down Stanford on Thursday in Fredericksburg, Va., and served him with court documents. But billions of dollars remain unaccounted for. The government's court papers describe a company that bears little resemblance to the one described in glossy, unfailingly upbeat corporate documents.

"While others in our industry are fighting for their survival, we are growing our business," Stanford's wrote to investors while proudly announcing that 2007 was a record year of growth. "While others in our industry have seen a complete turnover in management and are grappling with how to develop a new business strategy, our core leadership team remains intact, and our investment philosophy global diversification remains unchanged."

On the Caribbean island Antigua, Stanford International Bank appeared to have found the perfect portfolio, one that minimized risk but generated consistently high returns. While investors in safe U.S. certificates of deposit could count on a roughly 3 percent return, Stanford offered CDs with twice that return.

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"Especially in these difficult times, our success speaks for itself. I have an unbridled optimism and enthusiasm for our future."

— R. Allen Stanford, in a 2008 newsletter to investors

In 2007, the Stanford International Bank investment portfolio earned more than 10 percent, more than twice what the S&P 500 earned. The bank assured depositors that a team of experts was analyzing investment risk daily, making sure the money was safe.

"Especially in these difficult times, our success speaks for itself," the 58year-old Texas billionaire wrote in a mid-2008 newsletter. "I have an unbridled optimism and enthusiasm for our future."

Company publications are filled with the symbols of economic power: pictures of skyscrapers, private jets, serious-looking executives focused on scrolling stock tickers, board room scenes and Zurich, Switzerland, at dusk. Stanford's letters to investors boasted of the bank's social responsibility, its cutting-edge technology and its tradition of hiring the "best of the best" to manage their money.

Regulators now say the Stanford portfolio was basically a "black box." Much of the money was tied up in real estate and private equity companies that don't trade on public stock markets. None of the bank's CDs were registered with the SEC, regulators said. And rather than a team of 20 analysts, authorities Stanford and his longtime friend, James M. Davis, were the only ones overseeing the money.

Had the company's estimated 50,000 investors looked past the glossy photographs and past Stanford's buoyant optimism, they might have been skeptical. Steve Wells, a forensic accountant and Western Kentucky University professor, said the bank sugarcoated its numbers by relying on management estimates and ignoring future credit losses.

"That's a red flag to me," he said. "Big time."

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Fees

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ployed cardholders. "It's a racket. It's a scam," said Rachel Davis, a 38-year-old dental technician from St. Louis who was laid off in October. Davis was given a MasterCard issued through Central Bank of Jefferson City and recently paid \$6 to make two \$40 withdrawals.

The banks say their programs offer convenience. They also provide at least one way to tap the money at no charge, such as using a single free withdrawal to get all the cash at once from a bank teller. But the banks benefit from human nature, as people end up treating the cards like all the other plastic in their wallets.

Some banks, depending on the agreement negotiated with each state, also make money on the interest they earn after the state deposits the money and before it's spent. The banks and credit card companies also get roughly 1 percent to 3 percent off the top of each transaction made with the cards.

Neither banks nor credit card companies will say how much money they are making off the programs, or what proportion of the revenue comes from user versus merchant fees or interest. It's difficult to estimate the profits because they depend on how often recipients use their cards and where they use them.

But the potential is clear.

In Missouri, for instance, 94,883 people claimed unemployment benefits through debit cards from Central Bank. Analysts say a recipient uses a card an average of six to 10 times a month. If each cardholder makes three withdrawals at an out-of-network ATM, at a fee of \$1.75, the bank would collect nearly \$500,000. If half of the cardholders also call customer service three times in any given week, the bank's revenue would jump to more than \$521,000. That would yield \$6.3 million a

Rachel Storch, a Democratic state representative, received a wave of complaints about the fees from autoworkers laid off from a suburban St. Louis Chrysler plant.

She recently urged Gov. Jay Nixon to review the state's contract with Central Bank with an eye toward reducing the

"I think the contract is unfair and potentially illegal to unemployment recipients," she said.

Central Bank did not return two messages seeking comment.

Glenn Campbell, a spokesman for Rep. Russ Carnahan, D-Mo., said the congressman would support a review of the debit card programs nationwide.

Another 10 states — including the unemployment hot spots of California, Florida and South Carolina — are considering such programs or have signed contracts. The remainder still use tradi-

tional checks or direct deposit. With the national unemployment rate now at 7.6 percent, the market for bankissued unemployment cards is booming. In 2003, states paid only \$4 million of unemployment insurance through debit cards. By 2007, it had ballooned to \$2.8 billion, and by 2010 it will likely rise to \$10.5 billion, according to a study conducted by Mercator Advisory Group, a financial industry consulting firm.

The economic stimulus plan signed by President Barack Obama this week will increase federal unemployment benefits by \$40 billion this year. Subsequently, there will be more money from which banks can collect fees. The U.S. Department of Labor allows the fees as long as states create a way for recipients to get their money for free, spokeswoman Suzy Bohnert said.

"Beyond that, the individual decides how to manage his drawdowns using the debit card," she said in an e-mail.

A typical contract looks like the agreement between Citigroup and the state of Kansas, which took effect in November. The state expects to save \$300,000 a year by wiring payments to Citigroup instead of printing and mailing checks.

Citigroup's bill to the state: zero. The bank collects its revenue from fees paid by merchants and the unemployed.

"If you use your card the right way, you're not going to pay fees at all," said Paul Simpson, Citigroup's global head of public sector, health care and wholesale

Glut

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and banks step up lending, many industries still have to go through massive restructuring before growth can resume. But executives say they have to tread carefully. If they put off critical investments in technology or research for too long, they could hobble their recovery and even the economy's.

Few industries have been as stung as severely by excess capacity as the U.S. auto industry, which produces millions more vehicles than it can sell. In 2008, there were enough automotive assembly plants in North America to churn out 18.3 million vehicles a year, according to the Center for Automotive Research. Analysts estimate that consumers this year will buy about 11 million. At current sales levels, it would take and trucks clogging lots.

Automakers are submitting plans outlining how they hope to restructure their operations to deal with a smaller marketplace, while still developing the new fuelefficient cars that may be key to their future.

ing to figure out how to survive in the face of massive excess capacity globally.

At its plant in Strasburg, Va., International Automotive Components, a Michiganbased supplier, secured wage and benefit concessions from workers in 2007 in hopes of staying competitive. But when Ford closed a factory in Norfolk, IAC had to lay off more than 200 workers, a third of the workforce in Strasburg. Since then, IAC has been able to line up more work for the plant.

vive," said Karen Foster, president of United Auto Workers Local 2999, which represents the IAC employees at the affected plant. There are echoes of the

automakers' plight throughout the economy. Sandra Berg, chief executive of Ellis Paint in Los Angeles, an industrial paint and coating manufacturer, recently found herself confronting overcapacity head on. Her company had been growing steadily since 2000 and was able to hand out bonuses for 2008. The downturn started to affect business toward the end of last year. Then came January, and "we just slammed into a brick wall," Berg said.

have plummeted, Ellis Paint has announced two rounds of layoffs, imposed a hiring freeze and cut pay for management by 5 percent. The company has cut everywhere but sales, marketing, and

research and development. "Our goal is to keep our expenses at the level of sales. I don't need to make a lot of money. I just need to break even ... and look for the opportunities," Berg said.



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As a family owned business they have over 16 years experience in spraying residential and commercial properties. All technicians working for LOCAL LAWN AND TREE are state certified through the Idaho Department of Agriculture and continue their education every year with certified state training.

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BUILDING PERMITS

Twin Falls City RESIDENTIAL

TKO Construction, 648 Braden Court; new house; \$108,474. TKO Construction, 648 Braden Court; new house; \$87,785. TKO Construction, 0 Orchard Drive; demo; \$7,500.

Pat Florence, 2707 Pole Line Road E.; addition-master bedroom, guest room and garage; \$85,932.

Sid Lezamiz, 592 Washington St. N.; re-roof; \$3,000. David Becker, 580 Carriage Lane N.; finish basement; \$10,082.

Weather Vane Homes, 612/614 Garnet St., duplex; \$199,920.

Eaglewood Homes Inc., 325 Jeweler St.; new house; \$111,211.

Ann Fuller, 182 Polk St.; reroof; \$5,200. Moreen Crooks, 2942

Moreen Crooks, 2942 Elizabeth Blvd.; storage shed; \$2,023.

COMMERCIAL

Liberty Tax Service, 1565 Fillmore St., No. 2E; wall sign; \$1,820.

Gregg Olsen, 484 Grandview Drive; monument sign; \$5,378.

A.I.M. Northwest, 166 River Vista No. B; two wall signs; \$900.

Ameripride Linen and Apparel, 403 Main Ave. W.; wastewater treatment addition; \$55,522. J&C Towing, 1830 Osterloh Ave.; 8' screening fence; \$2,000; pole sign; \$200. Project Mutual Telephone, 1080 Frontier Road; fibre optic storage building; \$5,268.

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,

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.

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.; reroof; \$3,000.
TDW Enterprises, 1524 A St.;

City of Heyburn

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.

Bryon Larson; 1535 15th St.;

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.

\$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.,

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ment; \$93,300.

The turning point where Wall Street and Detroit intersect

he Detroit autoworker and the Wall Street investment banker live in totally different economic realities — or so it seems to just about every-

One is unionized, the other not. One is semi-skilled, most likely with a high school diploma, the other an MBA from some fancy school.

One is middle class, dependent on generous hourly wages and benefits, the other reliant on lavish performance bonuses that have put him squarely in the economic elite.

Yet in some important ways, the autoworker and the investment banker are really variations on the same story — a story that in both instances has reached a crucial turning point.

From the 1950s until well, until just now — the unionized workers at General Motors, Ford and Chrysler were the aristocrats of the blue-collar workforce. earning well above what others made with similar skills and education. In the 1950s and '60s, before the advent of foreign competition, their companies competed in almost every way except price, earning aboveaverage profit margins. And thanks to a strong union, favorable labor laws and a generally paternalistic attitude on the part of corporate America, autoworkers captured a significant portion of those above-market

returns. Over the past 30 years, the returns have gradually disappeared under the pressure of foreign and domestic competition. Yet despite the gradual decline in the power of the union movement, autoworkers have nonetheless been able to negotiate pay and benefits, job security and work rules that have remained significantly more favorable than those at nonunionized factories run by foreign firms in the United States. Now, as General Motors and Chrysler enter the final phase of what amounts to a bankruptcy-like reorganization under the auspices of

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the U.S. Treasury, that unsustainable old model is at long last being put to rest.

Instead, a new model is emerging that follows the outline of earlier restructurings in the steel and other heavily unionized industries.

Under such a model,
Detroit's Big Three customers would finally be
treated to cars that offer
competitive performance
and styling to go along with
the competitive pricing of
recent years.

Employees would be forced to accept lower base pay and benefits, in exchange for a reasonable share of company profits through a combination of performance bonuses and company stock held by the union health and retirement fund.

Patient shareholders —
most of them former creditors forced to trade loans for equity — would reap the benefit of long-term investments in new technology, new products and new ways of doing business.

And so it will be with the investment bankers, traders and whizzes of structured finance.

For years, Wall Street has earned above-average returns by taking advantage of customers, hiding behind regulations and competing with rivals on the basis of anything other than price. And for years, Wall Street firms have passed along the lion's share of these outsized profits to executives and employees in the form of astronomical bonuses that bear no relationship to the

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pay of workers in other industries with similar skills and work ethics.

Indeed, just as the unionized autoworkers were the aristocrats of the blue-collar world, Wall Street traders and investment bankers were the aristocrats of the white-collar world. Both came to look on their abovemarket pay not just as the result of hard work and good fortune, but as an entitlement. In time, this sense of entitlement led firms to pursue strategies that drained the companies of financial strength and led them to the brink of a collapse that now requires a massive government rescue.

At the most fundamental level, what did in Citigroup was the same thing that did in General Motors — an arrogant and insular business culture that failed to put the customer first, failed to rein in employee pay and failed to make the difficult decisions necessary for the survival of the enterprise.

The government is still trying to fashion a restructuring plan for Wall Street, but the principles that now govern the auto bailout are likely to apply there as well.

Excessive, above-market compensation will be reined in — in Wall Street's case by reducing the reliance on outsized performance bonuses that encourage short-term thinking and undue risk-taking.

Customers will be afforded greater protection through more aggressive regulation, greater transparency and higher capital requirements.

Shareholders and creditors will benefit from a moderation of the boom-and-bust cycle that has wiped out most of their winnings even as it has enriched many employees and top executives.

It would be premature to declare that all of this adds up to a new model for American-style capitalism, one that achieves a fairer and more stable balance among the interests of customers, employees and shareholders. The one bit of good news from the current crisis, however, is that it is pushing us quickly in that direction.

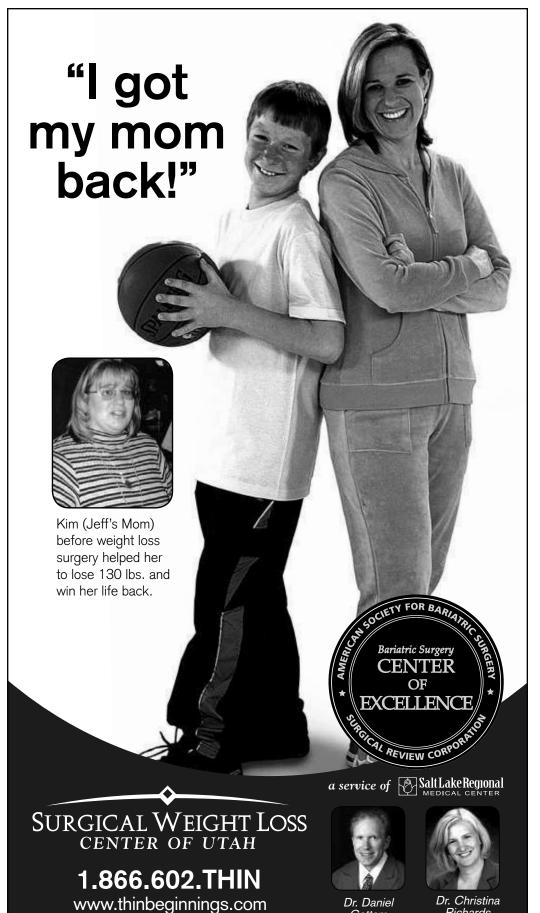
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On Wall Street, sky-high payouts may fall to Earth

By Samantha Gross Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — With the economy in the throes of a historic meltdown, financial workers everywhere fear layoffs. But even those who keep their jobs may face a far different future than they had imagined — one without the big payouts that have long made Wall Street a beacon for the ambitious and the acquisitive.

Those finance industry workers still standing after the brutal banking collapses of the past year had to contend with a major slash in bonus pay — with many losing as much as one-third of their total compensation. Then the Obama administration imposed a pay cap of \$500,000 on certain senior executives whose companies receive substantial bailout money.

Now, analysts anticipate pay will sink even further, and some question whether the shift could permanently downsize the high-flying culture of Wall Street.

"It's going to drop again in 2009, so it's a huge change," compensation consultant Alan Johnson said of the falling bonus payouts.

Johnson noted that pay has often dropped as part of a cyclical downturn and then rebounded after a few years. But he said the new federal pay caps have changed the equation and have many Wall Street workers concerned that their incentive pay could disappear altogether, cutting their compensation to onethird of what it was.

In the neighborhood surrounding the New York Stock Exchange, many finance industry employees say they

"You eat what you kill. It's a performance-based industry."

- Broker Drew R. Alexander

are more worried about keeping their jobs than they are about their paychecks dwindling. Some believe the loss in compensation goes with the hard."

"You eat what you kill. It's a performance-based industry," said broker Drew R. Alexander, who has seen his pay drop since October and reports that some friends have lost upward of 60 percent of their income.

Even many of those performing well are being forced to cut back on some expenses. Most finance sector employees have come to depend on bonuses and incentives to cover about two-thirds of their total income — but in 2008 that bonus pay was sliced by about 45 percent, cutting total compensation by about onethird, Johnson said.

That means, according to Johnson, that workers who recently got their MBAs and once would have expected more than \$150,000 in yearly pay likely got about \$105,000. Vice presidents, who in flush years have made \$300,000 to \$500,000, saw a drop of \$90,000 to \$150,000. Even secretaries, who including a small bonus often make about \$50,000 a year, have seen a

At the big investment firms, where historically hundreds of employees have made millions, and thousands have made \$300,000 to \$500,000, workers are struggling to come to grips with a world gone suddenly awry.

"Morale is terrible right now," Johnson said. "People are getting laid off. Pay is down. You're working really

A number of firms have seen a jump in the employee hours spent at the company gym, as people try to cope with declining opportunity and rising stress, he said.

Analysts believe the federal pay caps imposed on some of the highest-level executives, combined with public anger surrounding Wall Street bonuses, may very well trickle down to reduce the pay of employees at all levels of finance firms.

"It will have a deflationary impact on the organizations," said Pearl Meyer, executive compensation consultant with Steven Hall & Partners. "But I don't know how permanent that is."

"At the lower level, you're hitting Christmas money" with such cuts, along with home and car payments, Meyer said. New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg recently noted that more than half the city's financial services sector employees make less than \$100,000 a year.

And at the upper range of the ladder, long-term pay cuts could permanently shift the character of Wall Street — long famous for drawing daredevil risk-takers seeking a luxe lifestyle.

Growing up in suburban Summit, N.J., David Gunther was surrounded by invest-



A businessman walks his son to school past the New York Stock Exchange in New York in October 2008.

ment bankers and luxury sedans. After visiting a cousin on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, he was hooked.

"Being down there, everyone's yelling. They have their own language, their own talk, their own swagger," said Gunther, 23. "It always seemed like fast easy money" and was "portrayed as one big party."

Gunther thought he might land a job making \$80,000 out of college. Instead, shortly after graduation he was living with his parents and looking for his first job — hoping now for \$30,000 a year, and considering other industries.

"The game's completely changed," he said.

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Obama administration tries to kill e-mail case

By Pete Yost **Associated Press writer**

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration, siding with former President George W. Bush, is trying to kill a lawsuit that seeks to recover what could be millions of missing White House e-mails.

Two advocacy groups suing the Executive Office of the President say that large amounts of White House email documenting Bush's eight years in office may still be missing, and that the government must undertake an extensive recovery effort. They expressed disappointment that Obama's Justice Department is continuing the Bush administration's bid to get the lawsuits dismissed.

During its first term, the Bush White House failed to

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switched to a new system, resulting in millions of messages that could not be found.

The Bush White House discovered the problem in 2005 and rejected a proposed solu-

Recently, the Bush White House said it had located 14 million e-mails that were misplaced and that the White House had restored hundreds of thousands of other e-mails from computer backup tapes.

took are inadequate, one of the two groups, the National Security Archive, told a federal judge in court papers filed Friday.

The steps the White House

"We do not know how many more e-mails could be restored but have not been, because defendants have not looked," the National Security Archive said in the court papers.

"The new administration seems no more eager than

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Socks the cat peers over the podium in the White House briefing room in Washington in March 1994.

Socks, the Clintons' White House cat, dies

By Kasey Jones **Associated Press writer**

BALTIMORE — Socks, the White House cat during the Clinton administration who waged war on Buddy the pup, has died. He was around 18.

Socks had lived with Bill Clinton's secretary, Betty Currie, in Hollywood, Md., since the Clintons left the White House in early 2001. Currie confirmed Socks'

death Friday evening and said she was "heartbroken." She did not give details, referring calls to the Clinton Foundation office.

The foundation released a statement from the

"Socks brought much happiness to Chelsea and us over the years, and enjoyment to kids and cat lovers everywhere. We're grateful for those memories, and we especially want to thank our good friend, Betty Currie, for taking such loving care of Socks for so many years."

Socks had reached his late teens — an advanced age for a cat — when reports surfaced in late 2008 that he had cancer and Currie had ruled out invasive efforts to prolong his

"It's not a happy prognosis," presidential historian Barry Landau, a friend of Currie's, said at the time.

AROUND THE NATION



AP file photo

Oreste Lionello holds a sculpture made by Canadian artist Cutrone symbolizing silence in front of a poster for David Lynch's 'Lost Highway' in Rome in July 1998.

Movie dubber dies, was Italian 'voice' of Woody Allen

ROME — Oreste Lionello, an entertainer and film dubber who was Italy's "voice" of Woody Allen, Jerry Lewis and other comic stars, died in a Rome hospital Thursday.

Lionello, 81, was a star in Italy's important entertainment industry of movie dub-

Relatively few Italian cinemas show films in the original language, so moviegoers often only know the voices of Hollywood stars through dubbers like Lionello.

Italian actor and director Pier Francesco Pingitore, who did cabaret acts with Lionello, said the dubber died Thursday morning after a long illness. No details were released about the ill-

Besides Allen and Lewis, other actors who were dubbed by Lionello included Peter Sellers, Marty Feldman and Charlie Chaplin in "The Great Dictator."

ELO bass player Kelly **Groucutt dead at 63**

LONDON Groucutt, former bass player with 1970s rock hitmakers ELO, has died aged 63.

Groucutt's management said the musician died Thursday in Worcester, central England, after having a heart attack.

Formed in Birmingham, England, in 1971 by local musicians Jeff Lynne and Roy Wood, ELO — short for Electric Light Orchestra combined rock 'n' roll with orchestral arrangements replete with string sections, and symphonic

Groucutt joined ELO in 1974 after leaving his previous band, Sight and Sound. He played bass and sang during ELO's heyday as one

of the world's biggest rock acts. ELO had a string of British and U.S. chart hits during the 1970s and early 1980s, including "Livin' Thing," "Mr. Blue Sky" and "Don't Bring Me Down."

Helgason, pioneer of cheap **US-Europe** flights, dies

SAN IUAN, Puerto Rico — Icelandic airline executive Sigurdur Helgason, who pioneered cheap flights that carried legions of backpackers between Europe and the United States in the 1960s and '70s, has died. He was

Helgason died Feb. 8 on Mustique, a tiny private island in the Caribbean, an Icelandair spokesman said Friday. No cause of death was given.

Helgason, who reportedly spent winters on Mustique after retiring, was CEO of Icelandair from 1974 to 1984 and then chairman of the board until 1991.

previously He Icelandic Airlines' U.S. operation in New York when it gained a big following among 20-somethings for its cheap flights to Luxembourg Iceland, said the spokesman, Gudjon Arngrimsson. Icelandic merged with another airline in 1973 to become Icelandair, the country's flagship carrier.

Daughter of polar explorer dies near Antarctic

WELLINGTON, Zealand — The 93-year-old daughter of a survivor of an ill-fated 1912 voyage to the South Pole died Wednesday while retracing her father's voyage to Antarctica.

Barbara Johns, daughter of biologist Edward Nelson, was only days from reaching her father's Antarctic field laboratory when she died of head injuries after falling aboard a ship during a storm, said Rodney Russ, the leader of the expedition.

Nelson was a member of Robert Falcon Scott's expedition to Antarctica aboard the Terra Nova in 1912. Scott led a party of five explorers who reached the South Pole in January 1912, only to find that Norwegian Roald Amundsen had preceded them.

Scott and his four comrades perished on the return journey from the pole.

Nelson was among Scott's support team and did not make the trek to the pole.

— Wire reports

Mildred Virginia Andrus Wert

WENDELL — Mildred Virginia Andrus Wert left this world to be with her Father in Heaven and her loved ones

who "met her with open arms." The incredible pain Mom has lived with for years became incredible peace on Feb. 19, 2009.



Mom was born to Charles H. Andrus and Mildred Peabody Stone Andrus in Elba, Idaho, on March 27, 1927. She grew up in the Sugar Loaf – Jerome area. The oldest of three sisters and one brother, she graduated from Jerome High School in 1945.

Mom married Wayne Keith Wert on May 14, 1946. They were "sweethearts for life," married for almost 63 years. They went everywhere and did everything together; when you saw one of them, you saw the other, until recent years when Mom's health wouldn't allow her to be Dad's "right hand man." She continued, however, to voice her opinions and you knew right where she stood on every sub-

As long as she was able. Mom never missed any event her kids or grandkids were in. Always cheering them on in whatever they were doing.

Mom did beautiful handycrafts. She made quilts for most of her family. She could embroider for hours and has made something special for her family members. She took great pride in her work and wanted things to turn out just

Mom ran a hobby shop in her home for years, enjoying spending time with all her fellow crafters.

Mom loved working side by side on the farm with Dad, doing everything from picking rock to cultivating corn. It wasn't just about the work they did, but the time they got to spend together. Dad always listened to Mom's ideas and they made the decisions together.

Mom was a collector of

many things, from Beanie Babies to plates. If we moved any of Mom's treasures; even though she hadn't used it in years, she would know it was

Sunday night pinochle was something she really looked forward to. June and Mom against Dad and Phil for years. She took her pinochle very seriously and played until the end (even the Sunday before entering the hospital), enjoying every minute of it.

Mom is survived by her husband of 63 years and three children, Pamela Fleming of Boise, Phil (June) Wert of Wendell and Melanie (Tom) Mattix of Wendell: 13 grandchildren, Curt, Jerry, Wendy, Kathy, Stephanie, Daphney, Tiffani, Phillip, Bethany, Whitney, Bradley, Michael and Kelli; and 30 great-grandchildren, with one on the way. The children and grandchildren played a huge role in Mom's life.

She is also survived by two sisters, Maurine Parker of Rupert and Marlene Reeves of Kimberly; and a very special Aunt Virginia McCarthy of Fitchburg, Mass.

Mom was preceded in death by her mother and father: brother. Charles Andrus; sister, Afton Buchanan; and other loved ones waiting to greet Mom with loving arms.

We thank God for our close and loving family; all gathered around Mom as she went to be with her Heavenly Father.

The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday. Feb. 24, at the Wendell LDS Church.

Burial will follow in the Wendell Cemetery in Wendell. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to: National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 6901 W. Emerald St., Suite 207, Boise, ID 83704; or Community Partnerships, 1201 Falls Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301 (they work with individuals who have special

DEATH NOTICES

Ormus H. Eames

RUPERT — Ormus Hubert Eames, 85, of Rupert, died Friday, Feb. 20, 2009, in Rupert.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour before the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Anne Heiner

PAUL - Anne Clark Heiner, 55, of Paul, died Friday, Feb.

20, 2009, at her home. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Rupert LDS 1st Ward-Spanish Branch Church, 806 G St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th

St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Evalona M. Denney

MURTAUGH — Evalona Mae Denney, 88, of Murtaugh, died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009, at her home.

A service will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, March 2, with family greeting from 6 to 8 p.m., at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Laura Dick

Laura Dick, 87, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Feb. 20, 2009, at BridgeView Estates in Twin Falls. Cremation is under the direction of Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls

SERVICES

R. Scott Cunningham of Nampa and formerly of Rupert, celebration of life from 7 to 9 p.m. today at the Alsip and Persons Funeral Chapel, 404 10th Ave. S. in Nampa; memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at Zion Lutheran Church, Nectarine St. in Nampa.

Eldon "Bo" Boguslawski of Jerome, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Monday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome; visitation at 5:30 p.m., with rosary and vigil at 6:30 p.m. today at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

Wanda Lucille Allen of Filer, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Filer LDS Stake Center; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, and 10 to 10:45 a.m.

Monday at the church.

Virginia Phyllis German **Nelson** of Hansen, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at Twin Falls Cemetery (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls).

Jeannette Mae Parr Thompson of Rupert, graveside service at 1 p.m. Monday at the Rupert Cemetery; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

Cosie May Parker Davis Aulston of Gooding, burial service at 1 p.m. Monday at the Dove Creek Cemetery in Dove Creek, Colo. (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

Viola Quigley of Buhl, memorial service at 1 p.m. Monday at the Buhl First Christian Church (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

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Theo Jerry Wickel

RUPERT — Theo Jerry Wickel, age 60, of Rupert, died Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center

in Twin Falls. He was Sept. born 14, 1948, in Burley, the son of Theo and Clara Fae Jones Wickel.

He received and completed his education in Burley. He married Bonnie Garner on Jan. 25, 1972, in Elko, Nev.

Jerry worked as a truck driver throughout his life and enjoyed his association with Circle A Trucking and Lynn Taylor Farms. He enjoyed the outdoors and liked hunting, fishing and camping. He also liked good music. However, the most important part of his life was his family. He especially loved his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Wickel of Rupert; one daughter, Jennifer (Mike) Hossfeld and their children. Logan, Austin and Jazlyn of Burley; his parents, Theo and Clara Wickel of Heyburn; two brothers, Kenneth (Vicky) Wickel of Rupert and Lee (Sharon) Wickel living in North Carolina; and one sister, Debra Fenton of Rupert. He was preceded in death by a son, Jerry Wickel Jr.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday and one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home.

Allen Delbert Stroud

Allen Delbert Stroud, 69, passed away at home in Twin Falls, on Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2009, after a valiant fight with a long-

He was born July 12, 1939, in Salmon, Idaho, to Delbert and Frances Stroud. Allen was the old-

term illness.

est of four children. He spent his early years in Leadore, Idaho, where he enjoyed fishing, hunting, and having fun with his family and friends. Allen married Pat Chatterton and to this union two sons were born, Alden and Curtis. They later divorced. He then moved to Mackay, Idaho, where he met and married Margie Brennan and to this union two daughters were born, Collene and

Una Lynn. After Allen and Margie divorced, he moved to Idaho Falls, where he met and later married Marilyn Prophet who had three children, Tony, Julie and Kelly. They loved the Oregon coast, where they lived and worked for several years. Allen then settled in La Grande, Ore.,

where he worked for the La Grande City Water Works.

In order to be closer to home, Allen and Marilyn moved to Twin Falls, where he found his dream job. Allen traveled six days a week to Jackpot, Nev., where he was a blackjack dealer. He enjoyed every moment of this occupation from the wonderful friends he met to the stories he heard and told to his gambling friends.

During his travels, Allen met many lifelong friends and enjoyed life to the fullest. He will always be remembered as a hard working, fun loving son, father and friend.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; four children; three stepchildren; mother, Frances; two sisters, Fern and Karla; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Delbert; and sister, Nola.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, at Hollister LDS Church in Hollister. Cremation has taken place, with burial at a later date in Leadore. Arrangements were under the direction of Salmon River Funeral Chapel.

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Official says Obama wants to halve budget deficit

By Liz Sidoti **Associated Press writer**

WASHINGTON — Barack Obama wants to cut the federal deficit in half by the end of his first term, mostly by scaling back Iraq war spending, raising taxes on the wealthiest and streamlining government, an administration official said Saturday as the president worked to finalize his first budget request.

Obama's proposal for the 2010 fiscal year that begins Oct. 1 projects that the estimated \$1.3 trillion deficit he has inherited from former President George W. Bush will be halved to \$533 billion by 2013. That's a difference of 9.2 percent of the overall economy now vs. 3 percent in four years.

"We can't generate sustained growth without getting our deficits under control,' Obama said in his weekly radio and Internet address that seemed to preview his intentions. He said his budget



President Obama speaks about foreclosures on Wednesday in Mesa, Ariz. He is to release his budget Thursday.

will be "sober in its assessments, honest in its accounting, and lavs out in detail my strategy for investing in what

we need, cutting what we don't, and restoring fiscal dis-

He's expected to outline policy and touch on it during

some broad themes of his budget request Monday at a White House summit on fiscal his first speech to Congress on Tuesday evening. He is slated to officially send at least a summary of it to Congress on Thursday, barely a week after his \$787 billion economic stimulus plan becoming law.

Obama's budget also is expected to take steps toward his campaign promises of establishing universal health care and lessening the country's reliance on foreign oil.

The official, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because the president has not yet released his budget, said Obama hopes to achieve his deficit-reduction goal by generating savings as he follows through on three core campaign promises over the next four years.

He has pledged to wind down the Iraq war by withdrawing most combat troops within 16 months of taking office. He also has said he would let the temporary Bush tax cuts expire in 2011 for people making more than \$250,000 a year, effectively

raising taxes on those people. And, he has vowed to scale back spending and improve government efficiency by eliminating programs that don't work.

The budget projections suggest that Obama hasn't backed off of any of those priorities, despite relatively little movement on them and at least one misstep in his first month in office as he concentrated on lobbying for the economic stimulus plan and rescuing the housing, auto and financial sectors.

Pentagon officials still are trying to determine exactly how to scale back the U.S. troop commitment in Iraq. The president's sweeping economic plan didn't include any of the tax increases Obama, as a candidate, had said he would impose on wealthy taxpayers. And, Nancy Killefer, his selection for a newly created position charged with eliminating inefficient government programs, withdrew amid personal tax issues.

AROUND THE NATION

ILLINOIS

Source: Feds interview Burris about Blagojevich

CHICAGO authorities interviewed U.S. Sen. Roland Burris on Saturday as they continued their corruption investigation former Gov. Rod Blagojevich, according to a person familiar with the mat-

Burris, who left his home for several hours Saturday, declined to talk to reporters standing outside. Earlier in the week, he said federal investigators wanted to talk to him about their probe into Blagojevich. Burris said his attorneys had been trying to set up a meeting with investigators for some time.

A person familiar with the matter confirmed Saturday's meeting to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity because the matter was confidential.

Burris spokesman Jim O'Connor declined comment, as did U.S. attorney's office spokesman Randall Samborn.

The Chicago Tribune, the Chicago Sun-Times and WMAQ-TV, citing people they did not name, reported that the meeting occurred at the Chicago offices of Burris' lawyer.

CALIFORNIA Man faces fallout from

stint on 'Wife Swap' SAN FRANCISCO — It's

safe to say Stephen Fowler probably wishes he never appeared on "Wife Swap."

Fowler's stint on the ABC reality show last month, in which he called a rural Missouri woman spending two weeks in his San Francisco home stupid and simple, has made him famous in the worst way.

His performance has inspired a Web StephenFowlerSucks.com, a Facebook group, "I Can not Stand Stephen Fowler from 'Wife Swap,'" and public condemnation by his own wife, who on her blog urged him to get professional help.

What has generated such wrath is Fowler's condescending treatment of Gayla Long, a mother of four from rural Missouri whose family likes fast food and paintball. In wince-producing remarks, Fowler, who is British, wrote off middle America with such pronouncements as "Your two languages seem to be bad English and redneck."

Three weeks later, Fowler's "Wife Swap" antics are still a YouTube sensation, with at least 10 postings from the show's Jan. 30 episode displayed on the Web site, most with headings such as "ridiculous elitist" and "elitists gone wild."

Fowler, an environmental entrepreneur who develops biofuels, apologized in a statement posted on his wife's blog for behaving "like a complete jerk" and said he has resigned from the boards of two nonprofit corporations for reflecting badly on the organizations.

