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Martin Romo cleans the milk parlor, where cows are milked, at the Vanderham Dairy near Jerome on Tuesday. The Idaho Supreme Court on Monday upheld a Gooding County confined-animal feeding operation ordinance, reinforcing the authority of Idaho counties to impose their own local CAFO regulations.

CAFO verdict upholds county's authority; dairymen consider seeking a rehearing

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

Monday was an important day for Idaho counties.

When the Idaho Supreme Court upheld Gooding County's regulations for confined-animal feeding operations, it confirmed the right of counties across the state to regulate water-quality and other concerns beyond what state officials can do.

"It does give us comfort to know that we can continue to enforce what we've got right now," said Paul Aston, director of Minidoka County Community Development.

The court concluded that Gooding County wasn't pre-empted from regulating water quality within its borders and that a cap on the number of animal units per acre did not violate CAFO owners' due-process rights. (Pro-tem Justice Linda Copple Trout dissented from the otherwise-unanimous decision on the last point.) Animal units are a measurement intended to equalize cattle, pigs and other animals in county codes.

Though the case focused on Gooding County, many of its issues pertained to the rest of Magic Valley. Cassia County also has restrictions on how many animal units are allowed per acre, for example, and officials have debated including limits in Jerome County's long-pending ordinance revision as well. A Planning and Zoning Commission hearing on the Jerome revision is planned for Feb. 25.

Counties in the Magic Valley, Idaho's dairy hot spot, have been watching the case — including Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Administrator Rick Dunn, who noted his county's groundwater has the highest nitrate levels in the state.

"At some point you have to deal with that," he said.

Monday's decision gives his county a firmer footing

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READ a copy of the Idaho Supreme Court's decision.

Detained Americans questioned by Haitian judge

Prime Minister: 'They knew what they were doing was wrong'

By Frank Bajak
Associated Press writer

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — A Haitian judge on Tuesday questioned a group of U.S. Baptist missionaries arrested while trying to leave Haiti with a busload of children they gathered from the disaster zone.

The investigating magistrate queried the five women for several hours and will follow up with the five men on Wednesday, according to Haiti's communications minister. No lawyers were present, and the Americans, which include three from Twin Falls, have yet to be charged with crimes.

Minister Marie-Laurence Jocelyn Lassegue says the evidence will be presented to a Haitian district attorney to decide whether to file charges.

The Americans, largely from Eastside Baptist Church in Twin Falls and Central Valley Baptist Church in Meridian, say they were only trying to help orphans survive the earthquake. But legal experts say taking children across a border without documents or government permission can be considered child trafficking.

Eastside members arrested include Pastor Paul Thompson, 43, his son Silas Thompson, 19, and Steve McMullen, 56. Church members Matt and Lora Crider and John Requa were also involved with the project, but remained in the Dominican Republic and were not arrested.

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A generous world's aid backs up in Haiti.

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Traci Hadden's lawyer alludes to plea deal

By John Plestina
Times-News writer

HAILEY — While Traci Hadden, accused of the attempted murder of her ex-father-in-law, is slated to face a Jerome County jury on Feb. 16, Hadden's attorney suggested Tuesday a plea bargain might dash the trial.

Hadden is accused of attempted murder, criminal conspiracy and theft in connection with the nonfatal shooting of her ex-father-in-law, Craig Hadden, on April 1. The 61-year-old businessman was shot four times in the driveway of his Lincoln County home.

Also charged in connection with the shooting were Hadden's son, Blue Hadden, 16, and Michael Cannon, 16, the alleged shooter. All are of Shoshone.

Fifth District Court Judge John Butler during a Tuesday pretrial conference in Blaine County District Court said he would deny a motion by defense attorney Keith Roark to delay the start of Traci Hadden's jury trial for four or five weeks and said he could issue a ruling on a delayed trial date on Feb. 16.

"We are working with the state and Mr. (Deputy Attorney General Chris) Topmiller to reach a reasonable resolution of this case," Roark told the court.

"The state is prepared to proceed to trial if

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Jerome Co. shuts down Halper jail election talk

By John Plestina
Times-News writer

JEROME — Lee Halper was told Monday that the Jerome County Commission wouldn't allow him to talk at the day's meeting about the upcoming jail funding election because he is suing the county over issues related to the failed November jail financing election.

Halper, a past county commission candidate and a longtime county government critic, filed a lawsuit on Jan. 8 in 5th District Court seeking declaratory judgment, which would clarify the intent of the Legislature and determine the legal responsibilities of the county commissioners.

The petition alleges that county commissioners violated Idaho law by not seeking bids for an expenditure of more than $25,000 when they contracted with Rocky Mountain Corrections, a jail development and consulting firm based in Ketchum, in preparation for November's jail funding ballot question.

Jerome County paid $87,500 in consulting and voter education program fees to RMC.

That ballot measure sought approval for lease-purchase financing for the proposed Jerome County Justice Facility that would have included a 165-bed jail

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Idaho legislation would require driver's license testing in English

State currently allows written test in eight languages

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Cesar Penasiel arrived in Boise in December, fleeing political unrest in his native Colombia only to learn what most U.S. teenagers know instinctively: Real American freedom is found behind the wheel of a car.

For legal refugees like 19-year-old Penasiel, jobs are often hourly and miles away, so the ability to travel to-and-from work sites is a must. He quickly got his Idaho license after passing the written test in Spanish, one of eight languages in which it's currently offered.

Under a proposal now in the Idaho Senate, however, he would have been restricted to a written test in English.

"That would have been impossible," Penasiel said Monday through an interpreter, adding Idaho's practical test was a snap. "I started driving trucks eight years ago in Colombia, when I was 11."

At least 10 states now offer English-only driver's license tests: Utah, New Hampshire, Hawaii, Arizona, South Dakota, Wyoming, Maine, Oklahoma, Kansas and Arizona, according to Arlington,

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THE BILL AT A GLANCE

WHAT IS E-VERIFY? An Internet-based, U.S. Department of Homeland Security system. Nationwide, more than 182,000 employers are enrolled in the program, with more than 8.7 million queries run in fiscal year 2009.

WHO WANTS IT? Sen. Mike Jorgenson, R-Hayden Lake, is pushing to require Idaho employers to use the system to root out illegal workers he says cost Idaho millions. Those found guilty of knowingly hiring illegal workers would face fines of up to $50,000 and the loss of their business licenses. Jorgenson has the backing of the Federation of American Immigration Reform, a group trying to convince U.S. Congress to reduce immigration.

"E-Verify should be made mandatory and universal," said Ira Mehlman, the Washington, D.C.-based group's spokesman.

WHO'S AGAINST IT? The Idaho Business Coalition for Immigration Reform, which represents dairy and construction industries. It insists states should leave immigration enforcement to the federal government. Brent Olmstead, a lobbyist for the group, says he'll fight any measure that threatens to take away employers' licenses.

"That's just an extreme form of punishment," Olmstead said.

SKIM MILK? Jorgenson says dairies and builders are only trying to protect access to a cheap, available source of illegal labor by blocking mandatory E-Verify queries. He also says he's been hampered by pro-business interests on the Senate State Affairs Committee, which is chaired by Sen. Curt McKenzie, the Nampa Republican who in 2009 tabled a similar measure.

Two more bills set for consideration in the Idaho Legislature also aim to ensure workers are employed legally, but Jorgenson insists they don't have any real teeth.

"Anything without E-Verify is skim milk," he said.

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MORNING BRIEFING

Pat's Picks

Three things to do today

Pat Marcantonio

• If you missed it the first time, catch an encore performance of Random Acts of Theatre Players' "Barrymore's Ghost" at 7:30 p.m. at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Theater. It's a one-man show about an acting legend. Tickets are $5 to $7. Jud Harmon is great in the role.

• Author and Olympic skier John Morton talks about life behind the scenes at the Winter Olympics at 6 p.m. at the Community Library, 415 Spruce Ave. N., Ketchum, as part of the Sun Valley Nordic Festival. Admission is free.

• China is only as far away as a trip to Pocatello. The Peking Acrobats perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Stephens Performing Arts Center, 1002 Sam Nixon Ave. Ticket are $20 and $24.

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

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Idaho Old Time Fiddlers Association members' acoustic string instrument jam session, 6 to 8 p.m., followed by the monthly meeting, Idaho Pizza Co., 1859 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, open to prospective members and the public, 420-3345.

"Barrymore's Ghost," presented by Random Acts of Theater, 7:30 p.m., Fine Arts Theater, College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Theater, $7 general, $5 seniors and students, 420-3979.

