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INCREASING IMPACT



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Loren Williams, of Terry's Heating & Air Conditioning Inc., works on the heating and cooling system under a new office building being built at the corner of Locust Street and Falls Avenue East in Twin Falls on Dec. 15. City-assessed impact fees to builders may be on the rise to help improve roads and other infrastructure projects as the city grows.

TWIN FALLS CITY OFFICIALS CONSIDER INCREASING FEES TO FUND GROWTH-RELATED PROJECTS

By Ben Botkin
 Times-News writer

Impact fees may be on the rise in Twin Falls, which would increase costs for those building new homes or businesses in the city. Under Idaho code, the city is allowed to collect impact fees on new construction to help pay for police, fire, parks and street projects tied to new growth. The impact fee increases under consideration would amount to anything from increases of

PROPOSED IMPACT FEES

A proposal would increase Twin Falls city impact fees for new building projects. The fees would be used to pay for city improvements necessitated by growth.

Category	Current fee	Proposed fee	Increase
Single family residence (per unit)	\$1,606	\$1,834	14.2 percent
Multifamily residence (per unit)	\$1,513	\$1,663	9.9 percent
Retail (per square foot)	\$1.68	\$2.77	64.9 percent
Office (per square foot)	78 cents	\$1.12	43.5 percent
Industrial (per square foot)	67 cents	91 cents	35.8 percent

Source: City of Twin Falls

9.9 percent to 64.9 percent, depending on what type of construction is being done. The proposed increases would

stem from the addition of two street projects into capital improvements covered by impact fees. They are: half the cost of adding two miles of lane to Eastland Drive, and adding a fifth lane to Falls Avenue East from Blue Lakes Boulevard to Locust Street. Those two combined will cost \$1.9 million coming from impact fees. The city collects impact-fee money and uses it to pay for the projects when enough funding

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A tax on tanning

Tax in Senate health bill upsets local salons

By Damon Hunzeker
 Times-News writer

The tans are fake but the taxes are real. Within the 2,000 pages of regulations in the health-care reform bill the U.S. Senate passed last week is a proposed 10-percent excise tax on the use of tanning beds. The bill hasn't been reconciled with its House counterpart yet, but small businesses and customers are already opposing the idea while cancer activists applaud the measure. "This proposed tax is a master

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Idaho population growth drops to 12th nationally

By Joshua Palmer
 Times-News writer

Idaho's population growth slowed considerably in late 2008 and early 2009, but Idaho still ranks as the 12th fastest-growing state in the nation. Labor officials attribute the slowdown to a stagnant housing market that's preventing people from selling their homes and moving into Idaho, as well as fewer jobs in the Gem State to attract new residents. The U.S. Census Bureau estimated the state's population grew by 1.2 percent between July 2008 and

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TOP 12

The top 12 states in population growth from July 2008 to July 2009.

State	Growth rate	U.S. ranking
Wyoming	2.1%	1
Utah	2.1%	2
Texas	2.0%	3
Colorado	1.8%	4
District of Columbia	1.6%	5
Alaska	1.5%	6
Washington	1.5%	7
Arizona	1.5%	8
North Carolina	1.4%	9
Georgia	1.4%	10
South Carolina	1.3%	11
Idaho	1.2%	12

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Gun search mix-up continues in court

Guilty, not-guilty pleas entered for Matthew Grill

By Andrea Jackson
 Times-News writer

The lawyer for a Castleford man accused of lying to police about dumping 21 stolen guns from the Owsley Bridge into the Snake River near Hagerman is

claiming innocence as police come up dry in their search for the missing weapons. The guns were reported stolen in a Dec. 6 burglary at 1650 E. 4000 N. in Buhl. Matthew Grill, 23, is accused of obstructing police, a misdemeanor, after authorities say he "put lives in danger" by allegedly telling the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office he placed the guns into the river, which prompted a fruitless search of the chilly waters earlier this month. A formal complaint has not

been filed against Grill, according to his lawyer, Tim Williams, who on Dec. 23 filed a not-guilty plea in the case. But that was a day after Grill had signed a written guilty plea to the charge, according to court records. An obstruction ticket from the sheriff's office is filed in court, along with a sheriff's office

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SEEING DOUBLE RARE NEW YEAR'S EVE BLUE MOON TO RING IN START OF 2010

By Alicia Chang
 Associated Press writer



LOS ANGELES — Once in a blue moon there is one on New Year's Eve. Revelers ringing in 2010 will be treated to a so-called blue moon. According to popular definition, a blue moon is the second full moon in a month. But don't expect it to be blue — the name has nothing to do with the color of our closest celestial neighbor. A full moon occurred on Dec. 2. It will appear again on Thursday in time for the New Year's countdown.

"If you're in Times Square, you'll see the full moon right above you. It's going to be that brilliant," said Jack Horkheimer, director emeritus of the Miami Space Transit Planetarium and host of a weekly astronomy TV show. The New Year's Eve blue moon will be visible in the United States, Canada, Europe, South America and Africa. For partygoers in Australia and Asia, the

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MORNING BRIEFING

Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio



• With activities ranging from arcade games to crafts, young people can have fun from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Sun Valley Inn Continental Room. Cost is \$25 per child.

• Meanwhile, adults can go on a gallery walk, hosted by the Sun Valley Gallery Association, from 5 to 8 p.m. The walk features exhibitions at several art galleries in Ketchum and Sun Valley. Even if you can't afford to buy, it's fun

— and free — to look.

• Get ready to put on your dancing shoes. Sign up for the next semester of College of Southern Idaho dance classes, such as beginning tap and modern. Information: Julie Wright-Leggett, 732-6472 or jwright@csi.edu.

Have your own pick to share? Something unique to the area that may surprise people? E-mail me at patm@gmagicvalley.com.

Fees

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accumulates, which is probably several years out, said Mitch Humble, the city's community development director. Impact fees don't cover all of a project's cost. Matching city funds from other sources would help with the expenses too, under the proposal.

Retail development would be the hardest hit, with the fee rising from \$1.68 per square foot to \$2.77 — a 64.9 percent increase. Office buildings would follow close behind, with an increase from 78 cents per square foot to \$1.12, a 43.5 percent hike. For single-family homes, the fee would go from \$1,606 to \$1,834 per unit.

Some builders have concerns about the proposed increase, which will likely be aired at public hearings of the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission and Twin Falls City Council early next year. No hearing dates have been set.

"Anytime you increase anything in costs, it drives the final number up, and with the way that the economics are right now I think it's a bad deal," said Darren Hall, owner of Darren Hall Construction.

Hall, who mostly does commercial work, says an impact-fee increase would hurt new residential construction more because people in the commercial sector tend to have all their money on hand, as opposed to a family that can barely afford to finance a \$100,000 home.

Wayne Gunderson, owner of SunWest Builders, said: "One thing that I do know in this economy, and the way our economy is locally, any

increase and trying to get it passed on to the consumer is almost an impossibility."

At the same time, Gunderson, who becomes president of the Magic Valley Builders Association in January, said the organization will be willing to work with the city and learn more about impact fees.

Tony Hughes, chairman of the city's development impact-fee advisory committee, had opposed the committee's recommendation to add streets projects into the mix and raise the fees.

"I don't think now is the time to be adding anything to anybody's fees," he said. "I don't think it's the right time."

The council in January approved city assessment of impact fees, which didn't take effect until August. At the time, the impact-fee committee had recommended looking into other funding options for growth-necessitated projects, including pursuing Legislative approval for the city to charge a local-option sales tax.

That never materialized into money, which has resulted in road expansions being added into impact fee capital-improvement projects.

Mayor Lance Clow said he's looking forward to hearing more input about the proposal at the public hearings.

"I'm sure that the economy will be one discussion for people that would want to resist the fees," he said. "The other side of the coin is we need to have appropriate fees."

Grill

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The cost of the search to affidavit. Grill is scheduled to be in court for "an acceptance of plea and sentencing" on Jan. 12 in Twin Falls.

Twin Falls County search and rescue members are volunteers "so the dive team was not charged" for the Dec. 11 search mission, Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Lori Stewart confirmed Tuesday.

The cost of the search to affidavit. Grill is scheduled to be in court for "an acceptance of plea and sentencing" on Jan. 12 in Twin Falls.

Sheriff's authorities say in court records that Grill should be charged with theft. That hasn't happened, online court records showed Tuesday.

On Dec. 11, Divers used an underwater camera to search for weapons, though authorities never recovered any of the stolen guns, Stewart confirmed Tuesday.

Police said in a Dec. 18 affidavit that "Matt stated that he was sorry ... He knows he put lives in danger and that he did not know where the guns currently were."

Attempts to reach Grill for comment Tuesday at a phone listing filed with the court were unsuccessful, though his mother, Janelle Fritts, said "he's not that bad a kid."

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

"A Year with Frog and Toad," presented by Company of Fools, 7 p.m., Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St., Hailey, tickets: \$25 for adults, \$18 for seniors (62 and older) and \$10 for children (18 and younger), at box office one hour before show, 578-9122.

Sun Valley Winter Artist Series opens with "An Evening of Chamber Music," dessert reception with the artists follows, 8 p.m., Church of the Big Wood, 100 Saddle Road, Ketchum, \$35 adults, \$15 students, series subscription tickets: \$120 for adults, \$60 for students, svwas.org or 725-5807.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

BAMA (Burley Area Merchants Association), 7:30 a.m., Burley City Hall, 878-2224.

Burley Kiwanis Club, noon, Morey's Steakhouse, 219 E. Third St. N., 436-0720.

Burley Soroptimist International, noon, Syringa Plaza, 626 Elba Ave., 438-8666.

Magic Valley Toastmasters meeting and no-host lunch, assisting members in developing speaking, communication and leadership skills, noon, Idaho Pizza, 1859 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, visitors welcome, 736-1025.

Rupert Rotary Club, noon, Rupert Elks Lodge, 850 S. 200 W., 436-6852.

Twin Falls Lions Club meeting and no-host lunch, noon, Norm's Catering Room, 827 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls, visitors welcome, 737-0240.

Twin Falls Rotary Club meeting and lunch, features variety of speakers from around the communities, noon to 1 p.m., Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, kbradshaw@twinfallsrotary.org or 208-212-0265.

Toastmasters International Diversity Club meeting, nonpolitical, nonreligious and open to all cultures, races and creeds; improve speaking and leadership skills in supportive atmosphere, 7 p.m., Wayne Gentry building, 214 Main St., Filer, \$20 new-member fee (other dues), 208-944-9612 or toastmasters-filer@gmail.com.

EXHIBITS

"Outside In: Indian Art Abroad," a multidisciplinary project exploring art made by Indian artists, writers and filmmakers who live outside India, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 191 Fifth St. E., Ketchum, no

cost, sunvalleycenter.org or 726-9491.

"High Plains Hamlet: An Idaho Frontier Tragedy," art show by Mike Youngman and Karl Brake, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for the Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, no cost, 732-6655. "Reinventing Indian Traditions," an exhibition of artwork by photographer, painter and printmaker Gay Bawa Odmark, noon to 5 p.m., The Center, 314 S. Second Ave., Hailey, no cost, sunvalleycenter.org or 726-9491.

GOVERNMENT

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

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

SilverSneakers Fitness Program at Curves of Twin Falls, complete cardio and circuit training with resistance, state-of-the-art equipment and "Curves Smart" personalized coaching, 5:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Twin Falls Curves, 690 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., no cost for Humana Gold-insured or AARP provided by Secure Horizons, 734-7300.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Ageless Senior Citizens, Inc., 310 Main St. N., Kimberly, no cost, 737-5988.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center, 530 Shoshone St., no cost, 737-5988.

SilverSneakers Fitness Program, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Jerome Senior Center, 520 N. Lincoln St., no cost for Humana Gold Choice members, \$1 for non-Humana members, 324-5642.

SilverSneakers Fitness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 10:30 a.m., Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for uninsured, 733-4384.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 3 Chapter of Twin Falls, weigh ins, 4:30 to 5:20 p.m. and meeting, 5:30 to 6 p.m., The Church of Christ, 2002 Filer Ave. E., (corner of Sunrise Street and Filer Avenue), 736-9282.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 388 Chapter of Malta, a weight-loss support group, 5:30 p.m., Raft River Electric Board room, 155 N. Main St., 208-645-2438.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Magic Valley Singles group dancing, 7 p.m. workshop and 8 p.m. PLUS, American Legion Hall, 107 Seventh Ave. E., Jerome, bring finger food to share, \$3, 536-2243.

LIBRARY

Preschool Story Hour, with stories, activities and crafts, 10 a.m., Buhl Public Library, no cost, open to the public, 543-6500.

ASK Homework Club, librarian assistance with homework for elementary school students, 3:30 p.m., Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., no cost, open to the public, 733-2964 ext. 110.

Twin Falls Public Library Third Annual "Between the Eyes," family fun time includes: games, puppet shows, movies, crafts, and much more, 5 to 7 p.m., Twin Falls Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., no cost, 733-2964.

Fun for Youth, activities: arcade games, fast-track auto racing, crafts and more, 6 to 10 p.m., Sun Valley Inn Continental Room, 1 Sun Valley Road, Sun Valley, \$25 per child at the door, 622-2135

MUSEUM EVENTS

Faulkner Planetarium "Season of Light," 1 p.m., "Steamrolling through the Holidays," 3 p.m., Herrett Center for the Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, Education-show tickets: \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students, 732-6655.

Gallery Walk, hosted by Sun Valley Gallery Association, 5 to 8 p.m., featuring exhibitions at several art galleries in Ketchum and Sun Valley, no cost, svgalleries.org or 726-5512.

SPORTS

Active seniors pickleball group, pickleball enthusiasts willing to teach newcomers, 6 p.m., Adventist Hilltop School, 131 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls, no cost, 734-0622 or ssacco@spro.net.

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

Kaiser agrees to plea agreement

Robbery, shooting suspect to testify against alleged accomplices

By Laurie Welch
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A Rupert man scheduled to face a Cassia County jury for his role in an alleged robbery and shooting in Raft River has pleaded guilty to two felony charges in return for having 11 other criminal charges against him dismissed.

According to the plea agreement, Kenneth Alexander Kaiser Jr., 41, will also testify in court against his alleged accomplices, David James Prano, 45, and Leonel Colban Velgara, 27, both of Rupert. Prano faces an April 20 jury trial and charges ranging from attempted murder to grand theft, while Velgara has not been apprehended.

Kaiser pleaded guilty to felony possession of a firearm by a felon and unlawful discharge of a firearm at an occupied vehicle for his role in the June 15 incident, during which the three men allegedly robbed a man of \$2,000 while he attempted to buy an all-terrain vehicle from them.

The state will dismiss eight charges against Kaiser related to the robbery and shooting, along with two outstanding charges of possession of a controlled substance and one forgery charge he faced from unrelated cases.

He is scheduled to be sentenced at 1:30 p.m. April 27, in Cassia County 5th District Court.

According to court records, the alleged robbery

victim told police he had met a man in a Burley bar a couple weeks prior to the robbery who said he had an ATV for sale. He arranged for the man to bring the ATV to Raft River, where he intended to purchase it.

The alleged victim said when the suspects arrived with the vehicle, he was told to get on the ground and a shotgun was trained on him while one of the subjects took his money.

When a vehicle approached the intersection where the incident was taking place, the subjects fired shots at it, court records state. No one was injured by the shooting.

According to court records, Kaiser was arrested after police received an anonymous Crime Stoppers tip.

Kaiser admitted to police that he fired one shot with a 12-gauge shotgun at a vehicle that neared the scene, but denied any knowledge of the robbery.

On Dec. 19, Kaiser was also charged with indecent exposure at the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center after he allegedly stood on a table, pulled down his pants and bent over with his backside facing a female jail employee, according to a Cassia County Sheriff's report.

Prano is charged with felony attempted murder, robbery, grand theft, two counts of aggravated assault and enhancements on each charge for the use of a deadly weapon while committing a felony. He will face a jury at 9 a.m., April 20.

Moon

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full moon does not show up until New Year's Day, making January a blue moon month for them.

However, the Eastern Hemisphere can celebrate with a partial lunar eclipse on New Year's Eve when part of the moon enters the Earth's shadow. The eclipse will not be visible in the Americas.

A full moon occurs every 29.5 days, and most years have 12. On average, an extra full moon in a month — a blue moon — occurs every 2.5 years. The last time there was a lunar double take was in May 2007. New Year's Eve blue moons are rarer, occurring every 19 years. The last time was in 1990; the next one won't come again until 2028.

Blue moons have no astronomical significance, said Greg Laughlin, an astronomer at the University of California, Santa Cruz.

"'Blue moon' is just a name in the same sense as a 'hunter's moon' or a 'harvest moon,'" Laughlin

said in an e-mail.

The popular definition of blue moon came about after a writer for "Sky & Telescope" magazine in 1946 misinterpreted the "Maine Farmer's Almanac" and labeled a blue moon as the second full moon in a month. In fact, the almanac defined a blue moon as the third full moon in a season with four full moons, not the usual three.

Though "Sky & Telescope" corrected the error decades later, the definition caught on. For purists, however, this New Year's Eve full moon doesn't even qualify as a blue moon. It's just the first full moon of the winter season.

In a tongue-in-cheek essay posted on the magazine's Web site this week, senior contributing editor Kelly Beatty wrote: "If skies are clear when I'm out celebrating, I'll take a peek at that brilliant orb as it rises over the Boston skyline to see if it's an icy shade of blue. Or maybe I'll just howl!"

Growth

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July 2009, the slowest growth rate for Idaho since 2002. Nationally, population grew 0.9 percent, the same rate as the year before.

The bureau will not release city population estimates until July 2010.

"We don't have a large number of people migrating into our area because a lot of them are having trouble selling homes," said Jan Roeser, regional economist with the Idaho Department of Labor. "But we still rank pretty high in terms of growth rates, which means people still want to come here."

About 18,000 more people lived in Idaho in mid-2009 than the year before, increasing the state's total population to more than 1.5 million. The Census Bureau revised its 2008 estimate upward by 3,600.

Roeser said the creation of fewer jobs compared to previous years also stunted population growth.

In-migration — people moving into the state — fell to 3,700 from the first half of 2008 to the last half of

2009. In-migration was 14,000 the previous year, the first time it was under 20,000 in four years.

Natural population growth, which accounts for births less deaths, increased slightly to 14,300.

Idaho remains the 39th most populated state, about 250,000 behind Nebraska and 221,000 ahead of New Hampshire. California was again the most populated state at just less than 37 million, a 1 percent growth rate.

Since the 2000 Census, Idaho's population has increased by 19.5 percent — nearly 252,000 people — the fifth-fastest rate nationally behind Nevada, Arizona, Utah and Georgia. About 116,000 of that increase came from natural growth and the rest from in-migration.

Wyoming ranked first in growth rate at 2.1 percent while Texas gained 478,000 people, more than any other state.

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We've spent the last 10 years in a bad soap opera

The decade that ends Friday is like the movie "Halloween 10." You just wonder why you wasted your eight bucks.

But it wasn't as if the "oughts" as the years between 2000-09 are now not-so-affectionately known, held great promise in the first place. Heck, it wasn't even a certainty they'd get here.

If you were old enough to know what was happening on Dec. 30, 1999, you'll remember the "Y2K" menace. Most of the world's computers were supposed to crash at midnight on Dec. 31, sending the tech-dependent world back into the Dark Ages.

"This is not one of the summer movies where you can close your eyes during the scary parts," proclaimed then-President Bill Clinton.

"The whole financial system of the United States will come to a halt," predicted Internal Revenue Service Commissioner Charles Rossotti. "There's no plan B."

The world didn't, in fact, end on Jan. 1, 2000. Instead, it collapsed a little at a time over the next 10 years.

Some lowlights of the "oughts:"

• **June 11, 2002:** Simon Cowell's first appearance on "American Idol."

• **March 17, 2005:** Asked by a member of the House Government Operations Committee if he used steroids, former baseball home run king Mark McGwire testifies, "I'm not here to talk about the past. I'm here to be positive about this subject."

• **May 23, 2005:** Tom Cruise jumps up and down on Oprah Winfrey's couch.

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• **April 28, 2006:** Hannah Montana sings for the queen of England.

• **April 29, 2008:** Rockstar Games releases "Grand Theft Auto IV." Hundreds of copies are stolen on the way to retailers.

• **Sept. 24, 2008:** In a nationally televised interview with Katie Couric, Republican vice-presidential nominee Sarah Palin, responding to a request for examples of John McCain's favoring stricter regulation of Wall Street, says "I'll try to find you some and I'll bring them to you."

• **April 13, 2009:** Mel Gibson's wife, Robyn, files for divorce, guaranteeing her half of his \$850 million net worth.

• **Oct. 30, 2009:** Gibson's girlfriend, Oksana Grigorieva, gives birth to Gibson's son.

• **Dec. 3, 2009:** Golfer Tiger Woods leaves a voice-mail message for his girlfriend, Jaimee Grubbs:

"Hey it's Tiger, I need you to do me a huge favor. Can you please take your name off your phone? My wife went through my phone ... You got to do this for me. Huge. Quickly. Bye."

• **Dec. 16, 2009:** Woods' wife, Elin Nordegren, files for divorce, guaranteeing her half of Woods' \$1 billion in assets.

Thank God for 2010.

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AROUND THE WOOD RIVER VALLEY

Emergency consolidation still on the table

Following the consolidation of emergency communications services in Blaine County, the city of Hailey is leading an effort to review the possibility of consolidating the services themselves, including fire and ambulance.

The city held a "fire summit" last summer, with Wood River Fire and Rescue and the city of Bellevue represented; the city of Carey has opted not to participate. Now, Hailey is ready to send out a request for proposals for consultants who would assess the pros and cons of consolidation.

"I've looked at hundreds of them, and this is one of the best I've ever seen," said Councilman Don Keirn, referring to the request. "Really good, really thorough."

Once a consultant is chosen, the cities and Wood River Fire and Rescue will ask that firm to look at both the financial and practical feasibility of merging emergency services in the south Wood River Valley.

Auditor: Hailey's books in good shape

The city of Hailey has weathered the recession well, said Twin Falls-based accountant Dennis Brown, who audited the city's books for the 2008-09 fiscal year. He noted that the city's general fund was down by about \$1 million, or 20 percent, over that time.

"I issued an unqualified, or a clean, opinion," he said, citing city staff's ability to maintain a working budget over the year as a "heroic" effort.

The city has not had to make personnel cuts, though department bud-

gets have been tightened. It has received numerous grants valued at more than \$3 million, and since it paid off its general obligation bonds in 2008, the city's debt load is relatively light, according to the audit.

Hailey to meet with airport attorney

To better understand some legal issues surrounding the shutdown of Friedman Memorial Airport in Hailey and the future use of the land the airport is on, the city of Hailey is arranging to meet with Denver-based aviation attorney Peter Kirsch.

Kirsch has advised the Friedman Memorial Airport Authority, Friedman's governing body, on the airport replacement process. The city is a co-sponsor of Friedman, along with Blaine County. "It's important for us to

be on the same page as the county," said Councilman Fritz Haemmerle. "Right now I'm not sure which page we're on."

No date has been set for a presentation by Kirsch.

Hailey launches urban renewal agency

The city of Hailey is readying to follow in the footsteps of its neighbor to the north, launching an urban renewal agency as part of a city revitalization push, much as Ketchum did a few years ago.

First, the city needs to merge its economic development planning with other city planning efforts, such as the revision of its comprehensive plan that is currently under way.

The urban renewal agency will likely be in place by April, said city administrator Heather Dawson.

— Staff reports

Jerome Co. Commission mulls bank failure precautions

By John Plestina
Times-News writer

JEROME — Jerome County Commissioner Joe Davidson said Monday he wants assurance the county's deposits are safe in the event of a bank failure by spreading the risk beyond the current five institutions the county has deposits in.

Davidson called for a cap of \$2 million in county deposits at any one bank to ensure that the county doesn't lose a significant portion of tax revenue in the event of a bank failure.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insures each deposit for a maximum of \$250,000, which Davidson called "a drop in the bucket" of recent property tax col-

lections. He estimated that there could be as much as \$8 million in recent bank deposits from recent county tax collec-

Accounts are not collateralized, Davidson said, adding he believes there is a higher risk. He cited a statement in last year's audit that county bank deposits were not collateralized.

"It's simply a matter of protecting the assets of all the people of the county," Davidson said.

Commission Chairman Charlie Howell said the county purchases securities insured by the federal government.

Both Howell and Commissioner Cathy Roemer recommended talking to the county's auditor, Dean

Condie, of Rupert.

The commission will dis-

cuss the matter with Condie on Monday.

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Idaho Power: Christmas outage a 'perfect storm'

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

HAILEY — It was a cold, dark Christmas for many residents of the Wood River Valley, when the two main transmission lines bringing power to the region failed as Santa's reindeer approached on Christmas Eve.

Stephanie McCurdy, spokeswoman for Idaho Power, called the outage "a perfect storm of ice, extreme cold temperatures and high power use."

She said ice built up on the Midpoint-Wood River transmission line that runs from the Midpoint substation south of Shoshone to the Wood River substation in north Hailey, and by 9:50 p.m. Thursday, that ice caused the line to fail. Crews shifted power to the King-Moonstone line, which runs from Hagerman to the Wood River substation, but weather quickly caused that line to fail.

By 10:30 p.m., power was out at the Wood River, Hailey, Elkhorn, Ketchum, Silver, Lincoln and Moonstone substations, leaving 17,000 people in the dark.

And finding the failure points wasn't easy. "(It) required ground patrols on snow machines and ATVs because of the combination of weather and rough, inaccessible terrain. When we were able to patrol the line by helicopter we could only see parts of it because of the fog," said Vern Porter, Idaho Power vice president of Engineering and Operations, in a press release.

Within 12 hours, power was restored to the Midpoint-Wood River line, and neighborhoods throughout the valley were powered up throughout the day. It didn't help that two car crashes took out a power pole and a piece of power equipment, or that

some transformers also broke because of the weather.

The failure on the King-Moonstone line was found on Christmas, and was repaired by about 3:30 p.m., although another equipment failure wasn't repaired until Saturday.

Emergency shelters were set up in response to the outage, including one in Hailey, where Red Cross and St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center personnel were ready to help those who were most affected.

"If the power hadn't started coming on again (on Christmas Day), there was no way a lot of people were going to make it a second night," said Hailey Councilwoman Carol Brown, who was assisting at the emergency shelter. "We dodged a bullet."

She said the outage, though unfortunately timed, was a good test of the city's emergency response system.

Trial set in vehicular manslaughter case

Roger Bothof accused of running into pedestrian in Jerome crosswalk

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

Trial was set Tuesday for a 73-year-old Jerome man accused of vehicular manslaughter after he allegedly drove into a pedestrian in a Jerome crosswalk on July 4.

Roger Bothof was charged with the misdemeanor crime on Sept. 25, more than two months after he allegedly struck Lenny Silvers, 56, a grandfather from Jerome, in a South Lincoln Street crosswalk. Silvers died from his

County Magistrate Court, Bothof without malice killed the pedestrian "by failing to stop at a crosswalk and striking Lenny R. Silvers, which caused Lenny R. Silvers' death."

Bothof pleaded not guilty on Sept. 28.

Bothof did not immediately return a call Tuesday for comment.

Silvers was a "free spirit" who "touched many lives in his travels," according to his obituary. "Lenny loved his family and especially loved playing with his grandson ... Lenny will never be forgotten and will be deeply missed."

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Marcela Munguia, an employee of Le Duke Salon in Twin Falls, uses a tanning bed Tuesday on her day off from her duties as a receptionist at the beauty shop. Munguia says she usually tans more in the summer months but likes to get color on her face during the winter. MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Tanning

Continued from Main 1

stroke, akin to the sin tax on cigarettes. Both tanning and smoking are activities scientifically proven to cause harm to the human body," said Dr. Bruce Katz, spokesman for The Skin Cancer Foundation. "The tax will hopefully serve a double purpose, not only raising billions for health care, but giving people one more excellent reason to protect their health by staying away from tanning salons."

After doctors lobbied Congress against the inclusion of a five-percent tax on elective cosmetic surgery, the Senate replaced the so-called Bo-tax with the tan tax.

"They were trying to raise \$5 billion from the Bo-tax, but this won't get them anywhere close to that. What else will they add on to make up the difference if they need X amount of dollars and can't get it?" said Julie Kodesh, owner of Le Duke Salon in Twin Falls. Kodesh said she doesn't believe the tax will deter people from tanning, so it may simply result in people with better tans but less money.

One of her regular cus-



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tomers agreed. Melissa Pease-Hilarides, of Wendell, tans three to four times per week.

"I'm not overly thrilled about it. Would it stop me from going? Absolutely not," Pease-Hilarides said. "It'll probably just cost my husband a little more for my tanning packages."

Regarding the risk of skin cancer, she didn't sound concerned.

"My thought is that we're all going to die from something, and this is my vice," Pease-Hilarides said. "To me, it's what smokers would consider nicotine. It's my nicotine, especially with the snowy winters we have in Idaho — it's the closest I can get to a beach!"

Like Kodesh, Pease-Hilarides said she's concerned about additional taxes in the health-care bill.

"What aren't they telling us? That's what makes me nervous," she said. "I think there are a lot of things in there like this that aren't being disclosed. And apparently, nobody's read

it, so I wouldn't be surprised if some similar taxes are in the bill."

Kodesh said the profit margin on tanning beds isn't very high — and, while her business provides other services, she said the tax could put standalone tanning salons out of business.

"We're already triple-taxed for the beds," she said, referring to sales tax when purchasing equipment, property tax for owning it and a six-percent excise tax passed on to the customers — which, if the bill passes, will become 16 percent.

More than a million Americans use tanning salons on an average day, according to The Skin Cancer Foundation's press release — which goes on to compare the ultraviolet radiation produced by tanning beds to radiation from plutonium.

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Law & Disorder...

... in Cassia County

From Dec. 1 police reports: **Driving under the influence:** Police responded to an area south of Burley regarding an 18-year-old male who had driven a 1994 Honda Civic through a fence.

Cassia County Sheriff's Deputy Robert Nay asked the suspect how fast he was driving. "He stated that he was traveling at 70 miles per hour. I asked if he may have been going faster. He replied that the last that he looked at his speedometer, he was traveling 75 miles per hour ... He was asked how much he had been drinking and he replied three beers," the report reads. He was arrested for driving under the influence. His blood-alcohol content is listed in the report as .137. The legal limit to drive is .08.

Driving violations: A Burley woman, 22, was pulled over near Declo for allegedly driving 80 mph in a 65 mph zone. "(She) gave me her registration and insurance and said she did not have her driver's license with her ... Dispatch informed me that there was no record found on her. I asked (her) if she knew her SSN. She stated she did not know. I asked if she had a license. She stated she never got one," Deputy Chris Weber's report reads.