PENNSYLVANIA **Journal Register files for**

bankruptcy protection

PHILADELPHIA — The Journal Register Co. filed Saturday for protection from creditors and said slumping advertising revenue and circulation are to blame.

In the Chapter 11 filing in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan, Journal Register proposed a restructuring plan in which it would cancel its stock and become a closely held company controlled by its lenders.

The Yardley, Pa.-based newspaper publisher reported \$596 million in assets as of Nov. 30 and \$692 million in debt, including unpaid interest. Revenue has fallen more than 20 percent since 2006, the company said in the filing.

In the documents, company Chairman and Chief Executive James W. Hall said the recession had placed an even greater burden on an already distressed industry.

On Thursday, JP Morgan Chase & Co. and 26 of the company's 37 lenders agreed to the reorganization, according to a statement posted Saturday on the Journal Register's corporate Web site.

The Journal Register owns 20 daily and 159 non-daily newspapers and has about 3,500 employees.

— The Associated Press

Salmonella outbreak highlights inspector shortage

ATLANTA (AP) — Tight state budgets have led some of the biggest farm states to leave dozens of food inspection jobs vacant at a time when hundreds have been sickened by a nationwide salmonella outbreak tied to a filthy peanut processing plant.

Georgia, the site of the plant, has about 60 inspectors for some 16,000 sites, while budget cuts have forced the state agriculture department to keep 15 inspector positions vacant.

California, Texas and Florida are among other states facing the same problems while food experts say the federal government relies increasingly on states to monitor the nation's food supply.

"You can only shift the pawns on the table so many times before the game catches up with you," Georgia deputy Agriculture Commissioner Garrison told legislators earlier this month while asking for more money to hire inspectors.

The salmonella outbreak linked to Peanut Corp. of America has sickened hundreds, may have caused nine deaths and prompted one of the largest food recalls in the nation's historv. Federal investigators have launched a criminal

investigation, and Virginiabased Peanut Corp. faces mounting lawsuits and a bankruptcy filing.

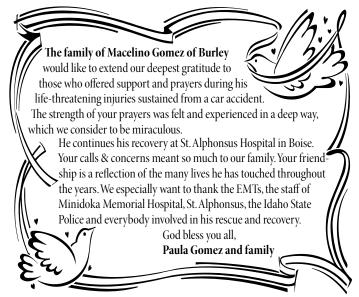
Food safety experts warn each loss of an inspector increases the possibility that food problems could elude

In the Georgia salmonella case, a state inspector found only minor problems when she probed the Blakely plant in October for less than two hours; less than three months later federal agents found roaches, mold, a leaking roof and other problems.

In Texas, eight of 42 manufactured food inspector positions are vacant, leaving 34 people to inspect about 21,000 facilities, from distributors to food salvage operations.

That's about one inspector for every 618 facilities, said Doug McBride, a spokesman for the Texas Department of State Health Services. So inspectors have to focus on sites that make higher-risk foods or those with reported problems.

The agency was lobbying to add seven more positions even before a Peanut Corp. plant in Plainview tested positive for salmonella and was shut down.





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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

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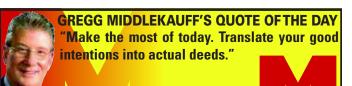
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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

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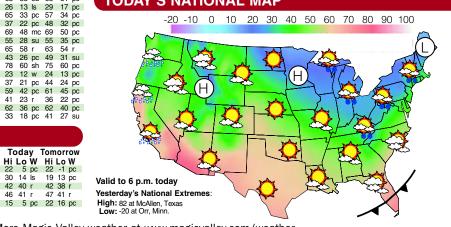
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Wolf sighting raises questions about Oregon return

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BEND, Ore. (AP) — A wolf weeks ago when a large, dark sighting in Central Oregon has raised questions about whether the wild animal is making a comeback or whether it was a pet that escaped.

Chris Mortimer was driving over Santiam Pass several

animal ran out in front of his

"A wolf ran right across the road," said Mortimer, who has worked as a naturalist. "She ran across the road, she stopped for maybe three to four seconds just to kind of

look back. It was just kind of amazing."

The encounter lasted just long enough for Mortimer to grab his camera and snap a couple pictures before the animal ran into the woods.

Whether the animal was actually a wild gray wolf is

being investigated by wildlife biologists.

'We don't know where the animal came from," said John Stephenson, wolf coordinator for Oregon with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Stephenson saw the pictures taken by Mortimer and

followed large tracks for miles in the snow.

Biologists say it could be a wild wolf that made its way from Idaho, where wolf populations have thrived since they were introduced in 1995.

The Idaho wolves are expected to eventually cross

the Snake River and settle in Oregon, but so far only a handful of arrivals have been confirmed and those are in the far northeastern reaches of the state.

The animal Mortimer saw on Santiam Pass could also be some kind of wolf hybrid.



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EDITORIAL

Aquifer management plan is as good as we're going to get

t's not a breakthrough. No global solutions are in the offing in the Comprehensive Aquifer Management Plan for the Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer, which will go before the Legislature Monday. But it's a good road map — a balanced mix of the

Lawmakers should endorse it and find the money to get it started.

tried-and-true and the inno-

The Legislature itself commissioned this plan nearly three years ago. Idaho was mired in drought at the time, threats of water-rights lawsuits were flying right, left and sideways, and during the irrigation season there were almost daily warnings that pumps might soon be padlocked.

The plan, drawn up by Idaho Department of Water Resources staff, consultants and stakeholders, envisions restoring the aquifer's flows by using a variety of tools recharge, ground-to-surface water conversions, buyouts, buydowns, subordination agreements, rotating fallowing of cropland and even weather modification.

The long-term goal is to incrementally "save" 600,0000 acre-feet a year by 2030.

To accomplish that, the state and water users will have to chip in between \$70 million and \$100 million during the first 10-year phase of the plan. Three-fifths of the funding would come from various user groups.

The Idaho Department of Water Resources has asked for \$3 million from the Legislature to get the plan started, but that's in doubt this tight budget year. It's possible the IDWR may be able to come up with the money by diverting funds already reserved for other purposes, but the agency may not need the full \$3 million right away because these projects won't be implemented immediately.

Our fear is that legislators will tinker with the delicately negotiated compromise on how much each group of water users will pay. If that happens, it's a dealbreaker.

The list of folks who had a hand in drafting this plan includes representatives from across the economic spectrum in southern Idaho. A signfiicant number of stakeholders aren't on board yet, but in its broad outlines this is the best blueprint we're going to get.

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Beer, wine and prisons

Raise beverage taxes to pay for substance abuse treatment

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embers of The Common Interest Republicans, Democrats, and Independents from every corner of Idaho - have proposed raising the beer and wine tax. But why would anyone propose any kind of tax hike in these tough economic times?

We support raising the beer and wine tax to provide dedicated funding for substance abuse treatment because we believe it's the fiscally responsible thing to

Idahoans will pay for substance abuse. The only question is how much we'll pay and when. Right now, we pay for substance abuse in prison costs (roughly \$50,000 per inmate serving an average sentence of 2 1/2 years), victim costs (including the costs we confront when we're hit by a drunk driver and those that family members incur when an abuser becomes violent), and in medical insurance premiums that are higher because substance abusers or their victims couldn't get preventative treatment and ended up in ERs. There is a better solution. We could pay less, earlier, by investing in substance abuse treatment.

Tie, North Dakota

Tie, Minnesota

Tie, Tennessee

36, Montana

34, Idaho

The Common Interest began to think seriously about the costs of substance abuse a year ago when we investigated the overcrowded prison problem. The Department of Correction had just estimated that we'd need to build \$1 billion in new prisons over the next ten years. We didn't like the tax burden this would create. Those costs definitely seemed too high.

So, recognizing that 85 percent of incarcerated offenders have substance abuse problems — problems that frequently factor in their arrests and that make rearrest upon release more likelywe looked at solutions that might be more cost effective than building prison capacity. The 226 members of The Common Interest who studied our policy brief were impressed by the research that finds that, on average,



Idaho's tax on beer hasn't increased in 49 years.

		How Idaho d	compares		
Beer taxes (\$	per gallon)	38, New Jersey	.12	20, Illinois	.73
1, Alaska	\$1.07	39, Indiana	.115	21, Oklahoma	.72
2, Hawaii	.93	40, Massachusett	s .11	22, Nevada	.70
3, South Carolina	.77	Tie, New York	.11	Tie, New Jersey	.70
4. Alabama	.53	42, Rhode Island	.10	24, Oregon	.67
Tie, North Carolina	.53	43, DC	.09	25, Connecticut	.60
6, Florida	.48	Tie, Maryland	.09	Tie, Maine	.60
7, Mississippi	.427	45, Colorado	.08	Tie, Rhode Island	.60
8, New Mexico	.41	Tie, Kentucky	.08	28, Massachusetts	.55
Tie, Utah	.41	Tie, Oregon	.08	Tie, Vermont	.55
10, Oklahoma	.40	Tie, Pennsylvania	.08	30, Michigan	.51
11, Maine	.35	49, Missouri	.06	31, Kentucky	.50
12, Georgia	.32	Tie, Wisconsin	.06	Tie, North Dakota	.50
Tie, Louisiana	.32	51, Wyoming	.02	33, Indiana	.47
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15, New Hampshire	.30			35, Maryland	.40
16, South Dakota	.27	• • •	•	36, Mississippi	.35
17, Vermont	.265			37, Colorado	.32
18, Washington	.261	Wine taxes	(\$ per gallon)	38, DC	.30
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The particular image that haunts me is of the mother who will try to keep her family together on her own because her husband sits in prison. Especially in these hard times, we can't afford to lose the struggle to substance abuse and leave an empty chair.

15, South Carolina

18, North Carolina

16, Washington

17, Arizona

19, Arkansas

for every \$1 a state invests in substance abuse treatment. there is a \$17 return — \$8 that won't be lost by victims of crime and \$9 in taxpayer savings. Funding substance abuse treatment saves tax

dollars. That's just as true in a tough economy as in a robust economy. It's just more needed now.

Idaho has struggled to fund substance treatment adequately. Last year, the

governor vetoed nearly \$17 million in treatment, then, meeting resistance in the Legislature, settled for cutting funding by 10 percent.

states is generated from

various taxes, fees and net

— Source: Federation of Tax

Administrators

See ALCOHOL, Opinion 2

Idaho newspapers aren't immune to tough times

¬ imes are tight. No doubt about it. Last week the Idaho Falls-based Post Register announced that starting March 2 it will print papers iust six days a week, dropping its Monday edition. **Publisher Roger Plothow** said he didn't want to do it, but that "... financial realities require all businesses, including the Post Register, to make hard but necessary decisions to ensure we continue to thrive during down times.'

Those down times have hit the news industry much like a pit bull on a raw steak. Several major media organizations are in bankruptcy or could soon be; big papers in places like Denver and Seattle will close in coming weeks; waves of layoffs have decimated newsrooms

nationwide. Closer to home, the Standard Journal in Rexburg



FAIRFIELD ST. WEST James G. Wright

is becoming a three-day-aweek paper, down from five.

The reasons for the rapid decline of money for news are many and complex and they go far beyond newspapers or issues of how we cover things. Rick Edmonds, who tracks news industry trends for the Poynter Institute, wrote last week that spending on all forms of advertising nationwide was fallen by about 20 percent compared to the same quarter last year.

That means tight times not only for all forms of media that depend on ad

dollars to pay the bills. South-central Idaho is

doing better than some regions - including parts of Idaho that were booming just months ago - but we're not immune to the downturn. We're running fewer display and classified ads, which translates into fewer pages in the paper for news because ad volume drives that calculation.

Does that mean we'll stop printing on some days?

All I can say is that the *Times-News* remains in the black and we have no plans to eliminate days of the

And we had some good news last week: Lee Enterprises, the company that owns this paper and dozens more around the country, announced that it has negotiated more favorable terms on \$1.1 billion in debt, much of it stemming from past purchases of other

newspapers. The refinancing gives Lee

a lot of breathing room while we weather the recession, but nothing is certain. No one can say how deep the downturn will go or when it will end.

All I can say is that we'll keep slugging away in the face of adversity and doing the best we can with what we have until things get bet-

Idahoans are stubborn that way.

Last week we wrote about

Jason C. Smith, a former Twin Falls man who successfully sued the state to get out from under the designation of "violent sexual predator."

In the response to that article was this note:

'My concern is that Jason Smith is a pretty common name for young men of that age, (quite a few living in

Idaho) and how the article may affect their lives. Would you consider a follow up article regarding how common the name is and for folk to be sure that when they encounter someone with that name to check before assuming the worst?

"My son has that name and is an Idaho resident. I would hate to think that he might be treated unfairly or receive threats due to the article."

While an article about this one name would be overkill, let's take a minute to explore the ways we present information to prevent exactly that kind of confusion.

In almost all stories about crimes you'll see the age of the accused. Often you'll see the person's hometown and, if it's known, their address and middle initial. To some readers that might just seem like unnecessary detail, but it's there for a reason: All of

those points of information help narrow the field and prevent some innocent bystander from being confused with a legitimate bad Take Jason Smith, for

example.

As noted in last week's story, Smith the former VSP is 33 years old and he now lives somewhere in the Midwest. Those details alone rule out every other Jason Smith in Idaho.

But wait, there's more. We ran a mug shot of the former VSP — not just so that people would know what he looks like, but also so that our readers know that the Jason Smith down the street, who is blond and 50, isn't the same guy.

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Legislature has done right by public schools

n reading James Cobble's opinion on school funding in the newspaper on Feb. 15, I would respectfully wish to offer a little different

Mr. Cobble is correct; Idaho's public school funding formula, like most other states, is famously complex. However, an attempt to describe the funding system through a few bullet points actually does a disservice to the public.

I would have to disagree with Mr. Cobble on his state-



ment that public school funding is built on an unstable tax system. Quite the contrary. The state portion of the public school funding relies on sales tax, personal income tax, corporate income tax,

product taxes, miscellaneous

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revenues, lottery dividends and endowment fund dividends. This is a system that absorbs downturns in various sectors and continues to pay for the growth of new students in the school system every year. Additionally, teacher compensation rose by 4 percent in 2008 and 2.5 percent in 2009. Further, since 1995, the public schools appropriation from the Legislature has outpaced inflation.

Most other states are in dire straits with some having to

cut more than 10 percent of their school budget from their current year. The Idaho Legislature has built reserve funds for these situations and, in the face of drastic revenue decreases, the schools and school children will be held harmless during the current school year. FY 2010 will be the challenge, as we don't know where the bottom is. Stimulus funds could help but are only a one-time reprieve. Therefore, we need to continuously look for ways

taxes is not an option. Lastly, let's be clear on charter schools. Traditional schools and charter schools use the same funding formula, same staff allowance, same base salaries and same set of divisors to determine the annual appropriation. This is detailed in Title 33, Chapter 10, Idaho Code. The exception is that charter schools with less than 100 students use a smaller divisor to determine support units. However, there is only one charter

While some may view the issue of education funding a little differently, Mr. Cobble

than 100 students.

and those of us in the Legislature share the same goal. We both want to provide quality education for the children of Idaho.

Maxine Bell, a Republican from Jerome, represents Jerome and Minidoka counties in the Idaho House of Representatives. She is the chairwoman of the House Appropriations Committee.

GOP played hardball on stumulus — and lost badly

rlen Specter was one of just three Senate Republicans to buck his party and vote in favor of President Obama's stimulus package. After he announced his decision, he says, a fellow GOP senator approached him in private to offer congratulations.

When asked, however, that unknown senator declined to join Specter because he was too afraid of drawing a primary challenge. He was glad somebody was doing the right thing, but he wouldn't risk it himself.

As Specter put it, "there are a lot of people in the Republican caucus who are glad to see this action taken without their fingerprints, without their participation. ... I think a good part of the caucus agrees with the person I quoted."

In the House, of course, not a single Republican voted in favor of the stimulus bill, a fact the GOP celebrated as a great victory. As Republican Party chairman Michael Steele later told the House GOP, "The goose egg that you laid on the president's desk was just beauti-

Given such remarks, it's pretty clear that Republicans in Congress decided to approach the stimulus measure not on its merits but as a matter of party discipline; they voted not as individuals with minds of



JAY BOOKMAN

their own, but in lockstep, as a party following a herd instinct.

Before the vote, the small number of GOP members who had expressed support for the stimulus or were waffling were pressured not to betray their fellow party members, and the pressure worked.

In parliamentary systems such as Great Britain, of course, such party-line votes are common, but until the early '90s, they were relatively rare in Congress. That changed when Newt Gingrich became House minority whip and began to use party-line votes as a way to define the GOP brand to the American pub-

In 1993, for instance, President Clinton proposed a major tax increase to help bring down soaring deficits and restore fiscal confidence on Wall Street. The proposal passed, but without a single Republican vote in the House. After that vote, Gingrich made a prediction about its economic impact:

"We'll be in a recession by next year, and I think (Clinton's) tax increase will

increase the deficit by putting Americans out of work."

In economic terms, Gingrich could not have been more mistaken. The deficit did not increase; it fell annually from \$300 billion in 1993, reaching surplus in 1999. The average unemployment rate — 6.9 percent in 1993 — also declined in every subsequent year of Clinton's presi-

However, if Gingrich's stand was bad economics, it proved to be good politics. The party unity they displayed helped define the Republicans as tax-cutters and the Democrats as taxhikers in the public eye, contributing significantly to the surprise Republican takeover of the House in 1994. That's the model House Republicans are trying to emulate.

However, there's another example that may prove more telling. In late 1995, Gingrich again used party discipline to block passage of a federal budget and forcing a shutdown of the government. The American people were not amused. and this time they sided not with the Republicans but with Clinton. Gingrich was forced to publicly back down, a humiliation he never overcame.

At a time of perceived crisis, in other words, public tolerance for partisan games proved pretty low. And the standoff of 14 years ago

doesn't compare in severity to the economic emergency

to be more efficient. Raising

confronting us today. In poll after poll, roughly 60 percent of Americans say they approve of how Obama is handling the economy. More tellingly, in a CNN poll 60 percent of Americans say they approve of how congressional Democrats are handling it, while 55 percent disapprove of Republican congressional leadership.

A new $\bar{A}P$ poll puts it even more starkly — 68 percent approve of Obama's handling of the economy, 49 percent approve of how congressional Democrats are approaching it. Only 33 percent approve of the Republican approach, with 59 percent disapproving.

In times of stress, people naturally seek comfort in unity. The Republicans, hurting politically, turned to each other for that comfort. But the American people, also under stress, also sought unity and instead saw the GOP act in boldly partisan fashion. They clearly don't approve.

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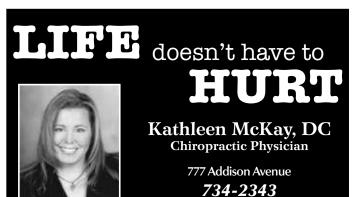
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- Secretary of State Hillary Clinton ahead of talks with Chinese leaders in Beijing





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Alcohol

Continued from Opinion 1 This year, with tax revenues shrinking, the governor has proposed to scale back the treatment request again. By providing more dedicated funding for substance abuse treatment, we would ensure that we're always making the smart investment. We would also help to ensure treatment capacity. With our volatile funding history, Idaho has struggled to attract substance abuse providers. With a stable, dedicated funding source in place, those

providers will come. We're proposing a modest increase. We'd like to restore revenues to just less than half of the original purchasing power of the tax and shift the tax from volume to price so that as the costs of alcohol abuse climb, our revenue will climb as well. This translates into pocket change for the average alcohol con-

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hasn't risen since 1961, will go from 1.4 cents to 4.9 cents per can while the wine tax, unchanged since 1971, will rise from 1.8 cents to 6.1 cents per glass. Someone who drinks a six-pack a week will pay about \$1 more each month. The 20 percent of drinkers who consume 88 percent of the alcohol and are most prone to abuse alcohol will pay much more. And they should, since they are responsible for most of the costs that the rest of us

otherwise must bear. So, we have a choice. We can impose a modest cost on all drinkers or live with the higher costs that substance abuse imposes on all. We already know what those

the struggle to substance abuse and leave an empty

The House Revenue and **Taxation Committee will** hold a hearing on House Bill 140 on Monday at 9 a.m. You can find out more about the details of the bill at www.TheCommonInterest. org. We hope you'll join us in supporting this effort to be more fiscally responsible in these challenging times.

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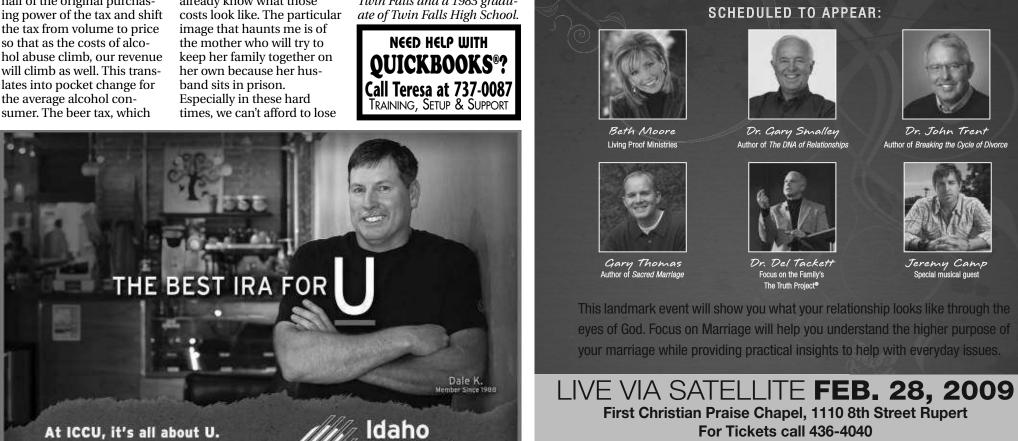
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OTHER VIEWS

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

... give it back

Idaho Mountain Express, **Ketchum**

Idaho will receive up to \$1 billion from the \$787 billion stimulus package approved by Congress late last week.

With 50,000 Idahoans out of work and more on the way, businesses struggling to keep the doors open, a few thousand homes facing foreclosure and families in distress, passage of the package came none too soon. The news also led the state Legislature to halt consideration of draconian cuts to public education because of expected federal cash infusions.

Yet, Idaho's two senators made a special trip home ... to explain to Idaho why its entire four-man congressional delegation ... voted against the federal stimulus bill.

Idaho Sen. Mike Crapo told the supermajority of his fellow Republicans in the state Legislature that he opposed the bill because he isn't convinced that a nation can spend itself into prosperity.

He and Idaho junior Sen. Jim Risch warned that the bill is being financed with debt that will burden the nation's children and grandchildren and will ultimately do more harm than good ...

Crapo admonished legislators to be careful how they spend the money.

We have a better idea. They shouldn't spend it at all.

If the stimulus package is really so awful and so harmful to younger generations, Idaho should make itself an example and refuse to accept the money.

The state should not create jobs that would put an estimated 18,000 Idahoans to work, extend the unemployment benefits of others or improve the roads, bridges



and schools that are the backbone of the state's economy...

There should be only one exception. The state should allow the three Idaho counties with a majority of voters who supported President Obama — Blaine, Latah and Teton — to receive money for projects in those counties ...

Otherwise, Idaho is just a state full of chattering hyp-

... human rights for some

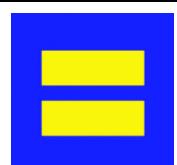
Lewiston Tribune

It's bad enough that Idaho legislators repeatedly refuse to extend the state's antidiscrimination law to include sexual orientation, but thanks to appointments from the state's two most recent governors, now the Idaho Human Rights Commission won't even back such a move.

... the commission voted 5-4 to reverse its previous support for giving sexual minorities the same protection provided to victims of discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, gender and disability.

Commission President Estella Zamora said she was disappointed and saddened by the vote, Nathanial Hoffman of the Boise Weekly reported.

No kidding? The commission and its staff, under the consecutive directorships of Marilyn Shuler and Leslie Goddard, have long been staunch advocates for equal treatment of all Idahoans. But state law has yet to



agree that sexual minorities merit equality.

And if the state's commission charged with overseeing claims of discrimination won't agree to it, how can legislators be expected to?

That's a good question for Butch Otter and Dirk Kempthorne, each of whom appointed people to the commission who might be good Republican activists but, judging from their votes last week, are anything but promoters of equality for all.

The most stupefying vote against the motion to continue supporting inclusion of sexual minorities in the law came from Vernon Baker of St. Maries ... in 1996, when President Clinton awarded him the Medal of Honor he had earned 51 years earlier while fighting in Italy during World War II.

Baker's heroism had not been rewarded until then because he is black.

And it is no credit to him that he today refuses to help lift discrimination against people who are gay ...

... soft on child molesters?

Post Register, Idaho Falls

Idaho would rather continue the failed war on drugs than wage one against child molesters.

Startling as that sounds, consider the evidence:

Last week, a group of lawmakers blocked activist Paul Steed's bill to impose mandatory minimum prison sentences on people who sexually abuse children



younger than 16. Some, notably Senate Judiciary Chairman Denton Darrington, R-Declo, said they simply don't like interfering with local judges although recent examples of judicial leniency suggest we should.

But others simply said locking up more pedophiles ... would break the state budget.

If Steed had proposed Jessica's Law, which involves sentences of 25 or 30 years in prison, costs would skyrocket. Idaho now spends \$185 million a year on its prison system. Jessica's Law would add \$50 million to those costs within 30 years.

But Steed didn't want Jessica's Law. He wanted people convicted of lewd conduct with a child to serve at least seven years. Those convicted of sexual abuse of a child would serve at least five. Once released, they would serve a strict, supervised parole. That would expose child molesters to the inside of prison while impressing judges with the public's emerging intolerance for this crime.

To say Idaho can't afford Steed's plan is a cop-out. Idaho need not build new prisons to house more molesters. It just needs to make better choices.

For instance, more than 20 percent of the people sitting in prison — 1,388 — were convicted of drug offenses. Ironically, some of them are serving mandatory minimum sentences ...

Allowing an untreatable predator back on the streets after a few months in jail risks subjecting a child to a lifetime of pain ...

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Idaho should refuse bailout funds

Hip, hip, hooray, ole, etc. You hit the nail on the head with "we're hypocrites.'

My feelings exactly and I back it with a letter to Walt Minnick in Washington. I'm thinking since our Idaho representatives voted 100 percent against this stimulus that we should refuse it — give to some states that really care and need it. Why, Idaho just saved the American taxpayers millions! So, Idaho should now say no to the stimulus and give it back. Or will Idaho stand with its hand out like Batt did when we had flood damage but, like Batt, not be the one to accept the check in person and take it

anyway? As an editor, you realize you stick your neck out on each opinion and, sure, you will get some flack, but realize some do agree, and when I write a letter, I also realize the flack will come.

JEANNE MEYER Twin Falls

Reader wants answers from Crapo and Simpson

To Sen. Mike Crapo and Rep. Mike Simpson:

It is my understanding that both of you voted against the Congressional Stimulation Bill last week. I would like to know why you voted against it, and what you proposed or will propose to help our country in this financial crisis, how you would restore the thousands of dollars in retirement funds that I lost because of the financial crisis, and what you would do to prevent this from happening again in the future.

Since you voted against the bill, do you feel it appropriate to recommend that Idaho not receive any of the stimulation bill funds?

Finally, my local televi-

sion station went digital Feb. 17. I cannot receive the signal because I have been unable to get coupons from the Digital Conversion office because Congress did not authorize enough funds to provide coupons.

Thank you for your service to all residents of Idaho.

GEORGE E. BROWN Twin Falls

Immigrants should learn English

I recently received a flier advertising the "Gooding County Food Distribution." It was held Feb. 19 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Wendell Fire Department. Fresh produce, milk, bread, meat, and more was provided to anyone in need of assistance with food on a first-come, first-served basis. This wonderful and greatly needed event was sponsored by Idaho Food Bank, Wendell and Hagerman United Methodist churches, and Hagerman Christian Center.

This reminded me of pictures I've seen during the Depression of the '30s, when people lined up in soup lines; only now, we have food banks. I think we've only seen the tip of the iceberg as far as food lines in our commu-

But the main reason I'm writing this letter is that on the back of this flier, the same words were written in guess what? You guessed it, Spanish. How long are we going to tolerate putting up with this foreign language in our country that speaks English? If I moved to Mexico, the first thing I would do is learn the language, not expect them to learn mine. Wake up, people; put your foot down and demand they learn English!

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Boy charged with killing dad's pregnant girlfriend

By Ramit Plushnick-Masti **Associated Press writer**

WAMPUM, Pa. — An 11year-old boy shot his father's pregnant girlfriend in the back of the head while she was lving in bed in their western Pennsylvania farmhouse, then got on the school bus and went to school, authorities said Saturday.

Jordan Brown was charged Saturday as an adult in the shooting death of Kenzie Marie Houk, who was 8 months pregnant, Lawrence County District Attorney John Bongivengo said at a news conference.

Brown, the son of Houk's live-in boyfriend, was charged with criminal homicide and criminal homicide of an unborn child, Bongivengo said. He was being held in Lawrence County Jail.

The fifth-grader was picked up from school Friday by Pennsylvania State Police,

who found Houk's body after such weapons do not have to tree cutters on the property that she thought her mother

was dead, Bongivengo said. The boy had told police there was a suspicious black truck on the property that morning, causing investigators to look into a false lead for about five hours, he said.

Inconsistencies in Brown's description of the vehicle led police to re-interview the victim's 7-year-old daughter, who implicated the boy in the killing, Bongivengo said.

"She didn't actually eyewitness the shooting. She saw him with what she believed to be a shotgun and heard a loud bang," Bongivengo said, adding that the weapon, a youth model 20-gauge shotgun, was found in what police believed was the boy's bedroom.

The shotgun, which apparently belonged to Brown, is designed for children and

her 4-year-old daughter told be registered, Bongivengo said.

Brown's attorney, Dennis Elisco, said the evidence points to the gunshot wound being "consistent" with the boy's hunting gun, but he wanted to see stronger proof that it was Brown's.

"I believe Jordan did not do this and I'm looking forward to seeing the physical evidence to see if it matches with what I think happened," he said Saturday after meeting with the boy in jail.

The attorney also said he met with the boy's father, Christopher Brown, and planned to file a motion Monday to have the boy released on bail and move the case to juvenile court.

The attorney said Christopher Brown was "in a state of actual shock and disbelief." There was no indication the boy had a problem with Houk, he added.

Hundreds attend memorials held for two Buffalo plane crash victims

CLARENCE, N.Y. (AP) — Hundreds of mourners gathered Saturday to remember a Sept. 11 widow killed in a commuter plane crash and

the owner of the suburban Buffalo home that was destroyed by the crash.

The two were among the 50 people who died when Flight

3407 from Newark, N.J., fell from the sky as it approached the Buffalo airport on Feb. 12, killing all 49 people aboard

Eckert

and a man who was in the house.

Beverly Eckert, 57, was aboard the Continental Connection turboprop on her way to her hometown to celebrate what would have been the 58th birthday of her late husband Sean Rooney.

Bill Bourque, her brotherin-law, said in a Buffalo church that Eckert carried the grief of Rooney's death in the burning World Trade Center by becoming a prominent hole in the wreckage. A house advocate for the families of next door also was damaged. the Sept. 11 victims.

hero," he said. "She was in it love will remain," Karen so that this would not happen Wielinski said in a message to anyone ever again. ... She read by a friend at the service.

did what she set out to do. We love you Beverly."

Another service, in an auditorium at the Clarence Middle School that Douglas Wielinski's four daughters attended, honored the owner of the two-story house who died when the plane fell on the Clarence home.

Wielinski's wife, Karen, and their 22-year-old daughter, Jill, survived with minor injuries by crawling through a

"The pain is great, but the "She was not in it to be a memories are greater and the

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Arrest warrant prepared in Chandra Levy case

By Gillian Gaynair **Associated Press writer**

WASHINGTON — Investigators in the 2001 slaying of Chandra Levy have prepared an arrest warrant for a Salvadoran immigrant convicted of similar attacks in the park where the former intern disappeared, a person close to the investigation said Saturday.

The person told The Associated Press that Ingmar Guandique's arrest is imminent and an official announcement is expected soon. The person was not authorized to discuss the case publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

Levy had just completed an internship with the U.S. Bureau of Prisons when she went missing in May 2001 in Washington, D.C. The 24year-old was wearing jogging clothes when she vanished, and her remains were discovered in Rock Creek Park a year later.

Authorities questioned former U.S. Rep. Gary Condit in Levy's disappearance, but he was never a suspect in her death. Condit was reportedly having an affair with Levy, and the negative publicity from the case was cited as a main reason the California lawmaker lost re-election in

Guandique, 27, has denied any involvement in Levy's disappearance and killing. However, investigators interviewed him in the Levy case after he was convicted of attacking two women joggers in Rock Creek Park shortly after her disappearance.

Guandique was sentenced to 10 years in federal prison for those attacks. The federal Bureau of Prisons lists an inmate in California with the same sentence and age, but with the spelling Guandigue instead of Guandique. A message seeking comment



AP file photo

Chandra Ann Levy, a 24-year-old graduate student from University of Southern California, seen in this undated photo, has been missing since April 2001, after completing a federal internship.

was not returned.

Levy's father, Robert Levy, said Washington, D.C., Police Chief Cathy Lanier called his retested or collected, and it home late Friday and said there would be an arrest in a few days.

wife, Susan, were not told the identity of the person to be arrested "but we all know who it is." He would not elaborate but said they would favor a life sentence for the

"If someone is executed, they really don't suffer too much," he said from his

home in Modesto, Calif. A second person aware of the investigation, a law enforcement official who spoke to investigators, said Saturday that the break in the case came in part from DNA evidence. The official, who spoke on the condition of

anonymity because the Levy investigation is ongoing, said DNA evidence was either was connected Guandique.

The official said D.C. police Robert Levy said he and his have interviewed Guandique at least twice, and the case has been sent to a grand jury.

An attorney for Condit said the new revelations clear the former congressman.

"This should give the Levys the answer and closure they deserve, and remove the unfair cloud that has hung over the Condits for too long," said Abbe Lowell, a Washington lawyer.

Condit did not return several messages left by The Associated Press but said in a statement to WJLA-TV in Washington that he is glad the Levy family is finally getting answers.