BUSINESS

Whey Processing Workshop hosted by Twin Falls University of Idaho Extension, all-day workshop for plant operators, 8 to 5 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn, 1741 Harrison St. N, Twin Falls, $285 individual, $245 multiple attendees from same company, 364-6188 or paulap@uidaho.edu.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Magic Valley Quilts of Valor, a group that make quilts for wounded soldiers, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Stitchin' Time, Twin Falls, newcomers welcome, 423-5758 or 735-4094.

Buhl Kiwanis Club, noon, El Cazador, 113 Broadway Ave. S., 543-6682.

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

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

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

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

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

EDUCATION

Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Training & Transportation Careers, learn about transportation industry and Class A CDL permit, 7 to 9 p.m, CSI campus, $85 registration, plus $5 material fee, noncredit, taught by David Beach and Karen Fullbright, 732-6290 or communityed.csi.edu.

Conversational Spanish, learn simple words and phrases, 6 to 8 p.m., CSI campus, $95 plus $60 or $55 material fee, noncredit, taught by Lupe Cisneros-Corbin, 732-6290 or communityed.csi.edu.

FAMILY

Widowed Wellness Programs of Idaho "Coping with Widowhood," widowed men and women receive information and support, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Katz Conference Room B, South Central Public Health District, 1020 Washington St. N. Twin Falls, (CSI campus, park on northside of building), encourage $40 donations (no one is turned away), Shawna, 736-2122.

GOVERNMENT

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

Bureau of Land Management Southern Idaho Fire, review and planning meeting, 7 p.m, Aspen 108, CSI campus, 732-6789.

Castleford City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 342 Main St., 537-6544.

Glenns Ferry School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 820 Old Highway 30, 366-7436.

Hagerman City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 191 State St. N., 837-6636.

Richfield Planning and Zonning meeting, 8 p.m., city office, 180 W. Lincoln St., 487-2755.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

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

Arts & Crafts by designer and founder of the Crafty Cow, Cassi Griffin, 1 to 2 p.m., Blaine County Senior Connection, 721 Third Ave. N., Hailey, no cost, 788-3468.

Woodcarving days, public welcome to come and carve wood, 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m., home based, Twin Falls, classes available, Kathy at 736-0061.

LECTURES

Author and Olympic skier John Morton lecture, as part of the Sun Valley Nordic Festival, 6 p.m., The Community Library, 415 Spruce Ave. N., Ketchum, (with book signing and refreshments), no cost, 726-3493 or svnordicfestival.com.

LIBRARY

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

KidZ Flicks Night, for kindergarten to sixth grade, 4 p.m., Twin Falls Public Library, 201 4th Ave. E., (popcorn provided), no cost, open to the public, 733-2964 ext 110.

SPORTS

Active seniors pickleball group, pickleball enthusiasts willing to teach newcomers, 6 p.m., Adventist Hilltop School, 131 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls, no cost, 837-6365 or rabjab@q.com.

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to address those concerns, he said. Both he and Aston also said the decision may reinforce county planning authority for more than just CAFOs.

The livestock industry was disappointed by Monday's ruling. Idaho Dairymen's Association Executive Director Bob Naerebout said Tuesday that his organization will discuss whether it's worth pursuing a rehearing before the Supreme Court — a tricky matter that would require significant new arguments from the plaintiffs. He noted that dairymen in Gooding County haven't really run into the ordinance lately because low dairy prices make it hard to expand anyway.

On Monday, Naerebout said his group will promote statutory changes that make it clear who regulates dairies and that the ordinance shows the importance of staying involved in local elections.

Kenny Vanderham, a dairy owner in Jerome County, has no plans to expand his operation but still harbors concerns about growing government supervision.

"We're so regulated that we can hardly move," he said, listing the various state agencies that monitor CAFO issues and the private groups that criticize industry practices.

Dairymen are certainly driven by economics, but also realize they're part of a larger community, he said. And the state's strapped budget would benefit, he believes, "if they would just let us do what we need to do and be good stewards at the same time."

Though assured of their authority, Magic Valley counties aren't likely in a rush to redo all their CAFO rules. Dunn, who's in the middle of a comprehensive rewrite of other Twin Falls County zoning codes, emphasized that any future changes would be a political decision driven by people higher up than him.

"I believe we have a very good ordinance," he said, adding that his department has still approved more CAFOs than it's rejected over the past couple of years. Only a small minority of CAFO operators usually cause the county problems, he said.

"The ag industry is the lifeblood of this area, and you don't want to restrict it any more than you have to. But if they won't police themselves, somebody has to."

Haiti

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At the SOS Children's Village orphanage where authorities are protecting the 33 children, regional director Patricia Vargas said none who are old enough and willing to talk had said they were orphans: "Up until now we have not encountered any who say they are an orphan."

Vargas said most of the children are between 3 and 6 years old, and unable to provide phone numbers or any other details about their origins.

The Americans apparently enlisted a clergyman who went knocking on doors asking people if they wanted to give away their children, the director of Haiti's social welfare agency, Jeanne Bernard Pierre, told The Associated Press.

"One child said to me, 'When they came knocking on our door asking for children, my mom decided to give me away because we are six children and by giving me away she would have only five kids to care for,'" Bernard Pierre said.

About 10 parents have come forward saying their children were taken, but it wasn't clear if any are related the case involving the Americans, Bernard Pierre said.

Prime Minister Max Bellerive has suggested the Americans could be prosecuted in the United States because Haiti's shattered court system may not be able to cope with a trial.

"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. And it is clear now that they knew what they were doing was wrong," Bellerive told the AP.

The White House has said the case remains in Haitian hands for now.

Central Valley Baptist Church Assistant Pastor Drew Ham in Idaho called Tuesday for the Americans' immediate release, saying questioning them without lawyers violates the Haitian Constitution.

Mark Schuckert of Twin Falls, a friend of McMullen, said Tuesday that he thinks the group is being "railroaded" by the government and other groups in the chaos of the disaster. He believes McMullen and the others didn't have any malicious intent and just didn't do their homework.

"They probably did what Americans do: kicked in the door, full speed ahead, damn the torpedoes and he got a torpedo," Schuckert said.

The U.S. government could claim jurisdiction to try the group in the United States, but one expert on international abductions doubts it will happen, since prosecutors are likely to take into account the mitigating circumstances.

"They have obviously made a huge mistake by unilaterally going into Haiti and taking children without the permission and knowledge of the Haitian government. It's a crime in Haiti and anywhere in the world to take or abduct children even if the underlying intentions were humanitarian or good in nature," said Christopher Schmidt, an attorney with Bryan Cave LLP in St. Louis.

"Whether or not a prosecutor would choose to prosecute these individuals in this case is an open question. Frankly I have doubts whether a prosecutor would want to go down that path," he said.

Times-News staff writer Nate Poppino and Associated Press writers Todd Dvorak in Boise and Michael Warren in Mexico City contributed to this story.

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necessary," Topmiller said.

Butler also denied a defense motion to compel a new deposition from Michael Cannon rather than allowing a jury to only hear an existing transcript that state investigators recorded in January.

"Mike Cannon in very recent times has agreed to enter a plea of guilty," Roark said.

He also said that Cannon's defense attorney will not allow another interview and asked Butler to compel an interview for the defense in advance of Traci Hadden's trial or to make the prosecution's taped interview with Cannon inadmissible.

"Mr. Cannon might as well be in Iraq because we have no access to him," Roark said.

Butler said at the beginning of the hearing he was considering closing a portion of the proceeding to the public due to sensitive discussions relating to the content of statements by co-conspirators that had the potential to taint a jury pool.

That discussion did not take place.

There was a dialogue about the criminal solicitation count and Topmiller alleged that Traci Hadden wanted to know how much it would cost to kill a Shoshone police officer.

Topmiller said the state's theory is that Hadden wanted the officer dead.

Roark countered that there is a lack of evidence in the solicitation charge against his client.

Lincoln County Magistrate Judge Mark Ingram committed Blue Hadden for an indefinite period on Jan. 27 to the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections.

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SNOWPACK LEVELS

Seasonal percentage

Watershed	% of Avg.	peak
Salmon	69%	43%
Big Wood	70%	45%
Little Wood	67%	41%
Big Lost	64%	38%
Little Lost	75%	45%
Henrys Fork/Teton	63%	40%
Upper Snake Basin	59%	37%
Oakley	80%	53%
Salmon Falls	72%	46%

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and sheriff's station. It fell just short of the state-mandated two-thirds supermajority approval.

The commission has since authorized another jail funding vote in the May primary election.

Halper told the *Times-News* on Monday that he intended to ask commissioners to authorize lease and bond options on the May ballot to give voters a choice of funding methods.

He had been on the agenda.

Commission Vice Chairman Charlie Howell told Halper that legal counsel had advised the commission not to allow Halper to talk about the jail during the meeting.