— Damon Hunzeker

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

TWIN FALLS COUNTY TUESDAY ARRAIGNMENT
Jeffery Billsie, 25, Twin Falls; petit theft, recognizance release, public defender appointed, Jan. 20 pretrial

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AROUND THE WEST

IDAHO
Supreme Court
overturns Boy
Scouts abuse ruling

BOISE — The Idaho Supreme Court has ruled against three men who sought to use a new statute of limitations law to pursue a child sex abuse lawsuit against the Boy Scouts of America and one of its Idaho chapters.

The decision issued Tuesday is a legal blow for Ronald Morgan, of Mesa, Ariz., and two men identified as John Doe I and John Doe II, who sued the organization in 2007 weeks after Idaho extended its statute of limitations for child sex abuse victims.

The ruling focused on a pretrial decision by 4th District Judge Michael McClaughlin, who said the case could proceed under the new statute even though the allegations dated to the 1970s and 1980s.

But the justices unanimously overturned the lower court, saying the amendments to the statute were not specifically tailored to be applied to such old claims.

"The Boy Scouts of America cannot be held accountable for behavior that was not actionable at the time it occurred," according to the opinion written by justice Jim Jones.

American Falls
water benefits
from stimulus

BOISE — American Falls is due to get a \$3.3 million low-interest loan funded by the federal stimulus act that will help the city refurbish its drinking water system and save millions in interest over the next three decades.

The county seat of Power County wants to upgrade 5.5 miles of rusting 6-inch cast iron water line to an 8-inch line made out of plastic.

It's getting the money from the state Department of Environmental Quality's low-interest drinking water construction loan program, which benefited from the stimulus act earlier this year.

Snowpack thin
across Idaho so far

IDAHO FALLS — Relatively little snow has accumulated in many Idaho mountain ranges so far this fall and winter.

As of Monday, snowpack was just 54 percent of normal in the area above

Palisades Reservoir in eastern Idaho. Snowpack was between 41 percent and 57 percent of normal in the Upper Snake River region, the Idaho Falls Post-Register reports.

Forecasters hesitate to predict that the situation either will change or stay the same. The reason is because this year's El Nino effect, which normally would produce warmer and drier weather, is conflicting with a longer-term weather pattern that is encouraging cooler weather.

CALIFORNIA
Tree surfer slams
into car, injures head

SAN CLEMENTE — Authorities say a man in Southern California riding a Christmas tree being dragged behind an SUV slammed into a parked car and was hospitalized with head injuries.

Orange County sheriff's spokesman Jim Amormino says the 18-year-old and another teenager were Christmas tree surfing, a seasonal internet fad.

Capt. Greg McKeown says the car was going about 25 mph Sunday night when the female driver took a corner and the tree veered wide and crashed.

Amormino says the driver fled. Two SUV passengers and the other tree surfer told deputies they didn't know the girl.

COLORADO
Qwest ending
death benefits for
retirees in '10

DENVER — Qwest says it will eliminate death benefits for retirees starting in March.

Currently, when retirees die, their survivors receive an amount equivalent to their last year's salary. The families of as many as 27,000 retirees are eligible for the benefit and eliminating it could cut Qwest's liabilities by \$220 million.

— The Associated Press

Colorado mom, baby revived after
dying during Christmas Eve birth

By Dan Elliott
Associated Press writer

DENVER — Mike Hermanstorfer was clutching his pregnant wife's hand in a Colorado hospital on Christmas Eve when she stopped breathing, her life apparently slipping away. Then he cradled his newborn son's limp body seconds after a medical team delivered the baby by Cesarean section.

Minutes later he saw his son show signs of life in his arms under the feverish attention of doctors, and soon he learned his wife had inexplicably started breathing again.

"My legs went out from underneath me," Hermanstorfer said Tuesday. "I had everything in the world taken from me, and in an hour and a half I had everything given to me."

Hermanstorfer's wife, Tracy, went into cardiac arrest and stopped breathing during labor on Thursday, said Dr. Stephanie Martin, a maternal fetal medicine specialist at Memorial Hospital in Colorado Springs, where the Hermanstorfers had gone for the birth of their son.

"She had no signs of life. No heartbeat, no blood pressure, she wasn't breathing," said Martin, who had rushed to Hermanstorfer's room to help. "The baby was, it was basically limp, with a very slow heart rate."

After their miraculous recovery, both mother and the baby, named Coltyn, appear healthy with no signs of problems, Martin said.

She said she cannot explain the mother's cardiac arrest or the recovery.

"We did a thorough evaluation and can't find anything that explains why this happened," she said.

Mike Hermanstorfer credits "the hand of God."

"We are both believers ... but this right here, even a nonbeliever — you explain



AP photo

Tracy Hermanstorfer kisses her newborn son, Coltyn, after a news conference Monday at Memorial Hospital in Colorado Springs, Colo.

"Wherever I can get the help, I'll take it."

Tracy Hermanstorfer, 33, was getting prepped for childbirth at the hospital Thursday morning and her 37-year-old husband was by her side when she began to feel sleepy and laid back in her bed.

"She literally stopped breathing and her heart stopped," her husband said. Pandemonium erupted as doctors and nurses tried to revive her with chest compressions and a breathing tube, but nothing worked.

"I was holding her hand when we realized she was gone," Hermanstorfer said. "My entire life just rolled out."

Doctors told him, "We're going to take your son out now. We have been unable to revive her and we're going

to take your son out," he recalled.

After the Cesarean section, some of the team rushed his wife to the operating room while the others attended to Coltyn.

"They hand him to me, he's absolutely lifeless," Hermanstorfer said. The doctors went to work on Coltyn as Hermanstorfer held him, and soon he began to breathe.

"His life began in my hands," Hermanstorfer said. "That's a feeling like none other. Life actually began in the palm of my hands."

to me how this happened. There is no other explanation," he said.

Asked about divine intervention, Martin said,

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OPINION

QUOTE

“Running a security agency with a revolving door is a recipe for failure.”
 — Rep. John Mica, R-Fla., speaking on the vacancies at some top posts in government security agencies

EDITORIAL

Animal cruelty laws need a hefty dose of common sense

Historically, this newspaper has been editorially critical of national animal-rights groups for trying to impose their standards on Idaho agriculture.

But the California-based Animal Legal Defense Fund makes a couple of valid points in its recent rankings of states in terms of animal protection.

Idaho law, ALDF points out, doesn't allow county prosecutors to bring felony cases for extreme neglect or abandonment of animals. And it doesn't require veterinarians to report suspected abuse.

Those are reasonable measures that have been proposed before in the Idaho Legislature; they're on the law books in most other states. We don't see how they would impede legitimate agriculture or dairying.

The felony law would be used rarely, and only for willful disregard of the health of domestic animals — in puppy mills, for example, or perhaps in a 2002 Twin Falls County case in which, among other things, a sick cow was buried alive.

Former Filer dairyman Jack Tuls was sentenced to two years probation and a \$500 fine for animal cruelty. The case rested on criminal negligence and Tuls' responsibility for running the dairy of 2,000 milking cows.

Tuls was managing his Dutch Touch Dairy in August 2002 when the Idaho State Department of Agriculture concluded that the dairy had subjected sick and dying cows to cruel treatment through handling practices and lack of care.

The case against Tuls hinged on whether he could legally be held responsible for the treatment of a cow on his dairy without proof he personally handled or prescribed its care.

In his decision, then-5th District Magistrate Randy Stoker wrote that it was impossible for Tuls to have not noticed a particularly sick cow lying on the ground and in the hot summer sun for at least 24 hours without food, water or shelter.

Stoker also concluded that Tuls had no established practice to humanely dispose of “downer” cows that were alive.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loeb could only charge Tuls with a single count of animal cruelty — a misdemeanor — because no harsher sanction exists under Idaho law.

That's unacceptable. No ethical dairyman or livestock operator permits animals to suffer. And no conscientious veterinarian allows animal cruelty to continue without reporting it to authorities.

Idaho's economy relies, to a great extent, on animal husbandry. It's time for the Legislature to make clear we take humane treatment of animals seriously.

Our view: There are cases in which people need to be charged with felonies for mistreating animals. **What do you think?** We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Health reform: When is a tax not a tax?

As we prepare for the final round of debate over health reform, perhaps the most contentious issue will be financing. Both the Senate and House agree that most of the financing for reform should come from scaling back overpayments to Medicare insurers and providers, as well as excise taxes on some of the sectors that will most benefit from 30 million newly insured consumers. But the two houses remain apart on where to find the remaining dollars.



Jonathan Gruber

In the Senate, the gap is closed by relying on the “Cadillac tax,” a 40 percent assessment on insurance plans with premiums of more than \$8,500 for singles and \$23,000 for families. In the House, the gap is closed with a surtax on those earning more than \$500,000.

The Senate assessment on high-cost insurance plans has much to recommend it, which is why it is almost universally favored by health policy experts. It would reduce the incentives for employers to provide excessively generous insurance, leading to more cost-conscious use of health care and, ultimately, lower spending. It would also be progressive, in that it would take from those with the most generous insurance to finance the expansion of coverage to those without insurance.

But there have been numerous criticisms of the Senate financing. Perhaps the strongest is that some insurance plans will be “unfairly” burdened. Many claim that this is a tax not on excessively generous insurance plans but on those who happen to have high insurance costs.

But this argument misses an important point: The assessment proposed in the Senate is not a new tax; it is the elimination of an exist-



“... when firms reduce their insurance generosity, they make it up in higher pay for their workers.”

ing tax break that is provided to exactly these firms. Under current law, if workers are paid in wages, they are taxed on those wages. But if they receive the same amount of compensation in the form of health insurance, they are not taxed. As a result, the tax code has for years provided a large subsidy to the most expensive health plans — at a cost to the U.S. taxpayer of more than \$250 billion a year. To put this in proportion, the cost of this tax subsidy to employer-sponsored insurance is more than twice what it will cost to provide universal health coverage to our citizens.

The excise tax on generous insurance plans would simply offset this bias for the most expensive health insurance plans. To understand how, consider two firms. One has an average insurance cost per family of \$13,000, the national average. The other spends twice that much, \$26,000 — perhaps because its workers are older or perhaps because it provides much more generous coverage. Under today's system, a typical middle-income worker at the first firm gets a tax break of \$4,550 while a worker at the second gets a \$9,100 break. Taxpayers are literally sending twice as much money to

the second firm simply because its insurance is more expensive. All that the excise tax would do is mitigate this tax preference. The second firm in this example would pay a 40 percent tax on its health spending above \$23,000, for a total tax of \$1,200. Even after this tax, the second firm would get a net tax break of \$7,900 — almost three-quarters larger than the break for the first employer. So we have not taxed that second firm. We have simply offset the enormous tax break it was already getting from the government.

Moreover, most experts and Congress' Joint Committee on Taxation assume that most companies would not end up paying this tax but would instead reduce their insurance spending to below the threshold for the tax. And when firms reduce their insurance generosity, they make it up in higher pay for their workers. We saw this in the late 1990s, when the rise of managed care temporarily lowered insurance costs, and wages rose in real terms for the first time in many years. But as soon as managed care was weakened and health costs rose again, we once again saw flat or declining real wages

in the United States. By my calculations the excise tax in the Senate legislation will raise U.S. worker wages by a total of \$223 billion over the next decade, which would mean about \$660 in extra annual earnings per employer-insured household by 2019. Moreover, the vast majority of those wage increases accrue to middle- and lower-income households; 90 percent would go to families with incomes below \$200,000.

So in the end, we have a policy that provides the necessary financing to pay for subsidies to low-income families; induces employers to buy more cost-effective health insurance, lowering U.S. health-care spending; offsets a bias in our tax system that favors more expensive insurance; and raises wages by \$223 billion over 10 years. To put a twist on an old saying: The Senate assessment on high-cost insurance plans doesn't walk like a tax or talk like a tax. It is an innovative way of financing the health reform we so desperately need.

Jonathan Gruber is a professor of economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He wrote this commentary for *The Washington Post*.

Eight years after 9/11, our security still full of holes

Had it not been for a malfunctioning detonator, nearly 300 people traveling on a Christmas Day flight might have perished. Only the faulty device, along with some fast-acting passengers, prevented a disaster.

But the detonator was not the only malfunction in this near-catastrophe. Government also broke down. The suspect, Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, has been on a watch list for the last two years. That list contains names of people known to have extremist links.

British press reports say Abdulmutallab has been on MIS's radar but was deemed insufficiently threatening to warrant surveillance. Still, he was barred from returning to Britain earlier this year, according to the *London Times*.

I was once on a watch list because my name is similar to that of someone wanted by the law. It is inconceivable that someone with a real terrorism profile could get on a plane bound for the United



Cal Thomas

States with explosives strapped to his body and not be detected. When I was on a list, my identification was taken into a back room where calls were made to determine I was not the one they were looking for. Sometimes a series of S's would be stamped on my boarding pass. This did not qualify me for a free drink or an upgrade, but an intimate pat-down, along with a complete search of my carry-on bag. I had to turn on my laptop computer to prove it was not an explosive device.

How did Abdulmutallab, whose father had recently warned State Department officials about his son's radical beliefs and extremist connections, get on a plane bound for Detroit? What good is it to report suspicious behavior, as the Department

of Homeland Security repeatedly urges us to do, if those reports are not taken more seriously?

Did America's reluctance to profile contribute to this latest near-disaster? That question should be among many asked at a congressional hearing.

Abdulmutallab is said to have traveled to the failed state of Yemen, where he acquired his explosive device and received training for the attack he nearly pulled off. The Obama administration is sending several Guantanamo detainees to Yemen. This is the equivalent of the Coolidge administration sending New York Mafia members to Chicago for re-education during the Roaring Twenties.

Richard Clarke, former terrorism czar and now an ABC News consultant, told the network that the screening devices in Nigeria and at other airports need to be upgraded to more modern systems that penetrate clothing and reveal internal organs. They are expensive

and intrusive and certain “civil liberties” groups might go to court to block them. Abdulmutallab's profile should have extended beyond his religion. Press reports say he paid \$3,000 cash for his ticket and checked no bags. Some of the 9/11 hijackers paid cash for their tickets and checked no luggage.

This latest incident and the killings at Fort Hood, Texas, by a Muslim Army officer ought to be a verdict on the Obama administration's strategy of apologizing for America and reaching out to Muslim nations. None of it has mollified terrorist states or terrorists operating within those states, or for that matter potential terrorists operating within the U.S.

The question should not be how to make terrorists like us, but how to find them, eliminate them and, most important of all, keep them from entering the country.

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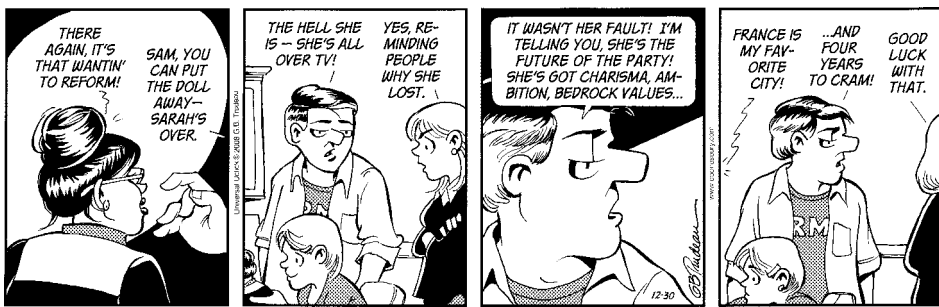
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THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

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Schooling low-income parents helps children's education

For a succinct vision of the role parents can play in their children's education, a useful starting point is a tale of three mothers and an eggplant, told by Phyllis Hunter, former director of reading for Houston's public schools.

Hunter's first mother wheels her shopping cart down the produce aisle of a supermarket, where her kindergartner spots an eggplant and asks what it is. The mother shushes her child, ignoring the question. The second mother, faced with the same question, responds curtly, "That's an eggplant, but we don't eat it."

The third mother seizes the moment: "That's an eggplant," she says enthusiastically. "It's one of the few purple vegetables." She picks it up and encourages her child to put it on the scale. "Oh, look, it's about two pounds!" she says. "And it costs \$1.99 a pound. Let's round it to \$2. That would cost just about \$4. That's a bit pricey, but you like veal Parmesan, and eggplant Parmesan is delicious too. You'll love it. Let's buy one, take it home, cut it open.



Dale Russakoff

We'll make a dish together!"

Hunter's parable makes clear why an attentive, engaged parent is one of life's greatest academic advantages. It also makes clear why educators have long believed that low-income students would soar if only they got more support at home. But what never has been clear, despite 40 years of voluminous research, is whether myriad strategies schools are now using to encourage low-income parents to engage in new ways with their children have actually worked.

Since the 1960s, the federal government has required schools serving poor children to involve parents in their education. Under a little-noticed section of the No Child Left Behind Act, schools are instructed not only to educate students but also to help parents become more

effective learning partners for their children. No longer is parent involvement defined as mothers or fathers volunteering in class. Now it is a two-way relationship, with schools expected to reach out to engage parents, including those who don't come to them — parents who work two or three jobs, parents who speak no English, parents whose own school experiences were not positive.

The law also requires districts receiving more than \$500,000 a year in Title I funds — which support the education of low-income children — to spend 1 percent of those funds engaging parents. In 2009, with an infusion of money from the president's economic stimulus package, that 1 percent could come close to \$225 million nationally, according to the U.S. Department of Education.

Despite the emphasis on accountability that defines No Child Left Behind, the law requires little oversight of how tens of thousands of schools spend their parent-involvement money or

whether those efforts raise achievement.

Many schools, according to Steffen Saifer, director of the Child and Family program at the Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory in Portland, Ore., "have so much they consider more important that they've gotten good at knowing how to minimally meet the requirements."

"What's typically done — sending notes home in backpacks, holding parents nights, offering conferences — isn't effective with low-income parents or parents who don't speak English," Saifer said. "That's what works in middle-class districts."

Educators need more urgently is hard evidence of what kinds of support make the most difference. There are some promising places to look.

Joyce Epstein, a sociologist who directs the Center on School, Family and Community Partnerships at Johns Hopkins University, has helped low-income schools raise student achievement by involving parents and local institu-

tions in learning. "You don't have to give parents a college education," Epstein said. "You just have to give them a strategy for having an interesting conversation with their third-grader about a book they're reading even if the parents haven't read the book."

The New York City Department of Education's Office of Family Engagement has involved large numbers of parents by holding workshops early in the morning and on week-ends, when parents who work multiple jobs are free. They also provide translators in more than a dozen languages and classes on how to advocate for one's child and how to help chil-

dren of every age in every subject.

There are many such strategies that the government could subject to rigorous examination and guide districts on how to implement those that bring results. Rather than chanting the familiar mantra that parental involvement helps students, it is time to tackle the reasons the current approach isn't working for everyone and seize this opportunity to lower the tall barriers to achievement facing low-income children.

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GOP: Have a dismal new year

Are we really going to pay the 40 Republicans in the Senate \$174,000 apiece for doing nothing all year?

I don't say that it would be unprecedented to pay a senator for doing nothing. We often pay senators for no visible effort. But that is sloth. Some of them have such dizzy ideas that we don't want them to work hard anyway. This year, however, doing nothing has been one party's plan and policy.

Should that be a paying proposition?

Oh, it hasn't been quite nothing. Republicans do one thing each day that the Senate is in session. A gaggle of them approach the microphones in time for the evening newscasts and say what they said the day before. Which is that the country is going to the dogs, and the leading mutts are the "Democrat" president, the "Democrat" Senate majority leader and (shudder) the "Democrat" House speaker. No award is given for originality, nor is any sought.

Usually, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., intones the day's talking point, but others join in. Republican senators seem to be a bunch of white guys named John — Cornyn (Texas), Ensign (Nevada), Thune (South Dakota), Barrasso (Wyoming) and McCain and Kyl (Arizona). Sen. Jon Kyl drops the "h," but you can't tell on radio.

When not explaining that even the parts of the health insurance bill that Sen. McCain once favored are a socialist plot, they complain that the Democrats don't let them get into the game.

Let's think about that. Anybody watching the Democrats try to craft health insurance reform without Republicans sees a bunch of folks who need help badly. You would have had to be where the public isn't allowed to know whether GOP help was offered and rejected or never offered. I



Tom Blackburn

don't know the answer, and neither do you. But the Democrats are not in a position to say, "Please, mother, I'd like to do it myself."

At one point, President Obama told Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., to give Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, whatever she wanted in the bill. When she got it, Sen. Snowe forgot that she wanted it or gave in to peer pressure.

So Mr. Obama had to tell Sen. Reid to deal with Independent Joe Lieberman. Ask yourself: Would you rather spend an afternoon arguing with five Johns or with one Sen. Lieberman? That's why I suspect that the Republican senators could have played in the game if they hadn't assumed the sulk position.

The Republicans have put themselves in a corner that is not good for their party's future nor the country's. Their position is: What helps

President Obama is bad for the country. If something happens that is good for the country it will help President Obama. So what is good for the country is bad for the country.

To be consistent, Republicans have to wish everyone a dismal new year. According to their logic, the worse things are, the better they are. They are forgetting the first lesson Ronald Reagan taught them — optimism.

"No, no, no to everything" is the kind of policy any 2-year-old can carry out consistently. We should be able to expect more from 40 adult senators, considering what we have to pay them.

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Consumer confidence extends rise in December

By Anne D'Innocenzio
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — A more upbeat outlook on jobs pushed Americans' confidence in the economy higher in December for the second month in a row, a survey released Tuesday said.

Consumers' expectations for the job market over the next six months reached their highest level in two years, but Americans remain gloomy about their

current prospects.

The Conference Board said its Consumer Confidence Index rose to 52.9, up from a revised 50.6 in November, but the reading is still far short of the 90 that would signify a solid economy. In October, consumer confidence was 48.7.

Economists surveyed by Thomson Reuters predicted a reading of 52 for December.

The index, which hit a historic low of 25.3 in

February, had enjoyed a three-month climb from March through May, fueled by signs that the economy might be stabilizing. The road has been bumpier since June as rising unemployment has taken a toll on consumers.

Economists watch consumer sentiment because spending on goods and services for consumers accounts for about 70 percent of U.S. economic activity by federal measures.

Stocks extended their increases into a seventh day following readings.

One key component of the Confidence index that measures consumers' outlook over the next six months rose to 75.6 from 70.3 last month, the highest level since December 2007, when the index was 75.8. But the survey's other main component, which measures shoppers' current assessment, actually fell to 18.8 from 21.2.

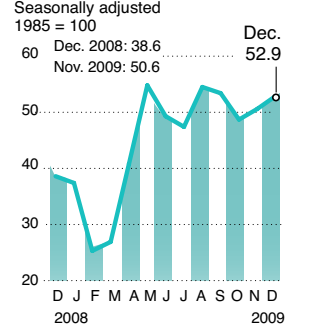
The survey of 5,000 households ran Dec. 1 through 21.

"Regarding income, however, consumers remain rather pessimistic about their short-term prospects and this will likely continue to play a key role in spending decisions in early 2010," Lynn Franco, director of The Conference Board Consumer Research Center said in a statement.

Still, many retailers are breathing sighs of relief.

Confidence rises

The consumer confidence index from a survey of 5,000 U.S. households: Seasonally adjusted 1985 = 100



SOURCE: The Conference Board AP

Retailers' stores thinly stocked

After Christmas sales few and far between because of slim inventories

By Mae Anderson
Associated Press writer

ATLANTA — Retailers have thin inventories after coming out of Christmas with slightly better-than-expected sales.

Some retailers kept inventory so low they've had to bring in new merchandise to restock shelves, a rare move this soon after Christmas.

That's good news for their bottom lines. But it means slim pickings for shoppers hoping for after-Christmas clearance sales. Shoppers looking for big sales should act quickly because there are relatively few leftovers to clear out.

"Retailers are much more nimble this year," NPJ analyst Marshal Cohen said. "Their 'Plan B' is to have new receipts at the ready."

The latest holiday shopping season wasn't a rip-roaring success, said John Lonski, chief economist of Moody's Capital Markets Research Group. But he said consumer spending is indeed in a recovery mode, which brightens prospects for 2010.

Spending rose 3.6 percent from Nov. 1 through Dec. 24 compared with the same period last year, according to MasterCard Advisors' SpendingPulse, which estimates all forms of payment including cash. Adjusted for an extra shopping day between Thanksgiving and Christmas, the number was closer to a 1 percent rise. That was still better than the flat sales analysts had predicted.

Some retail stocks rose on Monday. American Eagle Outfitters shares rose 48 cents, or 3 percent, to \$16.80. Macy's Inc. shares rose 19 cents to \$17.76. J.C. Penney shares rose 36 cents to \$27.38.

The Dow Jones U.S. Retail Index edged up less than 1 percent.

After-Christmas traffic also appeared to be relatively robust, though it wasn't clear how much people were actually

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Oil on the upswing?

Pump prices up slightly as 2009 comes to an end; price stability could be thing of the past as well

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

For all of its faults, 2009 turned out to be a year of relatively stable fuel prices in south-central Idaho.

The average price for a gallon of regular-grade unleaded gasoline in the Twin Falls, Jerome and Burley never exceeded \$2.695, according to AAA Idaho. The lowest prices were seen during the first week of January 2009, when prices fell to about \$1.62 per gallon.

The year stands in stark contrast to the roller coaster ride for prices in 2008 when the price of regular-grade gasoline exceeded \$4 per gallon in the three-county area.

The average price in south-central Idaho remained unchanged Tuesday at \$2.578 per gallon, while the national average rose two cents to \$2.61, according to AAA Idaho. Diesel prices are up slightly, with the state average increasing a half a cent to \$2.79 per gallon.

However, relatively stable fuel prices may also expire as soon as 2009.

Crude prices started to

climb Tuesday after a report last week by the Department of Energy indicating a larger than anticipated draw of crude oil stock piles caused by colder weather across much of the nation.

Analysts say the key indicator of fuel prices increases will be the rate at which the economy improves.

When the new year begins, analyst and trader Stephen Schork said he'll be closely watching for signs of gasoline demand and how oil refiners will react. Petroleum consumption has dropped overall this year in the U.S., and if refiners can't pass along higher crude prices to consumers, then Schork said would expect for a correction in oil prices.

"Refiners have a difficult row to hoe right now," he said. "These guys can't make money. They can't pass on the exaggerated cost of crude to consumers. Some are trying to sell their refineries, and they're not getting any takers."

Benchmark crude for February delivery added a dime to settle at \$78.87 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, still the highest close since mid-



ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News

A sign showing gas prices is displayed outside a Twin Falls gas station. Fuel prices remained relatively stable during 2009, but analysts say that could change in 2010.

November. In London, Brent crude for February delivery increased 31 cents to \$77.63 a barrel on the ICE Futures exchange.

Two states have averages

for regular unleaded at or above \$3 a gallon.

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Mortgages on upward trend after hitting all-time low

By Dina ElBoghdady
The Washington Post

After hitting an all-time low in early December, the average rate on a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose to 5.05 percent this week and could climb to 6 percent by the end of 2010, if not sooner, according to giant mortgage financier Freddie Mac.

The results are noteworthy because rates have not topped 5 percent since the last week of October, when they reached 5.03 percent, based on the results of this closely watched survey, which polls lenders during the first three days of every

week.

Many firms regularly track interest rates and come up with slightly different numbers because they survey different lenders at different times of the day or week.

The key catalyst for interest rates going forward will be the end of a Federal Reserve program that buys a sizable chunk of mortgage-backed securities issued by firms such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. That program succeeded in immediately pushing mortgage rates well below the 6 percent mark when it was announced last year.

But the Fed has committed to winding down the

program by March. The central bank is betting that by gradually tapering its purchases, private buyers of mortgage-backed securities, who have largely been absent from the market, will return and rates won't rise much.

But Amy Crews Cutts, deputy chief economist at Freddie Mac, said interest rates are bound to rise to 6 percent by the end of 2010 because private buyers will demand a higher rate of return on the securities than the Fed did. Lenders may have to raise the rates they charge to consumers in order to make that happen.

"Extraordinary resources have been put into keeping

the rates down and supporting the mortgage markets and it's hard to imagine that the rates can go much lower than they are," Crews Cutts said. "Anything we get at or below 5 percent is a gift at this point."

This week's Freddie Mac survey found that the 5.05 percent average on 30-year fixed-rate loans (with an average 0.7 point) was up from 4.94 percent the previous week but down from 5.14 percent at the same time last year. The all-time weekly low since the firm started tracking the numbers in 1971 was in the first week of December, when rates fell to 4.71 percent.

Rogers back at SIEDO

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

Jan Rogers has returned to the helm of the Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization after recovering from health related issues.

Rogers, who has been the acting director of the organization since it was organized by business leaders more than eight years ago, said she will spend coming days meeting with city economic development directors.

She took a leave of absence from the organization in late May, appointing Bob Richards as interim director.

Since that time the region's industries have undergone significant changes.

Twin Falls suffered the loss of the Dell call center and almost 500 jobs, Jayco Inc. ramped up production to almost 100 percent capacity and the city of Jerome announced it is nearing a deal with a wind energy company.

"A lot has happened since I left in May," she said. "So the next few days will be spent getting my arms around everything that's going on."

The Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization, also known as SIEDO, acts as the marketing arm for cities and counties in south-central Idaho. It is funded through grants from the College of Southern Idaho, Business Plus and fees paid by cities and counties.

Rogers said three business visited south-central Idaho in December, which is typically a slow month for site visits. She said the businesses include one new business and two that are looking to relocate.

She could not provide further details because of client confidentiality.

"These are mostly businesses that are looking around in anticipation for an upturn in the economy," she said. "Most of them are looking for an existing building that is ready and available."

She said the city of Twin Falls has asked SIEDO to take a "proactive approach to aggressively market" the former Dell call center, which will close its doors for good in January.