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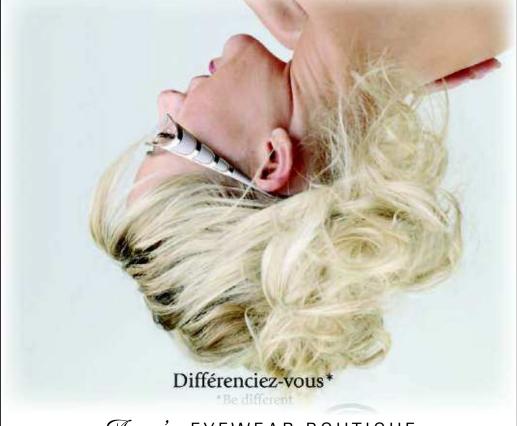


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Within the past year, they have opened a second location in Shoshone in The Whistle Stop building at 102 S. Rail St. They have also done some remodeling, changed displays, and added more services. "Our store does a good business, so new items are added constantly making both stores take on a new look all the time" says Claudia. Over the next year, they plan to increase their presence in the community of Shoshone, and to become more involved in community activities. Claudia's son, Payson Reese, is the manager of the store in Shoshone. In addition to his involvement in the Shoshone Chamber of Commerce, Horizons Group, Arts in the Park, Farmer's Markets and the Historical Society, he has also started a new Flea Market at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds.

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want her back in pieces?'

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sages saying he was ready to

negotiate and begging them

Ramirez now wonders if they

knew police were standing by.

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He went to the phone compa-

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from his daughter's phone to

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Contreras, one of Monica's

university friends, who had

denied seeing her the day she

Ramirez brought this infor-

mation to a face-to-face

meeting with Noe Ramirez,

no relation, who then led the

federal police's anti-kidnap-

ping unit. If he ever acted on

"We poured out our grief,

Manuel

it, the family was never told.

anguish,"

disappeared.

Nobody ever called back —

Ramirez eventually turned

By Alexandra Olson Associated Press writer

MEXICO CITY — Manuel Ramirez carries a tattered briefcase with wrinkled court documents and photos of his daughter, now missing for four long years. He no longer wants revenge. He just wants to know what happened.

His wife, Adela Alvarado, spends her days praying. She no longer uses mascara because she is frequently on the verge of tears. She once worked as a clown at children's parties. Now, she wears her orange wig and baggy harlequin costume to draw attention in the streets when handing out fliers with her daughter's picture.

To uncover the truth, they have gone to three different police agencies, battling apathy and the suspected complicity of some officers. And still they search, despite being driven from their home by death threats.

Their daughter, Monica Alejandrina Ramirez, is thousands among Mexicans who have simply disappeared as kidnappings multiply.

Once, mostly millionaires were targeted. But like Monica, the daughter of a government doctor, more and more victims are middleand working class. Since citizens fear police and most crimes go unsolved, kidnappings have become an increasingly sure bet. Even poorest people are snatched off the streets now, for ransoms as low as a few hundred dollars.

"We try to live as normally as possible but do we forget? Or suddenly say, 'Oh I don't feel as bad,' or the pain is not as suffocating? No. No. No. No," said Adela Alvarado, her eyes welling as she clutched her prayer books to her chest. "It's not like clothes that you can take on and off."

About 70 abductions are reported monthly, but the government acknowledges that many more are never logged because Mexicans believe police may be incompetent, or involved in the crime themselves. The nonprofit Citizens' Institute for Crime Studies estimates actual kidnappings are closer to 500 a month, which would make Mexico a world leader.

Most kidnap victims survive, but a growing number simply vanish, private investigator Max Morales said. He has worked on hundreds of kidnappings over the last 20 years, and says the crimes are increasingly going awry as petty thugs take up what was once the province of organized gangs.

The federal government could not provide nationwide figures on missing people, but the Mexico City Attorney General's office alone has posted more than 4,000 pictures of people reported missing in the capital in the past year who have not been found.

The Ramirezes' daughter disappeared after leaving home on Dec. 14, 2004, to turn in a university assignment. She was 19.

Scouring hospitals and posting fliers, her family feared their beloved "Ale" had been killed in an accident or robbery. They doubted anyone would kidnap the daughter of a government doctor with a \$3,000 monthly salary.

Then Ramirez got the text message from his daughter's cell phone: "If you ever want to see Ale again, pay us 250,000 pesos," some \$25,000 at the time.

Meanwhile, Ramirez had gone to the local state police office, thinking they might

was desperate. My daughter had not shown up, and they were refusing to take my statement. They sat drinking coffee, bureaucracy, I don't know," Ramirez said.

Ramirez says he never got a straight answer about the investigation. Only years later did he learn that the son of an officer from the same station was involved in her disap-

pearance. So Ramirez turned to the

Alvarado, the mother of feds, hoping they would be

Mexico City, in October 2008.

Ramirez said. "But in the end, more professional. Officers he brushed us off."

Later promoted to Mexico's drug czar, Noe Ramirez was fired in July and charged on Sunday with accepting \$450,000 to leak details of police operations to Sinaloa drug cartel members.

'We went to the federal police thinking that it was the most professional, least corrupt institution in our country," Manuel Ramirez said.

was the opposite."

President Felipe Calderon has pledged to clean up the police, but expressed dismay last year, when half of the officers nationwide failed new security and background checks designed to root out corruption and inefficiency. The government also is trying to improve abduction investigations, including creating a cell phone registry to help trace phones used for ransom

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U.S., China agenda focuses on economy, climate change

By Paul Richter and Barbara Demick **Los Angeles Times**

BEIJING — Chinese officials and U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton agreed Saturday to step up their cooperation on the global economic crisis and climate change, while treading carefully around the human rights issues that often have strained the U.S. relationship with Beijing.

In the final day of Clinton's inaugural trip to Asia, Chinese Foreign Minister Yang Jiechi

said his government had the two countries, believing agreed in principle to Clinton's proposal to add discussions of environmental and security issues to the high-level economic talks that dominate the official relation-

"The two sides believe that energy and the environment will play an increasingly important role in the growth of bilateral relations," Yang told a news conference after a meeting lasting more than an

Clinton has been eager to expand discussions between

U.S. cooperation with the Asian giant is key to easing many world problems, including security challenges from North Korea and Iran.

and Yang Clinton announced that the two countries have agreed to divide their discussions into a "strategic" track, which will include political and environmental questions, and an economic track.

The two countries' relationship has been built around a so-called "strategic economic dialogue" between

Chinese officials and former U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson. Under Clinton's proposal, she and Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner would be closely involved in talks; it remains unclear which Chinese officials would take part.

Yang made no commitment on how China, the world's largest emitter of greenhouse gases, would be willing to deal with climate change.

Although the Chinese government acknowledges the problem, it is heavily focused

on strengthening its economy to provide jobs, and believes the developed world needs to put up more of the money to deal with the problem. Yang said China's biggest contribution to easing the economic crisis was going to be in its effort to continue to expand its economy.

Clinton said that promotion of human rights "is an essential aspect of our global foreign policy," and said she had brought up the subject with Yang, as U.S. officials do regularly with the Chinese government.



Artist Peng Xiaoping poses with a dough figurine of U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton holding a stick of candied plums and a pinwheel, Saturday in Beijing.

Mass migrations and war: Dire climate scenario

By Charles J. Hanley **Associated Press writer**

CAPE TOWN, South Africa - If we don't deal with climate change decisively, "what we're talking about then is extended world war," the eminent economist said.

His audience Saturday, small and elite, had been stranded here by bad weather and were talking climate. They couldn't do much about the one, but the other was squarely in their hands. And so, Lord Nicholas Stern was telling them, was the potential for mass migrations setting off mass conflict.

"Somehow we have to explain to people just how worrying that is," the British economic thinker said.

Stern, author of a major British government report detailing the cost of climate change, was one of a select group of two dozen - environment ministers, climate negotiators and experts from 16 nations — scheduled to fly to Antarctica to learn firsthand how global warming might melt its ice into the sea, raising ocean levels world-

wide. Their midnight flight was scrubbed on Friday and Saturday because of high winds on the southernmost continent, 3,000 miles from here. While waiting at their Cape Town hotel for the gusts to ease down south, chief sponsor Erik Solheim, Norway's environment minister, improvised with group exchanges over coffee and wine about the future of the

"International diplomacy is all about personal relations," Solheim said. "The more people know each other, the less likely there will be misunderstandings."

Understandings will be vital in this "year of climate," as the world's nations and their negotiators count down toward a U.N. climate conference in Copenhagen in December, target date for concluding a grand new deal to replace the Kyoto Protocol — the 1997 agreement, expiring in 2012, to reduce carbon dioxide and other globalwarming emissions by industrial nations.

Solheim drew together key players for the planned brief visit to Norway's Troll Research Station in East Antarctica. Trying on polar outfits for size on Friday were China's chief climate negotiator Xie Zhenhua, veteran U.S. climate envoy Dan Reifsnyder, and environment ministers Hilary Benn of Britain and Carlos Minc Baumfeld of Brazil.

But it was Stern, former chief World Bank economist, who on Saturday laid out a case to his stranded companions in sobering PowerPoint

If the world's nations act responsibly, Stern said, they will achieve "zero-carbon" electricity production and zero-carbon road transport by 2050 — by replacing coal power plants with wind, solar or other energy sources that emit no carbon dioxide, and fossil fuel-burning vehicles with cars running on electric or other "clean" energy.



Ryan, U.S. **Forces** Afghanistan, hugs an Afghan man Tuesday as he offers his condolences to the families of civilians who were killed in a U.S. operation targeting insurgents near Herat province. Afghanistan.

US military hand-

U.S. says 13 civilians died in Afghanistan strike

By Jason Straziuso **Associated Press writer**

KABUL — An operation the American military at first described as a "precision strike" instead killed 13 Afghan civilians and only three militants, the U.S. said Saturday, three days after sending a general to the site to investigate.

Civilian casualties have been a huge source of friction between the U.S. and Afghan President Hamid Karzai, who has stepped up demands that U.S. and NATO operations kill no civilians and that Afghan soldiers take part in missions to help prevent unwanted deaths.

A U.S. military statement said the decision to dispatch a general to the western province of Herat to investigate shows how seriously the U.S. takes civilian casualties. The U.S. rarely releases the findings of civilian casualty investigations, and the disclosure this time could show the effect of Karzai's criticisms.

The U.S. military originally said 15 militants were killed Tuesday in a coalition operation in the Gozara district of Herat province, but Afghan officials said six women and two children were among the dead, casting doubt on the U.S. claim.

Afghan officials say the group targeted in the airstrikes were living in two tents in a remote area. An

In harms way

A U.S. general's investigation at the site of last Tuesday's U.S. 13 civilians and only three militants were killed.



known as Kuchis travel the countryside with livestock and live in tents. Photographs obtained by The Associated Press from the site showed the body of a dead young boy - bloodied and dirtied.

In response, Brig. Gen. Michael Ryan traveled to the site to meet with Afghan elders. Investigators found weapons and ammunition, but concluded that 13 civilians were killed along with three militants, the U.S. said.

An expert on civilian casualties said she was "cautiously optimistic" the U.S. is taking a new approach in dealing with civilian casualties.

Sarah Holewinski, the execu-

tive director of The

Campaign for Innocent

Victims in Conflict, said more

high-ranking military offi-

cials are visiting gravesites

and apologizing. In recent weeks, she said, Defense Secretary Robert Gates "turned the old way of

doing things on its head." "Instead of immediately denying civilian deaths, which deeply angers Afghans and with good reason, he said the U.S. will instead immediately investigate, make apologies and provide amends where appropriate," she said. The U.S. released photos of Ryan talking with Afghan elders and embracing a mourning man.

"We expressed our deepest condolences to the survivors of the noncombatants who were killed during this operation," Rvan said in a statement. "Our inquiry in Herat demonstrates how seriously we take our responsibility in conducting operations against militant targets and the occurrence of noncombatant casualties.'

China says gas explosion traps nearly 100 miners

BEIJING (AP) — Chinese state media say nearly 100 miners are trapped underground after a gas blast ripped through a coal mine in a northern province.

The official Xinhua News Agency said 96 miners were trapped in Sunday's the predawn blast at a mine belonging to the Shanxi Jiaomei Group in Gujiao city near Taiyuan, the capital of Shanxi province.

It said there were 436 miners underground at the time but that 340 managed to escape.

An official with the provincial government duty office confirmed the accident, but did not have any details. He would give only his surname Chen. China's mining industry is the world's deadliest. In 2008, coal mine accidents claimed about 3,200 lives in

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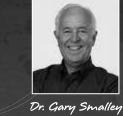
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Photos from the 2009 Idaho High School Girls Basketball State Championships will be available at http://gallery.pictopia.com/magicvalley/ beginning Monday afternoon. IDAHO HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS: DAY 3

Jerome girls rebound to take third-place trophy

By David Bashore **Times-News writer**

MERIDIAN — It wasn't the blue trophy that the Jerome girls wanted, but the Tigers had to fight just to get the green one.

Tied at the half, Jerome went on an 18-2 second-half run to put Lakeland away and take the third-place trophy with a 69-52 win Saturday at Mountain View High School, in the girls basketball Class 4A state tourna-

Aubree Callen scored 22 of her 24 points and pulled in seven of her nine rebounds in the second half, after a minor adjustment gave Jerome (22-5) all the success it needed.

"With the zone they were playing, we thought if we moved Aubree into the highpost it would give them some problems," said Jerome head coach Brent Clark.

It worked to great effect. Callen either got to the line or sliced to the bucket, and when she didn't do either of those, she found a cutting post player for an assists.

Allison Bruckner and Jordann Hollifield, two of the team's three seniors (Hailey Long is the other), were primary beneficiaries of backcut passes and lay-ins.

Bruckner finished with 10 points and Hollifield added 14 as they capped their careers with a trophy to bring back home.

"It's bittersweet," said Hollifield, her eyes red and her face streaked with tears. "It's sad because it's over, but it's an amazing feeling to be bringing a trophy home."

See **JEROME**, Sports 6



Jerome post Jordann Hollifield (22) goes up for a shot Saturday during the Class 4A state thirdplace game against Lakeland at Mountain View **High School in** Meridian.

STAN BREWSTER/ For the Times-News



Richfield players call out to their fans Saturday as they celebrate their victory over Dietrich for the Class 1A Division II girls state basketball championship at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

Richfield girls claim 1A Div. II title

By John Derr **Times-News writer**

NAMPA — A perfect ending to a perfect season.

The Richfield girls accomplished that rare feat of going undefeated and walking away with the title.

Close for much of it, the Tigers eventually wore down Dietrich, earning the first ever Class 1A Division II girls state basketball championship Saturday at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

Teenie Kent scored 20 points after the break to lead the Tigers to the 59-37 victory.

"My shots weren't falling the first half, but I just kept telling myself the next one is in," said Kent, who finished with 23 points and four assists, both game highs. "Dietrich played really good, but we knew they had two tough games. We wanted to go on the attack."

least one state title under their belts. The Tigers won in just a matter of who would get their next one.

Richfield threatened to run away early, grabbing a 6-0 lead, but the Blue Devils

clawed their way back in. Jesse Dill's NBA-range 3pointer early in the second gave Dietrich the 13-12 advantage, It would be their only lead of the game.

The second time the Tigers ran away, it was quickness.

With the Blue Devils crashing the boards Richfield started to run. A trio of lay-ups along with a three-pointer from Michelle Kent made it a nine-point game at the half.

The teams traded buckets for much of the third quarter with Dietrich getting the best of it, but still down by seven heading into the final period. Nakia Norman, who chipped in seven points, knocked down a 3-pointer for the Blue Devils.

It wouldn't stay close for long. The third time Richfield ran away it was determination, and it would be for good.

Teenie Kent stepped Both teams already have at behind the arc and drained one then took the assist from Michelle Kent on the fast 2007 and 1979 while the Blue break layup. Then Michelle Devils were the champs in Kent took over, and with a 1999 under Gene Shaw. It was look of intensity she scored six points during a decisive 15-2 run in the fourth.

"I didn't want them to

See **TIGERS**, Sports 5

Wendell falls in title game

By John Derr Times-News writer

NAMPA — Sadly it will be a dream unfulfilled.

Back in fifth grade Wendell's current seniors had a dream of making state as juniors and winning as sen-

The Trojan girls got the first part, in fact were a year early as they made it both sophomore and junior years. As seniors the Trojans made it to the title game.

But down a player and facing a team that had steamrolled through the season, it just wasn't meant to be.

Wendell stayed close early, but could not hold off Sugar-Salem in the Class 3A girls state basketball title game, falling 63-40 Saturday afternoon at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

The Trojans do not leave Nampa empty handed — a second place trophy, a first ever of any kind in girls basketball and the first two state tournament wins in 3A com-



Wendell senior Jaci Lancaster goes to the floor for the ball Saturday during the Class 3A state girls basketball championship game at the Idaho Center in Nampa. Sugar-Salem topped the Trojans 63-40 to take the title.

in the past two seasons.

"We finished second, and we are pretty happy with that. Sugar-Salem is a good team, and we played as hard as we could," said Jaci Lancaster, who had a team-high 15 points and three steals.

The Trojans got some bad news mere minutes before

Eagles know they can play

with and beat the Bruins in

petition, third overall, coming the game started. Starting junior post Kristen Brandsma injured her knee in the semifinal victory over Teton. After an examination by a trainer it was diagnosed as a partial tear of the ACL. The decision was made for her not to play.

> "I hurt it around halftime, See **WENDELL**, Sports 6

West Jefferson smothers Valley in Class 2A title tilt

By David Bashore **Times-News writer**

NAMPA — The Valley girls' magical run to the state championship hit a brick wall on Saturday.

West Jefferson, a squad 15 deep, hassled and harried the Vikings on the way to a 40-25 win in the Class 2A title game at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

Valley (21-4) trailed 9-8 after one period of play but went without a field goal during the next 13 minutes as West Jefferson (17-8) smothered the Vikings with a full-court press defense that left Valley guessing rather than running on instinct.

"I think we hesitated, and by the time we decided to make the pass it was too late, and they were already there," said Valley head coach Brian Hardy. "We



Valley seniors Katie Hall, left, and Camelle Sizemore embrace after losing the Class 2A girls basketball state championship to West Jefferson Saturday afternoon at The Idaho Center in Nampa.

were so concerned just with with eight points, with Gabi breaking the press that we Nava scoring seven and didn't get very good shots Katie Hall six. But a 14-1 run

Ashley Kraus led Valley

See **VALLEY**, Sports 5

Golden Eagles fall short against Bruins No. 9 SLCC pulls away to beat CSI

By Mike Christensen **Times-News writer**

SALT LAKE CITY — The bad news: The College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team came up short in its quest for a road sweep of No. 9 Salt Lake

Community College. The good news: The Golden

Salt Lake City, the likely site of the Region 18 Tournament March 5-7.

The 23-4 Bruins (9-3 Scenic West Athletic Conference) ended CSI's hopes of earning a piece of the SWAC crown with an 81-67 win Saturday night.

6 SWAC) trailed just 67-64 after a free throw by Aziz Ndiaye with 4:00 remaining, but went dry on offense down the stretch as Salt Lake pulled away. The Bruins went 10-for-10 at the foul line in the final 2:22 to ice it.

The Golden Eagles (20-8, 7-

"We had some shots just go

in and out, shots we normally make," said CSI head coach Steve Gosar. "We missed some free throws, missed some shots and (Salt Lake) capitalized."

D.J. Wright had 31 points and 10 rebounds to pace Salt Lake, while Logan Magnusson hit 7 of 8 shots in scoring 16

points. Rick Shoff added 10. Nate Miles went 5-for-8 from 3-point range and led CSI with 21 points. The Golden Eagles' starting front line of Aziz Ndiaye, Daequon Montreal and Jay Watkins battled foul trouble all night, with Montreal and Ndiaye fouling out. Montreal scored 11 and

Watkins 10 while Ndiaye had a game-high 13 boards.

"We've beat everybody in the league, and we've been beaten by almost everyone in the league," said Gosar. "I told the guys, 'We're a dangerous team because we can beat

See CSI, Sports 3

IDAHO HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS: DAY 3

Idaho Girls "Real Dairy Shootout"

Class 5A At the Idaho Center, Nampa Thursday, Feb. 19 Game 1: Centennial 59, Lake City

Game 2: Boise 38, Highland 26 Game 3: Coeur d'Alene 60, Eagle

Game 4: Vallivue 58, Madison 52 Friday, Feb. 20 Game 5: Lake City 51, Highland 36 (Highland eliminated)

Game 6: Madison 54, Eagle 38 (Eagle eliminated) Game 7: Centennial 51, Boise 45 Game 8: Coeur d'Alene 71, Vallivue

Saturday, Feb. 21 At Kuna HS

Consolation: Lake City 66, Madison

Third place: Boise 56, Vallivue 55 At the Idaho Center Championship: Coeur d'Alene 54,

Class 4A At Mountain View HS, Meridian Thursday, Feb. 19

Game 1: Bonneville 53, Century 25 Game 2: Lakeland 46, Nampa 38 Game 3: Jerome 52, Mountain Home 36

Game 4: Middleton 41, Rigby 23 Friday, Feb. 20

Game 5: Nampa 48, Century 34 (Century eliminated) Game 6: Rigby 58, Mountain Home 49 (Mountain Home eliminated) Game 7: Bonneville 62, Lakeland

Game 8: Middleton 43, Jerome 42 Saturday, Feb. 21 Consolation: Nampa 31. Rigby 28 Third place: Jerome 69, Lakeland

At the Idaho Center Championship: Bonneville 43,

Class 3A At Skyview HS, Nampa Thursday, Feb. 19

Game 1: Snake River 37, Fruitland

Game 2: Sugar-Salem 50, Timberlake 35 Game 3: Teton 49, Kimberly 44

Game 4: Wendell 44, Bonners Ferry Friday, Feb. 20

Game 5: Fruitland 42, Timberlake 36 (Timberlake eliminated) Game 6: Kimberly 53, Bonners Ferry 49 (Bonners Ferry eliminated) Game 7: Snake River 54, Sugar

Game 8: Wendell 55, Teton 37 Saturday, Feb. 21 Consolation: Fruitland 52, Kimberly

Third place: Snake River 60, Teton

At the Idaho Center Championship: Sugar-Salem 63,

Class 2A At Bishop Kelly HS, Boise Thursday, Feb. 19

Game 1: Soda Springs 41, Parma Game 2: West Jefferson 70, Grangeville 69, 20T Game 3: Valley 54, Melba 48 **Game 4:** Kamiah 41, North Fremont

Friday, Feb. 20 Game 5: Parma 54, Grangeville 43 (Grangeville eliminated) Game 6: North Fremont 57, Melba

44 (Melba eliminated) Game 7: West Jefferson 41, Soda Springs 38 Game 8: Valley 46, Kamiah 32

Saturday, Feb. 21 Consolation: Parma 52, North Fremont 36 Third place: Soda Springs 55,

Kamiah 48 At the Idaho Center Championship: West Jefferson40, Valley 25

Class 1A Division I At Columbia HS, Nampa Thursday, Feb. 19

Game 1: Raft River 51, Kendrick 50 Game 2: Clearwater Valley 58,

Game 3: Lapwai 85, Sho-Ban 53 Game 4: Challis 36, Tri-Valley 11 Friday, Feb. 20

Game 5: Kendrick 45, Rimrock 24 (Rimrock eliminated) Game 6: Sho-Ban 45, Tri-Valley 33 (Tri-Valley eliminated) Game 7: Clearwater Valley 64, Raft

River 57 Game 8: Lapwai 54, Challis 43 Saturday, Feb. 21 Consolation: Kendrick 74, Sho-Ban

Third place: Challis 57, Raft River

At the Idaho Center Championship: Lapwai 55, Clearwater Valley 57

Class 1A Division II At Nampa HS Thursday, Feb. 19

Game 1: Greenleaf Friends 54, Mackay 38 Game 2: Richfield 51, North Gem

Game 3: Dietrich 57, Garden Valley

Game 4: Carev 44. Summit

Academy 39 Friday, Feb. 20 Game 5: Richfield 60, Greenleaf

Friends 21 Game 6: Dietrich 43, Carey 39

Game 7: Mackay 49, North Gem 47 (North Gem eliminated) Game 8: Garden Valley 53, Summit Academy 31 (Summit eliminated)

Saturday, Feb. 21 Consolation: Garden Valley 45, Mackay 32

Third place: Carey 59, Greenleaf At the Idaho Center Championship: Richfield 59, Dietrich

Kimberly falls in 3A consolation game

By Jason Chatraw **Times-News correspondent**

NAMPA — The Kimberly Bulldogs nearly pulled off a stunning rally in the waning moments of the Class 3A girls state tournament consolation game before falling 52-48 to the Fruitland Grizzlies Saturday morning at Skyview High School.

In the end, Kimberly (16-5) couldn't overcome the toxic combination of 29 turnovers and allowing 15 offensive rebounds to Fruitland.

"You can't expect to win when you turn the ball over as much as we did today," Kimberly coach Rich Bishop said. "It's really amazing that this game was as close as it was and we still had a chance right up until the very end."

In a game that had 13 lead changes, Kimberly watched its slim 34-33 lead heading into the fourth quarter quickly evaporate. Fruitland slowly built a 44-39 advantage with 2:30 remaining, one that nearly disap-

On the strength of its free throw shooting, the Grizzlies (18-5) extended their lead to 50-43, their biggest of the contest, with 21 seconds to

But Kimberly wouldn't go quietly. Kimberly's Nellie Makings drilled a 3-pointer with 12 seconds left to slice the deficit to 50-46. On the inbounds pass, Kimberly sophomore Averie Schroeder came up with a loose ball and was promptly fouled. Schroeder converted both of her free throws with 10 sec-

lead to two, 50-48.

It appeared as though Kimberly was going to get the ball back after Fruitland struggled to find an open player on the inbounds pass, but a coach's timeout saved the Grizzlies from another turnover.

Hailey Felgenhauer then knocked down a pair of free throws to ice the victory for Fruitland.

Kimberly shot 48 percent from the floor and held Fruitland to 37 percent for the game. But the Bulldogs couldn't keep Fruitland off the offensive glass as the Grizzlies attempted 14 more shots than Kimberly.

"We had high expectations going into this season," Bishop said. "But there weren't a lot of people out-

onds remaining to trim the side of our team that thought we could win as many games as we did.

"We came to state and didn't play our best basketball. You can't do that and expect to win at state because this is the place where you have to play your best basketball of the year."

Alex Pfefferle led Kimberly with 17 points, followed by Megan Crist, who ended her career with the Bulldogs with 14 points, seven rebounds and three blocked shots.

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Kimberly 10 7 7 14 – 48
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KiMBERLY (48)
Alex Pfefferle 17, Megan Crist 14, Nellie Makings 7,
Whitney Carlton 4, Kelsey Molyneux 4, Averie
Schroeder 2. Totals 14 16-25 48.
FRUITAND (62)
Bailey Rinehart 17, Hailey Felgenhauer 12, Chelsea
McGinley 8, Sarah McGinley 8, Ashley Holt 4,
Stephanie Rule 3, Totals 16 20-31 52.
3-point goals: Kimberly 4 (Pfefferle, Makings, Carlton,
Crist), Total fouls: Kimberly 23; Fruitand 23, Fouled
out: Kimberly, Crist; Fruitland, S. McGinley. Technical
fouls: none.

BRIAN LOSNESS/For the Times-News Kimberly Bulldogs guard Nellie Makings (22) brings the ball into the fore court Saturday during their Class 3A consolation game against the Fruitland Grizzlies at Skyview

High School in Nampa.



Carey guard Micaela Adamson (11) looks to pass against **Greenleaf Friends** Saturday during the Class 1A **Division II state** third-place game at Nampa High School.

Carey takes third, highest finish in school history

By Dustin Lapray Times-News correspondent

NAMPA — If any team can dominate the backboards and limit turnovers, victory can be had. The Carey girls brought down 50 rebounds and forced 25 turnovers to beat the Greenleaf Friends Academy 59-39 in the third-place game of the Girls Class 1A Division II State Tournament. The win marks the highest finish in school history for the girls basket-

ball program at Carey. "It was a lot of good defense," Carey head coach Lane Durtschi said. "The rebounding was incredible. We dominated the boards and then got out quick and pushed it. They weren't expecting that."

The break mal-affected the Grizzlies defense from the get-go. Carev led 20-11 after the first quarter. The Panthers never trailed after Jessica Parke hit her first jump shot. Parke led the team with 17 points, most of it scored from the charity stripe after the junior guard returned to the game from

an ankle injury. "I wasn't really hard," Parke said. "It was just the desire for my team. I thought we did a good job

clean.'

the Panthers hit outlet passes to push the ball up court. Green tallied 10 points, seven rebounds and led the team with five assists.

"[Green] worked hard today," Durtschi said. "She played hard, kept her head, passed well, took care of the ball. She's a great dribbler and aggressive. That's what you want from a senior."

Reynolds and Kayla Bailey all played their final game Saturday at Nampa High School. The 6-foot Bailey recorded nine rebounds, six points and two blocks. intimidated

Grizzlies post, boxing out to help teammates get boards. "They're going to miss us I

think," Green said. "We're leaving a good team behind and we're graduating a good team."

Amy Ellsworth donned a doubled-double in the win (12 points, 12 rebounds). She returns for the Panthers next season.

The Grizzlies put together some solid stretches on defense, but the offense never kept momentum. taking care of the ball on Kamiah Stevens was the

our press; our passes were only player in double figures for Greenleaf Friends Parke, Kelsey Green and (15 points), but she also committed seven of the team's 25 turnovers (many were poor passes out of bounds). Most of Stevens' points came late in the outof-reach game.

Carey's disappointment over Friday's loss was quelled by Saturday's win. Along with the third-place trophy, Carey received a placard for good sports-Green, Shelby Hansen manship. The award is (four steals), Chelsey Hunt based on the attitudes of the (eight points), Kelsey team, the cheerleaders, the fans and leadership by administrators.

"We have an excellent student body and wonderful parents," Carey principal John Pack said. "We put a lot of pride in having a good crowd and a good student body. It's great for our community."

Richfield, Dietrich and Carey finished first, second and third at state to represent District IV.

Carey 59, Greenleaf Friend 39
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reenleaf 11 14 8 6 - 39
CAREY (59)

Chelsey Hunt 8, Kelsey Green 10, Jessica Parke 17, Amy Ellsworth 12, Kelsey Reynolds 2, Shelby Hansen 3, Kayla Bailey 6, Nicky Gomez 1. Totals 21 16-24 59.

16-24 59.

GREENLEAF FRIENDS (39)

Taylor Myers 6, Rachel Sheldon 8, Kamiah Stephens 15, Katie Morse 5, Jennifer Butler 4, Cadie King 1. Totals 12 9-17 39.

3-point goals: Carey 1 (Green); Greenleaf 6 (Myers 2, Stephens 2, Sheldon, Morse). Total fouls: Carey 21; Greenleaf 20. Fouled out: Greenleaf, Morse, King. Technical fouls: none.

Raft River falls to Challis in 1A Div. I third-place game

By Jason Chatraw **Times-News correspondent**

NAMPA — The Raft River girls fell behind early and struggled to overcome a height deficit in a 57-43 loss to the Challis Vikings Saturday in the Class 1A Division I thirdplace game at Columbia High School in Nampa.

Raft River (16-7), which came up three points short against Clearwater Valley in the semifinals, found it difficult to find a rhythm against the shot-blocking tandem of Lauren and Kristen Garlie. The Garlies combined for 12 blocked shots to thwart Raft River's offensive attack. However, it was an 18-point

halftime deficit that put a damper on Raft River's hopes of upsetting Challis (21-2), which was the top-ranked team heading into the state tournament.

"That's just how we roll we have a flair for the dramatics. Dig a big hole early in the game and try to magically pull your way out of it — at least that's how it has seemed lately," Raft River coach Jeremy Qualls said. "We don't have any girls close to as tall as those two we faced today. And they made life difficult on us today."

Trailing 30-12 to start the third quarter, the Trojans began chipping away at Vikings' lead, using some sharp mid-range shooting by Sally Hansen and Whitney Holtman. At one point, the Trojans whittled the deficit down to seven at 35-28 midway through the quarter.

"In the semifinals, we made a run, but we made it so early that we ended up running out of gas," Qualls said. "So at halftime. I told the girls that we needed to be patient and tighten the score up before we made a run about the three minute mark of the third quarter. I still felt like if we were able to get some things to go our way, we had a chance."

Instead of things going Raft River's way, they went the way



BRIAN LOSNESS/For the Times-News Raft River Trojans forward Whitney Holtman (15) drives towards the basket Saturday during the Class 1A Division I third-place game against the Challis Vikings at Columbia High School in Nampa.

of Challis. While the Vikings appeared to be getting tired early in the second half, they got a second wind and seized control of the game again by pounding the ball inside and utilizing their height advantage to outscore Raft River 20-15 in the final frame.

Despite the disappointing ending in the tournament, Qualls was still pleased with how his team handled its high expectations.

"I think any time you play in the finals the year before, people are going to be expecting great things out of you the next season," Qualls said. "I think our girls did a great job of balancing those expectations with working hard to get back to the state tournament and try to close the deal."

Next year, expectations might be even higher as Raft River loses just two starters to graduation, Hansen and Marli Manning.

Challis 57, Raft River 43 Challis 20 10 7 20 - 57 Raft River 8 4 16 15 - 43 Challis (67) Ashley McGowan 20, Jenna Hamilton 11, Lauren Garlie 9, Kristen Garlie 9, Shelby Trithart 7, Amber

Garlie 9, Kristen Garlie 9, Shelby Trithart 7, Amber Kemmerer 1. Totals 20 12-18 57.

RAFT RIVER (43)

Sally Hansen 21, Whitney Holtman 13, Hailey Higley 4, Marli Manning 2, Chetzee Nye 2, CeAnn Carpenter 1. Totals 14 13-24 43.

3-point goals: Challis 5 (McGowan 4, Hamilton); Raft River 2 (Hansen 2), Total fouls: Challis 17; Raft River 14. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Samms pushes CSI to outright SWAC title

By Mike Christensen **Times-News writer**

SALT LAKE CITY — Shauneice Samms made sure the College of Southern Idaho women left Salt Lake Community College as outright Scenic West Athletic Conference basketball cham-

Samms scored 15 of No. 10 CSI's final 17 points, willing the Golden Eagles to a 64-59 victory over the Bruins on Saturday afternoon.

Samms scored 27 points on 10-of-12 shooting and added a game-high 10 rebounds after being limited to 17 minutes during a foul-plagued performance on Friday.

"A double-double, 27 points and she finished really everything inside," said CSI head coach Randy Rogers. "Good for her. She needed a

game like that."

CSI needed the performance as well with LaCale Pringle-Buchanan MeChel Hunt slowed by illness and sophomores Soana Lucet and Martina Holloway combining to shoot 5 of 18 from the field.

"Shauneice picked it up and that's kind of what this team has done all year," said Rogers. Samms, who was feeling

under the weather herself, broke a 59-all tie with a lay-in and then rebounded a miss by Salt Lake star Nicole Brady. Samms sealed the win on the other end, narrowly beating the shot clock horn on a hook shot with 29 seconds to play for a 63-59 CSI lead.

