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Baptists still jailed while nations debate their fate



Members of Idaho-based charity New Life Children's Refuge, from left, Steve McMullen, Jim Allen and Paul Thompson, walk along a corridor at a police station in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on Sunday. Police in Haiti held 10 Americans Monday on child trafficking charges, after they allegedly tried to leave the country with 33 Haitian children.

Adoption advocates question New Life's plan

By Nate Poppino Times-News writer

Family and friends of three Twin Falls residents arrested in Haiti waited Monday to hear whether they would face charges of child trafficking in a Haitian or U.S. court.

Meanwhile, others who have negotiated Haiti's adoption and child-welfare systems questioned the simplistic plan the Baptists had, and Idaho's congressional delega-

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Backlash grows over Haiti adoption plot.

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tion lent its support to the matter. Eastside Baptist Church Pastor Paul

Thompson, 43, his son Silas Thompson, 19, and church member Steve McMullen, 56, are among 10 U.S. Baptists being held by the Haitian government after they tried to take 33 children – ostensibly orphans - across the border to the Dominican Republic.



Gooding County **CAFO** decision upheld

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By Ben Botkin Times-News writer

BOISE - The Idaho Supreme Court on Monday upheld a lower court decision that supported Gooding County's ordinance regulating confined-animal feeding operations.

The decision marks the end of a court case that began in 2007, when the Idaho Dairy Association and Idaho Cattle Association sued the Gooding County Commission, shortly after commissioners approved tighter regulations regarding CAFOs.

The lawsuit alleged that the commissioners overstepped their bounds with the ordinance, in the process "regulating dairies and feedlots out of existence."

But the Supreme Court said state law allows counties to enact provisions of their own for CAFOs regarding areas such as water quality. While the state does regulate water in CAFOs, the state's statutes are "insufficient to establish that the state has comprehensively regulated water quality," the court said in its opinion.

In 2008, a district judge ruled in the county's favor.

County Gooding Commission Chairman Tom Faulkner said Monday he hasn't read the ruling yet and was hearing the news for the first time from a reporter. "I think that's good then," he said. "I

haven't had a chance to look at it."

A spokeswoman for the group, which also includes five members of Central Valley Baptist Church in Meridian. acknowledged she had not secured the proper papers for the children, but argued the group was simply trying to rescue orphans from the quake-stricken capital and give them a better life.

U.S. and Haitian officials spent Monday investigating how the Baptists got the children and whether they should be prosecuted in the U.S., given the severe damage to Haiti's court facilities and personnel sustained during the Ian. 12 earthquake. But Prime Minister Max Bellerive told the Associated Press it's clear to him the Baptists knew they weren't following the rules.

"It is clear now that they were trying to cross the border without papers. It is clear now that some of the children have live parents," he told the AP. "And it is

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An infant, who was part of the group of children that U.S. Baptists were trying to take out of Haiti, is carried by a girl who lives at an orphanage run by Austrian-based SOS Children's Villages in Port-au-Prince on Sunday. Ten Americans, mostly Idahoans, were detained by Haitian police on Saturday as they tried to bus 33 children across the border into the Dominican Republic, allegedly without proper documents.

He said the county hasn't had a lot of CAFOs applying, but noted that the economv is down too.

Bob Naerebout, head of the Idaho Dairymen's Association, said the organization still believes its cause was just.

"We obviously felt we were in the right position," he said. "We still feel our arguments were the right arguments."

In the future, he said, the organization will still work on statutory changes that make it clear who regulates dairies. The county's ordinance shows the importance of supporting people seeking county offices on the local level, he said.

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"We still feel our arguments were the right arguments." - Bob Naerebout, head of the Idaho **Dairymen's Association**

Obama could overhaul No Child Left Behind

By Libby Quaid Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON President Obama is proposing to overhaul the No Child Left Behind education law, replacing the school accountability system that has slapped a failing label on quences. more than a third of schools,

their annual targets. No Child Left Behind prods schools to improve test scores each year, so that every student can read and do math on grade level by the

year 2014. In his budget plan, Obama

proposed judging schools differently, looking at student growth and schools' progress from one year to the next. Schools that do well would get incentives and rewards; schools that do poorly would face intervention and other conse-

Education Secretary Arne including many that made Duncan credited No Child big gains but just missed Left Behind with shining a spotlight on children who need the most help. But he told reporters Monday on a conference call the law "does too little to reward progress."

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T.F. Council rejects smoking ban

Alternate arsenic-treatment project funding approved

By Nate Poppino

Times-News writer

Smoke easy, Twin Falls residents.

The Twin Falls City Council rejected a proposed smoking ban in city bars by a an hour of testimony from judge a year ago. bar owners, bar employees and residents of both Twin Falls and nearby towns.

mously approved a plan to Lance Clow returned from change the funding for a city arsenic-treatment project, keeping the \$22 million debt

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You read this story first online.

6-1 vote Monday night after within the bounds set by a

The smoking ban was first discussed in December, after Councilman Lee The council also unani- Heider and then-mayor an Association of Idaho

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C.R. Larsen, coowner of Ground Round bar and grill in Twin Falls, urges City Council members on Monday to vote down a proposed ordinance that would ban smoking inside bars within city limits. The council voted 6-1 against the ban. **ASHLEY SMITH/** Times-News

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Pat's Picks Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio

• The Twin Falls Bruinettes Kids Dance Clinic will be held from 4:15 to 6 p.m. today and Wednesday. Talk about fun and good exercise. Cost is \$25. Information: Cari Libby, 280-3420.

• The Snake River Jazz Ensemble offers an open jam session from 6 to 8 p.m. at Pandora's Restaurant, 516 Hansen St. S., Twin Falls. All musicians are invited to the free jam session.

• For a quieter scene,

there's family night telescope viewing from 6:45 to 9 p.m. in the Centennial Observatory at the College of Southern Idaho Herrett Center for Arts and Science in Twin Falls. Admission is \$1.50 or free with planetarium show admission. Children age 6 and younger get in free.

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

Ban

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topic came up. A draft ordinance circulated last week would have banned smokand entrances, with at least the a \$50 fine for violators.

Heider, now vice mayor, cast the lone vote in support of the new ordinance and championed the ban to his fellow councilmen, stating the U.S. Constitution guarpursuit of happiness.

"And part of that I think involves the right to breathe clean air," he said.

Most public comment. however, centered around concerns of the economic harm a ban would do to local always rule," Clow said business and about the city meddling with private property rights. Some said any changes should be made minorities as well." statewide, and noted that nonsmoking bar patrons now be funded through the have several establishments Idaho State Bond Bank in town to choose from.

Several nonsmokers objected to the ban on principle, while employees from revolving loan fund, a two city bars supported change triggered by federal opposite sides - one minimum-wage requireembracing her work as a ments placed on the money choice and another saying passed through DEQ. Jim he hated putting up with smoke.

Bar opposed the change. C.R. interest rate than a DEQ Larsen, owner of the loan, would be "about a Ground Round, disputed mirror image" of a \$10 milmany American Cancer lion bond the city used to

"There's no concrete Cities meeting where the proof among any of it," Larsen said.

Several people did write or speak in favor of the ing inside bars and within change, citing health threats 20 feet outside of their exits to workers. Heidi Low with American Cancer Society and Smokefree Idaho proposed the ordinance go further, banning smoking in all "public places and places of employment."

But most council memantees life, liberty and the bers concluded they didn't want to hurt local business and didn't feel right imposing the ban. Clow at one point seemed like he was considering voting with Heider.

"The majorities don't while noting the majority who spoke against the ban. "We have to look out for the

The arsenic project will rather than the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality's state Wrigley of Wells Fargo Bank told the council the new owners largely financing, with a higher

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Let's Dance Club with line and square dancing, 6 to 10 p.m., Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, 530 Shoshone St. W. \$3, free for children under 14 with an adult, 410-5650 or galenslatter.com.

Snake River Jazz Ensemble with an open jazz jam session, musicians of all ages and ability levels invited to participate, 6 to 8 p.m., Pandora's, 516 Hansen St. S., Twin Falls, hosted by College of Southern Idaho Jazz Club, no cost, 733-5433.

BUSINESS

Workshop: Pesticide applicator prelicense training, 8 to 5 p.m., Twin Falls County Extension, 246 Third Ave. E., \$50 private license, \$65 professional license, 734-9590 ext. 19.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Knitters and Crotchetiers Anonymous, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Blaine County Senior Connection, 721 Third Ave. N., Hailey, no cost, 788-3468.

Mary Time Club meeting, 11:30 a.m., Perkins restaurant, Twin Falls, 735-5213.

Magic Valley Toastmasters meeting and nohost lunch, with a focus on teaching and encouraging members in communication and leadership skills, noon, Golden Corral, 1823 Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls, new members welcome, 316-8534.

CSI Career Counseling Center, weekly meeting for women, 1 p.m., Taylor 256, College of Southern Idaho, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, 732-6262.

CSI Practical Nursing Club meeting, 1 p.m., Health Sciences 150, CSI, 732-6789.

Corner Quilters Guild meeting, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., The Fat Quarter quilt shop, 112 W. Main St., Wendell, open to public, no cost, 934-4591.

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

EDUCATION

Learn Guitar: An Introduction, basic skills, 6 to 7 p.m., College of Southern Idaho, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, \$60 registration, plus \$5 material fee, noncredit, taught by Mark Tatro, 732-6290 or communityed.csi.edu. Pottery, explores ceramic building and glaze techniques for beginners to experienced potters, 6 to 7 p.m., College of Southern Idaho, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, \$130 regis-

tration. plus \$20 material fee. noncredit. taught by Mark Tatro, 732-6290 or communityed.csi.edu.

EXHIBITS

Oil paintings by artist Pam Swenson of King Hill, 9 to 5 p.m., Mimi's Saddlehorn Events Center, 289 Clear Lakes Road, Buhl, no cost, 543-2721.

"Outside In: Indian Art Abroad." 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 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for the Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus,

315 Falls Ave., no cost, 732-6655. Full Moon Gallery's exhibit, by gallery members and guest fiber artist: Elly Young, noon to 5 p.m., Magic Valley Arts Council's La Galeria Pequena, 132 Main Ave. S., Main Street Plaza, Twin Falls, no cost, 734-2787 or magicvalleyartscouncil.org.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068. Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln St., 644-2700. Twin Falls chamber Agribusiness Committee, 9:30 a.m., chamber office, 858 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., 733-3974.

Buhl chamber Luncheon, noon, program: Why Organic Teresa Strolburg, chamber office, 716 U.S. Highway 30 E., 543-6682 Jerome City Council, 5:30 p.m., Council Chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189. Kimberly Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison W., 423-4151. Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W., 886-2030. Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 300

Main St., 326-5000. HEALTH AND WELLNESS

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Hagerman High School Gym; 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Buhl old middle school gym, no cost, 732-6475.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m., Living Waters Presbyterian Church, 821 E. Main St., Wendell, no cost, 737-5988. Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., First Segregation Fire Station, Eden, no cost, 737-5988.

Ongoing exercise program for people with

Parkinson's disease, offered by St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., St. Luke's Elks Rehab, 560 Shoup Ave. W., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-2126.

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

Adult Children Anonymous (ACA) meeting. for individuals recovering from alcoholic or dysfunctional family environment, 6 p.m., Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services, 228 Shoup Ave. W. (west entrance), Twin Falls, no cost, 308-5656. Celebrate Recovery, a place to learn lifeaffirming, healthy behaviors, 7:30 p.m., Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church, 821 H Ave. E., Jerome, 324-7237.

LIBRARY

Teen Flicks, movies and snacks for grades six through 12, 4 p.m., in Yscapes, Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., no cost, 733-2964 ext. 110.

Let's Talk About It, book discussion: "We Sagebrush Folks" by Annie Pike Greenwood. 7 p.m., Filer Public Library, 219 Main St., no cost, 326-4143.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "Mingle in the Jungle" at 6 p.m., "The Planets" at 7 p.m., Herrett Center for the Arts and Science. north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students, family special: \$4.50 adults, up to five minor children for \$1, any additional children \$2.50 (no cost for children under two), 732-6655.

TODAY'S REMINDERS

Reservation Reminder for Feb. 9: Twin Falls Today hosted by Bangs Legacy, noon, Idaho Pizza, 1859 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, \$15 lunch, (special drawing for those who RSVP), reservations required: 733-3974.

To have an event listed or to submit updates regular meetings, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Mirela Sulejmanovic by e-mail at msulejmanovic@magicvalley.com; by phone, 735-3278; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, P.O.Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Parks plan outlined to JFAC

Bv Ben Botkin Times-News writer

BOISE – State parks face potentially dramatic changes in the years ahead as the Department strives to make its parks self-sustaining. Its proposed budget for the for broader needs. The fund next fiscal year is \$30.38 million, a general fund cut of \$8.7 million in the past two vears due to holdbacks that came in response to declining revenues. The proposals of the state agency include fee increases of 15 to 25 percent. shutting down Three Island State Park in the wintertime and increasing the use of marketing and volunteers. "Recreation is a big business for Idaho," said Nancy Merrill, executive director of the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, in her presentation to the Joint Police. **Finance-Appropriations** Committee on Monday.

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usage.

Merrill said.

each park through fiscal year 2013.

Each park's business plans include more revenue growth from increased fees and visi-

that second-hand smoke Pristine Springs last year. causes cancer - though studies have shown a corre- a lot of choices right now," lation between the two and council member Will Kezele the U.S. Surgeon General, noted before the vote. "We National Cancer Institute can thank the federal govand other federal agencies classify it as a carcinogen.

Society statistics, including pay for water rights at

"But we don't really have ernment for messing with our taxpayers."

CAFO

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than a year to craft and regulates one of the nation's most prolific milk-producing counties. Nearly \$259 the county in 2002.

Environmental health concerns had led county commissioners to county with two moratori- valley.com.

ums on livestock opera-The ordinance took more tions, and to look at tighter regulations for dairies. After the ordinance was first proposed, dairy farmers said the changes would million worth of dairy kill dairies in the county, products were produced in though existing CAFOs were not affected by the and change.

Ben Botkin may be halt new dairy growth in the reached at bbotkin@magic-

CORRECTION

CSI coach misquoted

College of Southern Idaho head softball coach Nick Baumert was misquoted in a story in the Friday edition of the Times-News.

"Salt Lake's going to be good because they were so young last year and had so much success," Baumert said. "They'll not be so far above everybody else that nobody will be able to catch them."

The *Times-News* regrets the error.

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The proposal includes tak-

Idaho Parks and Recreation recreational vehicle registra- vehicles. That would require a tion funds and using it in constitutional amendment,

JFAC also introduced a bill

on Monday aimed at perma-

nently reinstating the gas tax

revenues for parks and recre-

ation that were shifted to

during the 2009 session. The

bill also delays for one year

shifting the gasoline tax rev-

Rep. Maxine Bell, co-chairparks with RV facilities, but woman of IFAC, said after the was originally set up for very hearing. specific projects with RV

progress," said Bell, adding "I understand the difficult that the agency hasn't avoided challenges. position you are each in today vou have to balance a budget."

"They were getting hit between the eyes and they did not hunker down and they did not back up," Bell said.

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, said that the shift from a land managetransportation in legislation ment culture to a business culture is not something that can happen quickly.

"That's hard to do right enue to the Idaho State away," she said.

Merrill's proposal calls for business plan, which faces a tacking a \$5 fee to vehicle regvote today from the state's nomic development officials istrations that would cover parks and recreation board. to improve marketing strateing \$2 million a year from the admission costs for Idaho The plan outlines steps for gies and local support.

tors, including day use fees. For the Magic Valley, details include the following proposed goals:

• For Thousand Springs State Park, reducing seasonal "Theirs is a work in costs by \$30,000 through volunteer efforts. The plan also includes working with the community stakeholder group. After plans were initially announced that Thousand Springs may be shuttered, the community group became involved in exploring ways to keep it open.

> • Three Island State Park's business plan includes shutting the park down from November through March.

• For the City of Rocks The state agency has a National Reserve, the strategy is to work with local eco-

Obama

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The president's budget plan says Obama would recognize and reward make gains, even if they aren't yet on grade level.



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Watershed	% of Avg.	peak
Salmon	70%	43%
Big Wood	71%	45%
Little Wood	68%	41%
Big Lost	64%	38%
Little Lost	76%	45%
Henrys Fork/Tet	on 64%	40%
Upper Snake Ba	sin 59%	37%
Oakley	81%	53%
Salmon Falls	73%	46%
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adopting a new method for measuring success.

spokes-Department said Idaho Superintendent model and giving more said, but it would also proflexibility to public schools. serve on the NCLB reauthorization committee.

Gaylen Smyer, the Cassia superintendent, said rural Idaho schools need to be assessed differently than geared toward.

"It (NCLB) has some excellent merits, and it has even imagine such a thing. some deficiencies. One of So we have many teachers them is that they use a standard measurement rather circumstances." than a growth measure-

Idaho have long supported grow two, three school Education and have proyears and still be short of the standard."

A growth model would woman Melissa McGrath allow small schools to better identify student defiof Public Instruction Tom ciencies and to correct schools for helping kids Luna favors the growth them accordingly, Smyer growth is comparable to vide a better assessment of teachers.

"No Child Left Behind is formulated for high-population areas with many County School District teachers, many students, and many offerings," Smyer said. "If you contrast that with our teachers who may the urban schools that need to cover two or three NCLB measurements are subjects – well, the federal government doesn't even deal with that. They can't who fall short because of

Smyer said he and other ment," Smyer said. "Unless officials have expressed you're gauging how every their frustrations to the Hunzeker contributed to child achieves, they could Idaho Department of this report.

posed moving away from the standards model.

"There just needs to be reasonableness some applied," Smyer said, adding that academic physical growth. "We're not all going to clear the high-jump bar at the same time."

Signed by President George W. Bush in 2002, NCLB is overdue for a rewrite and Obama hopes Congress will pass a new law this year.

Critics argue the law's annual reading and math tests have forced other subjects like music and art from the classroom and that schools were promised billions of dollars that never showed up.

Staff writer Damon

Many school officials in Luna has been appointed to

Times-News, Twin Falls, Idaho

Furby? Well, it's pretty much **Idaho's fault**

verybody knows who Idaho's most famous inventor was: Rigby's Philo Farnsworth thought up the essential technology for television in 1927.

But who's No. 2? Gotta be Boisean Caleb Chung, co-inventor of Furby, the wide-eved robotic toy that's sold 40 million units since its introduction in 1998. At \$35 a pop, that works out to \$1.4 billion for Hasbro.

Chung went on to found his own company, Ugobe, creating and marketing an interactive dinosaur, Pleo. An amazing piece of technology, Pleo goes through different phases of maturity and learns behaviors based on the user's reactions. With audio sensors in its ears, an infrared camera in its mouth and touch sensors covering its body, Pleo develops a virtual personality.

Unfortunately, Ugobe released Pleo just in time for the Great Recession. The Eaglebased company filed for bankruptcy last April, and Hong Kong-based Jetta Ltd. bought up its assets in May and will soon start manufacturing Pleo again.

For the 53-year-old Chung – an ex-mime and stuntman who has lived in Boise since 1995 it was the biggest bump so far in a road that began when he answered a newspaper ad and landed a job at toymaker Mattel. There he invented bestselling toys such as the McDonald's Hamburger Snack Maker, and he met a fellow named Dave Hampton. In 1997, after both had left Mattel, they decided to collaborate on a project.

"We didn't go after a toy really," Chung told *Boise Weekly* in a 2008 interview. "I mean it was a toy price, but we tried to create something that was alive."



They worked through the summer and fall, and with the help of fellow inventor Richard Levy sold the idea to Tiger Electronics, which was soon bought out by toy giant Hasbro.

No one had seen anything quite like Furby before. It starts out speaking its own language, Furbish, and gradually learns English. By 2005, Hasbro was releasing a version with voicerecognition software.

All of which now looks like primitive technology compared to Pleo, but Pleo cost \$300.

Chung told the Idaho Statesman last year that Ugobe was the victim of the worldwide credit squeeze that accompanied the bank upheaval of 2008. Customers who had placed Christmas-season orders for the toy discovered that banks would not lend them the money to pay for the orders.

"We were selling them," Chung said. "But they were sitting in crates in Europe, Australia, Asia, Russia and the Middle East."

In its bankruptcy filing, Ugobe reported assets of \$1.6 million, including \$1.5 million in machinery to make Pleo in Hong Kong, and liabilities of \$3.6 million – including \$353,000 to Chung himself.

Chung has busied himself in arts education since the bankruptcy, and he isn't talking to the media. But who knows if he has in mind the next generation of robotic pets that talk back. Enough to make even Philo

Steve Crump is the Times-News Opinion editor.

Farnsworth a little jealous.

Boise teen faces manslaughter charges for Noh sisters' deaths

By John Plestina

Times-News writer

JEROME - The teen driver Idaho State Police say caused the Dec. 4 crash that killed Dixie Lynn Noh and Kristin Noh is scheduled Dick Noh, 79, died at St. Luke's to be arraigned as an adult on two Magic Valley Medical Center in charges of vehicular manslaughter.

The Jerome County prosecutor injuries in the crash. filed the two misdemeanor charges on Friday against Shelby Seewald, 17, of Boise.

Cutlass westbound on Interstate 84 near Jerome when she side-Brown lost control of his pickup, which crossed the median and collided head-on with a 1999

Noh, 52, according to ISP. She and Saint her sister, Kristin Noh, 45, both of Medical Center in Boise. Boise, died at the scene.

They were traveling to Twin Falls just hours after their father, Twin Falls.

Brown sustained serious

ISP Lt. Rob Storm said on Monday the crash investigation was complete and he couldn't According to ISP, Seewald was comment further, except to arate cases. driving a 1997 Oldsmobile acknowledge that neither alcohol nor drugs were involved.

Jerome swiped a 2005 Ford F-350 driven Prosecuting Attorney Sandra by Scott Brown, 45, of Wendell. Bamburg, who handles misdemeanor cases, did not return a telephone call on Monday.

Brown was initially treated at 7062.

Ford Explorer driven by Dixilyn St. Luke's and later transferred to Alphonsus Regional

Ambulances transported Seewald and two passengers in her car to St. Luke's with nonlife-threatening injuries.

According to court records, Seewald was previously found guilty in 2009 of inattentive/ careless driving, failure to purchase/invalid driver's license and failure to notify police upon striking an unattended vehicle in sep-

Seewald is scheduled for arraignment on March 1 before County Assistant 5th District Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

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Budget woes reduce Idaho water quality monitoring

LEWISTON (AP) - The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality has ended a partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey to conduct water quality monitoring of streams, lakes and rivers throughout the state.

The change, affecting monitoring at nearly 50 sites such as Silver Creek and the Big and Little Wood rivers, was announced last year as a cost-saving measure.

Gwen Fransen, an administraagency didn't have the money to continue the agreement.

"Historically, we had entered into a cooperative agreement with said. "We had to discontinue that agreement because of our budget shortfall."

for the USGS water program in Idaho, said last year the monitoring cost both agencies a combined that report in 2012," Fransen said. \$250,000 a year. DEQ late last year held onto \$117,000 and backed out of the cost-share program; the federal agency doesn't have enough to continue the full effort on its own.

"You end up in a situation where industry wants permits and won't be able to get them because there is not enough money to process the permits."

- Justin Hayes of the Idaho Conservation League

Fransen said the U.S. Geological Survey will continue to do water quality monitoring in the state, much will get done without the agreement, she said.

water quality status report under the federal Clean Water Act.

"If we can't resume the moni-Greg Clark, associate director toring we have had to suspend, we ness did the monitoring. are going to have to figure out a different strategy for completing

The lack of data could make it more difficult for businesses that want to move to Idaho, particularly those that need a permit to discharge effluent, said Justin Hayes of the Idaho Conservation League.

"You end up in a situation where industry wants permits and won't be able to get them tor with the state agency, said the and the state agency will monitor because there is not enough high-priority projects. But not as money to process the permits," Hayes said.

Fransen said that the business Fransen said the state is seeking the permit would have to them for monitoring," Fransen required every two years to write a do the background water monitoring. Fransen said the state and federal Environmental Protection Agency would confirm the busi-

DEQ continues to face budget pressures as legislators debate where to save the state money. The agency's presentation before the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee is slated for today.

Staff writer Nate Poppino contributed to this report.





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Crosswalk signal proposed near Jerome schools

By John Plestina Times-News writer

JEROME - The city of Jerome is considering installing a crosswalk signal to help pedestrians safely cross the intersection of North Lincoln and intersection where several 10th streets near Summit Elementary School and dents occurred. Jerome Middle School.

trustees to foot part of the ered on city of Rexburg than costs associated with issue to school trustees in Trustee Rob Williams. bill, estimated at between \$110,000 and \$115,000.

Marchant said the city is considering a HAWK Beacon signal similar one light, followed by a red installed in Rexburg at an light to stop traffic. vehicle-pedestrian acci-

Web site," Marchant said. The signal is activated nals.

City Administrator Ben only when a pedestrian pushes a curbside button. which turns on a yellow

Marchant said materials would cost about \$35,000, while installation would "The HAWK Beacon is run another \$75,000 to The city may ask school an innovation we discov- \$80,000, substantially less Dale Layne, who took the someone there,"

conventional traffic sig-

"Since this is a new item to the district. it has not been budgeted," Marchant said. "We're looking to see what we have to work with first."

Marchant brought a recommendation for a HAWK Beacon to Jerome School District Superintendent issue, I'd rather have

January because of both safety concerns and costs

questioned whether the crossing guard at the intersection.

"If this is a true safety

In a separate matter, the Jerome Urban Renewal Agency will consider the Trustee Byron Burnham purchase and installation of a HAWK Beacon signal presence of the light would for the intersection of reduce the need for a South Lincoln Street and Avenue I.

> John Plestina may be reached at jplestina@magsaid icvalley.com or 358-7062.



A boy with pink tape on his shirt that previously had his name written on it, and who was part of the group of children that U.S. Baptists were trying to take out of Haiti, plays with stones at an orphanage run by Austrian-based SOS Children's Villages in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on Sunday. Ten Americans were detained by Haitian police on Saturday as they tried to bus 33 children across the border into the Dominican Republic, allegedly without proper documents.

Adoption

Continued from Main 1 clear now that they knew what they were doing was wrong."

If they were acting in good faith, "perhaps the courts will try to be more lenient with them," he said.

its actions has increased since Sunday, when an orphanage that took in the children said some of them still had parents and believed they were heading kids." off to summer camp. The accusations are hard for mer Filer resident who now ensuring they have adequate only one said she would not

"I'm not concerned. I'm pretty confident that it will all work out." – Charisa Coulter of Boise

"That was kind of a announced Monday they've Criticism of the group and sketchy deal just with supplies," McArthur said of crossing the border two weeks ago. "I can't imagine tact" with U.S. officials, doing it with a bunch of kids, much less undocumented

Twin Falls church members lives in Billings, Mont., was food, water, medical care

lent their support to the imprisoned Idahoans. The delegation is "in steady conincluding the State Department and offices in Port-au-Prince, monitoring Crystal Chevalier, a for- the Baptists' safety and

didn't bring her group any food or water, but that U.S. officials have delivered water and MREs to eat.

Haiti's cautious approach to adoptions is the result of a long history of child trafficking problems, compounded by the chaos the earthquake caused. But parents concerned about their children's futures see sending them abroad as the answer. Of 20 Haitian parents interviewed in a tent camp by the AP on Sunday, give up her children to give



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such as Kalee Crider to until three years ago the and housing. stomach.

Crider, 24, describing her pastor, Paul Thompson, as a his children. "huge advocate for adoption?

Lora Crider, were among the children this month, adoptgroup, but left the U.S. a ing a child required 20 to 25 week later than most of the documents and as much as Baptists and are still in the Dominican Republic. Eastside member John Though the Baptists were Requa is also in the neighboring country and was not detained.

Kalee Crider has only heard occasionally from her parents, but said for the moment they're staying in close contact with the U.S. determining Consulate, their next steps. Church members continue to look to God to resolve the issue and held a prayer vigil Monday evening, said Eastside Associate Pastor John Martinez.

"We are," Kalee Crider said when asked if she was holding up all right.

New Life Children's Refuge, formed by a couple of Central Valley members, had already planned to build an orphanage in the Dominican Republic but hurried into action after the earthquake. According to a plan posted on the Eastside Web site, the group was to gather "100 orphans from the streets and collapsed orphanages" of Haiti in one day and then drive them to a leased hotel in the Dominican Republic until the actual orphanage was built.

The speedy plan surprised others who've navigated Haiti's adoption system, where the paperwork can take years. Larry McArthur of Rupert just returned from the country after helping with rebuilding efforts and working to adopt three girls.

adoption coordinator for the "It's just crazy," said Foyer de Sion orphanage to the United States as where McArthur adopted

Even before the govern-Her parents, Matt and adoptions and transporting two years of work with the just transporting the children, that would still require government and, presumshe said.

> to hear that people had just walked in there and taken the kids and taken them over," Chevalier said.

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"We hope for their return quickly as possible," the four said in a statement.