"My advice is not to have him talk about it since he has a pending lawsuit," said Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Mike Seib. Halper wrote in an e-mail later on Monday that he had general jail issues to discuss that did not pertain to the lawsuit.

He added that neither he nor anyone he knows oppose a new jail.

Halper has sued the county several times in the past.

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Illegals

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Va.-based advocacy group ProEnglish that aims to limit official government business solely to English.

States like Kansas, South Dakota and Wyoming allow interpreters. But Idaho's measure, should it pass, would forbid such assistance.

It was authored by Sen. Mike Jorgenson, R-Hayden Lake and a promoter of efforts to punish employers for knowingly hiring illegal immigrants. His bill, among other things, would require employers use the federal "E-Verify'' system to document workers' eligibility.

While that provision is being fought by Idaho's construction and dairy industries, it's the "English-only'' restriction Jorgenson added this year that has refugee advocates vexed.

"It seems shortsighted,'' said Christina Bruce-Bennion, director for Agency for New Americans in Boise, which last year helped 270 refugees resettle in southwestern Idaho.

Jorgenson conceded he hadn't previously considered his measure's impact on legal immigrants, political refugees or even foreign students on educational exchanges. Asked about the matter Monday, he told The Associated Press he won't insist on the English-only provision, if other lawmakers object.

"I'm only worried about illegal workers,'' Jorgenson said. "That's all I'm trying to fix.''

Idaho now offers written tests in Chinese, Arabic, Vietnamese, Spanish, Russian, Serbo-Croatian and Farsi — languages of groups that have come to Idaho in significant numbers in response to war, economic hardship, persecution or just the hope of a better life. In 2009, 141 of 437 people who took the Arabic version passed it, according to the Idaho Transportation Department.

Four of 28 Iranians who took the Farsi test scored passing marks, as did 1,125 of 3,442 people who took it in Spanish.

Meanwhile, 56,813 of the 81,554 people who took the written test in English passed.

K.C. McAlpin, executive director of ProEnglish, said states that adopt English-only tests heighten the urgency for immigrants to master the dominant U.S. language. This year, there are also budget concerns — translated tests cost money — and safety to think about, he said.

"If they can't read the traffic signs, they are a danger to themselves,'' McAlpin said. "Most refugees are settled in urban areas where there's an existing public transportation network. Catering to their needs to have a driver's license test in their own language shouldn't take priority over public safety.''

Idaho refugee advocates say their state's minuscule public transit network, wide-open spaces and agricultural economy that employs many nonnative English speakers undermine such arguments.

"A lot of our clients are finding jobs they have to commute to, up to an hour each way,'' said Josh Campbell, employment coordinator for Agency for New Americans in Boise. "There's not a very good public transportation system in Treasure Valley. Their only option is driving and having a license.''

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Blake to serve jail after plea in bribery case

By John Plestina
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Fifth District Court Magistrate Judge Roger Harris rejected a plea for further leniency Tuesday in a Twin Falls court when he sent Alicia Blake to jail on a bribery charge, citing that her conduct warrants 30 days incarceration.

Blake, 21, of Twin Falls, pleaded guilty to receiving a bribe by a witness. The Twin Falls County prosecutor had amended the single count from an original charge of theft by extortion.

Blake will serve 29 days in jail. Harris sentenced her to 180 days of incarceration with 150 days suspended and credit for one day served. She will also serve one year probation and pay a $400 fine, court costs and fees before May 31.

"It's important that the system works," Harris said.

He also told Blake that several letters defense attorney Carlos Rodriguez had presented to the bench show that her friends care about her.

The charge against Blake came after Twin Falls police wired criminal defense attorney Lynn Dunlap's office at 415 Addison Ave. E., with audio and video surveillance equipment in August and December during an investigation of alleged perjury and extortion connected to two of Dunlap's clients who were both arrested following the investigation in August.

Blake was charged after the second round of surveillance in December.

> "In her desperate situation, she saw an opportunity to make some money. She did express for me that she is humbled by this. She is embarrassed by this."
>
> **– Alicia Blake's defense attorney, Carlos Rodriguez**

According to court records, she was accused of agreeing to accept $2,000 to not testify against John C. Anderson, a client of Dunlap, who was charged with battery.

Dunlap brought the information to police before his office was equipped with surveillance equipment in both cases, according to court records.

Prosecutor Tahja Jensen told the court the state had recommended six months incarceration with 10 days to serve.

Rodriguez asked the court for leniency, citing that Blake is a single mother who has struggled financially.

"In her desperate situation, she saw an opportunity to make some money," he said. "She did express for me that she is humbled by this. She is embarrassed by this."

Blake made a brief statement to the court acknowledging her guilt and that she regrets her actions.

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DEQ faces water data collection challenges

By Ben Botkin
Times-News writer

BOISE — Just a couple of years ago, about 20 college students throughout Idaho would help the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality gather data from bodies of water every summer.

The students, several assigned to each region of the state, gathered water quality data the agency used to meet federal Clean Water Act requirements. Last summer, though, the program was cut in response to budget holdbacks.

It's not going to happen this summer, either, DEQ Director Toni Hardesty said on Tuesday in a presentation to the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee.

"It is just not possible to absorb these kinds of cuts without some type of reduction," Hardesty told JFAC.

Like other state agencies, declining revenues are forcing the DEQ cuts.

DEQ started fiscal year 2009 with a state appropriation of $18.1 million. For fiscal year 2011, which begins in July, the agency is looking at a $14.2 million appropriation.

For this fiscal year, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter has recommended a DEQ holdback of 7.5 percent, or $1.1 million. The proposal for fiscal year 2011 reflects a base reduction of $449,800.

The Beneficial Use Reconnaissance Program that college students participate in during summer cannot be suspended indefinitely though, Hardesty said.

That's because suspending the program further would leave a three-year gap in the data.

"Idaho will be at risk for not meeting our federal Clean Water Act requirements," she said, stressing that the state needs to find a long-term solution.

Hardesty said other data sources, such as those collected by local organizations, can help in some cases, adding that the agency still has to rank the data and make sure it meets all the federal requirements.

The BURP costs about $300,000 a year. That program is separate from another water data program that was cut for costs through a joint venture with the U.S. Geological Survey, which required a match of about $120,000.

Hardesty didn't rule out new fees in the future to meet the shortfalls.

"Across the board we are looking at programs to see if there's things we could charge fees for but do not," she said.

Rep. Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls, asked if the agency runs the risk of cuts leading to the federal Environmental Protection Agency taking over.

"With a reduction in force and less money to work with, at what point are we at risk by being ruled by the EPA instead of DEQ?" Patrick asked.

Hardesty said the DEQ is being careful to stay in compliance amid the cuts.

"We are paying very close attention to that to assure the program integrity will remain whole so we don't run that risk," she said.

After the meeting, Patrick said preserving the DEQ's role in Idaho is essential to maintain local control.

"The EPA, they don't come out to try to help you," Patrick said. "They just fine you."

In the state's overall budget planning picture, JFAC is still waiting for January numbers, said Rep. Fred Wood, R-Burley. Within the next 10 days, he said, legislators will be seeing more numbers and be closer to a target for the new budget.

Rep. Maxine Bell and Sen. Dean Cameron, both the co-chairs of JFAC, left the hearing early on Tuesday to attend the funeral of Atwell Parry, a former state senator who had served as co-chairman of JFAC.

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No good stories to tell, and the scars to prove them

DON'T ASK ME
Steve Crump

I have more scars than an Idaho country boy ought, and I don't have a single good story to tell about them.

My latest is a gash on the forehead incurred when I dropped my car keys while getting out of my rig. Bending over to pick them up, I cracked my forehead smartly on the corner of the drivers-side door.

"That's gonna leave a scar," said my wife as she was mopping up the damage. "How are you gonna tell people you got it?"

"I dunno," I replied. "Could I say I sustained this grievous injury in a duel?"

"Fifty-eight-year-old couch potatoes don't duel," she said. "Is that the best you've got?"

"How about 'I got this defending a lady's honor?'"

"Unless the lady is me, you've got some explaining to do."

"How about, "I stepped on a rake and the handle cold-cocked me?'

"It's February," my wife said. "Nobody steps on a rake in February."

"Well, I could just tell the truth."

"What?" Victoria said. "Have you been drinking?"

When I was in college I worked part-time at the Pocatello newspaper. One day my editor sent me out to interview some elementary school kids who were putting on a pageant of some sort. I took some pictures, got back in the car — it was my mother's, and new — and headed back to the office.

Suddenly, two horses busted through a corral railing by the side of the road and ran in front of the vehicle ahead of me. Instead of hitting the brakes, I grabbed my camera — and slammed into the other car.

My chin hit the steering wheel, leaving a 3-inch cut. "That's gonna leave a scar," said the policeman as he was writing me a ticket.