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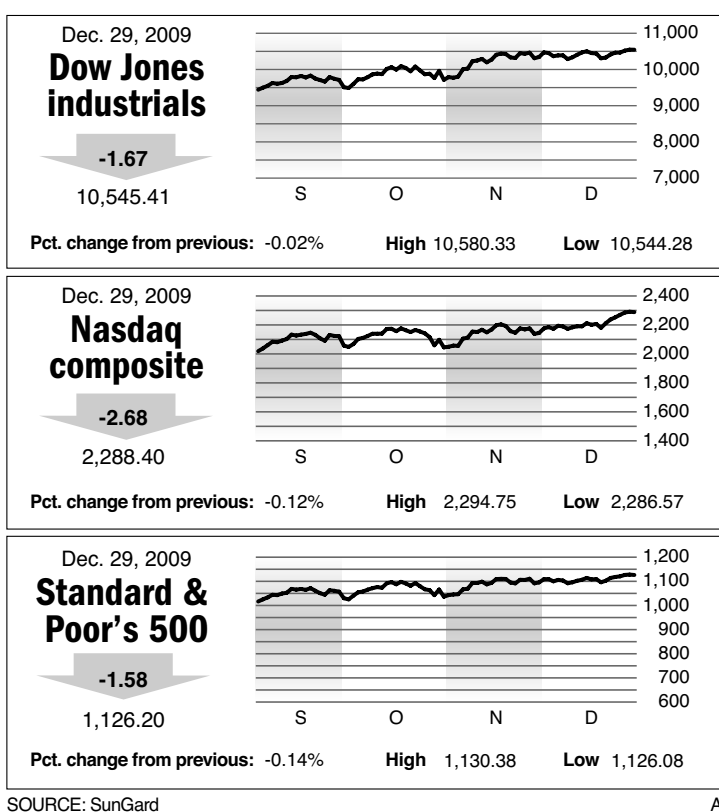
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The Dow slipped 1.67, or less than 0.1 percent, to 10,545.41. The trading range was the tightest since February 2007 and the fifth straight day when the index has swung by fewer than 70 points.

INDEXES

Table of index values for Dec. 29, 2009. Columns include index name, value, change, and percentage change.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table listing local stocks such as AlliantEgy, AlliantTch, AmCasino, etc., with columns for name, price, and change.

HOW TO READ THE REPORT

Explanation of stock symbols and abbreviations. Includes sections for 'Fund Name', 'Stock Footnotes', 'Dividend Footnotes', and 'Mutual Fund Footnotes'.

COMMODITIES REPORT

Table of commodity closing futures prices. Columns include Commodity, High, Low, Close, and Change. Includes sections for CHEESE, POTATOES, LIVESTOCK, and METALS/MONEY.

2000 DECADE IN REVIEW 2009



Don't Bet the House

The stock market crash that began the decade taught ordinary people that investing in stocks was risky. But that didn't stop them from spending the 2000s playing an even riskier game—real estate speculation.

But what of those who turned a deaf ear to the mania and treated houses like houses and investments like investments? If you rented—or stayed put in a house you already owned—and bought shares of real estate investment trusts, the 2000s were actually wonderful.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Idahoans to get refunds from New Jersey mortgage modifier

BOISE — Idaho homeowners who paid a Westmont, N.J., company to help them obtain mortgage modifications will receive refunds as a result of a settlement agreement, Attorney General Lawrence Wasden said Monday.

Broadcom settles securities class action lawsuit

IRVINE, Calif. (AP) — Investment Council. Managed care company UnitedHealth Group Inc. paid \$895 million in 2008 to settle investor claims related to backdating.

Commission sets hearing on proposed sale

Idaho Power Company is asking the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to approve the sale of electrical distribution facilities valued at \$44,000 to Raft River Rural Electric Cooperative headquartered in the Cassia County community of Malta.

Advertisement for Perkins, Smart & Boyd, Inc. featuring a photo of Nita Barnes Clontz and text: 'When You're Serious About Investing...'.

Stores

Continued from Business 1 spending. Shoppers over the weekend certainly focused on deals.

In order to entice shoppers through the rest of the week and into January, retailers are expected to steeply discount what leftovers they do have.

Auction Calendar for Saturday, Jan 2, 1:00PM and Thursday, Jan 14, 6:00PM. Lists various items for auction and contact information for HUNT BROS. AUCTIONS.

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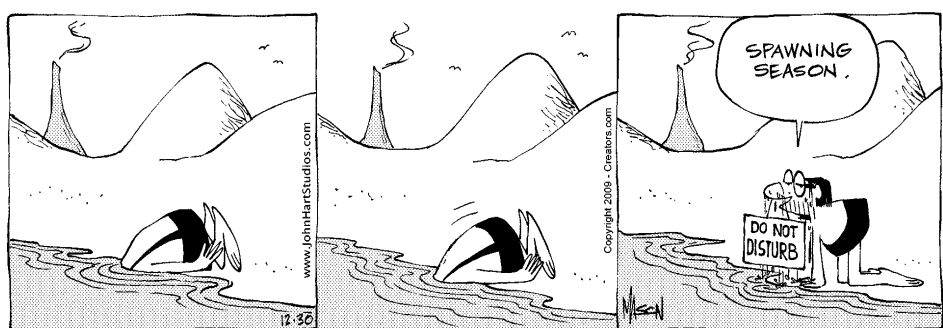
POCATELLO (AP) — Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Grain and Livestock Report on Tuesday. POCATELLO — White wheat 4.25 (steady); 11.5 percent winter 4.16 (down 8); 14 percent spring 5.47 (down 7); barley 5.73 (steady);

“If a store didn't generate a profit, it will really be under the microscope,” he said.

A better picture of how retailers fared during the holiday will be known Jan. 7, when many report December sales.

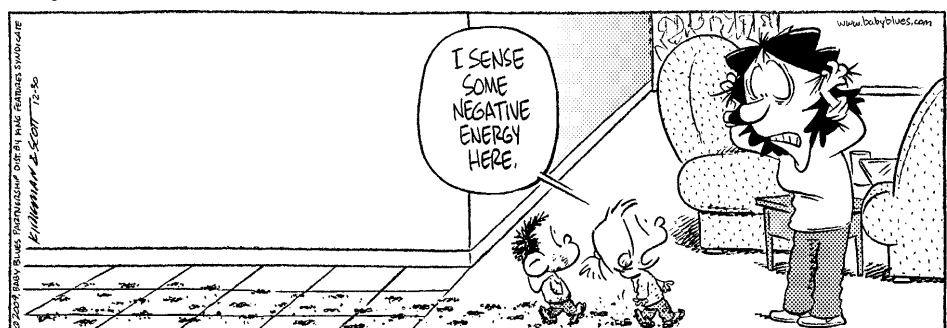
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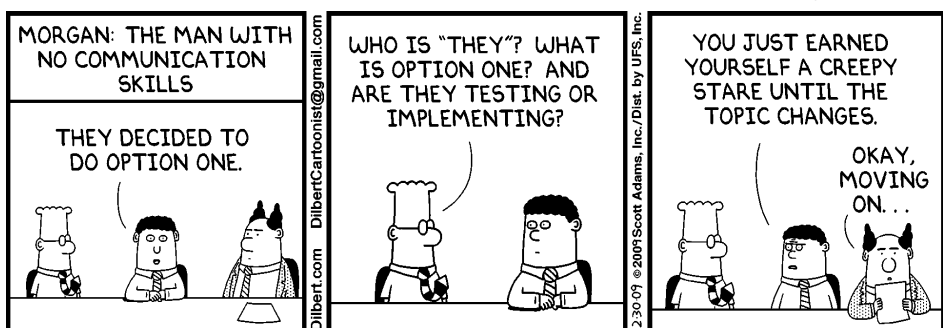
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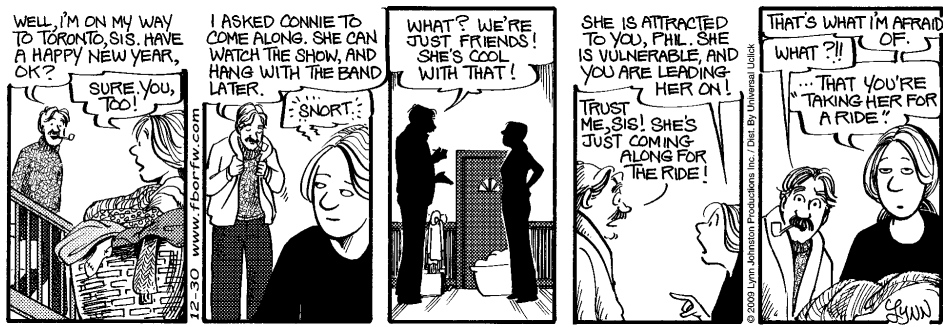
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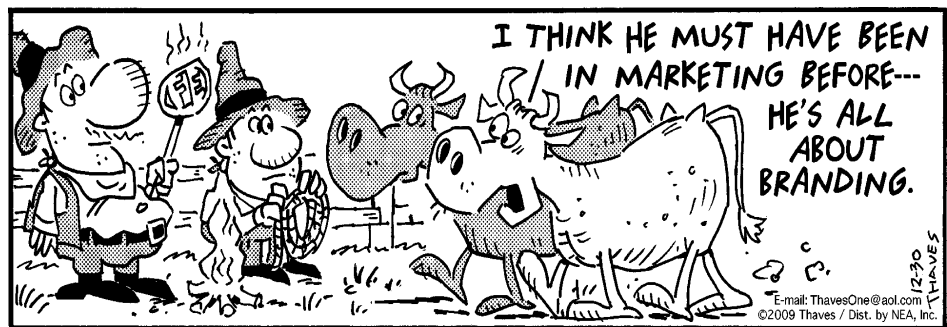
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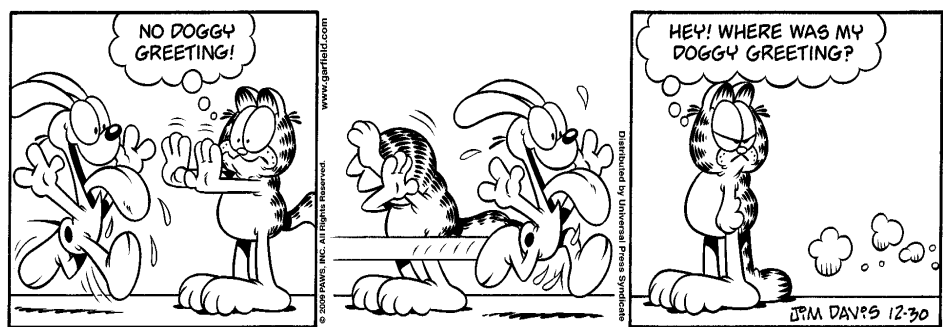
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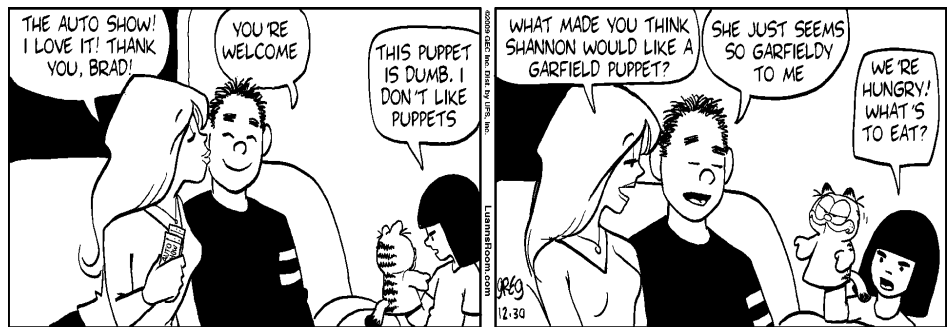
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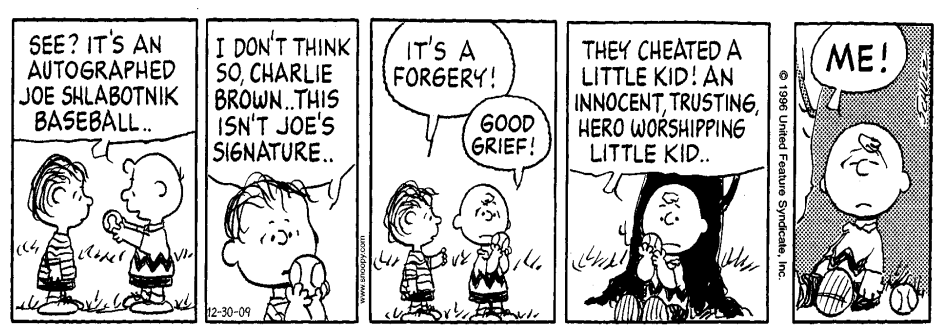
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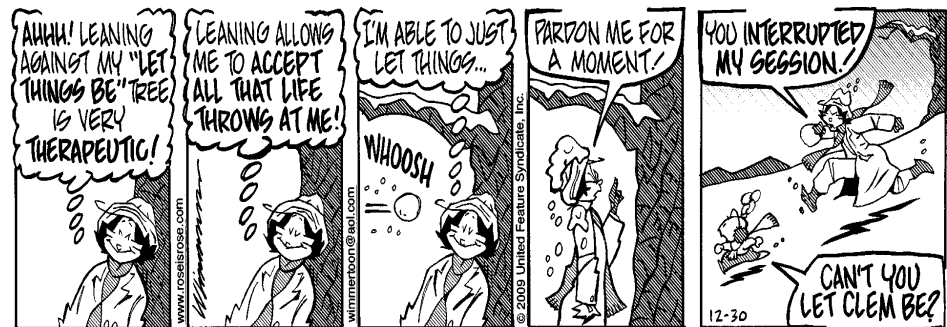
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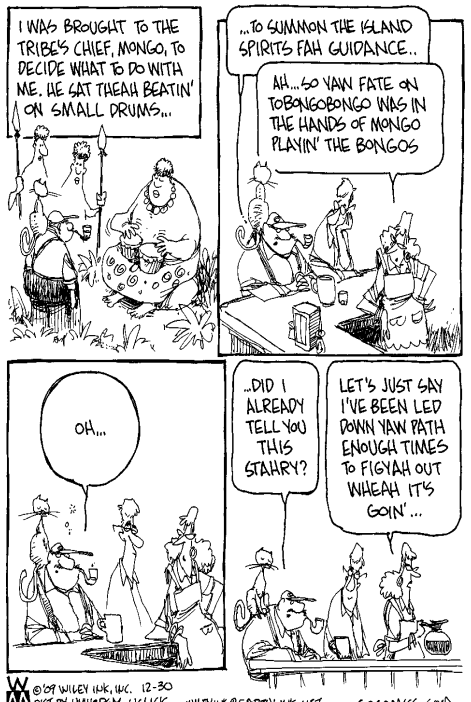
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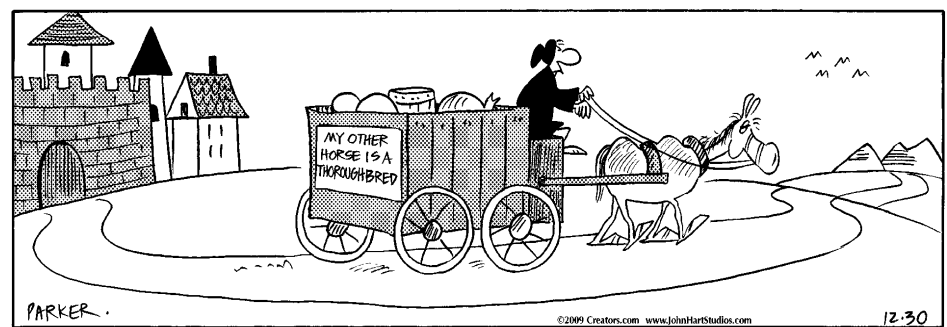
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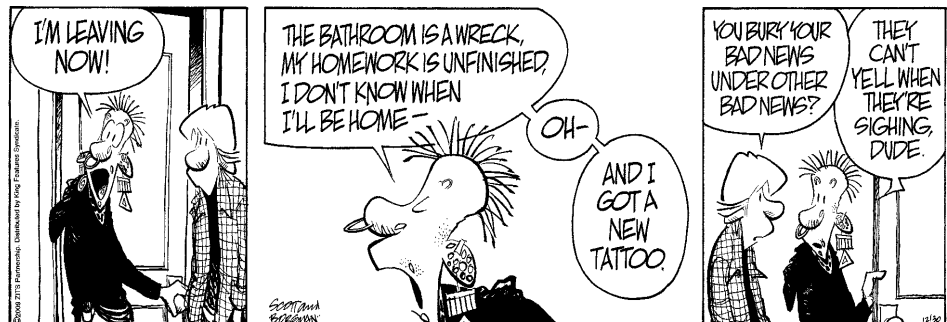
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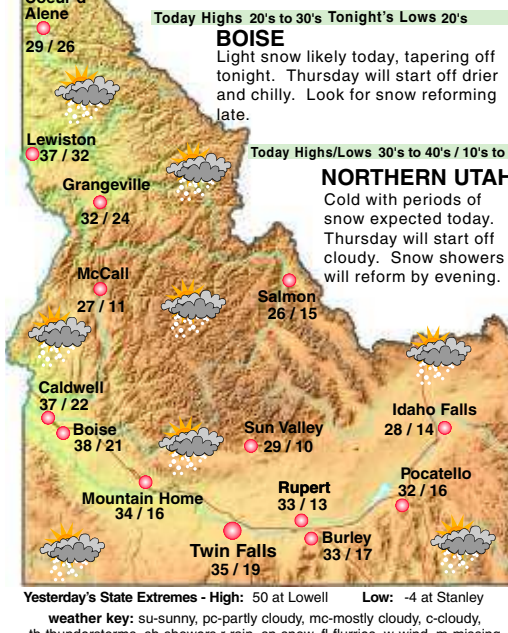
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Tomorrow: Cloudy, then snowing again late. Highs upper 20s.

ALMANAC - BURLEY

Table with 2 columns: Temperature and Precipitation. Includes data for Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, and Month to Date statistics.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Snow showers expected today, tapering off to almost nothing on Thursday only to return on Friday.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Forecast table for Twin Falls from Today to Sunday, including icons for snow, overcast, cloudy, rain, and mostly cloudy, along with high and low temperatures.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Table with 3 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity. Includes data for Yesterday's High/Low, Normal High/Low, Record High/Low, and Month to Date statistics.

Moon Phases and Moonset table showing phases (Full, Last, New, First) and moonrise/moonset times for Today, Thursday, and Friday.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table listing weather conditions and temperatures for various cities across Idaho and surrounding areas.

Yesterday's Weather

Table showing yesterday's weather conditions and precipitation for various cities including Boise, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls, Jerome, Lewiston, Lowell, Malad City, Pocatello, Rexburg, Salmon, Stanley, and Sun Valley.

Barometric Pressure and Sunrise and Sunset

Table providing barometric pressure and sunrise/sunset times for Today, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Today's U. V. Index

UV Index table showing index levels (Low, Moderate, High) and corresponding sun protection recommendations.

NATIONAL FORECAST

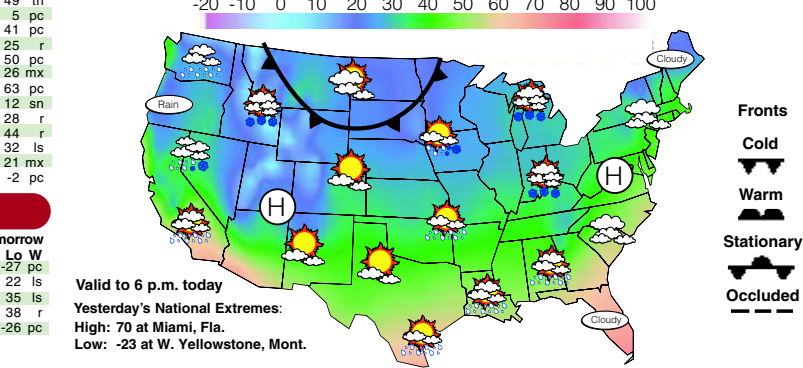
National forecast table listing weather conditions and temperatures for major cities across the United States.

Advertisement for Gregg Middlekauff's quote of the day, featuring a photo of Gregg and the quote: 'Don't be afraid to give your best to what seemingly are small jobs. Every time you conquer one it makes you that much stronger. If you do the little jobs well, the big ones tend to take care of themselves.'

CANADIAN FORECAST

Canadian forecast table listing weather conditions and temperatures for major Canadian cities.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Obama says U.S. intel had info ahead of airliner attack

By Philip Elliott and Lolita C. Baldor, Associated Press writers

HONOLULU — President Barack Obama said Tuesday that the intelligence community had bits of information that should have been pieced together that would have triggered "red flags" and possibly prevented the Christmas Day attempted terror attack on a Detroit-bound airliner.



Obama

23-year-old Nigerian, and at least one al-Qaida member. The officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss intelligence matters, said the conversations were vague or coded, but the intelligence community believes that, in hindsight, the communications may have been referring to the Detroit attack. One official said a link between the suspect's planning and al-Qaida's goals was becoming more clear.

were talking about "a Nigerian" being prepared for a terrorist attack. The newspaper said the information did not include the name of the Nigerian. The officials who spoke with the AP did not say how these communications with the suspect, Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, took place — by Internet, cell phone or another method. Intelligence officials also would not confirm whether those conversations involved Yemen-based radical cleric Anwar al-Awlaki, but other U.S. government officials said there were initial indications that he was involved. Al-Awlaki reportedly corresponded by e-mail with Maj. Nidal Malik

Hasan, who is charged with killing 13 people at Fort Hood, Texas, on Nov. 5. "Had this critical information been shared, it could have been compiled with other intelligence, and a fuller, clearer picture of the suspect would have emerged," Obama said in a brief statement to the media. "The warning signs would have triggered red flags, and the suspect would have never been allowed to board that plane for America." "There was a mix of human and systemic failures that contributed to this potential catastrophic breach of security," the president said. Officials said Obama chose to make a second

statement in as many days because a morning briefing offered him new information in the government's possession about the suspect's activities and thinking, along with al-Qaida's plans. Obama's statement showed more fire than he had shown previously about the lapses that allowed the bombing attack to take place and came after his homeland security secretary, Janet Napolitano, had to back-track on an assertion that "the system worked" in the Detroit airliner scare. Some have criticized Obama for not addressing the issue publicly sooner. An angered Obama called the shortcomings "totally unacceptable" and

INSIDE Yemen investigates Nigerian's al-Qaida contacts

told reporters traveling with him on vacation here that he wanted a preliminary report by Thursday on what went wrong on Christmas Day, when the suspect carried explosives onto a flight from Amsterdam despite the fact the suspect had possible ties to al-Qaida. It will take weeks for a more comprehensive investigation into what allowed the 23-year-old Nigerian to board the airplane he is accused of trying to blow up with more than 300 people aboard.

AROUND THE NATION

WASHINGTON Obama moves to reduce secrecy

WASHINGTON — President Obama on Tuesday ordered the federal government to rethink how it protects the nation's secrets, in a move that was expected to declassify more than 400 million pages of Cold War-era documents and curb the number of government records hidden from the public. Among the changes is a requirement that every record be released eventually and that federal agencies review how and why they mark documents classified or deny the release of historical records. A National Declassification Center at the National Archives will be established to assist them and help clear a backlog of the Cold War records by Dec. 31, 2013. Obama also reversed a decision by President George W. Bush that had allowed the intelligence community to block the release of a specific document, even if an interagency panel decided the information wouldn't harm national security. Advocates for a more open government are cautiously cheering the move. "Everything will depend on implementation," said Steven Aftergood, director of the Project on Government Secrecy at the Federation of American Scientists. But the order "has tremendous potential to reduce the level of secrecy throughout the government."

FLORIDA Police: Young couple plotted to kill mother

CLEARWATER — An 11-year-old Florida girl and her 15-year-old boyfriend are accused of plotting to kill the girl's mother by setting her bedroom on fire while the woman slept Tuesday, police said. Samantha Broadhead and Jack Ault have been charged with attempted murder and arson after the fire in Clearwater, about 20 miles west of Tampa on Florida's Gulf Coast. Clearwater Police Department detectives say

the young couple poured gasoline on Nancy Broadhead's bedroom floor and bed, and then set the room aflame. Police say the pair escaped in the mother's 2007 Ford Focus. It was unclear if either suspect had an attorney. There was no answer at a listing for an Ault in Clearwater. The girl's mother was awakened by a smoke alarm and escaped. Authorities say Nancy Broadhead, 47, sustained serious burns and smoke inhalation. Her injuries were not considered life threatening. Samantha Broadhead later returned to the scene

and agreed to go to police headquarters for questioning. Jack Ault was located at a friend's house and taken into custody. Police spokeswoman Elizabeth Watts said a motive was "probably just typical teenage angst."

VERMONT Judge: Birth mom must give child to former partner

MONTPELIER — The birth mother of a 7-year-old Virginia girl must transfer custody of the child to the woman's former lesbian

partner, a Vermont judge ruled, adding that it seems the woman has "disappeared" with her daughter. Vermont Family Court Judge William Cohen ordered Lisa Miller of Winchester, Va., to turn over daughter Isabella to Janet Jenkins of Fair Haven at 1 p.m. Friday at the Virginia home of Jenkins' parents. But in the Dec. 22 order denying Miller's request to delay the transfer of Isabella, Cohen wrote: "It appears that Ms. Miller has ceased contact with her attorneys and disappeared with the minor child." Miller and Jenkins were joined in a Vermont civil

union in 2000. Isabella was born to Miller through artificial insemination in 2002. The couple broke up in 2003, and Miller moved to Virginia, renounced homosexuality and became an evangelical Christian. Cohen awarded custody of the girl to Jenkins on Nov. 20 after finding Miller in contempt of court for denying Jenkins access to the girl. The judge said the only way to ensure equal access to the child was to switch custody. He also said the benefits to the child of having access to both parents would be worth the difficulties of the change. — The Associated Press

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Von Scheidt Brewing Co. owner Pat Scheidt, left, talks with Christine Bruneau, second from left, and her daughter Naomi Johnson and Tera Abbott, who both work at the pub, while they eat lunch last week in Twin Falls. Pat Scheidt brews beer on Mondays.

TREND 2010:

Table and market

By **Melissa Davlin**
Times-News writer

What will be on your fork in 2010? If you're into fine dining, you'll have a new place to eat in Twin Falls. If you hanker for locally grown food, you'll have more places to buy vine-ripened tomatoes. More beers brewed by your neighbors will be available in southern Idaho, as will gluten-free and low-sodium food. So get ready to dig in, because the coming year will be delicious.

Local brews becoming popular

Von Scheidt Brewing Co.'s house ale went fast when the pub first opened a couple of weeks ago. The National Restaurant Association says one of the hottest menu trends of 2010 is locally sourced beer and wine.

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"Can I get a Von Scheidt?" If you have ever been to Von Scheidt Brewing Co. in Twin Falls, it's a question you've likely heard. The pale ale, brewed on site 62 gallons at a time, is so popular and tasty that the restaurant ran out on its opening day Dec. 12. There will soon be more options for Von Scheidt patrons. "As time goes on, we'll have a porter and a stout, and probably a wheat beer," owner Pat Scheidt said. He also hopes to have guest brewers come in, and would like to expand the nano-brewery from its current three kegs. The move is a smart one. According to the National Restaurant Association, one of the hottest menu trends of 2010 is locally sourced beer and wine. Find more locally brewed beer by Trail Creek Brewing Co. at Pandora's or Woody's in Twin Falls, and at several Wood River Valley restaurants.

A fresh — and local — feast



Tara Farmer, right, and Joann Rutler sort through Roma tomatoes at the Lighthouse Christian Garden of Eat'n produce stand in Twin Falls in August. Locavores will find plenty of options for local produce in 2010, including a return of the church's stand.

Times-News file photo

2009 was a good year for locavores, despite the closure of Mercia's Natural Foods. A new CSA venture, or community-supported agriculture, started in Filer. A farmers market sprang up at Mary Alice Park in downtown Twin Falls — joining the eight markets already established around south-central Idaho — and Lighthouse Christian Fellowship opened a vegetable stand. All of the organizers plan to continue selling their produce in 2010, and at least one operation

is expanding. Lighthouse Christian recently put a building on the lot where it sold vegetables in summer and bought a corn picker to ease the harvest. "One of our guys drove all the way to Michigan to pick it up," said volunteer Janet Simmons. Watch the *Times-News*' Food section this spring for opening dates on southern Idaho farmers markets.

Easy on the salt

Food companies like Campbell's are decreasing sodium levels in soups. And according to consumer research firm Mintel, more companies are poised to reduce sodium as the next major healthy food trend, although they predict consumers will be slow to adapt.

According to the American Heart Association, healthy adults should eat less than 2,400 milligrams of sodium per day, and even less than that if they have high blood pressure, are middle aged or older, or are African American.

Many fans of whole foods already eat low-sodium diets. Between 70 and 80 percent of most Americans' sodium comes from processed foods, according to NutritionData.com.

Tori Wakewood of Tori's Eatery in Twin Falls uses the freshest possible ingredients and goes light on the salt, she said in 2007 interview. That strategy could help draw diners to health-conscious restaurant menus in 2010.



More 'Trend 2010: Table and market' on Food 3

What's ahead in Trend 2010

This week, *Times-News* reporters are looking ahead at what 2010 will bring to south-central Idaho. Watch for these special stories in *Times-News* feature sections and at Magicvalley.com:
Thursday: ATV unity on trail issues, enhanced helmet standards and more in the off-road outdoors
Friday: Arts center construction, online venues

for crafters and more things to expect in the arts
Saturday: Billboard evangelism, modular LDS chapel construction and other religious developments
Did you miss Sunday's story about family issues, Monday's story about health matters or Tuesday's story about your landscape and living space? Find them on a special page at Magicvalley.com.

COOKIES GALORE

Cookies so good they'll disappear

The Washington Post

These cookies have all the great tastes of the cake they are named for: rich chocolate, coconut and pecans.

The cookies can be stored in an airtight container for up to 5 days. The dough can be frozen for up to 2 months. The baked cookies can be frozen for up to 2 weeks.

From cookbook author Sally Sampson's "Cookies" (Wiley, 2007).

GERMAN CHOCOLATE COOKIES

Makes 3 to 4 dozen

12 tablespoons (1 1/2 sticks)

unsalted butter, at room temperature

1 cup light brown sugar
1 large egg, at room temperature1 tablespoon vanilla extract
1 1/2 cups flour
1/2 cup unsweetened Dutch-process cocoa powder, such as Droste1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
2 cups sweetened coconut flakes or shredded coconut
1 cup pecans, lightly toasted, then coarsely chopped
4 ounces Baker's German's chocolate, coarsely chopped

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Line 2 baking sheets

with parchment paper or silicone liners.

Combine the butter and sugar in the bowl of a stand mixer or hand-held electric mixer. Beat on low speed to start, then on medium speed until smooth and creamy, scraping down the sides of the bowl as needed.

Add the egg and then the vanilla extract, beating well between additions. Scrape down the sides of the bowl; then, on low speed, add the flour, cocoa powder, baking soda and salt; beat until everything is well incorporated. Scrape down the sides of the bowl, then add the coconut, pecans and chocolate, mixing until well combined.

Drop the dough by heaping

teaspoons onto the baking sheets, spacing the cookies about 2 inches apart. (Alternatively, the dough can be rolled into a log, then cut into thin slices.) Bake one sheet at a time for 10 to 12 minutes, until the undersides of the cookies begin to firm up.

The tops may still look shiny. Let cool on the baking sheet for 5 minutes, then transfer to a wire rack to cool completely before serving or storing.

Note: To toast the pecans, spread them on a baking sheet and place in a 325-degree oven, shak-

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The Washington Post

ing the sheet occasionally, for 15 minutes. Watch carefully; nuts burn quickly.