Three Bruins finished in double figures, including Marquina Hicks-Gilliam (16

points), Allie Lunt (12) and

Harper chipped in 10 for CSI, but the offensive spotlight belonged squarely to Samms.

Ever humble about her own numbers, Samms was quick to send credit elsewhere. Namely to "Martina making magnificent passes. We come off screens, show and she'll hit us. All we have to do is finish."

That's all that is left for CSI as well with only lowly Colorado Northwestern Community College remaining on the SWAC schedule. With two wins likely next weekend, it appears the Golden Eagles will finish conference play with only one blemish. "I didn't think we could go

14-1 with (injured All-American post) Maddy (Plunkett) and everyone with all these double games on the

Amie Jensen (10). Nicole road coming against the top teams in the league. With these injuries, it shows a lot about the character of these kids.'

An 11-2 first-half run, highlighted by 3-pointers from Kiara Tate, Cassie Wood and Holloway put the Golden Eagles in front 24-16. CSI held Salt Lake scoreless for 4:03 late in the first half and made 10 of 12 free throws on its end to build a 34-23 lead. But Bruin guard Allie Lunt hit two treys in an 8-0 spurt as Salt Lake crept within 36-31 at intermission.

SLCC scored the first five points of the second half to knot the score. While CSI got some breathing room on consecutive three-point plays from Harper and Samms, the Bruins rallied again, taking a 53-52 lead on Brady's threepoint play with 6:11 to go.

But Samms put CSI right back in front with a putback to set up the dramatic finish.

"It's always fun beating Salt Lake," said Rogers. As for getting up for next

week's games against CNCC, Samms isn't worried. "We're going in as champions, so we'll play like champi-

No. 10 CSI 64, Sait Lake CC 59

(a) 4,12-1)

Martina Holloway 1-8 0-0 3, Nicole Harper 2-6 5-7 10, LaCale Pringle-Buchanan 0-4 7-8 7, Shauneice Samms 10-12 7-9 27, Soana Lucet 4-10 1-3 9, Kiara Tate 1-2 0-1 3, Emiliya Yancheva 0-0 0-0 0, Kalika Tullock 0-1 00, MeChel Hunt 0-0 2-2 2, Cassie Wood 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 19-45 22-30 64.

SAIT LAKE CC (15-13, 6-7)

Allie Lunt 4-7 0-0 12, Marquina Gilliam-Hicks 6-12 3-5 16, Dayna Burgess 1-3 0-0 2, Kelsey Sparkman 1-3 1-1 3, Nicole Brady 3-12 2-2 8, Kate Pawlowski 0-0 0-0 0, Mina Jovanovic 2-7 0-0 4, Amanda Hansen 1-1 0-0 2, Amie Jensen 5-9 0-0 10, Tillisia Vakalahi 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 23-55 8-10 59.

Halftime: CSI 36, SLCC 31. 3-point goals: CSI 4-15 (Holloway 1-6, Harper 1-3, Pringle-Buchanan 0-1, Samms 0-1, Lucet 0-2, Tate 1-1, Wood 1-1); SLCC 5-15 (Lunt 4-7, Gilliam-Hicks 1-1, Burgess 0-2, Brady 0-3, Jovanovic 0-2); Rebounds: CSI 37 (Samms 10); SLCC 28 (Brady 8). Assists: CSI 11 (Holloway 9; SLCC 13 (Gilliam-Hicks; Sparkman 3, Turnovers; CSI 14; SLCC 13. Total fouls: CSI 18; SLCC 23. Fouled out: SLCC, Sparkman. Technical fouls: none.

Boys basketball District IV tournaments

Class 5A Region Four-Five-Six Tournament High seed hosts

Tuesday, Feb. 17 Game 1: Twin Falls 69, Skyline 46 Game 2: Madison 45, Idaho Falls 44, 7

Game 3: Skyline 55, Idaho Falls 47 (Idaho Falls eliminated) Game 4: Twin Falls 60, Highland 58, OT Saturday, Feb. 21 Game 5: Skyline 57, Highland 54

Thursday, Feb. 19

(Highland eliminated) Game 6: Madison 60, Twin Falls 48 Tuesday, Feb. 24 Game 7: Skyline (11-12) at Twin Falls (15-

8), 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26

Game 8: Championship, Winner 7 at Madison (15-7), 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27

Game 9: Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m.

* Champion and runner-up will receive berths to state tournament, March 5-7 at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

Class 4A Great Basin Conference West **Division Tournament** High seed hosts Tuesday, Feb. 17

Game 1: Jerome 59, Wood River 38 Game 2: Minico 55, Burley 50 Thursday, Feb. 19

Game 3: Burley 60, Wood River 48 (Wood River eliminated) Game 4: Jerome 55, Minico 45 Saturday, Feb. 21

eliminated) Monday, Feb. 23 Game 6: Championship, Jerome (20-2) vs.

Game 5: Burley 62, Minico 58, OT (Minico

Burley (11-12), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24

Game 7: Second championship, if neces sary, 7 p.m. * Champion and runner up advance to the

District IV-V playoff on Thursday, Feb. 26. The winner of the District IV-V runner-up crossover will advance to state play-in at 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 28, against the District VI runner-up at Highland High School in Pocatello. State tournament is March 5-7 at Borah High School in Boise.

Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho **Conference Tournament**

Monday, Feb. 16 Game 1: Filer 57, Gooding 46 Game 2: Buhl 49, Wendell 42 Tuesday, Feb. 17

Game 3: Wendell 58. Gooding 43 (Gooding eliminated) Game 4: Kimberly 54, Buhl 51 Wednesday, Feb. 18

At CSI Game 5: Wendell 47, Buhl 45 (Buhl eliminated)

Game 6: Kimberly 69, Filer 58 Monday, Feb. 23 Game 7: Wendell (9-14) at Filer (14-6), 7

Wednesday, Feb. 25 Game 8: Championship, Kimberly vs. Thursday, Feb. 26

Game 9: Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m. (high seed host) * 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. 28, at Glenns Ferry. State tournament will be held March 5-7 at Meridian High School.

Class 2A Canyon Conference Tournament High seed hosts Monday, Feb. 16

Game 1: Glenns Ferry 68, Valley 48 Wednesday, Feb. 18 Game 2: Declo 51, Glenns Ferry 47 Tuesday, Feb. 24 Game 3: Valley (9-12) at Glenns Ferry (16-

Thursday, Feb. 26 Game 4: Championship, Winner 3 at Declo

(16-5), 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27

* Champion receives berth to state tour-

nament, March 5-7 at Capital High School in Boise. Class 1A Division I Snake River

Conference Tournament

At Shoshone Play-in game Saturday, Feb. 14 Hansen 52, Lighthouse Christian 44

(Lighthouse Christian eliminated) Tournament

Tuesday, Feb. 17 Game 1: Raft River 56, Hagerman 48, OT Game 2: Castleford 53, Challis 43, OT Game 3: Sho-Ban 62, Hansen 39 Game 4: Shoshone 63, Oakley 52, OT

Wednesday, Feb. 18 Game 5: Hagerman 74, Challis 36 (Challis eliminated) Game 6: Oakley 72, Hansen 45 (Hansen

eliminated) Game 7: Castleford 48, Raft River 47 Game 8: Sho-Ban 70, Shoshone 62 Tuesday, Feb. 24

Game 9: Hagerman (18-4) vs. Shoshone (14-8), 4:30 p.m. Game 10: Oakley (9-10) vs. Raft River (9-11), 6 p.m.

Game 11: Championship, Castleford (10-10) vs. Sho-Ban (17-4), 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25 Game 12: Winner 9 vs. Winner 10, 7:30

Thursday, Feb. 26 Game 13: Second place. Winner 12 vs.

Loser 11, 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. 28, at Glenns Ferry, against the thirdplace team from District III. State tournament is March 5-7 at Vallivue High

Class 1A Division II Northside Conference Tournament At Carey

School in Caldwell.

Tuesday, Feb. 24 Game 1: Dietrich (14-6) vs. Community School (4-14), 3:30 p.m. Game 2: Murtaugh (11-7) vs. Bliss (5-12),

Game 3: Carey (16-4) vs. Camas County (3-17), 6:30 p.m. Game 4: Richfield (17-3) vs. Magic Valley

Christian (0-18), 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25 Game 5: Loser 2 vs. Loser 4, 6:30 p.m.

Game 6: Loser 1 vs. Loser 3, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26 Winner 2 vs. Winner 4, 6:30

Game 8: Winner 1 vs. Winner 3, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27 Game 9: Winner 5 vs. Loser 8, 6:30 p.m.

Game 10: Winner 6 vs. Loser 7, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28 Game 11: Third place, Winner 9 vs.

Winner 10, 6:30 p.m.

Game 12: Championship, Winner 7 vs. Winner 8, 8 p.m. *Champion, second-place and third-place teams all receive berths to state tourna-

ment, March 5-7 at Caldwell High School.

Madison mauls Bruin boys in Region Four-Five-Six Tourney

Times-News

Not willing to allow the Bruins another 20-point margin of victory, the Madison High School boys basketball team struck hard at home Saturday, defeating Twin Falls 60-48. The Bobcats now advance to the Region Four-Five-Six championship game, while the Bruins face possible elimination.

"They got after us," Bruins assistant coach Shaun Walker

advantage."

Russell Crane scored 21 in the loss, while frequent high scorer Jon Pulsifer was held to just seven. Marcus Jardine, finished with six. Three Bobcats scored in double fig-

the game, and when that happens with us we're not good at responding," Walker added. Twin Falls (15-8) gets one

"They dictated the flow of

more chance to qualify for said. "They sensed that it was the Class 5A state tournaa game on their home floor to ment. The Bruins will host

go to state, and they took Skyline, which put out Highland, at 7 p.m. Tuesday in an elimination game. The winner, which will make state, will travel to Madison Thursday to play for the region title.

Two Follows 15 of 18 of

Brett Kohring 2. Totals 14 15-25 48. MADBON (60)
Trevor Blanchard 13, Brady Hastings 2, Bo Dayton 13, Kyle Blanchard 6, Trent Ricks 2, Rhett Sutton 13, Josh Fuller 9, Austin Blair 2. Totals 19 20-23 60. 3-point goals: Twin Falls 5 (Crane 3, Harr, Hamblin); Madison 2 (Dayton, Sutton). Total fouls: Twin Falls 24; Madison 17. Fouled out: Madison, Fuller. Technical fouls: none.

RICHFIELD 70, BLISS 22

Richfield The boys finished their regular season at 17-3 overall and 14-0 in the Northside Conference as the Tigers beat the Bliss Bears 70-22 in Richfield.

Richfield's Tel Clark led all scorers with 13 points, followed by Luke Wood and Brody Norman with 12 each, while Michael Hensen added 11. Cole Erkins led Bliss with seven points.

Fifth-seeded Bliss (5-12, 5-9) opens conference tournament play at 5 p.m. Tuesday against fourth-seeded Murtaugh in Carey. Topseeded Richfield faces the eighth seed, Magic Valley Christian, at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Alex Cortez 6, Cameron Schoessler 2, Cole Erkins 7, Zae Vincent 3, Thomas Palmer 2, Brandon McLaughlin 2. Totals 9 2-9 22. McLaugnin 2. Totals 9 2-9 27.
RICHPIED (70)
Tucker Smith 4, Levi Kent 6, James Clayton 3,Tel Clark
13, Luke Wood 12, Jose Rivas 4, Brody Norman 12,
Mike Lezamiz 5, Michael Henson 11. Totals 29 7-9

70.
3-point goals: Bliss 2 (Erkins, Vincent); Richfield 5 (Clark 3, Clayton, Norman). Total fouls: Bliss 10, Richfield 11. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Burley boys survive in GBW tourney, eliminate Minico

By Ryan Howe **Times-News writer**

RUPERT — As the Burley boys basketball team has sputtered through its mediocre, sub-.500 season, it's often been overlooked that they are the reigning

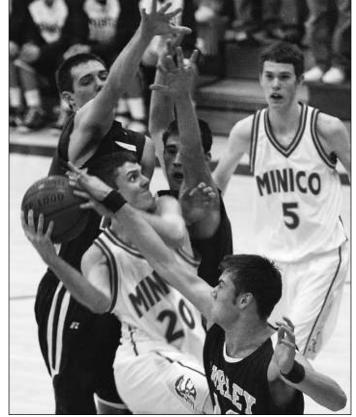
Class 4A state champions. To be fair, only one player, Kyle Hepworth, remains from Burley's back-to-back state title teams. But in crunch time when all the chips are on the table, like they were in Saturday's District IV Great Basin Conference West tournament elimination game at Minico High School, that one player's experience and confidence can rub off on his teammates.

Hepworth scored 24 points and assisted on the go-ahead basket in overtime as the Bobcats beat cross-river rival Minico 62-58.

"This is one of the greatest wins of my whole life," said Hepworth.

For a player who has won two state championships, that's saying a lot.

"As a team we've grown so much," Hepworth added. "We've had our struggles and our ups and downs, but it all came together this



Minico's Tyson Crane (20) is swarmed by Burley defenders Kyle Hepworth, Bill Blauer and Alex Greener during the Bobcats' 62-58 overtime victory Saturday at Minico High School.

and didn't quit."

Burley's (11-12) season is still alive as the Bobcats will travel to Jerome (20-2) on game. We showed our heart Monday for the GBW cham- Bobcats have lengthened

pionship. Burley would need to defeat the Tigers twice in the tourney's double-elimination format, but the

their season at least two games with at least a state play-in possibility.

Four days after Minico stole a tournament win on Burley's floor, the Bobcats returned the favor, but it wasn't easy. The game had all the ingredients of a classic Mini-Cassia rivalry: a raucous crowd, buzzer beaters, rollercoaster runs, overtime, and some puzzling officiating that tested both teams' patience.

It seemed like neither team wanted to win in the fourth quarter, as they combined to shoot 8 of 20 from the foul line. Minico coach Mike Graefe believes the Spartans' 3-for-8 free throw shooting in the final three minutes was the difference.

"It's disappointing because we were playing so well," Graefe said. "I thought we had it. At the end of regulation we were in control, and all we had to do was make our free throws. We let it get away, but I don't think it takes away from what some of these kids accomplished this season."

Minico's Kalen Knopp hit a jumper with 58 seconds remaining in regulation then Spartans forced a turnover on the other end to send it into overtime.

After falling behind three to start the extra session, Burley battled back with four straight points from Hepworth, plus an inside bucket by Sam Harris assisted by Hepworth — to take the lead for good.

Karch Hinckley hit two free throws to ice the game with four seconds left.

"It was redemption for me. because last time we played here (Jan. 23), I got blocked at the end, and we lost the game," Hinckley said. "I haven't forgotten that, so there was extra motivation to make those free throws."

Minico ends its season 9-14 overall. While the postgame disappointment was palpable, the Spartans are optimistic about their future. With a loaded crop of talented youngsters, they should compete next season for at least a conference championship, if not more.

Burley 62, Minico 58, OT

17 12 13 11 9 - 62

10 16 11 16 15 - 58

BURLEY (62)

Karch Hinckley 9, A.J. Hunter 9, Sam Harris 4, Kyle
Hepworth 24, Kace Redder 3, Alex Greener 5, Bill
Blauer 8. Totals 18 19-30 62.

MINICO (58)

Kalen Knopp 5 Mark Issay 7, Collin Johann 9, Sha Kalen Knopp 5, Mark Leon 7, Coltin Johnson 9, Shad Hubsmith 7, Tyson Crane 11, Edgar Espinoza 8, Bronson Miller 5, Kevin Jurgensmeier 6. Totals 22 10-

3-point goals: Burley 7 (Hinckley, Hunter 3, Hepworth, Redder, Greener); Minico 4 (Leon, Espinoza 2, Miller). Total fouls: Burley 23; Minico 23. Fouled out: Burley, Blauer; Minico, Hubsmith, Crane.

CSI baseball splits with Prairie Academy

By Diane Philbin **Times-News writer**

The College of Southern Idaho baseball team played a typically chilly home opener at Skip Walker Field on Saturday, splitting with the Prairie Baseball Academy of Lethbridge, Alberta. The Golden Eagles won the opener 9-1 but dropped the sec-

ond 11-7. In Game 1, winning pitcher Tyler Curtis gave up only three hits and registered eight strikeouts in six shutout innings. The Dawgs combined two hits to score a run in the seventh inning against CSI's Trey Mohammed, who came in to pitch the final frame.

Victor Spencer had a 2-RBI double, while Tanner Craswell added a single that scored two runs to lead the CSI offense. CSI had nine stolen bases with Ryan Lay, Dale Anderson and Alex Hancock each swiping two.

With the second game knotted at 5-5 in the top of the sixth, Prairie rallied for five runs to distance itself from CSI. A Josh Lowden triple to start the inning, followed by a Kirk Haviland RBIdouble got the Dawgs on the board, while a few pitching miscues compounded CSI's

"Game 2 really exploded in the sixth inning," said CSI coach Boomer Walker. "They got that leadoff triple and that got them rolling. When you give up multiple-run innings, it's tough to win,"

CSI used three pitchers in the inning: Colby Robison, Chris Gokey and Casey Lish.

The Golden Eagles came back in the bottom of the



JUSTIN JACKSON/Times-News

The College of Southern Idaho infielder Tony Hunt (21) sprints to first base during the first inning of play against Prairie Baseball Academy Saturday afternoon at Skip Walker Field in Twin Falls.

sixth and scored two runs, taking advantage of a Tyler Chism leadoff triple and a Remington Pullin sacrifice fly that plated Craswell. However, CSI wasn't able to convert in the bottom of the seventh after Prairie tacked on one more run in the top of the inning.

Chism had a double and triple, while Craswell had a pair of singles to lead the 5-6 Golden Eagles.

"It's the small things that we have to do better," said Walker. "We're in a funk and just seem to be over-trying instead of just relaxing. This

game wasn't due to a lack of effort. We are getting good effort from everybody.'

The two teams meet again today for a noon doublehead-

CSI 9, Prairie Baseball Academy 1
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CSI 9, Prairie Baseball Academy 1
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CSI 981
Mac Batchlor, Katlin Nunweiler (3), Mitch Shaafsma (5) and Kyle Armstrong; Tyler Curtis, Trey Mohammed (7), and Trent Johnson, Remington Pullin (6).
Extra-base hits 2B: CSI, Tanner Craswell, Victor Spencer.

Prairie Baseball Academy 11, CSI 7
PBA 001 315 1 - 11 10 3
CSI 210 112 0 - 77 4
Jared Mortensen, Jay Johnson (5) and Jamie Mitchell, Zach Armstrong (6). Preston Olsen, Colby Robison (6), Chris Gokey (6), Casey Lish (6) and Cameron Cushing, Trent Johnson (5), Remington Pullin (6).
Extra-base hits 2B: PBA, Curtis Beaudoin, Kirk

CSI softball finishes 1-3 against N. Idaho

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College of Southern Idaho softball coach Nick Baumert said it was a case of being a step slow all weekend.

The Golden Eagles lost Friday's postponed game and split Saturday's Scenic West Athletic Conference doubleheader with North Idaho College, finishing the weekend series 1-4 against the host Cardinals.

CSI lost 4-3 in a game resumed in the sixth inning after darkness halted it Friday, then lost 3-2 before winning the series finale 5-

The preseason No. 27 Eagles (13-7-2, 9-5 SWAC) opened Saturday's first regularly-scheduled game with a 2-0 lead but allowed three runs in the latter innings for the loss.

"It was the story of the whole weekend," Baumert said. "It seemed like we got ahead and let them back in or we got ourselves back in and then let them off the hook."

With Game 2 tied 4-4 in the top of the seventh, Dani Grant scored the winning run on a Cassi Merrill single. Merrill's shot went toward second with NIC unable to make a play. Grant scored from second base after singling and stealing second.

NIC had a chance to steal the win with the tying and winning runs on base with one out in the bottom of the seventh, but Generra Nielson closed the door, striking out a batter and forcing the next into a ground out to short.

CSI's at bats weren't as productive as usual, as Baumert said many shots were hit right to North Idaho fielders.

"We hit a lot of balls hard at people, and they made good plays," he said. "We didn't find a gap or a hole. Not only were we a step slow but a little snake bitten."

The Golden Eagles are back in Arizona Friday for a tournament at Eastern Arizona College.

Friday's Game 2 Extra-base hits - HR: CSI, Hillstead 2

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NIC 3, CSI 2

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Kyla Bryant and Megan Zimmerman. Karri Johnson, Nina Gonzales (4) and Renae Kimbell. W: Gonzales. L: Bryant (4-2).
Etra-base hits - 2B: CSI, Cassi Merrill, Brittany Gonzales; NIC, Brooke Springer.

Came 2

CSI 5, NIC 4
100 300 1 - 58 5
NIC 003 100 0 - 48 1
Generra Nielson and Megan Zimmerman. Nina
Gonzales, Karri Johnson (4) and Renae Kimbell. W:
Nielson (6-1). L: Johnson.
Extra-base hits - 28: CSI, Ashley Chappel, McKensy
Hillstead: NIC. Lessica Fagan, Lauren Maloney. HR: Hillstead; NIC, Jessica Fagan, Lauren Maloney. HR:

Continued from Sports 1 everybody, but we're also

vunerable. We can't take thingns for granted when we step on the court. We have to be the most hungry team."

The Golden Eagles started slowly, while the Bruins rode their hot shooting to a 23-10 kept the Bruins close as CSI

lead. But CSI's switching defenses started to confuse Salt Lake, which turned the ball over three consecutive times while CSI responded with treys by Montreal, Miles and Barrett to spur a 20-2 run. Wright's 20 first-half points

blistered the nets in building a 33-25 lead. Salt Lake responded, getting within 37-34 at halftime on a 3-pointer by Wright.

The Bruins rocketed out of intermission, getting nine points from Magnusson dur-Souza 1-1 2-2 4. Totals 26-66 6-12 67. ing a 15-4 run to go up 52-44.

CSI played catch-up from there, but couldn't get closer than three points.

No_■ 9 Soit Lake CC 81, CSI 67 CSI (208, 7-6 SWAC) Daequon Montreal 29 0-0 5, Jamelle Barrett 4-10 1-2 10, Jay Watkins 5-10 1-3 11, Aziz Ndiaye 2-4 2-4 6, Louis Garrett 0-0 0-0 0, Charles Odum 1-5 0-0 2, Byago Diouf 3-7 0-1 8, Nate Miles 8-20 0-0 21, Romario Souza 1-1 2-2 4. Totals 26-66 6-12 6-7

Dathan Lyles 2-10 0-0 4, John Pressley 0-0 0-0 0, Rick Shoff 2-4 6-6 10, Nate Bendall 2-9 5-6 9, D.J. Wright 11-17 7-8 31, Drew Robinson 2-5 4-5 9, Davis Emery 0-0 0-0 0, Ben Walker 0-1 0-0 0, Logan Magnusson 7-8 0-0 16, Kael Pope 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 27-55 22-25 81. Halfttime: CSI 37, SLCC 34, 3-point goals: CSI 9-22 (Montreal 1-2, Barrett 1-5, Watkins 0-2, Odum 0-1, Diouf 2-4, Milles 5-8); SLCC 5-12 (Lyles 0-3, Shoff 0-1, Wright 2-3, Robinson 1-2 Magnusson 2-1)

Diout 2-4, Miles 5-8); SLCC 5-12 (Lyles 0-3, Shoff 0-1 Wright 2-3, Robinson 1-2, Magnusson 2-3). Rebounds: CSI 40 (Ndiaye 13); SLCC 36 (Wright 10). Assists: CSI 8 (Watkins, Diouf 4); SLCC 16 (Bendall, Magnusson 3), Turnovers: CSI 17; SLCC 15. Total fouls: CSI 23; SLCC 15. Fouled out: CSI, Montreal, Ndiave.

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> **NBA Boxes** Spurs 98, Wizards 67

SAN ANTONIO (98) Finley 7-13 0-0 19, Duncan 4-8 4-5 12, Bonner 1-3 0-0 3, Mason 9-15 2-2 25, Parker 3-7 3-4 9, Bowen 1-4 0-0 3, K.Thomas 3-5 0-0 6, Hill 2-5 2-2 6, Oberto 3-4 0-1 6, Hairston 0-3 0-0 0, Udoka 4-6 0-0 9, Vaughn 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 37-74 11-14

98. **WASHINGTON (67)** 4 4 0.0 2. Jamison 6-17 4-7 16, MASHINGTON (0) 2, Jamison 6-17 4-7 16, Songaila 6-10 3-4 15, Butter 9-19 6-7 24, James 0-6 0-0 0, Crittention 0-3 0-0 0, Blatche 1-5 0-4 2, McGee 1-7 0-0 2, Young 2-7 0-0 4, Dixon 0-2 0-0 0, Pecherov 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 27-81

Washington 18 20 19 10 67

3-Point Goals—San Antonio 13-27 (Mason 5-9
Finley 5-9, Udoka 1-2, Bonner 1-2, Bowen 1-3,
Hill 0-1, Parker 0-1), Washington 0-9 (Jamison 0-1, Dixon 0-1, Blatche 0-1, Young 0-2, James 0-2,
Butler 0-2), Fouled 0ut—None. Rebounds—San
Antonio 53 (Duncan 11), Washington 50
(Jamison, Butler 7), Assists—San Antonio 26 (Hill
6), Washington 14 (Butler, McGuire 4), Total
Fouls—San Antonio 16, Washington 15. A—
20,173 (20,173).

Heat 97, 76ers 91

PHILADELPHIA (91) Iguodala 4-16 5-8 14, Young 4-8 2-2 10, Dalembert 1-3 0-0 2, Miller 11-21 8-8 30, Green 0-9 0-0 0, Ratliff 0-0 0-0 0, Williams 7-19 5-5 Speights 6-10 0-0 12, Ivey 0-3 0-0 0, Evans 1-2 1. Totals 33-89 21-25 91.

0-0 1-2 1. Totals 33-89 21-25 91.

MIAMI (97)

Diawara 3-9 0-2 8, Haslem 5-7 3-5 13, O'Neal 812 1-3 17, Chalmers 3-8 2-2 9, Wade 8-14 9-9
25, Cook 0-0 0-0, Beasley 4-10 0-0 8, Quinn 250-0 5, Moon 5-9 2-2 12, Anthony 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-74 17-23 97. **Philadelphia** 16 24 23 28 — 91. **Miami** 20 20 27 30 — 97.

3-Point Goals—Philadelphia 4-18 (Williams 3-7,

Jegudala 1-5, Young 0-1, Ivey 0-2, Green 0-3, Miami 4-18 (Diawara 2-6, Quinn 1-3, Chalmers 1-6, Moon 0-1, Wade 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 53 (Miller 9), Miami 49 (O'Neal, Haslem 10). Assists—Philadelphia 13 (Iguodala 8), Miami 19 (Wade 9). Total Fouls—Philadelphia 23, Miami 22. A—19,600 (19,600).

Jazz 102, Hornets 88

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NEW ORL EANS (89)
Stojakovic 3-8 1-1 8, West 4-13 10-12 18,
Armstrong 2-2 0-0 4, Butler 8-14 1-1 21, Paul 11-19 2-2 24, Marks 2-3 0-0 4, Posey 2-9 2-2 7,
Daniels 0-2 2-2 2, Ely 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 32-70 18-20 88

UTAH (102)
Miles 3-7 0-0 7, Millsap 5-9 2-4 12, Okur 10-19
2-2 25, Brewer 6-11 4-7 16, Williams 9-16 0-0
2-2 25, Brewer 6-11 4-7 16, Williams 9-16 0-0
2-2 2, Harpring 2-4 0-0 4, Kirilenko 2-5 4-6 8.
Totals 40-81 14-21 102.
New Orleans
21 30 25 12 - 88
Utah
Stojakovic 1-4, Posey 1-4, Daniels 0-1, Paul 0-3),
Utah 8-14 (Okur 3-3, Williams 2-3, Korver 2-5,
Miles 1-2, Brewer 0-1), Fouled Out-None.
Rebounds-New Orleans 43 (Stojakovic 11),
Utah 4-5 (Milsap 10). Assists-New Orleans 16

(Paul 7), Utah 24 (Williams 13). Total Fouls—New Orleans 20, Utah 18, Technicals—Butler.

vericks 116, Kings 95 SACRAMENTO (95)
Garcia 5-9 4-4 17, Thompson 3-9 0-0 6, Hawes 8-17 0-0 17, Martin 3-8 4-5 11, Udrih 8-13 2-2 18, Jackson 2-4 0-0 4, Nocioni 2-11 6-8 10, Greene 2-6 0-0 5. Solomon 3-6 0-0 7. Totals 36-

DALLAS (116)

83 16:19 95.

DALIAS (116)
Howard 6:15 68 20, Nowitzki 6:13 0:1 12.
Dampier 4:4 1:2 9, Wright 4:7 2:2 10, Kidd 5:6
00 11, Bass 7:9 66 20, Barea 2:8 48 9,
Stackhouse 0:2 0:0 0, Singleton 7:10 4:5 19,
Carroll 1:3 0:0 2, Hollins 1:3 0:0 2, George 1:2 0:0 2. Totals 4:4 82 23:32 1:16.

Sacramento 20 30 21 24 — 95
Dallas 30 40 28 18 — 116
3-Point Goals—Sacramento 7:21 (Garcia 3-4,
Solomon 1:2, Martin 1:2, Hawes 1:3, Greene 1:4, Jackson 0:4, Udrih 0:2, Nocion 0:3, Dallas 5:13 (Howard 2:5, Singleton 1:1, Kidd 1:1, Barea 1:3, Stackhouse 0:1, Carroll 0:1, Wright 0:1),
Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 38 (Hawes 9), Dallas 59 (Singleton 12), Assists—Sacramento 18 (Udrih 7), Dallas 28 (Kidd 11),
Total Fouls—Sacramento 21, Dallas 14.
Technicals—Martin, Nowitzki, Dallas defensive three second. A—20,223 (19,200).

Men's College Basketball Saturday's Major Scores Far West

Cal Poly 66, S. Dakota St. 62 Colorado St. 71, Air Force 66 E. Washington 60, N. Colorado 59 Fresno St. 71, UC Davis 70 Montana 79, Idaho St. 64 N. Arizona 68, Sacramento St. 58 N. Arizona 68, Sacramento St. 58 New Mexico 75, San Diego St. 49 New Mexico 5t 94, Cal St. Fullerton 86 Oregon 68, Stanford 60 Oregon St. 65, California 54 Portland St. 93, Boise St. 81 S. Utah 79, Centenary 68 Saint Mary's, Calif. 75, Utah St. 64 San Diego 66 Pacific 60 San Diego 66, Pacific 60
Washington 60, Southern Cal 51
Washington St. 82, UCLA 81
Wis-Green Bay 86, Long Beach St. 75 Wyoming 61, TCU 56 East

American U. 56, Holy Cross 50 American U. 56, Holy Cross 50
Boston U. 63, Iona 57
Cent. Connecticut St. 78, St. Francis, NY 73
Connecticut 64, South Florida 50
Cornell 85, Brown 45
Dartmouth 66, Princeton 63
Delaware 81, Bucknell 68
Drexel 74, Loyola, Md. 58
Harvard 66, Penn 60
Hofstra 61, Fairfield 56
Mariet 87, Harfford 35 Horstra 6.1, Falmelo 56 Marist 57, Hartford 35 Marquette 78, Georgetown 72 Morgan 5t. 80, Towson 64 Mount St. Mary's, Md. 93, St. Francis, Pa. 63 Navy 59, Army 54 Navy 59, Army 54 Notre Dame 103, Providence 84 Pittsburgh 80, DePaul 61 Quinnipiac 78, Long Island U. 73 Rhode Island 77, Fordham 58 Rider 71, UMBC 65 Sacred Heart 83, Monmouth, N.J. 61 Siena 81, N. Iowa 75 Vermont 78, Buffalo 70 Wagner 62, Robert Morris 59

Yale 57. Columbia 49 South Alabama 87, Mississippi St. 85, 20T Alabama St. 89, Southern U. 52 Alcorn St. 89, Alabama A&M 79 Bethune-Cookman 50, Delaware Bethune-Cookman 50, Delawa Butler 75, Davidson 63 Campbell 51, S.C.-Upstate 47 Charleston Southern 57, Presb Chattanooga 67, Samford 62 Coppin St. 67, Hampton 43 E. Kentucky 73, Ohio 51 Florida & W. A. W. H. Fastern S Florida & W. 78, M. H. Fastern S Florida A&M 78, Md.-Eastern Shore 62 Florida St. 67, Virginia Tech 65 Georgia Southern 66, Jacksonville St. 63 Jackson St. 84, Grambling St. 80, OT Jacksonville 71, Florida Gulf Coast 53

Jacksonville 71, Florida Gulf Coast 53 James Madison 90, Gardner-Webb 78 Kentucky 77, Tennessee 58 LSU 79, Auburn 72 Longwood 80, Colgate 75 Louisiana Tech 69, Murray St. 60 Manhattan 54, William & Mary 39 Maryland 88, North Carolina 85, 07 Miami 69, Boston Collees 58 Miami 69, Boston College 58 Middle Tennessee 74, Florida Atlantic 68 Mississippi 69, Georgia 47 Missouri St. 79, Tenn.-Martin 77 N. Carolina A&T 68. Winston-Salem 61 Old Dominion 80, Liberty 56 Old Dominion 80, Liberty 56
Radford 97, VMI 90
Richmond 65, Charlotte 58
S. Carolina St. 76, Norfolk St. 66
South Alabama 67, Louisiana-Monroe 60
South Carolina 82, Arkansas 78, OT
Tennessee St. 78, Detroit 75
Tulane 57, Marshall 51
UAB 86, Southern Miss. 56
UNC Asheville 74, Coastal Carolina 63
UNC Wilmington 75, Elon 72
W. Carolina 69, UMC Greensboro 56
W. Kentucky 79, Fla. International 66

W. Kentucky 79, Fla. International 66 Winthrop 65, Appalachian St. 63 Wofford 85, Furman 82, OT MIOWEST
Ball St. 59, Tennessee Tech 55
Bradley 86, Loyola of Chicago 75
Canisius 71, Bowling Green 66, OT
Cent. Michigan 68, Fairleigh Dickinson 62
Chicago St. 96, Olivet Nazarene 68 Cricago St. 96, Univer Nazarene (Creighton 76, George Mason 63 Drake 71, Austin Peay 54 E. Illinois 59, W. Michigan 57 Evansville 75, Miami (Ohio) 61 Georgia St. 63, E. Michigan 58 IPFW 82, W. Illinois 74 IPFW 82, W. Illinois 74

III.-Chicago 74, S. Illinois 67

III.-Chicago 74, S. Illinois 67

Indiana St. 69, Toledo 62

Kansas 70, Nebraska 53

Kansas St. 50, Lowa St. 46

Kent St. 79, Morehead St. 76

Louisville 72, Cincinnati 63

N. Dakota St. 77, Wis-Millwaukee 69

N. Illinois 97, SE Missouri 73

Northeastern 69, Wright St. 57

Oakland, Mich. 81, LIPU 76

Oral Roberts 93. LIMKG 62 Oral Roberts 93, UMKC 62 Purdue 81, Indiana 67 Saint Louis 57, Dayton 49 Valparaiso 74, Akron 66 Wichita St. 70, Cleveland St. 59 Youngstown St. 68, St. Peter's 64 Southwest

Ark.-Little Rock 58, North Texas 54 Ark.-Pine Bluff 54, Texas Southern 4 Denver 73, Arkansas St. 53

GAME PLAN

LOCAL

COLLEGE BASEBALL Prairie Baseball Academy at CSI, noon, DH

TV SCHEDULE **AUTO RACING**

3 p.m.