The wrecker arrived and I rode back to the body shop in the cab of the truck. Once there, I borrowed a dime from the driver and called my mother.

"I've been in an accident," I said.

"Are you hurt?" Mom asked.

"Yeah, but it's just a flesh wound."

"And my car?"

"Ahhhh, it's got a little more than a flesh wound."

"How did it happen?"

"Some horses ran into the road and I rear-ended the car in front of me trying to take a picture."

"What?" Mom said. "Have you been drinking?"

Years later, when I was dating Victoria I had to cancel a date — not once, but twice — because while mowing the lawn I scraped my scalp on low-hanging tree branches and had to get stitches.

On the second occasion, I was at a loss for words when she picked up the phone.

"Hi, ahhh .... I just wanted to let you know that I haven't been drinking."

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Twin Falls police investigating death at Super 7

Man found dead in his room Thursday

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

Twin Falls police are investigating the death of a local man found Tuesday in a motel room at the Super 7 on South Main Avenue, Capt. Matt Hicks confirmed Monday.

Police did not release the man's identity Tuesday but Hicks said he was found in his own room at the motel, No. 105.

With the crime lab van parked outside, police shuffled through an open door Tuesday on the ground floor of the motel.

Hicks said police got the call at about 1:49 p.m. "after an adult male tenant was discovered deceased in his room."

An autopsy is scheduled for today, said Lt. Craig Stotts.

Hicks said Tuesday afternoon that he was unaware if the man lived alone or if any weapons may have been involved.

"We will be able to release the person's name after we have notified their next of kin, but that might not be today," said Hicks on Tuesday.

The man's death follows that of Penny K. Vincent, 46, on Sept. 5 in her then room, No. 116, at the Super 7 motel. Authorities said her death was caused by accidental, acute methamphetamine poisoning.

According to its signage, the Super 7 Motel offers furnished studios with no deposit required and utilities paid.

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Ketchum to re-establish penalties for delinquent LOT taxes

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — It's been a while since there was any penalty for Ketchum businesses that fail to pay the local-option taxes they owe the city, but that's about to change.

On Monday, the City Council voted unanimously to give city staff the go-ahead to pursue delinquent accounts and businesses that haven't registered for licenses with Ketchum.

"These tools have been on the books, but prior administrations either have not wanted to enforce or have not enforced them," said city attorney Stephanie Bonney. "(The delinquent businesses) are collecting this tax, and then essentially converting it to their own use. You're putting those businesses that are complying at a disadvantage and you're requiring the taxpayer to make up the difference of the taxes that you aren't collecting."

It is unclear how much in back taxes is delinquent, in part because of those businesses that have not registered for licenses but are collecting taxes from their customers as part of their pricing.

The council members said they were willing to give struggling businesses a break and work out a payment plan if they can't pay all their back taxes immediately. What they're looking for is good faith.

"If we're going to revoke or cite people, we're going to go after people who are a year or more delinquent and haven't responded," Bonney said.

City Clerk Sandy Cady said she plans to begin sending letters signed by Bonney to accounts that the city is aware of but haven't paid, and if they do not respond within 10 days, a hearing will be scheduled.

"If they don't come in prior to the hearing, which is a council meeting, then we revoke (their licenses)," Cady said. "Then they have to post a bond to get their permit back again."

For businesses that remain in operation, a civil suit or criminal misdemeanor charges can be filed.

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Ketchum: Stop shoveling excuses on snow ordinance

By Ariel Hansen
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — Snow is the reason people come to the Wood River Valley in the winter, but it's a mixed blessing for business owners. Sure, they get the tourists, but they also have to shovel the white stuff, sometimes more than once a day.

Ketchum's ordinances requiring businesses to to remove snow haven't prompted some of them to get out their shovels, and Ketchum has had enough. Last month, the city dissolved a business improvement district in part of the city because the owners weren't reimbursing the city for plowing.

"Right after that we had a couple business owners that told us flat out that they weren't going to comply with the ordinance," city attorney Stephanie Bonney told council members on Monday. "We will have to criminally cite them."

Bonney suggested the city change the consequence for failing to shovel from a misdemeanor to an infraction. Although the penalty is less, the city will have an easier time enforcing it.

"With an infraction you don't have an ability to have a jury trial. You get before a judge on a much more expedited process," Bonney said. "You know you'll get a set penalty amount if somebody is found to be violating your ordinance."

In this case $100, plus the city can ask for reimbursement costs incurred when the city removes the snow.

Although cities usually charge a single infraction and wait for it to get through the courts, Ketchum could charge reticent business owners with a unique infraction every day until they comply.

In the last week, Ketchum Police Chief Steve Harkins has issued four warning letters to businesses, and he said all but one immediately cleaned up their act and their sidewalks.

The remaining business owner, David Gnojek, who manages a property of mixed residential and retail at 511 Fourth St., has not complied, and has been charged criminally. Gnojek could not be reached for this story.

Harkins said his department is primarily looking for repeat offenders, not those whose landscape company is late arriving or whose business is closed for a day due to illness.

"There has to be some leniency, and we're willing to work with people on that," he said.

Councilman Baird Gourlay said he expects that all snow on business streets should be cleaned up with 24 hours of the snowfall. He encouraged residents not to patronize businesses that don't comply, because they are harming visitors' perception of the valley.

"I wouldn't go to a business if they told me they weren't going to shovel," he said. "It's extremely frustrating."

The council unanimously approved the shift from charging offenders with a misdemeanor to charging them with an infraction.

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Feds get low grades on treatment of prairie dogs

DENVER (AP) — On Groundhog Day, an environmental group released a bleak forecast for his smaller Western cousin — the prairie dog.

New Mexico-based WildEarth Guardians flunked one federal agency, gave another a "D" and graded most states low on efforts to maintain populations of prairie dogs, considered a key part of the Western ecosystem but reviled by ranchers.

"Punxsutawney Phil may predict the length of winter, but the status of prairie dogs predicts the health of our Western grassland wildlife communities," said Lauren McCain, the environmental group's prairie protection director.

The group issued its prairie dog report card on Groundhog Day "to celebrate another furry burrowing animal," McCain said.

Development, poisoning, recreational shooting and plague have severely reduced the numbers of all five species of prairie dogs.

The rodent, from 1 to 3 pounds and a little over a foot long, is seen by environmentalists and federal biologists as a key part of the ecosystem because it is a food source for other animals, including the endangered black-footed ferret. Abandoned prairie dog burrows provide shelter for other animals. Their digging naturally fertilizes the soil and increases moisture content.

"There were once billions of black-tailed prairie dogs east of the (Continental) Divide," McCain said.

Forest Guardians/AP file photo

This undated file photo shows a prairie dog in southwestern Utah.

Ranchers use poison to control prairie dogs on their land, but that likely doesn't have much effect on overall populations, said Terry Fankhauser, executive director of the Colorado Cattlemen's Association.

Fankhauser said ranchers have helped state wildlife officials count acres of prairie dog habitat in Colorado.

"We thought we had 100,000 acres," Fankhauser said. "Today, because of surveys done on private, state and federal lands, close to 900,000 acres have been established."

Ranchers "absolutely, unequivocally" don't believe the black-tailed prairie dog should be given federal protection, Fankhauser said. The animals compete with cattle on the range for grass and damage the range by digging big holes, he said.

The WildEarth Guardians' report gave the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service a "D" because last year it decided against protecting the black-tailed prairie dog. Despite the prairie dog's low numbers, its population has increased significantly in recent years, the agency said.

Fish and Wildlife estimates that black-tailed prairie dogs occupy about 2.1 million acres in 11 states, including in the Rockies and on the Great Plains. The historic range was at least 80 million acres.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency received a failing grade from WildEarth Guardians because the agency approved the expanded use of poison in 11 states to kill prairie dogs. Conservation groups are suing to overturn the decision.

Tyler Baskfield, spokesman for the Colorado Division of Wildlife, said he doesn't believe WildEarth Guardians' report card on prairie dogs does anything to help the species.

"Some conservation groups do things on the ground," Baskfield said. "WildEarth Guardians mostly do litigation and it sets us back."

AROUND THE WEST

IDAHO

Idahoans with some assets will get food stamps

BOISE — Idaho will continue to let people with more than $2,000 in assets receive food stamps, at least through May.

The Legislature's House Health and Welfare Committee reaffirmed the waiver Tuesday allowing a family of three with stocks, bonds or other assets worth more than $2,000 to continue receiving federally funded food stamps.

Starting last May, the state's Department of Health and Welfare temporarily waived the asset test because it wanted to help the newly unemployed who needed food stamps but had too many assets to qualify.