Jorge Puello, a lawyer for ment clamped down on the Americans from the Dominican Republic, told the AP they were being treated poorly, lacking air conditioning or electricity in the earthquake-damaged Haitian government alone. capitol. But one of the group – 24-year-old Charisa Coulter of Boise - said while she was being treated the approval of the Haitian Monday at a University of Miami field hospital that ably, some time to work out, she'd been treated "pretty good." She said she had "So it was rather a shock either severe dehydration or the flu. A diabetic, she initially thought her insulin had gone bad in the heat.

"I'm not concerned. I'm U.S. Sens. Mike Crapo and pretty confident that it will Jim Risch and Reps. Mike all work out," she said, Simpson and Walt Minnick adding that Haitian police

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"Some parents I know have already given their children to foreigners," said Adonis Helman, 44. "I've been thinking how I will choose which one I may give."

"My parents died in the earthquake. My husband has gone. Giving up one of my kids would at least give them a chance," said Saintanne Petit-Frere, 40, a mother of six. "My only fear is that they would forget me, but that wouldn't affect my decision."

The Associated Press and Times-News writers Pat Marcantonio and Meagan Thompson contributed to this report.

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Timber harvest on state lands could see big bump

BOISE (AP) - The Department of Lands aims to increase timber harvests from state land by 16.5 percent annually, in hopes it will increase jobs and revenue to schools.

George Bacon, the agency director, told Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee members Monday he recommends hiking the annual statewide harvest level from 212 million board feet to 247 million board feet over the next several years.

That could result in 525 new jobs and up to \$15 million in additional revenue annually.

Rep. Jim Patrick, a Republican from Twin Falls, questioned if boosting the supply of lumber coming from Idaho forests, coupled with a slumping economy and construction. depressed would further erode prices.

Bacon told him he's counting on the economy to pick up as harvests increase.

He says, "If the economic recovery is going to happen and happens slowly, this activity should hit the street as prices are going up."

Minnick outraising potential **GOP** rivals

BOISE (AP) – Democratic U.S. Rep. Walt Minnick outraised would-be his Republican rivals in Idaho's 1st Congressional District during the final three months of 2009.

Minnick, a first-term House member who represents northern and western Idaho, pulled in about \$274,000, luring money from Democratic congressional colleagues, political action committees and individuals, according to a Federal

from Jim and Faye Palin, father- and mother-in-law of

ex-Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin.

ITD spends \$70,000 on ground breakings

BOISE (AP) - Idaho has Mark Warbis told The Idaho invested millions in its Statesman the groundhighways, and state government officials want to public how tax dollars cremake sure taxpayers know it.

Since June, the Idaho Transportation Department has spent nearly of the events, the governor's \$70,000 on ceremonies office got more involved that help the governor and other lawmakers publicize new highway projects around the state. The munications glitches. In an events, often attended by local media, serve as photo summer, Warbis said "the opportunities for political execution had been less leaders.

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's communications director

breaking events show the ate jobs and improve infrastructure.

Though the transportation department is in charge after an interchange groundbreaking ceremony in June was rife with come-mail to a colleague last than we would have expected from a professional agency." He also said he

"Obviously, there is some work vet to be done."

- House Transportation Chairwoman JoAn Wood, R-Rigby, on costs associated with ground breaking ceremonies

breakings to be "the governor's signature events."

The governor's office didn't monitor event costs. were planned by a private consulting company called RBCI, which the transportation department hired because it said staffers were tied up on other projects. Three events totaled "appalled" by the costs.

wanted future ground- \$60,000, while the agency spent under \$10,000 on four ceremonies it planned in-house.

The expenses have rattled The most expensive events some state lawmakers who said the agency must become more efficient in another lean budget year.

House Transportation Chairwoman JoAn Wood, R-Rigby, said she was

"Obviously, there is some work yet to be done," she said, adding that legislators have been pushing the agency to become more efficient in recent years.

The three most expensive ceremonies were all in the Boise region. An Aug. 5 ceremony marking the rebuilding of the Vista Road interchange cost taxpayers \$24,637, a June 23 ceremony celebrating the groundbreaking of the Ten Mile interchange cost \$17,778, and an Oct. 30 ceremony dedicating a new third lane on Interstate 84 rang up \$17,620.

Parents, students on edge over soaring tuition

The Associated Press

SEATTLE - As students meltdown. around the country anxiously wait for college acceptance families are paying about letters, their parents are bills at public universities.

Florida college students could face yearly 15 percent tuition increases for years, and University of Illinois students will pay at least 9 percent more. The University of Washington will charge 14 percent more at its flagship campus. And in California, tuition increases of more than 30 percent have sparked protests reminiscent of the 1960s.

Tuition has been trending and board. upward for years, but debate in statehouses and trustee more urgent this year as

most states struggle their way out of the economic the school's taking advan-

The College Board says tuition)," Sarb said. milies are paying about But interim President \$172 to \$1,096 more in sweating the looming tuition tuition and fees this school year. The national average for 2009-2010 is about \$7,020, board, according to the nonprofit association of colleges that oversees the SATs and Advanced Placement tests.

Mike Sarb, a University of Illinois senior from suburban-Chicago Elk Grove Village, Ill., says money is a big concern for his blue-collar family scrambling to find the money to pay more than \$20,000 for tuition, room

They are not pleased that university officials are likely meeting rooms has been to raise tuition 9 percent this a place other students envy summer.

"They do complain that

Stanley Ikenberry says the options. With a budget deficit expected to top \$11 Illinois owes the university more than \$430 million, money he doesn't expect to see any time soon.

In some cases, one stuanother's bargain.

State officials have told Florida students they can expect 15 percent tuition increases every year until tuition reaches the national average. That could be a long slog, as the state is starting its tuition realignment from – about \$3,000 a year.

In California, unprecedented budget cuts to higher tage of people (by raising education have led to huge fee increases at the state's two public university systems, as well as layoffs, furschool has run out of loughs, enrollment cuts and

reduced course offerings. At the University of not including room and billion this year, the state of California, which has 10 campuses and about 220.000 students. in-state undergraduate fees in fall 2010 are set to reach \$10,302

- 32 percent more than in dent's tuition disaster is fall 2009 and three times what California residents paid 10 years ago.

But at California State University, the nation's largest public university system with 23 campuses and 450,000 students, resident undergraduate fees rose 32 percent from fall 2008 to fall 2009 to \$4,026, which is nearly three times what stu-

dents paid 10 years ago. Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's budget proposal for 2010-2011 assumes that the system will raise fees another 10 percent in the coming academic year.

"We're paying more and getting less," said Steve Dixon, a Humboldt State University senior who heads the California State Students Association.

At the University of Washington, where tuition and fees are expected to pass \$9,000 by the 2010-2011 school year, students are worried about threatened cuts in financial aid as well.

"It's kind of a perfect storm for students," said Jono Hanks, a political science major from Everett, Wash., who is the UW student government lobbyist at the statehouse this quarter.

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AROUND THE NATION

MISSOURI State lawmakers pursuing measures banning health insurance mandates

IEFFERSON CITY, Mo. -Although President Obama's push for a health care overhaul has stalled, conservative lawmakers in more than two-thirds of the states are ical visits." forging ahead with constitutional amendments to ban government health insurance mandates.

The proposals would assert a state-based right for people to pay medical bills from their own pocketbooks prohibit penalties and against those who refuse to carry health insurance.

posals began as a backlash to Democratic health care plans pending in Congress. But instead of backing away after a Massachusetts election gave Senate Republicans the filibuster power to halt the health care legislation, many state lawmakers are ramping up their efforts with new enthusiasm.

The moves reflect the continued political potency of the issue for conservatives, who have used it extensively for fundraising and attracting new supporters. The legal impact of any state measures may be questionable because courts generally have held that federal laws trump those in states.

have filed or proposed amendments to their state answer questions about the constitutions or statutes rejecting health insurance mandates, according to the American Legislative Exchange Council, a nonprofit group that promotes limited government that is traffic lands on helping coordinate the efforts. Many of those proposals are targeted for the November ballot, assuring traffic reporter in a small that health care remains a hot topic as hundreds of federal and state lawmakers face reelection.

WASHINGTON

FDA adds warning language to HIV drug after reports of internal bleeding

WASHINGTON - Federal

sules prevent HIV from multiplying and are used in combination with other virus-fighting drugs in adults and children.

The agency added warnings to the drug's label about the signs and symptoms of the liver disorder. According to the new labeling, patients "should be monitored for early signs of portal hypertension during routine med-

CONNECTICUT **Attorney: Rip Torn** heading to alcohol rehab after breaking into bank with gun

LITCHFIELD, Conn. -In many states, the pro- Rip Torn was so intoxicated when he broke into a Connecticut bank carrying a loaded gun that he thought he was home, taking off his hat and boots and leaving them by the door, according to court records.

The 78-year-old actor was wearing the same battered boots Monday when he was arraigned on several charges after spending the weekend in a police holding cell near his hometown of Salisbury, in northwestern Connecticut.

Torn, who did not enter a plea, was released on \$100,000 bond a few hours later and waded through a phalanx of media to a friend's waiting vehicle. He Lawmakers in 35 states smiled and wished onlookers a nice day but did not arrest.

NEW JERSEY Plane reporting on N.J. Turnpike

HADDONFIELD, N.J. – A plane put himself in the thick of a rush-hour tie-up when his aircraft had to make an emergency landing Monday on the New Jersey Turnpike.

It was a little before 7 a.m., before the morning rush in the Philadelphia suburbs gets going, when a low oil pressure indicator came on in the Cessna owned by Wilmington, Del.-based Out of the Blue, Inc.

The pilot, flying with trafhealth officials said Monday fic reporter Mike Lankford that patients taking a for Metro Networks, which Bristol-Myers Squibb drug was providing traffic reports for HIV are at risk of a rare, for a number of TV and radio on the northbound lanes of the turnpike in Cherry Hill about two miles south of Exit 4.

Arrest of Americans deepens Haiti adoption debate

By David Crary Associated Press writer

NEW YORK - The debate over international adoption, already a bitter one, has intensified in the aftermath of Haiti's earthquake and the arrest of 10 Americans for trying to take children out of the devastated country without permission.

Some groups are urging a long moratorium on new adoptions from Haiti, saying there is too much chaos and too high a risk of mistakes or child trafficking. Other groups fear any longterm clampdown will consign countless children to lives in institutions or on the street, rather than in the loving homes of adoptive parents.

Chuck Johnson, chief operating officer of the National Council for Adoption, said the arrests of the 10 U.S. Baptists would probably undercut his orgaadoptions from Haiti as soon as feasible.

"It was a critical mistake the Haitian government has been very clear they did not want any children leaving without its express permission," Johnson said Monday.

were helping 33 kids, but now there's going to be a much slower process and maybe even a ban on future adoptions - and that would be a tragedy."

The Americans, arrested Friday near Haiti's border Dominican with the Republic, were being held in a police headquarters in Port au Prince while Haitian and U.S officials discussed their fate.

Even before the arrests, the Haitian government called a halt to new international adoptions. Numerous organizations have endorsed the citing U.N. guidelines recommending that at least two families before adoptions should be considered.

the situation looks ... the full another case, a 3-year-old process of reuniting children with parents and relatives must be completed," said Deb Barry, a Save the Children been planning to adopt him of Haitian children by child protection expert.

The next steps, says abandoned the process. nization's push to expand UNICEF, should be compiling a registry of children separated from their families, an extensive campaign to trace relatives, and development of for LIRS. "It does add trauma, safe, well-supplied places even in the midst of the adoption. where these children can stay

during the search process. The consequences of rush-"Maybe the ing to help children leave Americans thought they Haiti can be severe, according

Experiment takes aim at genetic learning disorder

By Lauran Neergaard Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON – A pill to ease a type of mental retardation? An experiment is under way to develop one, aimed at a genetic disorder that might unravel some of the mysteries of autism along the way.

Chances are you've never heard of the target – Fragile X syndrome - even though it's the most common inherited form of intellectual impairment, estimated to affect almost 100.000 Americans. It's also the most common cause of autism vet identified, as about a third of Fragile X-affected boys have autism.

Now a handful of drug makers are working to develop the first treatment for

called synapses. Those structures aren't destroyed they're too immature to work properly.

'The process of learning is just that much more difficult but not impossible, because there's nothing wrong with the synapse," says Dr. Stephen Warren, an Emory University geneticist who led the discovery of Fragile X's mutated gene.

The experimental drugs have an unwieldy name mGluR5 antagonists (pronounced EM-gloo-ahr). But they aim to get the brain back on track by simply blocking an overactive receptor that plays a key role in weakened synapses. The goal is to strengthen synapses, to make learning easier and behavior more normal.

These are early-stage stud-Fragile X, spurred by brain ies, beginning in adults to look research that is making spe- for side effects. Specialists cialists rethink how they expect, if they work, any effect would be bigger in children's still-developing brains. Scientists are watching closely because "this looks like a really promising pathway" for some types of autism, too, says Dr. Andrea Beckel-Mitchener of the National Institute of Mental Health which, along with the patient advocacy group FRAXA, helped fund the underlying research.

"No matter how horrific the situation looks ... the full process of reuniting children with parents and relatives must be completed."

- Deb Barry, a Save the Children child protection expert

to the Baltimore-based Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service.

In one case, LIRS said, a 12moratorium, some of them year-old boy who was allowed onto a U.S. military plane without documentayears be spent tracing lost tion or relatives in the U.S. and is now in limbo while officials try to find out if he "No matter how horrific left family behind in Haiti. In boy arrived on a private plane with other orphans even though the family who had had changed their mind and

> "It's an example of why it's important to be patient and thorough," said Olivia Faires, director of children's services

chaos, to remove them from their customary surroundings?

The differing views on adoptions from Haiti mirror a long-running global debate - fueled recently by adoptions of African children by Madonna and other celebrities. Some advocates say international adoptions should be expanded so that more abandoned, destitute Third World children can be lovingly raised in comfort, while others say this is a patronizing attitude that ignores the benefits of being raised in one's own culture.

Down the road, whenever Haiti manages to stabilize itself and re-establish documentation for vulnerable children, there is likely to be vigorous debate on whether international adoptions should be resumed on an expanded scale.

There were 330 adoptions Americans last year, about 900 more were in the works at the time of the quake, and Johnson said the Haitian government had identified an additional 7,300 orphans as eligible for international



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The problem involves dangerously slow blood flow though the liver, which can cause veins in the esophagus potentially deadly bleeding.

FDA says it is keeping the drug on the market because its benefits to patients outweigh its risks. Videx cap-



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"This was pretty much a what the outcome was like," said New Jersey Turnpike Authority spokesman Joseph Orlando. "The plane landed. he taxied it over into the shoulder. We can't even get motorists to do that when they break down."

Authorities have not idento swell. These veins are thin tified the pilot or passenger, and can cause burst, causing but have said that neither was injured.

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"The instinct to swoop in and rescue children may be a natural impulse but it cannot be the solution for the tens of thousands of children left vulnerable by the Haiti earthquake."
Deb Barry from Save the Children after U.S. Baptists

EDITORIAL

Finally, AYP may be headed for the scrap heap

t's taken eight years, but there are signs that the much-maligned index that now measures the progress of public schools may go away soon.

According to The Washington Post, the Obama administration will seek to scrap a key metric in the No Child Left Behind law – the

standard of "adequate yearly progress" for public schools — as it develops a new formula to hold schools accountable for student performance.

Under the law, schools are rated on how many of their students pass state reading and math tests. Target pass rates rise each year toward a standard of universal proficiency by 2014 for all groups – a goal experts have long called utopian.

The twin concepts of adequate yearly progress and the 2014 target for eliminating achievement gaps by race, ethnicity and family income are the bedrock of the public school accountability system. Many Magic Valley schools have felt the sting of failing to "meet AYP," with consequences ranging up to stateordered interventions for those that perennially fall short.

The federal Education Department budget gives fresh details on the emerging Our view: Holding public schools accountable is the goal, but the current No Child Left Behind law hasn't fully accomplished that. What do you think? We welcome

We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.



HECKLER Campaign finance ruling's impact overblown

edia coverage and commentary have vastly overstated the likely impact on federal election campaigns of the Supreme Court's Citizens United decision, which ruled that corporations have the same right to free speech as individuals. It has also obscured the extent to which members of Congress from both parties had previously opened the door for corporate and union financing in federal campaigns.

A number of studies show the rise of corporate and union spending, via tax-exempt organizations, in federal elections. This spending supports media ads and grass-roots mail, phone and other communications that tore down or boosted candidates without using explicit



important area: TV and radio ads mentioning candidates 60 days before an election and 30 days before a primary. But this section of the law was basically gutted by the high court's 2007 decision in the Wisconsin Right to Life case, and especially by the subsequent implementing regulations adopted by the Senateappointed Federal Election Commission.

With last month's ruling, the justices granted corporations (and implicitly unions) a constitutional license to explicitly

shown that the candidates themselves do not bother much with media ads that actually say "vote for me" or "vote against her," even though they are legally able to use those terms. In the modern campaign era, such blatant appeals are largely, if not entirely, anachronistic. Perhaps corporate and unionfinanced "express advocacy" will increase somewhat, particularly in grass-roots communications aimed at already committed followers. But the overall size, nature and thrust of corporate and union communications in federal elections is unlikely to be affected by Citizens United.

Some election lawyers who work for candidates and parties have expressed fear that candidates will now "lose control" of their campaign messages to well-financed outside groups. But while there have been a few such cases, they are relatively rare. Candidates and groups draw from the same well of polling and the same web of political consultants. They all have an interest in opportunistically emphasizing whatever it takes to win. Finally, it is curious to see some of the same Democratic members of Congress who fought legislative proposals to rein in corporate and unionfinanced 527 political organizations now

denouncing the Citizens United decision, which essentially ratifies a status quo they worked to protect.

It is also revealing that we heard little from members of either party when the Federal Election Commission emasculated the McCain-Feingold 60/30-day ad restrictions. Nor was there congressional resistance when the bipartisan FEC adopted a weak public disclosure regulation for such ads, one that does not require their 501(c) nonprofit corporate sponsors, such as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce or Health Care for America Now, to reveal their ultimate for-profit corporate, union and individual donors. Although the court last week upheld disclosure, this regulation still enables Citizens United to hide its donors. If members of Congress are now serious about searching for new ways to limit the impact of corporate and union spending in elections and improving its disclosure, they should start by re-examining their own behavior.

administration policy, according to the Post.

"The reauthorization plan would replace 'adequate yearly progress' with a broader picture of school performance that looks at student growth and school progress," the document states.

For the 2008-09 school year, 55 percent of Idaho's 132 school districts and charter school districts failed to meet their AYP goals. In south-central Idaho, 14 of 20 school districts fell short of AYP, including the four largest — Twin Falls, Cassia, Jerome and Minidoka.

Said Jack Jennings, president of the Center on Education Policy: "What most people in education want is relief from the burdens of No Child Left Behind, like adequate yearly progress, labeling schools, telling schools they have to change without giving assistance."

That will require a sea of change in American public education, but it will be welcome.

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Full disclosure of the sources of financing was legally required only for "527" political organizations, which were mostly pro-Democratic and frequently union-backed. In contrast, no one knew for sure who was providing how much to largely pro-Republican "501(c)" trade associations and advocacy groups, such as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and Freedom's Watch.

A provision in the 2002 McCain-Feingold campaign finance law did prohibit the use of corporate and union funds in one urge voters to support or oppose candidates in all communications, while interring the remains of the McCain-Feingold restrictions on ads.

Yet this decision is unlikely to change the political situation on the ground very much. Even before the Citizens United decision, business, labor and wealthy individuals were already able to spend more than \$400 million in the 2008 federal elections on communications with content similar to the Franken ad.

Studies by New York University's Brennan Center for Justice have Stephen Weissman is associate director for policy from 2002 to 2009 at the Campaign Finance Institute, a research organization affiliated with George Washington University. He wrote this commentary for the Los Angeles Times.

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OPINION

Job one: Taking out Osama bin Laden

hen the World Food Program suspended operations in south Somalia this month because Islamic extremists were hassling and murdering aid workers, 4 million people were threatened with imminent starvation.

"The situation for these people may become dramatic," Giorgio Bertin, an African Catholic Bishop, warned a few days ago.

Who holds the lion's share of blame for this? The easy answer is Somalia's al-Shabaab militia, that Islamic extremist group. But look deeper, and a large share of blame falls on Osama bin Laden and George W. Bush.

How's that? Think back to the days before the Sept. 11 attacks. Osama bin Laden was brewing trouble. Al-Qaeda attacked the USS Cole, Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia and the U.S.



embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, among other sites. Bin Laden was the face of Islamic terrorism. There were few imitators; al-Qaeda had the field largely to itself. In 1998 the United States offered \$5 million for bin Laden's capture – the highest bounty Washington had ever offered.

Then came Sept 11, 2001, and bin Laden became the world's most prominent villain. "I want justice," President Bush declared on Sept. 18. "There's an old poster out West that said, "Wanted, dead or alive?"

The rest of the history is well known. Bin Laden had ordered the most serious

attack on the United States since Pearl Harbor. The U.S. attacked Afghanistan, bin Laden slipped over the border to Pakistan and two years later Bush more or less dropped his interest, transferring his attention and troops to Iraq. Today, bin Laden still resides in western Pakistan – and serves as an inspirational symbol for Islamic militants worldwide.

In Vietnam, the United States could not defeat a determined enemy that had tens of thousands of troops and regional allies that supplied it with sanctuaries and unlimited weaponry. This time, one miscreant attacked the world's only super power, permanently altered the nation's domestic and foreign policies - and got away with it. Is it any wonder that Islamic terrorists inspired by him have sprouted like mushrooms in the forest after a summer shower?

The al-Shabaab militia in Somalia is the vilest of these new sects. Its fighters are kidnapping and killing aid workers whose only mission is to care for the nation's poor. It is imposing the most virulent form of Islamic law. The prototypical example of that, last year: Al-Shabaab adherents stoned a 13-yearold girl to death as penalty for telling police she had been raped.

Well, on Sept. 10, 2001, al-Shabaab didn't exist.

On Sept 10, 2001, Europeans were not particularly worried about Muslims immigrants. "Western Europe today has a Muslim population of 10 million to 12 million," the journal Middle East Policy wrote in June 2001. "In a democratic Europe, an anti-Muslim pogrom seems quite unlikely." What's under way today is not a pogrom. But it's close.

On Sept. 10, 2001, Jemaah Islamiyah, a militant Islamic group in Indonesia, was writing letters to the editor to make its points. The next year it began blowing up hotels.

Today, bin Laden must wake up every morning with a smile on his face for all he has inspired. Sitting there in Pakistan, this man mocks us. He does not need to plan new attacks, only issue a new tape every once in a while lauding the attempted bombing of a plane bound for Detroit on Christmas Day. But it doesn't really matter what he says. The point of these tapes is to show: I am still alive. The United States is powerless against us!

Right now, the most effective thing the U.S. could do to turn the tide in the so-called war on terror is to capture or kill bin Laden, the terrorists' shining symbol. We know where he is, more or less, in

North Waziristan. Pakistan refuses to go after him. Pakistani military told Secretary of Defense Robert Gates that it would not attack North Waziristan "for 6 to 12 months." Read that: Never.

Now the U.S. and NATO need to do the job. Nine years of working with them, at a cost of \$14 billion, has produced few useful results. I'm not talking about an invasion. Infiltrate the region with special-operations forces, as the Bush administration did in 2008. Pakistanis screamed in protest.

Let them scream. We have given Pakistan every chance to do the job. Now it's time to do it ourselves.

Joel Brinkley is a former Pulitzer Prize-winning foreign correspondent for The New York Times and now a professor of journalism at Stanford University.

Consumer protection agency would deflate economic bubbles

ASHINGTON - Deceptive mortgages helped feed the housing bubble whose collapse wrecked the economy. Ten percent unemployment and 20 million homeowners underwater might seem a good reason to impose tighter standards on mortgages and other loans.

In the last two decades the financial industry has been innovating at a rapid pace. These innovations have been designed to find new ways to separate people from their money in ways that they will not understand.

Virtually everyone has had some experience with the industry's deceits. How many people have found themselves owing large penalties on a credit card because the grace period had been shortened without clear notification? Similarly, how many people find the interest rate on their credit card went up only after they are charged a higher monthly bill? Sure,



has been whining that a consumer protection agency will stifle innovation. In fact, a consumer protection agency should actually stimulate useful innovation.

The financial industry, like any industry, innovates in ways that maximizes its profits. If the industry can maximize profit by developing products that will better serve consumers, then they will be happy to do so.

However, if their best profit opportunities come from designing deceptive mortgages, then they will design deceptive mortgages.

Ideally, a new agency would not be needed to ensure that homebuyers are given clearly written, transparent mortgages and

The trouble with putting kids behind bars

ver the years, I've written many columns about Guantanamo Bay, Abu Ghraib and torture, not to mention the abuses that go on in Chinese and North Korean prisons. But I've never written about the horrors that unfold in American prisons - especially juvenile correctional facilities – on a far larger scale than at Guantanamo.

Consider Rodney Hulin Jr., who was a 16-year-old when he was convicted of arson. A first-time offender and a slight figure at 5 feet 2 inches tall and some 125 pounds, he was sent to a men's prison. There, he was the smallest person around. Within a week, he was raped, according to an account by Human Rights Watch, an advocacy group. The prison doctor ordered an HIV test, since up to one-third of the inmates were HIV-positive.

Rodney asked to be placed in protective custody, but he was denied. His father, Rodney Hulin Sr., picks up the story: "For the next several months, my son was repeatedly beaten by the older inmates. forced to perform oral sex, robbed, and beaten again He could no longer stand to live in contin-



panel that issued its final report last year, described how a 14-year-old boy was assaulted after he was made to share a cell with two older teenagers.

Surprisingly, the new survey suggests the biggest predators are not other inmates but prison staff and female staff members offend as much as the males do. More than 10 percent of boys in juvenile correctional facilities said they had sex with staff, most of whom were women.

Among girls, almost 5 percent said they engaged in sexual activity with staff, most of whom were men.

Reggie Walton, a federal judge in the District of Columbia who led the prison rape commission, said the figures may even be an undercount because of the stigma of rape.

One lesson from the survevs is that we should rethink the way male guards are sometimes assigned to female inmates, and female

said he was Tasered. In the last few years, a growing number of states have limited the ability of guards to strip-search members of the opposite sex or watch them showering. And a landmark law, the Prison Rape Elimination Act, created Judge Walton's commission, which has made excellent recommendations to reduce violence and abuse behind bars. The Obama administration should quickly implement those recommendations.

Surveys have found that well-managed prisons and correctional facilities with strong accountability have



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almost no rape, by guards or inmates.

The legacy of Rodney Hulin Jr. should be a concerted drive to end the way inmates are raped with impunity behind bars. The survey results indicating the ubiquity of sexual assault behind bars, often by guards, should be an awakening and an end to this blind spot that so many of us have shown. We need to be as alert to human rights abuses in our youth correctional facilities as to those at Guantanamo.

Nicholas Kristof is a columnist for The New York Times.





the bank sent you a notification. It was buried in a thicket of mail offering discounts on magazines, luggage and thousands of other items that no one wants to buy. But the credit company did notify you.

A consumer financial products protection agency would prevent these sorts of abuses by requiring that credit cards clearly disclose all interest charges and fees. The agency would also ensure consumers are properly notified of anv changes in charges and fees.

Such an agency would also protect against the sort of abuses that we saw in the mortgage industry during the bubble years. Most people have full-time jobs that do not involve writing or reading financial contracts. It is not surprising that smart people, who have a full-time job designing financial contracts, can write contracts that confuse many borrowers.

This is especially likely to be the case with major purchases like buying a home.

A consumer protection agency can ensure mortgage contracts are clear and understandable. People should know how much they will pay and what penalties they face for not making their payments on time.

This transparency should benefit both homebuyers and responsible lenders, since lenders lose money when homebuyers can't afford their mortgages. This discipline did not work in the bubble years when banks could sell almost any mortgage at all in the secondary market to be packaged into a mortgage-backed security.

The financial industry

that banks don't try to deceive their customers. We can hope the financial industry will repair itself following the collapse of the housing bubble; after all many of the country's largest financial institutions were brought to the brink of collapse by their bad lending practices.

Unfortunately, the lesson many of the biggest banks probably learned is that at the end of the day, the Treasury Department and the Federal Reserve Board will come to your rescue no matter how irresponsible you have been.

Dean Baker is the codirector of the Center for Economic and Policy Research.

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Rodney Jr. hanged himself. Maybe Rodney would have been safer in a juvenile correctional facility, but then again maybe not. A stunning new Justice Department special report underscores how widespread rape is in youth correctional facilities. It found that almost one youth in eight reported being sexually assaulted while behind bars in the last year.

That means a child in custody is about twice as likely to be raped as an adult behind bars, based on similar surveys of adult prisoners. As The New York Review of Books wrote on its blog, we face a "crisis of juvenile prison rape."

The National Prison Rape Elimination Commission, a

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guards to male inmates. without sufficient respect for inmates' privacy or dignity. That won't stop same-sex violence or inmate-oninmate abuses, but it would address one important component of the abuse problem.

Investigators at one juvenile correctional facility found that a male guard watched as girls showered, while a woman watched over boys showering.