Per cookie (based on 4 dozen): 107 calories, 1 g protein, 11 g carbohydrates, 7 g fat, 4 g saturated fat, 12 mg cholesterol, 64 mg sodium, 1 g dietary fiber, 7 g sugar.

Colorful layers highlight these sugar cookies

The Washington Post

For these colorful cookies, the layered sections of dough need to be refrigerated for at least 3 hours and up to overnight. The dough can be frozen for up to 1 month (colors may be affected). The baked cookies can be stored in an airtight container for up to 10 days or frozen for up to 1 month.

From Hagerstown, Md., resident Trudy Barrick.

WINTER RAINBOWS

Makes about 8 dozen cookies

2 cups sifted flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon baking soda
10 tablespoons (1 1/4 sticks) unsalted butter, at room temperature
1/2 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
1/4 cup sugar
1 large egg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
4 to 10 drops each of yellow, green and red food coloring
Milk, for brushing between the layers

Combine the flour, baking powder, salt and baking soda in a bowl or on a sheet of parchment paper or wax paper.

Combine the butter and sugars in the bowl of a stand mixer or hand-held electric mixer; beat on medium speed until light and fluffy, then add the egg and vanilla extract.

Reduce the speed to low; add the flour mixture in three additions, beating to form a soft dough.

Divide the dough into thirds, placing each portion in a bowl. Use the yellow, red and green food coloring to evenly tint each portion.

Place each portion between 2 sheets of wax

paper. Roll out to a 9-by-5-inch rectangle to a thickness of 1/8 inch, then transfer the 3 portions (still in between the wax paper) to the freezer for 10 minutes to firm up.

Cutting through the wax paper, cut each rectangle of chilled dough in half lengthwise (to create 6 pieces), then peel off and discard the top sheets of wax paper. Brush the surface of one half-rectangle lightly with milk to help the layers adhere; place another half-rectangle of a different-colored dough on top of the just-brushed layer so its remaining piece of wax paper is facing up. Peel off and discard the paper. Repeat with the remaining half-rectangles of dough and milk, alternating colors, to make 6 layers total. Gently press the layers together; cut the finished stack lengthwise to make 2 strips about 2 1/2 inches wide. Wrap in plastic wrap and refrigerate for 3 hours or overnight.



Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper or silicone liners.

Unwrap the dough; if desired, use a sharp knife to trim the edges (for neatness), then cut each layered strip of dough into 48 slices (to create 96 cookies total; about 1/8 inch thick). Arrange on the baking sheets, spaced 1 inch apart. Bake for 6 to 7 minutes, until the edges are golden. Transfer the cookies to a wire rack to cool completely before serving or storing. Repeat to use all of the dough.

Per cookie: 27 calories, 0 g protein, 4 g carbohydrates, 1 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 5 mg cholesterol, 17 mg sodium, 0 g dietary fiber, 2 g sugar.

Delicate chocolate cookies pack a lot of flavor

The Washington Post

These are delicate, ultra-thin wafers. The chocolate chips are the flat kind, called feves or pastilles. They are available at kitchen stores and through various online gourmet purveyors.

The dough needs at least 4 hours' time in the refrigerator to firm up. The dough can be frozen for up to 2 weeks. The cookies can be stored in an airtight container for up to 2 days.

From chef-restaurateur Michel Richard.

HAZELNUT-CHOCOLATE CHIP GRAHAM CRACKER COOKIES

Makes almost 7 dozen small cookies

1/2 cup skinned hazelnuts, toasted
12 whole graham crackers, crushed (may substitute 2 cups graham cracker meal)
8 ounces (2 sticks) unsalted butter, at room temperature
1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar
1 large egg, at room temperature
2 tablespoons unsweet-

ened cocoa powder
1 cup semisweet chocolate pastilles (flat chips)

Combine the toasted hazelnuts and graham cracker pieces in the bowl of a food processor; pulse until finely chopped but not powdered.

Combine the butter and brown sugar in the bowl of a stand mixer or hand-held electric mixer; beat on low speed to avoid aerating the mixture. Add the egg and beat just until incorporated, then gradually add the nut mixture and the cocoa powder, beating to form a fairly stiff dough.

Divide the dough in half. Roll into 2 logs, each with a diameter of 1 inch; wrap tightly in plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 4 hours and up to several days.

When ready to bake, preheat the oven to 325 degrees. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper or silicone liners.

Working with 1 log of dough at a time, cut the log crosswise into 1/4-inch slices. Place the slices on the baking sheet about 1/2 inch apart. Bake 1 sheet at a

time for 8 minutes; the cookies will spread slightly. Transfer the baking sheet to the stovetop (off the heat); while the cookies are still quite warm, place 1 chocolate pastille at the center of each cookie; it will melt a little. Let cool completely on the baking sheet before serving or storing, making sure the chocolate is set.

Note: Place the nuts in a small, dry skillet; sprinkle them lightly with sugar, then toast them over medium heat for about 4 minutes, stirring or shaking the skillet often, until they darken in color and become fragrant.

Per cookie: 53 calories, 0 g protein, 5 g carbohydrates, 4 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 8 mg cholesterol, 19 mg sodium, 0 g dietary fiber, 3 g sugar.

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Gluten-free gaining popularity

Diners and foodies across the country are showing a growing interest in gluten-free foods, according to the National Restaurant Association.

Expect another source for that gluten-free food in southern Idaho in 2010. Sokry Heng, co-owner of Asian Food Market in Twin Falls, said she and her husband, Yip, plan to add organic and natural foods to their store on Addison Avenue, and the selection will include gluten-free items. Heng's son Yip Jr. has food allergies, she said, and she has a hard time finding food his sensitive stomach can handle.

But if you are heading to the Asian market to pick up some nori and kimchi, don't add gluten-free noodles to your shopping list quite yet. The changes won't happen until mid- to late 2010, Heng said.

Gluten-free items are already available in natural food sections at major retailers, including Fred Meyer.

TREND 2010: Casual fine dining at Federation Pointe

Table and market

By **Melissa Davlin**
Times-News writer

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WEIGH IN on the future:
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expected 2010 trends in home
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Ketchum restaurateur Tom Nickel is adding a Twin Falls restaurant to the three he already owns in Wood River Valley.

Nickel is opening a restaurant on the Snake River Canyon rim in Pinnacle West, the same development as the new Twin Falls Center for the Arts and other business offices. Nickel's restaurants to the north are The Sawtooth Club, The BrickHouse Bar and Grill and The Roosevelt Grille.

In a Dec. 3 *Times-News* article, Nickel described the future restaurant as "unpretentious fine dining." "A lot of Wood River Valley residents go to Twin Falls to shop and golf, and the Twin Falls people like to come up here to ski," he said. "I hope this restaurant just further cements what I think is already a great connection between the two valleys."

Fran Florence, one of the Pinnacle West development partners, said Monday that construction is on track and the development is scheduled to open in fall 2010.



Times-News file photo

Wood River Valley restaurateur Tom Nickel — of The Roosevelt Grille, The BrickHouse Bar and Grill and The Sawtooth Club — cooks at the annual Sun Valley Food and Wine Festival in June. He'll bring his menus south in 2010, with the opening of a Twin Falls restaurant.

Couponers share the wealth with local pantries

I received an e-mail from a reader with a great idea about how to share couponing expertise for the good of our communities:

"I enjoy reading your articles in my paper every week. I would love to (read) an article encouraging people to use these ideas to shop for local food banks! If someone doesn't need more cereal to stockpile or doesn't use a particular brand of something, encourage them to use the coupons to make deals and then donate those products to the food bank."

I agree 100 percent! I am a big believer in supporting our food pantries and food banks, especially in the current economy. It's rare that a week or two goes by without me visiting and bringing bags of groceries to our local food pantry. I'm not trying to pat myself on the back, but as the reader notes above, the reality is that once we start coupon shopping and improving our Super-Couponing skills, we do reach a point where we may acquire more supplies than we need to support a single household.

I have held off discussing the many ways our local food banks and pantries can benefit from Super-Couponing until now, and I shouldn't have waited so long. I am quite aware of how many people truly are hurting right now and having difficulty putting food on their tables. For some,

COUPON QUEEN
Jill Cataldo



the prospect of having not just enough but actually a surplus of food might be hard to imagine. Yet, when you become a proficient coupon user, matching your coupons to your stores' lowest-priced sales, you indeed may find that you reach a point where you're able to pick up even more things very inexpensively and pass them along to others in need.

Many of my Super-Couponers have written to share their stories of "scoring" food for their local food pantries. One reader wrote

to tell me of a \$1 yogurt sale at her store — and right in the coupon dispenser in front of the yogurt were \$1 coupons for the same yogurt! She bought what she needed for her family, and then went on to buy more for her local food pantry, too — and none of it cost a thing. Another reader told of a juice sale in which the bottles of juice were \$2.29, and each bottle had \$2 peel-off coupons attached to the labels. He stocked up and picked some up for his local food bank, too.

I've had some memorable runs for my local pantry. Recently, a name-brand manufacturer of bratwurst offered a printable coupon on its Web site for \$5 off the purchase of three packages.

It was an unlimited printable — rare, but not unheard of. (I always hit the back button in my web browser to try to print coupons until I receive the message that the print limit has been reached, because some coupons do have higher print limits.)

This was a very valuable coupon, since one of my area stores was also having a sale on the same brand of bratwurst: three packages for \$5. With a coupon for \$5 off the purchase of three, all of the packages were free! And with an unlimited printable, I could print as many as I'd use.

Early in the week, I bought as many packages as our family would use before the expiration date. On the last day of the sale, I printed

15 more of those coupons and purchased 45 more packages of bratwurst. (Note that I never clean out a store of a product — the store had a huge supply on hand for this sale.) Then, I took all those brats to our food pantry. The volunteers and I giggled as we stuffed packages of brats into every available inch of their refrigerator.

A week later, I returned to the pantry to drop off some other items, and I peeked in their fridge to see how many brats were inside. Not a single package of brats was left.

That's when I realized just how many people are utilizing our local food pantry every day. It's a similar story at food banks all over the country.

If you've reached the point in your couponing journey where you're able to feed your household for less and pass along surplus items to your local food banks, I guarantee you'll find it incredibly rewarding to do so.

E-mail your couponing coups and questions to jill@ctwfeatures.com.

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Times-News

Bring India to your home with an introduction class offered by the Sun Valley Center for the Arts: "Indian Cooking: Perfecting the Curry."

Wood River Valley resident Gay Bawa Odmark, who was born in Lahore and spent part of her childhood in Calcutta, will walk students through the steps to curry perfection.

"I come from northern India, the Punjab region, where the food is mostly spicy but not always hot," she said in a center press release. "It has a Persian influence and is rich and creamy. During the class we will each experience making a dish — vegetable, chicken and lamb or beef — roasting our spices and creating wonderful aromas while we explore some shortcuts to curry making."

Class will meet from 3:30 to 8 pm Jan. 24 at Odmark's home in the Wood River Valley; directions will be provided to registrants. Cost is \$95 for Sun Valley Center for the Arts members and \$145 for others. The cost of food is included, and participants will eat around 6 p.m. Bring a knife, cutting board and favorite beverage.

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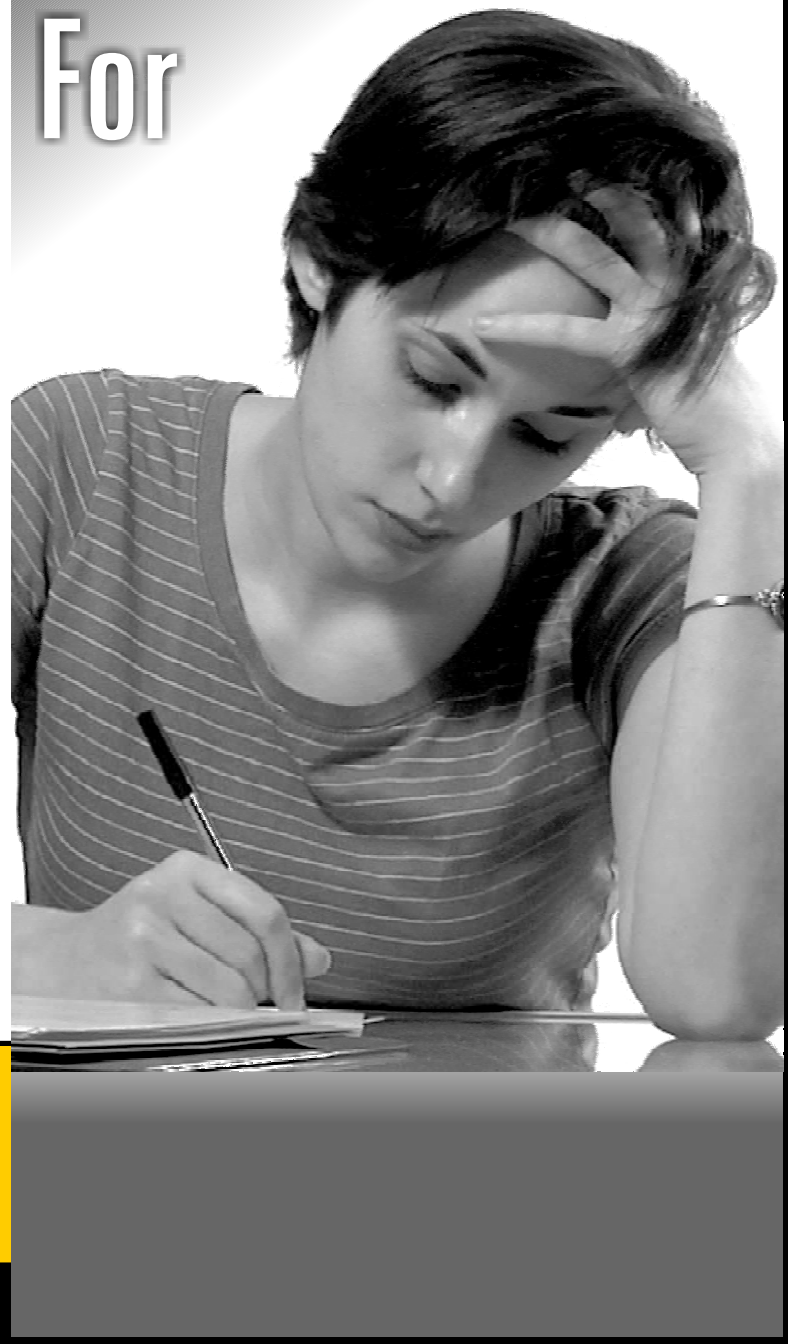
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The '90s set the table for a decade of good eats

By J.M. Hirsch
Associated Press writer

Want an easy way to sum up how Americans ate during the first 10 years of the new century? Three words should do it.

Sushi at 7-Eleven. For this was the decade of the gourmeting of America, an era when cola wars and burger battles made way for artisanal sodas and grass fed beef, when coffee went from a cup of joe to a double shot-half-caff-soy-latte, ethnic was de rigueur and local became the new global.

It was a fine time to be a foodie.

Not that everything exactly whet the appetite. Contaminated produce and soaring food prices turned our stomachs. And we lost some of the luminaries and institutions — Julia Child and Gourmet magazine — that had worked so diligently to brighten our meals.

More than ever before, issues long treated as the mushy peas on the collective American dinner plate — organics, local and sustainable agriculture, animal welfare — were getting sirloin-style treatment, sometimes in the least likely of places.

Walmart embraced organics — a \$21 billion industry, up from \$3.6 billion in 1997 — a decision that broadened access, but that critics feared would dilute the industry's standards. And the home of the Egg McMuffin said it would study how to raise chickens without cramped cages.

Meanwhile, books and movies that tore into big industry food and would have been relegated to the granola set a decade earlier — Morgan Spurlock's 2004 film "Super Size Me" and Michael Pollan's 2006 tome "The Omnivore's Dilemma" — pervaded the popular consciousness.

Eating became a political act. Whether prompted by concerns about the quality of school lunches, climate change or worker conditions in the Third World, more Americans started to vote with their stomachs. Suddenly, the carbon footprint of your carrots was an issue.

Slow Food, a highly politicized Italian-born movement dedicated to preserving artisanal and sustainable foods, made its first major foray into the U.S. in 2008. It sputtered shortly after, but that such a Euro-centric group even made it on the American scene is remarkable.

Speaking of voting ... It says something about our



AP file photos

Socorro Soria, owner of seafood catering truck El Pulpo, serves shrimp cocktails in downtown Los Angeles in 2008.



First lady Michelle Obama takes part in the groundbreaking of the kitchen garden on the South Lawn of the White House in March.

appetite for good food when the most-watched kitchen is at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.

Following the ketchup-vegetable Reagan years, the no-broccoli-allowed Bush Sr. years, eight years of Bubba's burger fixation, and finally the turkey-prop faux pas of Bush Jr., America put a Foodie-in-Chief in the White House.

Everything from the peach cobbler President Barack Obama ate in Chicago to the arugula harvested from the South Lawn garden planted by Michelle Obama suddenly became sought after news.

Food also had a lighter side. We were primed by the Food Network (whose viewership jumped 392 percent from 1999 to 2009) and other channels

waistlines continue to expand, Americans haven't latched on to any one diet since. We do, however, fret over gluten and trans fats, neither of which seems to be in anything anymore.

Weight problems be damned. Eating became ever more ubiquitous. The food industry sought to maximize our so-called eating opportunities. And so we were able to buy soda alongside our staples at the office supply store and candy with our kitty treats at the pet store.

As part of that, on-the-go grub got a serious upgrade. Convenience stores morphed into mini grocers. Nearly 1,700 7-Elevens now sell sushi. Wondering which Slurpee flavor pairs best with California rolls? It doesn't matter. The chain also sells its own line of wines.

And that's because store brands have become the new must-have (non)label. Thanks mostly to the sagging economy — but also to sharp spikes in quality and marketing — so-called private labels have become an \$88 billion industry.

The economy also made us get old school in the kitchen. Sales of home canning supplies shot up and — especially after the first lady planted her kitchen garden — we all reached for our spades and seed catalogs.

Perhaps you ordered some bok choy and tomatillo seeds, because mainstream American food got seriously ethnic. It's partly because we are an increasingly ethnic (and especially Hispanic)

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explosion of food trucks. The trucks themselves aren't new, but the attention they got from serious foodies is. It's also a credit to their inventiveness, quality and deeply ethnic roots. It helps that food trucks are cheap, both to operate and eat from.

Which brings it back to sushi. At 7-Eleven. It was an on-the-go decade that favored ethnic and affordable. Whatever the economy does, and whether we eat at home or in restaurants (or even more likely in our cars), that's unlikely to change during the next 10 years.

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Save cash on do-ahead hors d'oeuvres for your party

By Jim Romanoff
For The Associated Press

A homemade hors d'oeuvre beats out-of-the-box frozen any day. And while your guests are sure to appreciate the personal touch, it's the savings to your entertaining budget that will have you smiling.

On average, frozen party nibbles cost between \$5 and \$7 per dozen. This recipe for baked new potato halves topped with roast beef and horseradish cream can be prepared in about 30 minutes for about \$2.50 per dozen.

For convenience, the potatoes can be baked a few hours ahead so you can quickly reheat them and

assemble the hors d'oeuvres as needed. If you like, use sliced pastrami, corned beef or even deli sliced roast turkey instead of the roast beef.

NEW POTATOES WITH ROAST BEEF AND HORSERADISH CREAM

Start to finish: 35 minutes (15 minutes active). Servings: 60.

- 30 very small red potatoes, halved lengthwise
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- Salt, to taste
- Ground black pepper, to taste
- 3/4 cup reduced-fat sour cream

- 1/4 cup reduced-fat mayonnaise
- 3 tablespoons well-drained ground horseradish
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 pound thinly sliced deli roast beef, coarsely chopped
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh tarragon

Place a rack in the lower

third of the oven. Heat the oven to 425 degrees. Brush 2 baking sheets with oil.

Place the potato halves on the baking sheets, cut side down. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Bake for 15 minutes, or until well-browned on the underside and tender at the center. The potatoes can be prepared up to 2 hours ahead. Let cool to room temperature and cover with

plastic wrap.

Meanwhile, in a bowl, stir together the sour cream, mayonnaise, horseradish and mustard.

To assemble, reheat as many potatoes as you want

to serve at one time, in the oven or microwave. Top each potato with about 1/2 teaspoon of horseradish cream and 1 teaspoon of chopped roast beef. Sprinkle with tarragon. Serve warm.



These easy-to-make new potatoes with roast beef and horseradish cream cost half what frozen hors d'oeuvres do and serve nicely with a variety of sliced meat toppings.

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Flounder with grapefruit butter for holiday meal

By Jim Romanoff
For The Associated Press

If you're having a few friends for an intimate New Year's Eve supper, sauteed flounder with red grapefruit beurre blanc is an impressive yet easy-to-prepare dish.

The key to success is using a nonstick pan and having a long spatula for flipping the fish. This will ensure that the delicate fillets don't stick or break apart while they're being sauteed.

Delicately flavored flounder or sole are a perfect match for the buttery grapefruit pan sauce, but if neither are available, any mild white fish can stand in. Serve with steamed asparagus or string beans and some crispy roasted potatoes.

SAUTEED FLOUNDER WITH RED GRAPEFRUIT BEURRE BLANC

Start to finish: 45 minutes. Servings: 4.

- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 3/4 teaspoon salt, or to taste

Ground black pepper, to taste

- 1 pound flounder or sole fillets

- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil

- 2 medium shallots, finely chopped

- 1/2 cup dry white wine

- 1 cup red grapefruit juice

- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

- 1 1/2 tablespoons butter

- 3 tablespoons finely chopped fresh tarragon

In a shallow dish or pie plate, whisk together the flour, salt and pepper. One at a time, dredge the fish fillets in the flour mixture.

In a large nonstick skillet over medium-high, heat the oil. Add the fish and cook until lightly browned and just opaque at the center, about 2 to 5 minutes per side. Transfer to a plate and loosely tent with foil.

Add the shallot to the pan and cook over medium-high, stirring often, until softened and beginning to brown, about 3 minutes. Add the wine and bring to a simmer, scraping up any browned bits. Cook until most of the wine has evaporated, about 2 to 3 minutes.

Add the grapefruit juice and mustard, then bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer until the sauce is reduced and slightly thick-



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Easy-to-make sauteed flounder with red grapefruit beurre blanc is an elegant dish for any size New Year gathering.

ened, about 5 minutes. Stir in the butter and tarragon. Transfer the fish to serving plates and top with the pan sauce.


Per serving: 282 calories; 82 calories from fat; 9 g fat (4 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 66 mg cholesterol; 20 g carbohydrate; 23 g protein; 0 g fiber; 545 mg sodium.

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A new lunch bunch

The Washington Post

A show of hands, please: Who is already bored/beset/out of ideas when it comes to filling your children's trendy, reusable totes? We thought as much. So we asked four pros to help compose some options. Their suggestions include recipes that are quick and easy. Feel free to mix and match — and take heart: Winter break's just around the corner.

BROCCOLI-PESTO PASTA

When not using a homemade pesto, Mollie Katzen prefers the fresh kind available in plastic tubs in the deli refrigerator case (and not shelf-stable pesto, which has less flavor). If you're going to serve this dish warm, take the pesto out of the fridge while the pasta is cooking so it doesn't cool down the pasta. The dish tastes just as great cold as it does warm. Serves 3 to 4.

The pasta can be refrigerated in an airtight container for up to 5 days (check the broccoli, which might become soggy). Adapted from Katzen's "Get Cooking" (HarperStudio, 2009).

1/4 cup olive oil
3/4 cup store-bought fresh pesto, at room temperature

1 tablespoon salt (for the pasta water), plus more to taste (optional)

12 ounces dried penne or penne pasta

1 large (1 1/2 pounds) head broccoli, tough stem ends discarded and the rest cut on the diagonal into 2-inch pieces

1/3 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Freshly ground black pepper

Pour the oil into a large mixing bowl. Add the pesto and whisk until uniformly blended.

Bring a large pot of water to boil over high heat; add the tablespoon of salt. Add the penne or penne and cook according to package directions. When the pasta

has about a minute or so left to cook, add the broccoli to the pot. It will cook quickly, will turn bright green and should be crisp-tender. Reserve about 1 cup of the cooking water, then drain the pasta and broccoli in a large colander. Shake to mostly drain (it's OK to leave some water clinging), then add to the pesto mixture in the bowl.

Mix well to coat the pasta and broccoli evenly, adding the Parmesan at the same time until it is well incorporated. Add some of the reserved cooking water as needed; taste and add salt to taste, if desired, along with about 6 grinds of black pepper. Serve the pasta hot, warm or at room temperature. Or transfer to a container, cool to room temperature, cover tightly and refrigerate until ready to serve.

Per serving (based on 4): 743 calories, 24 g protein, 75 g carbohydrates, 39 g fat, 7 g saturated fat, 22 mg cholesterol, 579 mg sodium, 3 g dietary fiber, 6 g sugar.

APPLE CRISPS

The crisps can be stored in an airtight container for 3 or 4 days. Makes about 48 apple crisps; 4 (12-chip) servings.

Adapted from "Petit Appetit: Eat, Drink, and Be Merry," by Lisa Barnes (Perigee, 2009).

2 tablespoons evaporated cane juice (organic sugar)

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg

2 large organic apples, such as Fuji or Braeburn

Position oven racks on the middle and lower rungs; preheat to 200 degrees. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper.

Combine the evaporated cane juice (organic sugar), cinnamon and nutmeg in a small bowl.

Use a mandoline or a steady hand and a knife to cut the apples vertically into 1/8-inch-thick rounds. You do not need to core or peel the apples. The seeds will fall



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Make a wonderful lunch for your lunchbox: At top, plantain wrap with tangy black bean spread. Below, Apple Crisps make a sweet addition.



out or can easily be removed from the apple slices after cutting.

Arrange the apple slices on the prepared baking sheets in a single layer; sprinkle with the cinnamon mixture. Bake for 1 1/2 hours, then rotate the sheets top to bottom and front to back. Bake for 1 hour, then turn off the oven. If the apple slices are not dry and crisp, leave in the (closed) oven overnight.

Use a spatula to loosen the crisps from the parchment paper; store in an airtight container.

Per serving: 82 calories, 0 g protein, 21 g carbohydrates, 0 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 1 mg sodium, 3 g dietary fiber, 17 g sugar.

CHICKEN MEATLOAF

The meatloaf can be wrapped well and refrigerated for up to 3 days; you can also cut it into slices, wrap

them individually in plastic wrap and aluminum foil, and freeze for up to 1 month. Makes one 8-by-4-inch loaf (6 servings).

Adapted from Bob Sloan, author of "Dad's Awesome Grilling Cookbook" (Chronicle, 2009).

1 tablespoon olive oil, plus more for greasing pan

1 large onion, finely chopped (1 1/2 cups)

1 medium (8 ounces) sweet potato (preferably organic), peeled and cut into 1/8-inch dice

3 tablespoons ketchup

2 Worcestershire sauce

1 slice whole-wheat bread, cut into 1/2-inch pieces

1/4 cup low-fat milk, preferably 1 percent

1 large egg, lightly beaten

1 pound free-range organic ground chicken (may substitute ground turkey)

1/2 teaspoon salt

Preheat the oven to 400

degrees. Use a little oil to lightly grease the inside of an 8-by-4-inch loaf pan.

Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the onion and sweet potato; cook for about 6 minutes, stirring occasionally, until the vegetables have softened. Add the ketchup and Worcestershire sauce; mix well, then transfer the mixture to a large bowl and let it cool.

Combine the bread and milk in a small bowl; let it sit for 5 minutes, then add the egg and mix well. Add the mixture to the large bowl, along with the ground chicken and salt. Use your hands to combine; the mixture will be moist.

Transfer to the prepared pan and bake for 45 to 50 minutes or until a thermometer inserted into the center registers 170 degrees. Let cool for 5 to 10 minutes before serving or slicing.

Cool completely before storing.

Per serving: 195 calories, 21 g protein, 17 g carbohydrates, 5 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 80 mg cholesterol, 411 mg sodium, 2 g dietary fiber, 6 g sugar.

PLANTAIN WRAPS WITH TANGY BLACK BEAN SPREAD

Fried plantains make a wonderful sandwich or wrap filling when combined with zesty bean spread and spicy salsa. The bean spread also can be used as a dip for baby-cut carrots and tortilla chips.

The black bean spread and plantains can be made and refrigerated a day in advance; the wraps are best assembled the day they will be eaten. You'll have some black bean spread left over after making these wraps. Serves 4.

From Jennifer McCann, author of "Vegan Lunch Box" (Da Capo Lifelong, 2009).

15 ounces canned black beans, rinsed and drained

2 tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon juice

1 1/2 tablespoons ketchup

2 teaspoons wheat-free

tamari

1/2 teaspoon ground cumin

1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper, or more to taste

Salt

2 ripe plantains (look for dark yellow skins with black patches)

2 tablespoons canola oil

Freshly ground black pepper

4 10-inch-round gluten-free wraps or tortillas

Homemade or store-bought salsa, for serving

To make the bean spread, combine the beans, lemon juice, ketchup, tamari, cumin and cayenne pepper in the bowl of a food processor; puree until smooth, stopping to scrape down the sides as needed. Taste and season with salt; adjust the cayenne as needed. (At this point, the spread can be refrigerated in an airtight container for 1 day.)

Use a sharp knife to peel the plantains. Cut them crosswise in half, then cut each of the four halves lengthwise into quarters (yielding 16 pieces total).

Line a plate with several layers of paper towels.

Heat the oil in a large non-stick or well-seasoned cast-iron skillet over medium heat. Add the plantains, cut sides down, in a single layer; cook for 5 minutes, until the plantains are reddish brown, then turn the pieces over and cook for about 5 minutes. Transfer to the paper-towel-lined plate to drain, then season lightly on both sides with salt and pepper. (At this point, the plantains can be cooled, wrapped and refrigerated for 1 day.)

To assemble, heat a dry skillet over medium-low heat. Heat the wraps one at a time, just enough to make them pliable.

Spread each wrap with black bean spread, then arrange four of the cooked plantain wedges on top. Roll up like a burrito, tucking the ends in as you go. Serve with salsa for dipping.

Per serving: 397 calories, 9 g protein, 71 g carbohydrates, 8 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 579 mg sodium, 8 g dietary fiber, 16 g sugar.

1 These items can be easily made from leftovers.

Use whole foods and you'll avoid unwanted ingredients (trans fats, preservatives) and unnecessary packaging.