FOX - NASCAR, Sprint Cup, Auto Club 500, at Fontana, Calif.

5 p.m. ESPN2 — NHRA, Arizona Nationals, final eliminations, at Chandler, Ariz. (same-day tape)

BOWLING 11 a.m.

ESPN — PBA Bowling, Plastic Ball Championship, at Wheat Ridge, Colo.

CYCLING

3 p.m. VERSUS — Tour of California, final stage, Rancho Bernardo

to Escondido, Calif. **EXTREME SPORTS** 1 p.m. NBC — Winter Dew Tour, at

Lake Tahoe, Calif. **FISHING** 8 p.m.

ESPN2 — Bassmaster Classic, final day weigh-in, at Shreveport, La. (same-day tape)

7:30 a.m. TGC — European PGA Tour, Johnnie Walker Classic, final round, at Perth, Australia (same-day tape)

GOLF

11 a.m. TGC — Champions Tour, The ACE Group Classic, final round, at Naples, Fla.

CBS — PGA Tour Northern Trust Open final round at Pacific Palisades, Calif.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL 11 a.m.

CBS — Regional coverage, Illinois at Ohio St. or Villanova at Syracuse

1 p.m. FSPN — Wisconsin at Michigan St. 5:30 p.m.

FSN — Wake Forest at Duke 8 p.m. FSN — Arizona at Arizona St.

NBA BASKETBALL 10 a.m. Chicago at Indiana 12:30 p.m. ABC — Boston at Phoenix

3:30 p.m. - Miami at Orlando 6 p.m.

 Detroit at Cleveland 1 a.m. ESPN2 — Boston at Phoenix (delayed tape)

NHL HOCKEY 10:30 a.m. NBC — Pittsburgh at

Washington **RODEO** 7 p.m.

VERSUS — PBR Glendale Invitational, at Glendale, Ariz. (same-day tape)

WOMEN'S COLLEGE **BASKETBALL**

11 a.m. FSN — Iowa St. at Kansas 1 p.m.

— Georgia at Auburn 2 p.m. ESPN2 — Ohio St. at Indiana

3 p.m. FSN — Duke at Maryland

Houston 77, UCF 72
Houston Baptist 70, N.J. Tech 51
Lamar 89, Northwestern St. 67
Memphis 70, UTEP 63
Oklahoma St. 84, Baylor 74
Prairie View 81, MVSU 69
SMI 069, Rice 66
Sam Houston St. 89, Texas-San Antonio 67
Stephen FAustin 45, SE Louisiana 38
Texas 73, Oklahoma 68
Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 49, McNeese St. 46
Texas St. 71, Nicholis St. 66, OT
Texas-Arlington 87, Cent. Arkansas 73
Texas-Pan American 67, N.C. Central 66
Tulsa 72, East Carolina 62

Women's College Basketball Saturday's Major Scores Far West Arizona St. 60, Arizona 53

BYU 53, UNLV 52 CS Northridge 78, Cal St.-Fullerton 67 Cal Poly 74, Pacific 64 California 62, Oregon St. 40 Colorado St. 65, Air Force 54 Colorado St. 65, Air Force 54
Montana 73, Idaho St. 39
Montana St. 79, Weber St. 56
N. Colorado 80, E. Washington 58
Pepperdine 72, Gonzaga 62
Portland 57, Loyola Marymount 55
S. Utah 84, Centenary 68
Sacramento St. 83, N. Arizona 80, OT
San Diego 94, Saint Mary's, Calif. 52
San Diego 94, Saint Mary's, Calif. 52
San Diego 58, T5, New Mexico 64
Stanford 68, Oregon 49
UC Santa Barbara 69, UC Davis 50
East

Army 58, Navy 50 Binghamton 66, Maine 46 Binghamton 66, Maine 46
Bryant 59, Fairleigh Dickinson 53
Bucknell 53, Colgate 35
Cent. Connecticut St. 64, St. Francis, NY 52
Charlotte 69, Saint Joseph's 55
Columbia 77, Yale 61
Comell 68, Brown 58
Dartmouth 43, Princeton 42
Duquesne 65, Fordham 57
George Washington 66, St. Bonaventure 60
Hartford 83, Albany, NY, 51
Harvard 69, Penn 54
Holv Cross 58, American U. 55 Holy Cross 58, American U. 55 Lehigh 73, Lafayette 58 Louisville 70, Villanova 56 Louisville 7(), villanova 56 Pittsburgh 68, Cincinnati 53 Quinnipiac 76, Long Island U. 59 Robert Morris 61, Wagner 49 Rutgers 55, Providence 42 Sacred Heart 70, Monmouth, N.J. 50 St. Francis, Pa. 68, Mount St. Mary's, Md. 60 St. Pater's 60, Pider 50 St. Peter's 69, Rider 59 Temple 65, Richmond 52 UMBC 77, Stony Brook 58

West Virginia 90, South Florida 75 South Alabama St. 51, Southern U. 47
Alcom St. 53, Alabama A&M 39
Bethune-Cookman 65, Delaware St. 55
Campbell 62, S.C.-Upstate 58
Coll. of Charleston Southern 80, Radford 63
Coll. of Charleston 57, Appalachian St. 55
Davidson 65, Georgia Southern 57
Horida Atlantic 73, Middle Tennessee 70
Florida Culf Coast 68, Jacksonville 67
Hampton 80, Conpin St. 63 Hampton 80, Coppin St. 63 Hampton 80, Coppin St. 63 Howard 58, Morgan St. 54 Jackson St. 59, Grambling St. 58 Kennesaw St. 88, Lipscomb 78 Lamar 80, Northwestern St. 77, OT Liberty 77 Coastal Carolina 44

Md.-Eastern Shore 72, Florida A&M 68 Md.-Eastern Snore / Z, Florida A&M' Mercer 70, Belmont 61 Morehead St. 70, E. Kentucky 48 N. Carolina A&T 84, Winston-Salem Norfolk St. 75, S. Carolina St. 52 North Florida 60, Stetson 56, 07 Presbyterian 62, Gardner-Webb 53 Suth Alabana 62, Losican Morry riesuyterian oz., tarriner-Webb 53 South Alabama 63, Louisiana-Monroe 48 Stephen F.Austin 63, SE Louisiana 58 Tennessee 5t. 57, Jacksonville 5t. 52 Tennessee Tech 69, Austin Peay 53 Texas 5t. 70, Nicholis St. 58 Texas St. 70, Nicholis St. 58 Tulane 73, UCF 64 UNC Asheville 68, High Point 59 UNC-Greensboro 61, Furman 54 W. Carolina 56, Chattanooga 52 Wofford 56, Elon 51

Bowling Green 81, Akron 70 Bradley 87, Drake 80, 20T Cleveland St. 60, Detroit 50 Creighton 67, N. lowa 59, OT Dayton 71, La Salle 49 E. Michigan 53, N. Illinois 49 IPFW 78, W. Illinois 61 IPFW 78, W. Illinois 61
Illinois St. 67, Evansville 54
Kansas St. 72, Colorado 60
Marquette 69, St. John's 56
Missouri St. 75, Wichita St. 65
Murray St. 84, E. Illinois 69, 01
Nebraska 65, Missouri 52
Oakland, Mich. 72, IUPUI 63
Ohio 80, Buffalo 77
Oral Roberts 58, UMKC 55
S. Dakota St. 70, N. Dakota St. 36
S. Illinois 74, Indiana St. 71
SE Missouri 58, Tenn-Martin 39
Toledo 64, W. Michigan 49 Toledo 64, W. Michigan 49 Valparaiso 75, Butler 65 Wis-Green Bay 88, Loyola of Chicago 44
Wis-Milwaukee 70, Ill-Chicago 49
Wright St. 68, Youngstown St. 51
Xavier 70, Saint Louis 67

Nouthwest Ark-Little Rock 57, North Texas 52, OT Ark-Pine Bluff 54, Texas Southern 45 Oklahoma 66, Baylor 58 Prairie View 74, MVSU 53 TCU 60, Wyoming 47 Texas A&M 76, Texas 65 Texas Texa 56 Texas Texas 57 Iexas AdM I/o, Iexas 65 Texas Tech 74, Oklahoma St. 70 Texas-Arlington 98, Cent. Arkansas 69 Texas-Pan American 68, NJ. Tech 56 Texas-San Antonio 85, Sam Houston St. 54 UTEP 105, Southern Miss. 87

GOLF **PGA Tour Northern Trust Open** At Riviera Country Club Los Angeles Purse: \$6.3 Million

Purse \$6.3 Million lage: 7,298 - Par. 71
Third Round
63-72-62-197 - 16
66-70-65-201 - 12
67-70-65-202 - 11
68-69-67-202 - 11
68-69-67-202 - 11
68-69-64-203 - 10
68-66-92-03 - 10
68-66-92-03 - 10
73-67-64-204 - 9
66-72-67-205 - 8
70-68-67-205 - 8
70-68-68-205 - 8 Phil Mickelson Andres Romero Fred Couples Rory Sabbatini K.J. Choi Scott Mccarron Mark Calcavecchia Dustin Johnson Steve Stricker J.B. Holmes Luke Donald Dean Wilson

Brendon De Jonge Ben Curtis Tim Clark Chris Dimarco Rich Beem Geoff Oglyy Tommy Armour III Kevin Sutherland Jeff Klauk Jason Bohn 68-72-66—206 68-69-69—206 68-67-71—206 67-67-72—206 72-67-68—207 67-72-68—207 73-66-68-207 70-68-69-207 68-70-69-207 Bill Lunde Graeme Mcdowell 69-67-71-207 70-71-66-207 70-71-66-207 70-68-70-208 69-68-71-208 69-68-71-208 69-71-68-208 67-69-72-208 69-70-70-209 72-68-69-209 70-70-69-209 72-68-69-209 70-70-91-210 69-70-71-210 68-71-71-210 68-71-71-210 69-71-70-210 72-65-73-210 68-71-72-211 67-72-72-211 70-69-72-211 70-68-73-211 71-67-73-211 67-73-71-211 70-71-70-211 71-68-73-212 66-71-75-212 70-70-72-212 70-71-71-212 71-70-71-212 70-71-71-212 74-67-71-212 68-71-74-213 70-68-75-213 71-70-72-213 72-67-75-214 Nick Watney
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Jimmy Walker
Chad Campbell

Joe Ogilvie John Merrick

Jerry Kelly David Duval Jeev M. Singh

Retief Goosen Jeff Quinney Bob Estes

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Brandt Jobe
Kirk Triplett
Charley Hoffma
Pat Perez
Carl Pettersson
D.J. Trahan
Soron Hancon

Soren Hansen John Mallinger Ernie Els

Ryuji Imada Mike Weir

Stuart Appleby Nick Watney

Matt Kuchar

Jason Gore

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NORTHEAST	W	L	OΤ	PTS	GF	GA
Boston Montreal Buffalo Toronto Ottawa	40 31 31 21 22	11 22 23 26 27	8 7 6 12 9	88 69 68 54 53	197 184 179 177 144	133 184 168 217 168
SOUTHEAST	W	L	σ	PTS	GF	GA
Washington Florida Carolina Tampa Bay Atlanta	37 30 30 19 21		5 8 5 12 6 TERN	79 68 65 50 48	196 166 157 148 176	170 159 174 188 211
CENTRAL	W	L	σ	PTS	GF	GA
Detroit Chicago	39 34	13 15	8	86 76	228 193	177 141

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or shootout loss.

Friday's Games Carolina 4, Tampa Bay 1 Colorado 4, Washington 1 Detroit 5, Anaheim 2

Saturday's Games Pittsburgh 5, Philadelphia 4 Chicago 3, Dallas 1 Pittsburgh 5, Philadelphia 4
Chicago 3, Dallas 1
Montreal 5, Ottawa 3
San Jose 3, Atlanta 1
An Jose 3, Atlanta 1
An Jose 3, Atlanta 1
An Jose 3, Hongres 2
Florida 2, Boston 0
Anaheim 5, Columbus 2
N.Y. Islanders 4, New Jersey 0
Vancouver 3, Toronto 2, SO
Minnesota 5, Detroit 2
Nashville 1, St. Louis 0, 07 Nashville 1, St. Louis 0, OT Calgary at Edmonton, late

Sunday's Games
Pittsburgh at Washington, 10:30 a.m.
Colorado at Carolina, 1 p.m. Boston at Tampa Bay, 3 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 5 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.
Son Jean at Dellanday's Gar

TRANSACTIONS BASEBALL

RASERALL
American League
CLEVELAND IN DIANS—Agreed to terms with C
Martin Cervenka on a minor league contract.
MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to terms with 3B
Joe Crede on a one-year contract.
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Joe Crede on a one-year contract.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with LHP
Josh Outman, RHP Rvan Webb, INF Jeff Basiley,
INF Vung-Chi Chen, INF Jack Hannahan, INF Cliff
Pennington, OF Travis Buck, OF Ben Copeland,
OF Aaron Cunningham, OF Rajai Davis, OF Ryan
Sweeney on one-year contracts.
SEATTLE MARINERS—Agreed to terms with OF
Ken Griffey Jr., LHP Ryan Feierabend, LHP Ryan
Rowland-Smith, LHP Justin Thomas, RHP Roy
Corcoran, RHP Gaby Hemandez, RHP Stephen
Kahn, RHP Marvin Vega, INF Mike Cap, INF
Reegie Corona, INF Mike Morse, INF Matt
Tuiasosopo, OF Greg Halman and C Rob Johnson
on one-year contracts. Released OF Mike Wilson.

SKI REPORT

Idaho Bogus Basin — Fri 6 47am clear 21 degrees hard packed 46 57 base 66 of 66 trails, 27 miles, 2600 acres 7 of 8 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p. Brundage — Sat 6 08am clear 24 degrees packed powder machine groomed 46 60 base 46 of 46 trails, 25 miles, 1500 acres 5 of 5 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9:30a-4:30p.

Kelly Canyon — Operating Tue-Sun, no details Lookout Pass — Sat 5am clear 18 degrees packed powder machine groomed 55 82 base 34 of 34 trail , 4 of 4 lifts, 100% open, Mon, Wed-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p open Wed-Mon. Magic Mountain — Fri 5am

packed powder machine groomed 53 63 base 14 of 14 trails 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Thu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Pebble Creek — Sat 5:07am packed powder machine groomed 21 64 base 54 of 54 trails 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Thu: 9:30a-4p; Fri: 9:30a-9:30p; Sat/Sun: 9 30a-9:30p.

Pomerelle — Sat 7 37am mclear 26 degrees packed powder machine groomed 77 105 base 24 of 24 trails, 500 acres 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Mon: 9a-4p; Tue-Fri: 9a-9p; Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p. Schweitzer Mountain — Sat 8 43am sunny 20 degrees packed powder machine groomed 56 77 base 92 of 92 trails, 2900 acres 10 of 10 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Thu: 9a-3:45p; Fri: 9a-8p; Sat: 9a-8p Sun 9a-3:45p. Silver Mountain — Sat 9 15am msuny 27 degrees packed powder machine groomed 35 70 base 73 of 73 trails, 6 of 7 lifts 100%

open, Thu-Fri: 9a-4p;

Sat/Sun: 8a-4p; open Thu-

Mon. Snowhaven — Fri 5am packed powder machine groomed 38 42 base 7 of 7 trails, 2 of 2 lifts 100% open, Mon-Fri: 8a-4p; Sat/Sun: 10a-4p. Soldier Mountain — Sat 8 04am sunny 20 degrees packed powder machine groomed 30 33 base 36 of 36 trails, 1147 acres 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Thu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; open Thu-Sun. Sun Valley — Sat 5 29am

machine groomed 34 54 base 75 of 75 trails, 18 of 18 lifts 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Tamarack — Sat 5:53am partly cloudy 8 degrees packed powder machine groomed 28 68 base 42 of 42 trails 7 of 7 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

clear 12 degrees hard packed

Utah Alta — Sat 5:29am packed powder machine groomed 119 119 base 112 of 112 trails, 100% open 2200 acres, 11 of 11 lifts, Mon-Fri:

9:15a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9:15a-4:30p/ Beaver Mountain — Sat 5am packed powder machine groomed 60 73 base 30 of 30 trails 100% open, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Brian Head — Sat 5am

packed powder machine groomed 59 65 base 63 of 63 trails, 100% open 9 of 9 lifts, Mon-Thu: 9:30a-4p; Fri: 9:30a-9p; Sat: 9:30a-9p; Sun: 9 30a-4p. Brighton — Sat 5:36am packed powder machine groomed 96 96 base 66 of 66 trails, 100% open 26 miles, 1050 acres, 6 of 6 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-9p; Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p. Deer Valley — Sat 5:23am packed powder machine groomed 100 100 base 99 of 99 trails 100% open, 22 of

22 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4:15p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4:15p. Park City — Sat 5:35am packed powder machine groomed 83 83 base 107 of 107 trails 100% open, 15 of 16 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-7:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-7:30p. Powder Mountain — Sat 5am packed powder machine groomed 80 92 base 124 of 124 trails 100% open, 7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-10p; Sat/Sun: 9a-10p. Snowbasin — Sat 5:46am packed powder machine groomed 62 122 base 113 of 113 trails 100% open, 28 miles, 3200 acres, 9 of 10 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun

9a-4p. Snowbird — Sat 5am packed powder machine groomed 111 111 base 85 of 85 trails, 100% open 11 of 11 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

Solitude — Sat 7:05am packed powder machine groomed 98 98 base 64 of 64 trails, 100% open 1200 acres, 8 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Sundance - Sat 3:50am powder machine groomed 87 87 base 42 of 42 trails 100% open, 450 acres, 4 of 4 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4 30p.

Wyoming

Grand Targhee — Sat 6 42am 1 new powder machine groomed 87 87 base 74 of 74 trails, 100% open, 2402 acres 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Jackson Hole — Sat 6 36am 6 new powder machine groomed 73 91 base 116 of 116 trails, 100% open, 2500 acres 11 of 12 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Kris Benson on a minor league contract.

National League

CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with OF Jay
Bruce, RHP Jared Burton, RHP Carlos Fishs, 38
Juan Francisco, LHP Daniel Ray Herrera, RHP
Sam LeCure, LHP Matt Maloney, RHP Robert
Manuel, RHP Josh Roenicke, INF Adam Rosales
and C Crail Tatum on powear contracts and C Craig Tatum on one-year contracts. HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with RHP Felipe Paulino on a one-year contract. LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with 2B Orlando Hudson on a one-year contract. PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Exercised their 2010 option on the contract of manager John Russell.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Named Darren Rizzi assistant

Chris Gratton off waivers from Tampa Bay. Recalled D Aaron Rome from Syracuse (AHL). SAN JOSE SHARKS—Activated C. Jeremy Rognick

to Reading (ECHL).

Eastern Professional Hockey League

HUDSON VALLEY BEARS—Signed G Joshua

Chase.
JERSEY ROCKHOPPES—Announced G Rob
Lemelin has been recalled to Portland (AHL). Signed G Vincent Januska.

COLLEGE

Cath, effective at the end of the 2009 tennis NOTRE DAME—Named Randy Hart defensive line

Italian Nocentini outlunges Roulston at Tour finish

Italy has lunged ahead of New Zealand's Hayden Roulston at the finish line to win Stage 7 of the Tour of California. American Levi Leipheimer of Astana

retained his overall lead Saturday after the 88.9mile leg from Santa Clarita to Pasadena's historic Rose Bowl. Nocentini of AG2R La Mondiale won by less than a bike length, finishing in 3 hours, 24.44

seconds. Rabobank's Pieter Weening of the Netherlands was third in the three-man sprint to the finish. Lance Armstrong, who began a comeback last month, wasn't among the stage leaders as

teammate. COLLEGE BASKETBALL

he rode in support of Leipheimer, his Astana

SPOKANE, Wash. — Eastern Washington will appeal an NCAA ban on postseason play by its football team next season.

EWU to appeal postseason ban

Athletic director Bill Chaves said in a news release Saturday that Eastern will appeal only the postseason ban — not the other penalties levied by the NCAA earlier this month. Most of those penalties were self-imposed after EWU reported violations to the NCAA in 2007.

ble athletes to practice, having too many assistant coaches and failure to properly monitor the team.

Among the violations were allowing ineligi-

Chaves said the appeal process will take sev-

eral months. The postseason ban was issued by the NCAA

PASADENA, Calif. — Rinaldo Nocentini of on Feb. 11, after a two-year review of secondary rule violations involving the EWU football team from 2003-07. Together, they led to a major infractions case.

The NCAA also placed Eastern Washington on three years of probation, from 2009-2012. During that time, EWU will be required to file additional compliance reports with the NCAA. Eastern was also penalized two scholarships and had limits placed on recruiting and coach-

NFL

ESPN decides not to renew Emmitt Smith's contract

DALLAS — Former Dallas Cowboys star Emmitt Smith is out as an analayst at ESPN.

Spokesmen for the all-sports television network told The Dallas Morning News and the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that Smith's contract, which expired this month, would not be renewed.

Smith retired after the 2004 season as the NFL's all-time leading rusher, but he has been criticized for his television work, which has included appearances on ESPN's "Monday Night Countdown" and "NFL Sunday Countdown" shows the last two years.

HORSE RACING **Georgie Boy wins at Santa Anita**

ARCADIA, Calif. — Georgie Boy rallied to defeat Halo Najib by 23/4 lengths to win Saturday's \$150,000 San Carlos Handicap at

Sports Shorts

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Santa Anita. Ridden by Garrett Gomez, Georgie Boy covered seven furlongs in 1:21.85 and paid \$3, \$2.40 and \$2.10 as the odds-on favorite.

Halo Najib returned \$5 and \$3, while Past the Point was another 11/4 lengths back in third and paid \$2.80 to show. "I squeezed him a little at the top of the lane and he responded like it was a morning

breeze," Gomez said. "When we made the lead, I got into him a little bit just to keep him focused, to keep him from pulling himself up." Georgie Boy was coming off a 21/2-length victory in the Sunshine Millions Sprint on Jan. 24 over the same track. He was sidelined for seven

months last year because of a back injury. "It's been very important for him to relax the last two races," trainer Kathy Walsh said.

The victory, worth \$90,000, increased Georgie Boy's career earnings to \$786,634, with six wins in 11 starts.

MAGIC VALLEY **USBC** Doubles tourney set

JEROME — The Eighth Annual Jerome USBC Doubles Tournament will be held March 7-8 and 14-15. Multiple entries are allowed and cash prizes will be awarded. Entry forms are available at area bowling alleys.

Information: Jerome Bowl 324-5292 or Brenda Alftin, 404-1213 or brinalft@aol.com.

MIAMI DULPHING—Named Darren Nicci cossission special teams coach.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL—Suspended Los Angeles D Denis Gauthier for two games, without pay, for an incident during a game against San Jose on Feb. 19.

CALGARY FLAMES—Recalled F Kyle Greentree from Quad City (AHL).

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Placed D OleWistian Tollafean on injured season Columbus

SAN JOSE SHARKS—Activated Č Jeremy Roenicl and D Brad Lukowich from injured reserve. Assigned LW Jamie McGinn, RW Brad Staubitz and LW Lukas Kaspar to Worcester (AHL). TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Assigned RW Steve Downie and D Ty Wishart to Norfolk (AHL). American Hockey League SYRACUSE CRUNCH—Announced Columbus (NHL) loaned D Dan Spang to the team from Quad City (AHL) and LW John Vigilante to Quad City.

City. TORONTO MARLIES—Assigned G James Reime

DEPAUW—Announced the resignation of men's tennis coach and director of career services Tom

JRD holds spring soccer sign-ups

JEROME — Jerome Recreation District is offering sign-ups for co-ed spring soccer through March 9. The league is for youth from age 4 through sixth grade. The cost is \$15 for those within the district and \$25 for those outside the district. Spring soccer will begin March 28 and run April 4, 18 and 25. Register by phone at 324-3389 or the JRD office.

CSI/Club Canyon camp nears

Information: Jim, 208-404-2768.

TWIN FALLS - CSI/Club Canyon will host volleyball camps for girls in grades 5-9 on March 13-14 and 16-17. A registration form may be downloaded at the CSI volleyball Web page or pick one up at the CSI volleyball office or the Jerome Rec Center. Preregistration is encouraged as space is limited.

T.F. Parks and Rec offer youth soccer

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls Parks and Recreation will offer registration for spring youth soccer through Feb. 27. The program is for boys and girls in grades K-7.

The season will begin on April 6, with teams playing twice per week for five weeks. Game times are 5:30, 5:45 and 7 p.m. Volunteer coaches are needed. The cost is \$15 for those in the city limit and \$25 for those outside, with a \$10 late charge if registering after Feb. 27. Jerseys are \$10.

Information: Twin Falls Parks and Recreation office, 736-2265.

— Staff and wire reports

Jazz win one for Larry, top Hornets 102-88

SALT LAKE CITY — Deron Williams had 20 points and 13 assists as the Utah Jazz honored the memory of Larry H. Miller with a 102-88 win over the New Orleans Hornets on Saturday.

The Jazz held a pregame moment of silence before the game and the players wore patches with the initials LHM as Miller's courtside seat remained empty during a game he would have especially enjoyed.

The Jazz improved to 10 games above .500 for the first time this season and after the buzzer, Williams walked the game ball across the court to hand it to Miller's widow, Gail, and hugged her. Miller, 64, died Friday of complications from diabetes.

Chris Paul had 24 points and seven assists for New Orleans, which was coming off an overtime loss in Los Angeles the night before.

SPURS 98, WIZARDS 67

WASHINGTON — Roger Mason had 25 points and five assists against his old team as the San Antonio Spurs wrapped up their 19-day road trip with a 98-67 win over the Washington Wizards on



New Orleans Hornets forward Sean Marks (4) can't stop Utah Jazz guard Deron Williams (8) from scoring Saturday during the first quarter in Salt Lake City.

Saturday night.

Mason returned to his hometown and went 9-for-15 from the field, including 5-

for-9 from 3-point range, and Spurs a 78-57 lead. had 10 points and two steals in a 19-4 run that capped the third quarter and gave the

Michael Finley added 19 points, and Tim Duncan had 12 points and 11 rebounds for their first 11 shots to take a 19-9 lead and were never seriously threatened by the worst team in the Eastern Conference.

They finished 5-3 on a stretch that has seen them play nothing but road games so far in February, capping 10,761 miles of travel over 19 days while their home court was occupied by the annual San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo.

Caron Butler led the Wizards with 24 points.

HEAT 97, 76ERS 91

MIAMI — Dwyane Wade had 25 points and nine assists, including a big layup with 1 minute left, and the Miami Heat moved a step away from their closest pursuers in the Eastern Conference playoff race by beating the Philadelphia 76ers.

Jermaine O'Neal finished with 17 points and 10 rebounds in his second game with the Heat, who also got 13 points and 10 rebounds from Udonis Haslem and 12 points from Jamario Moon.

Andre Miller had 30 points — the most by a 76ers player

the Spurs, who made eight of since late last season — and nine rebounds, and Louis Williams scored 22 off the bench for Philadelphia, which is on its first threegame slide since December.

MAVERICKS 116, KINGS 95

DALLAS — Brandon Bass scored 16 of his season-high 20 points in the second quarter and Dallas' reserves contributed 54 points to lift the past the Mavericks Sacramento Kings 116-95 on Saturday night.

Dallas, which has won 11 straight home games over Sacramento in the regular season, scored a season-high 70 points in the first half with 36 of those coming from bench players.

Josh Howard scored 20 points, reserve James Singleton had season-high 19 with 12 rebounds and Dirk Nowitzki added 12 points for the Mavericks. Dallas pulled all their starters early in the fourth quarter.

Beno Udrih had 18 points, and Spencer Hawes and Francisco Garcia each scored 17 for the Kings, who have the NBA's worst record at 12-

— The Associated Press

Montana defeats Idaho St. 79-64

MISSOULA, Mont. — Anthony Johnson scored 26 points and had six assists to lead Montana to a 79-64 win over Idaho State on Saturday night.

Johnson was 7-of-10 from the field and made all 12 of his free throw attempts. Ryan Staudacher added 12 points, and Kyle Sharp finished with 11 points and 10 rebounds for the Grizzlies (17-10, 11-4 Big Sky).

Montana, which never trailed, took a 31-24 halftime lead despite Idaho State shooting 55 percent before the break.

Johnson scored 20 points in the second half, including back-to-back jumpers that pushed Montana's lead to 46-37 with 13 minutes remaining. Staudacher's 3pointer with 4:10 remaining put Montana ahead 65-58 after Idaho State (10-18, 7-7) had cut the lead to four. Montana shot 68 percent

Lucas Steijn led the Bengals with 14 points and eight rebounds, while Chron Tatum added 13 points.

The Grizzlies must win their final regular season game Thursday at Northern Colorado to clinch the second seed in next month's conference tournament.

PORTLAND ST. 93, BOISE ST. 81

PORTLAND, Ore. Jeremiah Dominguez scored 22 points and had eight assists to lead Portland State to a 93-81 victory over Boise State on Saturday.

Phil Nelson had 21 points for the Vikings, (19-9), who won their sixth straight home game, and Jamie Jones added 12 points and six rebounds.

Mark Sanchez led Boise State (17-9) with 16 points while Jamar Greene and Ike Okoye each added 14.

Portland State connected on 12 of its first 17 3-point attempts and opened a 42-25

lead with 6:18 left in the first tory over South Florida on rebounds in the first 13 minhalf. The Vikings led by as many as 25 in the second half and withstood a late Bronco rally.

The Vikings shot 64 percent from the floor in the first half and 58 percent for the

BSU shot 54 percent for the game but was only 6-19 from 3-point range against 14-30 for Portland State.

IDAHO 78, CS NORTHRIDGE 75

MOSCOW — The Idaho Vandals defeated Cal State Northridge 78-75 Saturday in Moscow. The Vandals improve to 13-13 (6-6 WAC) with this nonconference victory. Further details were not available.

ST. MARY'S 75, UTAH STATE 64

MORAGA, Calif. — Mickey McConnell scored a careerhigh 22 points, Omar Samhan had 17 points and 12 rebounds and St. Mary's from the field after the held on to beat Utah State 75-64 in a non-conference game on Saturday afternoon.

Diamon Simpson added points and seven rebounds for the Gaels (22-5), who improved to 12-1 at home. The game was part of ESPN's BracketBuster series.

Jared Ouavle scored 22 points and Gary Wilkinson added 16 for Utah State (25-3), which lost on the road for just the second time this sea-

The Aggies, who were ranked No. 21 last week before falling to Boise State, have dropped two of three since their school recordtying 19-game winning

Men's Top 10

NO. 1 CONNECTICUT 64, **SOUTH FLORIDA 50**

HARTFORD, Conn. Hasheem Thabeet had 21 points and nine rebounds as No. 1 Connecticut bounced back from its second loss of the season with a 64-50 vicSaturday.

7-foot-3 junior blocked six shots and showed no ill effects from a hyperextended shoulder when he was flipped by Pittsburgh's DeJuan Blair in the Huskies' 76-68 loss on Monday.

A.J. Price had 11 points and Jeff Adrien had nine points and 15 rebounds for UConn (25-2, 13-2 Big East), which reached the 25-win mark for the 11th time in the last 20 years.

MARYLAND 88, NO. 3 NORTH CAROLINA 85, OT

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Greivis Vasquez recorded Maryland's first triple-double since 1987, and the Terrapins rallied from a 16point deficit to end the Tar Heels' 10-game winning

Vasquez had a career-high 35 points and 11 rebounds and 10 assists. The junior guard hit a key 3-pointer with 1:15 left and made two free throws with 5.4 seconds remaining to put Maryland up 88-85.

After North Carolina's Ty Lawson lost the ball while heading toward the basket iust before the buzzer, many of the 17,950 fans stormed the court to celebrate the unlikely upset.

The triple-double by Vasquez was the first for Maryland (17-9, 6-6 Atlantic Coast Conference) since Derrick Lewis did it twice in

NO. 4 PITTSBURGH 80. DEPAUL 61

PITTSBURGH — DeJuan Blair outmuscled DePaul inside for 20 points and 18 rebounds while setting No. 4 Pittsburgh's two-game record for rebounds, and the Panthers pulled away early in the second half.

Blair, averaging 20 points during a seven-game Pitt winning streak, had 13

utes and 16 by halftime. The 6-foot-7 Blair slowed his rebounding pace in the second half, mostly because the Panthers (25-2, 12-2 in Big East) didn't miss as many shots — 10 of his rebounds were on the offensive end.

NO. 5 MEMPHIS 70, TEXAS-EL PASO 63

EL PASO, Texas — Tyreke Evans scored 25 points and Memphis extended the nation's longest winning streak to 18 games with the Tigers' 53rd consecutive Conference USA win.

Evans was 9-of-13 from the field, including 3-of-4 from 3-point range, for the Tigers (24-3, 12-0), who last lost in December. Memphis' last conference loss was to UAB on March 2, 2006.

Evans put the game out of reach with two free throws with 12 seconds to play.

NO. 7 LOUISVILLE 72, **CINCINNATI 63**

CINCINNATI — Terrence Williams scored 20 points and Louisville dominated up

Williams, who was hobbled by a sprained right wrist for three games, had 20 points and five assists for the Cardinals (21-5, 12-2 Big East) and started a decisive 12-2 run in the second half.

NO. 10 MARQUETTE 78, **GEORGETOWN 72**

WASHINGTON — Wesley Matthews was 9-for-16 from the field, including a careerhigh five 3-pointers on eight attempts, and scored 23 points for Marquette.

Jerel McNeal added 22 points, seven assists and six rebounds while playing all 40 minutes, and Lazar Hayward had 17 points and 11 rebounds for the Golden Eagles (23-4, 12-2 Big East), who committed only six turnovers and shot 48 percent from the field.