Jamie Fellner of Human Rights Watch, also a member of the prison rape commission, described a Virginia prison where men were stripped naked and asked to spread their buttocks in front of a female officer. When a male inmate asked to be searched in front of a man instead, Fellner



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Verner Russell Hale

In the early morning hour of Thursday, Jan. 28, 2010, Verner Russell Hale began his eternal journey from this life. His wife and grandson were by his side at his home while he passed peacefully.

Verner, called by family and friends as Russ, was enjoyed various bowling born Dec.12, 1932, in Russell leagues. Everyone who had Springs, Ky. He attended Russell Springs High School and shortly after was employed with a furniture person. company in Ohio. After a year there, Russ joined the Navy, where he was stationed in Moffitt Field, Calif. Myrick, daughter and son- II as a medical corpsman. He He served in the Navy from 1952 to 1960, and his service included on the ships USS Ollie Lathel (Smokey) Boxer and Bon Homme Hartman Jr., brother-in-Richard.

Moffitt Field that Russ met nieces; Tracy Hartman and the love of his life, Geraldine Harlan Hartman, nephews; Hartman, and they were as well as many other family soon married on Oct. 1, 1954. They had a loving, successful marriage of 55 years. One Marion Francis and Valeria in Challis in October of 1982. daughter was born to them, Vicky. They moved to Salinas, Calif., in 1960, and Lathel and Virgie Bell lived there until 2006, when (Goldston) Hartman; sisters, they retired and moved to Twin Falls, Idaho.

roofing contractor and, while living in Salinas, Calif.. was owner-operator of Hale co-owner of R & J Janitorial as niece and nephew, Debra service for commercial buildings.

Russ enjoyed restoring various Ford Mustang automobiles. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting, astronomy, woodworking, cooking and music, espe- lieu of flowers, memorial cially country and rhythm offerings be made in Russ's 1919, in Declo, Idaho, the and blues. Russ was a mem- name to Hospice Visions, daughter of Lawrence ber of the Moose Lodge in 209 Shoupe Ave. W., Twin Augustus and Wilma Gay Salinas, Calif., and also Falls, ID 83301.



Russ knew him to be a kind, loving, gentle and generous

Russ is survived by Geraldine (Geri) Hale, his in 1940. Art served in the wife; Vicky and Leroy U.S. Navy during World War in-law; whom they call son); Bryan Myrick, grandson; law; Ruby Jean York, Linda It was while stationed at Antle and Colleen Ward, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Art married June L. Halbert (Sullivan) Hale; father and mother-in-law, Ollie Rubino Jane Lawhorn and Frances Shoulders; grand-Russ became a licensed daughter, Jennifer Lynn power lines and general con-Myrick; brothers-in-law, Woodrow Lawhorn and Benjamin Hartman; sisters-Roofing Company for more in-law, Patricia Hartman pastimes were building bird ary.com. than 20 years. He also was and Betty Hartman; as well Faye Shoulders and Bruce Wayne Shoulders.

The immediate family had planned a small private Thurston, age 90, passed gathering at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin ing, Jan. 31, 2010, in Burley, creative Falls. The family requests in surrounded by her family.

Merlin 'Pops' Dee Cox

FAIRFIELD Merlin "Pops" Dee Cox of Fairfield, Idaho, was a friend to all he met. He was born Nov. 15, 1931, in his family home in Fairfield, Idaho, and passed peacefully in

Jan. 30, 2010.

Dee was the second youngest in his family of 13. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Fairfield. He graduated from Camas County High School in 1951 and joined the Army Engineers, stationed at Fort

family, Merlena and Joe Rodriguez of Mountain Home; his sons, Butch Cox and Mark Cox of and Chuck Twitchell of Jerome; two brothers, Donald and

his sleep to be with his Doris Cox of Fairfield, and Heavenly Father on Saturday, Howard and Marge Cox of Oregon; a sister, Jennie and Bill Thompson of Provo, Utah; eight grandchildren, the Primary, YWMIA, Relief Jason, Tarisa DeeAnn, Jesse, Stetson Dee, Tanisha, Kiera, Kenna and Kaleb; and six LDS Temple. great-grandchildren, Alyssa, Trenton (loving called Little seven children, Billie (Dee) In addition to her husband, Knucklehead by Pops), Gifford of Ogden, Utah, Leo, she was preceded in Kinsley Jane, Paityn Jo, Karen (Larry) Richman of death by her parents; three Meridian, Laurie Mounce of

The funeral will be con-

Gooding. A viewing will be

Arthur Glen Hadden

PAUL - Arthur Glen Hadden, 88, of Paul, Idaho, passed heavenly to his reward Friday, Jan. 29, 2010. He was born Sept.

22, 1921, in Ririe, Idaho, to John

Hadden and Myrtle Nielson. brother, Oran Hadden; four mother, Samantha Savage; the pleasure of knowing He was the sixth of seven children. The family moved to Paul in 1926. He attended and graduated as valedictorian from Paul High School was stationed in New Guinea.

> Art married Lois Ann Chapman of Pilot Rock, Ore., in October of 1950. They were blessed with four sons and two daughters. They raised an extremely close-knit family. Art lost Lois in December of 1981. The marriage produced a partnership that happily lasted until his passing.

Art worked in many vocations during his life including logging, barbering, struction. He retired from Kloepfer Concrete and Construction. Art's favorite

Wilma Gillett Thurston

BURLEY – Wilma Gillett away quietly Sunday morn-

She was born June 22, (Anderson) Gillett. She was the sixth child in a family of nine children (five brothers and three sisters). She grew up and graduated from high school in Declo. She married Leo Simpson Thurston on friends, traveling in the May 25, 1939, in Declo. They were later sealed for time and all eternity in the Idaho Wendell, and Maria Falls LDS Temple. They moved to Burley and established their home west of Burley in the Starrh's Ferry area for more than 70 years. She was an active member of the LDS Church, serving in many callings including Society, and was an ordinance worker in the Boise

They were the parents of ter, Renee Clark of Rupert.

Paul, Frank (Mayumi)

Okla., Tim (Kathryn)

Thurston of Seattle, Wash..

Burley and Susan (Wendell)

mother and grandmother.

She was a homemaker and

excelled in everything she 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley,

time with her family and p.m. Friday at the church.

Jessop of Gooding.



death by his parents; side. his wife, Lois; one sisters, Beth Locy, Sylvia father, Dustin Osborne; and Jones, Ila Higley and Leora Rae Hadden and Merle Dean his grandparents, great - Chapel. Hadden. Art was survived by his loving wife, June L. Hadden; two sons, John (Linda) Hadden and Brad Hadden; two daughters, Kari Klosterman and Nikki Hadden; daughter In-law, Luann Hadden; 17 grand-

houses to give away.

great-grandchild. Art lived a full life, cherishing his entire family and May 2, 1916, in friends and truly believed

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 5, at the Paul Congregational met Gar L. Hodges at a barn Church. Memorial contributions can be made in Art's She was very shy, but behalf to West End Fire and through Gar's persistence, EMS. Services are under the they fell in love and were direction of Hansen married Feb. 19, 1934, in the Mortuary Rupert Chapel. Salt Lake City LDS Temple. Condolences may be left at www.hansen-mortu-

motor home, snowmobiling and taking care of her flowers and her yard. She devoted many years taking care of Leo after he suffered paralysis due to an illness. Leo passed away in September of 1995.

She is survived by her 2010, at her home. children; 18 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; Gillett of Declo; and one sis-

brothers; and two sisters.

The funeral will be held at

Star LDS Church, 100 S. 200

Ross Spackman officiating.

Cemetery. Friends may call

Rasmussen Funeral Home,

James Samuel Osborne

- James grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Samuel Osborne was born July 18, 2009, and died

He brought much love and joy to everyone, and will be greatly missed.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday. Feb. 3, at the First Christian He is survived by his Church in Gooding, with the Rev. Andy Morris officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Demaray Halbert; and two sons, Billie He is also survived by all of Funeral Service, Gooding

Phoebe Ann Patten Hodges

BOISE – Phoebe Ann Patten Hodges, 93. of Boise and formerly of Jerome, passed away Thursday, Jan. 28, 2010, in Boise.

GOODING

Art is preceded in mom, dad and family by his

Thursday, Jan. 28, 2010, at

Center in Boise, with his

big sister, Lexi May Osborne.

Phoebe was born

Moore, Idaho, the fourth Sharon Patten; one sisterchild born to William in-law, Margaret Patten; and Neuman Patten and Maude Rebecca Kidd Patten. She dance in Darlington, Idaho. They made their home in Salmon, where they raised six children. In 2001, they decided to sell their ranch in Salmon and move to Jerome. Following the death of their daughter, Wanona H. Tolman, they moved to Aaron Brook Assisted Living Center in Boise, where Phoebe resided until her passing.

Phoebe is survived by her husband of 76 years, Gar Hodges; four children, Beverly (Raymond) Cockrell the and LaJuan (Michael) Updike of Jerome.

DEATH NOTICES

Betty J. Boatwright

RUPERT – Betty Joyce Estes Boatwright, 81, of Rupert, died Friday, Jan. 29,

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 3, at the Trinity two brothers, George Gillett Lutheran Church in Rupert of Pensacola, Fla., and Frank (Morrison Funeral Home in Rupert).

Diane M. **Stockdale**

of Valparaiso, Ind. She is also survived by 25 grandchildren: 88 great-grandchildren; 21 great-greatgrandchildren; two sisters, Kaye Whiting and June Fannin; one brother,

one daughter-in-law, Jenay Hodges. She was preceded in death by her son, Kenneth Raye Hodges; her daughter, Wanona H. Tolman; one grandson; two great-grandchildren; one great-greatgranddaughter; her parents; two sisters, Sevela Hardy and Wanda Duffin; two brothers, William and Grant Patten; and two sons-in-law, Jack Tolman and Wallace Hendrickson.

The funeral for Phoebe will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, at the Jerome LDS 3rd Ward Chapel, 825 East Ave. B in Jerome, with Bishop Rick Geist officiating. A visitation will be held from noon to 1:45 p.m. prior to the service Thursday at the church. Donna Hendrickson of Boise, Interment will follow in Jerome Cemetery. of Salmon, Dwight G. Arrangements are under the Hodges of Garden City, Utah, care of Farnsworth Mortuary

> of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Jan. 31, 2010, at a local hospital.

> Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Skylar J. Warren

KIMBERLY – Skylar James Warren, 16, of Kimberly, died Thursday, Jan. 28, 2010, at a local hospital.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Doris Coleman



children; 24 great-grandchildren; and one great-

Paul was God's country.

Belvoir in Washington, D.C. Addison and Lawrey; and He returned to Idaho and many nieces and nephews. worked for the Wendell Lumber Mill in Fairfield and ducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, was later employed at the at the Gooding LDS Church. Soldier Mountain Ranch Burial will follow in the Rose Mary (Kris) Hansen of Resort as a greens keeper for Elmwood Cemetery in Doc Carter.

He was preceded in death held from 4 to 7 p.m. by his parents, Bert and Thursday, Feb. 4, at Demaray Jennie Moon Cox; nine sib- Funeral Service, Gooding lings; his wife, June; and a Chapel, and from 1 p.m. until stepson, Joe Cox Baster- service time Friday at the did. She loved spending and from noon until 12:45 rechea. He is survived by his church.

SERVICES

High School gymnasium in Funeral Chapel in Buhl). Fairfield (Demarav Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. today

Shannon Lee Wolf of Church in Buhl; visitation Falls; visitation from 9 to Tuesday and one hour announced by the Hansen 1, 2010, in Elko, Nev. Fairfield, funeral at 10 a.m. from 10 to 10:50 a.m. today 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at today at the Camas County at the church (Farmer the funeral home.

Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. a.m.

Patricia Jane Wickel of

Stanley J. Sorenson of Coeur d'Alene, funeral at 11 Valley Funeral Home, 2551 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; at the Main Street LDS Kimberly Road in Twin visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Falls.

before the service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Golden Robert Bennett of Wednesday at Twin Falls, casual gathering 75, of Twin Falls, died Amon Edgar Burgess of Wednesday at Parke's Magic Rasmussen Funeral Home, from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at Monday, Feb. 1, 2010, at St. White Mortuary in Twin

Obama tries again to cut cleanup money for mines

save \$115 million this year – and \$1.2 billion over 10 years to states and Indian tribes that have completed cleanup of abandoned coal mines.

Obama calls the proposal common sense: Why pay states to clean up mines that up?

But eliminating the program may not be so easy. last year and was rebuffed.

Lawmakers from mining states say the money is needhard rock mines, that continue to pose a danger.

D-Mont., issued a strongly proposal. worded press release

President Obama wants to vowing to keep the mine payment program intact.

– by eliminating payments tighten our belt and cut wasteful spending, but it makes absolutely no sense to cut a program that has such a strong record of job creation budget proposal "an 'all tomers they can't withdraw and quality results," he said.

The Abandoned Mine have already been cleaned Land program "is all about creating jobs and keeping folks safe, making it a winwin for Montana and the Obama tried the same thing nation," Baucus said, adding that he and other Western lawmakers, including fellow Montana Democratic Sen. ed to create jobs and to clean Jon Tester, would redouble up other mines, including their efforts to preserve the program.

Wyoming Gov. Dave Within hours of Obama's Freudenthal said he was disproposal, Sen. Max Baucus, couraged by the president's

"For four decades,

case establishing our right to" to mine-cleanup fund-"I understand we need to ing, the Democratic governor abandoned mine sites. said in a joint statement with the state's four GOP mem-

bers of Congress. hands on deck' moment," money from a savings noting that cleanup money account where they've been helps support programs putting in money for 30 ranging from research at the years.

WASHINGTON (AP) - denouncing the move and Wyoming argued the state's University of Wyoming School of Energy Resources to reclamation projects at

> Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo., said deciding to eliminate the mine cleanup program is like Freudenthal called the a bank manager telling cus-

HEYBURN - Diane M. Thurston of Collinsville, 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, at the Stockdale, 59, of Heyburn, died Saturday, Jan. 30, 2010, W. of Burley, with Bishop at her home.

A memorial service will be Burial will be in the Declo held at 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, at the Morrison Funeral She was a devoted wife, from 6 until 8 p.m. Home, 188 S. Highway 24 in Thursday, Feb. 4, at the Rupert.

Vollie G. Clark

RUPERT – Vollie G. Clark, 92, of Rupert, died Sunday, Jan. 31, 2010, in Burley.

Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Clark McKean

Clark "Corky" McKean, Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

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

Kenneth W. Story

Kenneth Walter Story, 72, Chapel.

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JEROME Doris Coleman, of Jerome, died Monday, Feb. 1, 2010, at St. Benedicts Family Medical Center Long Term Care Unit.

Arrangements will be announced by Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Ierome.

David E. Sweat

RICHFIELD - David E. Sweat, 93, formerly of Arrangements will be Richfield, died Monday, Feb.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel.

Ruby M. Jinkins

GOODING – Ruby M. Jinkins, 89, of Gooding and formerly of Bliss, died Sunday, Jan. 31, 2010, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital in Gooding.

Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding





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Budget would limit payments to farmers

Wealthy producers targeted under Obama's proposal

By Henry C. Jackson Associated Press writer

several government agencies while slashing the account for others. Here are numbers for the U.S. Department of Agriculture:

Spending: \$148.6 billion Percentage change from 2010: 9.7 percent increase

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Highlights: Obama's proposed WASHINGTON - President budget includes hundreds of mil-Obama's multi-trillion-dollar lions of dollars in increased spendbudget would boost spending for ing to help feed the poor while also limiting government handouts to wealthy farmers.

The budget would provide \$8.1 billion for nutrition programs, a includes an extension for an addi-\$400 million increase from the president's 2010 budget. It would allocate \$10 billion over 10 years Reinvestment Act, which tem- income; the limit is currently over 2010.

Mandatory Spending: \$122.8 bil- to improve access to USDA food programs, establishing higher nutrition standards at schools and aiming to reduce childhood hunger.

The budget also would increase government spending on food stamps, a jump of \$11 million to a proposed \$36 million. That tional year of benefits under the American Recovery and

porarily eliminated food stamp \$750,000 or less. time limits for certain low-income Also in Obama adults.

Obama wants to limit the amount of money that wealthy farmers can receive from the government. Direct payments to farmers would be reduced from \$40,000 per person per year to \$30,000. Direct payments are payments to farmers based on historical production.

The budget also proposes limiting direct payments to farmers who make \$500,000 or less in farm

Also in Obama's agriculture proposal:

• \$429 million for research grants through the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative.

• \$418 million in loans and grants for expanding rural broadband access.

• \$1.2 billion for the **Environmental Quality Incentives** Program to help farmers comply with regulatory requirements and protect natural resources, a 67 percent increase in funding









Oregon ag workers **By Wes Sander**

Economy

squeezes

Capital Press

SALEM, Ore. - John Moyer says he's never faced work prospects like these.

A lifelong cowboy, Moyer has worked for ranchers around Heppner, Ore., since the 1980s. Just before Thanksgiving, he and his wife, Celia, simultaneously lost the jobs they had held for several years on a local ranch.

Moyer said it was a first in two respects: his first time being laid off. and his first time leaving a job with no prospects in hand.

"There's not much work out there doing anything," he said. "We've been looking around, but there's just not that much work."

Moyer has thus joined an apparently growing number of agricultural workers finding it unusually difficult to find new employment in the trades they know. While accurate counts remain elusive, evidence suggests large numbers of unemployed workers who may not return to agriculture.

Now 63, Moyer started cowboying

AP photo

Mel Brekke, owner of Brekke's Town & Country Store, talks Friday about the predicted shortage of certain types of vegetable seeds this summer in Ames, lowa.

Wet summer, more demand could make it hard for some gardeners to find seeds; farmers shouldn't be affected

By Michael Crumb Associated Press writer

DES MOINES, Iowa _ Dreaming of biting into a gardenfresh cucumber sandwich this now.

A poor growing season last year and increased orders from Europe could make it difficult for home gardeners to get seeds for the most popular cucumber variety and some vegetables this spring. Farmers, who usually grow different varieties than home gardeners, aren't likely to be affected.

open-pollinated cucumbers seeds. seem to be most scarce, but car-

could be in short supply.

"I suspect there will be some seeds you just won't be able to buy if you wait too long on it," said Bill Hart, the wholesale summer? Better order your seeds manager in charge of seed purchasing at Chas. C. Hart Seed Company in Wethersfield, Conn. "The sugar snap peas we're not able to get at all, and other companies that have it will sell out pretty quickly."

The problem is primarily due to soggy weather last year that resulted in a disappointing seed crop. European seed growers also had a bad year, leading to a big Seeds for what's known as increase in orders for American

economy and worries about chemical use and bacteria contamination prompted many people to establish gardens. Homegrown food seemed safer and more affordable. But some wonder if the wet weather that Pa., bills itself as the largest ruined gardens in many areas last summer will discourage firsttime gardeners from planting again.

"A lot of people are getting into it, but it was a disastrous year for gardens last year because it was so cold and wet," said wholesale seed distributor Mel Brekke, who owns Brekke's Town and Country near Ames, Iowa.

Kathy Gocke of Bondurant, Demand for seeds in the U.S. Iowa, said she orders seeds early

rots, snap peas and onions also soared last year, as the poor for herself and her county's master gardener's program and advises others to do the same.

"If you do it before the first of January, they have a pretty good stock," Gocke said.

Burpee Seeds in Warminster, provider of home garden seeds. and Chief Executive Officer George Ball said the company's huge reserves mean it will have plenty of seeds. But Ball said he understands why others might have limited supplies after a big spike in demand in the past two vears.

"It was unlike anything I've seen in the past 30 years," he said.

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as a youngster raised in Oklahoma, taught by his father. To keep his income steady, he worked for two decades for a local school district, but never stopped cowboying on the side, breaking and training horses.

See WORKERS, Agribusiness 2

Fiber harder to convert to fuel, but may be worth effort

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) -Efficient biofuels made from plant fiber could be an important part of the fight against the greenhouse gases now causing our world to heat up, Michigan State University researchers say.

Scientists are now at work on improving the techniques for turning plant making biofuel from plant cellulose.

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Illinois farmer who lost foot proves resilience

By Teri Maddox

Belleville News-Democrat

are known for overcoming said. "I had been doing that all called for help. hardship, but friends and family still can't believe what it." Russel Hallemann did to keep cornfield.

The 48-year-old Sorento man had been working for hanging by skin. another farmer near Trenton

last fall when the corn head on hop around the chopper, which have trouble getting him out of his silage chopper clogged up.

my life and gotten away with

But the blade caught getting to the cell phone." from bleeding to death in a Hallemann's right leg, slicing and leaving his severed foot

is similar to a combine. He "I thought I could just clean climbed five steps to the cab, TRENTON, Ill. – Farmers it up while it was running," he resting bone on metal, and

> "You're either going to live or die," he said. "My focus was

Hallemann used his flannel through muscle in his thigh shirt as a tourniquet before climbing back down the steps. He was feeling queasy and knew He mustered the strength to emergency personnel would

the cab if he went into shock.

Hallemann then crawled about 200 feet to the edge of the cornfield to meet up with the other farmer.

Bizenberger decided to call an ambulance rather than drive to the hospital. He was shaking so hard he could barely dial the number.

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AP photo

Farmer Russel Halleman, who lost is right foot last fall in an accident, talks with his son, Dillon, 11, on Jan. 18 while Dillon and daughter Megan, 8, help.

Dates and deadlines

DEADLINE - Applications for Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) and Wetland Reserve Programs (GRP and WRP) are due Feb 12.

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BallardPw			2.25	+.01	+19.0	OfficeMax			13.69	+.72	+7.9
BkofAm	.04		15.42	+.24	+2.4	RockTen	.60	8	42.89	+.20	-14.9
ConAgra	.80	13	22.94	+.20	5	Sensient	.76	14	26.38	+.43	+.3
Costco	.72	23	57.91	+.48	-2.1	SkyWest	.16	10	14.98	+.35	-11.5
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How TO READ THE REPORT

Name: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbrevia-tion). Company names made up of initials appear at the beginning of each letters' list. Div: Current annual dividend rate paid on stock, based on latest quarterly or semiannu-al declaration, unless otherwise footnoted. Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day. Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ... mark.

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Stock Footnotes: cc – PE greater than 99. dd – Loss in last 12 mos. d – New 52-wk low during trading day. g – Dividend in Canadian \$. Stock price in U.S.\$. n – New issue in past 52 wks. q – Closed-end mutual fund; no PE calculated. s – Split or stock dividend of 25 pct or more in last 52 wks. Div begins with date of split or stock dividend. u – New 52-wk high during trading day. v – Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf – Preferred. pp – Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt – Rights. un – Units. wd – When distributed. wi – When issued. wt – Warrants. ww – With warrants. xw – Without warrants.
Dividend Footnotes: a – Also extra or extras. b – Annual rate plus stock dividend. c – Liquidating dividend. e – Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos. f – Annual rate, increased on last declaration. i – Declared or paid after stock dividend or split. j – Paid this year, accumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m – Annual rate, reduced on last declaration. j – Declared or paid after stock dividend and sales in full. z – Sales in full. yi – In bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.
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AGRIBUSINESS

YESTERDAY ON WALL STREET

NEW YORK (AP) — Encouraging economic reports lifted stocks Monday and bolstered hopes that the recovery is in better shape than many had believed.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 118 points after falling for the last two days. Energy stocks led the market higher following a strong earnings report from Exxon Mobil Corp.

Gains in manufacturing and personal incomes gave the market a strong start to February after rising doubts about the economy led to three weeks of losses.

Investors were already becoming more optimistic thanks to news on Friday that the economy grew at the fastest pace in six years in the last three months of 2009.

`The market exhaled today,'' said Mike Shea, managing partner at Direct Access Partners LLC in New York. ``This

Farmer

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He described Hallemann as "pale but alert" and anxious to get out of the field.

"He's definitely the toughest guy I know," Bizenberger said. "The way he was pulling himself around, the way he put the tourniquet on ... (The leg) was hardly bleeding by the time I got there."

Hallemann had to be moved to the road in a skid-loader bucket to keep the ambulance from getting stuck in mud.

A helicopter eventually flew him to Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis. He remained conscious throughout the ordeal.

"He was making jokes with the ambulance and helicopter guys," said his sister-in-law, Carol Taylor, of Highland. "He's always in a good mood."

Taylor and other relatives organized a benefit chicken-and-beer dance for Hallemann, his wife, Cathy, son, Dillon, 11, and daughter, Megan, 8.

Hallemann was hospitalized for a week in early November. Doctors reattached his foot, but lack of blood flow led them to recommend amputation halfway between the ankle and knee.

Family members agreed it was the right course.

"We were just being practical," said Cathy, 42, a landscape designer in Belleville. "The doctor told me amputation was going to heal the leg faster and get him on his feet faster."

After the accident, Cathy worried most about her husband's state of mind. Friends had warned her to expect bitterness, anger and depression.

"But Russ was the complete opposite," she said. "He was himself, except for not being able to do what he normally does. He has never had a bad attitude about it."

Allan Tipsword, owner of a Highland dairy farm, visited Hallemann in the hospital and found him more upbeat than expected.

Hallemann had built two sheds for Tipsword. Cathy helps his wife, Gay, with catering.

"I have never seen anyone go through such a tragic experience and have the good spirits and good humor that he does," Gay said. "It's just unreal."

Today, Hallemann is back at work on the 200-acre farm he owns with his parents, Robert and Patricia. But he's moving slower than normal while getting used to his prosthesis.

Cathy and Robert take up some of the slack. The kids help when school's out.

"I work harder to do stuff. like feed the animals and run the skidder and cut the netting has been a very skittish market for the last three to four weeks."

The strongest piece of economic news came from the Institute for Supply Management, which said its index of U.S. manufacturing activity grew for a sixth straight month in January to the strongest level since August 2004. The trade group said factories increased production as customers replenished inventories.

The ISM's manufacturing index jumped to 58.4 in January from 54.9 in December, well above the 55.5 that analysts polled by Thomson Reuters had expected. Any reading above 50 signals growth.

Surveys released Monday in Europe and China showed that factories are going strong overseas too, which helped send shares of industrial companies higher.

Workers

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stick their neck out right right now," Billikopf said. now and hire people," he said of the area's ranching beginning to pick up again, operations. "Everything's so uncertain."

While Oregon's ag severe as those in other industries, said Dallas state Employment Department.

The state's most recent figures show a 2.2 percent year-over-year drop, to limping industries expect-29,756 workers in crop and animal production, in the second quarter of 2009.

that food is always in demand, Fridley said.

time," he said.

other states, is also showemployment – November 2008 to 1.6 million in November 2009.

Oregon added jobs annually from 2003 to 2007, then lost more than 10,000 in 2008. The state put its unemployment rate at 11.1 percent in November, up 7.8 percent a year earlier.

That's part of a depressed global economy that has dragged down demand for U.S. beef and dairy products and reduced herd sizes. It also means more unemployed workers its epicenter. The indusmay compete for agriculture jobs, which are either holding steady or slightly decreasing.

In California, the num-California labor adviser in plant again. the San Joaquin Valley, points to the construction

"I think we are living "They're not wanting to through really hard times "We hear the economy is but the people I talk to are not feeling that."

Mike McCann sees peremployment declined last manent changes coming to year, the drop was not as the workforce of the Central Valley. McCann is CEO of Proteus, a 42-year-Fridley, an analyst with the old organization that that helps agricultural workers mitigate the impacts of unemployment.

With recovery among ed to be gradual, many workers will transition to skilled employment in The numbers point out industries with growing demand, McCann said.

Proteus is training work-"I actually think (being ers to weatherize buildings in agriculture) is kind of an and maintain high-tech advantage at this point in irrigation equipment, skills with growing futures. New But Oregon, like most programs are also training workers to maintain the ing drops in statewide windmills that continue to from multiply along the state's 1.7 million employed in northern foothills and central coastline, as well as the solar arrays beginning to proliferate in the Central Vallev.

> "Ag workers are incredibly hard workers," McCann said. "They get to work on time, and they work hard from while they're there. They already have the fundamental work ethics, the basics. We just need the work opportunities."