DRINK

- M Juice splash (2/3 parts water, 1/3 juice)
- T Decaf iced tea
- W Lemonade
- Th Citrus Hint 1 (water with a squeeze of fresh orange juice)
- F Citrus Hint 2 (ditto, with lime juice)

FRUIT

- M Applesauce
- T Watermelon wedge
- W Fruit kabab
- Th Organic red and green seedless grapes
- F Medley of berries

VEGGIES

- M Jicama and zucchini matchsticks
- T Edamame
- W 1/4 cup curried chickpeas (see below)
- Th Organic carrot sticks and dip
- F Organic celery with soy-nut butter

SNACKS

- M No-nuts trail mix (toasted oats, unsweetened dried pineapple, unsweetened shredded coconut, dried sweetened banana chips, dried cranberries, toasted coconut, sunflower seeds)
- T Whole-grain crackers, sliced cheddar
- W Snack mix (yogurt-covered raisins, dried cranberries, semisweet chocolate chips, goji berries)
- Th Yogurt mix-in (organic plain low-fat or Greek-style yogurt, ground cinnamon, pure maple syrup)
- F Apple Crisps*

MAINS

- M Sunflower butter and pumpkin butter, or a favorite fruit spread, on whole-grain bread; de-crust and cut into shapes
- T Sunny Tofu Salad* on a mini bagel
- W Turkey roll-ups made with lavash bread, Neufchâtel cheese and thinly sliced organic turkey
- Th Cooked cheese tortellini on small skewers with dipping sauce
- F Whole-wheat mini pita breads stuffed with hummus and shredded veggies

2 These lunches are entirely vegan, which means they contain no meat, dairy or eggs; they also happen to be nut- and gluten-free, which makes them perfect for those with multiple food sensitivities. The menus are quick and easy but nutritious and balanced; each day contains a plant-based protein, carbohydrates, vegetables and fruits.

FRUIT

- M Fresh pineapple
- T Fruit salad
- W Watermelon and kiwi fruit
- Th Dried or fresh mango slices
- F Mandarin orange slices and blueberries

VEGGIES

- M Shredded cabbage or coleslaw mix tossed with salad dressing
- T Baby carrots, sugar snap peas and red bell pepper strips
- W Carrot and daikon salad (see below)
- Th Thai Cucumber Salad*
- F Cherry tomatoes

MAINS

- M Plantain Wrap With Tangy Black Bean Spread*
- T Black bean spread (from Monday) or refried beans
- W Onigiri (shape cooked sticky rice into balls or triangles)
- Th Pad Thai (vegan)
- F Fried rice

GO-WITHS

- M Salsa, for dipping the plantain wrap
- T Baked tortilla chips
- W Edamame
- Th Cooked green beans
- F Square of vegan dark chocolate

4 5-day Plans

3 Hey, Dads: Time to get your face out of the Sports section in the morning and start mixing it up in the kitchen. The kids' lunch boxes need your touch. Unless there's another dad in your house, then you're the one to do it. Sure, there's not room in most lunch boxes for even the smallest hibachi, but that doesn't mean the kids can't bring some Dad-inspired dishes to school.

Bob Sloan is the author of "Dad's Awesome Grilling Book" and "The Tailgating Cookbook."

MAINS

- M Sliced organic flank steak salad
- T Sliced organic turkey, cheddar, sliced apple and cranberry sauce on whole-wheat bread
- W Wild Rice Salad*
- Th Nitrite- and hormone-free bologna on artisanal white bread with mustard or mayonnaise
- F Cold Chicken Meatloaf* slices (on pumpernickel bread with lettuce and ketchup)

EASY SIDES

- M Fresh pineapple with grated lime zest
- T Sugar snap peas
- W Squashed peaches
- Th Melon slices with a lemon wedge
- F Sweet potato chips

FUN SIDES

- M "Severed" baby-carrot fingers (make a slit near the tip of a baby-cut carrot; insert an almond slice)
- T Homemade chocolate chip cookies
- W Cherry lime rickey (freshly squeezed lime juice, a little cherry concentrate, some honey and sugar)
- Th Baby bananas
- F Champagne (tiny) grapes

Mollie Katzen's newest cookbook, "Get Cooking: 150 Simple Recipes to Get You Started in the Kitchen" (HarperStudio), will be out in mid-October.

SAVORY SIDES

- M Green salad with jicama matchsticks and creamy cumin-lime dressing (see below)
- T Crudites (cucumber, carrot, celery, red bell pepper sticks, cherry tomatoes)
- F Open-faced melted cheese sandwich with roasted walnuts

EASY SIDES

- M Apple slices sprinkled with cinnamon sugar
- T Whole-grain crackers
- W A big, juicy orange
- Th Whole-grain toast
- F A chunk of high-quality dark chocolate

MAINS

- M Nachos (tortilla chips, refried beans, tomato salsa, cheddar cheese, guacamole)
- T Curried egg salad with arugula
- W Broccoli-Pesto Pasta*
- Th A salad with pear slices, blue cheese and pecans
- F Creamy Tomato-Basil Soup*

Design your kids' lunches around vegetables, beans or fruit with light touches of cheese and egg. Mix and match for variety; try not to serve the same thing two days in a row. Make more dinner than you need, and you'll save money and time when you work leftovers into the next day's midday meal. Most items taste just fine at room temperature.

Iranian security forces intensify crackdown

By Nasser Karimi
Associated Press writer

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranian security forces intensified their crackdown on anti-government supporters Tuesday, arresting relatives of the country's Nobel laureate and the main opposition leader, and limiting the movement of another top opposition leader.

Iran also accused the U.S. and Britain of fomenting the recent violence, threatening to "slap" Britain in the face as it summoned the British ambassador to an urgent meeting. Clashes on Sunday left at least eight people dead in a confrontation that has become an increasingly bitter and violent.

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad shrugged off Sunday's protests as "a play ordered by Zionists and Americans" and criticized Barack Obama and Britain for allegedly supporting the protesters.

"The Iranian nation has witnessed this sort of play many times," Ahmadinejad said, according to the state IRNA news agency.

Government supporters held rallies in at least three cities on Tuesday, many protesting against the opposition and its leaders.

Opposition Web sites reported about 10 new arrests, and those taken into custody included the sister of Shirin Ebadi, who won the 2003 Nobel Peace Prize for her human rights efforts in Iran.

The new arrests, along with the tough criticism of the U.S. and Britain, added to rising tensions with the West, which is threatening to impose tough new sanctions over Iran's suspect nuclear program and has criticized the violent crackdown on anti-government protesters.

North Korea confirms it has detained American

By Kwang Tae-Kim
Associated Press writer

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea acknowledged Tuesday it had detained an American for illegally entering the reclusive country, news welcomed by relatives of an Arizona missionary who feared they would never hear from him again after he sneaked across the border.

Activists say they last saw Robert Park as he slipped across the frozen Tumen River into North Korea on Christmas Day, carrying letters urging the country's absolute leader to step down and free the hundreds of thousands of people held in political camps.

After four days without any word, relatives of the 28-year-old Korean-American said Tuesday they were relieved when the communist country finally announced it had a U.S. citizen in custody — though analysts say Park's actions are likely to be seen as hostile to the regime and could draw a long prison sentence.

"My fear was that they say they don't know anything about it and may get rid of him secretly," Manchul Cho, an uncle of Park, told The Associated Press in California. "Once they recognize it, that's really good."

Yemen investigates terror suspect's al-Qaida contacts

By Ahmed Al-Haj and Donna Abu-Nasr
Associated Press writers

SAN'A, Yemen — Officials in Yemen were investigating Tuesday whether the Nigerian suspected in the attempted Christmas Day attack on a U.S. airliner spent time with al-Qaida militants in the country in the months leading up to the botched bombing.

Administrators, teachers and fellow students at the San'a Institute for the Arabic Language, where Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab had enrolled to study Arabic, told The Associated Press that he attended school for only the month of Ramadan, which began in late August. That has raised questions about what he did during the rest of his stay, which continued into December.

Abdulmutallab, 23, told U.S. officials after his arrest he received training and instructions from al-Qaida operatives in Yemen, a law enforcement official has said.

According to Yemeni officials, Abdulmutallab spent

another extended period in Yemen, from 2004-2005.

People at the school who knew Abdulmutallab said he was not openly extremist, though he expressed anger over Israel's actions against Palestinians in Gaza.

The possibility that he was involved with militants in Yemen has heightened concerns about the largely lawless country that has become an al-Qaida stronghold. Al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, a group formed in January when operatives from Saudi Arabia and Yemen merged, claimed responsibility Monday for the attempted attack on the Detroit-bound airliner.

Information Minister Hassan al-Lozy suggested the U.S. was partly to blame for Yemen's failure to identify Abdulmutallab as a terror suspect.

He told a news conference Washington never shared its suspicions about the man, who was flagged on a watchlist as a possible terrorist.

"We didn't get any notice from the Americans to put this man on a list," al-Lozy

said. "America should have told Yemen about this man."

Al-Lozy said Abdulmutallab received a Yemeni visa to study Arabic after authorities were reassured that he had "several visas from a number of countries that we are cooperating with in the fight against terror." He noted that Abdulmutallab had a valid visa to the United States, which he had visited in the past.

"Our investigations are looking into who were the people or parties that were in touch with Umar here," al-Lozy told the AP.

He noted Abdulmutallab frequented a mosque in the old city, but did not say whether there was an al-Qaida link to that mosque.

The minister said Yemen was tightening controls on those seeking student visas to come to Yemen in the wake of Abdulmutallab's case.

The new revelations came a day after the al-Qaida offshoot in Yemen claimed responsibility for the failed attack, saying it was meant "to avenge the American attacks on al-Qaida in Yemen."

Report: Iran trying to smuggle uranium from Kazakhstan

By George Jahn
Associated Press writer

VIENNA — Iran is close to clinching a deal to clandestinely import 1,350 tons of purified uranium ore from Kazakhstan, according to an intelligence report obtained by The Associated Press. Diplomats said the assessment was heightening international concern about Tehran's nuclear activities.

Such a deal would be significant because, according to an independent research group, Tehran appears to be running out of the material, which it needs to feed its uranium enrichment program.

The report was drawn up by a member nation of the International Atomic Energy Agency and provided Tuesday to the AP on condition that the country not be identified because of the confidential nature of the information.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Ian Kelly said, "the transfer of any uranium yellowcake ... to Iran would constitute a clear violation of UNSC sanctions."

"We have been engaged

with many of our international nonproliferation partners on Iran's illicit efforts to acquire new supplies of uranium over the past several years," he said.

A senior U.S. official who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was talking about confidential information said Washington was aware of the intelligence report, but he declined to discuss specifics.

"We are not going to discuss our private consultations with other governments on such matters but, suffice to say, we have been engaged with Kazakhstan and many of our other international nonproliferation partners on this subject in particular over the past several years," he told the AP. "We will continue to have those discussions."

In New York, Burkina Faso's U.N. Ambassador Michel Kafando, a co-chair of the Security Council's Iran sanctions committee, referred questions Tuesday about a potential deal between Iran and Kazakhstan to his sanctions adviser, Zongo Saidou. Speaking in New York, Saidou told the AP that, as

far as he knew, none of the U.N.'s member nations has alerted the committee about any such allegations.

"We don't have any official information yet regarding this kind of exchange between the two countries," Saidou said. "I don't have any information; I don't have any proof."

A senior U.N. official said the Vienna-based IAEA was aware of the assessment but could not yet draw conclusions. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was discussing confidential information. A Western diplomat from a member of the IAEA's 35-nation board said the report was causing concern among countries that have seen it and was generating intelligence chatter. The diplomat also requested anonymity because he was barred from publicly discussing intelligence information.

A two-page summary of the report obtained by the AP said the deal could be completed within weeks. It said Tehran was willing to pay \$450 million, or close to euro315 million, for the shipment.

Kirby O. McCandless

JEROME — Kirby O. McCandless was a loving father, husband, son, brother and friend to all, leaving us Saturday, Dec. 26, 2009.



He was born in Onawa, Iowa, on Sept. 13, 1963, to the parents Donnie and Joleen McCandless. After graduation from Jerome High School, Kirby went into the U.S. Navy and was stationed in South Carolina. He was on active duty for four years and served in the reserves for three years. During his time in the reserves, he also worked in construction. In January 1991, he returned to the U.S. Navy, where he spent time in San Diego learning air conditioning and refrigeration. He returned home in March for two weeks before being deployed to Japan, at which time he was reunited with his longtime friend, Teena Palmer. In July 1991, at the Jerome United Methodist Church, they were married. They spent three years stationed in Japan and three years stationed in San Diego. At this time, making the choice to have more family time, Kirby decided to leave the Navy.

He returned to Jerome and worked construction side-by-side with his father for three years until his father's death in 1999. Kirby

continued to work in the construction and cabinetry business. Kirby served on the Jerome Senior Citizens Board for two years, which he loved, and served as a trustee in his church for many years. He loved spending time with his family and Teena's family, which included camping, fishing, hunting and many other family activities. Most of all, he loved being with his pride and joy, son Cameron.

Kirby leaves behind his wife, Teena; son, Cameron; mother, Joleen McCandless of Challis; sister, Kaleen Anderson (David) of Sand Coulee, Mont.; brother, Korey McCandless (Trina) of Twin Falls; and sister, Kyla Moretti (Art) of Gold Canyon, Ariz.; as well as many nieces and nephews. Kirby was preceded in death by his father, paternal grandparents and maternal grandfather.

A memorial service will be conducted 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 2, 2010, at the Jerome United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Carol Thompson officiating. The family suggests memorial donations to the Jerome United Methodist Church. Services are under the care and direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

SERVICES

Elsie Biggs of Nampa and formerly of Jerome, burial at 11 a.m. today in Franklin (Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Caldwell).

Betty Jane Helms of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; burial at 2 p.m. today at Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley.

David Lee Schwendiman of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Grace Community Church, 100 N. Meridian Road in Rupert; visitation one hour before the funeral today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Virgil William Hampton of Gooding, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

Emery E. Winks of

Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Thursday at the mortuary.

Leah Kirkland of Carey, service at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Carey LDS Chapel; visitation from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday at the church (Wood River Funeral Chapel in Hailey).

Terresa J. Stallings of Hansen, memorial service at 2 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary, 136 Fourth Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Hazel Marie Gudge of Logan, Utah, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Acequia LDS Church, 20403 Fifth St.; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

DEATH NOTICES

Karen L. Ehlers

EDEN — Karen Lee Ehlers, 70, of Eden, died Sunday, Dec. 27, 2009, at a Twin Falls care center.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Long-time New York Review caricaturist David Levine dies

By Karen Matthews
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — David Levine, an artist whose witty caricatures illustrated The New York Review of Books for more than 40 years, has died. He was 83.

Levine died Tuesday at New York Presbyterian Hospital in Manhattan of prostate cancer and complications from other ailments. His death was confirmed by Robert Silvers, editor of The New York Review, who called Levine "the greatest caricaturist of his time."

Levine's drawings of politicians, celebrities, writers and historical figures typically had large heads and exaggerated features — Albert Einstein with a nimbus of hair, Richard Nixon all 5 o'clock shadow and ski-slope nose. In one well-known image from 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson pulls up his shirt to reveal a gallbladder-operation scar shaped like the map of Vietnam.

The drawings defined the look of The New York



The New York Review of Books
David Levine's caricature of Jimmy Carter in April 1977.

Review, which sold them on calendars and T-shirts. From a few months after it began publishing in 1963 until he was diagnosed with the eye disease macular degeneration in 2006, Levine contributed more than 3,800 drawings to the Review, which has continued to illustrate its articles with old Levine drawings.

Levine's work also appeared in Esquire, The New York Times, The Washington Post, Rolling Stone, Sports Illustrated and The New Yorker, among other publications.

Silvers said Levine would read the article he was illustrating with great attention and then "a drawing would emerge."

"He brought to the caricature a brilliance and a depth and an insight into character that was unmatched," Silvers said.

Levine also exhibited paintings, many depicting New York scenes such as Coney Island.

His work is in the permanent collections of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Library of Congress and England's National Portrait Gallery, among other institutions.

John Updike, who was drawn several times by Levine, once called the artist "one of America's assets. In a confusing time, he bears witness. In a shoddy time, he does good work."

Levine was born in Brooklyn in 1926 and studied at the Brooklyn Museum of Art School, the Pratt Institute, Temple University's Tyler School of Art and the Eighth Street School of New York.

Heavy metal drummer James Sullivan, 28, dies

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — James "The Rev" Sullivan, drummer for the Orange County heavy metal band Avenged Sevenfold, whose apocalyptic songs full of biblical imagery resurrected for a new generation the sonic template of '80s hard rock laid down by acts such as Guns N' Roses and Metallica, died Monday at his home in Huntington Beach. He was 28.

A statement released by the Orange County coroner's office said Sullivan was found unresponsive inside his home, and that no other information is available because an investigation is under way.

A spokesman for the Huntington Beach Police Department said there were no signs of foul play and that Sullivan was pronounced dead at the scene.

"It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we tell you of the passing today of Jimmy 'The Rev' Sullivan," the other four band members said in a statement posted Tuesday on the group's Web site. "Jimmy was not only one of the world's best

drummers, but more importantly he was our best friend and brother. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jimmy's family and we hope that you will respect their privacy during this difficult time."

James O. Sullivan was born Feb. 9, 1981, and befriended the future members of the group, whose name often is short-handed as A7X, while they were in high school.

Early this decade, the quintet built a strong local following playing in clubs and releasing recordings on small, independent record labels.

"The band seamlessly melds the epic mysticism and melody of vintage metal with startling, full-throttle punk grooves and shrieks," Lina Lecaro wrote for the Los Angeles Times in covering one of the band's local shows in 2004.

Expanding on that initial popularity, A7X established a national audience with the 2005 release of its major-label debut for Warner Bros. Records, "City of Evil," which has sold just shy of 1 million copies in the United States, according to Nielsen SoundScan.

Dennis J. Moses

BURLEY — Dennis J. Moses, age 66, of Burley, died Saturday, Dec. 26, 2009, at his home of cancer.

Mr. Moses was born Oct. 3, 1943, in Blackfoot, Idaho, the son of Jesse F. Moses and Cherril Wheeler Moses of Burley. He came to Burley in 1992, where he taught government, history and Russian in the Minidoka School District and at Minico High School until his retirement in May of 2007.

Mr. Moses graduated from Minico High School in 1961. He received an associate degree from Ricks College in 1963, a linguist degree from the Defense Language Institute in 1967, a bachelor's degree from Utah State University in 1971 and a master's degree from Utah State University in 1981. He also studied for a summer in Moscow, Russia, with Truman State University.

He married first, Tomoko Ogi of Sapporo, Japan, on May 29, 1969, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. They divorced in 1979. He married second, Carol Dean Larsen of Pleasant View, Utah, on June 12, 1980, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served as a missionary in the France Paris and Franco Belgian missions from June 1963 to December 1965. During his military service in Chitose, Japan, he was a chaplain's assistant and planned numerous activities for the local orphanage. For this service, he earned the Army Commendation Medal. He served in various positions in the LDS Church, including a teacher in the Elder's Quorum and High Priest group, and as a stake Sunday school president. He was Cub Scout pack leader and Scoutmaster in the Boy Scouts of America organization.

He loved his country, retiring after 24 years of military service, serving from 1966 to 1994. He served four years in the U.S. Army Security Agency, the Army Reserve and then as Russian and French linguist in the 300th Military Intelligence Brigade of the Utah National Guard.

He has continued to share his love of country with his students in the AP history, AP government, debate, photography, Russian, French and special education classes he taught for the 34 years of his teaching career from 1973 to May 2007. He taught at Altamont High School in Duchesne, Utah; the Youth Service Center in St. Anthony; at Wahlquist Junior High in the Weber School District in Ogden, Utah; and at the Youth Ranch and Minico High School in Minidoka County School District. His students greatly benefitted from the vast world experiences acquired from his travels in Europe and Asia.

Mr. Moses was an educational professional as a member of the National



Forensic League, the Idaho Geography, History and U.S. Government professional education associations, the American Council for Teachers of Foreign Language and the Idaho Humanities Council. He was a master teacher and lifelong learner. He served as department chairman and team leader at Minico and Union high schools, helping to design a history curriculum in both districts. He served as a faculty representative and co-president of the MCEA (Minidoka County Education Association). He also taught American government for the College of Southern Idaho as an adjunct professor.

His hobbies were fly fishing, hunting, photography and reading. His love of learning began at a very young age when he read his first books at age 4 — a practice he continued throughout his life.

He is survived by his spouse, Carol Dean Larsen Moses of Burley; his eight children, Kennett J (Georgia) Moses of Baltimore, Md., Eugene D (Elizabeth) Moses of Washington, D.C., Lina (Aron) Belka of New Orleans, La., Jason Moses of Brooklyn, N.Y., Deanna (Julian) Ziegler of Pocatello, Lisa (Bill) Mullins of Norman, Okla., Jonathan (Hannah) Moses of Anchorage, Alaska, and Katherine (Adam) Hope of Burley; his parents, Jesse and Cherril Moses of Burley; siblings, Austin (Bonnie) Moses of Moreland, Charlene (Gene) Day of Twin Falls, Bryan (Rita) Moses of Heyburn and Debra (Gerald) Anderson of Caldwell; and nine grandchildren, Ayako Belka, Lydia Mullins, Gavin Ziegler, Anya Moses, Zander Ziegler, Abram Moses, Charlotte Mullins and Kaleb Hope. He was preceded in death by eight uncles, four aunts, three first cousins, parents-in-law, and two brothers-in-law.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 4, 2010, at the Burley LDS West Stake Center, 2420 Parke Ave., with Bishop S. Matthew Cook officiating. Military rites will be provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans and Auxiliary. Burial will follow at 4 p.m. at the Norton Cemetery in McCammon, Idaho. Friends may call 6 until 8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 3, 2010, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Laurel Jeannine Harmon

Laurel Jeannine Harmon, 59, of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away at her home unexpectedly on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 2009.

She was born Feb. 21, 1950, in Twin Falls, to Charles and Rosalie Francin Harmon.

She worked as an inventory specialist in agriculture. Laurel was an outdoor girl, nature-lover and an avid gardener. She always kept an eye on the environment and was careful to not use harmful chemicals or compounds while growing her beloved flowers or tomatoes.

Laurel was a person who loved giving of herself and doing all she could for others. She loved working for LINK, where she enjoyed assisting the disabled and elderly. Currently, she was assisting with placement of refugees, particularly one



family from Iraq. She was selfless to a fault and could always be counted on to take in a stray, as was evidenced by her 16 kitties, whom she adored. Laurel considered her family the light of her life.

She is survived by her brother, David Harmon of Oregon; adopted daughter, Kimber Harmon of Twin Falls; grandson, Dylan; and her beloved nieces and nephews, Matthew and Cory Farnsworth, Kari Ann Bagley, Daveda Agee, J.C. Harmon and Laree McBride. Her parents and sisters, Debbie and Dixie, preceded her in death.

A memorial service for Laurel will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Inurnment will be held at the West End Cemetery in Buhl, Idaho.

Howard L Higgins

SEELEY LAKE, Mont. — Howard L. Higgins, age 74, of Seeley Lake, Mont., and formerly of Gooding, Idaho, passed away at home on Christmas Eve 2009 from cancer.

Howard was born May 16, 1935, in Norton, Kan., to Eva and Walter Higgins. Howard graduated from high school and shortly thereafter enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served honorably. Howard spent his working career working at the pulp mill and eventually become the assistant pulp mill superintendent. He spent 53 wonderful years married to Patricia; he was actively involved in VFW Post 7992. Howard loved fishing, hunting, camping, golf and working in his garden. He was involved in Little League and Senior League Baseball; he coached for 10 years when the boys were young.

Howard was preceded in



death by his mother, Eva; and father, Walter; and one sister.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia of Seeley Lake, Mont.; two sons, Michael of Havre, Mont., and Thomas of Seeley Lake, Mont.; two daughters, Kelly of Seeley Lake, Mont., and Shelly and her husband, Tim of Stevensville, Mont.; eight grandchildren, Jenny, Terra, Justin, Kendra, Amy, Becca, Lana and Tessa; and six great-grandchildren; Dimitri, Vasiliy, Ivan Jr., Nikolay, Amber and Jazell.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 2, at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Missoula, Mont. A reception will follow the graveside service at 3:30 p.m. Saturday at the Chicken Coop in Seeley Lake, Mont.

Lawrence M. Kuykendall

Lawrence Mull Kuykendall, 95, of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2009, peacefully at the Jerome Hospice House in Jerome, Idaho.

Lawrence was born March 11, 1914, in Anthony, Kan., the son and fourth child of six born to Matthew Oscar and Minnie Elizabeth Mull Kuykendall. He moved with his family in 1919 from Kansas to Idaho. He graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1932, where he lettered in track, basketball and football and played the French horn in the symphony band. He continued playing the French horn for many years in the Twin Falls Municipal Band.

He started work at Rogers Bros Seed Company right out of high school and worked there until his retirement in 1982. He married Violet Becker on July 14, 1951, and to this union were born two daughters, Judy and Penelope. Violet and Lawrence were later divorced. In his spare time, Lawrence bowled on a bowling league but his real passion was gardening. He had the consummate green thumb and shared his knowledge of cross pollination and plants with many different people. He would share different varieties of plants and once, some green beans that he shared with some family members grew and all won blue rib-



bons at the fair. He was very proud of that. He loved growing various flowers, such as tulips, snapdragons and allums and was especially fond of growing tomatoes.

Lawrence was a man who shared his zest for life with everyone, had a good sense of humor and was very witty.

Surviving Lawrence are his two daughters, Judy (Dave) Sommer of Twin Falls and Penelope (Mike) Miller of Mountain Home. He also had a stepdaughter, Patricia Kriegh (Dave) Buttkoffer. Also surviving are his five grandchildren, Bryan Jon Sommer (Kate) of Jacksonville, Fla., Jenny Louise (Jaime) Noriega of Twin Falls, Tuesday Dawn (Michael) Dyer, Kris (Lauren) Miller and Andrew (Heidi) Miller, all of Boise; 12 great-grandchildren; a niece, Helen Terrell of Twin Falls; and nephew, Larry D. Kuykendall of Boise. His parents; two brothers; three sisters; and stepson, Robert L. Kriegh preceded him in death.

The funeral for Lawrence will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 2, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, with Pastor Jim Sommer officiating. Visitation will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 2, at the funeral home. Private Inurnment will follow at a later time.

Dale Potter

LAS VEGAS — Dale Potter was born to Charles and Nancy (Anshutz) Potter in Red Cloud, Neb., on April 23, 1921. He passed away Christmas Day 2009, with his wife and children by his side. He was 88 years of age.

Dale and his wife, Renetta (Killough) Potter, celebrated 67 years of marriage on Nov. 7, 2009. He was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather. He was proud to serve his country for three years during World War II. He farmed in Smith County, Kan., until 1958, when he and his family moved to Idaho, where he worked for John Deere until retiring in 1984.

He is survived by his wife, Renetta; three daughters, Regina Wallace (A.Y.) and Brenda Johnson, both of Las Vegas, Nev., and Coleen Dierken of Twin Falls; two sisters, Ila Myers of Smith Center, Kan., and Virginia Groves of Twin Falls; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and the grandchildren's spouses; also, several sisters- and brothers-in-law; many special nieces and nephews; and lots of friends. Preceding him in death are his parents; six sisters, Ruby Kudrna, Ada

Hartman, Helen Arneson, Maude Bowen, Waunetta Davisson and Darlene Potter; one brother, Everett Potter; a great-granddaughter, Alexis Jacobs; and sisters-in-law, Retha Leonard and Wilma Hasty.

He will be greatly missed by his wife and family and all who knew him.

He will be laid to rest in the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Boulder City, Nev. A service is pending.

Isabel J. Gabica

CEDAR CITY, Utah — Isabel Jane Gabica, infant daughter of Mark and Jill Gabica, was stillborn Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2009, in Cedar City, Utah.

Isabel is survived by her parents, Mark and Jill Gabica, formerly of Twin Falls, as well as her grandparents, John and Kay Gabica and Bruce and Sally Van Leuven, all of Twin Falls. She is also survived by her great-grandparents, and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec.

31, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls, and interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. A family and friends gathering will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been set up in Isabel's name. Donations can be made at any D.L. Evans Bank location, with funeral staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303-1142.

Thomas L. Batterton

ALBION — Thomas Levere Batterton, age 76, of Albion, died Sunday, Dec. 27, 2009, at Intermountain Medical Center in Murray, Utah, following surgery.

He was born Feb. 2, 1933, in Heglra, Idaho, the son of Floyd and Emma L. (Abbott) Batterton. He received and completed his education in Heglra. He married Shanna Dene Asher on Dec. 17, 1960, in Elko, Nev. Together, they raised four children, Carol, Janet, J.T. and Brenda.

Professionally, Tom worked at various places throughout his life, including: the city of Burley; Interstate Feeders in Malta; Glen Kunau Farms; as a security guard in Tonopah, Nev.; and retired from McCrae's (doing what he liked best — driving truck).

He was a member of the Albion American Legion Post No. 124. He enjoyed hunting and fishing; however, most important to Tom was his family. He loved attending the grandchildren's events in sports and rodeo and enjoyed watching them excel. He was a people person and knew no stranger.

Survivors include his wife, Shanna of Albion; three



daughters, Carol (Brent) Stauffer, Janet (Bob) Booth and Brenda (Clyde) Stevens, all of Albion; one son, J.T. Batterton, residing in Kansas; two sisters, Betty Batterton of Vancouver, Wash., and Arlene Campau of Idaho Falls; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers and four sisters.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, with Kay Powell officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Albion, with military rites provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans and Auxiliary. Friends may call one hour prior to the service Thursday at the funeral home.

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The top sports stories in the Magic Valley and the Gem State this year

1. National champs

The College of Southern Idaho won its record ninth NJCAA volleyball national championship with a straight-set win over Missouri State University-West Plains on Nov. 21. CSI beat bitter rival Salt Lake in a five-set semifinal to reach the title match. The victory marked a dramatic reversal of fortune after the 2008 Golden Eagles failed to qualify for the national tournament when eligible for the first time in 16 years. CSI (32-6) was ranked No. 1 nationally twice during the season.



2. The New Great Basin

The creation of Canyon Ridge High School affected far more than the city of Twin Falls. It added two schools to the Great Basin Conference West, making the new Great Basin a six-team league and one of the toughest in Class 4A. It also added new fire to rivalries between schools like Jerome, Twin Falls and Minico.



3. Ground Duck and punch

After a summer of build up, No. 14 Boise State dominated its biggest home game in school history with a 19-8 win over No. 16 Oregon on Sept. 4, kick-starting its BCS run. The signature win was overshadowed when Oregon tailback LeGarrette Blount suckerpunched BSU's Byron Hout after time expired.