Spokesman Tom Shanahan says his agency has seen a steady increase in food stamp applications since September 2007. There are about 179,000 people receiving benefits now in Idaho.

Shanahan told the Associated Press waiving the test means people who are trying to use their savings to pay rent or make mortgage payments can still pay for food. Those who qualify receive an average of about $130 worth of food stamps a month.

Grazing lease rules up for debate today

BOISE — Idaho environmental and sporting groups are due to get a better shot at winning competitive state land leases over ranchers, under new rules up for debate Wednesday.

The House and Senate resource committees will take up the rules, which emerged last year in a settlement where state officials promised to end years of discrimination to resolve a federal lawsuit.

A Seattle environmentalist had sued after the Idaho State Land Board awarded seven grazing leases to ranchers in 2006, even though he'd offered more money. Idaho's Constitution requires Land Board members reap maximum returns from such endowment land to benefit public schools.

Laird Lucas, the environmentalist's lawyer, says encouraging competition means more cash for education during tough budget times. If lawmakers reject the rules, the settlement could be doomed.

Carl Ellsworth, Idaho Cattle Association president, says his group is fearful the rules could drive ranchers out of business and pledged to push for some changes.

Last of state hunting zones logs wolf kill

POCATELLO — Idaho Fish and Game officials say a hunter has killed a wolf in the southern Idaho hunting zone, the last of Idaho's zones to register a kill.

The Idaho State Journal reports the zone is the state's largest and covers the bottom third of the state, but there are few wolves in the region and the total hunt quota for the zone is five animals.

So far, 146 wolves have been killed by hunters in Idaho since the state's first wolf hunt began Sept. 1. The state's overall quota is 220.

WYOMING

Easement deal saves pronghorn migration route

JACKSON — The second longest land migration route for pronghorn antelope in the Western Hemisphere will remain open thanks to a conservation easement worked out between conservationists and a ranching operation.

The easement secured by The Conservation Fund protects 2,400 acres of the Carney Ranch in Sublette County. The ranch lies along the migration path that hundreds of pronghorn antelope use every spring and fall to move between their summer habitat in Grand Teton National Park in northwest Wyoming and their winter grounds to the south in the Green River Basin.

Financial details of the easement were not released.

Biologists say pronghorn can travel up to 160 miles during the annual migration. Only the Arctic caribou migrate farther in the Western Hemisphere.

Conservation Fund State Director Luke Lynch said the easement prevents development and ensures sound management of the ranch.

"This project protects the pronghorn and a working cattle ranch — two icons of the American West," Lynch said. "The Carney family made a significant donation to make this possible — we applaud the three generations of family members for their major commitment to conservation."

MONTANA

Yellowstone bison going to Turner's ranch

BILLINGS — Billionaire Ted Turner is getting 88 Yellowstone National Park bison from a faltering Montana program that was supposed to put the disease-free animals on public or tribal lands.

The animals were spared several years ago from a periodic slaughter of bison leaving Yellowstone because of worries about animal disease.

They are now in a joint federal-state quarantine compound in southern Montana's Paradise Valley but could be moved to Turner's ranch within weeks, state officials said Tuesday.

Montana turned down requests from a Wyoming state park and at least two American Indian reservations that wanted some or all of the bison.

Turner will care for the animals for five years and in return wants 75 percent of their offspring, an estimated 188 bison. Montana would get an estimated 150 bison back in 2015.

Conservation groups, a coalition of tribes and U.S. Department of Agriculture veterinarians opposed the proposal as a privatization of public wildlife.

"There were a lot of people that wanted them on public lands. We're not ready," said Montana wildlife chief David Risley.

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OPINION

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"They're doing ideas that create perception but don't do anything big."

—Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., about President Obama urging Congress to approve new spending for recession relief and job creation

EDITORIAL

Gooding Co. commissioners got it right with dairy ordinance

If the definition of "landmark" judgment is that it settles arguments over a law, then the Idaho Supreme Court produced one on Monday.

The high court upheld a lower court decision that supported Gooding County's 2007 ordinance regulating confined-animal feeding operations.

The decision marked the end of a court case that began more than two years ago, when the Idaho Dairy Association and the Idaho Cattle Association sued Gooding County after commissioners approved tighter regulation of confined-animal feeding operations.

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

But the Supreme Court said Monday that 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.

This was a no-doubt-about-it judgment. Written by Justice Warren Jones, the ruling was unanimous on all but one point: Justice Pro Tem Linda Copple Trout agreed with the dairymen that the due process rights of CAFO operators may have been violated.

All of which means Idaho counties now have reasonably wide latitude to regulate new CAFOs. Indeed, IDA Executive Director Bob Naereabout talked Monday about taking a legislative approach — not a judicial one — in pressing the dairymen's objectives.

To their credit, the Gooding County commissioners went about this ordinance the right way. Environmental and health concerns led them to halt new dairy growth with two moratoriums on livestock operations, and to look at tighter regulations for dairies. Commissioners endured a firestorm of protest when the ordinance was first proposed, and they took more than a year to craft the law.

After the ordinance was proposed, dairymen predicted it would kill dairies in the county, though existing CAFOs weren't affected by the change. That clearly hasn't happened.

The year the ordinance was passed, Gooding County sold $477.3 million in dairy products, according to the federal Census of Agriculture. Receipts have since tailed off because of lower prices, but dairy is still a robust part of the county's economy.

There's still tension between dairies and their neighbors in Gooding County, but it's less than in neighboring Jerome County. Gooding's commissioners took a thoughtful, methodical approach to solving a major problem, stuck to their guns when the going got rough and produced an ordinance that may be a model for every other dairying county in Idaho.

Our view: Decision-making in the middle of controversy is always risky, but Gooding County has a dairy ordinance that other counties will copy.

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

TIMES-NEWS

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We need a geezers' crusade

We like to think that in days gone by, the young venerated the elderly. But that wasn't always so. In "As You Like It," Shakespeare's morose character, Jaques, calls old age "second childishness and mere oblivion." Walt Whitman hoped that the tedium and pettiness of his senior years would not infect his poetry.

David Brooks

Developmental psychologists, when they treated old age at all, often regarded it as a period of withdrawal. The elderly slowly separate themselves from the world. They cannot be expected to achieve new transformations. "About the age of 50," Freud wrote, "the elasticity of the mental processes on which treatment depends is, as a rule, lacking. Old people are no longer educable."

Well, that was wrong. Over the past few years, researchers have found that the brain is capable of creating new connections and even new neurons all through life. While some mental processes — like working memory and the ability to quickly solve math problems — clearly deteriorate, others do not. Older people retain their ability to remember emotionally nuanced events. They are able to integrate memories from their left and right hemispheres. Their brains reorganize to help compensate for the effects of aging.

A series of longitudinal studies, begun decades ago, are producing a rosier portrait of life after retirement. These studies don't portray old age as surrender or even serenity. They portray it as a period of development — and they're not even talking about über-oldsters jumping out of airplanes.

People are most unhappy in middle age and report being happier as they get older. This could be because as people age they pay less attention to negative emotional stimuli, according to a study by the psychologists Mara Mather, Turhan Canli and others.

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Gender roles begin to merge. Many women get more assertive while many men get more emotionally attuned. Personalities often become more vivid as people become more of what they already are. Norma Haan of the University of California, Berkeley, and others conducted a 50-year follow-up of people who had been studied while young and concluded that the subjects had become more outgoing, self-confident and warm with age.

The research paints a comforting picture. And the nicest part is that virtue is rewarded. One of the keys to healthy aging is what George Vaillant of Harvard calls "generativity" — providing for future generations. Seniors who perform service for the young have more positive lives and better marriages than those who don't. As Vaillant writes in his book "Aging Well," "Biology flows downhill." We are naturally inclined to serve those who come after and thrive when performing that role.

The odd thing is that when you turn to political life, we are living in an age of reverse-generativity. Far from serving the young, the old are now taking from them. First, they are taking money. According to Julia Isaacs of the Brookings Institution, the federal government now spends $7 on the elderly for each $1 it spends on children.

Second, they are taking freedom. In 2009, for the first time in American history, every single penny of federal tax revenue went to pay for mandatory spending programs, according to Eugene Steuerle of the Urban Institute. As more money goes to pay off promises made mostly to the old, the young have less control.

Third, they are taking opportunity. For decades, federal spending has hovered around 20 percent of G.D.P. By 2019, it is forecast to be at 25 percent and rising. The higher tax rates implied by that spending will mean less growth and fewer opportunities. Already, pension costs in many states are squeezing education spending.

In the private sphere, in other words, seniors provide wonderful gifts to their grandchildren, loving attention that will linger in young minds, providing support for decades to come. In the public sphere, they take it away.