California is the nation's leading dairy producer, with the San Joaquin Valley try's contraction has combined with California's worsening water shortages to produce many thousands of acres of fallowed bers are similar. Gregorio farmland, with farmers Billikopf, a University of unsure of when they may

Solar power will continue expanding on that land,

COMMODITIES REPORT

CLOSING FUTURES

Mon	Commodity	High	Low	Close Change	
Feb	Live cattle	85.85	82.23	85.2555	
Apr	Live cattle	89.45	88.55	88.7068	
Mar	Feeder cattle	98.90	97.70	97.73 - 1.15	
Apr	Feeder cattle	100.55	99.65 100.78	99.68 - 1.28 100.8595	
May Feb	Feeder cattle Lean hogs	101.35 66.50	64.20	100.8595 64.38 - 2.13	
Apr	Lean hogs	68.50	65.25	66.15 - 2.45	
Feb	Pork belly	80.50	80.25	80.50 - 1.00	
Mar	Pork belly	82.05	79.40	79.40 - 2.60	
Mar	Wheat	483.25	474.00	474.75 + .75	
May	Wheat	495.50	488.50	489.50 + 1.25	
Mar	KC Wheat	494.00	486.50	487.50 + .50	
Mav	KC Wheat	505.00	498.00	499.50 + .50	
Mar	MPS Wheat	508.00	500.50	501.25 + .50	
May	MPS Wheat	520.00	512.50	513.00 + .75	
Mar	Corn	360.25	355.75	359.00 + 2.50	
May	Corn	371.50	367.00	370.25 + 2.50	
Mar	Soybeans	924.00	909.50	909.75 - 4.25	
May	Soybeans	933.00	920.50	920.75 - 4.00	
Jan	BFP Milk	14.51	14.48	14.4902	
Feb	BFP Milk	14.05	13.86	13.9015	
Mar	BFP Milk	13.64	13.20	13.2834	
Apr	BFP Milk BFP Milk	13.55	13.00	13.0550 13.3159	
May Mar	Sugar	13.96 30.40	13.30 29.20	13.3159 29.2862	
Apr	Sugar	XX.XX	XX.XX	28.2436	
Mar	B-Pound	1.5975	1.5845	1.59490037	
Jun	B-Pound	1.5960	1.5547	1.59380038	
Mar	J-Yen	1.1114	1.0996	1.10340044	
Jun	J-Yen	1.1105	1.1004	1.10400044	
Mar	Euro-currency		1.3851	1.3920 + .0055	
Jun	Euro-currency	1.3926	1.3849	1.3916 + .0055	
Mar	Canada dollar	.9424	.9326	.9403 + .0053	
Jun	Canada dollar	.9420	.9327	.9402 + .0053	
Mar	U.S. Dollar	79.76	79.35	79.3630	
Feb	Comex gold		1076.8	1104.3 + 21.3	
Apr	Comex gold	1108.8	1077.2	1105.0 + 21.2	
Mar	Comex silver	16.72	16.13	16.66 + .47	
May	Comex silver	16.72	16.13	16.68 + .47	
Mar	Treasury bond		118.0	118.5 - 0.2	
Jun Mar	Treasury bond Coffee	117.2 133.20	116.2 131.20	116.2 - 0.2 132.55 + .85	
May	Coffee	135.20	133.05	134.45 + .85	
Mar	Cocoa	2249	2221	2225 - 8	
May	Cocoa	2249	2220	2225 - 7	
Mar	Cotton	69.37	68.20	68.2281	
May	Cotton	70.90	69.81	69.8677	
Mar	Crudo oil	7/ 00	72 /0	7//3 +15/	
Mar	Unleaded gas1	.9475 1.	8973 1.932	1+ .0187	
Mar	Heating oil	1.9698	1.9085	1.9549 + .0419	
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BEANS

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Valley Beans Prices are net to growers, 100 pounds, U.S. No. 1 beans, less Idaho bean tax and storage charges. Prices subject to change without notice. Producers desiring more recent price informa-tion should contact dealers.

Pintos, no quote, new crop great northerns, no quote pinks, no quote, new crop small reds, no quote, new crop. Prices are given by Rangens in Buhl. Prices current Ian. 27. Other Idaho bean prices are collected weekly by Bean Market News, U.S. Department of Agriculture Pintos, \$30-\$32. great northerns, not established small whites, Ltd. \$30 pinks, Ltd. \$30 small reds, Ltd. \$30-\$32. Quotes current Jan. 27.

GRAINS

Valley Grains Prices for wheat per bushel: mixed grain, oats, corn and beans per hundred weight. Prices subject to change without notice. Soft white wheat, ask barley, \$5.50 oats, \$5.80 corn, \$7.25 (15 percent moisture). Prices are given by Rangens in Buhl. Prices current Jan. 27. Barley, \$7.15 (48-1b. minimum) spot delivery in Twin Falls and Gooding: corn, oq ouote (Twin Falls only). Prices quoted by JD Heiskell. Prices current Jan. 27.

POCATELLO (AP) – Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Grain Report on Monday. POCATELLO – White wheat 4.05 (steady) 11.5 per-cent winter 3.85 (down 6) 14 percent spring 5.39 (up 5) barley 5.52 (steady)

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CHEESE

Cheddar cheese prices on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Barrels: \$1.4800, - .0250; Blocks: \$1.5100, - .0050

POTATOES

CHICAGO (AP) – USDA – Major potato markets FOB shipping points Monday. Russet Burbanks Idaho 50-lb cartons 70 count 5.00-5.50; 100 count 4.50-5.00. Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 3.00-3.25. Russet Norkotahs Idaho 50-lb cartons 70 count 4.50-5.00; 100 count 4.50-5.00. Baled 5-10 film bags (non Size A) 3.00-3.25. Russets Norkotahs Wisconsin 50-lb cartons 6.00; 100 count 5.0. Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 4.75-5.00. Russet Norkotahs Washington 50-lb cartons 70 count 6.00; 100 count 6.00. Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 3.50-4.00. Round Reds 50-lb sacks Size A Wisconsin 6.50-700. Round Reds 50-lb cartons Size A Minnesota N. Dakota 7.00-7.25.

LIVESTOCK

POCATELLO (AP) – Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Livestock Report on Monday. LIVESTOCK AUCTION – Burley Livestock Market on Thursday. Utility and commercial cows 48.00-58.75 canner and cutter 42.00-46.00 heavy feeder steers 55.00-98.50 light feeder steers 94.00-118.50 stocker steers 12.00-113.200 heavy holstein feeder steers 62.00-68.00 light holstein feeder steers 58.00-64.00 heavy feeder heires 83.00-94.00 light feeder heifers 90.00-105.50 stocker heifers 102.00-114.00 bulls 57.00-66.00 Remarks: All classes calves, feeders steady to strong.

METALS/MONEY

NEW YORK (AP) – Handy & Harman silver Monday \$16.525 up

\$0.405. H&H fabricated \$19.830 off \$0.486.

NEW YORK (AP) – Key currency exchange rates Monday, com-pared with late Friday in New York.

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Dollar vs:	Exch. Rate	Pys Day
Yen	90.63	90.32
Euro	\$1.3923	\$1.3867
Pound	\$1.5961	\$1.5993
Swiss franc	1.0576	1.0608
Canadian dolla	r 1.0634	1.0691
Mexican peso	12.9420	13.0310

on the hay bales," said Dillon, a sixth-grader at Trenton Elementary School.

The Hallemanns grow corn, soybeans and hay and raise about 60 head of cattle.

Hallemann choked up when he talked about the outpouring of community love and support since the accident.

Family members and a neighbor harvested 500 acres of his corn and soybeans last fall. Students at Trenton Elementary sent dozens of cards.

"I'm the one who gives help," Hallemann said, admitting it hurts his pride to depend on others. "I don't receive it."

Fiber

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Cellulosic biofuels would be an alternative to biofuel made from the simple sugars and starches found in corn and other grains.

"Unlike simple sugars or even starches in the grains of plants, such as corn kernels, cellulose doesn't dissolve in water," said Val Osowski of the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station.

"This is good for keeping plants healthy, but it's a problem for making biofuels," Osowski wrote on the school's Web site. "Before the complex sugars in cellulose and hemicellulose (from woody plants) can be converted into ethanol or other biofuels, they have to be broken down into simple sugars.

"Because the process is difficult to do efficiently, it can significantly raise production costs. This is part of the reason why cellulosic biofuels aren't available commercially. Yet."



industry's slide as a creator McCann said. of competition for available farm jobs.

There's also the growing permanence of a foreignborn workforce, Billikopf for a share of demand creatsaid. With border enforcement strengthened in recent years, workers bolstering the domestic workforce.

three years, Every Billikopf conducts a study of wages and labor supply for US dairies. In 2009, 16 percent of respondents said labor was "much easier" to find than it was three years earlier, up from 4 percent in the previous study; 21 percent said it percent previously.

Several developers are currently competing with utility PG&E to lock up land for future solar arrays, racing ed by the state's Renewable Portfolio Standard.

"Agriculture is what I return home less often, call the foundation of the value of this state," McCann said. "You can't let that go. What you can do is supplement it. There has been so much land retired on the (valley's) west side, it's just crying for solar farms. They need something more than agriculture for the long-term salvation of that area.

"It's a much bigger issue was "easier," up from 10 than what we can deal with," McCann said.

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Seeds

Barbara Melera, owner of D. Landreth Seeds of New Freedom, Pa., expects carrot seeds to be especially hard to find because of big orders from Europe, which had a poor crop last year. Also, fewer farmers are opting to grow seeds, she said. Many now have switched to growing corn for the biofuels industry.

"In this country, farmers who grow things for seed are becoming an endangered species," Melera said. "The farms producing things for seeds is reduced significantly, and in the past two to three years they can get more money for growing corn for ethanol plants than carrots for seeds."

Jennifer Nothwehr, seed coordinator for the Shenandoah, Iowa-based Earl May seed and nursery business, said she hasn't run into shortages, but her company typically orders its seeds from wholesalers a year in advance. They received and packaged the seeds they'll sell this year last fall, and because they set prices last spring, any shortage won't affect them.

Nothwehr also said that while popular varieties, like one known as the straight eight cucumber, may be hard to find, others are available.

"One of the most popular carrots we can't get, but we have four other varieties we can get if a customer wants to try something different," she said.

Hart said his family business has a small retail operation, and he's noticed people coming in earlier than usual this year, possibly because of worries over a shortage of seeds.

"I don't know if they're hoping for spring or just hoping to get going," he said.

Selected world gold prices. Monday. London morning fixing: \$1082.00 up \$35.0. London aftermoon fixing: \$1086.50 up \$8.00. NY Handy & Harman: \$1086.50 up \$8.00. NY Handy & Harman fabricated: \$1173.42 up \$8.64. NY Engelhard: \$1089.00 up \$8.02. NY Engelhard: feb. \$1104.30 up \$8.13. NY Merc; gold Feb. \$1104.30 up \$21.30. NY HSBC Bank USA 4 p.m. Mon \$1107.00 up \$27.00.

The morning bullion price for silver in London \$16.230 off \$0.060.

50.060. Engelhard \$16.490 up \$0.290. Engelhard fabricated \$19.788 up \$0.348. NY Merc silver spot month Monday \$16.653 up \$0.470.

NEW YORK (AP) – Spot nonferrous metal prices Mon. Aluminum - \$0.9348 per lb., London Metal Exch. Copper 53.1083 Cathode full plate, LME. Copper 53.0785 NY. Merc Spot Mon. Lead - \$2053.00 metric ton, London Metal Exch. Zinc - \$0.9622 per lb., London Metal Exch. Platinum -\$1526.00 troy oz., NY. (contract). Platinum -\$1539.30 troy oz., NY. Merc Spot Mon. n.q.-not quoted, n.a.-not available r-revised

Obama budget: Record spending, record deficit

By Andrew Taylor Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON Spelling out painful priorities, President Obama urged Congress on Monday to quickly approve a huge new shot of spending for recession relief and job creation, part of a record \$3.8 trillion budget that would boost the deficit beyond any in the nation's history while only slowly beginning to put Americans back to work.

If Congress goes along with Obama's election-year plan, the nation would still end the year with unemployment pushing double digits at 9.8 percent and this year's pool of government red ink deepening to \$1.56 trillion bv the administration's accounting.

The spending blueprint for next year calls for tax cuts for workers and business and more aid for cash-starved state governments as well as the unemployed. The jobs the president said. "It's time initiative largely mirrors last year's stimulus bill, but is about one-third its size. The in our means once again." president is asking for nearly \$300 billion for recession impressed with the proposrelief and job stimulus.

The budget paints a remarkably dire picture of a big ideas. They're doing ideas federal government that will have to borrow one-third of what it spends next year as it runs a deficit that still would total some \$1.3 trillion.

At the same time, Obama is acutely aware that persistent joblessness is the issue most likely to spell political trouble for Democrats in this year's midterm elections - and perhaps for his own re-election chances in 2012.

The president's budget plan sees the deficit coming down by nearly \$300 billion next year, and he's offering more than \$1 trillion in deficit reduction proposals over the coming decade.

While proposing increases for immediate needs, he urged lawmakers to follow his lead and make cuts, even dead on arrival and his painful ones in programs dear them. "I'm asking to Republicans and Democrats alike to take a fresh look at programs they've supported in the past to see what's working and what's not, and trim back accordingly," he said.

"What I reject is the same old grandstanding when the fee on banks, the president's cameras are on, and the same proposal still amounts to just irresponsible budget policies when the cameras are off,"



SOURCE: Office of Management and Budget

to save what we can, spend what we must, and live withweren't Republicans als.

"They're not willing to do that create perception but don't do anything big," said New Hampshire Sen. Judd Gregg, senior Republican on the Budget Committee. "The spending freeze for example. You're talking what, \$10 billion on a \$1.6 trillion deficit?"

Democrats, facing the prospect of major losses in November, are likely to join Republicans in balking at many of Obama's proposals. Moderate Democrats already are wary of another debtfinanced economic stimulus program and may also choke on many of the recommended tax increases and spending cuts.

Obama's proposal to cut payments to wealthier farmers, for example is probably renewed push to end purchases of new C-17 cargo planes for the military is sure to incite a battle with lawmakers from California, where the planes are assembled.

Proposing a partial spending freeze, tax increases for wealthier people and a new tinkering at the edges of the larger budget problem.

WASHINGTON - President Obama's jobs and cutting the deficit. But his own budget documents cast serious doubt on from special interest groups. whether he'll make much headway on either.

Unemployment will still be near 10 percent by year's end, the administration forecasts.

By Tom Raum

Associated Press writer

And any deficit-cutting strides will be modest in light of the administration's intention to spend heavily on jobs, education and other high-priority recession relief programs while shielding the Pentagon, homeland security, veterans, Social Security and Medicare from a proposed spending freeze.

"It's time to save what we can, spend what we must and live within our means once again," Obama said Monday as he unveiled his \$3.8 trillion blueprint for the budget year that begins Oct. 1.

In hard economic times, it's hard for the government to simultaneously create jobs and reduce deficits. In this politically charged midterm election atmosphere, it may be next to impossible.

Obama vows repeatedly to get Americans back to work. But deep in the administration's thousands of pages of budget documents is its forecast for 9.8 percent unemployment by the end of this cult, will be painful, will be partisan," year - down only slightly from the current 10 percent.

The administration is predicting 8.9 percent unemployment at the end of 2011 and 7.9 percent by the end of 2012 - rates clearly between jobs and deficit reducstill deemed to be at recessionary levels. tion?

And that's assuming all the jobs proposals included in Obama's budget are adopted by Congress - a big assumption.

Even as the president submitted his new budget sets two major goals: creating budget to Congress, arrows were flying from both sides of the partisan aisle and

> "None of this is easy," White House Budget Director Peter Orszag acknowledged.

Disaster costs 3 billion

AP

Obama's proposal for a three-year freeze on some government domestic spending drew criticism from some on the left who saw favored programs coming under assault.

Republicans, newly emboldened by a Senate victory in Massachusetts last month, were criticizing other parts of the plan, with some complaining of tax increases on wealthy individuals, banks and some corporations while others suggested Obama's deficit-trimming features did not go far enough.

"We can do much better than that," asserted House Minority Leader John Boehner of Ohio.

Obama used his fiscal 2011 budget presentation to underscore his shift in priorities away from health care to job creation, a nod to the economic restlessness among the populace and the changed political dynamics that could signal trouble ahead for Democrats.

Capitol Hill deliberations "will be diffisaid Stanley Collender, a longtime staff analyst for congressional budget committees and now a budget expert at Qorvis Communications. "The tension is

Vermont nuke plant leaks renew debate over aging reactors

By Dave Gram Associated Press writer

MONTPELIER, Vt. -Radioactive tritium, a carcinogen discovered in potentially dangerous levels in groundwater at the Vermont Yankee nuclear plant, has now tainted at least 27 of the nation's 104 nuclear reactors - raising concerns about how it is escaping from the aging nuclear plants.

The leaks – many from deteriorating underground pipes – come as the nuclear industry is seeking and obtaining federal license renewals, casting itself as a clean-green alternative to power plants that burn fossil fuels.

Tritium, found in nature in tiny amounts and a product of nuclear fusion, has been linked to cancer if inhaled or ingested, absorbed through the skin in large amounts.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission said Monday that new tests at a monitoring well on Vermont Yankee's site in Vernon registered 70,500 picocuries per liter, more than three times the federal safety standard of 20,000 picocuries per liter.

That is the highest reading yet at the Vermont Yankee plant, where the original discovery last month drew sharp criticism by Gov. Jim Douglas and others. Officials of the New Orleans-based Entergy Corp., which owns the plant in Vernon in Vermont's southeast corner, have admitted misleading state regulators and lawmakers by saying the plant did not have the kind of underground pipes that could leak tritium into groundwater.

"What has happened at Vermont Yankee is a breach of trust that cannot be tolerated," said Douglas.

Vermont Yankee has said no tritium has been found in area drinking water supplies or in the Connecticut River and that earlier, lesser tritium levels discovered last month

Analysis

Obama likely to miss jobs, deficit goals

were of no health concern.

Toyota has fix for gas pedals; repairs this week

WASHINGTON (AP) -Toyota apologized to its customers Monday and said a piece of steel about the size of a postage stamp will fix the gas pedal problem that led to the recall of millions of cars. Repairs will take about a half-hour and will start in a matter of days, the company said.

Toyota insisted the solution, rolled out six days after it temporarily stopped selling some of its most popular models, had been through rigorous testing and would solve the problem for the life of the car.

After a week in which frustrated by a lack of inforwork to regain the trust of its customers.

installing a steel shim a cou- on the lot.

How Toyota will fix recalled vehicles

Toyota's engineers have added a metal bar behind the accelerator to loosen the tight fit at the point of contact.



SOURCE: Toyota Motor North America, Inc

ple of millimeters thick in the pedal assembly, behind the top of the gas pedal, to eliminate the excess friction Tovota drivers said they were between two pieces of the worried about the safety of accelerator mechanism. In their cars and dealers were rare cases, Toyota says, that friction can cause the pedal mation, Toyota said it would to become stuck in the mats that can catch the gas depressed position.

Toyota said car owners "I know that we have let would be notified by mail you down," Jim Lentz, presi- and told to set up appointdent of Toyota Motor Sales ments with their dealers. It USA, said in a video address. said cars already on the road The repair involves would get priority over those



AP

of Michigan engineering professor who has studied Toyota for 25 years, said he that it had been tested by believed the fix would work, citing the automaker's reputation for careful testing and engineering.

They aren't playing any games," he said.

Toyota would not give an estimated cost for the repair Traffic Safety Adminiwork. It estimated repairing all the recalled cars would take months. It said some dealers were planning to stay open around the clock to make the repairs once parts arrive. Parts were expected to begin arriving late today and Wednesday.

Earl Stewart, who owns a Toyota dealership in North Palm Beach, Fla., and had been critical of delays in get-



Jeffrey Liker, a University ting repair parts to dealers, said he was happy with the fix. He said he was reassured independent engineers, not just Toyota's.

"You never say you're absolutely sure about any-"They are under the gun. thing, but I feel that this is probably the answer," he said.

The National Highway stration said it had "no reason to challenge this remedy." Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood said last week the government had urged Toyota to issue the recall and suspend production and told reporters Monday that Toyota had "done the right thing."





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France puzzled by high workplace suicide rate

By Richard Tomlinson and Gregory Viscusi **Bloomberg News**

GUYANCOURT, France -Francis Le Bras discovered he'd become a corporate nobody when his name disappeared from the organizational chart on the wall of his Paris office. In 2008, Le Bras's employer, France Telecom, cut his job as a writer of software applications for Minitel, a pre-Internet information service for telephone users. While Le Bras, 56, stayed on the payroll, he had no job title, and he savs he was shunned by his colleagues.

"Suddenly I was nothing,"



says Le Bras, who's taking Francis Le Bras, a France Telecom employee, is taking antidepressants

after the loss of his job title and shunning by colleagues prompted

thoughts of suicide. Since January 2008, 34 France Telecom employ-

ees have committed suicide, the company says. Labor unions and rel-

Female suicide bomber in Iraq kills 54

By Brian Murphy Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD - A female suicide bomber detonated her explosives inside a way station for Shiite pilgrims Monday, killing 54 people and rattling security officials who are struggling against a possible rise in violence before key elections next month.

The attack was the third major strike by suspected Sunni insurgents in a week and left Baghdad's top security official acknowledging that extremists are adopting new methods to outwit bomb-detection squads such as stashing explosives deep inside the engines and frames of vehicles.

A similar warning about new tactics came last week mentary elections, which Shiite figure.



SOURCE: ESRI AF from the chief U.S. military commander in Iraq, Gen. Raymond Odierno, after a two-day wave of suicide car bombers struck three hotels in Baghdad and the city's main crime lab, killing at

U.S. and Iraqi officials are deeply concerned that insurgents such as al-Qaida in Iraq could step up violence before March 7 parlia-

are seen as a critical step in reconciliation between the majority Shiites and the Sunnis who lost control with the toppling of Saddam Hussein.

The latest attack was another blow - but not entirely unexpected.

Shiite pilgrims are easy targets for bombers who can mingle with the crowds streaming on roads to shrines and other sites. The current pilgrimage is one of the largest.

Hundreds of thousands of people are walking this week toward Karbala in southern Iraq before the culmination of religious events Friday marking the end of 40 days of mourning following the anniversary of the death Imam Hussein, a revered

antidepressants while on long-term sick leave at his home in the Paris suburb of Guyancourt. "People didn't look at me. They didn't know I was there. I thought of suicide?"

Le Bras says the support of his wife and three children saved him from adding his vened. French Labor Minister name to a dismal roster at France Telecom, the former state monopoly that's still 27 percent owned by French meet with unions to find themselves within the space taxpayers. Since January 2008, 34 France Telecom employees have committed behavior. suicide, the company says. They killed themselves because of work-related stress, according to labor unions and relatives.

32-year-old

jumped to her death from an 100,000 people in 2005, the office window, Nicolas Sarkozy's government inter-Xavier Darcos ordered France Officer Didier Lombard to ways to reduce stress and detect potentially suicidal

atives blame work-related stress.

gered a national debate about whether they're evidence of a directly resulting from workwider malaise in French factories and offices. France may On Sept. 15, four days after be the land of the 35-hour France workweek and the month-Telecom employee identified long summer vacation, yet it cial industry labor union.

publicly only as Stephanie had a suicide rate of 17.6 per third highest among Group of Eight countries. Russia and Japan were first and second.

Workplace suicides aren't Telecom Chief Executive limited to France Telecom. Three employees killed of four months in late 2006 and early 2007 at carmaker Renault's technical develop-Those deaths have trig- ment center near Paris. In 2008, there were 12 suicides related stress in French banks, according to the Syndicat National de la Banque et du Credit, a finan-

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Pakistani Taliban promise proof leader is alive

DERA ISMAIL KHAN, Pakistan (AP) – Taliban militants in Pakistan promised on Monday to soon prove their leader was still alive, dismissing as government propaganda reports he may have died U.S. missile attack close to Afghanistan.

Pakistani fighter jets and elsewhere in the northwestern border region, part of battles that killed 22 insurgents and three soldiers, said government official Abdul Malik.

State television reported Sunday that Pakistan Taliban in a drone strike earlier this month in the lawless frontier said they attended his funeral last week.

Mehsud's death would be a major victory against an al-Qaida ally already under pressure from U.S. and Pakistani attacks, but it would be unlikely to deal a killer blow to the organization. There are at from injuries sustained in a least two commanders believed waiting the wings to replace him.

It would also be another helicopters attacked targets success for Washington's covert program of missile strikes in the border area. Mehsud's predecessor, Baitullah Mehsud, was killed a similar attack in August last year, one of several senior militants believed to have fell vicchief Hakimullah Mehsud tim to the missiles since the had died of injuries sustained program began in earnest 18 months ago.

But a close aide to zone. The report was appar- Hakimullah Mehsud called ently based on witnesses who the report of his death "government propaganda'' and said he was "doing well."

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SANDA BLANDA CL IC. YLANG, PATCHOULL, SA. Smells like

romance

Use candles to lend romantic atmosphere to home

By Melissa Davlin Times-News writer

orget about the scent. When men buy Valentine's Day candles, most head straight for the reds and pinks.

It's a risky way to shop. Red and pink varieties can range from Grapefruit Vanilla to Welcome Home, a spicy cinnamon scent, said Jamie McDowell, owner of The Black Sheep Gallery in Twin Falls.

According to research, men might want to pay a little more attention to what flavor they are getting if they hope to woo their wives on Valentine's Day. Research shows that some scents are better at fostering romantic moods

their mail packaging business, both said that most men buy pineapple- and coconut-scented candles.

But if men want to get women in a romantic mood, they should consider spicier scents. The Burtons said women are huge fans of spicier varieties like cinnamon. In anticipation of Valentine's Day, the couple bumped up their stock of cinnamon candles.

SPARKING THE FLAME WITHOUT THE FIRE

WHITE AMBER,

Love candles, but not the soot, smoke and fire danger that go along with them? Try candle warmers, which release scent by heating a candle's wax with a low-wattage bulb. Jamie McDowell said the hugely popular devices increase a candle's life by three hours. The warmers come in a variety of styles – from unobtrusive coaster-like warmers to vase-like holders that conceal the candle completely. McDowell's most popular style is a vintage hurricane lantern warmer.

The trend is so popular that many candle companies are selling wax bricks without wicks that can be heated in warmers. Meridian-based



SARAH DORIO/AP photo

A master bedroom from decorating Web site Decor Demon shows how designer Brian Patrick Flynn created a gender-neutral look for a young couple by using charcoal grey, red-orange and white with masculine geometric linen pillows and a feminine satin duvet cover.

Decorating together: How to fix up, not break up

By Melissa Rayworth For The Associated Press

In some ways, it was simpler before. When Joy Lane Hicks wanted to buy a new piece of furniture or do some redecorating, she says, "I would start with, 'Hey, honey, I have an idea,' and he would drop his head, groaning and moaning?"

She'd decorate, and eventually he'd learn to love the finished product. But much has changed in the decade since Hicks and her husband got married and bought their Jacksonville, Fla., home.

Audiences - male and female now lap up hours of TV programming about renovating, decorating and DIY-ing. Magazines and Web sites explore every aspect of home design. And big-box retailers offer surprisingly stylish furniture and home accessories at bargain prices.



than others.

The Social Issues Research Centre said that olfactory receptors are directly connected to the limbic system, which is thought to be the seat of emotion in our brains. Some scents, like jasmine, ylang-ylang, patchouli and sandalwood, act as aphrodisiacs, according to "Aromatherapy: A Complete Guide to the Healing Art" by Kathi Keville and Mindy Green.

And scents don't affect only women. According to research at the Smell and Taste Treatment and Research Foundation, certain scents boost sexual response in males by increasing blood flow to the, ahem, penile area. Among the scents that garnered the biggest responses: Pumpkin pie combined with lavender, orange, and doughnut combined with black licorice. Researchers think the smells produce a Pavlovian conditioned response in men by reminding them of their sexual partners or food.

That might explain why men are drawn to tropical food scents at Lebron and Jinger Burtons' Twin Falls store, The Mail Room. Lebron and Jinger, who sell Salt City Candles at

Twin Falls Scentsy consultant Mandi Rucker said she sells a lot of products from the company's Romantic scent line this time of year. The scents range from fruity and floral to musky, she said, and all are designed to enhance romantic feelings. Among her top sellers around Valentine's Day are Flirtatious, which is described on the Scentsy Web site as a combination of grapefruit, green apple and white amber, and Lucky in Love, a sweet-smelling combination of mandarin, bergamot and orange.

In the end, though, nothing matters more than personal preference.

"It depends on if you like the stronger or more subtle (scents)," Rucker said. When in doubt, ask your partner what she likes before assuming a musky candle will put her in the mood for amore.

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company Scentsy exclusively sells fragrant wax bricks and warmers.

How about the romantic ambiance that comes from a candle's flame? McDowell said that most warmers give off soft light from the bulb. Although it's not quite the same as a flickering candle for mood lighting, it beats having drapes set ablaze - an inevitable mood-killer.



Candle lanterns are a great way to heat candles without worrying about a flame burning.

> ASHLEY SMITH/ **Times-News**

ASHLEY SMITH/Times-News



That's good news to Hicks. She loves when her husband sits down to watch a design show with her. But some nights, "These ideas start percolating. We're watching and he says he loves something, and sometimes I'm like, 'No way. That is ugly."

It's possible to decorate without battling, says interior designer Kathryn Bechen of Solana Beach, Calif., who teaches a seminar called "Decorating without Divorcing." But conflict is common when both partners weigh in on which sofa to buy and where to put it.

Talk first, buy later

Bromstad suggests that couples approach a joint decorating project by going together to favorite "bars. restaurants, hotel lobbies, anywhere the atmosphere appeals to you." Really look around, he says, and discuss what works and how you might replicate aspects of it in your home. Also, leaf through magazines, tearing out pages and making a collage of what you both like.

Money is a common source of arguments, so Bechen advises couples to agree on a budget in advance.

Designer Brian Patrick Flynn, founder and editor of the online design magazine decordemon.com, says it's important to discuss priorities.