4. Vandal revival

After a decade in the dumps, the Idaho football team raced to a 6-1 start, sending Vandal Nation into a frenzy. While the Vandals limped to a 7-5 finish, they earned their first bowl bid since 1998, landing a spot in the Humanitarian Bowl. A remarkable after coach Robb Akey won just three games in his first two seasons.



5. Twin's turnaround

The Bruins claimed their first conference title since 2003 and made their first state playoff appearance since winning the Class 5A state title in 2004. All this after going just 2-7 in 2008 and suffering an 18-game losing streak that spanned 2005-2007. Twin Falls finished 6-5 with the Class 4A third-place trophy.



6. Unbeaten BSU BCS bound

Behind the nation's highest scoring offense (44.2 per game) and most efficient quarterback (sophomore Kellen Moore), Boise State cruises to a 13-0 record. The Broncos' third unbeaten regular season in four years earns them a spot opposite unbeaten TCU in the Jan. 4 Fiesta Bowl.



7. Service Bowl I

The first meeting of the Riverhawks and Bruins literally pitted brother against brother in the case of the McNew family. Dedicated to those who serve our country, this game's trophy is represented by "The Bucket," a CVC helmet held proudly by the Bruins, who rolled to a 55-7 win behind four touchdown throws from T.J. Ellis.



8. Oakley reclaims crown

Although Oakley had gone 35-1 over the past three seasons, almost nobody believed the Hornets could beat mighty Prairie in the 2009 Class 1A Division I state championship game. But they shocked the football landscape, winning a second state title in three years with a come-from-behind 28-20 victory.



9. Collapse in Coeur d'Alene

Cruising toward a Region 18 title and a berth in the NJCAA tournament, the No. 11 College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team watched a 56-39 lead evaporate in the final 10 minutes, losing 66-61 to host North Idaho on March 7. The loss ended a streak that saw the SWAC champion Eagles win 23 of 24 games.



10. Gosar's first go-round

Player departures, a rash of injuries and the drama provided by UConn transfer Nate Miles dominated headlines in Steve Gosar's first season as CSI men's basketball coach. Gosar's Eagles went 22-9 (9-6 in the SWAC), losing to eventual NJCAA champion Salt Lake in the first round of the Region 18 Tournament.

11. DECLO DENIED AGAIN

Declo was the last 11-man football team standing in the Magic Valley in 2009. The Hornets steamrolled through the season undefeated, and returned to the Class 2A championship game for the second consecutive year in search of the school's first-ever state title. But Parma spoiled Declo's dream once again, and the Hornets had to settle for another runner-up trophy.

12. TWIN FALLS BOYS FINISH THIRD

A newfound inside presence in Jon Pulsifer gave the Bruin boys so much in the 2008-09 campaign: a fourth state trophy this decade, the fourth Region Four-Five-Six tournament championship in seven seasons, another 20-win season, and the fact that they never lost back-to-back games.

13. MINICO BASEBALL TITLE

After starting 3-9, Minico turned its season around, winning 19 of its final 21 games, capped by the Class 4A state championship. In three state tournament games the Spartans allowed three runs on nine hits. It was Minico's sixth piece of state hardware in seven seasons.

14. LADY 'DAWGS WIN ANOTHER

Ace pitcher Nellie Makings led Kimberly to its second state softball championship in three years with a 6-3 win over Fruitland in Kimberly on May 16. The Bulldogs outscored their four opponents 22-8 at the tournament.

15. TFHS CONTINUES GOLF, X-C DOMINANCE

The Bruins brought home more trophies to fill the case in the new lobby in 2009. The girls golf team won its 11th Class 5A state title since 1994, while the boys team placed as runner-up. Jordan Hamblin won the individual championship. The boys cross country team claimed its third consecutive team title.

16. TWO TRACK CHAMPS

The Kimberly boys track and field team secured a team state championship in Boise on May 16. The Buhl and Raft River girls also won team titles. Raft River's Sally Hansen and Buhl's Bertrand Alcaraz Garcia each won four medals.

17. TIGERS UNTAMED IN TITLE RUN

Richfield's girls basketball team blew through its schedule without a loss to win the Class 1A Division II state

title in Nampa on Feb. 21, beating Dietrich 59-37 in the championship. The Tigers won 22 of their 25 games by double digits.

18. LANCASTER BECOMES NATIONAL RODEO CHAMPION

Jerome cutter Jamie Lancaster became a NHSFR co-champion in July after posting a three-round score of 643. It was the second year she had entered the final round ranked No. 1 but the first year to claim a title.

19. A CAMAS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Katelyn Peterson had 52 kills for Camas County in a four-set victory over Northside Conference rival Dietrich for the Class 1A Division II state volleyball championship in Lewiston on Oct. 31.

20. DIVISION I SIGNEES AND WALK-ONS

Several area athletes joined NCAA Division I programs this year, including Chelsea Retmier (Baylor equestrian), Sam Johnson (Nevada women's soccer), Steven Patterson (Oregon football), Skylar Morgan, (Idaho State football), Jake Lammers (ISU football), Justin Brandsma (ISU football) and Zach Ingraham (Idaho football). J.D. Leckenby signed to play baseball at Washington State in 2010-11.

Best of the rest: Gooding boys soccer wins state championship; Heyburn native B.J. Christensen wins Spudman Triathlon on 13th try; Buhl football unbeaten in regular season; Jerome girls basketball takes third at state tournament; Magic Valley Sooners repeat at western national softball champions; Idaho State football narrowly avoids winless season; Four CSI women's players sign with NCAA Division I programs; Two CSI men's players sign with NCAA programs; CSI baseball pitcher Tyler Curtis drafted by the Florida Marlins, but fails to reach contract agreement; Boise State routs Idaho 63-25 for Governor's Cup.

Jackson looks to lead Idaho to bowl win

By Josh Wright
Times-News correspondent

BOISE — Deonte Jackson has been in the University of Idaho football program long enough to be able to put 2009 in context. He's seen the damage caused by coaching upheaval. He's been through seasons where any victory seemed like a minor miracle.

Up until this fall, it all looked so helpless — which, of course, makes today's appearance in the Humanitarian Bowl that much more satisfying for veterans like Jackson.

Humanitarian Bowl

Bowling Green vs. Idaho
2:30 p.m., ESPN

Clearly, though, just getting to Bronco Stadium's blue turf isn't enough.

"To make it is a great accomplishment, but to win it would just be like the exclamation point on the season," said Jackson, a junior tailback. "It's tremendous. It's a real big thing for everyone involved in this program, this school."

Idaho (7-5) hopes to cap what's been a stirring season with a win in Boise over Bowling Green, a Mid-American Conference member from Ohio. Kickoff is set for 2:30 p.m. on ESPN.

See IDAHO, Sports 4

Touching down in the Valley of the Sun

PHOENIX — As you can tell by the dateline, I'm here in the Valley of the Sun, the colloquial nickname for the Phoenix cluster, a sprawling metropolis in the heart of the desert.

It averages about 6 inches of precipitation each year and our cab driver was shocked to see some sprinkles splatter her windshield. It's dark now, but I'm just wearing a T-shirt, no coat and I feel fine.



Dustin Lapray

The climate here is already different. The 2010 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl looms less than a week away and I swear I can smell football in the air. Tuesday is calm, quiet, but as you read this the bowl week flashfloods the JW Marriot Camelback Inn Resort, the high-priced media hotel where I rest my poor head.

Wednesday we meet with four of No. 3 Texas Christian's offensive players and four defensive players from No. 6 Boise State, as well as all three coordinators. It all happens bright and early for the sporting press (8:30 a.m.) so accustomed to the late-

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CSI women edge top Division III team

Times-News

The College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team opened tournament play in Arizona with a 65-56 win Tuesday over Madison Area Technical College (Wisc.), the top-ranked team in the NJCAA Division III ranks.

CSI (10-4) took an early lead and never looked back, coasting to victory over the previously unbeaten WolfPack (10-1). But Madison never went away, even if it couldn't fully claw back into the game.

"It felt like we were in control most of the game," said CSI coach Randy Rogers. "They didn't have a lot of height, so we tried to pound the ball inside a lot and they hung around. They're as good as most of the teams in our league. They're Division III but they play more like a Division I team."

Shauneice Samms nearly had a triple-double for the Golden Eagles, scoring 16 points and pulling down 14 rebounds. She also blocked eight shots.

Felicity Jones and Kalika

Tullock, two unheralded scorers, also got into the act for double figures, Rogers said, adding that it was a big boost for the team. Tullock finished with 13 points while Jones added 12.

"Felicity's been struggling, hasn't shot the ball well all year," Rogers said. "But she hit back-to-back 3s there and had a couple of nice layups. It was good to get her going."

The Golden Eagles, who have won seven of their last eight games, continue their stay in Phoenix with a 2 p.m., tip-off today against Howard College (Texas).

CSI 65, Madison Area Technical College 56

MATC (00-1)
Myla Flentje 0-3 0-0 0, Kendra Musselth 2-5 0-0 6, Claresse MacAskill 1-3 1-4 3, Morgan Lass 1-2 1-2 3, Jenna Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Gabi Hunderford 5-11 3-4 14, Shelby Beth 1-2 0-0 3, Thresa Elskamp 3-11 3-7 10, Alicia Kopp 4-10 0-0 11, Athena Brabant 1-3 0-0 2, Alyssa Bove 2-4 0-1 4, Totals 20-54 8-18 56.
CSI (10-4)
Kylie Hardison 1-1 0-0 2, Kaitrese Locket 1-5 0-0 2, Emily Yancheva 1-2 0-0 2, Felicity Jones 4-6 2-2 12, Kalika Tullock 6-8 0-0 13, Holly Checketts 0-1 0-0 0, Shauneice Samms 7-16 1-2 16, Daira Brown 4-8 1-2 9, Laurel Kearsley 3-6 1-2 7, Nicole Harper 0-2 0-0 0, Devan Matkin 0-2 0-0 0, Maddy Plunkett 1-5 0-0 2, Totals 28-62 5-8 65.
Halftime: 36-25 CSI, 3-point goals: MATC 8-18 (Fleintje 0-2, Musselth 2-2, MacAskill 0-1, Hunderford 1-5, Beth 1-2, Elskamp 1-2, Kopp 3-4), CSI 4-9 (Locket 0-1, Jones 2-2, Tullock 1-1, Checketts 0-1, Samms 1-1, Brown 0-1, Matkin 0-1). Rebounds: MATC 31 (Elskamp 8); CSI 46 (Samms 14). Assists: MATC 14 (Elskamp, Hunderford 3); CSI 15 (Tullock 4). Turnovers: MATC 18, CSI 17. Total fouls: MATC 11, CSI 16. Fouled out: None. Technical fouls: none.

Fourth-quarter lockdown lifts Cavs

ATLANTA — The Cleveland Cavaliers held Atlanta scoreless for almost nine minutes to open the fourth quarter and scored the first 10 points of the period to break open a close game and beat the Hawks 95-84 on Tuesday night.

Mo Williams had 20 points to lead the Cavaliers, who won in their return to Philips Arena since completing a dominant four-game sweep of the Hawks in the second round of last season's playoffs.

Delonte West had 17 points and Zydrunas Ilgauskas added 15 off Cleveland's bench. LeBron James had 14 points, 10 assists and five steals but made only 6 of 20 shots from the field.

The Hawks were outscored 20-10 in the fourth quarter.

KNICKS 104, PISTONS 87

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — David Lee had a season-high 30 points and 12 rebounds, and the Knicks handed the Pistons their eighth straight loss.

Wilson Chandler added 23 points and nine rebounds for the Knicks. Richard Hamilton had 16 points and Rodney Stuckey scored 15 for Detroit despite combining to shoot just 11 of 34.

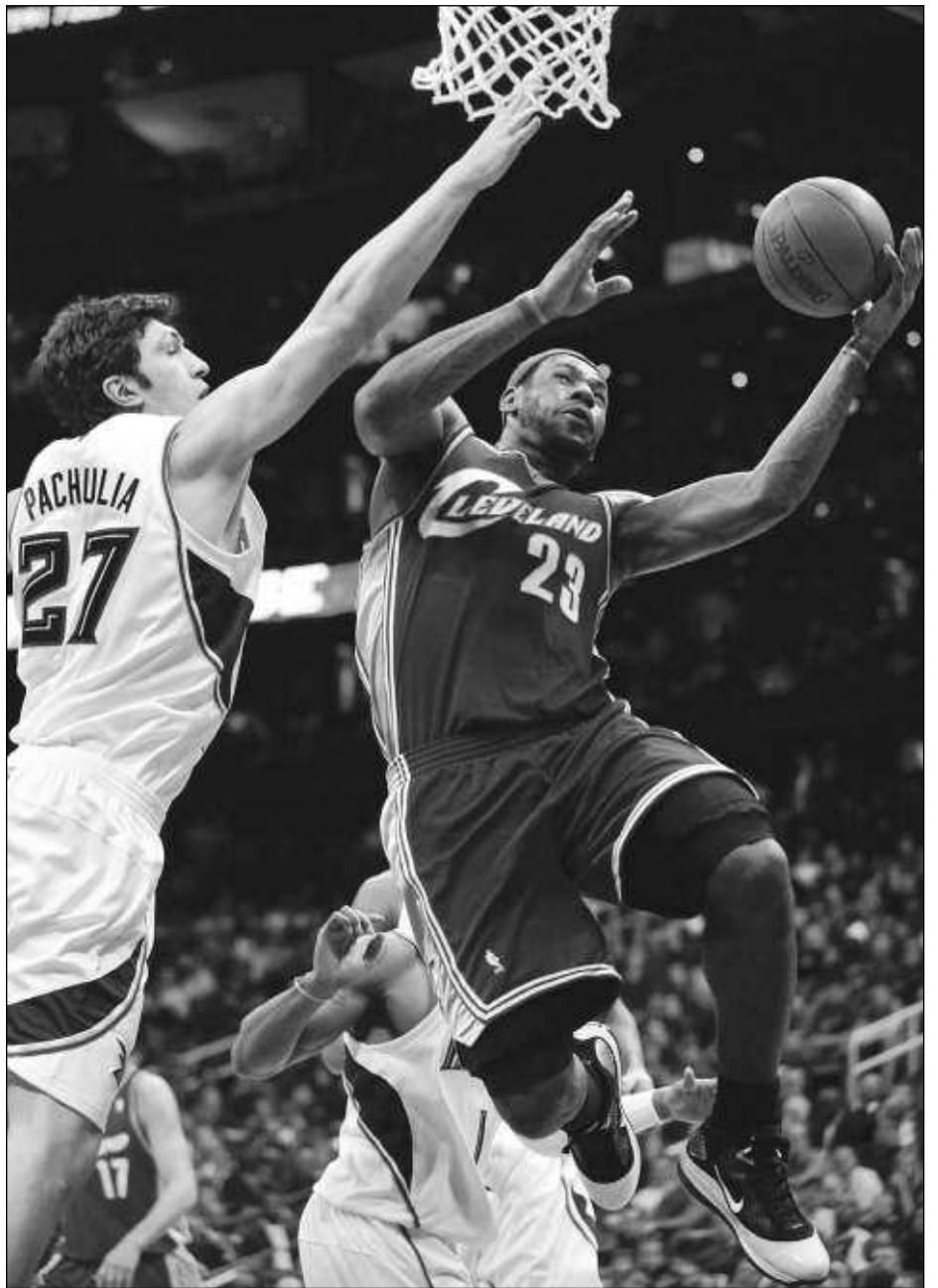
New York was the better team throughout the first half, outshooting the Pistons 49 percent to 37 percent on its way to a 49-40 lead. Lee had 17 points in the half, while Hamilton was 1 for 10 for Detroit.

THUNDER 110, WIZARDS 98

WASHINGTON — Kevin Durant had 35 points and 11 rebounds, Jeff Green added 18 points and the Thunder beat the Wizards for the franchise's first four-game winning streak in 3½ years.

It was the fifth straight game that Durant, who had 40 points in Monday's win at New Jersey, topped the 30-point mark. He has exceeded 30 points nine times in Oklahoma City's 14 December games.

The Thunder, which last won four straight from April 2-6, 2006, when they were the Seattle SuperSonics, earned their ninth road victory of the



Cleveland Cavaliers forward LeBron James goes up against Atlanta Hawks forward Zaza Pachulia during their game Tuesday in Atlanta. AP photo

season — one more than they had during 2008-09, their first season in Oklahoma City.

ROCKETS 108, HORNETS 100

HOUSTON — Aaron Brooks scored 27 points, Luis Scola added 13 points and 12 rebounds and the Rockets overcame Chris Paul's triple-double and David West's career game in a win over the Hornets.

Paul had 16 points, 11 rebounds and 10 assists for his 11th career triple-double and first this season. West had 44 points and 12 rebounds, but the Hornets still slipped to 2-13 on the road this season.

Shane Battier scored 20

points and Carl Landry added 18 off the bench for the Rockets, who went 12 for 23 from 3-point range and finished with 27 assists.

BULLS 104, PACERS 95

CHICAGO — Derrick Rose scored 28 points and the Bulls blew an early 19-point lead before recovering in the second half to beat the Pacers.

Chicago's second straight home victory could take some heat off coach Vinny Del Negro, whose job status has been the subject of much speculation after Chicago's disappointing start (now 12-17).

Rose had 18 of his points in the second half. John

Salmons added 17 for the Bulls.

Roy Hibbert scored 17 for Indiana, which is without injured star Danny Granger.

SPURS 117, TIMBERWOLVES 99

SAN ANTONIO — Richard Jefferson scored 24 points, leading the Spurs to a victory over the Timberwolves.

Jefferson delivered monster dunks, made reverse layups and sank four 3-pointers as the Spurs (18-11) rolled to their third straight victory.

Roger Mason Jr. added 18 points, including four 3-pointers, for the Spurs who have won nine of 11 games.

— The Associated Press

BSU scores easy win over NNU

BOISE — Paul Noonan made five 3-pointers and scored 17 points to lead Boise State to a 76-58 victory over Northwest Nazarene on Tuesday night.

Ike Okoye scored 15 points and grabbed 12 rebounds for Boise State, while La'Shard Anderson added 14. Boise State (9-4) made a season-high 10 3-pointers.

Boise State led 47-40 midway through the second half, the Broncos put the game away with full-court press that led to three 3-pointers in a span of 45 seconds, two from Robert Arnold and one by Noonan. The Crusaders (7-2) responded with a 13-5 run to close the deficit to 61-53 with 6:20 remaining but could edge no closer.

Northwest Nazarene, a Division II program, was led by former Boise State walk-on Drew Eisinger with 14 points and Anthony Golden with 11. The Crusaders last knocked off a Division I opponent six years ago against Portland State.

Over the final seven minutes of the first half, the Broncos made 1 of 8 shots, allowing the Crusaders back into the game. Anthony Golden hit a 3-pointer and Kendall Gielow added a pair of baskets inside to help Northwest Nazarene close out the half on a 12-4 run and trim Boise State's lead to 31-30 at halftime.

Boise State shot 50.9 percent from the floor, only the third time this season the Broncos have shot higher than 50 percent. Their 28 3-point attempts was also a season high. Boise State earns 76-58 victory

UTAH 69, TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO 47

SALT LAKE CITY — Luka Drca scored a career-high 19 points to lead Utah.

Drca made 8 of 11 from the field and hit three 3-pointers. Carlton Brown scored 10 points and Kim Tillie added nine points for the Utes, who connected on a season-best 57 percent from the field. The Utes' (6-7) snapped a three-game losing skid.

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Devin Gibson led UTSA (8-3) with 15 points. The Roadrunners suffered an 11-minute period in the second half without a field goal. Omar Johnson, who had 12 points, finally ended the drought with 3:36 remaining and the Roadrunners trailed 63-40.

Utah outscored UTSA in the paint by a 42-16 margin and recorded 10 blocks against the much smaller Roadrunners. David Foster, who is fourth in the nation in



Boise State forward Paul Noonan dribbles the ball as Northwest Nazarene's Drew Eisinger defends during the first half of Tuesday's game in Boise. AP photo

UTAH STATE 78, WESTERN OREGON 42

LOGAN, Utah — Jared Quayle scored 18 points to lead Utah State.

Tai Wesley scored 14 for the Aggies (10-4). Tyler Newbold scored 11 and pulled down a career-high 11 rebounds while former Twin Falls High School star Brady Jardine had 11 points and six boards.

The Wolves (6-3) were led by Rico Myles who had 12 points and Blair Wheadon who had 10.

The Aggies held the Wolves to 12 second-half points and outrebounded them 42-24.

Utah State jumped out to a 12-3 lead on three 3-pointer. Western Oregon battled back to within 23-19 with 10:45 to play behind Myles, who had 11 points in the first half.

Utah State hit 7-of-14 3-pointers and led 46-30 at halftime.

IDAHO 71, LEWIS-CLARK STATE 52

BOISE — Mac Hopson had 15 points and 11 rebounds to lead Idaho at Qwest Arena.

The Vandals never trailed and used an 18-0 run to build a 22-4 lead with 12:25 left in the first half.

Steffan Johnson added 11 points for Idaho (7-4).

Tanner McIntosh, Markus Monroe and Daniel Williams all scored 10 points for NAIA Lewis-Clark State. The game was an exhibition for the Warriors.

The Vandals had a 42-32 rebound edge, including 15 offensive rebounds.

Idaho's biggest lead was 21 points, occurring when Luciano de Souza made a 3-pointer with 11:47 to play to make it 53-32.

The two schools are located 33 miles apart in Northern Idaho, but the contest was played in Boise in conjunction with the Idaho football team's appearance in today's Humanitarian Bowl. Idaho plays Bowling Green in the bowl game.

— The Associated Press

Kansas overcomes early gaffe to rout Belmont

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Cole Aldrich had 11 points, 14 rebounds and six blocks to lead No. 1 Kansas over Belmont 81-51 on Tuesday night.

Kansas (12-0) was rusty early coming off a long break, even playing with just four players for a stretch of about 15 seconds in the first half. The Jayhawks pulled it together and played a superb second half at both ends, pulling away for their 50th straight home victory.

Marcus Morris added 14 points for the Jayhawks.

NO. 2 TEXAS 95, GARDNER-WEBB 63

AUSTIN, Texas — Damion James had 14 points and 13 rebounds — his 43rd career double-double — and Texas overcame a sluggish start.

Jai Lucas had 15 points as Dexter Pittman added 15 points and nine rebounds for the Longhorns (12-0).

NO. 3 KENTUCKY 104, HARTFORD 61

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Freshman point guard John Wall set a Kentucky record with 16 assists.

Wall added nine points and four rebounds as the Wildcats (14-0) matched their best start in 32 seasons.

NO. 4 PURDUE 67, IOWA 56

IOWA CITY, Iowa — E'Twaun Moore scored 21 points, 15 in the second half, and Purdue overcame a sluggish start for its best start in 16 seasons.

Robbie Hummel added 16 points and eight rebounds for the Boilermakers (12-0, 1-0 Big Ten), who have opened with 12 straight wins for the second time. Glenn "Big Dog" Robinson led Purdue to a school-record 14-0 start in 1993-94.



NO. 16 MISSISSIPPI 90, JACKSONVILLE ST. 75

OXFORD, Miss. — Terrico White scored 29 points and Mississippi connected for a school-record 14 3-pointers.

Zach Graham had 14 points and Chris Warren added 11 for the Rebels (11-2), who shot 14 of 31 from 3-point range, including a 7-of-10 performance by White. The Rebels finished 32 of 69 from the field (46 percent).

NO. 19 NEW MEXICO 90, NO. 20 TEXAS TECH 75

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Darrington Hobson had 23 points and 12 rebounds for New Mexico.

Hobson, one of five Lobos to score in double figures, also had four assists as New Mexico (13-1) rebounded from its first loss of the season last week.

The Lobos led 34-19 in the first half only to see the Red Raiders (10-2) close within 42-36 early in the second half. But an 11-2 run over a 3-minute span put the Lobos up 53-38 and the lead never dropped into single digits again.

NO. 21 CLEMSON 70, SOUTH CAROLINA ST. 67

CLEMSON, S.C. — Demontez Stitt made two free throws after Andre Young's steal in the final minute and Clemson avoided a big upset in its final nonconference game.

The Tigers (12-2) led by as many as 12 points in the second half and looked like they would cruise to their sixth straight win. Instead, the Bulldogs (6-4) made it 68-67 on Tyvon Williams' driving basket with 27.1 seconds left.

— The Associated Press

BASKETBALL

NBA				
All Times MST				
EASTERN				
ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	23	7	.767	-
Toronto	17	17	.469	9
New York	12	19	.387	11½
Philadelphia	8	22	.267	15
New Jersey	2	29	.065	21½
SOUTHEAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	22	8	.733	-
Atlanta	21	9	.700	1
Miami	16	12	.571	5
Charlotte	12	17	.414	9½
Washington	10	20	.333	12
CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	25	8	.758	-
Chicago	12	17	.414	11
Milwaukee	12	17	.414	11
Detroit	11	20	.355	13
Indiana	9	21	.300	14½
SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	22	9	.710	-
San Antonio	18	11	.621	3
Houston	19	13	.594	3½
Memphis	14	16	.467	7½
New Orleans	13	16	.448	8
NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	20	12	.625	-
Portland	20	13	.606	½
Utah	17	13	.567	2
Oklahoma City	17	14	.548	2½
Minnesota	7	25	.219	13
PACIFIC	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	24	6	.800	-
Phoenix	20	12	.625	5
Sacramento	14	16	.467	10
L.A. Clippers	13	17	.433	11
Golden State	9	21	.300	15

Monday's Games
 Oklahoma City 105, New Jersey 89
 Memphis 116, Washington 111, OT
 Phoenix 118, L.A. Lakers 103
 Philadelphia 104, Portland 93
 Sacramento 106, Denver 101
 Golden State 103, Boston 99

Tuesday's Games
 Cleveland 95, Atlanta 84
 Oklahoma City 110, Washington 98
 New York 104, Detroit 87
 Chicago 104, Indiana 95
 San Antonio 117, Minnesota 99
 Houston 108, New Orleans 100
 Golden State at L.A. Lakers 101

Wednesday's Games
 Milwaukee at Orlando, 5 p.m.
 Memphis at Indiana, 5 p.m.
 Atlanta at Cleveland, 5 p.m.
 Charlotte at Toronto, 5 p.m.
 New York at New Jersey, 5:30 p.m.
 Miami at New Orleans, 6 p.m.
 Utah at Minnesota, 6 p.m.
 Boston at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
 L.A. Clippers at Portland, 8 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Sacramento, 8 p.m.

NBA BOXES

CAVALIERS 95, HAWKS 84
CLEVELAND (95)
 James 6-20 2-14, Hickson 3-3 0-0 6, O'Neal 5-7 0-0 10, M. Williams 7-15 3-3 20, Parker 4-7 2-3 10, Varejao 11-12 3, Ileguasa 6-8 2-2 15, West 4-11 4-6 17, Moon 0-5 0-0 0, Totals 38-77 14-9 95.

ATLANTA (84)
 McWilliams 3-6 6-12, Juc Smith 7-13 1-6 15, Horford 3-7 3-9, Bibby 17 0-0 2, Johnson 5-14 3-4 15, Crawford 10-17 2-4 26, Pachulia 11-12 3, Evans 13 0-0 2, J. Smith 0-2 0-0 0, Totals 31-67 16-26 84.

CLEVELAND 23, MINN. 10 - 84
 3-Point Goals-Cleveland 5-17 (M. Williams 3, West 1-2, Ileguasa 1-2, Parker 1-1, Moon 0-1, James 0-5), Atlanta 4-15 (Crawford 4-5, Johnson 2-5, McWilliams 0-1, Evans 0-1, Bibby 0-3), Fouled Out-None.
 Rebounds-Cleveland 50 (James, O'Neal, Varejao) 8, Atlanta 43 (Horford) 9, Assists-Philadelphia 21 (James 10), Atlanta 19 (Bibby) 7, Total Fouls-Cleveland 18, Atlanta 16, Technicals-West, Cleveland defensive three second, Atlanta Coach Woodson. A-20,150 (18,729).

ROCKETS 108, HORNETS 100

NEW ORLEANS (100)
 Stojakovic 0-4 0-0 0, West 18-30 6-8 44, Okafa 4-6 1-1 9, Paul 7-15 2-4 16, D.Brown 3-6 0-0 8, Collison 3-5 2-3 8, Songaila 4-9 0-0 8, Wright 1-2 0-0 2, Posey 2-6 0-5 8, Thornton 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 42-84 11-16 100.

HOUSTON (108)
 Battier 7-12 1-2 20, Scola 5-10 3-4 13, Hayes 1-4 2-2 4, Brooks 6-12 6-7 21, Ariza 3-15 1-2 13, Landry 6-16 6-8 18, Lowry 2-3 4-7, Anderson 3-5 0-0 6, Totals 37-76 22-28 108.

NEW ORLEANS 31, HOUSTON 108 - 100
 3-Point Goals-New Orleans 5-14 (D.Brown 2-3, West 2-4, Posey 1-2, Stojakovic 0-2, Paul 0-3), Houston 12-23 (Brooks 6-7, Battier 5-8, Ariza 2-9), Fouled Out-Okafar, Rebounds-New Orleans 50 (West 12), Houston 42 (Scola 12), Assists-New Orleans 20 (Paul 10), Houston 27 (Lowry 7), Total Fouls-New Orleans 23, Houston 18, Technicals-New Orleans defensive three second 2, A-18,187 (18,043).

KNICKS 104, PISTONS 87

NEW YORK (104)
 Gallinari 5-10 2-16, Chandler 10-20 3-4 23, Lee 13-19 4-7 30, Duhon 4-6 2-2 13, Jeffries 2-4 1-1 5, Harrington 4-7 4-13, Hughes 0-4 0-0 0, Douglas 0-3 2-2 2, Bender 13 0-0 2, Totals 39-76 18-24 104.

DETROIT (87)
 Prince 1-4 0-0 2, Jerabko 4-9 1-2 9, Wallace 3-5 2-2 7, Stuckey 6-12 3-3 15, Hamilton 5-21 4-4 16, Wilcox 2-4 1-2 4, Gordon 6-9 3-3 17, Atkins 3-4 0-0 7, Daye 1-4 0-0 2, Villanueva 0-4 0-0 0, McKinn 2-4 1-2 5, Totals 33-79 16-20 87.

NEW YORK 27, DETROIT 87 - 104
 3-Point Goals-New York 8-23 (Duhon 3-5, Harrington 1-3, Jeffries 0-1, Bender 0-1, Hughes 0-1, Lee 0-1, Douglas 0-2, Chandler 0-3), Detroit 5-16 (Gordon 2-3, Hamilton 2-6, Atkins 1-2, Daye 0-1, Jerabko 0-2, Villanueva 0-2), Fouled Out-None.
 Rebounds-New York 54 (Lee 12), Detroit 39 (Wallace, Stuckey) 8, Assists-New York 21 (Duhon 7), Detroit 16 (Stuckey) 3, Total Fouls-New York 15, Detroit 23, Technicals-New York defensive three second, Gordon, A-22,076 (22,076).