I used to think that political leaders could avert fiscal suicide. But it's now clear change will not be led from Washington. On the other hand, over the past couple of years we've seen the power of spontaneous social movements: first the movement that formed behind Barack Obama, and now, equally large, the Tea Party movement.

Spontaneous social movements can make the unthinkable thinkable, and they can do it quickly. It now seems clear that the only way the U.S. is going to avoid an economic crisis is if the oldsters take it upon themselves to arise and force change. The young lack the political power. Only the old can lead a generativity revolution — millions of people demanding changes in health care spending and the retirement age to make life better for their grandchildren.

It may seem unrealistic — to expect a generation to organize around the cause of nonselfishness. But in the private sphere, you see it every day. Old people now have the time, the energy and, with the Internet, the tools to organize.

The elderly. They are our future.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A mindless march toward destruction

Requiem for a republic (instructions on how to proceed):

Hire a leftist socialist to be in charge who views our Constitution with contempt (And bows to Islamic kings but not to Anglo-Saxon queens).

Implement positive programs of appeasement for union and big business bosses.

Create a welfare state through the efforts of Reid, Pelosi and their cronies.

The mate of the man in charge apparently thinks she has ascended to the throne of a monarchy so an unprecedented number of her personal support staff members must be assembled.

The electorate must stick their heads in the sand as the Constitution is treated with disdain or otherwise dismantled.

Appoint czars (kinda like the old communist commissars) in order to circumvent our historical mode of government.

Allow spending reeking of special-interest earmarks, similar to the spending habits of a drunken sailor. (Hopelessly mortgaging every citizen's hat — and overcoat).

Provide only lip service for illegal immigration control.

Reveal national secrets at the behest of the leftist, wild-eyed liberals (A nation that reveals its secrets will not long endure or, at the very least, will suffer serious consequences).

Authorize absurdly large legal immigration quotas. How about 80,000 this year? (Legal and illegal immigration national policies place us on a road to disaster).

Illegal immigrants must be allowed to reap the benefits of our society. (What's left of it).

English must not be declared the national language and marriage must not be defined and declared as a union between man and woman.

Condone rampant criminality including misfeasance and malfeasance by elected officials.

Release terrorists so they can kill again.

Systematically dismantle the Christian values upon which this nation was founded.

Is it too late to wake up?

JIM CONDER
Filer

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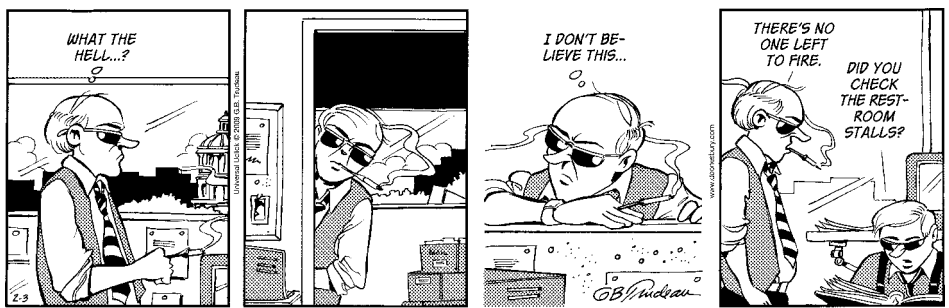

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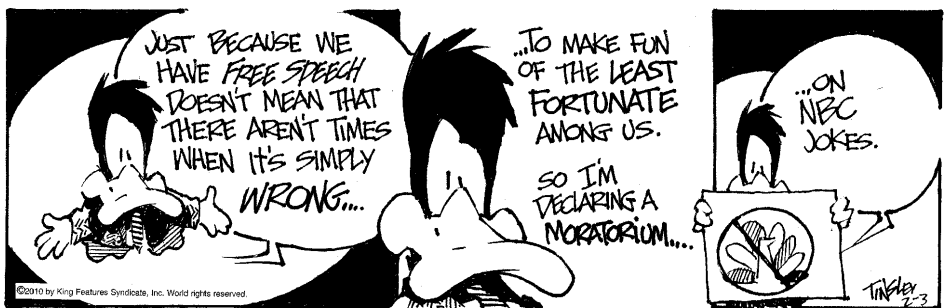

Promise and reality in American politics

Gregory Rodriguez

All last week, commentators recounted the dramatic swing in the national mood between this January and last. In 2009, President Obama was talking about bending the arc of history. In 2010, it doesn't look like he can bend enough arms to get healthcare reform through Congress.

Americans are not happy. We're on the downside of a familiar cycle: the bitter disillusionment that follows outsized hope. What could be accomplished in Washington isn't matching our expectations. And although Obama's fall has been steep and hard, he's not alone. Traditionally, a new president's party loses ground in the election that follows his inauguration. What's surprising is that we never seem to tire of the vaunted hope that gets the cycle going in the first place.

What's going on? Are we schizophrenic? Gluttons for punishment? Are we so addicted to the possibilities that, even when reality mugs us, we can't wait to dream again? Why hasn't the mountain of disappointing political realities — presidents, parties, causes and processes — turned us into a nation that stops caring?

The answer to these questions lies in the contradictory heart of the American character. On the one hand, we pride ourselves on our idealism. On the other, we fancy ourselves sturdy realists. If the U.S. were a cartoon character, it'd be a cheerful fellow with his head in the clouds and his feet planted squarely on the ground.

This contradiction between idealism and realism is not just an incidental quirk in our collective personality. It's one of the primary tensions that drive us. Although the manic back-and-forth is frustrating, even alarming, one could argue that it's also the source of our dynamism as a nation. Harvard historian Bernard Bailyn has identified the creation of this fundamental tension as one of the great legacies of the founders. He hypothesizes that if Thomas Jefferson's intellectual idealism had not been tempered by the "hardheaded pragmatism" he learned as a "man of business," he wouldn't have played such a powerful role in history.

"The blending of realism and idealism," Bailyn writes, "permeates the entire history of the Revolutionary era." The Constitution, with its checks and balances, is as much about controlling liberty, and the will of the people, as it is about exercising it, and as such it "reflects precisely the creative tension between idealism and realism in American public life."

Bailyn's characterization is fine as far as it goes, but it doesn't quite capture how annoying the flip-flopping between the two poles can be. Novelist and poet Robert Penn Warren described realism as "the burr under the metaphysical saddle" of American idealism. "That saddle's going to jump now and then," he wrote, "and it pricks."

In other words, it's uncomfortable to be so rudely awakened from our lofty dreams. We express this discomfort in our art, literature and humor. Americans love to debunk, satirize and ridicule. When Stephen Colbert pokes fun at the devilishness of a sanctimonious politician, he's just trying to close the gap between the spin and the facts.

Another way we close the gap is through incessant reform. The late great political scientist Samuel P. Huntington argued that the tension between the ideal and the real stoked the American "moral motive for reform." Activists on all sides routinely seek to draw stark contrasts between our ambitions for good and our painful imperfections. The ability to expose hypocrisy, or even just the inevitable shortfall when our reach exceeds our grasp, can determine the success or failure of any given cause. When the civil rights movement forced us to compare discrimination to our ideal of equality, something had to give.

Huntington called the tension between promise and reality our nation's "distinguishing cleavage." If it were to disappear, he wrote, the U.S., "as we have known it, will no longer exist." And to those who would point to the gap between what we strive for and what we achieve to prove that the American promise is bogus, Huntington responded: "America is not a lie: It is a disappointment. But it can be a disappointment only because it is also a hope."

I don't disagree with his logic, but the cycle between the two these days seems to be in overdrive. It's hard to believe it won't eventually wear us down. I don't know if it has the potential to turn us into a nation of cynics, but it seems to me that it could cause us to lower our sights and goals.

Was the Obama hype way over the top? No question. And any reasonable person could have predicted his fall from grace. Nonetheless, there is something irresistible about a country so willing to believe, despite its disappointments, that it tried to walk with its head in the clouds.

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Canada fixed its debt problem; why can't we?

Charles Lane

Wondering how seriously to take the Obama administration's claims that its new $3.8 trillion budget plan represents fiscal restraint? Look northward, to Canada. Compared to the belt-tightening that government imposed on itself in recent years, Obama's effort appears trivial indeed.

A new report from McKinsey Global Institute, "Debt and Deleveraging: The Global Credit Bubble and its Economic Consequences" tells the story. As of 1998, Canada's total debt — the combined obligations of government, households, financial and non-financial corporations — stood at 240 percent of gross domestic product, up 44 percentage points from the 1988 level. Government, both provincial and federal, was responsible for much of the increase. And so government, especially the federal government under the leadership of Paul Martin, who served first as finance minister and then prime minister, led the way in debt reduction.