"If she wants to spend \$1,500 on a nice damask wallpaper," Flynn says, "he may think \$1,500 for something that goes on a wall is ludicrous. But maybe he just spent \$1,800 on surround sound. They need to compare notes on how much they value certain things."

Look to your shared experiences

Candace Moody and her husband, Thom, have spent portions of their



Jamie McDowell, owner of The Black Sheep Gallery in Twin Falls, has a selection of more than 100 candles at her shop. Jasmine, ylang-ylang and sandalwood are some good scents to set the mood on Valentine's Day.

Home improvement



Courtesy of Intermatic

During the summer, turn off the water to the humidifier and shut the damper in the short bypass duct.

Controlling indoor humidity lowers utility bills

DEAR JIM: My kids have allergies, so I am not sure how humid the air should **SENSIBLE** be inside my house during winter and summer. What is a good target humidity level, and what is the best and most efficient way to maintain it? – Jan G.

DEAR JAN: There is not just one ideal year-round indoor humidity level.

People are typically comfortable with a RH (relative humidity) in the 30- to 50-percent range and can tolerate 20 to 60 percent. The ideal RH depends whether you live in the North or South, and it changes with the seasons. High RH is often a RH because of less air infilsummertime problem in the South and excessively low or high RH may create vent fan with a humidity wintertime problems in the North.

Controlling humidity lowers your utility bills by allowing you to set the furnace or central air conditioner thermostat down or up respectively. It also creates a healthier indoor environment. Although overly humid air creates the outdoor vent. During summost health problems, mer, hang your wet clothes some harmful microbes outdoors to dry. thrive better in very dry air.

It is important to undermore water vapor (moisat 75 degrees has a RH of 50 cooling mode during sum-



slightly away from your house walls.

Installing replacement windows with efficient glass usually helps reduce condensation window problems during winter and heat gain during summer.

On the other hand, if your family generates a lot indoor moisture, of installing new windows may cause excessive indoor tration.

Install a new bathroom sensor. This comes on automatically and runs until the humidity level drops. With a manual switch, you have to either turn it off prematurely when you leave for work or let it run all day. Check the seal around the clothes dryer duct leading to the

Install a new furnace or central air conditioner with stand what RH actually a variable-speed blower means. Warm air can hold and compatible thermostat to allow it to run in an effiture) than cold air. If the air cient dehumidification percent, the air is holding mer. Make sure the duct 50 percent of the maximum damper handle on the cenamount of water vapor it tral humidifier is set for electric countertop cookers and vegetable steamers degrees with the same in the garage instead of in solar-powered oven on sunny days. DEAR JIM: There is fog tor door during summer, it between the glass panes of my double-pane windows. The foggy area gets smaller on sunny days. I assume the seal between the panes is bad. How can I repair the DEAR PAT: I think you must control the sources of have diagnosed the foggy problem correctly. The foggy area gets smaller during the daytime For example, each person because the sun warms the glass and the air in the gap. Unfortunately, there is ing. Cooking for a family of no good method to reseal the glass panes. Even if you could, the desiccant mateexterior vented range hood, rial inside the gap is already saturated with moisture. The pane will have to be replaced. If the sash frame has sealed corners, you will Exterior sources are have to replace the entire sash.

By Jean Patteson The Orlando Sentinel

Most homeowners are unlikely to be building, remodeling or decorating with abandon in 2010, given the slow recovery from the to update your home or garden, here are some trends to keep in mind.

trends for

Home decor. The sleek, sophisticated but comfortable style known as "soft contemporary" will be a key interior design at Robb & Stucky Interiors.

clutter that has been popular for a while, there will be a Pittsburgh Paints, which move toward using just one recently announced four eye-catching color palettes for 2010. or two accents, she said. These "punctuation-mark pieces," featuring hand-worked and gray-blues, muted techniques that give a custom look, may include special materials such as mother-of-pearl, flame and mahogany and stainless steel.

Furniture. The environmental movement is getting And "Zest" reinvents the stronger, Hirschhaut, spokeswoman for the American Home Alliance. black. Furnishings Increasingly, furniture is being built using naturalfiber fabrics, recycled metals and sustainable woods.

accent color for furniture, like the one the first lady

If you plan to update your home or garden, here are some things to keep in mind.

offices will continue to boom as growing numbers of Americans work from Orlando, Fla., horticulture their residences. The furniture industry is responding with office collections such as the Bungalow Baby collook for the new year, said lection from Aspenhome, Kris Kolar, vice president of designed with updated Arts & Crafts styling.

Color. Classic neutrals are the key shades at

The "Canvas" palette includes deep gray-browns beige and chalky white. "Pink City" offers vibrant pinks, spicy oranges, grays chocolate-brown. "Grace" includes elegant hues such as pale butter. bronze-gold and sea foam. said Jackie style of Palm Springs circa 1950, mixing high-energy yellows with gray, white and

Landscaping. Fashion trendsetter Michelle Obama is also a leader when it comes to gardening. Red will be the trendiest Organic vegetable gardens,

recession. But if you do plan she predicted. And home installed at the White improvements to home House, are likely to be a huge trend in 2010, said expert Tom MacCubbin. Community gardens are a growing trend, especially those that involve children. Of all vegetables, he predicts tomatoes will be especially popular.

In the landscape, peren-Instead of the eclectic and pops of exotic brights nial plants that last longer than annuals and need less care are a strong trend, he added. Trendy plants include gold mound duranta. a shrub with acid-green foliage, and perennial bulbine, which sports spikes of yellow blooms.

New-home construction. The era of the extravagant McMansion is over, said Nathan Cross of NWC Construction in Orlando. When building new homes, people are increasingly budget-conscious.

"It's back to basics. Even the pool is a no-frills deal," he said. About the only area where homeowners may be prepared to splurge a little is the master suite. Energyefficiency will be important. So will going green: remodels and sunroom "So long as it's a green trend additions.

that doesn't cost too much."

Outdoors, some homeowners will be installing fireplaces, fire pits and summer kitchens.

Remodeling. The trend toward making minor exteriors is likely to extend into next year - for good reason. It gives homeowners the biggest bang for their bucks when it comes to selling their homes.

In terms of costs recouped, eight out of the top 10 home-improvement projects in 2009 were exterior upgrades that cost less than \$14,000, according to Realtors Report's annual Remodeling Cost vs. Value Report. A steel entry-door replacement topped the list, recouping 128.9 percent of costs, followed by upscale fiber-cement siding replacements (83.6 percent), wood deck additions (80.6 percent), and several types of window replacements (more than 70 percent).

The two interior projects that landed on the top-10 list were attic-bedroom additions (83.1 percent recouped) and minor kitchen remodels (78.3 percent). The least profitable remodeling projects in terms of resale, and therefore not likely to be popular in 2010, were home-office





can hold at that tempera- the proper season. Use ture.

If the air drops to 50 moisture level, it may now the kitchen during sumhave a RH of 70 percent. mer. I use an outdoor When air gets cool enough, next to window glass during winter or the refrigerano longer can hold all the water vapor. This is called the dew point, and condensation forms on the cool surface.

To maintain a comfort- leaky seal? - Pat E. able level efficiently, you moisture and ventilate excess away. Indoor sources are many.

gives off 1/4 cup of moisture per hour just breathfour produces five cups of moisture per day. Using an particularly during summer, can exhaust both this moisture and heat from the range.

leaky roofs, plumbing, windows, doors, etc. Once you take care of these your home. The ground should slope downward ley.com.

Send inquiries to James problem areas, check the Dulley, 6906 Royalgreen slope of the ground around Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244 or visit www.dul-

Gain master gardening know-how in Shoshone

Times-News

University of Idaho Community Extension is offering a Shoshone. 2010 Master Gardener program.

The three-hour classes line is Feb. 19. will be held from 9 a.m. to Tuesdays noon

2 and April 22 (12 classes), at the Lincoln County Center in

Cost is \$90, including the text. Pre-registration dead-

Information and registraand tion form: Cassia County Thursdays, between March Extension office, 878-9461.

GORDON BEALL/For The Washington Post

Courtesy Margaret Carter In a 'before' photo, a dated bathroom in the 1919 house in Arlington, Va., that Margaret Carter rented and renovated.

After the renovation, Margaret Carter's rehab of the bathroom features cost-effective Roman shades, updated lighting fixtures and a more spacious medicine cabinet.

Ways to transform a rental

You can take an easy, frugal approach

By Jura Koncius

The Washington Post

Make the place your own by choosing a signature home fragrance. Margaret Carter likes Seda France fixtures with glass shades are available Hyacinth, described as "a fresh, white at www.schoolhouseelectric.com. floral," about \$30.

way to inject high style into your rental. Most windows require only two yards of fabric, a lot less than conventional curtains, so you can splurge on a designer fabric.

Remove dated lighting fixtures and them back up when you move out. Affordable copies of classic period

Install brighter-wattage bulbs in 52WH304DPF, about \$325.

Roman shades are a cost-effective the light fixtures to make the place look cheerier, especially in the winter months.

Over the toilet, hang a spa towel shelf such as those used in hotels to get more storage. Carter chose Gatco Model 1537 in chrome, about \$59. And put them in storage so you can hang replace a puny medicine cabinet with something more spacious and modern. Carter is partial to a square, wallhung design that's mirrored inside and out: NuTone's 30-inch Model

Get to know your backyard grapes

Times-News

A hands-on "Grape Growing and Pruning" workshop, offered by the University of Idaho includes lunch. Pre-regis-

10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 16 12. at the Ascension Monastery

in Ierome. Cost is \$10, which Extension office, 878-

Extension, will be held from tration deadline is Feb.

Information and a registration form: Cassia County 9461.





Who makes custom furniture?

We're not talking about made-in-China dressers or mass-produced coffee tables.

The Times-News is

makers in south-central Idaho for an upcoming story about made-to-order furniture. If you or someone you

looking for custom furniture know makes custom furniture, contact features reporter Melissa Davlin at 735-3234 or melissa. davlin@lee.net by Thursday.

Take time to get organized, create stress-free home

By Nancy A. Herrick Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

"The place where you feel happy?

In an interview in Esquire magazine, that's how novelist Salman Rushdie described "home?"

After a busy day or a long time away, most of us look forward to just being home, where we can be ourselves and surround ourselves with the familiar.

Many people, however, have trouble relaxing at home, especially where there are piles of clutter and unfinished projects at every turn. place that reminds us of what we haven't gotten around to doing.

If you sometimes feel that way, perhaps it's time to make some Residential Resolutions and find time to turn your home into more of a haven.

it, you don't have as many things hanging over your in the way," says Jennifer are in your community," Linnig, a home organization specialist who lives and blogs in Cudahy, Wis.

mind," she says. "It lets you focus on what really matters?"

With a dog, a cat, a 5-yearold, a husband and a job, Jenny Kasza finds that projects around the house sometimes get the better of her.

that need to be done," she says. "When my house is full of things we don't want or need anymore or things that are broken or not used, it seems to affect the energy of the house.

things, I feel as if a weight has been lifted."

three small children, says being organized is a way to create a comfortable envi-

MORE INFORMATION

Here's how to get more info from some organization experts:

Paula Constable's Web site and blog are available at www.stuff2Borganized.com. Jennifer Linnig's Web site is www.jenniferlinnig.com. lt has a link to her blog and to a YouTube video that shows how an actual room can be organized. Jo Lueck's Web site is www.jorganize.com.

Sometimes, home can be a deal with some of these points, your year can be brighter and your home, indeed, can be "the place where you feel happy."

1. Be responsible

Get serious about recycling by setting up a sorting center, "If you take time to make perhaps in your garage, that your home the way you want helps you stay on top of things.

"Start by finding out what head, distracting you, getting the guidelines for recycling Constable says. "Then clear a space, find appropriate containers and make them "Being organized frees the accessible all in one spot. Label them so that recycling becomes easy to do for everyone?"

2. Be frugal

"There are always things unwanted gifts and household items into cash by selling them with a newspaper classified ad, or on eBay and accomplished. Craigslist.

"There are so many things that we basically are just storing in our homes," "But when I get control of Constable says. "We don't use them or need them, but they still are around. Why not Paula Constable, who has turn these things into cash?"

3. Be generous

(such as following up or making a payment); or, third, file it.

As for a system for paying bills, she suggests making a master list from 1 to 31 and listing when each bill is due each month, how it gets paid (online or by mail) and what a typical amount is. That way you know what is due when and you won't be caught by surprise. It also allows someone else to take over bill-paying duties if necessary.

5. Be discerning

Clutter and overcrowding. according to Lueck, most often are "the result of having too many things rather than inadequate storage spaces. If you resist impulse buying and don't buy something unless you really need it, you can keep your possession count as low as possible."

In short, she says, "try to make do with what you own?"

b. Be inclusive

Involve your family in the home organization process. Getting kids involved "teaches skills and responsibility;" Constable says.

Linnig suggests setting a timer or playing a fun song when children are helping.

"You can do anything for 10 or 15 minutes," she says. Often when kids start to make progress on straightening up their rooms or putting Turn some of your away toys, they ignore the time limit and keep going until the job is done, taking pride in what they have

/ Be mindful

You want to have a sense of safety and comfort at home, which can, in part, be achieved by having working smoke detectors, a carbon monoxide detector and a radon meter (in areas where radon is a concern).

The right way to paint siding

By AI Heavens

The Philadelphia Inquirer Q: The 40-year-old white aluminum siding on my house is starting to peel off, showing gray underneath. Is there a special paint that can be applied to

cover it? A: I went to my best source of painting information, the Web site of the Paint Quality Institute in Spring House, Pa., and found, as usual, all the information you need.

So here's a link so you can consume the institute's

http://go.philly. ing: com/siding. To answer your specific

question about "a special paint," the institute recommends using a top-of-theline exterior 100 percent acrylic latex house paint in flat or satin finish, depending on appearance desired.

Flat will be much less revealing of dents and irregularities in the siding than glossier. For best results, apply by spray.

If you rummage around the institute's Web site, vou'll find a 2005 POI information at your leisure, Magazine with an article, or when the weather warms crafted for professionals,

enough for exterior paint- that covers painting metals, including aluminum and galvanized.

The article notes that most people are unaware that aluminum siding can be painted, but it can be, if, as in all cases, proper surface preparation precedes paint application.

I'm not sure what the "gray" color is beneath the white, but, if the gray is the bare aluminum, the institute recommends priming it with a latex corrosion-inhibitive primer recommended for exterior aluminum.

Vinyl siding, too, can be painted, and the how-to also is on the site.



SARAH DORIO/AP photo

To create a lounge space for a husband and wife, designer Brian Patrick Flynn used a neutral grey backdrop, then mixed in her pink pillows and throw blanket with his brown area rug and club chairs.

Decorate

Continued from H&G 1

30-year marriage living outside the U.S., and they developed a habit of combing flea markets for decorative pieces. Although he favors more crowded rooms and she prefers a sparser look, they find common ground decorating with items that evoke their shared travels.

Today, they have a home in Florida. "When people come in, they say, 'your house feels so much like you? And it does," Moody says. "It's us together. It's our story."

Find a palette you both can live with

Shades of gray and green are gender neutral, and couples often agree on them, says Flynn. Even some purples - deep royal purple, for instance, or a rich violet - tend to appeal to both sexes. Again, planning and discussion help. As they look at specific shades, couples may find they agree on more than they expected.

sometimes creates the best Bechen suggests letting each result.

"If he wants to use a pair of masculine, leather club chairs," says Flynn, "let her choose a pink throw pillow. It's still a man's chair, but you're bringing in that little ounce of femininity?

Bromstad agrees: Let one person pick a modern sofa, he says, while the other chooses an antique looking, ornate side table. Or if one partner has an old heirloom piece of furniture, let the other partner choose a nontraditional color to paint it. Bold contrast looks great, and leaves everyone feeling represented.

If you have enough space, "not the other way around."

person have one room that's entirely theirs to decorate. That tends to make compromising in other rooms more palatable.

If disagreements get heated, Flynn says, bringing in an outside voice can help restore the peace. Interior designers will do a consultation, often for just a few hundred dollars, giving you detailed design recommendations and information about resources.

In the end, says Bechen, "the focus should be on the relationship," not the rooms. "The purpose of organizing and decorating is to enhance the relationship," she says,

ronment.

says Constable, of Johnson Creek, Wis., who has been a moms and families. "The mission is to make life smoother and less stressful?"

Jo Lueck specializes in senior downsizing, paper management and making the most of small spaces in her organization business. She agrees that having a cluttered home can rob you of energy.

"We often have piles of things all around the house," she says. "Piles on the desk, at the bottom of the stair, next to the front door ... These are visually and mentally cluttering.

defeated. These drain you of sions." your energy and spirit?"

So here are nine Residential Resolutions. Many address home organihelp you manage your environment and provide a sense of accomplishment.

Donate your unused "It's not about perfection," household goods to St. ther, consider replacing can-Vincent de Paul, Goodwill or other charitable groups. residential organizer for more Don't forget the Habitat for than a decade, specializing in Humanity ReStore, which that help create the same accepts usable building materials that can be sold to finance more building projects.

> www.freecycle.org, a sharing Administration. Web site that she says allows you to be frugal and generous by posting items and giving them away to people who have a real need.

"You may love something but never use it, so it winds up just taking up space in your home. What if you that have less of an impact on could give it to someone who wants it and would also love "Day after day they are it?" she asks. "That allows there, and every time you see you to change the way you them, you feel a little more think about your posses-

4. Be tidv

Make this the year you set zation, but some go beyond up a system for mail that that. Heeding these tips will comes into your home. Stay on top of bill-paying, too.

Constable suggests three choices for every piece of You probably will want to mail. First, you can throw it Energy Star appliances when personalize the list. But if you out; second, take action on it possible.

Taking safety a step furdles with alternatives such as scented globes or batteryoperated flickering pillars mood. Careless use of candles causes more than 20,000 residential fires a year and about 165 deaths, Linnig is a fan of according to the U.S. Fire

ठ. Be health-conscious

When tackling home improvement projects, educate yourself about products your home environment, such as low-VOC paint and eco-friendly carpet.

9. Be aware

Energy costs are going up, and environmental awareness is an important topic these days. You can do something about it. Obvious changes include replacing incandescent light bulbs with fluorescents, using a setback thermostat and buying

Take turns

When decorating an room. entire savs Bromstad, start by agreeing on one major piece perhaps the bed or sofa. Once that's chosen, each partner then suggests other pieces. "It's not a competition to see who can come up with the best night stand," he says, but you're looking "realistically at whose suggestion works best?"

Make the most of disagreements

Mixing and matching

uestion:

I've heard about the live Don Aslett Seminars you've had at your store. My hair dresser insists that I go to the next one. She says Don is informative, interesting, and FUNNY. (My opinion, I think she's got a little "thing" for him! Like...what is he, the Elvis Presley "King" of the Bathroom Bowl Patrol ??) Cleaning Center owner So I guess I'm missing out. When is your next Seminar?

Lori Chandler 734-2404



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BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN AND FOR CASSIA COUNTY, STATE OF IDAHO	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	the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by TINA VALLES , AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING	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	COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.
ON PROPOSED CHANGES BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED BY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO THE CASSIA COUNTY CODE'S ZONING REGULATIONS CONCERNING A PROPOSED NEW SECTION OF REGULATION FOR ENCLOSED POULTRY CAFOS.	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: 01/08/2010 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI	AS NOMINEE FOR MERITAGE MORTGAGE CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 5/6/2005, recorded 5/13/2005, under Instrument No. 2052562, Mortgage records of JEROME County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR MERITAGE MORTGAGE CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE
BE IT KNOWN that on Monday, the 22ND day of February, 2010, beginning at 1:30 p.m., the Board of County Commissioners for Cassia County, Idaho shall hold public hearing on changes the	VALLEY, CA 80028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 Successor Trustee Deedra Williams ASAP# 3406378	NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE,
Board is proposing to the recommended amendments from the Planning and Zoning Commission for Enclosed and Totally		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 5/6/2005,
Confined Poultry CAFO Operations. On Monday, January 11, 2010, the Board heard testimony regarding the proposed ordinance amendment for Title 9, Chapter 10 of Cassia County Code. At that time the Board, based upon testimony received at and prior to the hearing, determined to make changes to the proposed amendments. Therefore, in the event that any such changes be considered to be a material change in the recommendation, the Board hereby elects to provide this notice of further hearing on such changes before final consideration of the proposed ordinance for adoption. This hearing will be held at the Burley City Council Chambers, Burley City Hall, 1401 Overland Avenue, Burley, Idaho. A summary of proposed changes are as follows:	NOTICE OF SALE On the 21st day of May, 2010, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A.M. on said date at the office of Land Title & Escrow, Inc., located at 1411 Filimore Street, Suite 600, Twin Falls, Idaho, Land Title & Escrow, Inc., as Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in lawful money of the United States of America, payable in full at the time of the sale, the following described real property, located in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, more particularly described as follows: See Exhibit A PARCEL NO. 1: TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO	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 January 11, 2010 Delinquent Payments from August 01, 2009 1 payments at \$516.71 each \$516.715 payments at \$519.7 0 each \$2,598.50 (08-01-09 through 01-11-10) Late Charges: \$308.92 Beneficiary Advances: \$102.10 Suspense Credit: \$0.00 TOTAL: \$3,526.23 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 \$55,317.50, together with interest thereon at 7,625% per annum from 7/1/2009 to

A summary of proposed changes are as follows:

Zoning Ordinance, Title 9:

Chapter 10: Add a new chapter of regulation governing Enclosed

MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO Section 25: That portion of the Southeast quarter of the

Southwest quarter more particularly described as follows:

and Totally Confined Poultry Confined Animal Feeding Operations in Cassia County, Idaho.

Changes proposed by Board of Commissioners to those recommendations made by P&Z Commission:

- 9-10-1 (A): Add language providing Zoning Administrator to interpret this chapter and any applications made pursuant thereto to assure that permits issued meet the standards and provision of the chapter.
- 9-10-6 (A)(4): providing that 400 foot setback is from any water wells documented by Idaho Department of Water resources, or any other wells known to the applicant or its agents, which are located on the designated CAFO site.
- 9-10-6(A)(9): Provide for two (2) mile buffer extending from external boundaries of a CAFO of 50,000 birds or less under this chapter and leaving a four (4) mile buffer for CAFOs larger than 50,000 birds.
- 9-10-7(D)(2): Provide for site map of application to show all wells located on site as documented by idaho Department of Water Resources, or any other wells known to applicant or its agents.
- 9-10-7(D)(7): Provide for site map to show flood zones or designated areas as established by the most current version of the Flood Insurance Rate Map produced by FEMA.
- 9-10-7(E): Provide for vicinity map to show surrounding property within four (4) miles of the CAFO site.
- 9-10-7(E)(2): Provide that vicinity map show all wells within a four mile radius of CAFO site as documented by IDWR and as known to applicant and its agents.
- 9-10-7(E)(3): Provide that vicinity map show all roads and residences within four (4) miles of CAFO site.
- 9-10-8(A)(1)(I) provide language clarifying that written notice be published in newspaper of (or having) general circulation in Cassia County [see Idaho Code §60-106].
- 9-10-12(A): Provide that annual reports of permit holders to County shall also verify that any third party contracts for export concerning waste management remain in force or any changes thereto.
- All interested persons and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard on this matter. This hearing is scheduled to last no longer than one (1) hour. At the public hearing, those signing up to testify concerning the proposed amendments will be allotted time to do so, with the total hearing time being divided in equal measures amongst those signing up. The Commission reserves the right to limit repetitive testimony and to halt irrelevant testimony. Spokespersons for those groups sharing the same or similar testimony are encouraged.
- Written testimony concerning the proposed amendments may also be submitted. Written submissions exceeding one (1) typewritten page, single spaced in no less than 12 point font, must be filed at the County Administrative Office, Courthouse Room #4, 1459 Overland Avenue, Burley, Cassia County, Idaho by Wednesday, the 17th day of February, 2010 at 3:00 P.M. Written submissions may be made from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday on normal business days, at the County Administrative Office, Courthouse Room #4, 1459 Overland Avenue, Burley, Idaho. Any written submission of one (1) typewritten page or less, single-spaced in no less than 12 point font, may be submitted to the Board of Commissioners up to the time that the hearing is closed, after which time no additional written or oral testimony will be received, unless specifically requested and invited by the Board hereafter.
- The full text of the Proposed amendments to Title 9, Chapter 10 Cassia County Zoning Ordinance is available at the Cassia County Courthouse, at the County Administrative Office, Room #4, and will be provided to any citizen without charge upon personal request during normal office hours, or the full text of the proposal may be found on the Cassia County Website at www.cassiacounty.org, under the heading: "Public Notices".

DATED this 28th day of January, 2010. /s/ Kerry D. McMurray Cassia County Administrator

Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 25;

Thence North 89"23'00" East, 1310.46 feet along the South boundary of Section 25;

Thence North 00°19'17' West, 500.00 feet to the Northwest corner of "Sawtooth Second Addition"

Thence North 89°23'18" East, 717.55 feet along the North boundary of "Sawtooth Second Addition" to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNÍNG;

Thence North 00°36'42" West, 96.13 feet along the Easterly boundary of "Old Farm Subdivision No. 2"

- Thence North 02°49'45" West, 60.04 feet along the Easterly boundary of "Old Farm Subdivision No. 2";
- Thence North 00°17'50' West, 672.40 feet along the Easterly boundary of "Old Farm Subdivision No. 2" to the Northeast corner thereof;

Thence North 89"27'19" East, 270.00 feet;

Thence South 00°17'50" East, 672.08 feet;

Thence North 89°23'18" East, 25.36 feet;

Thence South 00°36'42" East, 156.13 feet;

Thence South 89°23'18" West, 293.04 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL NO. 2:

TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO

Section 25: That portion of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 25;

- Thence North 89°23'00' East, 1310.46 feet along the South boundary of Section 25;
- Thence North 00"19'17' West, 500.00 feet to the Northwest corner of "Sawtooth Second Addition";
- Thence North 89"23'18" East, 1010.59 feet along the extended North boundary of "Sawtooth Second Addition" to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING;

Thence North 00"36'42" West, 156.13 feet; Thence South 89"23"18" West, 25.36 feet;

Thence North 00°17'50" West, 672.08 feet;

Thence North 89°27'19" East, 270.00 feet;

Thence South 00°17'50" East 731.76 feet; Thence South 89'23'18" West, 137.46 feet;

Thence South 00°27'43" East, 96.13 feet;

Thence South 89"23'18" West, 106.60 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

The street address or the designation commonly used for the property is 4200 North Road, Buhl, Idaho 83316. The name, address and telephone number of the person or firm from whom information may be obtained is Bruce Hunsaker, P.O. Box 1188, Burley, Idaho 83318, (208) 678-2552.

The sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding the title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Old Farm Properties, LLC, as Grantor, to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. as Trustee, and D.L. Evans Bank as Beneficiary, dated October 18, 2007, and recorded on the 18th day of October, 2007 as Instrument No. 2007-025595, and as modified December 9, 2008 by Instrument No. 2008-026004 in the office of the County Recorder for Twin Falls County, Idaho.

The default for which said sale is to be made is the failure to pay all principle, late charges, and accrued interest due on the maturity date of December 9, 2009.

The balance owing as of this date on the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust is \$496,735.65, together with accruing interest, and costs of sale.

DATED this 15th day of January, 2010. LAND TITLE & ESCROW, INC. /s/ Larry Roberts Title: President

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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: 1/11/2010. 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# 3414362

with interest thereon at 7.625% per annum from 7/1/2009 to 9/1/2009, 7.625% per annum from 9/1/2009, until paid. The

Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 10-0000723 Title Order No. 100007338IDGNO Parcel No. RPT32410030120A The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, In the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, 1411 Fillmore Street., Suite 600 Twin Falls, ID 83301, on 06/01/2010 at11:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 02/06/2007 as Instrument Number 2007-002922, and executed by JIM YORK, AND ROSEMARY YORK, 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 Twin Falls County, state of Idaho: LOT 12 IN BLOCK 3 OF LYNWOOD SUBDIVISION,, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, RECORDED IN BOOK 7 OF PLATS, PAGE 21. 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, 1347 FREMONT DR, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301-4126 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 12/01/2008 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter, plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 3.500% 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 \$192,814.65, 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, attorneys' fees, Trustees' 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 45-1508(4)(a) IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. DATED: 01/15/2010 Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: RECONTRUSTCOMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 80028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 RECONTRUSTCOMPANY, N.A. Successor Trustee Deedra Williams, Team Member ASAP# 3414463

NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING MINIDOKA COUNTY COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minidoka County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday February 18th, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. in the Minidoka County District Court Room for the purpose of considering the following zoning matter: A Subdivision application to amend a subdivision submitted by Cary Hamilton, the property is located at approximately 840 W 500 S, Heyburn, Id.83338

This property is also known as Part of the SW ¼ OF SW ¼ of Section 13 of township 10 South Range 22 East Bolse Meridian, Minidoka County, Idaho.