— The Associated Press

Mickelson takes lead at Northern Trust

LOS ANGELES — Phil Johnson (67) were another Mickelson showed up early Saturday to work with swing coach Butch Harmon, then ran off four straight birdies late in his round for a 9-under 62 to build a four-shot lead going into the final round of the Northern Trust Open.

Five players had at least a share of the lead at one point in the third round, but what had been shaping up as a shootout at Riviera soon match McGowan at 14-under turned into a showcase for Mickelson.

It began with a tee shot into 4 feet on the par-3 14th for the outright lead. Mickelson followed that with an 8-foot birdie on the 15th, a 35-foot birdie on the 16th, and an upand-down from the bunker on the par-5 17th for his fourth straight birdie. He had a 10-foot birdie putt on the 18th to tie the course record, but hit the putt too hard.

Mickelson, the defending champion here, was at 16under 197.

Andres Romero Argentina birdied his last three holes for a 65 and could remain the last obstacle for Mickelson. Fred Couples (65), Rory Sabbatini (67), K.J. Choi (67) and Scott McCarron (70) were at 11 under. Mark Calcavecchia (64), Steve Stricker (69) and Pebble winner Beach Dustin

shot behind.

MCGOWAN, BICKERTON SHARE **JOHNNIE WÁLKER CLASSIC LEAD**

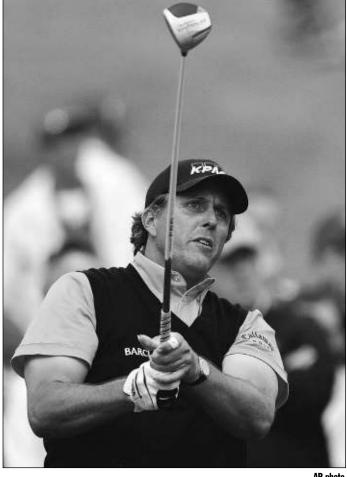
PERTH, Australia England's Ross McGowan shot a 7-under 65 in 104degree heat for a share of the third-round lead with countryman John Bickerton in the Johnnie Walker Classic.

Bickerton had a 66 to 202 on The Vines Resort's composite course. New Zealand amateur Danny Lee, the U.S. Amateur champion, shot a 69 to join France's Raphael Jacquelin (66), Chile's Felipe Aguilar (68) and Australia's Terry Pilkadaris (68) at 12 under.

American Anthony Kim, two strokes out of the lead after the second round, had a 9 on the par-5 third and finished with a 75 to fall from a tie for sixth to a tie for 46th at 5 under. Second-round coleader Anthony Kang, the American who won the Malaysian Open last week, also was 5 under after a 77.

Ireland's Damien McGrane, tied with Kang after the second round, shot a 72 to drop into a tie for 12th at 10 under in the event sanctioned by the Australasian, European, Asian tours.

— The Associated Press



Phil Mickelson tees off of the No. 10 tee Saturday during the third round of the Northern Trust Open golf tournament at Riviera Country Club in the Pacific Palisades area of Los Angeles.

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Valley

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from West Jefferson proved too much to handle.

"They came out and played with a lot of heart, and we started out a little slow," said Kraus. "I'm not disappointed with our team. We gave our hearts out there. Our heads just weren't there."

Valley came up just short in its bid for its first girls basketball title, but playing in the game was sweet for the players nonetheless. Even more so, considering that the Vikings missed out on the previous two state tournaments altogether.

"I'm glad to have been here, because there are a lot of teams that would like to be in our position," Kraus said. "We really wanted to be (at the state tournament) and played really hard to get here."

West Jefferson 40, Valley 25

WALLET (25)
Katie Hall 6, Dacia Hunter 1, Camelle Sizemore 3, Ashley Kraus 8, Gabi Nava 7. Totals 8 818 25.

WEST JEFFERSON (40) Kandice Stoneberg 4, Bradee Linger 4, Oakley Burtenshaw 9, Alli Holdaway 8, Tanae Smuin 2, Remington Ward 3, Tiffany McDonald 4, Cassidy Skidmore 2, Jodi Park 4. Totals 16 7-16 40.

3-point goals: Valley 1 (Nava); West Jefferson 1 (Burtenshaw). Total fouls: Valley 16; West Jefferson 16. Fouled out: Valley, Hall. Technical fouls: none.

Tigers **Continued from Sports 1**

come back," said Michelle Kent,

who tallied 11 points, seven rebounds and three assists. "It is great to finish your senior season undefeated and champions. It hasn't hit me yet."

The game marked the end of Dill's career. 'We came a long way and

accomplished a lot. We need to keep our heads high," said Dill, who recorded 15 points, 12 rebounds and a pair of assists. "We were there for most of it, but we ran out of gas at the end. Richfield is an amazing There is a good chance both

could be back here next year. Both lose important cogs — Dill for Dietrich and Lea Piper and Michelle Kent for the Tigers

but have solid players return-

"We aren't the biggest team, but we box out, move the ball and run," said Piper, who tallied eight points, nine rebounds and two steals in her final game. "It is pretty awesome to finish your career like this." Two other District IV teams

received trophies during the game. Camas County earned the academic award while Carey won the sportsmanship Richfield 59, Dietrich 37 10 16 11 22 – 59 8 9 13 7 – 37 RICHFIELD (59)

RICHFILD (59)
Sasha Kent 5, Teenie Kent 23, Mirian Rivas 8, Lea Piper 8, Kaylee Exon 4, Michelle Kent 11. Totals 23 6-14 59.
DIETRICH (37)
Nakia Norman 7, Jesse 1011 15, Jessica Perron 2, Shayla Porter 4, Moriah Dill 4, Dayna Phillips 5. Totals 15 5-9 37.
3-pointi goals: Richfield 7 (T. Kent 4, M. Kent 2, S. Kent); Dietrich 2 (Norman, J. Dill). Total fouls: Richfield 11; Dietrich 11. Fouled out: Dietrich, Dayna Phillips.

Griffey returns to Mariners

PEORIA, Ariz. (AP) — Ken Griffey Jr.'s familiar blue cap was in its familiar, fun place — backward. The jokes, the huge gum bubbles and the boyish grin were back, too.

On his back, that blue No. 24, outlined in teal. It's the number with which he became a superstar in Seattle but hadn't worn in nine years.

"I thought about wearing 45, like Mike," Griffey jokingly said of his pal Michael Jordan, who once resumed his NBA career while briefly wearing that unfamiliar number. "But that didn't work."

Everything else did on a Saturday that rejuvenated the Mariners and all of Seattle.

The 39-year-old slugger thought to be fading to retirement last year looked revitalized, like it was 1989. Junior was "home" again. Back at his old, corner locker for spring training. Back where his career began as a 19-year-old with a grin and a backward cap 20 years ago.

"I knew exactly where I was going. I think I know this clubhouse better than most people here," baseball's active leader with 611 home runs said with a laugh.

In that clubhouse, he cracked up awed Mariners teammates — some nearly half his age. Then came a formal, superhero's welcome of a news conference.

It began with Griffey looking uncomfortable, laughing nervously behind his hand



Seattle Mariners outfielder Ken Griffey Jr. talks to the media Saturday during a news conference at spring training



with his head bowed.

baseball in Peoria, Ariz.

It ended with him zinging jokes around the room.

"You always want to start and end your career with the same team," he said. "Not saying that this is the end of my career, but it's an opportunity to do what I said I was sometimes" because of

going to do. And that's come back here."

The son of former Reds hitter Ken Griffey Sr. said of Seattle: "I was pretty much raised in Cincinnati. But I grew up here."

He later hit in an indoor cage for 12 minutes, with rookie manager Don Wakamatsu pitching. His first workout with the Mariners comes Sunday morning.

He called the nine years since he's left "a little rough

injuries that have derailed a still-outstanding career.

He missed time in Cincinnati with injuries to his shoulder, hamstring, quadriceps, ankle and foot. Then after he was traded to the Chicago White Sox last July, Griffey had arthroscopic knee surgery. Many thought his career was finished.

The Mariners are banking on him being as healthy as he was in 2007, when he hit 30 home runs and had 93 RBIs with the Reds.

Quiet Twins break their silence, sign 3B Crede

season after having surgery to

The Associated Press

From across the diamond, Minnesota Twins manager Ron Gardenhire always admired the way Joe Crede played — good glove, pop in his bat, hard-nosed guy.

Gardenhire and the Twins are going to get a close-up look from now on.

After sitting idle for more than four months following a season in which they lost to the White Sox in a one-game playoff for the AL Central title, the Twins agreed to terms with Crede on a one-year deal on Saturday.

Provided Crede's back holds up, he will fill a major need for the Twins at third base.

The 30-year-old Crede had major back surgery in each of the last two seasons. He hit .248 with 17 homers and 55 RBIs last season for Chicago. But the All-Star played sparingly in the second half because of recurring back trouble, which limited him to 47 games in 2007.

"We've been thinking about this guy for a while, never knowing whether it was going to work out or not. But it finally has," Gardenhire said. "When his name was out there recommended, I said yeah, I would love to have this guy. Absolutely."

"I have never talked to Joe Crede besides saying 'how are you doing?' on the field. 'You're killing me, take it easy on me."

Twins general manager Bill

Joe Crede watches after hitting a three-run home run against the **Kansas** City **Royals** during the third inning of a July 2008 baseball game in White Sox.

Smith and assistant GM Rob Antony negotiated off and on with Crede's agent, Scott Boras, for more than two months without reaching a deal. The San Francisco Giants also showed interest in the free agent.

Crede topped 20 homers in three straight years, including a career-high 30 in 2006, before back problems held him to 144 games total in the last two seasons.

"We've seen him do some damage over the years against us and hopefully that

translates the same way when he's on our side," first base-

man Justin Morneau said. This spring also represents a new start for Kris Benson. The overall No. 1 pick in the 1996 draft, he signed a minor league contract with the Texas Rangers on Saturday.

The 34-year-old last pitched in the majors in 2006, going 11-12 with a 4.82 ERA for Baltimore. He has a career record of 68-73 with a 4.34 ERA with the Pirates, Orioles and New York Mets.

Benson missed the 2007

repair a torn right rotator cuff. He was 1-4 with a 5.52 ERA last year in 11 starts for Triple-A Lehigh Valley, the Philadelphia Phillies' top affiliate.

"My goal and mindset is totally set on making this big league team," he said. "I paid my dues last year. I have nothing in the back of my mind that says I'm going to go to the minor leagues. I just want to get to the big leagues and back to the way I was before the surgery."

Jason Isringhausen reported to the Tampa Bay Rays' spring camp, and manager Joe Maddon was looking forward to seeing the former All-Star reliever on the mound.

"We'll take it slowly in the beginning to make sure everything is in order," Maddon said. "Obviously, he could be a big boon to us if we get this guy back and well."

Isringhausen, who was released by St. Louis after last season, agreed to a minor league deal with the AL champions on Friday.

"This kind of popped up pretty quick," Isringhausen said. "We had talked one time before and we weren't going to do anything, and then it popped up again."

Isringhausen has 293 saves and a 3.61 ERA in 13 big league seasons. He had surgery in September to repair a partial tear of his flexor tendon in his elbow. He was 1-5 with 12 saves and a 5.70 ERA in 42 games last year.

Jerome **Continued from Sports 1**

With the victory, Jerome clinched its first state trophy in girls basketball since 2004, when the Tigers won it all.

But this season, Bruckner said, netted more than a trophy.

"At the beginning it was pretty rough, and we didn't get along all that well," Bruckner said of getting the talent on the team to mesh. "But now we're a family. And it's not just the team; it's the band, the fans, the coaches and the entire community."

Said Hollifield: "When we lost the consolation game last season, we finished with a loss and that made our season feel incomplete. This time it's not what we wanted, but we feel like we accomplished something.'

Jerome 69 Lake and 52
14 12 22 21 - 69
8 18 16 10 - 52
Aubree Callen 24, Hailey Long 2, Carrie Thibault 10, Tinley Garey 9, Jordann Hollifield 14, Allison Bruckner 10. Totals 22-42 23-32 69.

LAKELAND (52)
Ali Whitted 11, Camille Reynolds 21, Emily Stecker 2, Kari Rucker 4, Kristyn App 5, Alyana Watson 9. Totals 18-46 13-20 52 52. 3-point goals: Jerome 2 (Thibault, Garey); Lakeland 3 Reynolds 2, Watson). Total fouls: Jerome 20, Lakeland 23. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

to be picked in the top 10.

So teams may not have any workout numbers for

Nervous Gilliland ready to race

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FONTANA, Calif. (AP) — David Gilliland has one of those classic good news-bad news situations.

After two full seasons in NASCAR's Sprint Cup series, and spending most of that time with Yates Racing and in the top 35 in car owner points, Gilliland now finds himself with a new brand new Cup team and having to qualify for races on speed.

Yates Racing told Gilliland in January, but they made his departure official earlier this week, sending out a release that said a lack of sponsorship on the team's No. 38 Ford led to the driver's departure.

"David did a great job for us and is a gifted driver," Doug Yates said. "We are sorry to lose him, but it is important for David to continue driving and sponsorship is very tough this year."

Gilliland, who has two top-fives and four top-10s in 87 Cup starts, found work with the new TRG Motorsports team headed by Kevin Buckler. But not until after Mike Wallace fell just short of putting the team in the Daytona 500.

One of 12 drivers vying for eight starting spots here, Gilliland qualified 32nd for Sunday's Auto Club.

"I'm a little nervous coming back," the 33-year-old Gilliland said Saturday. "I always have a few nerves. I haven't been out of the top 34 for a while. It's nerveracking. During qualifying, you think one slip or pushing too hard could make you go home."

Buckler, who also fields a Camping World Series truck and a car in the ARCA series, only has sponsorship lined up for the first five Cup races of 2009. But he said TRG has hired Gilliland and veteran crew chief Slugger Labbe to help build the team a fulltime Cup program.

"David has the most experience in the COT car of any driver available," Buckler said. "Slugger gives us a lot of experience working with the COT car. We were short a few pieces at Daytona, but I believe we have put the right people together to have a successful weekend in California.'

But Buckler is focused well beyond this weekend's Auto Club 500.

"We are pulling out all of the stops to make the next (three) races," Buckler said. 'We want to be in the top 35 in owner points by the time we finish Bristol. ... The water is deep in NASCAR and we are not afraid to dive in with the sharks, but we have a very steep learning curve ahead of us and we will do our best.

"We took a big hit a Daytona by not making the race, but we have taken that and turned it into determination. Everyone involved sees the upside and wants to keep our foot firmly planted on the accelerator to turn this into a full season."

NFL

Crabtree to miss workouts with foot stress fracture

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Texas Tech's Michael Crabtree wanted to solidify his status as the top receiver in the NFL draft at this weekend's scouting combine. Instead, he left more questions than answers.

On Saturday, NFL doctors diagnosed Crabtree with a stress fracture in his left foot. He reportedly will need surgery to insert a screw and might face a recovery of 10 or more weeks.

"It's not a career-ending injury or anything like that," Bears coach Lovie Smith said. "He's a good football player, and he's got plenty of time to get well."

NFL officials would not immediately confirm details of the injury or the surgery, though coaches were told about it during Saturday's first drills. Crabtree was not scheduled to work out until Sunday.

NFL Network first reported the injury. Only its reporters are permitted inside the seating area of Lucas Oil Stadium, where workouts are held. Crabtree was not available for interviews Saturday.

All of the roughly 330 players at the combine spend their first day getting measured and going through medical checks. Those with additional questions are often sent to a nearby hospital for further examination.

That's apparently when Crabtree's injury was discovered, culminating a bad week.

Despite being listed at 6foot-3 on Texas Tech's roster last season, Crabtree measured just slightly taller than 6-foot-1 Friday. The difference could change the opinions of some scouts, who thought Crabtree fit the mold of Larry Fitzgerald as a tall receiver.

Now there's even a bigger problem.

Scouts may have to go through the entire evaluation process without seeing Crabtree work out in person. The draft is April 25-26, and Crabtree was expected

Crabtree, such as times in

the 40-yard dash or shuttle, to measure against other prospects. The lack of information, or the injury, could hurt his standing, though, not everyone believes it

"It's just part of the process. You can't worry about it, that is just the way it is," Kansas City Chiefs general manager Scott Pioli said. "This is unfortunate for him. The combine is great, but you watch tape and watch players perform on tape. That's really the top evaluation."

But it could make it harder for Crabtree to keep the top ranking at his position.

Crabtree certainly has a resume that warrants the No. 1 spot.

He won the Biletnikoff Award as the nation's top receiver each of the two years he played for the Red Raiders and became the first repeat winner since it was established in 1994. He also earned All-America honors the past two seasons.

As a freshman, Crabtree caught 134 passes for 1,962 vards and 22 TDs — all national bests and NCAA freshman records.

Last season, he caught another 97 passes for 1,165 yards and 19 touchdowns despite being slowed by a ankle injury. The injury, his father told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal January, had already raised questions about Crabtree's durability.

Saturday's revelation won't help provide those answers, though there is precedent for teams using first-round picks on players coming back from injuries.

Buffalo took running back Willis McGahee 23rd overall in 2003 after he seriously injured his knee in his final game at Miami.

"He has a history, and his history is pretty good," said Smith, whose team has the No. 18 pick and needs receivers. "I think he'll be OK."

If Crabtree's stock does drop, receivers such as Florida's Percy Harvin and Missouri's Jeremy Maclin could move up. That's not how Harvin wanted to move up draft boards.

Wendell

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but I wanted to win and make it to the finals. It was tough not to play," said Brandsma, who will have an MRI on

It was tough on the rest of the team also. "We found out 20 minutes before the game that she wasn't playing, and we kind of had a letdown," said Lancaster. "We knew everybody had to step up."

Despite the loss things started well. Lancaster continued her strong play, handling the Sugar-Salem press and knocking down a 3-pointer for the early lead.

The Diggers, who tallied a 20-0 regular season including victories over 4A state title contender Bonneville, led by six late in the quarter, but Laurie Andrus' trey at the buzzer make it 14-11 after one.

Foul trouble started catching up to the Trojans late in the second. The bench, already short before Brandsma's injury, was stretched to the limit as Andrus and Jori Fleming each picked up their second fouls while Heather Sturgeon recorded her third. The deep Digger squad kept up the pressure, forcing 17 first-half turnovers and leading 32-17 at the break. Sugar-Salem also doubled up Wendell in rebounding, giving itself many second and third chances.

The Trojans kept battling, but the deficit kept getting bigger. Both coaches freely substituted in the second half as the outcome was never in doubt.

Wendell coach Delon Huse said, "It was tough to lose somebody at the last minute, but I am so proud of the players, they never quit. Sugar-Salem is a great team. There is a reason they are 26-0. They are the best I have ever coached against."

The loss ends the careers of Lancaster, Andrus, Fleming and Erin O'Brien. Huse said it will be up to Brandsma, Heather Sturgeon, Kystyl Miller and others carry "We have a good nucleus of kids come

back and some young players," added The Kimberly girls basketball team received the state award for academic

excellence before the game.

Sugar-Salem 63, Wendell 40 Wendel 11.6 9 14 – 40

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Jori Fleming 7, Laurie Andrus 3, Jaci Lancaster 16, Erin O'Brien 6, Heather Sturgeon 4, Amber Bowers 1, Yvonne Bartholomew 3. Totals 12 11-20 40. SUGAR-SALEM (63)

Vanessa Hawkes 2, Jocelyn Ostermiller 1, Sofia Hepworth 22, Katelyn Palmer 4, Jacqueline Lee 2, Kimber Coffin 6, Brooke Hansen 14, Sherisse Hawkes 7. Totals: 22 15-22 63.

3-point goals: Wendell 5 (Lancaster 4, Andrus): Sugar-Salem 4 (Coffin 2.

3-point goals: Wendell 5 (Lancaster 4, Andrus); Sugar-Salem 4 (Coffin 2, Hepworth 2). Total fouls: Wendell 15; Sugar-Salem 21. Fouled out: Sugar-Salem 21.

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Shepherd 502, Michele Seckel

LADIES GAMES: Amanda Crider 221, Michele Seckel 208, Brenda Staley 202, Hillary Flieger

COMMERCIAL

SERIES: Tad Capurro 662, Leon Klimes 644.

GAMES: Taqd Capurro 254, Mike Berheim 234, Greg Hancock 233, Leon Klimes 226.

MASON SERIES: Gloria Harder 544, Edie

Barkley 518, Kathy Gray 495, Nina Caruthers 487. GAMES: Gloria Harder 203, Kathy Gray 187, Nina Caruthers 185, Edie Barkley 182.

PIONEER

SERIES: Cindy Morrison 580, Cherie Langford 579,. Julie Shaffer 576, Barb Reynolds 560. GAMES: Julie Shaffer 245, Cindy Morrison 226, Barb Reynolds 211, Cindy Morrison 207. **VALLEY**

SERIES: Scott Frazier 692, Jerry Miller 675, Mike Tackett 667, Cobey Magee 665. GAMES: Cobey Magee 268,

Bruce Quale 253, Mike Tackett 252, Tony Brass 246. **FIFTY PLUS**

MEN'S SERIES: Chelcie Eager 593, Jack Boyd 590, Felix

McLemore 577, John McCandless 558. MEN'S GAMES: Jack Boyd 244, Chelcie Eager 220, Felix McLemore 213, Steve Hall 211. LADIES SERIES: Barbara Smith 596, Anna Moore 532, Jean Stokesberry 510, Joan Leis 507. LADIES GAMES: Barbara Smith 224, Sharo Knudson 199, Margie Howard 194, Anna Moore

THURS. MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Robert Watkins 567, Charles Lewis 557, Bill Kimmel 555, Brent Lasure 532. MEN'S GAMES: Jared Ashmead 216, Robert Watkins 212, Charles Lewis 208, Bill Kimmel

LADIES SERIES: Edie Barkley 529, Kim Daigh 520, Danita Johnson 519, Kathy McClure

LADIES GAMES: Danita Johnson 197, Elara Smith 190, Kim Daigh Edie Barkley 181

EARLY FRI. MIXED MEN'S SERIES: Clint Koyle 653, Tad Capurro 646, Trevor Wakley 616, Buddy Bryant 597.

MEN'S GAMES: Clint Koyle 246, Tad Capurro 232, Tim Justice 227, Jeremy Charlton 224. LADIES SERIES: Melissa Straub

577, Sherry Amerson 567, Krista Wakley 549, Paula Walkey 512. LADIES GAMES: Sherry Amerson 224, Melissa Straub 213, Paula Wakley 198, Kimber Dudley 191. SAT. YABA

BOYS' SERIES: Anthony Brady 607, Kyle Mason 601, Dominic Curtis 537, Kevin Wakley 486. BOYS' GAMES: Kyle Mason 258, Anthony Brady 219, Dominic Curtis 199, Kevin Wakley 166. **GIRLS' SERIES:** Marissa Eggleston 454, Rio Leazer 422, Ali Churchman 408, Chelsey

Brafy 339. **GIRLS' GAMES:** Marissa Eggleston 178, Rio Leazer 252, Ali Churchman 146, Chelsey Brady 134.

SNAKE RIVER BOWL, BURLEY ODD BALL SERIES: Lisa Hutchison 613.

Jachelle Lowe 504, Susan Johnson 455.

GAMES: Lisa Hutchison 224, Glenda Mecham 180, Susan Johnson 177.

LADIES TRIOS

SERIES: Annette Hirsch 654, Tiffinay Hager 592, Louise Somsen 569.

GAMES: Annette Hirsch 245, Julie Vincent 233, Tiffinay Hager **MEN'S CLASSIC TRIO**

SERIES: Justin Studer 852, Bob Bywater 830, Tyson Hirsch 816. GAMES: Jordan Parish 245, Bob Bywater 236, Justin Studer 234. **TUESDAY MIXED**

MEN'S SERIES: Rick Hieb 682, Bob Bywater 662, Gene Smith

MEN'S GAMES: Bob Bywater 289, Rick Hieb 256, Gene Smith

LADIES SERIES: Christine Rowley 600, Stacey Hieb 571, Tiffinay Hager 525.

LADIES GAMES: Stacy Hieb 232, Christine Rowley 212, Tiffinay Hager 185.

WEDNESDAY MIXED MEN'S SERIES: Tyson Hirsch

627, Galen Rogers 585, Devon Rucker 572. MEN'S GAMES: Tyson Hirsch

279, Devon Rucker 221, Galen Rogers 200. LADIES SERIES: Annette Hirsch

562, Terri Harris 491, Susan Fowler 457.

LADIES GAMES: Annette Hirsch 211, Terri Harris 188, Susan Fowler 173.

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SERIES: Theresa Knowlton 540, Becky Martindale 507, Kym Son

GAMES: Theresa Knowlton 211, Colette Pfeifer 197, Kym Son

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Heffington 187, Delores Carson HOUSEWIVES

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LADIES GAMES: Janet Grant 156, Jackie Garcia 147, Nadean Moore 146.

MAJOR

SERIES: Rick Hieb 716, Tyson Hirsch 699, Bob Bywater 682. GAMES: Rick Hieb 279, Justin Studer 259.

EARLY BIRDS MEN'S SERIES: Duane Blauer 613, Duane Smith 602, Dusty

Penrod 511 MEN'S GAMES: Matt Blauer 244, Duane Blauer 226, Duane Smith

LADIES SERIES: Becky Smith 477, Georgia Schultz 467. Cheyann Blauer 400.

LADIES GAMES: Becky Smith 190, Georgia Schultz 174, Renee Bierway 150. **PINHEADS**

MEN'S SERIES: Jared Studer 553, Andrew Morgan 450, Brody Albertson 449.

MEN'S GAMES: Jared Studer 202, Brody Albertson 189, Andrew Morgan 155.

LADIES SERIES: Amanda Rowley 493, Courtney Yosida 461, Abrina Blount 369. LADIES GAMES: Courtney

Yoshida 182, Amanda Rowley 174, Cheyenne Powers 170. **BOWLADROME, TWIN FALLS**

SUN. EARLY MIXED MEN'S SERIES: Cobey Magee 687, Bob Leazer 641, Doug Sirucek 558, Adam Galan 554. MEN'S GAMES: Bob Leazer 237, Cobey Magee 237, John Harral 224, Doug Sirucek 207.

LADIES SERIES: KimLeazer 591, Leanna Magee 561, Debbie Westburg 543, Jody Galan 505. LADIES GAMES: Debbie Westburg 225, Kim Leazer 212, Leanna Magee 200, Jody Galan

MON. FOLLIES MEN'S SERIES: Rick Ruhter 636, Kevin Hamblin 630, Dennis Seckel 627. Steve Allison 597. MEN'S GAMES: Kevin Hamblin

235, Rick Morrow 233, Ron Marshall 231, Dennis Seckel

LADIES SERIES: Michele Seckel 580, Kay Puschel 536, Daveena Hamrick 525, Georgia Randall

LADIES GAMES: Michele Seckel 213, Georgia Randall 195, Kay Puschel 192, Daveena Hamrick

SH-BOOM MEN'S SERIES: Blake Kondracki

669, Craig Pitman 620, Kelly Jeroue 614, Ryan Shull 598. MEN'S GAMES: Craig Pitman 235, Blake Kondracki 233, Kelly Jeroue 219, Ryan Shull 217. LADIES SERIES: Julie Shull 590, Michelle Baughman 558, Diana Barnes 541, Diana Brady 523. LADIES GAMES: Diana Barnes 213, Julie Shull 202, Diana Brady 200, Shanon Kondracki

MID MORN. MIXED MEN'S SERIES: Tom Smith 735, Myron Schroeder 614, Ed Dutry 588, Matt Baysinger 583. **MEN'S GAMES:** Tom Smith 278, Matt Baysinger 235, Keith Kulm

230, Myron Schroeder 224. LADIES SERIES: Gail Cederlund 552, Kim Leazer 531, Vicki Kiesig 498, Bonnie Draper 488. LADIES GAMES: Kim Leazer 226, Gail Cederlund 202, Vicki Kiesig 173, Jeane Miller 171, Dixie

Eager 171. TUES. A.M. TRIOS

SERIES: Jessie Biggerstaff 548, Dorothy Moody 529, Barbara Frith 508, Jean McGuire 499. GAMES: Jessie Biggerstaff 219, Jean McGuire 192, Dorothy Moody 184, Jerica Meyer 183, Ruth Stimpson 183.

LATECOMERS

SERIES: Barb Aslett 528, Jessie Biggerstaff 506. Charlene Anderson 504, Mona Neill 502, Kristy Rodriguez 502.

GAMES: Barb Aslett 213, Linda Vining 202, Gail Knight 197, Charlene Anderson 194. **TUES. MAJORS**

BOYS' SERIES: Nicholas Parsons 592, Anthony Vest 543, Joe Campbell 532, Tyler Black 522. BOYS' GAMES: Anthony Vest

214, Joe Campbell 212, Nicholas Parsons 204, Cody Worden 189 **GIRLS' SERIES:** Erica Reeves

430, Miranda Curtis 415, Paige Maher 300.

GIRLS' GAMES: Erica Reeves 163, Miranda Curtis 151, Megan McAllister 107, Paige Maher

CONSOLIDATED

SERIES: Todd Fiscus 715, Juan Hernandez 695, Jordan Hicks 659, George Sanders 655. GAMES: Cobey Magee 279, Goerge Sanders 278, Todd Fiscus 278, Kevin Coggins 248.

M.V. SENIORS MEN'S SERIES: Ed Dutry 600, Myron Schroeder 567, Gerald Leis 530, Duke Stimpson 530. MEN'S GAMES: Ed Dutry 231, Duke Stimpson 224, Myron

Schroeder 220, Steve Hall 210. LADIES SERIES: Linda Vining 516. Jeannine Bennett 497. Shirley Kunsman 471, Barbara

Frith 454. **LADIES GAMES:** Jeannine Bennett 201, Linda Vining 195, Shirley Kunsman 173, Susan

McCann 162 **LADIES CLASSIC** SERIES: Diana Brady 536, Ann Shepherd 516. Michele Seckel

507, Kathy Gray 506. GAMES: Michele Seckel 210, Gretchen Black 210, Carol Quaintance 198, Diana Brady

SUNSET

SERIES: Julie Shull 647, Kim Leazer 633, Gail Cederlund 598, Sylvia Inman 554

GAMES: Kim Leazer 256, Julie Shull 240, Michelle Baughman 222. Gail Cederlund 218.

FRI. P.M. SENIORS MEN'S SERIES: Ed Dutry 617, Dave Wilson 615, Tom Smith 573, Bill Boren 579.

MEN'S GAMES: Dave Wilson 214, Ed Dutry 213, Bill Boren 213, Jim Vining 212.

LADIES SERIES: Barbara Short 533, Jeanne Miller 516, Linda Vining 492, Bonnie Draper 484. LADIES GAMES: Bernie Smith 204, Linda Vining 201, Barbara Short 195, Jeanne Miller 191. **MOOSE**

SERIES: Rob Maxfield 733, Chris Macfee 722, Bill Palmer 718,

Cobey Magee 711. GAMES: Chris Macfee 297, Cobey Magee 289, Rob Maxfield 267, Bob Leazer 266.

MOONSHINERS SERIES: Deanna Heil 469, Jackie Boyd 438, Hilarie Smith 428,

Ariel Bolish 427. GAMES: Ariel Bolish 171, Deanna Heil 167, Hilarie Smith 159, Jackie Boyd 148.

PEEWEE & BUMPER SERIES: April Roberts 186, Ravyn

Barela 185, Riley Magee 172. GAMES: Ravyn Barela 97, April Roberts 96, Riley Magee 90. **GIANTS**

BOYS' SERIES: Joe Campbell 447, Jayson Makay 359, Jaden Tuma 358, Georden Canary 349. BOYS' GAMES: Joe Campbell 154, Chris Coates 151, Braeden Lowe 140, LJayson Makay 139. GIRLS' SERIES: Koti Jo Moses 500, Brooke Newlan 456, Brooke Waters 426, Elyse Matlock 379.

GIRLS' GAMES: Koti Jo Moses 185, Brooke Newlan 172, Shelbi Waters 162, Brooke Waters 145. SUNSET BOWL, BUHL

SUNSET SENIORS MEN'S SERIES: Al Kooiman 590, Charlie Hill 572, Ron Fugate 513. Gene Schroeder 477. MEN'S GAMES: Al Kooiman 254, Charlie Hill 222, Ron Fugate 181. Bill Stuart 179.

LADIES SERIES: Dixie Schroeder 522, Verna Kodesh 465, Carol Ruhter 414, Camille Zach 409. LADIES GAMES: Dixie Schroeder 190, Verna Kodesh 161, Camille Zach 158, Carol Ruhter 146. MON. YABA

BOYS' SERIES: Rick Stoltenburg 364, Joe Stoltenburg 257, Chaz Hicks 184, Adam Mings 108. BOYS' GAMES: Rick Stoltenburg 138, Joe Stoltenburg 108, Chaz Hicks 81, Adam Mings 48. GIRLS' SERIES: Sarah Thompson 196, Alexis Breck 182, Julie Anne Nejezchleba 174. GIRLS' GAMES: Sarah Thompson 71, Alexis Breck 68, Julie Anne

Nejezchleba 64. **LUCKY STRIKERS**

SERIES: Darla McCallister 609, Mandi Olson 524, Cheryl Russell 511, Lois Tomlinson 502. GAMES: Darla McCallister 224, Mandi Olson 204, Cheryl Ryssell 198, June Sherrell 189.

MASON TROPHY SERIES: Dianne Davis 482, Nancy Bright 405, Verna Kodesh 405, Linda Loomis 395. **GAMES:** Dianne Davis 179 Nancy Bright 167, Verna Kodesh

147, Linda Loomis 144. **PINBUSTERS** SERIES: Cody Hicks 665, Larry Miller 651, Dan Pehrson 615, Josh Kennedy 587. GAMES: Cody Hicks 258, Dan Pehrson 246, Jim Wilson 245,

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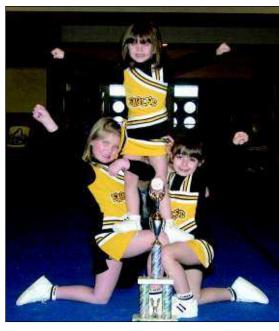
Magic Valley Eagles place well at Utah competition

For the Times-News

The Magic Valley Eagles allstar cheerleaders competed at the Rocky Mountain Challenge in Sandy, Utah, on Jan. 24. The Eagles' Senior team placed first, while the

Tiny, Mini and Youth squads took second. The Eagles, who train at Radio Rondevoo, will next head to Portland, Ore., and Anaheim, Calif., in March for nationals.

Information: Andrea Pierce at 420-3361



Tiny team

Members of the Magic **Valley Eagles** Tiny team are Brinnley McDonald, Lacy Maas, Jehryn Oates and Chloe Burgess.