Ottawa cut farm and business subsidies, scaled back social programs (including health care) and eliminated 55,000 public sector jobs. Interest groups howled. But these measures reduced government debt from 84 percent of GDP in 1998 to 58 percent of GDP in 2005. By contrast, Obama's latest plan contemplates growth in the U.S. federal debt from 53 percent of GDP last year to 77 percent in 2020. Chrystia Freeland and Paul Krugman have recently sung the praises of Canadian bank regulation, which kept the debt of its financial institutions down to a dull roar. Yet timely fiscal discipline is also a major reason that Canada has been able to confront the global downturn in the best overall financial shape of any major industrial country.

"Canada's deleveraging episode provides a model for countries with highly indebted governments today," the McKinsey Global Institute report notes. "The key requirement was the political will to force through unpopular government spending cuts." Still no sign of that will in Washington.

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Orphaned, raped — and ignored

Nicholas Kristof

KALEHE, Congo — Sometimes I wish eastern Congo could suffer an earthquake or a tsunami, so that it might finally get the attention it needs. The barbaric civil war being waged here is the most lethal conflict since World War II and has claimed at least 30 times as many lives as the Haiti earthquake.

Yet no humanitarian crisis generates so little attention per million corpses, or such a pathetic international response.

That's why I'm here in the lovely, lush and threatening hills west of Lake Kivu, where militias rape, mutilate and kill civilians with a savagery that is almost incomprehensible. I'm talking to a 9-year-old girl, Chance Tombola, an orphan whose eyes are luminous with fear.

For Chance, the war arrived one evening last May when armed soldiers from an extremist Hutu militia — remnants of those who committed the Rwandan genocide — burst into her home. They killed her parents in front of her. Chance ran away, but the soldiers seized her two sisters, ages 6 and 12, and carried them away into the forest, presumably to be turned into "wives" of soldiers. No one has seen Chance's sisters since.

Chance moved in with her aunt and uncle and their two teenage daughters. Two months later, the same militia invaded the aunt's house and held everyone at gunpoint. Chance says she recognized some of the soldiers as the same ones who had killed her parents.

This time, no one could escape. The soldiers first shot her uncle, and then, as the terrified family members sobbed, they pulled out a large knife.

"They sliced his belly so that the intestines fell out," said his widow, Jeanne Birengenyi, 34, Chance's aunt. "Then they cut his heart out and showed it to me." The soldiers continued to mutilate the body, while others began to rape Jeanne.

"One takes a leg, one takes the other leg," Jeanne said dully. "Others grab the arms while one just starts raping. They don't care if children are watching."

Chance added softly: "There were six who raped her. One raped me, too."

The soldiers left Jeanne and Chance, tightly tied up, and marched off into the forest with Jeanne's two daughters as prisoners. One daughter is 14, the other 16, and they have not been heard from since.

"They kill, they rape, burn houses and take people's belongings," Jeanne said. "When they come with their guns, it's as if they have a project to eliminate the local population."

A peer-reviewed study found that 5.4 million people had already died in this war as of April 2007, and hundreds of thousands more have died as the situation has deteriorated since then. A catastrophically planned military offensive last year, backed by the governments of Congo and Rwanda as well as the United Nations force here, made some headway against Hutu militias but also led to increased predation on civilians from all sides.

Human Rights Watch estimates that for every Hutu fighter sent back to Rwanda last year, at least seven women were raped and 900 people forced to flee for their lives. "From a human rights perspective, the operation has been catastrophic," concluded Philip Alston, a senior United Nations investigator.

This is a pointless war — now a dozen years old — driven by warlords, greed for minerals, ethnic tensions and complete impunity. While there is plenty of fault to go around, Rwanda has long played a particularly troubling role in many ways, including support for one of the militias. Rwanda's government is dazzlingly successful at home, but next door in Congo, it appears complicit in war crimes.

Jeanne and Chance contracted sexually transmitted diseases. Like other survivors in areas that are accessible, they receive help from the International Rescue Committee, but Chance still suffers pain when she urinates.

Counselors say that most raped women are rejected by their husbands, and raped girls like Chance have difficulty marrying. In an area west of Lake Kivu where attacks are continuing, I met Saleh Bulondo, a newly homeless young man who was educated and spoke a little English. I asked him if he would still marry his girlfriend if she were raped.

"Never," he said. "I will abandon her."

A girl here normally fetches a bride price (a reverse dowry, paid by the husband's family) when she marries. A village chief told me that a typical price would be 20 goats — but if the girl has been raped, two goats. At most.

Thus it takes astonishing courage for Jeanne and Chance to tell their stories. I'll be reporting more from eastern Congo in the coming days, hoping that the fortitude of survivors like them can inspire world leaders to step forward to stop this slaughter. It's time to show the same compassion toward Congo that we have toward Haiti.

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Scottsdale woman arrested in missing toddler case

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — A woman who wanted to adopt an Arizona baby missing for more than a month was arrested Tuesday, but police said she was not connected to the boy's disappearance.

Tammi Smith, 37, was interviewed at Tempe police headquarters and later booked into Maricopa County jail on charges of custodial interference, conspiracy to commit custodial interference and forgery.

Lt. Mike Horn said the charges stem from Smith's repeated attempts to adopt 8-month-old Gabriel Johnson, not from the boy's Dec. 26 disappearance in San Antonio.

"I am innocent, and God is with me," a handcuffed Smith told television reporters as she was taken in for booking.

Tammi and Jack Smith of Scottsdale had been considered "persons of interest" for weeks in the investigation into the disappearance, but Horn said that's no longer the case.

Gabriel Johnson

He said that all of his agency's leads into the disappearance have been turned over to San Antonio police, which is conducting its own investigation.

Jack Smith told The Associated Press that police crossed the line by arresting his wife and trumped up charges against her.

"It's clear that we had nothing to do with this, and why they're trying to make a case against my wife, I don't know," he said.

Police say Gabriel's mother, 23-year-old Elizabeth Johnson, drove Gabriel to San Antonio from Tempe, stayed about a week, then took a bus to Florida without him. She was arrested Dec. 30 in Florida and is charged in Arizona with kidnapping, child abuse and custodial interference.

She has refused to say where the baby is, but told Gabriel's father she killed him and threw his body in a trash bin. She also has said she gave the baby away to a couple in San Antonio, but police said she was vague in describing who they were.

The Smiths had sought to adopt Gabriel from Johnson, who gave the couple temporary guardianship over him for about 10 days in December before she picked him up and left Arizona.

Man's murder-suicide note was posted on Net

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A California man who killed himself and his 9-month-old son in an apparent murder-suicide left dozens of angry, desperate messages to the boy's mother, including a lengthy suicide note and a memorial collage that appeared on the Web hours after he was dead.

The bodies of 25-year-old Stephen Garcia of Pinon Hills and his son Wyatt were found early Sunday on an isolated dirt trail in the San Bernardino Mountains.

Garcia

The discovery came after authorities learned that Garcia had taken the boy during a court-ordered visit and threatened to kill him and commit suicide.

Authorities were looking into whether a third person actually posted the suicide note and collage to Garcia's Facebook account after Garcia prepared the items before his death.

The suicide note included a request for the finder to publish it in its entirety. It also provided instructions for dividing Garcia's belongings and explained that he did not want to live without his ex-girlfriend or share custody of his son.

"Obviously our investigators are looking into all avenues in respect to what happened and, clearly, if there is someone else involved who was posting that information, that's someone they would want to talk to," said Jodi Miller, a spokeswoman for the sheriff's office.

Detectives handling the case did not immediately return calls.

Facebook postings appear on the Web site in real time and cannot be time-released, company spokeswoman Brandee Baker said in an e-mail.

Facebook referred other questions about the case to authorities, except to say that when Facebook discovers suicidal content on a member's page, it alerts the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.

Court records show the baby's mother filed a request for a restraining order in San Bernardino County Court in December, but it was denied on Jan. 12 because Garcia was not considered a "threat to petitioner or the minor child."

The bodies of Garcia and his son were found about 80 miles northeast of Los Angeles.

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Ford Jan. sales climb; Subaru also rises

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DETROIT — Ford Motor Co.'s sales rose 25 percent in January, buoyed by a stronger economy and Toyota Motor Corp.'s decision to halt U.S. sales of eight popular models because of faulty gas pedal systems.

Ford said Tuesday that car sales rose 43 percent while sales of trucks and SUVs climbed 15 percent. The automaker also more than doubled sales to rental car agencies and other fleets as the credit crunch eased and businesses started spending again.

January is typically a weak month for U.S. auto sales, but automakers were expecting sales to improve over last January, when they dipped to a 26-year low because of the tough economy. Sales never really recovered last year, totaling 10.4 million cars and light trucks, the lowest since 1982.