BULLS 104, PACERS 95

INDIANA (95)
 Dunleavy 4-13 4-13, Murphy 2-7 0-0 5, S.Jones 6-9 1-2 13, Ford 4-10 1-2 9, Jones 3-8 0-0 6, Rush 0-4 0-0 0, Watson 3-7 2-4 10, Head 4-10-10, Hibbert 6-15 5-6 17, McRoberts 4-6 0-0 9, Price 1-1 0-0 3, Totals 37-90 12-18 95.

CHICAGO (104)
 Deng 6-10 2-15, Gibson 3-6 0-0 6, Noah 1-2 2-2 4, Rose 11-20 6-8 28, Hinrich 4-7 0-1 10, Thomas 2-10 4-4 8, Salmons 5-8 4-4 17, Miller 6-9 4-4 16, Johnson 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 38-72 22-24 104.

INDIANA 15, CHICAGO 104 - 95
 3-Point Goals-Indiana 2-4 (Watson 2-3, Head 2-5, Dunleavy 2-6, Price 1-3, McRoberts 1-2, Murphy 1-5, Rush 0-2), Chicago 6-10 (Salmons 3-4, Hinrich 2-4, Deng 1-1, Rose 0-1), Fouled Out-None.
 Rebounds-Indiana 42 (Hibbert) 6, Chicago 53 (Thomas) 15, Assists-Indiana 27 (D.Jones 7), Chicago 24 (Rose) 6, Total Fouls-Indiana 22, Chicago 21, A-21,887 (20,917).

THUNDER 110, WIZARDS 98

OKLAHOMA CITY (110)
 Durant 12-19 8-10 35, Green 17 0-0 18, Krstic 4-8 0-0 8, Westbrook 5-14 0-15, Seferlosha 4-5 0-0 10,

Collison 3-3 2-2 8, Harden 3-7 4-6 11, Ibaka 1-2 0-0 2, Maynor 3-4 0-1 7, Totals 43-79 14-19 110.

WASHINGTON (98)
 Butler 3-11 3-10, Jamison 12-25 3-4 28, Hayward 7-9 2-2 16, Arenas 8-20 4-5 24, Foye 5-13 0-0 12, Young 0-1 0-0 0, Blatche 2-7 2-6, McGuire 0-1 0-0 0, Boykins 0-5 2-2 2, Totals 37-92 16-20 98.

OKLAHOMA CITY 20, WASHINGTON 98 - 110
 3-Point Goals-OKlahoma City 10-18 (Durant 3-6, Seferlosha 2-2, Green 2-6, Harden 1-1, Maynor 1-1, Westbrook 1-2), Washington 8-18 (Arenas 4-8, Foye 2-5, Jamison 1-1, Butler 1-3, Boykins 0-1), Fouled Out-None, Rebounds-OKlahoma City 51 (Durant 11), Washington 49 (Blatche 9), Assists-OKlahoma City 23 (Westbrook 10), Washington 20 (Arenas 8), Total Fouls-OKlahoma City 14, Washington 18, Technicals-Washington defensive three second, A-17,152 (20,173).

SPURS 117, TIMBERWOLVES 99

MINNESOTA (99)
 Wilkins 3-9 1-1 7, Love 5-11 8-8 18, A.Jefferson 8-16 4-4 20, Flynn 7-14 2-12, Brewer 5-13 4-5 14, Hollins 2-5 2-2 6, Gomes 0-3 0-0 0, Ellington 3-8 1-1 8, Sessions 0-5 1-2 1, Cardinal 0-0 0-0 0, Pavlovic 2-6 0-0 6, Jawaii 1-1 0-2 1, Totals 36-91 23-25 99.

SAN ANTONIO (117)
 R.Jefferson 10-17 0-0 24, Duncan 5-11 7-8 17, Blair 3-7 5-8 11, Parker 3-8 9-9 12, Bogans 2-3 2-2 7, McDyeys 2-5 0-0 4, Mason 7-14 0-1 8, Ginobili 5-11 1-1 14, Hill 1-4 2-2 4, Hairston 1-3 0-0 2, Ratliff 1-2 0-0 2, Haislip 1-1 0-1 2, Totals 41-86 23-31 117.

Minnesota 28, San Antonio 117 - 99
 3-Point Goals-Minnesota 4-12 (Favlovic 2-3, Ellington 1-3, Flynn 1-3, Love 0-1, Wilkins 0-1, Brewer 0-1, San Antonio 12-24 (R.Jefferson 4-7, Mason 4-7, Ginobili 3-6, Bogans 1-2, Hairston 0-1, Hill 0-1), Fouled Out-None, Rebounds-Minnesota 53 (Love 12), San Antonio 57 (Duncan 10), Assists-Minnesota 11 (A.Jefferson 3), San Antonio 32 (Ginobili 10), Total Fouls-Minnesota 24, San Antonio 20, A-18,581 (18,779).

Monday's Late NBA Boxes

76ERS 104, TRAIL BLAZERS 93
PHILADELPHIA (104)
 Iguodala 6-13 0-0 14, Young 2-5 0-0 4, Dalembert 7-9 0-0 14, Williams 3-9 3-9 19, Iverson 7-11 5-7 19, Holiday 0-4 0-0 0, Brand 11-16 3-5 25, Smith 0-6 0-0 0, Carney 0-1 0-0 0, Speights 7-8 0-0 14, Ivey 2-4 0-0 5, Totals 45-78 11-16 104.

PORTLAND (93)
 Webster 2-7 2-6, Aldridge 7-16 3-6 17, Howard 3-5 0-0 6, Miller 4-7 3-3 11, Roy 9-20 3-7 24, Blake 4-10 0-0 10, Pendergraph 4-5 3-4 11, Bayless 0-7 2-2, Cunningham 2-6 2-2, Totals 35-83 18-26 93.

Philadelphia 21, Portland 93 - 104
 3-Point Goals-Philadelphia 3-10 (Iguodala 2-4, Ivey 1-3, Carney 0-1, Young 0-1, Williams 0-1), Portland 5-15 (Roy 3-8, Blake 2-5, Webster 0-2), Fouled Out-None, Rebounds-Philadelphia 48 (Brand 9), Portland 46 (Aldridge 12), Assists-Philadelphia 25 (Iguodala 9), Portland 19 (Miller 7), Total Fouls-Philadelphia 22, Portland 16, Technicals-Philadelphia defensive three second, A-20,460 (19,980).

KINGS 106, NUGGETS 101

DENVER (101)
 Anthony 15-35 3-7 34, Ken.Martin 4-11 2-4 10, Nene 8-11 9-14 25, Lawson 5-13 2-12, Affalo 2-6 0-0 5, Smith 1-9 2-4 4, Andersen 2-3 2-4 6, Carter 2-6 0-0 5, Totals 39-94 20-35 101.

SACRAMENTO (106)
 Cassi 4-9 2-4 11, Thompson 5-12 5-5 15, Hawes 3-7 0-0 6, Udrih 7-17 3-4 17, Greene 6-9 4-4 17, Thomas 0-1 0-0 0, Nocioni 6-7 5-6 21, Rodriguez 2-11 2-4 6, Udoka 3-4 0-2 7, Brockman 1-3 4-4 6, Totals 37-80 25-33 106.

Denver 32, Sacramento 106 - 101
 3-Point Goals-Denver 3-12 (Carter 1-2, Anthony 1-2, Affalo 1-3, Lawson 0-2, Smith 0-3), Sacramento 7-14 (Nocioni 4-5, Udoka 1-3, Cassi 1-3, Greene 1-3, Udrih 0-1, Rodriguez 0-1), Fouled Out-Smith, Rebounds-Denver 59 (Ken.Martin 12), Sacramento 62 (Thompson 11), Assists-Denver 17 (Lawson 6), Sacramento 22 (Udrih 7), Total Fouls-Denver 27, Sacramento 26, Technicals-Smith, A-14,548 (13,717).

WARRIORS 103, CELTICS 99

BOSTON (99)
 R.Allen 10-21 3-5 24, Garnett 7-14 2-16, Perkins 4-5 0-2 8, Radmanovic 9-20 7-9 30, T.Allen 6-6 0-1 6, Wallace 2-5 0-0 6, Davis 1-5 1-3 3, House 2-6 1-1 6, Scalabrine 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 40-80 14-21 99.

GOLDEN STATE (103)
 Maggette 4-9 5-6 13, Randolph 7-15 4-18, Biedrins 0-4 0-0 0, Curry 0-4 0-0 0, Ellis 15-26 6-8 37, Hunter 0-2 0-0 0, Turial 2-4 1-5 5, Watson 4-6 2-4 11, Morrow 5-7 1-3, Radmanovic 3-9 0-0 6, Totals 40-87 19-29 103.

Boston 35, Golden State 103 - 99
 3-Point Goals-Boston 5-19 (Wallace 2-5, Rondo 1-3, House 1-4, Allen 1-1), Golden State 4-13 (Morrow 2-3, Watson 1-3, Ellis 1-3), Maggette 0-1, Curry 0-1, Radmanovic 0-2, Fouled Out-None, Rebounds-Boston 52 (Perkins 14), Golden State 52 (Radmanovic 10), Assists-Boston 28 (Rondo 15), Golden State 21 (Watson 7), Total Fouls-Boston 24, Golden State 20, Technicals-Perkins, Boston defensive three second, Turial, Golden State defensive three second, A-19,259 (19,596).

Men's College Scores

FAR WEST
 Boise St. 76, NW Nazarene 58
 Central 99, Westminster, Pa. 75
 New Mexico 90, Texas Tech 75
 St. Scholastica 62, Nebraska Wesleyan 43
 Stephen F.Austin 73, Howard 50
 Utah 69, UTSA 47
 Utah St. 78, W. Oregon 42

MIDWEST
 Bradley 67, Drake 59
 Dayton 74, Boston U. 60
 Ill.-Chicago 66, Toledo 52
 Illinois St. 72, Wichita St. 57
 Kansas St. 85, Cleveland St. 56
 Minnesota 75, Penn. St. 70
 Mississippi 90, Jacksonville 60
 N. Iowa 60, Creighton 52
 Nebraska 94, S. Utah 61
 North Dakota 69, S. Olaf 58
 Ohio 71, Elon 59
 Purdue 67, Iowa 56
 S. Illinois 70, Indiana St. 52
 Saint Louis 65, E. Illinois 42
 Xavier 89, LSU 65

SOUTHWEST
 Arkansas St. 98, Central Baptist 60
 Louisiana Tech 99, Houston 94
 Oklahoma St. 66, Pacific 50
 Rice 75, McNeese St. 62
 North Dakota 65, Gardner-Webb 63
 Texas St. 95, Texas Lutheran 70

SOUTH
 Auburn 77, Charleston Southern 62
 Charlotte 91, Mercer 80
 Clemson 70, S. Carolina St. 67
 Coastal Carolina 76, Georgia Southern 64
 Duke 84, Long Beach 53
 Georgia Tech 78, Winston-Salem 43
 High Point 70, N.C. Central 58
 Holstra 67, Florida Atlantic 63
 Kennesaw St. 79, Fordham 66
 Kentucky 104, Hartford 61
 Mississippi 90, Jacksonville 60
 N.C. State 68, Winthrop St. 75
 Stetson 72, Florida Gulf Coast 64
 Va. Commonwealth 82, East Carolina 74

EAST
 Cornell 78, La Salle 75
 Delaware 82, Lafayette 72, OT
 Fairleigh 65, St. Francis, NY 58
 Rhode Island 80, Drexel 79
 Siena 92, Saint Joseph's 75
 West Virginia 63, Marquette 62

TOURNAMENT
 Cable Car Classic
 First Round
 Northeastern 62, Santa Clara 50
 Colliers International Golden Bear Classic
 Third Place
 Furman 77, Utah Valley 69
 Don Haskins Sun Bowl Invitational

GAME PLAN LOCAL

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

2 p.m.
 CSI vs. Howard College (Texas), at Phoenix, Ariz.
HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL
 3:30 p.m.
 Bishop Kelly at Jerome
HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL
 2 p.m.
 Bishop Kelly at Jerome

TV SCHEDULE

2:30 p.m.
 ESPN - Humanitarian Bowl, Bowling Green vs. Idaho, at Boise 6 p.m.
 ESPN - Holiday Bowl, Arizona vs. Nebraska, at San Diego
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
 5 p.m.
 ESPN2 - Connecticut at Cincinnati
 7 p.m.
 ESPN2 - Baylor vs. Arkansas, at Little Rock, Ark.
NBA BASKETBALL
 6 p.m.
 FSN - Utah at Minnesota

Third Place
 Niagara 80, Norfolk St. 69
Dr Pepper Classic
 Chattanooga 76, Long Island U. 59
 E. Kentucky 76, Carolina 77
UCF Holiday Classic
 Jacksonville 83, Buffalo 73
 UCF 82, Liberty 58

USA Today/ESPN Women's Top 25 Poll
 The top 25 teams in the USA Today-ESPN Women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 28, total games based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous rankings:

Rank	Team	W-L	Pts	Pvs
1	Connecticut	31	775	1
2	Stanford	9-1	724	2
3	Nor Dame	10-0	717	3
4	Tennessee	10-1	675	4
5	Baylor	11-1	639	5
6	OhioSt.	11-1	615	6
7	North Carolina	8-0	574	7
8	Duke	12-0	534	9
9	Texas A&M	10-1	496	10
10	FloridaSt.	11-2	439	11
12	LSU	10-1	399	12
13	Xavier	9-2	393	13
14	Nebraska	11-0	391	14
15	Oklahoma St.	9-2	324	15
16	Vanderbilt	11-1	295	16
17	ArizonaSt.	8-3	240	17
18	Pittsburgh	10-1	221	19
19	West Virginia	11-1	204	21
20	Wisconsin-Green Bay	11-0	146	23
21	Virginia	8-1	144	20
22	Texas	8-3	120	22
23	Syracuse	11-0	104	24
24	MichiganSt.	9-4	86	18
25	James Madison	8-1	48	25

Others receiving votes: Kansas 34, Dayton 32, Johns 22, Kentucky 19, Iowa State 16, Georgia Tech 15, TCU 14, Gardner-Webb 11, Oklahoma State 11, Miami 10, Georgetown 9, DePaul 8, Michigan 7, East Carolina 6, Maryland 6, Temple 6, Vermont 6, Southern Methodist 4, Wisconsin 4, Northwestern 3, St. Bonaventure 3, Tulsa 3, Gonzaga 1, Hartford 1.

Women's College Scores

FAR WEST
 Arizona 86, Alabama A&M 50
 Cal Poly 94, Seattle 66
 Colorado St. 78, Cent. Arkansas 62
 Portland 78, Utah Valley 40

MIDWEST
 Bradley 72, Saint Louis 66
 Chicago St. 78, Cent. Arkansas 62
 Cincinnati 51, Wright St. 45
 E. Michigan 73, Cleveland St. 61
 Iowa St. 66, W. Missouri 55
 North Dakota 82, Ill.-Chicago 55
 Oakland, Mich. 73, Rochester, Mich. 25
 Wichita St. 68, Ark.-Pine Bluff 56

SOUTHWEST
 Arkansas 106, Sam Houston St. 78
 Oklahoma St. 68, W. Illinois 55
 UTSA 79, Maine 71

SOUTH
 Coastal Carolina 61, Elon 49
 Coll. of Charleston 64, Charleston Southern 59
 Davidson 64, Newberry 55
 Florida Gulf Coast 80, Bethune-Cookman 48
 Louisiana Tech 65, Stephen F.Austin 61
 Louisville 91, IPFW 62
 Marshall 68, Murray St. 58
 Maryland 62, UNC Wilmington 61
 Mississippi 87, Centenary 38
 North Carolina 89, Kennesaw St. 44
 Notre Dame 85, UCF 52
 Toledo 77, Morehead St. 61
 UNC-Greensboro 45, Georgia Southern 42

EAST
 Duquesne 72, Pittsburgh 63
 Marist 85, Harvard 70
 Mount St. Mary's, Md. 60, Penn 48
 Rhode Island 58, Dartmouth 57
 St. John's 69, Northwestern 53
 UMKC 66, Fairleigh 63
 Vermont 74, Dayton 65

TOURNAMENT
 Christmas City Classic
 First Round
 Lehigh 69, Wagner 43
 St. Bonaventure 69, IUPUI 39

FIU Sun & Fun Classic
 Championship
 Georgia Tech 68, Fla. International 57

Third Place
 Hampton 68, Bryant 48

Fordham Holiday Classic
 Championship
 East Carolina 86, Binghamton 82

Third Place
 UMBCC 62, Fordham 56

Georgia State Invitational
 First Round
 Georgia St. 61, Tenn.-Martin 32
 Mid.-Eastern Shore 61, MVSU 49

Hatter Classic
 Championship

St. Francis, Pa. 60, American U. 57
Third Place
 Buffalo 65, Stetson 53

Hawk Classic
 Championship
 Saint Joseph's 71, Boston U. 58

Third Place
 South Carolina 73, Brown 46

Holy Holiday Classic
 First Round
 La Salle 65, Holy Cross 51
 Monmouth, N.J. 61, Howard 50

Hilton Garden Classic
 First Round
 Charlotte 66, Cent. Connecticut St. 51
 Virginia Tech 67, N.J. Tech 51

UMI Invitational
 First Round
 James Madison 86, Lafayette 54
 W. Michigan 64, UNC Asheville 53

Mariott Cavalier Classic
 Championship
 Virginia 63, Liberty 54

Third Place
 Samford 62, Cornell 46

SPC Holiday Classic
 First Round
 Chattanooga 78, Richmond 69, 20T
 St. Peter's 55, Morgan St. 51

Tulane Doubletree Classic
 Third Place
 Long Island U. 83, North Dakota 62

UM Holiday Tournament
 Championship
 Texas 76, Miami 65

Third Place
 Quinnipiac 90, Cent. Michigan 7

Leach seeks court order to coach Alamo Bowl

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — The lawyer for Mike Leach says the suspended Texas Tech coach did nothing wrong in how he treated a player with a "mild" concussion, and Leach is seeking a court's help to allow him to coach in the Alamo Bowl on Jan. 2.

The motion for a temporary restraining order was filed Tuesday in Lubbock. An in-chambers hearing was set for 8:30 a.m. Wednesday in the 99th District Court.

University officials suspended Leach on Monday while the school investigates a complaint from receiver Adam James and his family. James is the son of former NFL player Craig James, now a television sports analyst for ESPN.

A person close to James with direct knowledge of the situation alleges the player was twice forced to stand in a small, dark place while the team practiced. The person spoke to The AP on the condition on anonymity because of the sensitive nature of the complaint.

A person close to the inquiry said Leach was "begged to work something

out to avoid a confrontation." The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the investigation is ongoing.

That person also said Leach late last week postponed a meeting related to the inquiry and refused to sign a letter saying "no one injured would be returned to work out without doctors' permission."

The school's attorney left a voice mail message with Leach's attorney that the university needed a letter of apology by noon Monday, the person said.

It did not arrive.

"That's when they made the decision to suspend (Leach), thinking that would bring him to his senses," the person said.

Jerry Turner, vice chairman of the university system's board of regents, declined to comment on whether, if true, the incidents might lead to Leach's departure.

"We haven't gotten to that point, of course," Turner said. "This is an ongoing inquiry, and I certainly do not want to prejudice the results of the inquiry."

UCLA ruins Temple's bowl return

WASHINGTON (AP) — Temple's first bowl game in 30 years was ruined by the Bruins.

Akeem Ayers returned an interception 2 yards for a go-ahead touchdown in the fourth quarter and UCLA shut down Temple in the second half for a 30-21 victory Tuesday in the EagleBank Bowl.

The Bruins (7-6) rallied from a 21-7 first-half deficit to finish with a winning record for the first time since 2006. That mini-slump by UCLA pales in comparison to the decades of futility endured by the Owls (9-4), whose only previous bowl appearances in school history were the inaugural Sugar Bowl in 1935 and the Garden State Bowl in 1979.

UCLA braved the freezing temperatures and a wind chill in the teens to overcome a sluggish start. Kevin Prince completed 16 of 31 passes for 221 yards with two touchdowns and one interception. His



UCLA tight end Logan Paulsen (86) runs with the ball against Temple safety Dominique Harris (6) during the first quarter of the EagleBank Bowl on Tuesday in Washington. AP photo

counterpart, Vaughn Charlton, had more interceptions (two) than completed passes (one) in the second half.

The Bruins had pulled within 21-20 before Ayers stepped in front of Charlton's screen pass and strolled into the end zone with 6:01 to play. It was Ayers who also had one of the most amazing interceptions of the college football season in October, when he leaped to snag a

pass in the back of the end zone in a loss to Oregon.

The Bruins got a 2-point conversion, then added two more when Temple snapped the ball over its punter's head and out of the own end zone for a safety with 4:29 remaining.

Temple sputtered in the second half minus its star running back, Bernard Pierce. The freshman, who ran for more than 1,300 yards and scored 15 TDs despite missing most of the

last two games with an injured shoulder, was hurt again. He sat out as the Owls squandered a lead he helped build with another touchdown run.

The temperature was 32 at kickoff with the wind chill at 19, and it only got colder as the evening wore on — hardly the ideal setting for a team from southern California. By contrast, Temple coach Al Golden didn't even wear a coat for most of the day.

Wisconsin bullies past Miami in Champs Sports Bowl

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — All that Miami speed was no match for the big, bad Badgers.

John Clay had 121 yards rushing and two touchdowns, powering No. 24 Wisconsin past 14th-ranked Miami 20-14 in the Champs Sports Bowl on Tuesday night.

Clay ran through, over and around the Hurricanes to help the Badgers (10-3) earn their first victory over a ranked opponent this season and claim a big win for the Big Ten.

Scott Tolzien threw for 260 yards, and Montee Ball added 61 yards rushing for a Wisconsin team touted as too big and too slow for the dynamic Hurricanes.

Miami's Jacory Harris struggled before throwing a touchdown pass to Thearon Collier with 1:22 remaining. The Hurricanes recovered the onside kick, but Harris threw incomplete on fourth



AP photo

down to end any hope of a comeback.

Harris, who threw for 188 yards, was slowed by an injured right thumb, brace around his left leg and a Badgers team that smothered him with four sacks. Miami also lost Graig

Cooper to a right knee injury in the second quarter.

The Hurricanes (9-4) will have to wait at least another year to end their drought of 10-win seasons. The Badgers made sure of that. Even if they didn't show it at the start.

Cooper took a reverse from Sam Shields on the opening kickoff, zipped up the middle, then cut down the left sideline for a touchdown. But an illegal block in the back on the play returned the ball to the Wisconsin 16-yard line.

Cooper was credited with an 84-yard return, a Hurricanes bowl record. He had a 16-yard touchdown run on the next play that gave Miami the lead 23 seconds into the game.

That was about the only thing that went wrong for the Badgers.

Their big and bulky lines bullied the speedy Hurricanes, whose all white jerseys — almost all complete with long sleeves on the brisk 50-degree night — parted to a sea of Wisconsin red on both sides of the ball.

Clay had all sorts of seams to run through, and he bulldozed his way to the rest of his yards.

Idaho

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The Vandals' first post-season action since winning this same bowl in 1998 comes three years and 10 days after Akey was hired away from Washington State. The first two seasons of his tenure were rocky at best — UI went 3-21 with just one Western Athletic Conference conquest.

But somewhere along the way, something clicked. Players stopped bickering, talent started to trickle in and the coaching staff stopped its usual offseason shuffle.

The stability and chemistry have helped Idaho notch five more wins than last year. Still, the Vandals come into today trying to expunge unpleasant memories from the past month-plus of the season.

They lost four of their last five games and were forced to wait longer than they would have liked to get an invite to the H-Bowl. The latter portion of the season came in sharp contrast to September and October, when the Vandals rocketed to a five-game winning streak and a 6-1 record.

How do they rediscover their early October form?

"I think we need to just start early," quarterback Nathan Enderle said. "We had some come-from-behind games, but you don't want to force yourself to do that because it's difficult."

In the last five weeks of the season, Idaho was outscored 94-21 in the first quarter. UI's only win in that stretch

came against Louisiana Tech when it erased a 13-point deficit in the last 6 minutes.

While most of the blame for the poor starts has gone to Idaho's 105th-ranked defense, Enderle sees things differently.

"First and second quarter, we're just not scoring enough points," he said. "You can't go into halftime down by two touchdowns and expect to win every game. So we really need to stay away from that."

Like Idaho, Bowling Green is 7-5 and comes into the game with questions on defense. But the Falcons also have the offensive prowess to make for what could be an entertaining pre-New Year's Eve fireworks show.

BGSU has the eighth-ranked passing offense in the county — three spots ahead of Idaho. Most of its aerial salvos have come via quarterback Tyler Sheehan connections to All-America receiver Freddie Barnes. The 6-foot senior needs just five catches to set an NCAA single-season record with 143 receptions.

Barnes is likely to get a bucket full of catches today, but Idaho coach Robb Akey is more concerned with pressuring Sheehan and keeping BGSU's big plays to a manageable amount.

"If you're playing a passing team, the more you can get out of your pass rush, the more effective it's going to be," Akey said. "I'm going to tell you, the best coverage you can have is a great pass rush."

Lapray

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night deadline crunch. This week, I have a lot of goals for coverage at the *Times-News*. I hope to spew forth everything I take in, with poise and energy requisite of such a task. It all won't go into the paper, so ya'll better read the blog too, (bsu.magicvalleysites.com) because I will be blasting away on that thing all week long.

The one thing I know for sure is that if there are answers to this game, I just don't know them yet. We've all been talking for weeks about this matchup between disrespected juggernauts colliding on the sliding University of Phoenix Field. I know that these two teams are terrific in their own ways, and hope to tell some stories this week that may or may not uncover some of the reasons why neither lost a game this season.

Dynamic, brilliant coaches led these two teams, both lauded and tested and always finding ways to pass every examination.

These are not teams, but programs facing off in Phoenix. They represent

institutions of higher learning, each with its own niche in their home cities. These are programs with core values installed and future schedules to combat.

But this week, it's all about the matchup, about game plans and coaches bracing their brains to find weak links in heavy armor. I will get into all that beautiful stuff as the week progresses.

This week is also about the thousands of fans who will fly and caravan into this warm valley, cooled by winter's low pressures. I plan to talk to as many of those folks as possible (find their stories on the blog page).