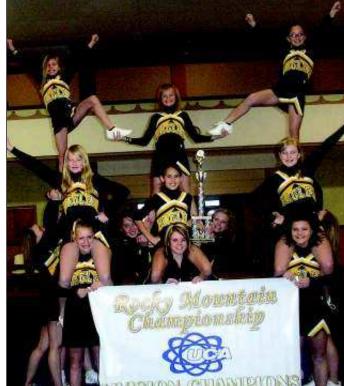
Mini team

Members of the Magic Valley Eagles Mini team are Halle Knight, Charity Easley, Mikayle Meyer, Angellina Bolt, Morgan Adams. Hannah Burgess. Caitlin Knight, Kaylee Livingston, Kaia Walker, Emily Black, Alise Fiscus and Beth Kepner.



Youth team

Members of the Magic Valley Eagles Youth team are Angela Hernandez, Ale' Hernandez, Brinley Hollstrom, Bailey Henley, Taylor Trappen, Bayley Shirley, Kelsey Jo Wolfe, Morgan Bosen, Kylie Fiscus, Averee Amador-Burgess, Jessica Figueroa, Jordan Pfeifer, Samantha Easley and Jasmina

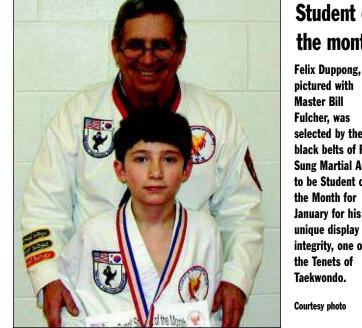


Senior team

Members of the Magic Valley Eagles Senior team are Lexxi Richardson, Sadie Potter, Katie Higley, Hunter Slagel, Michelle Coleman, Jessica Holstine, Emily Walker, Brianna Starley, Jordan Rogers, Jaycee Martinez, Angela Hernandez, Jordan Henley, Amber Janatsch, Catherine Harris, Kelly Madden, Ansley Meeks, Bailey Barton, Victoria Jones, Austin Moon, Shelaine Moreno, Edina Hukic, Ali Lenardi and Carly Capps.

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Fireballer Strasburg a big hit

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The buzz surrounding Stephen Strasburg seems to grow with every pitch, which makes sense considering that some of his electrifying fastballs have hit triple digits on the radar gun.

The big San Diego State right-hander already has an Olympic bronze medal and a 23-strikeout game among his career highlights - every strike of that gem is on YouTube for the whole world to see, including the final one when he hops off the mound, pumps his fist and hugs his catcher.

If he stays healthy and has a big junior season, Strasburg is expected to be the No. 1 overall pick in the June amateur draft.

Before the millions of dollars come rolling in, though, Strasburg would really like to help get Tony Gwynn's Aztecs into the NCAA regionals for the first time in 18 years.

"I have a full year left here, at least, and I definitely want make an impact," Strasburg said.

He already has, becoming a big name as quickly as one his fastballs reaches home plate.

Strasburg first gained national attention last April 11 when he had 23 strikeouts in a 1-0, one-hit victory against Utah. The 23 whiffs set school and Mountain West Conference records, and tied for the third-highest total in NCAA history.

In Beijing, he was the only amateur on the U.S. Olympic

In September, he was the focus of the "Strasburg Sweepstakes," in which being worst meant being first. By losing 102 games, the Washington Nationals earned the first pick in the draft over the Seattle Mariners (101 losses) and the San Diego Padres (99).

"I don't see him getting past one," Padres general manager Kevin Towers said. "I think the Mariners will be doing handsprings if he got there at two, and we'd be jumping off the La Jolla cliffs if he was there at three."

Gwynn, who's entering his seventh season at his alma mater, calls Strasburg an overpowering pitcher "with really kind of freakish talent. But he has a level head about

The 6-foot-4, 220-pound Strasburg has been named a preseason All-American and the preseason national pitcher of the year by several publications and Web sites. He tops the list of candidates for the Golden Spikes Award and the Brooks Wallace Award.

A local kid who grew up in suburban Santee and idolized Gwynn, Trevor Hoffman, Jake Peavy and other Padre stars, Strasburg just wants to be known as the Aztecs' ace. He was scheduled to start the season opener Friday against Bethune-Cookman in the MLB Urban Classic in

Compton. "I've grown up so much just from three years ago, being at West Hills High School," Strasburg said on a recent Saturday morning at Tony Gwynn Stadium. "I really can't explain what happened. I got thrown into the fire here, I did everything that the coaches told me to do, and I tried to do more than that. It's just worked out so far."

Strasburg was undrafted out of high school. He wanted to pitch for Stanford but wasn't accepted. Although SDSU recruited Strasburg, Gwynn admits that he didn't think the pitcher was tough enough mentally for college ball. Plus, he was overweight. Pitching coach Rusty Filter, however, was high on Strasburg.

The righty got into shape and his fastball went from 91 mph to being consistently around 97 mph or more. He was the closer his freshman year and a starter last year, going 8-3 with a 1.57 ERA.

Gwynn said Strasburg has often pitched with 25 to 30 scouts in the stands.

Although Strasburg has matured, he sometimes has

his moments. "I really believe there are times he goes out on the mound and he just doesn't expect to be hit," said Gwynn,



San Diego State pitcher Stephen Strasburg, the projected first choice for baseball's amateur draft this spring, loosens up before practice on Feb. 18 in San Diego.

who had a .338 average and 3.141 hits in 20 seasons with the Padres. "And when he does get hit, sometimes his emotions start to come out. Again, you just try to teach him about composure and focusing in on the next hitter and that stuff, and for the most part he's been unbelievable."

During a scrimmage a few weeks ago, one of Strasburg's fastballs reportedly was clocked at 103 and two others at 101.

"What comes out of the hand is just electric, and it's moving," the GM said. "That's the amazing thing with him. I've seen guys throw 96, 97, but it's true. This guy's ball

sails, it cuts, it sinks at times. It's hard to believe somebody could throw triple digits and get movement. And his movement is around the plate. It's not way up here or way over here.

Gwynn doesn't put a whole

lot of credence in radar guns. He says SDSU's gun tops out at 99 mph. "He's always at 99," the coach said.

Strasburg also throws what Towers calls a "wipeout slider," as well as a better-than-average changeup and a cutter.



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DEAR ABBY: My husband "William" and I have been married 32 years. I love him dearly, but his health is poor. William is only 55, has had five heart attacks and has three stents in his heart. His last visit to the ER included being hit with paddles because his heart had stopped. In spite of this, my husband continues to smoke, eat whatever he wants and so on, I feel as if I am just waiting for him to

I think about this all the time. When I try to call my husband and he doesn't answer, I envision him at home dead on the floor. We have made all the arrangements necessary for when the time comes.

We recently moved into a new home. William works constantly around the house and then complains to me about how tired he gets. When I encourage him to take it easy and rest, he says, "I have to get everything done before I die." It's driving my crazy.

How do I end these obsessive thoughts of my husband dying? It scares me to think of life without him. We have been together since I was a teenager. Other times I feel as if his death will actually set me free. William is a good man, and I'm troubled by these constant

IF FEBRUARY 22 IS YOUR

BIRTHDAY: Everyone needs some

playtime — and you will have

plenty of it in the year ahead. You

may be wrapped up in an

amorous relationship or gripped

by a pleasant dream and inadver-

tently overlook important busi-

ness, career or job related matters

between now and June. In

October, and to a lesser extent in

November, you will have the

world on a string and be able to

call your own shots. That is the

best time to put your ambitions

into play and seek a new job, a

raise or to make serious decisions

about your finances. Look for a

surge of good fortune next

January and a chance to make

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Hit

the ground running. There have

been several items that you have

been waiting to implement for

quite a long while. This week you

may be presented with the perfect

timing or opportunity to move

TAURUS (April 20-May 20):

Pass the torch. Teamwork is your

key to success during the week to

come. You know the old saying

that many hands make light work

and you might have numerous

opportunities to test out the theo-

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

beneficial changes.



DEAR Abby Jeanne Phillips

nagging thoughts. Any advice would be a blessing.

-WAITING

IN TEXAS

DEAR WAITING: Considering the circumstances, your concern is normal. If my husband had had five heart attacks and didn't take care of himself, I would be worried sick, too.

It is very important that you understand and accept that your husband is living his life on his own terms, exactly the way he wants to - smoking, eating, fixing up the house so it will be *perfect" for the woman he loves. Enjoy him to the fullest and be thankful for every day you have with him, because the more you obsess about losing him, the less you will be able to enjoy the present. If you think about it — the present is all that anybody is guaranteed. A talk with a therapist or a member of the clergy - so you'll have someone to lean on when the time comes - may help you make your way through the process of

DEAR ABBY: I am a responsible adult, age 28. I have a college degree and a good job. I pay my bills on time and own my own home. My situation is I had a child when I was a teenager.

Often when people find out that I am his mother, they'll make a comment such as, "Oh, you're too young to have a 12-year-old child." That statement is absolutely correct. However, I don't feel I should have to go into detail about how old I was when my son

Can you please provide me with a response that will not be rude but will end the conversation? While I understand where the generalizations about teenage mothers come from, they do not apply in all situations.

—YOUNG MOTHER IN CHESAPEAKE BAY, VA.

DEAR YOUNG MOTHER: Just smile at the person, say, "Thank you for the compliment," and change the subject. You are under no obligation to reveal any further

■ HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

Make a comeback, You are well on track to put significant plans in motion and overcome the odds this week. Someone close may offer some sage advice or give you a valuable piece of information.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Grab the bull by the horns. You and an adversary can come to a meeting of the minds like a toreador and his four-legged dance partner. By combining efforts with others, you can put on a great show this week.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The right answers come when you least expect them. You may receive responses that are not what you expect, but they will lead you in the right direction. This week, ask for professional advice or counsel.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): This is a good week to jump right in because the water is guaranteed to be fine. Teamwork is essentially to the success of any venture, so be sure to choose a sufficiently

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Love wasn't meant to be put on a balance sheet. If you have to weigh the differences between two people or opportunities this week,

just go with whatever stirs your heart. You will be glad you did.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Grab some beads. If you are heading off to Mardi Gras celebrations this week, you should be prepared to flaunt your bling. This is a good week for travel, parties or for doing something unusual.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Leaders are made, not born. The only way to become a leader is to make decisions and take the lead. This may mean initiating actions on your own or taking executive steps in the week ahead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Make strides. It is amazing how much you can accomplish when the subject of who gets the credit isn't an issue. This is a good week to foster a cooperative spirit especially at work or on the job.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Make it known you've got moxie. Being a wallflower isn't your style, anyway. Your enthusiasm will make people stand up and take notice during the week ahead. Earn a well-deserved pat on the

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Pass the torch. When you are part of a team, you are expected to do your part and rely upon others to do theirs. This week you will find that someone can supply the energy or expertise you are lacking.

who had spent most of his life in a

plastic bubble because he had no

immunity to disease, died 15 days

after being removed from the bub-

ble for a bone-marrow transplant.

Ten years ago: Levi Strauss,

falling victim to a fashion genera-

tion gap, announced it was closing

Five years ago: Consumer advo-

cate Ralph Nader entered the pres-

idential race as an independent, A

11 plants.

Today is Sunday, Feb. 22, the 53rd day of 2009. There are 312 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 22, 1732, the first president of the United States, George

Washington, was born Westmoreland County in the Virginia Colony. On this date: In 1784, a U.S. merchant ship, the Empress of China, left New York for

the Far East to trade goods with China.

In 1862, Jefferson Davis, already the provisional president of the Confederacy, was inaugurated for a six-year term following his election in November 1861.

In 1889, President Grover Cleveland signed an enabling act paving the way for the Dakotas, Montana and Washington to become states.

In 1909, the Great White Fleet, a naval task force sent on a roundthe-world voyage by President Theodore Roosevelt, returned after

TODAY IN HISTORY

more than a year at sea.

stations.

In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge delivered the first radio broadcast from the White House as he addressed the country over 42

In 1934, Frank Capra's romantic comedy "It Happened One Night," starring Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert, opened at New York's Radio City Music Hall. In 1959, the inaugural Daytona

500 race was held in Daytona Beach, Fla.; although Johnny Beauchamp was initially declared the winner, the victory was later awarded to Lee Petty.

In 1973, the U.S. and China agreed to establish liaison offices. In 1980, the U.S. Olympic hockey team upset the Soviets at Lake Placid, N.Y., 4-3. (The U.S. team went on to win the gold medal.)

In 1984, 12-year-old David Vetter,

Palestinian suicide bomber blew himself up on a crowded Jerusalem bus, killing eight passengers. Rebels captured Haiti's second-largest city, claiming Cap-Haitien as their biggest prize in a two-week-old uprising. One year ago: Turkish troops

crossed into northern Iraq in their first major ground incursion against Kurdish rebel bases in nearly a decade. Singer-actress Jennifer Lopez gave birth to twins, a girl and a boy. Civil rights activist Johnnie Carr died in Montgomery, Ala., at age 97.

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ANSWER: With no intermediates,

a balanced hand, and all soft

cards, the hand might be worth

Stayman and a nonspecific slam-

try in the other major if we find a

fit, and with a sign-off facing any

other response. But your actual

route, not giving away informa-

tion, is fine. Interchange the

heart jack and spade queen and I

would definitely just bid three no-

I liked your book for its great sto-

ries and invective, but it seemed

a bit choppy and episodic. Was

that deliberate? I'd also like to

see more stories of the hands

ANSWER: I'm glad you liked the

book, but its episodic nature is

not coincidence. I was not trying

to write a narrative, but hoping to

shine a light on corners of the

bridge world that rarely get seen.

Unfortunately, this book could

not encompass both hands and

history. Maybe my next book will

have the deals in it, but then

again, there are many bridge

books out there, and not so many

true accounts of bridge at the top.

in a recent pairs game, my (much

more experienced) partner twice

led unsupported aces in suits that

she had bid and I had supported.

Both leads let declarer score an

undeserved king, giving us a poor

score. When I perhaps unwisely

pointed this out, she said, "I had

no other lead." Any comments on

Bullets Over Broadway, Little Rock, Ark.

ANSWER: You make a good

point. I hate to lead aces in bid

and supported suits, but my hand

may persuade me to do it, and I'm

more likely to do so in a suit part-

ner had bid first. Incidentally, if

you are defending a doubled con-

tract, it is a very bad idea. (Part-

ner's double tends to suggest not

holding cards in our long suit.)

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Strategic Command, Holland, Mich.

ANSWER: An overcall should show a better hand (though I might pre-empt nonvulnerable and would surely do so at favorable vulnerability). Give me an ace instead of a king in one minor, and bidding seems reasonable, but not without risk.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Two weeks ago in a letter you advocated jumping in no-trump in a game-forcing auction to show 15-17. How do you treat 18-19 points in two-over-one auctions when you are in a game-force?

Upping the Ante, Atlanta, Ga.

ANSWER: A fine question! A sequence such as one heart - two clubs - two no-trump suggests 12but can be made with a balanced 18-plus points, even with club support, planning to bid on over partner's call of three notrump. The same applies for responder's rebid of two no-trump. I'll try to feature an auction along these lines in the column soon.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

I held ♠ Q-6-4-2, ♥ J-9-2, ♦ K-J-5, K-J-3, and my partner opened two no-trump. I simply bid three no-trump rather than use Stayman. I reasoned that the auction might help them more than us, and there was a chance we had no ruffing values even if we did find a 4-4 spade fit. Naturally, there was a fit and a fortuitous doubleton that allowed the extra trick in spades. Was my bid justified?

Balanced-Shmalanced, Newark, N.J.

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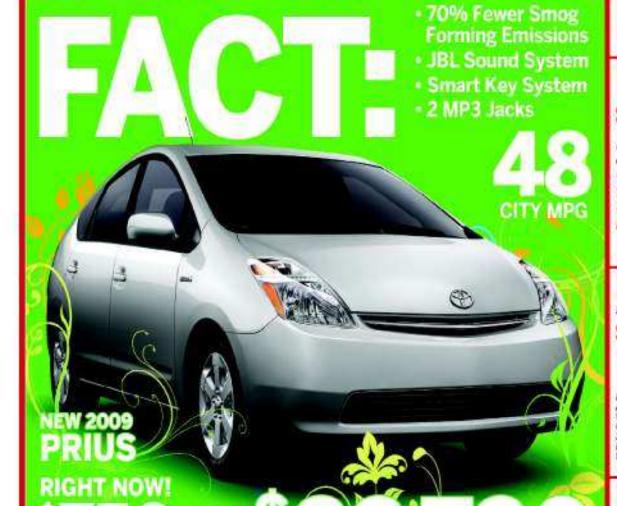


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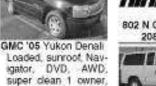


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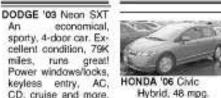


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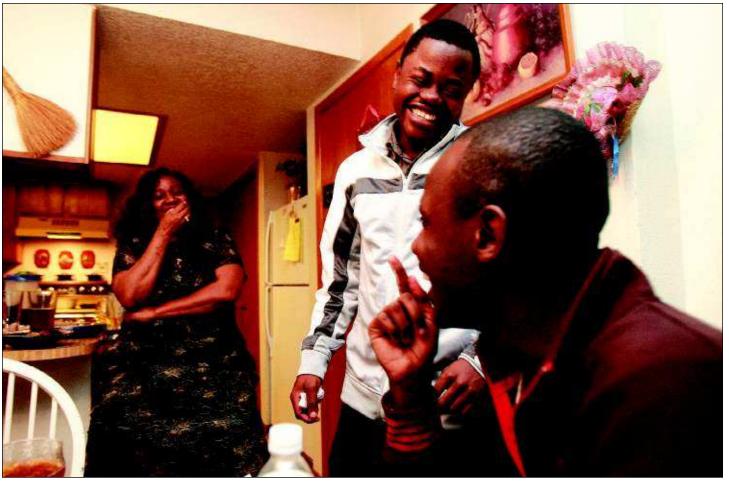
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Photos by ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News Hugues Kutambula, center, a member of College of Southern Idaho's Black Student Alliance, jokes with Kevin Nakaha while Patrice Walker, who made dinner for the group Monday, looks on at her home in Twin Falls. The alliance formed two years ago, and this year it has about 25 members from across the country

'They're not here alone'

CSI club gives students a family away from home

By Erica Littlefield

Times-News correspondent

and the world, including Africa, Denmark and Mexico.

Adjusting to college life is tough enough. But when Kevin Nakaha came to Twin Falls from his home in Africa's Burundi to attend the College of Southern Idaho, he also had to adapt to differences in practically everything, from customs, to language, to weather.

At CSI, the Black Student Alliance helps multicultural students like Nakaha ease into life in college and the Twin Falls community. Kim Prestwich, coordinator of CSI's Multicultural Student Services office and the group's adviser, said students in the alliance have grown close and become like a surrogate

"You hear about the connections the students make," Prestwich said. "One of the goals of the group is to serve as a welcome for the students who are here. You go through an adjustment, and this group is good about understanding that and being supportive of one another."

The Black Student Alliance formed two years ago when Prestwich and Graydon Stanley, the college's dean of students, saw a need for an organization to help multicultural and international students make the transition into the community. This year the group has about 25 members from across the country and across the world, including Africa, Denmark and Mexico. Linda Jam, vice president of the alliance, joined to meet people soon after she came to CSI from Cameroon last semester.

"I just love the diversity," Jam said. "It's not just about the black students. You get to know the most awesome people around."

The alliance does a variety of things to help multicultural students get their feet on the ground and adjust to the community. It holds events like last night's Soul

Food Dinner to educate the community about African American culture. Last year it held a drive to collect personal hygiene items for students in need. During election season, some students went to a campaign party at Pandora's, and earlier this month they hit up a Super Bowl party.

"We want to know the culture of this country we're living in, the community we're in," said Nakaha, president of the organization this year. Nakaha said taking on a leadership role helped him overcome arrived.

Patrice Walker was one of the first students to get involved with the club.

The 50-year-old mother moved to Twin Falls from Long Beach, Calif., two years ago, and three of her five sons have since joined her here. They didn't feel welcome at first. When she lived downtown, Walker said, she could count on one hand the people who would look up and say hello to her on the street.

"When you're coming into this community, it's hard to get acclimated," Walker said. "You have people that will put walls up in front of you. They won't invite you into the midst of their group out of

SEE HOME ON FAMILY LIFE 3



Patrice Walker's home is one of the main places Black Student Alliance members gather. Clockwise from left are Alma Jam, Murielle Shimba, Anne Nissen, Hugues Kutambula, Walker and Kevin Nakaha. The alliance also participates in a variety of things in the community, like campaign and Super Bowl parties.

It's time to bottle up excess ketchup

ou can tell a lot about your family by its laundry. Usually there's the common fare of mud, dirt, grass and, with a new baby, some meals in their entirety.

Then there's the frequent stain that's a scarlet letter of gluttony and sloppiness: ketchup.

After 12 years of fatherhood and cleaning houses, cars, picnic tables and strollers, I'm absolutely certain that Americans eat too much ketchup. Actually, we don't eat the stuff, we imbibe it like summer lemon-



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The stuff is simply everywhere: breakfast, lunch, dinner, barbecues, drive-ins,

school cafeterias, potlucks and fine restaurants. We use ketchup more than we use toothpaste, sunblock, deodorant and motor oil, for all their respective purposes. And frankly, it's turning Americans into sour-breathed slobs.

I confess to be as guilty as the next guy. As a kid, I wouldn't touch eggs, ham or mashed potatoes unless they were swimming in the glop. Therein lies the paradox. Ketchup's ingredients individually — tomato concentrate, vinegar, corn syrup, salt, onion powder and garlic powder — would gross out most kids. But put it all together in a glossy puddle next to their hot dogs, and they devour it like Ronald McDonald cooked up a souffle for their birthday.

Apparently even Wall Street sees the Midas touch of ketchup. Just last summer, the stock price for H.J. Heinz, the world's premier ketchup maker, was over \$50 a share. Even in today's deflated market, it's holding at around \$35. In November, Forbes.com reported Heinz's ketchup sales were up 12 percent because people are dining out less and trying to "compensate for lowerquality tasting meats with the condi-

There's a problem with that culinary approach. If you're going to hide the flavor of low-quality meat, you must have high-quality ketchup. And believe me when I say ketchup can be very low quality.

The top of the line is the restaurant quality that has a heavy texture, rich flavor and good color. Heinz ketchup seems to be the high standard in restaurants. For years, it boasted of a slow thickness that also explained why customers routinely splattered by shaking the bottle. This led to the convenient, squeezable bottle, which fueled ketchup consumption and fried-food metabolism for small children.

Then there's the bulk ketchup that cafes buy in large cans, just as the military does. Some of my favorite burger joints here in Twin Falls rely on this ketchup, and I can't always say it's the most savory way to enjoy a meal. But it also proves the dietician standard, if you want to lose weight: Give up foods with ketchup.

Finally, we come to the lowest-grade ketchup, which, sadly, is found in our public schools. I've occasionally eaten lunch in my kids' school cafeteria on days when ketchup fare is served. The food distributor provides small packets of it, and it has none of the texture, consistency or color of regular ketchup. In fact, the most drunken Englishman wouldn't dare put it on his fish and chips.

This is where my story comes full circle, since my son is now wearing the ketchup more than eating it. He blames his stains on the runny nature of this rancid goo, and claims other students don't touch the stuff. If that's so, we told him, consider it a rare case where peer pressure has merit. He swears he's off the stuff for good now.

When it comes to moderation, perhaps the Greeks taught it best when they wrote on their temples *meden*

agan, meaning "nothing in excess." Or in a culinary definition: "Ketchup and calamari do not mix."

David Cooper is a father of five. Reach him at david.cooper@lee.net.

SENIOR CALENDAR

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Friday: Quilting, 8 a.m.

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MENUS: Monday: Turkey noodle soup Tuesday: Potato bar Wednesday: Surprise casse-

Thursday: Baked spaghetti

casserole **ACTIVITIES:**

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Monday: Hot roast beef sandwich

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Thursday: Birthday lunch, salmon loaf

Friday: Soup and sandwich **ACTIVITIES:**

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Thursday: Barbecue riblets Friday: Birthday lunch, roast beef

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: SilverSneakers exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bridge, 12:30 p.m. 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.

10:30 a.m. Last Resort Band Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Friday: SilverSneakers,

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: Fried chicken Thursday: Sloppy Joe **ACTIVITIES:** Wednesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.

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: Meatballs and gravy

Wednesday: Ham sandwich Friday: Pork roast **ACTIVITIES:**

Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m. Quilting, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo

Wednesday: Black Out Bingo, 12:30 p.m. Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo

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: Spaghetti Wednesday: Potato bar Friday: Baked cod

ACTIVITIES:

Monday: Salad and soup bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fit and Fall-proof, 1 p.m. Duplicate bridge, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.

Bingo, 1 p.m. Wednesday: Fit and Fallproof, 1 p.m. Yoga, 5:30 p.m.

Friday: Table tennis, 9 a.m. Fit and Fall-proof, 1 p.m.

Carey Senior Center

Main Street. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.

seniors; \$5, non-seniors. **MENU:**

Thursday: Baked cod

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$5, seniors; \$6, nonseniors; \$3, under 12; \$4.50, home delivery. Gift shop: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center hours: 9 a.m. to 3

MENUS:

Monday: Chili Tuesday: Chicken-fried steak Wednesday: Birthday dinner Thursday: Pork chops **Friday:** Chicken/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. 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.

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: Quiche

Tuesday: Reuben sandwich Wednesday: Oven-fried chick-

Thursday: Pork noodles Friday: Hot beef sandwich **ACTIVITIES:**

Monday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m. Exercise Tuesday: Pool Wood carving, 8:30 a.m. Radio show, 9:06 a.m.

Exercise Community bingo, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Pool Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Exercise Thursday: Pool Exercise Movie, 9:30 a.m.

Community pinochle, 6 p.m. Woodcarving, 6 p.m. Friday: Pool

Exercise Pinochle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry. Lunch at noon. Suggested donation: \$4, seniors; \$6, under 60; \$2.50, under 12. For rides: 366-2051. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

MENUS:

Monday: Beans and ham Tuesday: Salisbury steak Thursday: To be announced **ACTIVITIES:**

Monday: Fit and Fall-proof, 10:30 a.m.

Taxes, 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday: Foot clinic Quilting, 1 p.m.

fast, 7:30 to 10 a.m. Taxes, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Richfield Senior Center

at noon. Suggested donation: \$3.50, seniors; \$5.50,

Thursday: Chicken sandwich and potato soup

Filer Senior Haven 222 Main St., Filer. Lunch at

\$4. Center hours: 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. **ACTIVITIES:**

Bingo, 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30

Thursday: Puzzles, 11:30 Bingo, 1 p.m.

Senior Center

Tuesday: Meatball sandwich Wednesday: Tacos Friday: Roast

ACTIVITIES:

Thursday: Art class, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

It's an old story: AARP provides a senior moment

By Jim Shea **The Hartford Courant**

There comes a point in every baby boomer's life when without warning they receive in the mail an unso-

licited greeting from AARP. It seems to me that this contact comes initial shortly after you turn 21, but others have assured me that it does not, in fact, come to pass until you have hit the big 5-0.

Becoming AARP mailinglist eligible has become a rite of passage, albeit a sobering one. It is a cold slap in the face from the future. You see your life flash before you. It is wearing Depends.

After the initial shock, most new AARP recruits go through a long process that eventually leads to a place of contentment. But to get there, one must

first experience the five

stages of AARP: **Denial:** This can't possibly be happening to me. There must a mistake. I'm too young. I have kids in high school. I'm cool. I'm awesome. I Facebook. I text. I Twitter. I wear jeans. I blast the radio and play air guitar.

Anger: I am not going to stand for this. This is insulting. This is no way to treat a middle-age person. I am going to get a hold of these AARP people and let them have it. No, better yet, I'm going to call my lawyer. I'm

This can't be. No! No! No!

going to sue them for mental cruelty, pain and suffering, and wanton negligent mistaken identity.

Maybe I should send them a photo?

Bargaining: All right, I'll tell vou what. If AARP promises not to send me any more unsolicited materials, and not to contact me again until I am 65, I'll join the organization then, and become a model member. I'll be the perfect senior. I'll wear sensible shoes. I'll grow bushy eyebrows. I'll drive a big car really slowly. I'll eat out at 5 p.m. I'll rail at the neighborhood children and scream, "You kids today have no respect."

Depression: What's the point? I'm old. Actually, now Î'm officially old. My best years are behind me. My hair is turning gray. My crow's feet are developing crow's feet; my chins have chins. What do I have to look forward to, turning 60? I should die first in my sleep. Go away. I need a nap.

Acceptance: You know what, it's going to be OK. So what if AARP has me in their sights? No one is making me join. I'll just make believe the organization doesn't exist, although they do have some pretty good rates on insurance.

If the day comes when I feel the need to join up, I will. It won't be the end of the world. I mean, it's not like I'm moving to Florida.

By Angie Wagner Associated Press writer

LAS VEGAS - My 3-yearold has this annoying habit that is driving me crazy: When she doesn't get what

she wants, she fake cries. The fake cry is different from whining, when a child's voice goes into that horrible singsong tone. This is something even more severe and irritating,

something I must stop. It usually goes something like this:

Child is doing something wrong. Mom or Dad corrects child. Child fakes a "waaa-ha-ha-ha" sound, makes a sad face and then says her feelings were hurt, only she calls them "mealings."

She also does this when she and her sister are playing and a toy is taken from her or she doesn't get her "Waaa-ha-ha-ha" comes bellowing from the playroom as every syllable in the fake cry is punctuat-

I have tried ignoring it. I have tried sending her to a

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time-out every time she does it. I have tried simply begging her not to do it. I have yelled. And in moments of weakness, I have even asked my older child to just give the younger one the toy because I can't stand to

hear her cry. Nothing seems to work. Psychologist and parenting expert Randy Cale of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., said any behavior that a parent consistently gives attention to will only grow. So if I continue to acknowledge the behavior by either punishing her or reacting in a way that shows her she is truly getting to me, the crybaby phase will just contin-

"She can see the look on your face. Your energy kind of flows into it," said Cale, who runs the web site www.terrificparenting.com

Cale suggested that at the moment I detect the crybaby behavior, I should immediately pull my attention away and either walk out of the room or direct my attention to my

peared."

other daughter. "Immediately, within a second, she recognizes that Mom and Dad have disap-

The behavior will probably worsen for several days, but if I want it to disappear I can't engage. Cale suggested "seeds and weeds" method, meaning I want to weed out the bad behavior and nurture and feed the

good. When the kids are playing nicely, walk by and comment on it. When crybaby is fake crying around my older daughter, invite the daughter who is not out of control hear crybaby now.

The message to my children will be that I will invest in moments when they are getting along, not when there is whining, crying or

"If you give your energy and attention to the moments that you don't want and expect to end up with moments that you do want, it never happens," he

PREGNANT PAMPERING

Five ways to soothe your pregnant body (or one you love). NEXT WEEK IN FAMILY LIFE

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Thursday: Fit and Fall-proof, 10:30 a.m. Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m. Cardio, 1 p.m. Saturday: Pancake break-

130 S. Main, Richfield. Lunch

under 60. **MENUS:** Monday: Baked ham

noon. Suggested donation:

Monday: Bingo, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30

Camas County

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:**

From a 3-year-old, fake tears, real drama

to walk out of the room with

bickering.

And if nothing works, Cale said, try earplugs and an

early martini. Not a bad idea. I think I

With new mini dental implant



At the Toy Fair, how about a nice cheap board game?

By Margaret Webb Pressler The Washington Post

NEW YORK — Last week was Toy Fair time, when thousands of grown-ups who live and breathe toys — as inventors, manufacturers and retailers — gathered in the toy capital of the world to show and see what's new for the coming year. If there were a Furby-like frenzy in our future, this is where you'd find it.

Except that toymakers are definitely playing it safe. The scene at Toy Fair was a lot like the scene at home — anxious and thrifty, but still trying to find a way to have fun. That effort was evident in the constant crashing, flying, spinning, whirring and beeping of demo toys all around.

Fair this year was the "wow" factor — the cool ideas that cause so many conversations to start with "have you seen ... ?" This year, even reliable whose recent revolutionary

What was missing from Toy

innovators like Spin Master hits include the car that drives on walls and the molding sand called Moon Sand — were flaunting only additions and improvements to their exist-

"Kids are still going to play, and parents are still going to buy toys. We just have to adjust to these new economic realities," said toy analyst Chris Byrne. Those realities mean toy buyers such as Brad MacIntyre, who owns three

stores around Toronto, were walking around Toy Fair looking in vain for that one "big" toy. "We've seen a lot of little things that are good," he said with a shrug.

Toymakers have gotten the message that Mom and Dad want to buy toys that will be enjoyed over and over: dolls, games, arts and crafts, activity toys like yo-yos, sporting goods such as scooters. Lego is doing extremely well in this economy, and Crayola had the biggest sales week in the history of the company right before Christmas, when nearly everyone else in the industry was scraping by. "It's play that's powered by kids' imaginations," said Stacy Gabrielle, a Crayola spokeswoman.

And no batteries required.

Toywise, this year will feel awfully familiar. Toymakers are rushing to license brands we already know and love (think Disney) and to resurrect anything that was once a hit and could be again. There is an industrywide focus on games, too.

"In this particular economic environment, parents tend to do more things at home," explained Neil Friedman, president of Mattel. "They do more play dates, so games are always really strong in this type of economy."

Hasbro is about to launch a huge media campaign about how wonderful it is to stay home and play a game with the whole family.

"Staycations have replaced vacations," said John Frascotti, global chief marketing officer for Hasbro, maker of Monopoly and Trivial Pursuit, among others. "For \$20 you can get a great (game) and have a terrific family activity. We think it's a great return to family time together, but with new games that are

culturally relevant." That relevance can be found in Team Trivial Pursuit, where the players are in teams so the clueless (or youngest) kid in the family won't get clobbered and start sulking.

(It's also a little easier than the Trivial Pursuit of yore.) Or there's a new version of Clue that will send clues to your phone by text message,

appealing to even the most disconnected teens.

And Boggle can now be played on a Wii, because once you own that expensive system, well, you really ought to use it more.

Plenty of Toy Fair attendees thought there may be a blessing in the state of the economy: Maybe it will get us to appreciate our toys more. With fewer trips to the toy store to buy something fun (for kids or adults), we better really like what we do buy.

"Our kids have lost the value of toys," said Ruth Morace, a girl-toy inventor from Texas who sells her ideas to bigger companies. "I'm hoping kids are going to get back to play-



When toddlers point a lot, more words will follow

By Lauran Neergaard Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Don't just talk to your toddler — gesture, too. Pointing, waving bye-bye and other natural gestures seem to boost a budding vocabulary.