- The public is invited to attend said hearing and give comment on the proposed zoning matter.
- Dated this 29th day of January, 2010
- Cassie Walton, Zoning Secretary

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CITY OF JEROME Occupancy Permit Improvements Jerome County Historical Museum

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate sealed Bids for Occupancy Permit Improvements at Jerome County Historical Museum will be received by the City of Jerome, Jerome County, Idaho, the OWNER, at the City Hall located at 152 East Avenue A, Jerome, Idaho, 83338 until 2:00 o'clock p.m., prevailing local time, February 15, 2010, Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 2:00 o'clock p.m. on February 15, 2010.

The Project consists of the following items: Remodel restrooms; install ADA handrails, new exit signs with emergency lighting, new accessible door hardware, and additional support piers for existing floor beams

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Copies may be obtained from the City of Jerome, located at 152 East Avenue A, Jerome, Idaho.

The City of Jerome reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all Bids.

Each Bidder must deposit with his Bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidder

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within sixty (60) days after the date of the opening thereof.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2010

s/s John Shine, Mayor

City of Jerome, Idaho

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Loan No. 0999234248 T.S. No. 200901324 33172 On 04/21/2010 at 10:00am (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Jerome, State of Idaho: IN THE FRONT LOBBY OF LAND TITLE & ESCROW 237 N. Lincoln Jerome, ID 83338, Pioneer Lenders Trustee Services, LLC, as Trustee will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Jerome, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 2 in Keyhole Acres, Jerome County, Idaho, as the same is platted in the official plat thereof, now of record in the office of the recorder of said County. Sec 11 T8 R16. 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 108 Key Hole DR., Jerome, Idaho 83338 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 Maria A Bertsch who acquired title as Maria Bertsch, an unmarried woman, as grantors, to Wells Fargo Financial National Bank, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 10/20/2006 and recorded on 11/16/2006, as Instrument No. 2066996, of Official Records of Jerome 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 10/20/2006. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of 97.60, due per month for the months of 5/5/2009 through 12/4/2009, 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 \$25,000.00, plus accrued interest at the rate of 4.7% per annum



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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

- On Wednesday, the 2nd day of June, 2010, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. of said day at the front entrance of the Jerome County Courthouse, 300 North Lincoln, Jerome, County of Jerome, State of Idaho, DAVID A, COLEMAN, a member of the Idaho State Bar, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Jerome, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:
- TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 20, EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, JEROME COUNTY, IDAHO
- Section 32: A parcel of land located in the SE14NE14, described as follows:
- Commencing at the Southwest corner of the SE%NE%, Section 32, said point being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING;
- Thence North 0°05'18" East, 391.50 feet along the Westerly boundary of said SEMNEM;
- Thence South 90°00'00' East 162.80 feet;
- Thence South 1°26'20" West, 391.62 feet to a point on the Southerly boundary of said SE14NE14;
- Thence North 90°00'00' West, 153.57 feet along the Southerly boundary of said SE%NE% to THE REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.
- The records of Jerome County Tax Rolls disclose the above property address as: 848 South 1975 East, Hazelton, Idaho 83335.
- 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 JAMES M. JACKSON, a married man dealing with his sole and separate property, grantor to LAND TITLE AND ESCROW, INC., an Idaho Corporation, Trustee for the benefit and security of AMERICAN ESCROW SERVICE RETIREMENT PLAN, LLC., recorded May 21, 2007, as Instrument No. 2073028, records of Jerome County, Idaho.
- (1) The entire principal balance, interest and late charges through December 22, 2009, in the amount of \$50,177.41;
- (2) Taxes for 2007 in the amount of \$504.32, plus penalties and interest:
- (3) Taxes for 2008 in the amount of \$391.24, plus penalties and interest:
- (4) Taxes for the first one-half of 2009 in the amount of \$367.86. plus penalties and interest:
- and the unpaid principal balance owing as of December 22, 2009, on the obligation secured by said deed of trust is \$50,177.41, plus interest, late charges and foreclosure costs.

DATED: January 5, 2010

DAVID A. COLEMAN, Successor Trustee

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 09-0175030 Title Order No. 090830007IDGNO Parcel No. RPW2000051005BA The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, In the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, Inc. located at 706 Main St., Gooding, ID 83330., on 05/20/2010 at 11:00 am, (recognized local time) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 05/24/2006 as Instrument Number 216475, and executed by MARIA B MATOS, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Grantor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS. INC. 85 Beneficiary, to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the Current Trustee of record, covering the following real property located in Gooding County, state of Idaho: LOTS 5 AND 6 IN BLOCK 51 OF WENDELL TOWNSITE, GOODING COUNTY, IDAHO, AS THE SAME IS PLATTED IN THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF. NOW OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. 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, 245 NORTH HAGERMAN ST, WENDELL, ID 83355-5073 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 09/01/2009 of principal, interest and impounds and subsequent installments due thereafter; plus late charges, with interest currently accruing at 7.250% 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 \$107,507.02, 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, attorneys' fees, Trustees' 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: 01/08/2010 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. Name and Address of the Current Trustee is: RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 80028-1821 PHONE: (800) 281-8219 Successor Trustee Deedra Williams ASAP# 3406374

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In 1943, the remainder of Nazi forces from the Battle of Stalingrad surrendered in a major victory for the Soviets in World War II.

In 1948, President Harry S. Truman sent a 10-point civil rights program to Congress, where the proposals ran into fierce opposition from southern lawmakers.

In 1980, NBC News reported the FBI had conducted a sting operation targeting members of Congress using phony Arab businessmen in what became known as "Abscam," a codename by protested Arab-Americans. In 1990, in a dramatic concession to South Africa's black majority, President F.W. de Klerk lifted a ban on African National the Congress and promised to free Nelson Mandela. Ten years ago: Searchers recovered the cockpit voice recorder from the wreckage of Alaska Airlines Flight 261 in the Pacific Ocean, off the California coast. Five years ago: In his State of the Union address, President George W. Bush called for changes in Social Security that would combine reduced government benefits for younger workers with "a chance to build a nest egg" through personal accounts. German heavyweight boxer Max Schmeling died at age 99. One year ago: Hillary Rodham Clinton was sworn in as U.S. secretary of state. The Senate confirmed Eric Holder to be attorney gener-President Barack al. Obama's choice for health secretary, Tom Daschle, apologized for failing to pay more than \$120,000 in taxes. (Daschle ended up withdrawing his nomination.) Gunmen abducted American U.N. worker John Solecki in Quetta, Pakistan, killing his driver. (Solecki was released unharmed two months later.) Moammar Gadhafi of Libya was elected leader of the African Union.



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ARIES (March 21-April Your flirtatious side might be showing today but you aren't guaranteed to be a gratified by a reciprocating response.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): There may be a routine that slows you down or holds you back in some way. You may prefer to work with members of the opposite sex.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Put your brain to work on ways to keep up the momentum. A conversation with a sharp comrade might offer a solution to a dilemma. Others will appreciate your tactfulness and attention to minor details.

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"It is not worthwhile to go round the world to count the cats in Zanzibar."

Henry David Thoreau

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No great mathematical aptitude is needed to play bridge well. Sometimes, if you are totaling up high-card points, you need to be able to count to 40, but more often than not, being able to add up to 13 is high enough.

Today's play in three spades is all about locating the trump queen. North's double was negative, promising four spades and a few values. South showed good appreciation of his assets when he jumped to three spades, but North had nothing to spare for his previous bidding, so passed. Note that the jump to three spades is invitational — it is not a jump in a new suit, which would be forcing, because North's negative double implies spade length. South is merely supporting North.

The defenders started by taking the top clubs and getting their ruff. Now, after East played back a heart, West tried to cash a second heart, which was ruffed by declarer. The fate of the contract boils down to finding the trump queen. East is known to be shorter in clubs than his partner, but does that mean declarer should finesse in spades, or play for an original 3-2 break?

Curiously, South did not have to guess. Before touching trumps, declarer cashed the ace and king of diamonds and ruffed a diamond in the dummy. When West followed three times, his distribution was known to have been 1-5-3-4. Declarer now cashed the spade king before taking the spade finesse, certain that it would work.

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ANSWER: You have a nice hand, though not a spectacular one, enough to feel like competing again. Because your partner has taken no positive action, a double from you here would be takeout, suggesting some spade length and extra values. You cannot be sure that you have a fit, but if you do want to bid again, this is the safest and most descriptive way to proceed.

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DEAR ABBY: Shortly before my wedding, I decided to have my teeth fixed. The dentist quoted me a price of \$4,000, which my husband and I could not afford since we were paying for our entire wedding.

My parents agreed to pay the dental bill as soon as it arrived. However, there is now a "stipulation." They are demanding the full list including exact dollar amounts - of what EACH of our guests gave us for wedding gifts. If I refuse, my parents now say our previous verbal agreement is worthless, and my husband can cover my dental bill.



Am I wrong for not wanting to give them the dollar amount or tell them what each guest gave at our wedding? They call me at work and insist I tell them because they "must" know if their family and friends "disrespected" them. I feel that whatever people gave us is whatever they could afford, and my husband and I are very happy with the gifts we received.

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DEAR Your parents are wrong to attempt to blackmail you into sharing the list with them. That information is none of their business. I hope you stand firm, call your dentist and work out a payment plan.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 73year-old man in reasonably good health who would like to own a dog. However, I have two concerns: A dog might outlive me, or I might outlive the dog - which would be traumatic for me. I'd appreciate your opinion.

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No one is implying that you do not love your child or you are not worried about him or her, but it does no one any good if you have to be peeled off your child. Please send your little one off with kisses and encouraging words, and the child will be a little less frightened.

- WISCONSIN R.N. DEAR WISCONSIN R.N.:

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Jerome girls enter GBC tournament with target on their backs

By Bradley Guire Times-News writer

There's no doubt that Jerome is the team to beat.

The Tiger girls finished the regular season with a 19-1 record and an unblem-Great ished Basin Conference basketball mark, and now they're three wins shy of the district tournament title and a berth to the Class 4A state tournament. They receive a first-round bye and home-

court advantage as the No.1 seed. That doesn't bode well for the rest of the GBC as Jerome has won 37 straight at home, and senior Aubree Callen in the only current varsity player to taste defeat on her home floor.

"It's a great atmosphere, with the fans and the student section getting behind us and making a lot of noise," Callen said. "We're comfortable in all that, but it can be intimidating for

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the other team. I remember what it was like to lose here. You're very disappointed with yourself because we expect to win here, and we want to protect the home floor.

"I don't want to lose here again."

Jerome won each of its 10 conference games by double digits

Minico, Twin Falls and Wood River will likely slug it out for the second state seed, but all harbor hopes of upsetting the Tigers for the league title.

Nearly a week removed from their last regular-season game, Minico coach Joe Shepard said his D. Spartans have had a couple solid days of practice to prepare for their openinground game on Thursday at home. He said they've used the time to install "a few new wrinkles" that could help the Spartans earn their first state tournament berth since 2005. Minico, the No. 2 seed, also receives a firstround bve.

The Bruins, who won a flip with the coin Wolverines for the No. 3 seed, will host No. 6 Canyon Ridge just a week after defeating the Riverhawks in their conference schedule finale.

Twin Falls is watering at the mouth to beat Jerome, something the program hasn't done since Shepard was its head coach.

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"We really want to be able to win district and finally beat Jerome," Twin Falls junior Jazlyn Nielsen said.

But the Bruins can't overlook the rest of the field. If victorious against Canyon Ridge,

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Time for **CSI** fans to get loud

an. 23 offered a tastv morsel. Let's see about getting on with a real feast. Only four home games remain for the College of Southern Idaho basketball teams this season. What does that mean for you? Only four more chances to stand up and get loud.



The Golden Eagles have averaged about 1,400 fans per home game this season - only half of CSI Gymnasium's 2,800-seat capacity. But against rival Salt Lake Community College, the place was about 85 percent filled, marking the best crowd of the season.

And when the game got tight in the final minutes, the fans did themselves proud, standing and making noise as the CSI men rallied for a huge home win.



By Bradley Guire Times-News writer

The meek shall inherit the earth. If so, Mallory Jund will be among the heirs. The 5-foot-6 junior guard has her extroverted side once she overcomes her initial shyness with new people, but for the most part she's unassuming, humble and loyal, as discovered by her friends and teammates on the Twin Falls girls basketball team.

"I just try to do what she asks," Jund said of coach Nancy Jones.

Jund is described as unselfish and even-tempered, and Jones alluded to her as the calm center of a storm in a place as hectic as the basketball court. She began her junior season, her second on varsity, as a bench player who did whatever was necessary to support her teammates. She trusted the judgment of those around her and performed up to what they asked of her.



IN THE **S**PORTLIGHT



Kayla Williams Williams delivers stats, laughs for **CSI** women

By Mike Christensen Times-News writer

Kayla Williams is more than just plucky comic relief.

Per 40 minutes played, the 6-foot freshman post is one of the most productive players for the College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team.

Averaging 3.1 points, 2.5 rebounds and 0.5 blocks in less than 6 minutes a game, Williams is steadily becoming a positive contributor for the Golden Eagles (15-7, 7-5 Scenic West Athletic Conference).

Unfortunately, the decibel level in CSI Gymnasium more often resembles a library.

It's time for that to change.

Theories abound for why CSI crowds are generally so docile. But this space won't be wasted on exploring theories (i.e. excuses). This space is about solutions.

With a slow sports Saturday in the Magic Valley last week, I decided to take in a big-time rivalry and get a peak at the best college hoops team west of the Mississippi.

BYU vs. Utah didn't disappoint. A spectacular contest included a career high 18 points and 11 rebounds from former Golden Eagle Jay Watkins in his first start for the Utes.

But the crowd was the real star. Twenty-two thousand plus. On their feet. From start to finish.

That's college basketball. Sure, 2,200 can't compete with 22,000. But 22,000 people can't be wrong, so in this case, it's worth following the crowd.

The meager CSI student section could take a cue from those found at Duke, BYU and other programs across the country. Come early, stand up, be loud from pre-tip to final horn.

Imagine the environment if the raucous nature of those final minutes against Salt Lake existed throughout the entire game.

It starts with the students. And the right chants. I've never heard the sports chant remix of Zombie Nation's "Kernkraft 400" played at CSI. But it sure works wonders at other schools. The song title may not sound familiar, but

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"What I saw was the acceptance of the role," Jones said. "That to me says leadership. It doesn't matter if you're a leader on the bench or a leader on the floor. ... She accepted it, and it showed me that she deserved to be in a position of having a greater impact."

Jund is not often the team's top scorer, but she'll never know because she never worries about stats. She's about the success of the team.

"Mallory is not a selfish player," said Jazlyn Nielsen, a teammate and one of Jund's best friends. "She'll do what the coaches ask of her. If they need her to score, she'll score."

However, her acceptance of the roles she's given shouldn't be viewed as complacency. Although providing minutes off the bench was her initial job, she pushed herself to become more. By the middle of this season, she hadn't quite inherited the planet, but she did earn a spot in the starting five, as voted on by the team.

They asked her for more, and she accepted.

"I used to be OK with being a bench player," Jund said. "Now that I'm a starter, I don't plan on losing **MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News**

Twin Falls High School basketball player Mallory Jund has earned the respect of her team as a humble and loyal friend and teammate.

"It doesn't matter if you're a leader on the bench or a leader on the floor. ... She accepted it, and it showed me that she deserved to be in a position of having a greater impact." - Twin Falls girls basketball head coach Nancy Jones

(the position)."

It's not arrogance that drives that statement. In her mind, losing a starting spot would mean that she didn't do what was asked of her and that she let herself and her team down. The coaching staff has pushed her to put the ball in the net more and to be a communicator on the floor, helping everyone be on the same

page. She'll perform those tasks as well as she can until she's asked to do something else.

The only direction is upward and onward for Jund, not because it benefits her but because it can benefit the Bruins.

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But before, during and after the game, she can be counted on for something else: making others smile.

"I am the one who just clowns about everything," said Williams. "I don't know if it's laughing with me or laughing at me because I'm always doing something crazy."

Williams brings plenty of spunk when she takes the court. And when the women's game ends, she can be found on the front row of the student section. razzing the opposing squad during the men's game and offering up some memorable dance moves.

Williams said her antics during the men's games are the product of her being "very school spirited."

"She's not as funny as she

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Declo boys begin busy week with win

By Ryan Howe

Times-News writer

DECLO – Considering the week ahead for the Declo boys basketball team, the Hornets had to play well in Monday's nonconference tilt with Raft River in order to build momentum.

Tyler Briggs scored 16 points. Brandon Peterson had 14 and Jeremy Jenkins added a dozen as the Hornets extended their winning streak to five games by beating the visiting Trojans 63-52.

Up next, Declo hosts Valley on Wednesday and Glenns Ferry on Saturday in Canyon Conference games that will determine seeding and home-court advantage for the district tournament.

And while Declo (13-4) didn't play 32 minutes of stellar basketball on Monday, it played solid enough to build a double-digit lead at halftime that was never seriously threatened.

With matching run-and-gun styles of play, the teams traded baskets early. There were five lead changes in the second quarter until Declo was able to pull away with a 13-4 run.

"I don't think we played great defense all night, but maybe that section is when we played the best defense," said Declo coach Dee Lewis. "They started missing more shots, and that gave us a chance to run."

The spurt was bookended by Peterson's pair of 3-pointers.

"I started getting in a rhythm," Peterson said. "It was pretty good for our team because it gave us the momentum. We're getting to where we're finding our rhythm, and we're peaking at the right time

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Declo's Davis Jones drives to the hoop and draws a foul on Raft **River's Rio** Manning (5) on Monday night at Declo High School.

RYAN HOWE/ Times-News

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DISTRICT IV TOURNAMENTS

Class 4A Great Basin Conference Tuesday Game 1: No. 5 Burley (10-10) at No. 4 Wood River (15-5), 7 p.m. Game 2: No. 6 Canyon Ridge (0-20) at No. 3 Twin Falls (13-7), 7 p.m. Thursday

Game 3: Winner 1 at No. 1 Jerome (19-1) 7 n m Game 4: Winner 2 at No. 2 Minico (13-7), 7 p.m.

Game 5: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 7 p.m. Saturday Game 6: Winner 5 vs. Loser 3 or 4

(lower seed), noon Game 7: Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 7 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 8 Game 8: Winner 6 vs. Loser 3 or 4 (higher seed), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 9 Game 9: Winner 8 vs. Loser 7, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11 Championship: Winner 7 vs. Winner

9, 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12

Second championship: If necessary, 7 p.m. First and second place qualify for state tournament, Feb. 18-20 at Mountain View HS in Meridian.

> Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Monday

Game 1: Kimberly 54, Buhl 28 Game 2: Gooding 54, Wendell 40 Tuesday At Filer

Game 3: Buhl (7-12) vs. Wendell (8-11). 6 p.m. Game 4: Gooding (11-8) at No. 2 Filer

(8-10), 7:30 p.m. Wednesday

At CSI Game 5: Winner 3 vs. Loser 4, 5:30

p.m. Game 6: Winner 4 vs. Kimberly (17-

2), 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8

Game 7: Winner 5 vs. Loser 6, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10

At CSI Championship: Winner 6 vs. Winner 7, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 11 Second championship: If necessary, 7 p.m.

First place qualifies for state tournament, Feb. 18-20 at Skyview HS in Nampa. Second place advances to state play-in vs. second place from District VI at 1 p.m., Feb. 13 at Highland HS in Pocatello.

Class 2A Canyon Conference Tuesday **Game 1:** No. 3 Glenns Ferry (5-15) at No. 2 Valley (8-10), 7:30 p.m. Thursday Game 2: Winner 1 at No. 1 Declo (15-

5), 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8 Game 3: Loser 1 at Loser 2, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11 Championship: Winner 3 at Winner 2,

7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12 Second championship: If necessary,

7 p.m. First place qualifies for state tournament, Feb. 18-20 at Kuna HS.

Class 1A Division I Snake River Conference Monday Play-in Game At Murtaugh Oakley 56, Lighthouse Christian 30 Wednesday At high seed Game 1: South No. 4 Sho-Ban (6-8) at North No. 1 Challis (16-2), 7 p.m.

Senators pull away for tournament win

By Diane Philbin Times-News writer

GOODING _ The fourth-ranked Gooding girls basketball team outpaced the third-seeded Wendell Trojans 54-40 to advance out of the first round of the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament Monday in Wendell.

Gooding's Angela Vitek led all scorers with 20 points, including 14 in leading the Senators to a 26-24 halftime edge.

In the locker room at the break, Gooding coach Luanne Axelson challenged Brittany Wirth to improve her play, and the senior responded, scoring seven of the Senators' 11 third-quarter points. At the same time, the Gooding defense cranked up its intensity to hold the Trojans to just four points in the period to storm extend their lead.

"Brittany is the rock," said Axelson. "Rebounding was the key, and these girls

have a lot of heart."

Wirth scored 18 points to augment Vitek's game high.

"We were ready," said Vitek who hit four 3-pointers. "I shoot the ball better. I just kept my eye on the rim."

As the third seed, Wendell was supposed to have hosted the game, but some plumbing issues at the school resulted in the change to Gooding.

"It was a shame because the girls earned it (home court advantage)," said Wendell coach Delon Huse. "But it was just one of those things."

Huse was happy with the Trojans' play in the first half, calling it one of the team's best halves of the season. Krystal Miller led Wendell with 15 points, while Kristen Brandsma added 10.

"We just missed some easy buckets in the third quarter and then we had to play catch-up," said Huse. "And Gooding played a good shooting game."

Gooding 54, Wendell 40 Gooding 10 16 11 7 - 54 Wendell 10 14 4 12 - 40 GOODING (54) Angela Vitek 20, Mackenzie Stevens 8, Danielle Baker 1, Carrie Baker 7, Brittany Wirth 18. Totals 16 16-22 54.

16-22 54. **WENDELL (40)** Kiersten Hilt 2, Kyrstal Miller 15, Yvonne Bartholomew 4, Kristen Brandsma 10, Heather Sturgeon 9, Totals 17 0-4 40. 3-point goals: Gooding 6 (Vitek 4, Stevens, C. Baker), Wendell 6 (Miller 3, Sturgeon 3). Total fouls: Gooding 5, Wendell 16. Fouled out: Wendell, Sturgeon. Technical fouls: none.

KIMBERLY 54, BUHL 28

The top-seeded Bulldogs Kimberly Buhl 54-28 thumped Monday in the first round of the SCIC tournament.

Kimberly guard Kaitlyn Goetz provided muchneeded points as Alex Pfefferle got into foul trouble early in the game. Head coach Rich Bishop praised Goetz as a quiet player who's had some big games this season, including Monday's 15-point performance in the openinground tournament contest.

Mercedes Pearson paced the Indians with nine points. The Bulldogs (17-2) advance to play the winner of Filer-Gooding on Wednesday at the College of Southern

Idaho Gymnasium.

Kimberly 54, Buhl 28 6697 - 28 10 15 9 20 - 54 BUHL (28) Buhl Kimberly

Cassidee Kippes 5, Mercedes Pearson 9, Lacy Hall 2, Kendyl Hamilton 1, Courtney Azevedo 8, Bailee Montgomery 2, Whitney Amoth 1, Totals 8 10-19 28. KIMBERLY GAI Alex Pfefferle 9, Kaitlyn Goetz 15, Nellie Makings 12, Whitney Carlton 6, Averie Schroeder 6, Taylor Sievers 4, Tayla Murphy 2, Totals 14 14-23 54. 3-point goals: Buhl 2 (Azevedo 2); Kimberly 2 (Pfefferle, Goetz), Total fouls: Buhl 21; Kimberly 15. Fouled out: Buhl, Katherine Hunter; Kimberly, Pfefferle. Technical fouls: Buhl, bench.

CLASS 1A SNAKE RIVER CONFERENCE OAKLEY 56.

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 30 The Oakley Hornets

Murtaugh in a play-in game to determine the final Class 1A Snake River Conference

Jordan Lierman led the Hornets with 15 points, while Kyanna Jones of Lighthouse Christian led all scorers with 25.

The Hornets will travel to Malta Wednesday to face No. 1 seed Raft River.

> Oakley 56, Lighthouse Christian 30

30. **OKLEY (56)** Sabrina Wybenga 10. Jordan Lierman 15. Elli Alves 8, Victoria Hale 9, Addie Bedke 7, Mallory Critchfield 2, Jacee Bedke 5. Totals 23 8-25 56. 3-point goals: Lighthouse Christian 29, Oakley 18. Fouled out: Lighthouse Christian, 19, Oakley 18. Fouled out: Lighthouse Christian, van Vliet, Alex Ver Hoeven. Technical fouls: none.

Lighthouse Christian 10 6 9 5 - 30 Oakley 16 11 15 14 - 56 LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN (30) Kyanna Jones 25, Josena van Vliet 5. Totals 9 10-21

Lighthouse Christian Oakley

REGULAR SEASON RICHFIELD 58, BLISS 11

The Richfield Tigers defeated Bliss 58-11 Monday with one regular-Northside season Conference game to play. Teenie Kent led Richfield with 20 points, while Sasha Kent scored 13.

Standing at 7-2 in the conference (15-2 overall), the Tigers can force a coin flip to determine top seeding in the district tournament with a victory over Dietrich Wednesday.

Richfield 58, Bliss 11 Richfield 2614 14 4 – 58 BUSS (U) Amy Young 1, Demsie Butler 2, Savannah Kehrer 6, Irlanda Diaz 2. Totals 4 3-9 11. Richfield 58 Richfield 59 Teenie Kent 20, Mirian Rivas 8, Sasha Kent 13, Breanna Brockman 2, Victoria Hettenbach 4, Danielle Edwards 2, Tawni Smith 2, Shelby King 2, Kailee Scott 3, Denise Stevens 2. Totals 24 2-7 58. 3-point goals: Richfield 8 (K. Kent 4, S. Kent 3, Scott). Total fouls: Bliss 7, Richfield 9. Fouled out: none. rechnical fouls: Richfield 9. Fouled out: none.

Williams' double-double leads Jazz over Mavs

SALT LAKE CITY Deron Williams had 18 points and 15 assists and the Utah Jazz increased their longest winning streak of the season to six by beating the Dallas Mavericks 104-92 on Monday night.

The Jazz held the Mavericks scoreless for more than three minutes during an 11-2 run that put Utah in control in the fourth quarter and handed Dallas its first three-game losing streak of the season.

Paul Millsap had 25 points and nine rebounds for the Jazz, who had seven offensive rebounds in the final quarter while outscoring the Mays 27-16 to clinch the three-game season series. Andrei Kirilenko added 13 points for Utah.

Dirk Nowitzki led Dallas with 28 points, including 14 in the third period, but had just two points in the fourth.

SUNS 109, HORNETS 100

NEW ORLEANS Amare Stoudemire scored 25 points and Grant Hill hit two late key baskets to help



Utah forward C.J. Miles (34) drives to the basket against Dallas Mavericks center Drew Gooden (90) Monday during the second half in Salt Lake City. The Jazz beat the Mavericks 104-92.

Angeles Lakers' career 10 enough as the Memphis Grizzlies got 22 points and

rebounds and the second time in three nights.

Boston limited and Washington to 2-for-18 shooting in the fourth quarter.

Boston ended a threegame skid and prevented Washington from compiling its first three-game winning streak since April 2008.

The Wizards led by eight points late in the third quarter, but the Celtics used a 16-4 run capped by Rasheed Wallace's 16-foot fadeaway jumper to go up 86-82 midway through the fourth.

Boston outscored Washington 25-10 in the final quarter, even though Paul Pierce sat out the period after hurting his left foot.

Rajon Rondo had 17 points and 12 assists for Boston. Caron Butler led Washington with 20 points and 11 rebounds.

Pierce said he thinks he has a mild sprain and will have it X-rayed.

NUGGETS 112, KINGS 109, OT

DENVER – Arron Afflalo hit a 21-foot baseline jumper with 18.4 seconds left in overtime, and

Soggy start to Super Bowl week

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) - Rain drove the New Orleans Saints indoors Monday. The NFL scrambled to move Tuesday's media dav activities under cover. And tourism officials tried to shrug off the publicrelations blow of a soggy start to Super Bowl week.

"Sometimes you need a break from the sun," said Nicki Grossman of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention and Visitors Bureau. "Everybody all over the country has weather. And you don't have to shovel anything that has fallen on us."

Even so, the less-than-Super weather – daylong rain blanketing the region stirred unpleasant memories of the last time the NFL title game came to town three years ago. That was the first time rain fell on a Super Bowl, and it continued throughout the game, chasing some fans away at halftime and sending others into concourses to watch on television as the Indianapolis Colts beat the Chicago Bears.

"The same weather,"

scoring list, but it wasn't Milwaukee beat Miami for

defeated Lighthouse Christian 56-30 Monday in tournament seed.

Game 2: North No. 3 Hagerman (3-17) at South No. 2 Hansen (9-10), 7 p.m.

Game 3: North No. 4 Oakley (5-14) at South No. 1 Raft River (11-8), 7 p.m. Game 4: South No. 3 Castleford (10-10) at North No. 2 Shoshone (14-6), 7 p.m.