As we break in a brand-new year, a great decade, we will discover a great many things about these teams, these fans and hopefully I too will be bettered by it. There is nothing that compares to this bowl game, from the hospitality and the venue to the city and its dynamic sunsets.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No. ID-09-328338-TD On 4/8/2010, at 11:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho: In the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, 1411 Fillmore Street., Suite 600 Twin Falls, ID 83301, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee on behalf of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 8, Block 3, Twin Springs subdivision No.2, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof recorded in book 17 of plats, page 4, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **348 LENORE STREET, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **LOIS SHOEMAKER, SOLE AND SEPARATE** as Grantor/Trustor, in which WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, A WASHINGTON CORPORATION, is named as Beneficiary and TITLEFACT, A IDAHO CORPORATION as Trustee and recorded 6/2/2004 as Instrument No. 2004A-011889 in book xxx, page xxx of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 5/28/2004. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,814.50, due per month for the months of 8/1/2009 through 11/30/2009, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$220,030.84 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 4.0600 per cent (%) per annum from 7/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: 12/7/2009 By: Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington, as Agent 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 Tara Donzella, Assistant Vice President *For Sale Information Call: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelityasap.com if you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 3370801

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FMB-87291 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 6, 2010, at the hour of 01:00 PM of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 425 SHOSHONE STREET NORTH, TWIN FALLS, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho, to-wit: THAT PART OF LOT 10 IN BLOCK 2 OF MUNYON'S SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 13 OF PLATS, PAGE 15, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT 162 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 10 IN BLOCK 2 OF MUNYON'S SUBDIVISION; THENCE SOUTH TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 10 A DISTANCE OF 56 FEET 3.6 INCHES; THENCE WEST 198.9 FEET; THENCE NORTH 56 FEET 3.6 INCHES; THENCE EAST 198.9 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **830 IDAHO STREET A/K/A 830 IDAHO AVENUE, FILER, ID 83328**, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **TODD DERRICK AND RUTH ANN DERRICK, HUSBAND AND WIFE**, as Grantor, to CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE CO., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B., A FEDERALLY CHARTERED SAVINGS BANK, as Beneficiary, dated 8/11/2006, recorded 8/16/2006, under Instrument No. 2006-020557, Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of the Home Equity Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Trust Series INABS 2006-D, Home Equity Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series INABS 2006-D under the Pooling and Servicing agreement dated Sept 1, 2006. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 8/11/2006. THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 8/1/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of November 30, 2009 Delinquent Payments from August 01, 2009 (08-01-09 through 11-30-09) 4 payments at \$538.31 each \$2,153.24 Late Charges: \$43.56 Beneficiary Advances: \$2,211.24 Suspense Credit: \$-391.35 TOTAL: \$4,016.69 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$65,796.46, together with interest thereon at 6.500% per annum from 7/1/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 11/30/2009. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CO 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 SEATTLE, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.trustee.com ASAP# 3369535

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FHF-87703 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 14, 2010, at the hour of 12:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE CASSIA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1459 OVERLAND AVENUE, BURLEY, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of CASSIA, State of Idaho, to-wit: TOWNSHIP 14 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, CASSIA COUNTY, IDAHO SECTION 5: PART OF THE E1/2NE1/4, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING 1193.3 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 5; THENCE RUNNING SOUTH 350 FEET; THENCE WEST 200 FEET; THENCE NORTH 350 FEET; THENCE EAST 200 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **295 SOUTH COLLEGE STREET, OAKLEY, ID 83346**, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **ELIAS V. PAZ AND GOLDIE M. PAZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE**, as Grantor, to Land Title And Escrow, Inc., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III, as Beneficiary, dated 7/30/2007, recorded 8/1/2007, under Instrument No. 2007-317380, Mortgage records of CASSIA County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 7/30/2007, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 5/3/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of December 8, 2009 Delinquent Payments from May 03, 2009 3 payments at \$1,109.82 each \$3,329.46 5 payments at \$1,263.41 each \$6,317.05 (05-03-09 through 12-08-09) Late Charges: \$0.00 Beneficiary Advances: \$0.00 Suspense Credit: \$0.00 TOTAL: \$9,646.51 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$176,189.78, together with interest thereon at 5.250% per annum from 4/3/2009 to 8/3/2009, 5.250% per annum from 8/3/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 12/8/2009 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.trustee.com ASAP# 3377958

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 09-0140443 Title Order No. 090662630IDGNO Parcel No: RP08S16E158580A The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the front lobby of Land Title & Escrow located at 237 N. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338, on 04/12/2010 at 10:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 09/24/2004 as Instrument Number 2045104, and executed by **CALVIN R KECK, AND KRISTY KECK, HUSBAND AND WIFE**, as Grantor (s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Jerome County, state of Idaho: Township 8 South, Range 16, East of the Boise Meridian, Jerome County, Idaho Section 15: That part of the SW1/4SE1/4, described as follows: BEGINNING at the South Quarter corner of Section 15; Thence North 0°09' West, 630.52 feet along the Westerly boundary of SW1/4SE1/4; Thence North 83°04' East, 110.62 feet along the centerline of a 50.00 feet in width access road to the center of the Northside Canal Company 'J' Coulee and the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence North 89°06'07" East, 193.08 feet along the center of said 50.00 feet access road; Thence South 2°19' East, 25.00 feet to the Southerly boundary of said access road; Thence North 81°39'25" East, 157.20 feet along the Southerly boundary of said access road; Thence North 6°04' West, 677.63 feet along an existing fence to the center of said 'J' Coulee; Thence along the center of the 'J' Coulee the following courses: South 49°07'08" West, 68.48 feet; South 19°24'36" West, 329.43 feet; South 51°49'23" West, 194.03 feet; South 10°44'52" East, 202.79 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. Parcel 2: Together with the following described access easement: COMMENCING at the South quarter corner of Section 15; Thence North 0°09' West, 630.52 feet along the Westerly boundary of SW1/4SE1/4 to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence along the center of a 50.00 feet in width easement North 83°04' East, 110.62 feet; Thence 76.60 feet along the arc of a curve left, having a radius of 57.87 feet and a Delta angle of 75°50'20"; Thence North 7°13'40" East, 7.78 feet; Thence 130.66 feet along the arc of a curve right, having a radius of 95.49 feet and a Delta angle of 78°23'50"; Thence North 85°37'30" East, 192.81 feet to the Easterly boundary of aforesaid parcel of land. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purpose of compliance with Idaho Code, Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the street address of, **12 NORTH 250 WEST, JEROME, ID 83338-5360** is sometimes associated with said real property. Bidders must be prepared to tender the trustee the full amount of the bid at the sale in the form of cash, or a cashier's check drawn on a state or federally insured savings institution. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust. The default for which this sale is to be made is: Failure to pay the monthly payment due 05/20/2009 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 5.500% per annum; together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust, and any supplemental modifications thereto. The principal balance owing as of this date on said obligation is \$44,097.52, plus interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations thereunder and in this sale, together with any unpaid and/or accruing real property taxes, and/or assessments, attorney's fees, trustee's fees and costs, and any other amount advanced to protect said security, as authorized in the promissory note secured by the aforementioned Deed of Trust. Therefore, the Beneficiary elects to sell, or cause said trust property to be sold, to satisfy said obligation. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT THE DEBT MAY BE DISPUTED. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a) IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. DATED: 12/02/2009 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 2380 Performance Drive, TX2-985-07-03 Bldg D RGV-07-450 Richardson, TX 80028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-6219 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. Successor Trustee /S/ Deedra Williams ASAP# 3364103

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FMS-85775 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 13, 2010, at the hour of 01:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 425 SHOSHONE STREET NORTH, TWIN FALLS, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho, to-wit: LOT 25, BLOCK 1, MAGIC VALLEY RANCH SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 15 OF PLATS, PAGE 32, RECORDS OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **1473 SADDLER STREET, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301**, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **JASON E. JEFFERS AND YVONNE M. JEFFERS, HUSBAND AND WIFE**, as Grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR EQUIFIRST CORPORATION, as Beneficiary, dated 5/25/2007, recorded 6/6/2007, under Instrument No. 2007A013652, Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS GRANTOR TRUSTEE OF THE PROTIUM MASTER GRANTOR TRUST. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 5/25/2007, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 7/1/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of December 7, 2009 Delinquent Payments from July 01, 2009 6 payments at \$1,230.00 each \$7,380.00 (07-01-09 through 12-07-09) Late charges: \$278.40 Beneficiary Advances: \$124.03 Suspense Credit: \$0.00 TOTAL: \$7,782.43 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$138,048.52, together with interest thereon at 9.400% per annum from 6/1/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 12/7/2009 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.trustee.com ASAP# 3377949 12/23/2009, 12/30/2009, 01/06/2010, 01/13/2010 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's Sale No. 02-FMS-85775 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 13, 2010, at the hour of 01:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 425 SHOSHONE STREET NORTH, TWIN FALLS, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho, to-wit: LOT 25, BLOCK 1, MAGIC VALLEY RANCH SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 15 OF PLATS, PAGE 32, RECORDS OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **1473 SADDLER STREET, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301**, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **JASON E. JEFFERS AND YVONNE M. JEFFERS, HUSBAND AND WIFE**, as Grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR EQUIFIRST CORPORATION, as Beneficiary, dated 5/25/2007, recorded 6/6/2007, under Instrument No. 2007A-013652. Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS GRANTOR TRUSTEE OF THE PROTIUM MASTER GRANTOR TRUST. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 5/25/2007, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 7/1/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. 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DATED: 12/7/2009 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.trustee.com ASAP# 3377949

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
MINICO HIGH SCHOOL RE-ROOFING**

Sealed bids will be received by Minidoka County Joint School District No. 331, Rupert, Idaho until 4:00 p.m. prevailing local time on Wednesday, January 14, 2009 for RE-ROOFING OF MINICO HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM BUILDING, at the Minidoka County School District Office, 633 Fremont Avenue, Rupert, Idaho 83350. Contractors wishing to submit bids must hold a current Public Works Contractors License, commensurate with the size of contract and must submit a Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of the total bid amount, including any add alternates with the bid. Proposals will be opened and publicly read at the above hour and date.

A description of the work of this project can be summarized to include the re-roofing of several roof areas at the existing school buildings. Licensed general, mechanical, plumbing and electrical contractors may obtain Drawings and Specifications from the Architect, Leatham-Krohn-Van Ocker Architects, 2400 E Riverwalk Drive, Boise, Idaho, 83705 (336-3443) for a refundable document deposit of \$100.00.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 6, 2009 beginning at Minico High School. **Bidders are highly encouraged to attend.**

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject or to select any portion thereof any or all bids and to waive any technicality. No bid may be withdrawn after the bid opening unless the awarding of the bid is delayed for a period exceeding sixty (60) days.

PUBLISH: December 23 and 30, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No. ID-09-328339-TD On 4/8/2010, at 11:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho: In the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, 1411 Fillmore Street., Suite 600 Twin Falls, ID 83301. Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee on behalf of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 9, Block 3, Twin Springs Subdivision No.2, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof recorded in Book 17 of Plats, Page 4, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **378 LENORE STREET, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **LOIS SHOEMAKER, SOLE AND SEPARATE** as Grantor/Trustor, in which WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, A WASHINGTON CORPORATION, is named as Beneficiary and TITLEFACT INC. AN IDAHO CORPORATION as Trustee and recorded 6/2/2004 as Instrument No. 2004-011886 in book xxx, page xxx of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 5/28/2004. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of \$1,743.18, due per month for the months of 8/1/2009 through 11/30/2009, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$220,068.51 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 4.0600 per cent (%) per annum from 7/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes; assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: 12/7/2009 By: Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington, as Agent 2141 5th Avenue San Diego CA 92101 Tara Donzella, Assistant Vice President for Sale Information Call: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelitasap.com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. **THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 3371383

PUBLISH: December 23, 30, 2009, January 6 and 13, 2010

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FMG-87475 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 6, 2010, at the hour of 01:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 425 SHOSHONE STREET NORTH, TWIN FALLS, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho, to-wit: LOT 14 IN BLOCK 128 OF TWIN FALLS TOWNSITE, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, RECORDED IN BOOK 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 7. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **422 4TH AVENUE WEST, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301**, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **STEPHANIE FULLENWIDER AND JOSHUA FULLENWIDER, WIFE AND HUSBAND**, as Grantor, to **SUSAN J. ROBINSON, IDAHO ATTORNEY**, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR WMC MORTGAGE CORP., as Beneficiary, dated 11/6/2006, recorded 11/7/2006, under Instrument No. 2006-028291. Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR WMC MORTGAGE CORP., THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 11/6/2006, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 3/1/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of November 30, 2009 Delinquent Payments: from March 01, 2009 (03-01-09 through 11-30-09) 3 payments at \$648.84 each \$1,946.52 3 payments at \$605.51 each \$1,816.53 3 payments at \$596.88 each \$1,790.64 Late Charges: \$261.18 Beneficiary Advances \$1,516.00 Suspense Credit: \$0.00 TOTAL: \$7,330.87 All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$60,431.82, together with interest thereon at 10.250% per annum from 2/1/2009 to 6/1/2009, 10.250% per annum from 6/1/2009 to 9/1/2009, 10.250% per annum from 9/1/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 11/30/2009. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee BY Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.rtrustee.com ASAP# 3369121

PUBLISH: December 16, 23, 30, 2009 and January 6, 2010

**OFFICIAL NOTICE OF ANNUAL OPEN PUBLIC MEETING
People for Pets Magic Valley Humane Society, Inc.
Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 6:00pm**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Open Public Meeting of **People for Pets- Magic Valley Humane Society, Inc.** will be held on **Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 6:00PM** at 420 Victory Avenue, Twin Falls, Idaho. There will be a financial report given, and other business conducted as may come before the group.

Kathleen Olmstead
People for Pets- Magic Valley Humane Society, Inc.
Vice President/Secretary

PUBLISH: Wednesday, December 30, 2009 and Wednesday, January 6, 2010.

**NOTICE OF HEARING
MINIDOKA COUNTY HIGHWAY DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minidoka County Highway District intends to sell property that the Highway District considers to be no longer useful to the District. The property at issue is the salvage material of the Jackson bridge which is currently being dismantled. At said hearing any person interested may appear and show cause that the above-described property should not be sold. Following said hearing, the Highway District anticipates selling portions of the surplus property at separate private sales if the portions to be sold do not exceed \$5,000.00 in value or by inviting public bids for portions of the salvage material that would exceed \$5,000.00 in value.

The public hearing will take place at the Minidoka County Highway District at 225 West 50 South, Rupert, Idaho 83350 at 7:30 a.m. On January 11, 2010.

MINIDOKA COUNTY HIGHWAY DISTRICT
By: Sylvia Tracy, Secretary
PUBLISH: December 30 and 31, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: December 11, 2009 File No.: 7301.25263 Sale date and time (local time): April 14, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: outside the main entrance of the Minidoka County Courthouse, 711 'G' Street Rupert, ID 83350 Property address: **615 South 4th Street Rupert, ID 83350** Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: **Juan Tovar**, a married man, as his sole and separate property Original trustee: Land Title and Escrow Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Aegis Wholesale Corporation Recording date: November 14, 2006 Recorder's instrument number: 487731 County: Minidoka Sum owing on the obligation: as of December 11, 2009: \$40,912.94 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Lot 4 in Block 8 of B.E. Smith's First Addition to the City of Rupert, Minidoka County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, now on file in the office of the County Recorder, Minidoka County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7301.25263) 1002.140629-FE1

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CALL FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Trustees, Cassia County Jt. School District No. 151, at the District Office Board Room, 237 East 19th Street, Burley, Idaho, until 11:30 a.m., prevailing local time, on January 6, 2010 for

**CLASSROOM ADDITION
DECLO ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 151
DECLO, IDAHO**

Proposals will be opened and publicly read at the above hour and date. Plans, specifications, proposal forms and other information are on file for examination at the following locations:

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| Jensen Barnard Architects
1501 Bench Road, Suite A
Pocatello, Idaho 83201 | Cassia County Jt. School District No. 151
237 East 19th Street
Burley, Idaho 83318 |
| McGraw-Hill Construction
1743 W. Alexander
Salt Lake City, Utah 84126 | McGraw-Hill Construction
5254 Chinden Blvd
Boise, Idaho 83714 |
| Associated General Contractors
Suite 984 John Adams Parkway
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401 | Associated General Contractors
1415 N. Filmore, Suite 703A
Twin Falls, Idaho 83301 |
| Idaho AGC
110 North 27th St.
Boise, Idaho 83702 | The Builder's Exchange
120 North 12th, #8
Pocatello, Idaho 83201 |

Two sets of documents may be obtained by licensed contractors from the Architect for a deposit of \$50.00. The deposit will be refunded upon return of the documents in good condition within ten days after the bid opening.

A bid bond in the amount of 5% of the total bid amount, including any add alternates, is required. All bids must be on the forms furnished, all blank spaces filled in, and signed with the name and address of the Bidder. No qualified bids will be read.

Proposals are required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 45 days after submission.

Under Section 54-1902, Idaho Code, all Prime Contractors, Subcontractors and/or Specialty Contractors must have a Public Works Contractors License issued by the State of Idaho, to bid on this project.

The owner reserves the right to waive any informalities, or to reject any or all bid proposals.
Pam Wade, Business Manager
School District No. 151

PUBLISH: December 23 and 30, 2009

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**CLASSROOM ADDITION
OAKLEY ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 151
OAKLEY, IDAHO**

Proposals will be opened and publicly read at the above hour and date. Plans, specifications, proposal forms and other information are on file for examination at the following locations:

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| Jensen Barnard Architects
1501 Bench Road, Suite A
Pocatello, Idaho 83201 | Cassia County Jt. School District No. 151
237 East 19th Street
Burley, Idaho 83318 |
| McGraw-Hill Construction
1743 W. Alexander
Salt Lake City, Utah 84126 | McGraw-Hill Construction
5254 Chinden Blvd
Boise, Idaho 83714 |
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Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401 | Associated General Contractors
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NEW TODAY

RENTAL PROPERTIES

**604
Unfurnished Apartments**

TWIN FALLS 2 bedroom, 1 bath, remodeled 1st floor. AC, carpet, fenced yard, no pets \$600. Call 208-731-8260

**607
Office and Retail Rentals**

NEED OFFICE SPACE?
Contact Walt Hess
Gem State Realty
208-410-2525

AGRICULTURE

**704
Pets and Pet Supplies**

FRENCH BULLDOG/Boston Terrier designer breed, puppies will be 8 wks. Jan 27th, 2 males, 2 females, \$500. Call 208-308-6836

POMERANIAN pups, purebred, 1 male, 2 females, 10 wks old, 1st shots. Call for details 539-5604

If you've lost that special pet, advertise to find them in the classifieds. They'll be home soon. 733-0931

MISCELLANEOUS

**816
Miscellaneous**

JEEP '60 Willys M38, \$1600. Imer Tile Saw Comb250, \$800. Coleman 5000 watt generator, \$375. Call 208-731-4296

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**101
Lost and Found**

FOUND Australian Shepherd puppy, found on Wednesday in the downtown area near 8th Ave in Twin Falls. To identify at 404-4676.

FOUND Beagle mix, male, missing patch of hair, tan/white, very well mannered, found on 2nd St. in Hayburn. Call 208-312-9094

FOUND Black female Schnauzer puppy and a silver stud on 3300. Call 208-539-9722

TRANSPORTATION

**1005
Semis And Heavy
Equipment**



FORD '91 F-800 with 6 yd dump bed, 7.8L 6 cyl diesel, Allison A7, PS, AC, 29,000 actual miles, one owner, well maintained, \$10,900. 208-320-4058

JOHN DEERE '99 310E backhoe, 4x4, cab, extend-a-hoe, AC, 2 buckets, 4200 hours, \$24,500. '99 Komatsu W140 backhoe, 4x4, cab, extend-a-hoe, auxiliary hydraulics, 100% rear, 60% front, 3200 hrs, \$24,500. '88 Cat 416 C backhoe, 4x4, cab, standard hoe, new tires, 2850 orig hrs, \$18,750. '79 Fiat Allis cab, 3 yd loader, 14,000 low hrs, \$14,500. '87 Case W20C, 2 yd loader, 8300 actual hrs, cab & heater, \$15,500. 12 T pin/le hitch with air brakes, \$3750. '97 goose neck 10 T 8' 25' deck winch, like new, \$6500. Austin Western 6WD load grader \$9500. '96 KW T600, N14 Cummins, like new, 16' rock box whigh lift, \$19,500. Call 208-406-6357.

**1008
SUVs**



JEEP '00 Cherokee Sport, clean, maintained, 4 door, V6, 120K miles, \$3500. 208-420-7699

**101
Lost and Found**

FOUND Key chain with the name Christina on it with 1 silver key. Found on Rock Creek Park. Call 732-5940 and leave message.

FOUND Lab mix puppy about 8 weeks old. Call 324-7346

FOUND Leatherman knife combination. Found east of Twin Falls. Call 208-733-8301

FOUND Motorola cell phone at the mall. Call to identify 208-731-1111.

FOUND Orange backpack on Dec. 26th at Galena Summit. Call 208-720-4360

LOST Purple IPOD with name on back. Lost at South Hills lights or ID Joe's on 12/21/09. 308-3207

LOST Womens diamond wedding ring, possibly at Shopko or in parking lot, white gold. 308-6252

**106
Special Notices**

BIRTHDAY PHOTOS
Have you forgotten to pickup your birthday photos? We have some photos we are sure you don't want us to toss. These can be picked up at The Times-News Classified Dept.

**107
Pregnancy
Alternatives**

Pregnant? Worried?
Free Pregnancy Tests
Confidential
208-734-7472

**108
Professional Services**

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: December 9, 2009 File No.: 7023.08537 Sale date and time (local time): April 12, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: outside the main entrance of the Minidoka County Courthouse, 711 'G' Street Rupert, ID 83350 Property address: **101 Pine Drive Rupert, ID 83350** Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust Information Original grantor: **Patty M. Zies**, an unmarried woman Original trustee: First American Title Company of Idaho, Inc. Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Amerigroup Mortgage Corporation, a division of Mortgage Investors Corporation Recording date: September 24, 2003 Recorder's instrument number: 468300 County: Minidoka Sum owing on the obligation: as of December 9, 2009: \$63,544.48 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Lot 8 in Block 5 of Vista Village Addition to the City of Rupert, Minidoka County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, now on file in the office of the County Recorder, Minidoka County, Idaho, recorded April 3, 1961 in Book 8 of Miscellaneous, page 376, Minidoka County records. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.08537) 1002.140465-FE1

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NOTICE OF PROGRAM SOLICITATION/NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act Title IV Emergency Shelter Grant Program 2010 Funding Cycle

Idaho Housing and Finance Association (IHFA) is accepting applications for Emergency Shelter Grant Program Funds (ESG) as authorized by Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act. The funds will be distributed on a competitive basis to eligible applicants. The State of Idaho is scheduled to receive approximately \$533,040.00 in Emergency Shelter Grant funds for the 2010 program year.

Eligible applicants are private non-profit organizations or units of general local government. Eligible activities under the ESG regulations are:

1. Rehabilitation/renovation/conversion of emergency shelters
 2. Essential services provided in conjunction with emergency shelters
 3. Operations and/or maintenance of emergency shelters
 4. Homeless prevention
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Doreen has a male friend in Florida with whom she communicates through letters and phone calls. Although she tells me she loves me, she also says that if this "friend" comes back and asks her out, she wants to be free to date him.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

I told her that most 72-year-olds would be happy to have one man to date, but if she plans on dating someone else, I should be free to do the same. Her last remark was for me to "be gentle with her." We are affectionate, loving friends, and I care about her a great deal.

Your observations, please.
— **EDDIE IN MAINE**

DEAR EDDIE: Your statement that if Doreen plans to date someone else, you should be free to do the same seems logical to me. Continue to have an affectionate, loving friendship with her — and by all means "be gentle" — but keep your options open and date others in the knowledge that if her snowbird flies home, she'll be billing and cooing with him, and you'll be flying solo.

DEAR ABBY: I have a big problem — my father-in-law, "Hal." He has lived with us more than eight years and has never contributed anything toward his keep. I asked him once to pay some rent, but he refused. This not only caused a rift between my wife and me, but her two siblings — who are well off — said Hal was "living on the poverty line," so we should keep him for nothing.

I wouldn't mind so much, but my wife has to clean up after him, do his laundry and take him to his medical appointments. More than that, having Hal underfoot all the time has completely destroyed our privacy.

Hal spends most of his pension buying presents for his other children who never even come to see him. All we get from him are complaints.

What do you suggest?
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DEAR RESENTFUL: Enough is enough. You and your wife are long overdue for a meeting with her siblings to discuss this problem. They should have started chipping in to pay for their father's care eight years ago and also seen to it that you have some respite. Unless and until this is brought out into the open, nothing will change.

DEAR ABBY: My wife, "Audrey" was molested by her step-grandfather when she was a little girl. She told her mother about it, but because of her age she wasn't taken seriously.

Audrey and I are now talking about starting a family. Abby, I am uncomfortable about bringing children into this family unless everyone understands the reason I will not allow this man to touch our children. The problem is, the information will be devastating to Audrey's grandmother. A child's innocence is worth whatever hard feelings I might create, but how do we handle this without destroying a family?

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6	4	2	1	7	5	9	3	8
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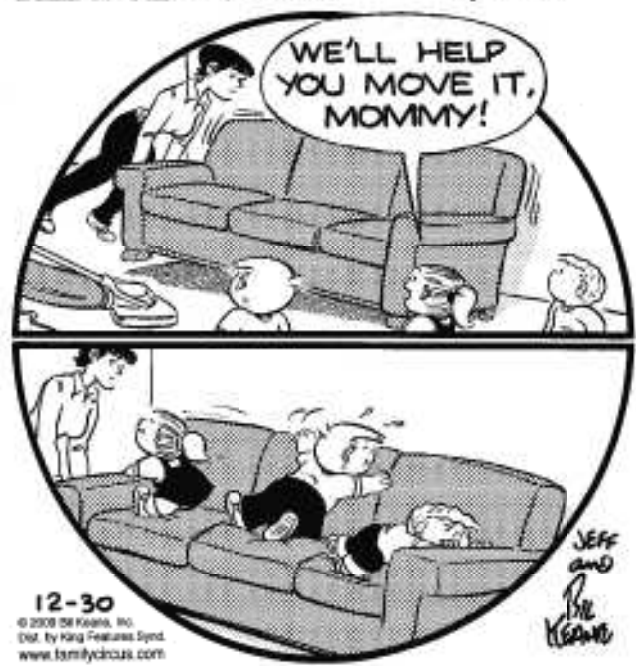
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Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2009

THE ACES ON BRIDGE® Bobby Wolff

"Do not even listen, simply wait. Do not even wait, be quite still and solitary. The world will freely offer itself to you ..."
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When a contract appears to depend solely on a finesse, a sound principle states that you should postpone taking that finesse for as long as possible.

Consider today's deal. With no chance for declarer to develop any tricks in the majors, the three no-trump contract seems to hinge on the spade finesse, but declarer gave himself an extra chance.

West was playing the two-heart call to be close to an opening bid, and he was known to have a six-card suit. Accordingly, declarer won the opening lead with the heart king and decided that the spade finesse could wait. Instead, he immediately advanced a deceptive club five and was charmed to see West follow instinctively with the six. South ducked in the dummy, and now East had to win the trick with the seven. Remarkably, the defenders had missed their last chance to beat the contract.

Declarer won the club return, played four rounds of diamonds ending in hand, and exited with the ace and another club. East had to win and play a spade into dummy's ace-queen, and that was nine tricks for declarer.

The misdefense was all West's fault, though I do have some sympathy for him. He should have put in the club 10 when declarer played toward dummy's king. Then declarer would not have been able to duck a club without letting West on lead to cash all his hearts.

But note that declarer's play cost nothing. If the club play had not worked, he could always have taken the spade finesse later.

NORTH 12-30-A
♠ A Q 4 2
♥ 7 5 4
♦ K 8 7 5
♣ K 3

WEST
♠ J 8
♥ A Q J 9 6 2
♦ 9 6
♣ Q 10 6

EAST
♠ K 10 9 7 5
♥ 3
♦ J 3 2
♣ J 9 8 7

SOUTH
♠ 6 3
♥ K 10 8
♦ A Q 10 4
♣ A 5 4 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: West

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
3 NT	2♥	Dbl	Pass
*8-12 points; six hearts			

Opening lead: Heart queen

BID WITH THE ACES

12-30-B

South holds:

♠ A Q 4 2
♥ 7 5 4
♦ K 8 7 5
♣ K 3

South	West	North	East
Dbl.	Pass	1♦	2♣
?			1♣

ANSWER: In a contested auction it is acceptable but not mandatory to compete to the two-level after doubling, despite holding a minimum, if you have a fit. However, your diamonds are unremarkable and you are suitable for defense. I'd be inclined to pass and let partner reopen. If you believe takeout doubles always deliver values and suitable shape, then it is up to North to take the push here.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolf," contact kay19072@aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.

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Today's Highlight:

On Dec. 30, 1853, the United States and Mexico signed a treaty under which the U.S. agreed to buy some 45,000 square miles of land from Mexico for \$10 million in a deal known as the Gadsden Purchase.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:
In 1813, the British burned Buffalo, N.Y., during the War of 1812.

In 1903, about 600 people died when fire broke out at the recently opened Iroquois Theater in Chicago.

In 1907, the Mills Commission issued its final report, concluding that Abner Doubleday had invented baseball, a view few sports historians, if any, agree with.

In 1922, Vladimir I. Lenin proclaimed the establishment of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

In 1936, the United Auto Workers union staged its first "sit-down" strike, at the Fisher Body Plant No. 1 in Flint, Mich.

In 1948, the Cole Porter musical "Kiss Me, Kate" opened on Broadway.

In 1972, the United States halted its heavy bombing of North Vietnam.

In 1979, Broadway composer Richard Rodgers died in New York at age 77.

In 1989, a Northwest Airlines DC-10, which had been the target of a telephoned threat, flew safely from Paris to Detroit with 22 passengers amid extra-tight security.

In 1994, a gunman walked into a pair of suburban Boston abortion clinics and opened fire, killing two employees. (John C. Salvi III was later convicted of murder; he died in prison, an apparent suicide.)

Ten years ago: Former Beatle George Harrison fought off a knife-wielding intruder who broke into his mansion west of London and stabbed him in the chest. (Michael Abram was later acquitted of attempted murder by reason of insanity.) In Tampa, Fla., a gunman opened fire inside a hotel, killing four co-workers before shooting a fifth person dead as he tried to escape. (A suspect, housekeeper Silvio Izquierdo-Leyva, later pleaded guilty and was sentenced to life in prison.)

Five years ago: Democrat Christine Gregoire was declared victor of Washington's gubernatorial election over Republican Dino Rossi by a mere 129 votes out of more than 2.8 million cast. A fire broke out during a rock concert at a nightclub in Buenos Aires, Argentina, killing 194 people. Bandleader and clarinetist Artie Shaw died in Thousand Oaks, Calif., at age 94.

One year ago: In a surprise move, a defiant Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich named former state Attorney General Roland Burris to Barack Obama's Senate seat. Israeli aircraft kept up a relentless string of attacks on Hamas-ruled Gaza, smashing a government complex, security installations and the home of a top militant commander. Russian President Dmitry Medvedev signed a law extending presidential terms from four years to six.

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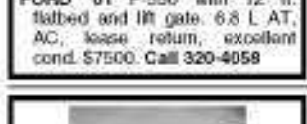


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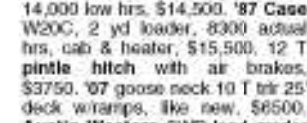
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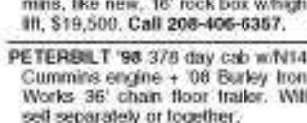
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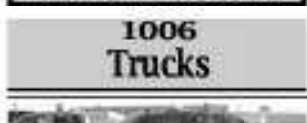
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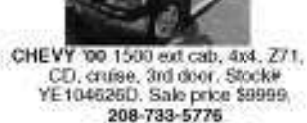
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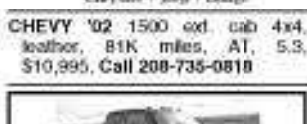
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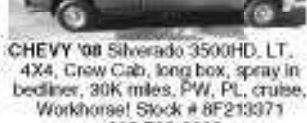
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ACROSS

- 1 Scout's shoulder band
- 5 Israel's Meir
- 10 On the waves
- 14 Name for a circular cracker
- 15 To no ___; uselessly
- 16 Night twinkler
- 17 Mine passage
- 18 How to carry a 2 x 4 through most doorways
- 20 Topaz or ruby
- 21 Arm bone
- 22 Major blood vessel
- 23 Ore deposits
- 25 To and ___
- 26 Not tottering
- 28 Stinging insect
- 31 Freight
- 32 Like adhesive paste
- 34 Barrel
- 36 Cincinnati, ___
- 37 Attempts
- 38 Bad situation
- 39 2000 pounds
- 40 Enjoys a book
- 41 Yuletide visitor
- 42 Pompousness
- 44 Restrain with a rope
- 45 Piece of cookware
- 46 ___ apso; small Tibetan dog
- 47 Creek
- 50 Ms. Stapleton
- 51 Opposite of pos.
- 54 Prevailing trend
- 57 Nervous
- 58 Long
- 59 Steed
- 60 500 sheets of paper
- 61 Toboggan
- 62 Oxen bars
- 63 Inserts

DOWN

- 1 Carpet popular in the 1970s
- 2 Assistant

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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

- 3 Shining with a flickering light
- 4 Feverish
- 5 Ship's kitchen
- 6 Kilns
- 7 Actress Turner
- 8 Use a shovel
- 9 Distance above sea level; abbr.
- 10 About to faint
- 11 Blender speed
- 12 Direction
- 13 Vicinity
- 19 ___ S. Truman
- 21 Take apart
- 24 "Othello" villain
- 25 Enemies
- 26 Glasgow native
- 27 Nevada border lake
- 28 Colors
- 29 Fair
- 30 Take a bite
- 32 Tiny weight unit
- 33 Cover
- 35 Feodor I or Ivan IV
- 37 Examination
- 38 Cushions
- 40 Major melees

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- 41 Actor Connery
- 43 Unlocked
- 44 Longest river that is entirely in England
- 46 Rental contract
- 47 Mischief-makers
- 48 Rivet or stud
- 49 Out of ___; misbehaving
- 50 Pull suddenly
- 52 Mild oath
- 53 Health clubs
- 55 Your, long ago
- 56 Winnie-the-Pooh's little pal
- 57 Historical age

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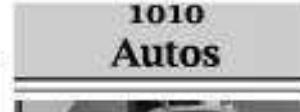


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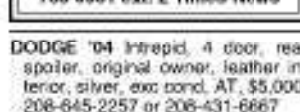
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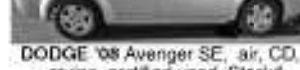
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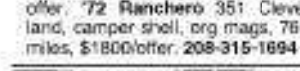
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