Scientists found those tots who could convey more meaning with gestures at age 14 months went on to have a richer vocabulary as they prepared to start kindergarten. And intriguingly, whether a family is poor or middle class plays a role, the researchers report.

Anyone who's ever watched a tot perform the arms-raised "pick me up now" demand knows that youngsters figure out how to communicate well before they can talk. Gesturing also seems to be an important precursor to forming sentences, as children start combining one word plus a gesture for a second

University of Chicago researchers wondered if gesturing also played a role in a serious problem: Children from low-income families start school with smaller vocabularies than their betteroff classmates. It's a gap that tends to persist as the students age. In fact, kindergarten vocabulary is a predicter of how well youngsters ultimately fare in school.

One big key to a child's vocabulary is how their parents talked to them from babyhood on. Previous research has shown that higher-income, better-educated parents tend to talk and read more to small children, and to use more varied vocabulary and complex syntax.

Do those parents also gesture more as they talk with and teach their children?

To see, university psychology researchers Susan Goldin-Meadow and Meredith Rowe visited the homes of 50 Chicago-area families of varying socioeconomic status who had 14-month-olds. They videotaped for 90 minutes to count both parents' and children's words and gestures. Quantity aside, they also counted whether children made gestures with specific meanings.

This is not baby sign-language; parents weren't formally training their tots. Instead, they used everyday gestures to



AP photos/Science

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point something out or illus- learning that and it's given trate a concept. A child points to a dog and mom says, "Yes, that's a dog." Or dad flaps his arms to mimic flying. Or pointing illustrates less concrete concepts like "up" or "down" or "big."

The researchers found an income gap with gesturing even in toddlerhood, when children speak few words.

Higher-income parents did gesture more and, more importantly, their children on average produced 25 meanings in gesture during that 90minute session, compared with an average of 13 among poorer children, they reported in the journal Science.

Then the researchers returned to test vocabulary comprehension at age 4 1/2. The poorer children scored worse, by about 24 points. Researchers blamed mostly socioeconomic status and parents' speech, but said gesturing contributed, too.

It's not just that richer parents gesture more, stressed Peggy McCardle of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, which funded the work.

"It's that there's a greater variety of types of gesture that would signal different types of meaning," McCardle said. "It sure looks like the kids are them kind of a leg-up.'

The study doesn't prove gesturing leads to better wordlearning, but it's a strong hint. Now scientists wonder if encouraging low-income parents to gesture more could translate to toddlers who do, too, and in turn improve school readiness.

"It wouldn't hurt to encourage parents to talk more and

Note to cell phone junkies: Txtng + date :(

By Martha Irvine **Associated Press writer**

CHICAGO — So you're on a first date and you notice your potential love interest looking down and fiddling with a cell phone under the table. Or maybe he or she isn't even attempting to hide it.

Call it a sign of the times. Or maybe a sign that he or she is just not that into you.

Whichever, many people who play the love scene have a story — usually a gripe - about texting while dating.

"Oh, the fun of pretending to be interested in what someone else is typing to someone you don't know," says an exasperated Tyler Barnett, a 25-year-old businessman in Los Angeles who calls himself a "textaholic" but says he rarely does it on a

Not so for some of the women he has gone out with. He recalls one double date where the women he and his friend were with were both texting right at the table. Barnett suspected they were typing messages to one another, so he casually asked to see one of the women's new iPhones, and immediately checked her text message inbox.

He was right. "And they were not singing our praises," Barnett says. "How ugly is his shirt!" read one text about his friend. "Who the hell does this guy think he is!?"

But often, it just gets in the way. Betsey Usher broke up with a boyfriend because of his constant cell phone usage



Tyler Barnett poses for a portrait with his cell phone in Los Angeles on Feb. 11.

with friends and ex-girlfriends during movies and dinners out.

"I don't think he ever got the message in spite of the fact that we talked about it many, many times," says the 39-year-old, who works at the nursing school at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. "I think he's just addicted!"

Since 2001, the number of text messages sent in this country has risen from about a million a month to 75 billion, according to Alex Campbell, chief executive of Vibes Media, a Chicago company that helps businesses market themselves via text Texting can, of course, have message. A survey done in its advantages in a relation- December for the Pew ship, for flirting, for connect- Internet & American Life Project found that half of or receive text messages.

In other words, while it Volpatt says.

"Oh, the fun of pretending to be interested in what someone else is typing to someone vou don't know."

- Tyler Barnett

might be a red flag if a date would rather text than talk, we are a nation that expects to be in constant contact. Campbell says.

"People understand it's not right, but they still do it anyway," he says. "The information they're getting back is worth the risk."

Liz Nelson, 25, managed to text her way out of a bad date. She was sitting in a steakhouse with a guy who couldn't stop talking about himself. She quietly texted a friend and asked her to call and rescue her.

'This might be bad or rude on my part, but I told him my friend had an emergency and needed me," says Nelson, who lives in Santa Clara, Calif. He later confronted her "Totally called me out whoops!

Michael Volpatt, a 37-yearold San Franciscan, has found his own way to deal with texting while dating, a habit he has grown to hate since the last five people he went out with did it. One of his dates went outside to use a phone.

"So after 15 minutes I got adults 18 and older have a up, told the bartender that cell phone and use it to send my friend would take care of the bill and walked out,'

Home

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either not knowing what our race is about or who we are or what we're going to bring to their environment."

Being part of the club has helped Walker feel more accepted on campus and around town. Walker says that if students don't feel like they have a support system or acceptance, they are likely to drop out.

"Every new African American or multicultural student that I see I try very hard to get to know them and let them know they're not here alone," Walker said. "They're not by themselves."

Group members said they have bonded over common experiences, and they often get together outside of school and Black Student Alliance activities. They congregate in Prestwich's office in the afternoons, and Walker, whom the other students call "Miss Patrice," frequently invites them over to watch movies or share a home-cooked meal. Student Beauty Chabuka

of Zambia said being part of

the group and the simple act of meeting like-minded students has helped her feel at home here.

'When you come to a new place, you don't expect people to get close to you," Chabuka said. "Here, you find out that you're not so different. We come together as one group."

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Redoing a kid's room: 3 parents' stories

Kids seem to outgrow their bedrooms every few years. Clutter accumulates; tastes change. Older children suddenly need a desk to organize school work; motifs that were cute for a toddler don't work for a kindergartner.

Here are three do-it-yourself stories about making over kids' rooms under different circumstances: one for a 4-year-old in a roomy, rural Victorian, another for tween and teen brothers in a city apartment, and a third for two sisters in a suburban Colonial.

BUILDING IN FLEXIBILITY

Our 4-year-old has averaged a new obsession about once every six months outer space, construction vehicles, pirates, knights and now trains. So when it came time to update his room mostly unmodified since we transformed a spare room into a gender-neutral yellow nursery — we were reluctant to embrace any particular

Blue is his color of choice, so painting the walls was an easy call. We paid a premium for fume-free paint (\$45 a gallon) but it was worth it, as our son was able to "help" with the job. (Imagine! Drawing on the wall and not getting yelled

New furniture was a must, as his clothing had long outgrown the changing table repurposed as a dresser, and the twin mattress sans headboard looked a little too frat pad. We got deals on a natural birch bed and dresser set. with the bonus that the bed was high enough to allow for storage beneath it.

Our son's large, bright room is "L" shaped, so we decided to visually divide it into zones. The sleeping zone is the top of the "L," with his bed, storage bins on either side for stuffed "critters," and a wall light mounted over the headboard for reading. At the footboard, we put a kid-size table

and chairs for Lego projects.

The corner of the "L" is home to his deep but frustratingly narrow closet, as well as his dresser. With dresser and under-the-bed storage, we no longer needed the closet as much, so we got hanging fabric storage cubes from Ikea for out-of-season stuff (and room to grow).

The other branch of the "L" became a reading zone. From Ikea we got a bargain on a huge, nearly floor-to-ceiling shelving unit, perfect for taming his massive book collection.

Next to it, we placed an easy chair and ottoman, which four years ago had been a nursing chair. Inexpensive dye changed the slipcover from now-faded yel-



A book shelf in Parker Hirsch's

low to coordinating green.

Decorations we kept simple. We used some of his favorite items (stuffed animals, books, ceramic banks, etc.) to adorn free shelf space. For the walls, we went with

three framed prints with a cartoonish knights and dragon theme. This is the only decorative nod to one of his current fascinations, making it easy to swap out when the next one hits.

Our total cost was about \$1,000, thanks in part to repurposing of stuff we already had (mattress, chair, table), and my wife's crafty skills. She dyed the chair slipcover she had made four years ago, sewed new curtains for the windows and closet door, and made a quilt with a color-wheel pattern that she convinced our son looked like "King Arthur's Roundtable." We also got bargains

online. The prints were affordable on etsy.com, and we used a coupon to get a discount on the frames. On Craigslist, we found two small wall shelves for next to the bed. They were the same Pottery Barn shelves we'd liked in the catalog, but for \$10 instead of \$100. Sure, they were pink, but \$3 for a can of blue spray paint made them a great find.

Now we had a room that our son not only loves, but that will grow with him and his ever-changing interests.

- AP writer J.M. Hirsch



Parker Hirsch plays in his redecorated room — a room that will grow with him and his ever-changing interests.



Parker Hirsch, 4, of Concord, N.H., reads in his redecorated room.

My 5-year-old wasn't going to stand by while her sister's room got a makeover. Her room, she pointed out, was full of hand-me-downs, including the sunshine-themed sheets and quilt that came with the lovely wicker sleigh trundle bed a friend gave us when she was moving.



Isabella Critchell, 8, applies wall decals in her room in Ridgefield, Conn

ROOMS TO LAST THROUGH TWEENDOM

When a stack of catalogs came pouring into our suburban mailbox and my 8-yearold reached for PB Teen, Pottery Barn's newish venue to reach the one demographic not covered by its other businesses, I knew what was coming.

She made her (strong) case for redecorating by telling me her room looked like a little girl's room. It did. Pretty much everything was baby pink with a heart motif.

I agreed it was time for an update. I insisted her princess-worthy, four-poster double bed was staying. She had gone from a crib to an adult bed because I thought there was value to buying furniture that would last longer than a little girl's fickle taste.

She would need a desk for her increasing load of homework and supplies. I would again insist on a decent piece of wood furniture that would have a long life. This turned out to be harder than I thought; apparently there are two categories of desk, sturdy and expensive or cheap and

Eventually I turned to a seemingly unlikely choice, JC Penney's Web site, on the recommendation of a friend who bought nursery furniture there. It had the mid-price range I wanted: \$350 and no shipping if I picked it up at the mall.

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Bedding was the first purchase, since its colors and patterns would set the tone for the room. We made a rule: no characters or too-trendy patterns, particularly cheetah print, that surely they'd tire of. This stuff had to last until the next stage of tween-

We discovered the clearance section of The Company Kids Web site and the girls went to town. My older daughter ended up with a geometric theme - never mind that the base color is pink — and the younger went with butterflies and flowers.

There were complementary rugs and curtains, plus furry hot-pink decorative

They were pleased with all of this, but it still wasn't quite the drastic change they were hoping for.

The game-changer turned out to be wall decals. For about \$15 per package, there is a whole world out there of decals that are easy to handle, easy to move and, best yet, leave no trace once they're removed. There were several dozen stickers in

each of the packets, and we all had a ball slapping psychedelic on the older girl's walls, while the younger one's room was transformed into a garden scene.

And in two years — or, possibly, two months — when they decide they have to have blue or purple, rainbows or stars, we'll be able to "redecorate" again for less than \$50.

— AP writer Samantha Critchell

MAKING THE MOST OF TINY BEDROOMS

My two boys, 11 and 16, had outgrown their tiny bedrooms in our New York City apartment. They needed a new look and more storage space.

My sister told me that "everything starts with the bedspread." So first thing, I ordered a cool blue comforter set with accent stripes from Nautica for the teenager, and for his little brother, bedding with a "wolves in winter" motif.

The downside of buying bedding online is that you can't feel the fabric. The wolf design turned out to be uncomfortably scratchy. I later found many complaints from parents online about elaborately patterned children's bedding feeling rough to the touch. One Web site recommended washing in hot water with fabric softener and baking soda but no detergent. After four washes, the bedding was fine.

Next, storage. Our closets are tiny; I have no carpentry skills and didn't want to pay for a fancy redesign.

The Container Store had a terrific solution: inexpensive mesh stacking shelves. They were easy to assemble and small enough to fit into our foot-deep closets. The shelves are designed for shoes but look great holding neatly folded sweaters and jeans. I crammed four shelves in each closet, "Awesome!" was my 11year-old's response.

A friend helped us attach rows of brass coat hooks to each closet door so the kids could easily hang up sweat shirts and jackets.

The teenager got a new mattress to replace one that was old and sagging. But instead of a box spring, we bought a captain's bed, which greatly expanded storage space. My younger son already has a captain's bed: between that and the new closet shelves, he no longer needed his dresser, which had a broken drawer. And without the dresser, he now has room for a desk.

The older boy scavenged a desk from a friend who was discarding one. An aunt bought him a desk chair from Staples as a gift and he assembled it himself.

Both boys also got rid of old clothes, toys and other knickknacks. Still to come: paint jobs and maybe window blinds to replace the shower curtains — yes, shower curtains! — hanging there now.

— AP writer Beth J. Harpaz

Are you looking out for your parents' health?

Are you struggling to help (or push) your mother and father to live a healthier life? If you're trying to convince your parents to lay off the bacon, quit smoking or get a breast cancer exam, let us know. If you're a parent whose children have taken an interest in your health, we'd like to hear from you, too.

Contact features reporter Melissa Davlin at 208-735-3234 or melissa.davlin@lee.net.

Bad habits spread to adulthood too much TV are more likely to iors are formed. Kids who new, healthier activities to

The Washington Post

new study from researchers at the University of Minnesota brings new meaning to the term couch potato.

According to their findings, high school kids who watch

have bad eating habits five years later.

watched more than five hours of TV per day ate fewer fruits, and more snack foods,

occupy their free time. **Check out what's**

The impact was especially vegetables and whole grains profound when kids were new online at fried foods and trans fats years transitioning from adolescence to young adulthood magicvalley.com - a critical developmental So encourage your kids to period wherein lifelong behavput down that remote and find

ENGAGEMENTS

BAKER-CHOCKER

Jim and Angie Baker of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Darbie Jo Baker, to Thomas Jonathan Chocker, son of Steve Chocker of Kimberly and Nancy Chocker of Twin

Baker is a 2008 graduate of Jerome High School and attends the College of Southern Idaho. She works at Everybody's Business in Twin Falls. Chocker is a 2006 graduate of Kimberly High School and attends the CSI Culinary Arts program. He works at Carino's in Twin Falls.

GRINDSTAFF-**MISHLER**

Marty and Robin Grindstaff of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristi Grindstaff, to Jacob Mishler, son of Rick and Diane Mishler of Twin Falls.

Grindstaff is a 2006 graduate of Twin Falls High School. She works at the Twin Falls School District.

Mishler is a 2005 graduate of Oakley High School and attends College of Southern

The wedding is planned for

HANSEN-REYES

Laren and Elaine Hansen of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Andrea Megan Hansen, to Carlos Reyes of Murtaugh.

Hansen works for Dr. Cole Johnson in Twin Falls. Reyes works at Murtaugh Community Store Murtaugh.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Feb. 28, in the Twin Falls LDS Temple. A reception will follow from 5 to 7 p.m. at

STEIN-REECE

Andrew and Kathi Stein of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Brianna Joyce Stein, to Christopher Deloy Reece, son of Scott and Janet Reece of Ierome.

Stein was educated at home and active in the Jerome High School music program.

Reece is a graduate of Jerome High and attended College of Southern Idaho. He works at JS Drywall in Jerome.

WEDDING

The wedding and reception

MENDSAIKHAN-

BATABOLD

Terry and Quinn Montague

of Rupert announce the mar-

riage of Mendsaikhan and

Batabold on Dec. 9 in Denver.

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late Davaadori, and Batabold

is the son of Altantsetseg and

Enkhbayar, all of Ulaanbaatar,

Mendsaikhan graduated

with a degree in nursing

before serving a mission for

The Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter-day Saints in the Idaho

Pocatello Mission, 2000-01.

She was assigned to stakes in

both Burley and Rupert. She is

finishing a degree in public

health at Brigham Young

University-Idaho in Rexburg.

Mongolia.

Mendsaikhan is the daugh-



Thomas Chocker and Darbie Jo Baker

The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. Friday, July 10, at First Christian Church in Twin Falls. A reception will follow at the Turf Club in Twin Falls.

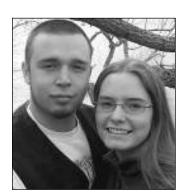


Jacob Mishler and Kristi Grindstaff

Saturday, March 14, in the Twin Falls LDS Temple. A reception will follow from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Hankins LDS Church in Twin Falls.



Andrea Hansen and Carlos Reyes the LDS Church on Elizabeth Boulevard in Twin Falls.



Christopher Reece and Brianna Stein

are planned for Saturday, June 6, in Hagerman.

ANNIVERSARIES

THE HURSTS

Jim and Shirley Hurst of Gooding and formerly of Bellevue celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Feb. 19.

They were honored at a family celebration at Louie's Restaurant in Boise. The event was hosted by their children and attended by all of their grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



Bob and Shirley Mahanes of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave. in Twin

Bob Mahanes and Shirley Hurlbert were married March 14, 1959, in Elko, Nev. They have lived in Twin Falls since 1959.

He worked at Garrett Freight Lines, which became ANR, and Consolidated Freightway for 37 years. She worked at Sears Roebuck and Co. for seven years and Twin Falls School District for 31 years. He has been active in Twin Falls Elks, and she has been active in Lady Elks in Twin Falls.

THE WEIGTS

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1959, at First Christian

Church in Twin Falls. They

lived in Jerome for three

years and in Twin Falls since

He worked at Garrett

Why do some children who

debated among social scien-

tists. Previous studies have

suggested that girls appear

more resilient than boys to

negative experiences in child-

hood. Now a new study also

finds that girls have a better

Freight Lines, which became

in Twin Falls.

1962.



Jim and Shirley Hurst



Shirley and Bob Mahanes

The event is hosted by Randy Neerdaels and Jordyn Neerdaels of Twin Falls (husband and daughter of the late Loni Mahanes Neerdaels) and the couple's son, Mike (Karol) Mahanes of Erie, Colo. The couple has three grandchildren.

This is a joint celebration with best friends Harley and Kasey Weigt. The families request no gifts.



Kasey and Harley Weigt

Harley and Kasey Weigt of ANR, and Roadway Express for 33 years. She worked at H&R Block as a tax professional for 36 years. They have been active in Our Savior Lutheran Church since 1962.

The event is hosted by their children, Steven (Mary) Weigt of Alamogordo, N.M.; Debra (J.C.) Melvin of Wendell; and Dennis Weigt of Boise. The couple has two grandchildren.

This is a joint celebration with best friends Bob and Shirley Mahanes. The families request no gifts.

save the day? restaurants and dishes she wants to try. Parker prefers to stick with Jaleo, Lebanese Taverna or Zaytinya. Even if Parker agrees to try a new restaurant, it doesn't solve the problem. "I want someone who will be excited to go to the Ethiopian place, not say, 'Yeah, I'll try it for you,'" Smith says. Parker says he's doing his

She wants Thai

— he won't try;

will compromise

The Washington Post

Cindy Klein knew what

she was getting into when

she decided to date Ben

Mann. After all, his previous

girlfriend had broken up

with him because of his eat-

ing habits; she had even

introduced him to Klein, a

holistic health counselor, in

the hope that he would improve his diet of spaghet-

[°]He sent me an e-mail

saying he was helpless," Klein, 28, remembers. "I

think he may have used the

word 'troglodyte' in the mes-

sage. He said that everyone

thought he was weird and

that he would love to have

Klein and Mann met for a

drink and hit it off instantly.

In the first flush of love, she

set aside fears of his limited

tastes: "I don't think it sank

in until we went grocery

shopping the first time,"

Klein says. "He loaded 20

boxes of spaghetti into the

cart. I held out hope that

He hasn't. The couple,

now engaged, are negotiat-

ing an acceptable wedding

menu. He thinks burgers

will do just fine. She's push-

ing for sliders — at least they're daintier — and

food probably wouldn't

make a counselor's top-10

list of couples issues. But in

today's food-conscious cul-

ture, what and how a signifi-

cant other eats is becoming

one more proxy for couples'

deeper conflicts about con-

trol and respect. Food

obsessives divide the world

into two kinds of people:

those who seek out truffles,

sea urchin and single-estate chocolate, and those who

don't. And when an avid

food lover falls for one of the

others, it can get complicated. Unlike fly-fishing or knit-

ting, what to eat is a ques-

tion that comes up three

times a day. The result:

Romantic dinners are

ruined. Tempers flare. And

though some couples find

ways to make compromises,

in extreme cases, relation-

sex," says Judith Coche, a

psychologist in Philadelphia

who specializes in couples

therapy. "It's very hard to be

a couple and go to very dif-

ferent restaurants, just like

it's hard to have sex with a

partner with entirely differ-

ent desires. There has to be a

natural compatibility or a

good sense of how to negoti-

Whether a romantic inter-

est has similar tastes is not

always immediately appar-

ent. Jennifer Smith, 26, met

her boyfriend, Caleb Parker,

two years ago on a cross-

country trip. In the early

days, the couple commuted

between Washington and

Savannah, Ga. When Smith

went to visit, Parker would

take her to dinner at various

restaurants around town. "It

turned out he only liked five

places," Smith says. "But I

didn't know that because

The culinary gulf was

exposed when Parker, 30,

moved to Washington last

May. Smith keeps a file of

they were all new to me."

ate and compromise."

"Food is actually a lot like

ships fall apart.

about

grilled salmon.

Disagreements

maybe he would change."

more-social eating habits."

ti, pizza, steak and milk.

best. Before meeting Smith, born-and-raised the Southerner's definition of adventurous eating was Chinese food or chicken Parmesan. Parker says he is glad to try new food but that the constant conflict can be irritating. What's wrong with grabbing two chili cheese dogs, two Mountain Dews and a cinnamon bun for lunch? And what's wrong with going to Zaytinya over and over again? If dinner is going to cost \$100, Parker wants to be sure he'll like it. "I give in more than she does. It's the man thing to do," he says.

"And she lets me watch football."

Food lovers seem to do most of the complaining. But picky partners also suffer when their eating habits come under constant inspection. Lourdes Ashamalla, a 31-year-old customer relations manager who lives in Fairfax, Va., admits she has limited tastes. For most meals, she eats a chicken sandwich (just chicken and bread), a ham sandwich or chicken tenders. Vegetables, with the exception of mashed potatoes, are out. Apples, watermelons and oranges are the only fruits she will eat.

When Ashamalla was a child, it was easy to make excuses for what she calls her "particular palate." But now that she is an adult, it's trickier. She feels guilty that she doesn't like the ahi tuna with mango glaze that her husband, Patrick, enjoys preparing. She's nervous to go to people's houses for dinner, because either they might serve her something she won't like or Patrick might announce to the assembled group that she won't eat whatever the host has prepared. "It's embar-

rassing," she says. After six years of marriage, the Ashamallas have learned to compromise. Lourdes will eat the Caesar salad at La Madeleine. She will suffer through a night of tapas if friends or relatives want to

Rather than fight it, some couples agree to disagree. Rachel Alabiso, a communications manager for a nonprofit organization in Boston and a passionate cook, recently went to Paris with friends instead of her husband, Michael, who wouldn't have appreciated the restaurants and food markets she longed to visit.

At home, the two prepare different meals side by side. She picks up a Dungeness crab in Chinatown and cooks it with ginger and scallions. He picks up a frozen pizza from Trader Joe's. "What makes it work is that he doesn't make me cook for him," Alabiso says. "If he expected me to cook something for him, we'd

Study: Girls more resilient in troubled families

By Shari Roan Los Angeles Times

grow up in stressful, dysfunctional families turn out to be responsible adults while other children crumble? That question, which focuses on resiliency, has long been

Mendsaikhan and Batabold

Batabold graduated from Mongolian Technical University with a degree in mine engineering.

The couple will reside in Rexburg until her graduation in April and then move to Colorado to attend graduate school. An open house will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Rupert West Stake Center, 26 S. 100 W.

STORK REPORT

Cassia Regional Birth Center

Drew Mitchell Neibaur, son of Mitchell and Rachel Neibaur of Paul, was born Feb. 4, 2009.

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center

Alexis Anahi Chavez, daughter of Isidro and Esmeralda Chavez of Wendell, was born Feb. 9, 2009.

Korbin James Furniss, son of Brandy and Logan Furniss of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 9,

Jennifer Zamanta Jacobo, daughter of Adan Jacobo and Monica Acosta of Wendell, was born Feb. 9, 2009.

St. Luke's Magic Valley **Medical Center**

Avery Nola Ann Ernst,

daughter of Stefanie Dawn Ernst and Kim William Underwood of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 31, 2009.

Stephan Lyric Martinez, son of Yesenia Tapia Leon and Carlos Fransisco Martinez of Burley, was born Jan. 31, 2009.

Mason Louis Osentowski, son of Ashley Paige Luckman and Anthony Louis Osentowski of Jerome, was born Feb. 6, 2009.

Jakob Lewis Furman, son of Tamara and Michael Deane Furman of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 11, 2009.

Faith Amanda Fuchs, daughter of Brenda Eileen and Douglas Ray Fuchs of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 12,

Isvaldo Arceo-Ramos, son of Maria de los Angeles Ramos and Oscaldo Arceo of Twin Falls, was born Feb. 12, 2009.

chance to overcome such disadvantages but that the odds are stacked against most kids. The study, by researchers at the University of Washington, looked at 125 children of parents addicted to heroin. The families were recruited between 1991 and 1993, and the children were re-interviewed in 2005 and 2006 when they were an average

age of 23. Besides having a

drug-addicted parent, many

of the children also had a parent who was jailed or mental-Overall, 62 percent of the children had three or more childhood adversities. When they were re-interviewed in early adulthood, resiliency was defined as either working or being in school, not being a substance abuser and having

no criminal record. Girls, the

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Girls, the study found, were four times more likely to be considered resilient...

study found, were four times more likely to be considered resilient, mostly because they avoided criminal activity while boys didn't. Overall, only 30 of the 125 young adults studied were defined as resilient.

The study, published online in the Journal of Adolescent Health, also looked at factors that seemed to promote or interfere with resiliency. For example, being very nervous, fearful, anxious or depressed in childhood interfered with resiliency, as did disobedience, bullying behavior and having a bad temper.

The overall picture, said Martie L. Skinner, lead author of the study, was that these children were pretty vulnerable to becoming troubled adults. But, she said, "There are early warning signs, and if children get the attention they need to meet early problems, it can reduce the burden on society later on in caring for them."

To submit engagements, wedding and anniversary announcements or missionary news, please contact Janet Cranney at 735-3253, or email janet.cranney@lee.net.

Deadline is **5:00 pm** Tuesday for the following weekend.



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IN CENTRAL ASIA, **HELPING KIDS** FOR PEACE

"The kids learn that they can make a difference and that even a penny can help."

— Greg Mortenson —

By Valerie Strauss The Washington Post

Imagine that you are climbing down the world's second-largest mountain, and suddenly you realize you are lost and alone. You have no water and only one protein bar. And you haven't taken a shower for three

That's what happened to Greg Mortenson.

At that moment, he began an adventure that changed his life and the lives of countless people in

Pakistan and Afghanistan. It all started when Mortenson decided to climb Pakistan's K2 mountain in 1993 to honor his sister Christa, who had died from epilepsy.

But the 28,251-foot-high mountain was tough. Five of 12 climbers in his expedition died on the way down. Mortenson never made it to the top, got lost in the Karakoram Mountains and stumbled into the Pakistani village of Korphe.

The people of the village were so poor that children used sticks to write out school lessons in the dirt. Their parents could not afford \$1 a day for a full-time teacher.

The villagers saved his life. Over

take three cups of tea. The first cup, you are a stranger. The second cup, a friend. The third cup, you become

Mortenson became very close to the villagers and wanted to repay their kindness.

He returned to the U.S. and raised money to build a school by telling Americans about Korphe. He got help from kids at Westside Elementary School in River Falls, Wis. They donated 62,380 pennies from their banks after he visited their

And that started Pennies for Peace, a program that teaches kids about giving to others (a practice known as philanthropy) and about cultures. It is now in many schools. (Learn more at www.penniesforpeace.org.)

"The kids learn that they can make a difference and that even a penny can help," Mortenson said.

Since 1996, Mortenson has built about 80 schools in poor and sometimes violent areas of Central Asian countries. His goal: to help bring peace, one school at a time.

"Education is the key to making the world a better place," he said. "Empowering people through education is the best way to fight terror-

Mortenson said he came to realize how important it is to educate girls. Why? Because, he said, girls use what they have learned to improve life in their home villages far more

than boys do. "Unless the girls are educated, the society won't change," he said.

Mortenson has endured a lot of hardship in his work.

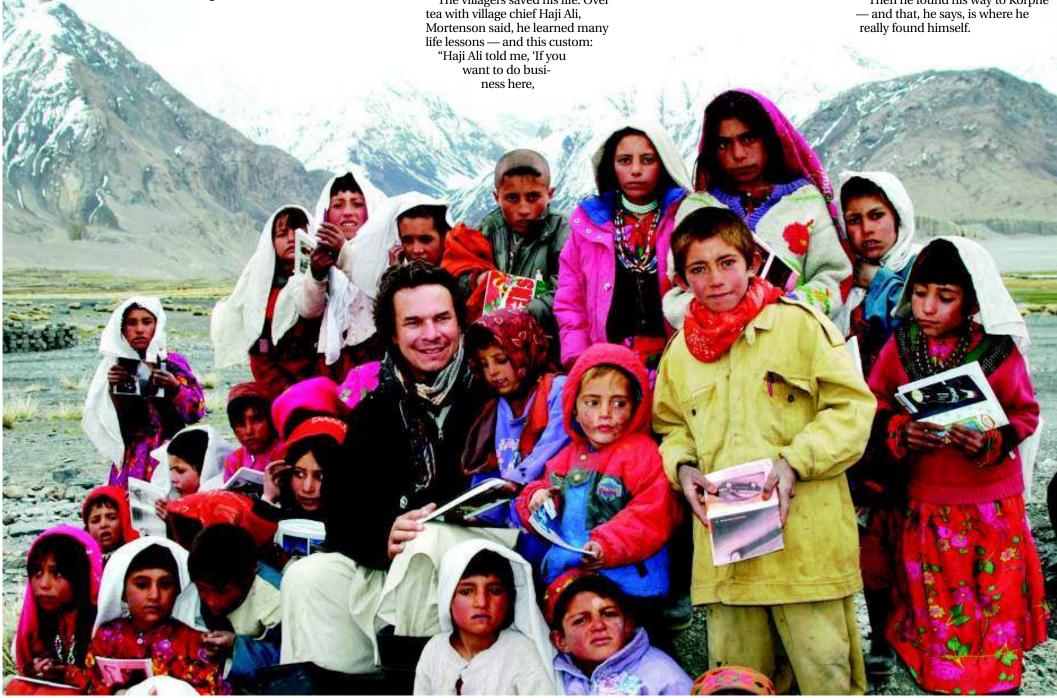
He once was kidnapped and held for eight days by armed Afghan militants. He survived a battle between Afghan warlords by hiding under animal skins in a truck. And he spends half of each year away from his wife and two children.

Mortenson first told his story in a book called "Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace ... One School at a Time," which became a best-seller.

Now he is publishing two new versions: a young reader's edition for kids age 8 and older, and a picture book for kids ages 4 to 8 titled "Listen to the Wind." All three versions tell about Mortenson's life.

He was born in Minnesota and grew up in the African country of Tanzania. There his dad founded a medical center and his mom started a school. He always liked to help

people, and he became a nurse. Then he found his way to Korphe — and that, he says, is where he



Greg Mortenson with schoolchildren in Afghanistan, one of the Central Asian countries where he has helped improved education.

Even the biggest sports heroes still aren't perfect

Special to The Washington Post

USA Swimming suspended Olympic superstar Michael Phelps from competition for three months. The national

body took that action after a British newspaper published a photograph that seemed to show the 14-time gold medal winner using

sands of kids.



marijuana, an illegal drug, at a

college party last fall. Phelps admitted that his behavior was "regrettable" and that he had used "bad

judgment." USA Swimming said it was punishing Phelps because it wanted to "send a message to Michael" and especially because he is "a role model and hero to hundreds of thou-

look up to Phelps and were so excited when he won a record eight gold medals in the 2008 Summer Olympics take down posters of him from their bedroom walls?

I'm not so sure they should. Let's be clear. I think using illegal drugs is wrong. It's wrong for adults, for kids and for Olympic champions. And I agree that Phelps should be punished for his actions.

But I also think it is good for kids and their parents to remember that just because someone is good at a sport does not automatically mean that he is a good person or good at something else. Being a hero in a game or a match or in the Olympics does not make you a hero in every part of your life.

For example, recently Tiger Woods' wife gave birth to their second child. Woods has won 65 PGA golf tournaments, including 14 majors. He may be the greatest golfer who has

So should all the kids who ever lived. But all of his skill as a golfer won't help him be a good dad. Being a good dad is very different from being a good golfer.

Think of your own school. Is the kid who is the best athlete in your grade always the best student? Or the best friend? Or the nicest kid?

Phelps is a dedicated, hardworking swimmer. Reports indicate that he is back in the pool training hard, despite the suspension. Just because Phelps can swim faster than anyone in the world does not mean he doesn't make mis-

Kids can still admire Phelps for his swimming skill and for the effort he showed in becoming an Olympic champion. And kids can use him as a good example of how they can become better at their favorite sport if they work hard.

But that doesn't mean that kids should always try in every way to be like Mike.

Jokes for kids

Newsday

Why was the broom late for work? He over swept.

What kind of bears like rain? Drizzly bears.

What fairy tale is about a wolf that's bald? "The Three Little Wigs."

How many feet are there in the world? Twice the number of people.

What doesn't move but travels in a corner? A postage stamp.

How did King Arthur see in the dark? With a knight light.

Where do you find smart hot dogs?

On the Honor Roll.

Why didn't the chicken cross the road? Because KFC was on the other side.

Knock knock. Who's there? Cow. Cow who?

No they don't, they moo.

Poor people have me, rich people don't have me, and if you eat me, you will die.

What am I? Nothing.

What happened to the bad egg in school? It got egg-spelled.

What fairy tale is about a princess who cries a lot? "Weeping Beauty."

> Why didn't the dog play soccer? It was a boxer.