Friday At high seed

Game 5: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 7 p.m. Game 6: Loser 3 vs. Loser 4, 7 p.m. Game 7: Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, Noon or 7 p.m. Game 8: Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, Noon or 7 p.m. Note: Challis' second-round home game will be played at 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 4, or noon Friday, Feb. 5

Saturday At Murtaugh

Game 9: Winner 5 vs. Loser 8, 4:30 p.m Game 10: Winner 6 vs. Loser 7, 6 p.m. Championship: Winner 7 vs. Winner

8, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12

At Murtaugh

Game 12: Winner 9 vs. Winner 10, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 10 Second place: Winner 12 vs. Championship loser, 7 p.m. First and second place qualify for state tournament Feb. 18-20 at Columbia HS in Nampa. Third place advances to state plav-in vs. third place from District III at 3 p.m., Feb. 13 at Glenns Ferry HS.

> Class 1A Division II Northside Conference At Carey Saturday

Game 1: No. 5 Community School (4-9) vs. No. 4 Camas County (10-8), 6 p.m. Game 2: No. 6 Bliss (6-8) vs. No. 3,

7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8 Game 3: Winner 1 vs. No. 1, 6 p.m. Game 4: Winner 2 vs. No. 2, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9 Game 5: Loser 1 vs. Loser 4, 6 p.m. Game 6: Loser 2 vs. Loser 3, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10

Game 7: Winner 5 vs. Winner 6, 6 p.m. Championship: Winner 3 vs. Winner

4, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11

Second place game: Winner 7 vs. Loser 8, 7 p.m. First and second place qualify for state tournament Feb. 18-20 at Nampa HS. Third place advances to state play-in vs. second place from District III at 1 p.m., Feb. 13 at Glenns Ferry HS.

Phoenix get the win.

The Hornets played their second straight game without All-Star Chris Paul, who is out indefinitely with a left knee injury that coach Jeff Bower said could require surgery. Paul was injured on Wednesday against Golden State. He got hurt again when he collided with a camera while chasing an errant pass on Friday against Chicago.

Channing Frye added 20 points for Phoenix. Robin Lopez had 18 points and Steve Nash finished with 18 points and 12 assists.

Marcus Thornton led New Orleans with 25 points. Darren Collison, Paul's replacement at point guard, had 16 points and 14 assists.

GRIZZLIES 95, LAKERS 93

MEMPHIS, Tenn. -Kobe Bryant had 44 points and passed Jerry West for the top spot on the Los

17 rebounds from Zach Randolph in a 95-93 victorv on Mondav night.

Rudy Gay led Memphis with 25 points, including a key 3-pointer with 29.5 seconds left.

Ron Artest's 3-point attempt from the right side bounced high off the rim as the horn sounded, ending the Lakers' four-game winning streak.

Bryant passed West's mark on a breakaway dunk in the third quarter. Bryant made 16 of 28 shots, including 4 of 7 outside the arc. Artest added 18 points, and Pau Gasol had 10 points.

Lester Hudson had 13 points for Memphis, and Marc Gasol finished with 11 points and 13 rebounds.

BUCKS 97, HEAT 81

MIAMI - Andrew Bogut had 22 points and 11 rebounds, Carlos Delfino finished with 16 points and

The Bucks pulled within two games of the slumping Heat for the Eastern Conference's final playoff spot.

Charlie Bell and Hakim Warrick each scored 12 for the Bucks, who outscored Miami 54-27 over the final 19¹/₂ minutes of the first half.

Dwyane Wade led the Heat with 23 points, including single-handedly scoring the first 11 of the game. From there, the Heat went shockingly cold, setting season worsts by shooting 17.6 percent in the first quarter and 27.5 percent in the half.

Michael Beasley scored 16 and Udonis Haslem finished with 12 points and 10 rebounds for Miami, which has lost four of its past five.

CELTICS 99, WIZARDS 88

WASHINGTON – Kevin Garnett's 19 points led six Celtics in double figures,

the Denver Nuggets, down by 17 points in the third quarter, rallied to beat the Sacramento Kings 112-109 Monday night.

Kenyon Martin had 24 points and 12 rebounds and Chauncey Billups had 23 points for the Nuggets, who improved to 3-0 in overtime this season and averted being swept in their three-game season series with the Kings.

The Nuggets, playing a fifth straight game without All-Star forward Carmelo Anthony (ankle) also got 15 points from Tv Lawson, 14 points from Nene and Afflalo had six of his 12 points in the extra period.

Spencer Hawes had 23 points and Kevin Martin had 22 for Sacramento, which lost for the third time in four OT games. The Kings lost their 10th road game in a row.

Indianapolis quarterback Peyton Manning said. "I don't know what that is the Colts bringing rain to Miami."

Although this is the middle of South Florida's dry season, steady light rain also fell during Sunday night's Pro Bowl in Miami.

Declo

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for districts."

Tavlor Thacker was Raft River's biggest scoring threat with 16 points. He was especially dangerous with his foul-line jumper.

"Thacker shot the ball really well. He's a solid basketball player," said Lewis. "We did a lot better job later in the game of putting more pressure on the shot."

Declo maintained its 10-point halftime cushion and a 6-0 run to start the fourth quarter and put the game out of reach.

"We didn't get many open shots tonight, and we didn't play as well as we usually do. It was an off night for everybody," Thacker said. "Declo is a lot better than the teams that we play in our conference, so it's good practice to get us ready for the bigger games in our conference. And it's just fun to play Declo, over here across the mountain."

Cade Powers scored 14 points and Rio Manning added 12 for the Trojans, which host Sho-Ban tonight for senior night.

Declo 63, Raft River 52 LECTO D.S., KATT KIVET 5/2 Raft River 14 13 12 13 - 52 Decio 13 24 13 13 - 63 RAFT RIVER (52) Cade Powers 14. Rio Manning 12. Tavlor Thacker 16. Nelson Manning 7, H.D. Tuckett 3. Totals 21 10-13 52. DECLO (63) Jeremy Jenkins 12. Tyler Briggs 16. Brandon Peterson 14. Cofton Smyer 3. Dane Janäk 6. Davis Jones 8. Erik Hemrickson 2. Ross Sandres 2. Totals 26 6-12 63. 3-point goals: Declo 5 (Peterson 2. Smyer, Janak, Jones), Total fouls: Raft River 11, Declo 11. Fouled out: none. Technical Touls: Raft River 11, Declo 11. Fouled out:

No. 19 Texas beats No. 14 Baylor 61-50

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) -After building a big secondhalf lead, Texas was watching it slip away as Baylor slowly mounted a comeback.

The Longhorns had been through this before.

Just a week earlier, Iowa State rallied to deal the Longhorns a devastating home loss. That one left the players angry and coach Gail Goestenkors declaring a week of "boot camp" practices to learn a few things.

Those lessons and a dose of hard-nosed defense pulled No. 19 Texas through on Sunday. The Longhorns nearly squandered a 21-

point lead before hanging on for a 61-50 win.

Earnesia Williams scored 13 points and combined with Brittainey Raven (12 points) and Ashleigh Fontenette (11 points) for the big plays Texas (14-6, 3-3 Big 12) needed down the stretch.

"We didn't let up in this game," Texas forward Kathleen Nash said.

They almost did. No. 14 Baylor was chipping away behind Brittney Griner's 21 points and got within seven with under 3 minutes to play before Fontenette converted a 3-point play and Williams hit a long jumper.

During a timeout, Goestenkors had pleaded with her team to do what it takes to hang on.

"They went on a run. Great teams do," she said. "Now it's our turn. Play with poise, play calm."

Baylor (15-5, 2-4), still searching for its first league road win, did little to help Griner. The Lady Bears shot iust 32 percent as a team and often struggled to get the 6-foot-8 freshman post player the ball near the basket.

Griner, one of just seven women players in NCAA history to dunk, spent much of the game pleading for passes that didn't come

or fending off Texas' pair of heavier and more muscular 6-4 forwards, Ashley Gayle and Cokie Reed.

By alternating Reed and Gayle – who both fouled out in the second half - and just about any player they could find on Griner, Texas could afford to be aggressive on defense.

"Not give her anything easy, that was the main thing," Gayle said.

Griner picked up two early fouls in the first half and spent the final 4:48 on the bench. Texas inserted smaller players and started attacking the lane for layups to build a 33-25 halftime lead.

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SCOREBOARD 2, Thabeet 1-1 0-0 2, Carroll 1-4 0-0 2, Hudson 4-10 3-3 13, Haddadi 0-1 2-2 2, Totals 34-82 22-32 95. LA Lakers 24 26 21 22 - 93 Memphis 24 28 18 25 - 95 3-Point Goals-L.A. Lakers 8-20 (Bryant 4-7, Artest 2-3, Brown 1-1, Farmar 1-5, Odom 0-1, Fisher 0-3), Memphis 5-17 (Hudson 2-5, Gay 2-5, Mayo 1-4, Haddadi 0-1, Tinsley 0-1, Conley 0-1). Fouled Out-None. Rebounds-LA. Lakers 25 (PGas0, 100m 9), Memphis 55 (Randolph 17), Assists-L.A. Lakers 17 (Farmar 5), Memphis 14 (Conley, Tinsley 4). Total Fouls-L.A. Lakers 24, Memphis 21. Technicals-Mayo, Randolph. A-18,119 (18,119). 15. Cole Bigbee, Tuscunbia, Ala, \$3,671 16. Shawn Harris, Searcy, Ark, \$3,590 17. Gabe Gwaltney, Carthage, Mo. \$3,585 18. Stephen Brithell, Maryville, Tena, \$3,432 19. Martin Lucero, Stephenwille, Texas \$3,385 20. Adam Plyler, Pageland, S.C. \$3,292 Saddle Bronc Niding BASKETBALL 144. Brenden Pappas \$10,100 144. Johnson Wagner 146. Jeff Maggert \$10,706 \$10,945 **GAME PLAN** NBA All Times MST Eastern \$9,800 \$10,335 \$10,335 \$10,017 147. Greg Owen 148. Craig Bowden 148. Andres Romero 150. Rich Beem Adam Plyler, Pageland, S.C. \$3,292 Saddle Bronc Riding J.J. Elshere, Quinn, S.D. \$15,610 Jesse Wright, Milford, Utah \$9,466 Jeff Willert, Belvidere, S.D. \$6,772 Cody Martin, Eagle, Colo. \$5,888 S. Andrew Counts, Stephenville, Texas \$5,439 Chad Ferley, Oelrichs, S.D. \$5,400 Tate Owens, Platteville, Colo. \$5,386 trell Etbauer, Goodwell, Okla. \$5,345 Chuck Schmidt, Keldron, S.D. \$4,204 Jacobs Crawley, College Station, Texas \$4,142 Heith DeMoss, Heflin, La. \$4,062 Kyle Daines, Innisfail, Alberta \$3,888 Gort Scheer, Elsmere, Neb. \$3,542 Lot Scheer, Elsmere, Neb: \$3,342 Jace Garrett, Alliance, Neb: \$3,272 Curtis Garon, Kaitaia, New Zealanda \$3,171 Scott Miller, Hemet, Calli \$2,064 GB See Sports 2 Pct LOCAL .652 .542 .383 .340 30 26 16 22 29 31 42 **Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho** HOCKEY HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL Conference Tournament 18 16 4 New York Philadelphia 12½ 14½ NHL All Times MST EASTERN 6:30 p.m. See Sports 2 .087 26 Camas County at Murtaugh Pct GB L Lighthouse Christian at Twin Falls TV SCHEDULE SUNS 109, HORNETS 100 ATLANTIC GP W L OT PTS GF GA 32 30 24 24 SUNS 109, HORNETS 100 PHOENIX (109) Phill 6-81-13. Stoudemire 10-20 5-8 25, Lopez 8-11 2-2 18, Nash 6-10 5-7 18, Richardson 1-6 1-2 3, Dudley 4-9 2-21 2, Dragic 0-4 0-00, Frye 8-14 1-120, Clark 0-00-00, Amundson 0-10-00. Totals 43-83 17-23 109. NEW ORLEANS (100) Stojakovic 2-7 7-81 1. West 9-18 2-2 20, Okafor 6-9 0-2 12, Collison 7-18 1-1 (6, Thornton 10-21 0-1 25, Peterson 0-2 0-0, Songaila 37-22 8, Posep 1-3 0-0 2. Wright 35-0 0-6, Marks 0-0 0-0. Totals 4-19 0-12 1/6 100. Phoenix 30 26 24 - 109 New Orleans 31 15 24 0-100 3-Point Goals-Phoenix 6-21 (Frye 3-8, Dudley 2-4, Nash 1-2, Hill 0-1, Richardson 0-2, Oragic 0-4), New Orleans 31 15 43 0-100 3-Point Goals-Phoenix 6-21 (Frye 3-8, Dudley 2-4, Nash 1-2, Hill 0-1, Richardson 0-2, Olison 1-3, Stojakovic 0-1, West 0-1, Posey 0-2, Peterson 0-2). Foulded Out-Mone. Rebounds-Phoenix 26, Olison 1-3, Stojakovic 0-1, West 0-1, Posey 0-4, Peterson 0-2). Foulded Out-Mone. 34 (Posey, West 8), Assists-Phoenix 28 (Mash 12), New Orleans 43 New Orleans 24 New Net New New New New New Newens 24 New New New New New New New New Newens 2 16 16 22 24 31 .667 .652 .522 .500 .340 72 146 122 71 180 161 59 163 149 57 143 154 54 143 172 Christian 17 21 23 24 25 New Jerse 2 1 7:30 p.m. 54 57 54 56 56 35 35 28 25 23 MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Pittshu Philadelnhi Miami Washington Castleford at Hagerman 5 p.m. 151/2 N.Y. Rangers N.Y. Islander Dietrich at Community School ESPN - Mississippi at Kentucky ģ W Pct GB ESPN2 - Miami at Wake Forest NORTHEAST GP .776 .511 .457 .333 .326 Filer at American Falls L OT PTS GF GA W 38 23 21 16 15 11 22 25 32 31 13 Jerome at Kimberly 7 p.m. 15 7 21 4 25 6 21 9 28 11 71 153 132 66 157 157 56 143 152 55 130 136 45 149 197 Jace Garrett, Alliance, Neb. 32,272 Jace Garrett, Alliance, Neb. 32,272 Curtis Garton, Kaitaia, New Zealand \$3,171 Scott Miller, Hemet, Calif. \$3,064 Jesse Bail, Camp Crook, S.D. \$2,871 Curtis Garton, Kaitaia, New Zealand \$3,171 Stant McKay, Ontario. Ore, \$2,578 Travor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$11,908 Houston Hutto, Del Rio, Texas \$11,661 Murray Pole, Erskine, Alberta \$8,468 Tuf Cooper, Decatur, Texas \$4,778 Skyler Moore, Mt. Vernon, Mo. \$6,554 Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo, \$5,941 Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas \$4,782 Dean Edge, Rimbey, Alberta \$4,889 Randall Carlisle, Lipan, Texas \$4,782 Cade Swor, Crafton, Texas \$4,732 Cade Swor, Crafton, Texas \$4,732 Cade Swor, Crafton, Texas \$4,756 Al Joseph Grenentz, Colorado City, Texas \$4,619 Jok Ibbe, Portales, N.M. \$4,599 Acae Slone, Cuero, Texas \$4,576 Citle Cooper, Judidottian, Texas \$4,371 Timber Moore, Aubrey, Texas \$4,371 Timber Moore, Aubrey, Texas \$4,373 Zeo Langman, Lafayette, Ga, \$4,371 Timber Moore, Aubrey, Texas \$4,373 Tevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$4,373 Tervor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$4,374 Tevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$4,374 Tervor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$4,376 Tervor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$4,376 Tervor Brazile, Decatur, Texas \$4,376</l 54 56 56 53 32 31 25 23 17 Buffalo 151/2 Magic Valley Christian at Carev ESPN - Michigan St. at Wisconsin Ottawa 21½ 21½ Montreal NHL HOCKEY Oakley at Shoshone Boston WESTERN Toronto 6 p.m. Sho-Ban at Raft River SOUTHWEST GB Pct L SOUTHEAST GP W L OT PTS GF GA VERSUS - Minnesota at Dallas HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL 80 214 149 57 149 161 56 165 174 55 138 162 45 147 180 30 27 37 12 24 23 24 22 22 21 19 29 WESTERN 18 19 21 22 22 .625 .587 .553 .542 .532 Washington Florida 55 56 54 54 55 6 9 PREP BASKETBALL Regular season San Antonio 26 26 26 25 31/2 9 p.m. Atlanta Tampa Bay Carolina 8 11 7 6 p.m. New Orleans 4 43 (Posey, West 8). Assists—Phoenix 28 (Nash 12), New Orleans 30 (Collison 14). Total Fouls—Phoenix 15, New Orleans 19. Technicals—New Orleans defensive three second. A–13,874 (17,188). ESPN2 - Jefferson (Ore.) vs. Community School at Dietrich 41/3 NORTHWEST Pđ GB Class 4A Great Basin Conference Kentwood (Wash.), at Covington, L CENTRAL GP L OT PTS GF GA Wash W .688 .617 .571 .553 .224 Tournament 33 29 28 26 11 15 18 21 21 38 3½ 5½ 6½ 22½ 14 4 78 180 129 21 3 63 151 152 19 10 62 142 147 22 9 57 143 153 26 9 53 149 188 37 30 26 24 22 Chicago Nashville 55 54 55 55 57 Portland Oklahoma City BUCKS 97, HEAT 81 Bethune-Cookman 74, Winston-Salem 40 Campbell 60, Lipscomb 58 Chattanooga 82, UNC-Greensboro 63 Coll. of Charleston 74, W. Carolina 71 Coppin 51: 75, Norfolk St. 55 Elon 60, Samford 59 Florida A&M 68, S. Carolina St. 53 Florida Gulf Coast 67, Mercer 62 Florida 14, Mode S. Carolina 73 Hampton 64, Md-Eastern Shore 48 Howard 48, Delaware St. 44 Liberty 63, Radford 45 MVSU 60, Grambling St. 51 N. Carolina ARI 67, Morgan St. 56 Prashyterian 56, Coastal Carolina 46 S. Dakota St. 92, Centenary 50 S.C. Upstate 62, Jacksonville 49 Stetson 54, Kennesaw St. 51 Tevas Southern 56, Alabama A&M 55 Winthrop 58, Charleston Southern 48 Motwest Oakland, Mich. 74, IUPUI 55 W. Illinois S8, IPFW 55, OT Southwest Ark-Pine Bluff 65, Jackson St. 46 Oral Roberts 81, N. Dakota St. 75 BULLS 37, IR24 04 MILWAUKEE (97) Delfino 5-11 5-6 16, Mbah a Moute 1-2 2-2 4, Bogut 10-13 2-3 22, Jennings 4-10 0-0 9, Bell 4-8 2-2 12, Ilyasova 0-2 3-4 3, Ridnour 2-6 0-0 4, Warrick 6-12 0-0 12, Thomas 4-4 0-0 8, Stackhouse 1-4 4-5 7, Meeks 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 37-73 18-22 97. MAMI (81) Richardson 1-6 0-0 3, Beasley 6-16 3-6 16, Anthony 2-6 \$363,450 \$396,778 \$350,250 \$336,835 \$323,333 \$297,538 15. Charles Howell III St. Louis Columbu 210 207 185 164 157 156 145 141 136 132 131 127 124 123 122 121 GB 16. Alex Prugh 17. John Rollins W L Pct L.A. Lakers Phoenix L.A. Clippers Sacramento Golden State GP W L OT PTS GF GA NORTHWEST 37 29 20 16 13 12 21 27 31 33 .755 .580 .426 .340 .283 18 Martin Laird 8½ 16 20 22½ 70 178 132 66 156 143 62 143 145 58 153 163 40 141 186 18 2 18 6 21 8 24 4 31 6 19. Ryan Moore 20. Ernie Els Vancouver 34 30 27 27 17 54 54 56 55 54 L.A. Luppers 20 27 44 Sacramento 16 31 34 Golden State 13 32 27 Sunday's Games Denver 103, San Antonio 89 L.A. Lakers 90, Boston 89 Orland 09 J. Detroit 86 Cleveland 114, L.A. Clippers 89 Toronto 117, Indiana 102 Philadelphia 83, New Jersey 79 Phoenix 115, Houston 111, 0T Minnesota 112, New York 91 Oklahoma City 112, Golden State 104 **Monday's Games** Boston 99, Washington 88 Milwaukee 97, Miami 81 Memphis 95, L.A. Lakers 93 Phoenix 109, New Orleans 100 Denver 112, Sacramento 109, 0T Utah 104, Dallas 92 Charlotte at Portland, Jate **Tuesday's Games** Joronto at Indiana, 5 p.m. Milwaukee at Orlando, 5 p.m. Detroit at New Jersey, 530 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Chicago, 6 p.m. Atlanta at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m. Golden State at Houston, 6:30 p.m. New Jersey 4T Gronto, 5 p.m. New Jersey 4T Gronto, 5 p.m. New Jersey 4T Oronto, 5 p.m. Oklahoma City at New Orleans, 6 p.m. Mishington at New York, 5:30 p.m. Oklahoma City at New Orleans, 6 p.m. Maini at Boston, 6, p.m. San Antonio at Sacramento, 8 p.m. Charlotte at Dallas, 6:30 p.m. Portiand at Utah, 7 p.m. San Antonio at Sacramento, 8 p.m. Charlotte at Dallas, 6:30 p.m. Porteint at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m. Colorado 0 U. 10dfs 3/73 1822 97. MiAMI (8) Richardson 1-6 0-0 3, Beasley 6-16 3-6 16, Anthony 2-6 0-0 4, Aiston 0-4 0-2 0, Wade 7-19 8-9 23, Haslem 3-6 6-7 12, Arroyo 5-9 0-0 10, Magloire 1-1 2-4 4, Wright 1-5 0-0 3, Cook 2-5 0-0 6, Totals 28-77 19-28 81. Milwaukee 21 33 22 21 – 97 Miami 17 21 21 22 – 81 3-Point Goals--Milwaukee 21-61 (6BI! 2-5, Stackhouse 1-1, Jennings 1-4, Delfino 1-4, Ridnour 0-1, Ilyasova 0-1), Miami 6-22 (Cook 2-5, Beasley 1-2, Wright 1-3, Richardson 1-4, Wade 1-5, Alston 0-3), Fouled 0ut-None. Rebounds--Milwaukee 52 (Bogut 11), Miami 46 (Haslem 10, Assists--Milwaukee 22, Miami 46 (Haslem 10, Assists--Milwaukee 22, Miami 19, A-15,858 (19,600). \$297,538 \$203,436 \$199,533 \$221,598 \$210,460 \$222,250 \$235,000 21. Brian Gay 22. Stephen Ames 23. Michael Allen Calgary Minnesota Edmontor 24. Pat Perez 25. Carl Pettersson PACIFIC GP W L OT PTS GF GA San Jose S5 36 9 81 187 134 Phoenix 56 33 18 5 71 154 145 Los Angeles 55 33 19 3 69 166 151 Anaheim 56 23 7 59 155 172 Dallas 55 24 20 11 59 157 177 NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss 165 157 158 157 177 26 Nathan Green 134 145 151 172 177 20. Nathali Gree 27. Lucas Glover 28. Sean O'Hair 29. Nick Watney 30. Chad Collins \$257.20 \$310.61 \$237,200 \$210.956 b) B) V(E) Davis, Autiente, Texas 52,010 7. Tory Reina, Wharton, Texas 52,915 8. J.R. Olson, Greeley, Colo. 52,907 9. Chet Herren, Pawhuska, Kolka, S2,622 10. Shay Good, Midland, Texas 52,316 11. Paul Patton, Abilene, Texas 52,130 12. Brady Garten, Claremore, Okla, 51,967 13. J. Paul Williams, Burbank, Okla, S1,881 14. Cash Myers, Athens, Texas 51,838 14. Cash Myers, Athens, Texas 51,838 15. Jason Evans, Hunttsville, Texas 51,838 16. J. Tom Fisher, Andrews, Texas 51,780 17. JD, Yates, Pueblo, Colo. 51,710 18. Shandon Stalls, McLean, Texas 51,628 19. Kim Ziegerjueher, Edmond, Okla, 51,602 20. Shane Suggs, Granbury, Texas 51,511 Bull Riding 1. Tyler Johnston, Bridger, Mont. 514,490 2. Jason Beck, Prairieville, La, 514,269 3. Marcus Michaelis, Caldwell, Idaho 513,032 4. Beau Schroeder, China, Texas 50,862 5. Clint Craig, Mena, Ark, 510,531 6. Howky Cloud, Kountze, Texas 50,264 7. Thad Newell, Muskogee, Okla, 58,848 13. Joers Mith, Fruita, Colo. 57,918 9. Ardie Maier, Timber Lake, S.D. 57,297 11. Clayton Williams, Carthage, Texas 56,638 13. Joe Smith, Foridar, Quy, 55,735 17. Dylan Werner, Bushnell, Fla, 55,732 18. Bobby Wesh, Gilletter, Wy, 55,516 19. Jarod Ford, Greeley, Colo. 55,315 20. Cody Buller, Glendive, Mont, 55,290 Barrel racing 1. Jean Winters, Texine, Texas 51,423 3. Atessie Mowry, Dublin, Texas 54,430 3. Jeas mith, Senidan, Wy, 55,735 17. Juan Kight, Wills Point, Hass 56,635 19. Jarod Ford, Greeley, Colo. 55,315 20. Cody Buller, Glendive, Mont, 55,290 6. Jarana Poppino, Big Cabin, Okla, 56,518 19. Jarod Ford, Greeley, Colo. 55,315 20. Cody Buller, Glendive, Mont, 55,290 6. Jarna Poppino, Big Cabin, Okla, 56,518 19 30. Chaid Colimis 31. Zach Johnson 32. Troy Merritt 32. Kevin Sutherland 34. Michael Bradley 35. Dustin Johnson 39. Davis Love III 39. Mike Weir 41. Jason Dufner 42. Kevin Na 43. Rickle Fowler 44. Stewart Cink 45. Matt Jones 46. Tom Gillis 46. Mark Wilson 48. Kenny Perry 49. Jeff Quinney 51. D.J. Trahan 52. Graham DeLaet 53. Bo Van Pelt 54. Jroy Matteson 55. Spencer Levin 56. K.J. Choi NOTE: Two points for a win, one point f loss. Sunday's Games Pittsburgh 2, Detroit 1, 50 Washington 3, Tampa Bay 2 Florida 2, NY. Islanders 0 Los Angeles 3, New Jersey 2 Phoenix 4, Dallas 2 NY. Rangers 3, Colorado 1 Monday's Games Pittsburgh 5, Buffalo 4 Anaheim 3, Florida 0 Philadelphia 3, Calgary 0 Edmonton 4, Carolina 2 Washington at Boston, 5 p.m. Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 5 p.m. Vancouver at Montreal, 5:30 p.m. Ninnesota at Dallas, 6 p.m. Olumbus at Colorado, 7 m. NY. Rangers at Los Angeles, 8:30 p.m. Detroit at Sam Jose, 8:30 p.m. Ext. Louis at Chicago, 6:30 p.m. Carolina at Calgary, 7 p.m. Philadelphia at Edmonton, 7:30 p.m. \$206,37 loss. Men's College Basketball \$162,25 \$156,95(\$200,75(\$180,000 \$130,905 \$162,697 Major Scores East Iona 72, Canisius 53 W. Michigan 85, Buffalo 70 **South** W. Michigan 85, Bittalo 70 South Belmont 74, ETSU 67 Bethune-Cookman 74, Winston-Salem 48 Delaware 51, 54, Howard 45 Hampton 79, Md.-Eastern Shore 65 Kennesaw 51, 73, Stetson 62 King, Tenn. 87, Appalachian St. 76 Lipscom 60, Campbell 59 Louisville 82, Connecticut 69 WJSU 93, Grambiling 51, 83 Mercer 78, Florida Gulf Coast 72 Morgan St. 74, N. Carolina A&M 65 Morfolk St. 80, Coppin 51, 71 Prairie View 56, Alabama St. 55 S. Carolina St. 77, Florida A&M 62 Texas Southern 67, Alabama A&M 62 Nidwest Bowling Green 58, Toledo 47 E. Michigan 62, Akron 59 \$126,163 \$186,163 \$197,697 \$161,872 \$83,321 \$132,320 \$132,320 \$97,320 \$97,320 \$94,186 \$109,500 \$141,860 \$109,500 \$141,860 \$109,500 \$141,650 \$164,500\$\$164,500 \$164,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$160,500\$ AP Top 25 W-L Pts Pvs 1. Connecticut (40) 21-0 19-1 19-1 1,000 Stanford 960 896 3. Notre Dame 4. Nebraska 19-0 19-2 18-3 16-3 21-3 18-3 20-2 15-4 15-5 18-4 15-5 18-4 18-3 15-5 18-3 18-5 18-4 18-5 18-4 18-5 869 858 Tennessee 6. Duke 809 721 665 655 632 593 529 493 7. Xavier 10 4 12 15 16 8 11 9 14 13 19 17 18 8. Ohio St. 9 North Carolina 10. Oklahoma St 57. Omar Uresti 58. John Merrick 59. Heath Slocum 60. Chad Campbe 11. West Virginia 12. Texas A&M 13. Oklahoma . Heath Slocum). Chad Campbell . Derek Lamely 14. Georgia 15. Baylor 15. Florida St. 4. Jef eK Lamely 6. V.E. Yang 63. Richard S. Johnson 64. Jeff Klauk 65. Chris Couch 66. Dris Couch 478 431 357 288 239 228 152 130 126 E. Michigan 62, Akron 59 Kent St. 76, N. Illinois 46 \$76,770 \$104,960 \$84,416 \$82,722 \$53,835 \$127,200 \$160,000 \$50,267 NBA Boxes RODEO Southwest Pro Rodeo Leaders Through an 31 Bareback Niding 1. Joe Gunderson, Agar, S.D. S12,486 2. Bud Munns, Snowville, Littha 58,937 3. Bobby Mote, Culver, Ore. 58,206 4. Ryan Gray, Cheney, Wash, S7626 5. Eric Swenson, Denison, Texas \$7,378 6. Tilden Hooper, Carthage, Texas \$7,378 7. Jerad Schleeg, Burns, Colo. 57,276 8. Matt Bright, Azle, Texas \$6,261 9. Tom McFarland, Wickenburg, Ariz. \$5,070 10. Bo Casper, Fort Scott, Kan. \$4,915 11. Tanner Aus, Granite Falls, Minn. \$4,519 12. Scott Montague, Rapid City, S.D. \$4,450 13. Kyle Bowers, Brooks, Alberta \$4,408 14. Chip Dees: N. Philadelphia, Miss. \$4,204 15. John Addison, Belvidere, S.D. \$4,035 16. Wes Stevenson, Lubbock, Texas \$3,953 17. Nathan Bayes, Adrian, Ore. \$3,933 18. Jared Keylon, Tort Scott, Kan. \$3,400 19. Kaycze Feild, Payson, Littha \$3,405 20. Josh Shackleford, McGee, Mo. \$3,278 Stew Twesting 1. Clayton Morrison, Cavalier, N.D. \$11,500 2. Curtis Cassidy, Donalda, Alberta \$10,090 3. Gabe Ledoux, Kaplan, La. \$9,054 4. Ren Lewis, La Junta, Colo. \$8,495 5. Glen Clark, Granburr, Texas \$6,800 6. Jason Miller, Lance Creek, Wyo, \$5,569 7. Ronnie Fields, Oklahoma City, Okla, \$5,398 8. Join Hiends, Oklahoma City, Okla, \$5,397 8. Join Hendros, Netherne, Ittah \$4,320 9. Casey Harmon, Stephenville, Texas \$4,260 10. Nick Guy, Sparta, Wis, \$4,207 11. Justin Davis, Bartonville, Texas \$4,207 13. Spud Duvall, Checotah, Okla, \$3,3958 14. Kyle Callaway, Gillette, Wyo, \$3,492 19. Craig Cavaness, Brenham, Texas \$3,307 16. Jule Hazen, Ashland, Kan, \$3,301 18. Johnny Silva, Powell, Wyo, \$3,307 19. Jondi Key, Stephenville, Texas \$3,104 3. David Key, Stephen 17. Texas 18. Georgetown 19. LSU JAZZ 104, MAVERICKS 92 Jackson St. 72, Ark.-Pine Bluff 67 Texas 72, Oklahoma St. 60 **Pro Rodeo Leaders** DALLAS (92) 65. Chris Couch 66. D.A. Points 67. Paul Casey 67. Brendon de Jonge DALLAS (92) Marion 5-8 0-0 10, Nowitzki 11-18 6-6 28, Dampier 0-2 0-0 0, Kidd 4-10 1-2 11, Terry 7-19 3-4 19, Gooden 3-9 2-2 8, Howard 1-4 0-0 2, Beaubois 0-1 0-0 0, Barea 4-5 4-12, Ross 0-0 0-0 0, Najera 1-1 0-0 2, Carroll 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 36-78 16-18 92. 20. Kentucky 21. Georgia Tech 22. Iowa St. 23. Wis.-Green Bay AP Top 25 25 22 24 \$50,267 \$115,000 W-L Pts Pvs 4-412, Koss D-1 0-0 0, Najera 1-1 0-0 2, Carroll 0-0 0-0 (). Totals 36-78 16-18 92. UTAH (104) Kirilenko 6-7 1-1 13, Millsap 10-16 5-6 25, Okur 2-4 6-8 11, Williams 7-15 3-3 18, Brewer 4-8 2-2 11, Miles 6-14 4-4 17, Matthews 3-11 1-7, Price 0-2 0-0 0, Fesenko 1-2 0-0.2, Totals 39-79 22-25 104. Dallas 26 20 30 16 - 92 Utah 24 29 24 27 - 104 3-Point Goals-Dallas 4-11 (Terry 2-4, Kidd 2-5, Beaubois 0-1, Nowitzki 0-1), Utah 4-14 (Okur 1-1, Brewer 1-4, Williams 1-5, Miles 1-6, Price 0-1), Fouled Out-None. Rebounds-Dallas 39 (Nowitzki 8), Utah 4-8 (Williams 15), Total Fouls-Dallas 20, Utah 16. Technicals-Barea. A-19,911 (19,911). Kevin Streelmar Kansas (54) Villanova (4) Syracuse (6) Syracuse (5) Michigan St. West Virginia Georgetown Purdue Texas , Durkue Kansas St. BYU Ohio St. Ohio St. Tennessee New Mexico Wisconsin Gonzaga Yanuer bilt 20-1 19-1 21-1 20-1 19-3 17-3 16-4 18-3 17-4 18-3 17-4 21-2 16-6 16-4 20-3 17-4 16-5 16-5 18-4 19-2 24. Gonzaga 25. St. John's 18-4 83 78 69. Vaughn Taylor \$115,000 71. Fredrik Jacobson 25. St. John's 18-3 78 – Others receiving votes: TCU 72, Michigan St. 70, Virginia 67, Vanderbilt 40, Hartford 29, Penn St. 6, Princeton 4, DePaul 3, Marist 3, Vermont 3, Mississippi \$72,660 . Joe Ogilvie . George McNeill \$50,460 \$70,622 \$80,867 \$111,375 74 Martin Flores 9 Briny Baird Steve Elkington \$85,000 10 6 8 11 12 20 14 23 16 13 21 15 24 22 17 \$87,450 \$85,250 Matt Every BETTING 78. Tom Lehman \$36,250 \$57,108 \$48,935 78. David Toms Glantz-Culver Line Shane Bertsch For Feb. 2 81. David Lutterus NFL . Boo Weekley . Phil Mickelson \$41,980 \$74,200 Sunday \$66,250 \$58,750 \$78,000 FAVORITE OPEN TODAY O/U UNDERDOG Scott Piercy Kevin Stadler NUGGETS 112, KINGS 109 Super Bowl At Miami Jerry Kelly SACRAMENTO (109) Granne 3-5 0-0 7, Thompson 2-5 0-0 4, Hawes 10-18 2-Vance Veazey \$50,880 3 5¹/₂ (56¹/₂) New Orleans 88. 89. 90. Indianapolis Temple Baylor Blake Adam SACAMENTO (UD) Greene 3:5 0-07, Thompson 2:5 0-0 4, Hawes 10-18 2: 2 32, Udrih 3:9 1-17, Kew Martin 5:17 10-11 22, Brockman 5:6 1:2 11, Rodriguez 4:11 0-0 8, Casspi 4:5 6:6 14, May 0:0 0:0 40, Nocoimi 3:5 2:2 11, Udoka 1:1 0-0.2, Totals 40:82 22:24 109. TRANSACTIONS Chris Tidland Georgia Tech Pittsburgh 90. Garrett Willis 91. J.B. Holmes \$35,500 FOOTBALL BASEBALL American League OAKLAND ATHLETICS-Agreed to Terms with OF Gabe Gross on a one-year contract. Claimed INF Steve Tolleson off waivers from Minnesota. Designated CF Willy Taveras, INF Gregorio Petit and LHP Dana Fyeland for assignment NFL Playoffs All Times MST Wild-card Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 9 prinati 14 . Butler . N. Iowa . Mississippi 91. Hunter Maha 93. Nick O'Hern 93. Brian Stuard Hunter Mahan 02. 1043 40-862 22-24 109. DetWER (12) Graham 0-1 0-2 0, Ken. Martin 10-15 4-8 24, Nene 6-10 2-4 14, Billups 6-25 8-9 23, Affila 0-4 7-6 12, Smith 4-13 1-19, Andersen 3-4 5-6 11, Lawson 6-10 22 15, Carter 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 41-89 26-38 112. 25. Mississippi 15-5 132 18 Others receiving votes: Florida St. 77, Cornell 39, UAB 32, Wake Forest 31, Xavier 31, Siena 19, Rhode Island 17 17-3, Clemson 16, UNLV 16, Missouri 13, Charlotte 12, Marquette 10, Saint Mary's, Calif. 9, UTEP 7, Wichita St. 5, Oklahoma St. 3, Maryland 2, George Mason 1. 35,436 35,436 95. Bill Lunde \$39,383 \$36,537 96. Webb Simpson N.Y. Jets 24, Cincinnati 14 Dallas 34, Philadelphia 14 Sunday, Jan. 10 97. Jason Bohn \$26,417 $\begin{array}{c} Carter 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 41:89 26-38 112.\\ \hline Sacramento 2638 14 21 10-109\\ Denver 2624 23 26 13-112\\ 3-Point Goals-Sacramento 7-19 (Nocioni 3-3. Kew Martin 2-7, Greene 1-2, Hawes 1-3. Udrih 0-2.\\ Rodriguez 0-2), Denver 4-21 (Billups 3-10, Lawson 1-1, Carter 0-1, Afflaio 0-2, Smith 0-7). Fouled Out-None.\\ Rebound-S-acramento 54 (Brockman 11), Denver 50 (Ken. Martin 12). Assists-Sacramento 77 (Kew.Martin, Rodriguez 6), Denver 70 (Billups 9). Total Fouls-Sacramento 29, Denver 20. Technicals-Sacramento 29, Denver 20. Technicals-Sacramento defensive three second. A-15,544 (19,155).\\ \hline \end{array}$ 97. Jason Bonn 97. J.P. Hayes 99. Roger Tambellini 100. Brett Quigley 101. Henrik Bjornstad 101. Charlie Wi 102. Devil Goudes Eveland for assignment. SEATTLE MARINERS–Agreed to terms with 1B-DH Ryan \$26,417 \$24,357 SLAI ILE MARIVIEKD-Agreed to terms with IB-DH Ryan Garko on a one-year contract. Designated RHP Gaby Hernandez for assignment. National League CINCINNATI REDS-Traded CF Willy Taveras and INF Adam Rosales to the Oakland Athletics for INF Aaron Miles and a player to be named. Agreed to terms with SS Orlando Cabrera on a one-year contract. SAN DIEGO PADRES-Named Pat Murphy special assis-tant to baseball operations and Jeff Pickler profes-sional scout. Baltimore 33, New England 14 Arizona 51, Green Bay 45, OT \$33.650 USA Today/ESPN Top 25 \$28,495 Arizona 51, Green Bay 45, OT Divisional Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 16 New Orleans 45, Arizona 14 Indianapolis 20, Baltimore 3 Sunday, Jan. 17 Minnesota 34, Dallas 3 NY. Jets 17, San Diego 14 Conference Championet \$23,850 W-L Pts Pvs 103 Paul Govdos \$32,700 104 Matt Bettencourt 1. Kansas (26) 20-1 769 \$21,500 20-1 19-1 20-1 21-1 19-3 17-3 18-3 \$21,500 \$21,500 \$23,100 \$25,146 2. Villanova (4) 3. Kentucky (1) 104. John Senden 735 705 703 652 596 552 106 Kevin Johnson 4. Syracuse 5. MichiganSt. 107. Rich Barcelo

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4-4 12, Foye 0-3 2-2 2, Miller 5-7 2-3 13, Boykins 5-9 4-4	16. Wisconsin 16-5 277 16	Sunday, Feb. 7	119. Luke Donald	21	\$13,321	11. Seth Gurney, Aurora, Utah \$4,151	BUFFALO BILLS–Named George Cortez quarterbacks
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	22. Northern Iowa 19-2 129 25		123. Chris Wilson	17	\$11,660	17. Cody Graham, Everton, Mo. \$3,585	dent of football administration.
Wallace 0-1), Washington 1-10 (Miller 1-2, Foye 0-2, Butler 0-2, Jamison 0-4). Fouled Out–None.	23. New Mexico 20-3 125 -	PGA Tour FedExCup Leaders	126. Mark Calcavecchia	16	\$12,697	18. Steve Brandt, Stephenville, Texas \$3,496	KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Named Bernie Parmalee tight
Rebounds–Boston 44 (Pierce 8). Washington 41	24. Baylor 16-4 109 -	Through Jan. 31	126. Corev Pavin	16	\$12,697	19. Ross Lowry, Summerville, Ga. \$3,432	ends coach and Otis Smith defensive quality control
	25. Cornell 18-3 53 -		126. Vijay Singh	16	\$12,697	20. Kaleb Driggers, Pageland, S.C. \$3,292	coach.
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Fisher 1-6 0-0 2, Bryant 16-28 8-13 44, Odom 2-9 0-0	Major Scores	8. Brandt Snedeker 274 \$510,733	130. dreg chainers 137. Tommy Armour III	12	\$11,030	9. Justin Copp, Justin, Texas \$3,207	has left the men's basketball team.
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			142. Bob Estes	2	\$21,045		hitting a BYU player in a game on Jan. 30. WAGNER–Named Malik Hall defensive coordinator.
12 11, Conley 3-9 1-4 7, Mayo 3-11 2-2 9, Tinsley 1-4 0-0	Appalachian St. 58, Furman 53	14. Michael Sim 214 \$406,233	143. Jim Carter	3	\$11,165	14. Cody Hintz, Spring Creek, Nev. \$3,738	WAGNER-Nameu Mank Han Gerensive Coordinator.

Utah player Henderson suspended for 1 game for backhand

Marshall Henderson has been suspended one game for hitting a BYU player in a game last week.

Utes coach Jim Boylen said Monday that Henderson will sit out Wednesday against Colorado State.

Henderson was ejected with 34 seconds left in BYU's 82-69 win over Utah on Saturday in Provo for a flagrant foul on licensing wing is calling out a baseball card Jackson Emery.

Emery was following Henderson along the baseline after the initial play and had some words for the Utah player, who hit Emery in the face with a backhand.

Emery fell to the floor and officials ejected Henderson for fighting, which is an automatic suspension under NCAA rules.

SUPER BOWL Game on! CBS sells out last Super Bowl ads

LOS ANGELES – CBS Corp. said it sold out of ads for the Super Bowl on Monday at average prices that are better than last year, with some 30-second spots topping \$3 million apiece.

CBS said the final spot sold Monday morning, six days before kickoff.

That's a few days ahead of schedule. Last year, NBC still had two 30-second spots remaining two days before the game as the economy was mired in a recession, and

SALT LAKE CITY - Utah freshman announced only on the eve of the game that it sold out a total 69 spots.

BASEBALL **MLB says Upper Deck** is stealing trademarks

NEW YORK - Major League Baseball's maker for allegedly stealing trademarks.

Major League Baseball Properties Inc. filed a trademark lawsuit seeking unspecified damages against The Upper Deck Co. Inc. on Monday in federal court in Manhattan.

The lawsuit said Upper Deck is continuing to sell baseball cards featuring professional baseball players even though the company is no longer licensed to show MLB trademarks. Major League Baseball Properties began this year to license only The Topps Co. Inc. in a bid to increase its revenues from the cards.

AUTO RACING Patrick to appear on 'CSI: NY'

NEW YORK - Danica Patrick will guest star on "CSI: NY" as the top competitor of a racing star who dies under suspicious circumstances.

Patrick is scheduled to appear on the episode airing Feb. 10 on CBS. Antonio Sabato Jr. plays the racing great who dies in a



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car explosion on the streets of Manhattan two days before a race as the result of car tampering.

MAGIC VALLEY Filer holds soccer sign-ups

FILER – The Filer Community Recreation District will hold registration for co-ed soccer from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Filer Fire Station.

The soccer program is for boys and girls in grades K-6. The cost is \$30 per play.

Information: Shawn Crowley 326-6835.

Jerome Rec offers youth co-ed soccer

IEROME - The Jerome Recreation District will offer registration for youth coed spring soccer from Monday, Feb. 8, through Monday, March 7.

The league is for children starting at age 4 and through the sixth grade. Participants must be 4 on or before March 27 to register.

The cost is \$15 for in-district and \$25 for out-of-district participants. The season runs for four weeks with Saturday games.

Information: 324-3389 or www.jerome

recreationdistrict.com.

Horse clinics offered

TWIN FALLS – The Silver Spurs Equestrian team is offering several horse clinics in coming weeks at Silver Tree Indoor Arena. Participants of all ages are welcome. Blue Ribbon Training will hold a beginners clinic from 5 to 9 p.m., Saturday.

A horsemanship/reining clinic will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 27-28. A problem solving/sacking out clinic will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 27. A slide stops and spinning school is slated for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 28. Each one-day clinic is \$60, while the two-day horsemanship clinic is \$110.

Information: Charlene Royce at 539-5804, Debi Johnson at 358-3200 or debi.johnson@lee.net or Rochelle Shank at 731-9812.

Bruinettes hold dance clinic

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Bruinettes will hold a Kids Dance Clinic from 4:15 to 6 p.m., Wednesday. Participants will also perform during the Twin Falls varsity boys basketball game on Thursday. The cost is \$30. Checks should be labeled Attention: Bruinettes and may be mailed to 1615 Filer Ave. East, Twin Falls, ID, 83301.

Information: Cari Libby at 280-3420. staff and wire reports

McCarron not backing down

Golfer insists Mickelson, others using 'illegal' iron

SAN DIEGO (AP) - Scott McCarron is not backing away from his accusation that Phil Mickelson and other players are cheating if they use the Ping-Eye 2 wedges with square grooves.

McCarron issued a statement Monday in which he wanted to clarify that while he believes "it's cheating" for Mickelson and anyone else to use the Ping wedges, "I never called Phil Mickelson a cheater."

"That being said, I want my fans, sponsors and most importantly, my fellow players, to know that I will not be silenced and I will continue my efforts to get the groove issue resolved," McCarron said.

Mickelson said over the weekend that he was "publicly slandered," and he hinted at legal action if the PGA Tour does not discipline McCarron for his choice of words.

Square grooves no longer are allowed on the PGA Tour because of a new USGA policy effective this year that requires grooves in irons to be more a more shallow V-shape, which generate less spin.

However, the Ping-Eye 2 wedges made before April 1, 1990, are approved for competition because of a lawsuit that Ping settled with the PGA Tour and USGA some 20 years ago.



AP photo

Phil Mickelson looks on after hitting a bunker shot on No. 6 Saturday during the third round of the Farmers Insurance Open golf tournament at Torrey Pines Golf Course in San Diego.

It has not been proven whether the grooves of a 20-year-old golf club -Mickelson played them in college at Arizona State and found this wedge in his garage - spin more than Vshaped grooves made with today's technology.

John Daly and Dean Wilson were the first players to use the Ping wedges this year, at the Sony Open in Hawaii.

Mickelson, who finished 19th at the Farmers Insurance Open, said he was not sure the Ping wedge was more effective than his new wedges from Callaway.

Mickelson, however, has been angry with the USGA since the groove policy was announced.

He claims he submitted wedges under the new rules that the USGA did not approve, yet he was allowed to use a Ping wedge with square grooves that are not conforming.

"I understand black and white," Mickelson said Friday. "And I think that myself or any other player is allowed to play those clubs because they're approved end of story."

McCarron said to use the Ping wedges violated the spirit of the rule.

On Monday, he directed some of his frustration at the USGA and the PGA Tour for knowing the potential for this controversy before it blew up on them last week at Torrey Pines.

"Instead of addressing the matter, the tour chose to put the onus to comply on its players," McCarron said. "Unfortunately, a handful of players have chosen not to comply, and that is what has led to this current ordeal. In my opinion ... the tour must now put a rule in place to protect the field and ban these wedges."

McCarron said the focus should shift from a small number of players using the Ping-Eye 2 wedges to the majority of players "who chose to do the right thing."

"I am still appalled by the fact that any player would make the choice to put this controversial wedge in play, and I stand by my previous comments," he said.

The only apology he offered was to the Farmers Insurance Open for the distraction it caused.

PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem is to meet with players Tuesday in Los Angeles to discuss the wedge dispute.

Conferences criticized over concussion standards

HOUSTON (AP) - A member of the House Iudiciary Committee criticized the biggest conferences in college athletics Monday for failing to adopt policies on handling athlete concussions that go beyond what's required by the NCAA.

During a committee hearing on head injuries in college and youth football. Rep. Steve Cohen, D-Tenn., ferences and schools get together and have some stricter regulations?"

The hearing is the third on head injuries in sports held by the committee; the first two focused on problems in the NFL. Chairman John Convers, D-Mich, said more hearings will be held throughout the country.

Cohen suggested that college athletic programs seem to care only about

smoking a cigarette, it is bad."

He added that the immediate absence of symptoms does not mean the brain is healed.

"Your brain will never forget the impact," he said. "But just to give it time to balance itself, you need about three months."

The panel was particularly interested in testimony from Allen Hardin, the head injury in 2002. The law lays out broad regulations for safety in extracurricular activities in the state's public schools, and it requires all coaches, sponsors and band directors to undergo safety training.

He believes much more needs to be done to protect young athletes and that if people ask his advice he'll tell them not to let their children play football.

Mariners agree with Garko for 1 year, \$550K

SEATTLE – Ryan Garko is excited to be back in the American League and ready to put his catcher's mitt to use.

Garko and the Mariners agreed to a \$550,000, one-year contract Monday as Seattle tried to address its need for a right-handed hitter.

Terms of the contract obtained by The Associated Press show the 29-year-old first baseman and designated hitter could nearly double his salary, to \$1,075,000, if he becomes a regular for Seattle with 600 plate appearances.

Garko was traded from Cleveland to San Francisco in July, and he had just 12 RBIs in 40 games with the Giants.

Garko also could be returning to a position he once knew well. He is a former All-American at Stanford and 2003 Johnny Bench Award winner as the best college catcher, but has yet to play the position in the major leagues.

AGENT: MORA AND ROCKIES AGREE TO \$1.3M. 1-YR DEAL

DENVER – Spending the last 9 1/2 seasons in Baltimore and watching the New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox annually battle for playoff berths left Melvin Mora with one big wish in free agency.

Mora hasn't been to the playoffs since he was a 27-year-old rookie with the New York Mets in 1999. A year later, he was shipped to Baltimore at the trade deadline.

The Colorado Rockies, with two playoff berths in three seasons, a core of promising, young players and the NL Manager of the Year in Jim Tracy, certainly fit that requirement.

Agent Eric Goldschmidt confirmed that Mora agreed to a \$1.3 million, one-year contract with Colorado, an agreement first reported by foxsports.com.

INVESTORS MISS BID DEADLINE FOR ASTROS

HOUSTON - Houston Astros owner Drayton McLane is apparently

keeping his team. McLane, who bought

the team in November

1992 for about \$117 mil-

lion, had set a Jan. 31

deadline for an invest-

ment group to make an

said "nothing materialized" and he was looking

On Monday, McLane

ahead to the 2010 season. "As I've said all along, my family and I are not actively attempting to sell the Astros," McLane said in a statement released by the team. "Over the years, I have been approached many times by groups interested in discussing the possible purchase of the team, and I've always been open to listening.

"This group was granted an exclusive negotiating window which expired yesterday," he said. "However, nothing materialized."

McLane, 73, recently acknowledged that he listened to an offer to sell the team from Houston businessman Jim Crane in October 2008. McLane said in December that Crane offered a fair price, but the two sides couldn't agree on a deal.

Since McLane purchased the team, the Astros have ranked sixth in the majors in winning percentage (.530) and made six playoff appearances, including the franchise's only World Series appearance in 2005.

SUIT: RANGERS, HICKS DIDN'T PAY \$6.9 MILLION

DALLAS - An architec tural firm and a construction company accused the Texas Rangers and owner Tom Hicks on Monday of failing to pay \$6.9 million for more than three years' worth of work.

In a lawsuit filed in state district court in Dallas, RTKL Associates Inc. and Vratsinas Construction allege that they are owed the money for work on a proposed development adjacent to Rangers Ballpark in Arlington.

According to the law-suit, RTKL, a Baltimorebased architectural firm, and Little Rock, Ark.based Vratsinas provided significant services relating to the planning, design and construction of the proposed Glorypark development, yet were not paid. The project was put on hold by Hicks in 2008 for what he said was a lack of financing.

Some of the companies' work also was performed on the ballpark itself. according to the suit.

chided leagues such as the Southeastern Conference and Big 12 for not implementing tougher rules.

He first asked Ron Courson, director of sports medicine at the University of Georgia and a member of the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, if any conferences tougher policies. had When he said that they did Cohen seemed not. incensed.

"Don't you think that's an indictment of each of the conferences? That they accept the minimum that the NCAA mandates?" Cohen said. Shouldn't con-

Jerome

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Twin Falls gets Minico, and the two teams split their two meetings so neither can afford to overlook the other just to get at the Tigers. Still, it's the mountain they've dared to climb.

"I'm not going to be resigned to being proud of my girls and ending the season," Bruin coach Nancy Jones said. "I think they have more potential than that."

bringing in money and winning.

Much of the hearing focused on the safety of vouth sports. Dr. Bennet Omalu is a co-Founder of the Brain Injury Research Institute at West Virginia University.

He testified that children under 18 should be held out for three months following a concussion to lower the risk of irreversible brain damage.

"There is no such thing as a mild concussion," he said. "Doctors are beginning to move away from that term. It's a misnomer. It's like saying there is mild cigarette smoking. If you are

co-director of sports medicine and athletic training for the Texas Longhorns, who said that only about 42 percent of public high schools have access to an athletic trainer.

Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Texas, asked questions about the possibility of the federal government funding certified athletic trainers in all high schools and junior highs with football teams and was told that there might not be enough trainers to put one in each school.

Dick Benson helped pass the Texas law known as Will's Bill after his son who died following a football

"You're just playing roulette with the lives and the future of these kids," he said.

Dr. Stan Herring, the team doctor for the Seattle Seahawks who is also an expert in sports-related concussions, discussed a law in Washington state that is considered the nation's toughest returnto-play law.

Under it, athletes under 18 who show concussion symptoms can't return to play without a licensed health care provider's written approval.

Herring hopes that the law will be passed in other states.

CSI **Continued from Sports 1** you've heard it. And the lyrics are easy to master. "Oh oh oh oh oh oh, oh oh. Go (insert mas-

offer.

cot here)." At CSI, it would go like this: "Oh oh oh oh oh, oh oh. Go Eagles."

The instructions for the song are simple as shampoo: 1. Whip the fans into a LATHER. 2. RINSE the stadium with energy. 3. REPEAT.

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John Nassen, an attorney for the plaintiffs, said payments were made to his clients initially, but they became infrequent and eventually stopped altogether.

The Associated Press

College comes to town. That's the league leader. And the No. 6 team in the country. A week later, it's Colorado Northwestern on Feb. 25 and the Feb. 27 regular-season finale against CEU.

The Golden Eagles' starting five will be on the floor and ready.

Hopefully the sixth man comes prepared.

Mike Christensen may be reached at sports@magicvalley.com or 735-3239.

No. 4 Wood River will host No. 5 Burley in the first round. The Wolverines and Bobcats split their regularseason meetings, with each team winning on its home floor. Hailey is a notoriously tough place to play for visitors.

"That gym, for some reason, has a different feeling," said Burley senior Teresa Wayment. "I'm not a fan, to be honest. It's weird."

Burley, which is on a three-game losing streak, will face an up-and-coming Wolverine squad that has won three straight, including a 14-point home victory over Minico last week.

"We're going to have to play good defense, be ready to execute offensively, be more aggressive and just play as a team," Wayment said. "When we played them (at Burley), we knew we needed to beat them to send a message that we could beat them if we saw them again in districts."

Burley will be without starting guard Kayla Kerbs, whose re-injured knee will require surgery.

Times-News writers David Bashore and Ryan Howe contributed to this report.

Williams

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thinks she is, but that makes me laugh," said CSI coach Randy Rogers. "She thinks she's the funniest kid in the world. It's pretty contagious."

It hasn't all been fun and games for the freshman from Seattle. Early in the season, Williams was frustrated by her lack of minutes and productivity. But she knew the root of

the problem.

"I knew I could contribute more," she said. "My coaches knew I could contribute more and work hard. It kind of took me a while to start working harder consistently."

Rogers said Williams sometimes gets out of position defensively, causing her to foul too often. She needs to harness her talents and play smarter in

order to stay on the floor, he said.

"It's not a lack of foot speed. She's actually one of our quickest posts, if not our quickest post," said Rogers. "...She has the ability to do it, she just has to mentally want to do it."

During her senior year at Seattle's Franklin High School, Williams led her team to its first state tournament appearance in 10 seasons. At CSI, she said she's trying to find the balance between being too physical and not physical enough when she's on the court.

It's a journey that will extend into the offseason and a potentially big sophomore campaign. But along the way, she'll always be ready to get a laugh.

"Quite a personality," said Rogers.

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