Demand for fuel-efficient models continued to be strong. Ford's sales of its Fusion midsize sedan rose nearly 50 percent, while sales of the small Ranger pickup climbed 47 percent. New or redesigned models also were robust. Subaru said its sales were up 28 percent thanks to a doubling in sales for the newly redesigned Legacy sedan and Outback crossover.

Korean automaker Kia said its January U.S. sales were essentially flat. Other automakers, including Toyota, were scheduled to report results later Tuesday.

Ford was expecting to snatch some sales from Toyota, which stopped selling the Camry sedan and seven other cars and trucks on Jan. 26 following a recall over sticky accelerator pedals. Ford and General Motors Corp. are offering incentives to Toyota drivers who trade in vehicles.

Toyota has said dealers will get the parts to fix the problem by the end of this week, but in the meantime Toyota could lose thousands of sales in January and February. The recall affects 2.3 million cars and trucks in the U.S.

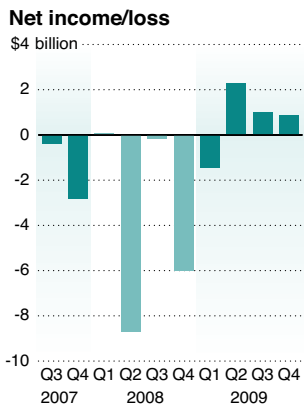
The car-buying site Edmunds.com predicted Toyota's U.S. market share would drop to 14.7 percent in January, its lowest level since March 2006.

Ford estimated that its U.S. market share rose to 16 percent in January, up 2 percentage points from last January. Ford ended 2009 with its first full-year gain in market share since 1995.

After a strong December, automakers were anxious to see whether any momentum would carry into January and signal that an economic recovery is underway.

Ford drives its earnings back up

In 2009, Ford Motor Co. reported an $868 million fourth-quarter profit and for the first time in four years an annual profit of $2.7 billion.



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Tough times spur shift to less expensive liquor

By Emily Fredrix
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John TaJalle, left, of Federal Way, Wash., makes a purchase from Jose Garzona, right, at a Washington state liquor store in Seattle. The Distilled Spirits Council of the United States said in a report that in 2009, more drinkers switched to cheaper spirits to save money in the recession, and that although people drank a little more, they did it at home and away from pricier restaurants.

NEW YORK — Americans' love affair with top-shelf booze cooled last year as the recession took a toll on high-priced tipples.

A new report by an industry group shows people drank more but turned to cheaper brands. They also drank more at home and less in pricier bars and restaurants.

Industry growth slowed in 2009, with the amount of liquor sold by suppliers up 1.4 percent. That's the smallest increase since 2001 and below the 10-year average of 2.6 percent.

Last year, the lowest-priced segment, with brands such as Popov vodka that can go for less than $10 for a fifth, grew the fastest, with volume rising 5.5 percent, after edging up 0.6 percent in 2008. Meanwhile, the most expensive price range, roughly $30 or more for a 750 ml bottle (think Grey Goose, owned by Bacardi), fell the most, tumbling 5.1 percent.

The Distilled Spirits Council of the United States said in its report Tuesday that liquor suppliers reported flat total revenue of $18.7 billion last year.

Kenneth Jolly of Milwaukee has been swapping his favorite, pricier liquors such Patron tequila, for cheaper brands such as Jose Cuervo to stay on top of his budget. For him, it's simple math.

"If you consume a lot on a regular basis and you have people come to your house, you have to adjust," said Jolly, a 27-year-old network technician in Milwaukee who buys liquor every other week. "If your body can take it, you might as well buy the cheaper liquor."

Sales in stores — which make up three-quarters of liquor sales — rose about 2.1 percent, while sales in restaurants fell 3 percent.

"People still want to entertain themselves, they still want to get together with family and friends, so a lot of people will move from a restaurant to their living room," council President Peter Cressy said.

Vodka remained Americans' favorite liquor, accounting for almost a third of all spirits sold and sales of $4.56 billion.

Sales volume for the cheapest versions of tequila rose 21 percent, the fastest of any type of spirit. That's most likely because entertainers are using pre-made margarita mixes to serve at home, said David Ozgo, the council's chief economist. Plus you can mix it before guests arrive, so they don't know what brand you use, said Joan Holleran, director of research at research firm Mintel.

Cressy said the fact that people were still drinking more spirits bodes well for the industry, still recovering

See **LIQUOR**, Business 2

More home loan defaults challenge FHA

By Dina ElBoghdady and Dan Keating
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The share of borrowers who are falling seriously behind on loans backed by the Federal Housing Administration jumped by more than a third in the past year, foreshadowing a crush of foreclosures that could further buffet an agency vital to the housing market's recovery.

About 9.1 percent of FHA borrowers had missed at least three payments as of December, up from 6.5 percent a year ago, the agency's figures show.

Although the FHA's default rate has been climbing for months and eating into the agency's cash, the latest figures show that the FHA's woes are getting worse even as the housing market shows signs of improvement. The problems are rooted in FHA mortgages made in 2007 and 2008. Those loans are now maturing into their worst years because failures most often occur two to three years after a mortgage is made.

If the trend continues and the FHA's cash reserves are exhausted, the federal government would automatically

See **FHA**, Business 2

Cadbury shareholders approve Kraft deal

NORTHFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Cadbury PLC shareholders have voted to approve Kraft Foods Inc.'s roughly $19.5 billion offer to acquire the British candy maker.

The majority vote marks the final step in Kraft's months-long battle to acquire the company. The deal creates of the world's largest confectionary company and greatly expands Kraft's global reach.

Kraft said Tuesday that nearly 72 percent of Cadbury shareholders approved the deal.

Cadbury stockholders 500 pence cash and 0.1874 new Kraft shares for each of its Cadbury shares under the terms.

The deal does not require a vote by Kraft's shareholders. It is expected to close this month.

Kraft CEO Irene Rosenfeld is expected to meet with Britain's Business Secretary Peter Mandelson on Tuesday to discuss the company's "commitment to the company and its employees," a spokeswoman from the minister's office said.

Hundreds of Cadbury workers uncertain about their future protested the takeover in London's Westminster area, calling for guarantees for their jobs and conditions once the company comes under new ownership.

Some protesters chanted "Keep Our Jobs," while others held up banners which read "Don't Sell Us Out."

Toyota gas pedal fix too late to prevent backlash

By Yuri Kagayama
Associated Press writer

NAGOYA, Japan — Toyota's fix for the gas pedal problem that led to the recall of millions of cars has not come soon enough to prevent a consumer backlash in the U.S. and elsewhere that is battering its sales.

One of the automaker's top executives on Tuesday said the damage from the global recall of nearly 4.6 million vehicles may be greater than previous quality problems because of the massive scale.

"This is unprecedented in having caused this huge problem for customers," said Shinichi Sasaki, who oversees quality control at the world's No. 1 automaker.

AP photo

He said it was too soon to put a number on the ultimate cost of the recall. But Tatsuo Yoshida, an auto analyst at UBS in Tokyo, estimated the recalls are likely to cost about $900 million, and lost sales are already costing Toyota another $155 million a week.

The recall to fix a gas pedal that can stick when depressed covers some 2.3 million vehicles in the United States alone, including some of Toyota's best-selling models, such as the Camry and Corolla. The company has recalled millions more because of floor mats that can catch the gas pedal.

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. Repairs will take about a half-hour and will start in a matter of days, the company said.

The repair involves installing a steel shim a couple of millimeters thick in the pedal assembly, behind the top of the gas pedal, to eliminate the excess friction between two pieces of the accelerator mechanism. In rare cases, Toyota says, that friction can cause the pedal to become stuck in the depressed position.

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

After a week in which Toyota drivers said they were worried about the safety of their cars and dealers were frustrated by a lack of information, Toyota said it would work to regain the trust of its customers.

"This is embarrassing for us to have ... this kind of recall situation," Jim Lentz, president of

See **TOYOTA**, Business 2

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agra	23.09	▲	.15	Dell Inc.	13.30	▲	.08	Idacorp	31.15	▼	.16	Int. Bancorp	1.74	▼	.18
Lithia Mo.	8.10	▲	.22	McDonalds	64.03	▲	.14	Micron	9.35	▲	.18	Supervalu	15.06	▲	.22

COMMODITIES

For more see Business 2

Live cattle	86.22	▲	.97	Mar. Oil	77.23	▲	2.80
Feb. Gold	1,117.40	▲	13.10	Feb. Silver	16.74	▲	.08

Today in business

NEW YORK — The Institute for Supply Management releases its service sector index for January.

WASHINGTON — White House budget director Peter Orszag and Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner testify about the president's new budget request before separate hearings by the House Ways and Means Committee.

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol(00)	Last	Chg
Citigrp	3121249	3.41	+.07
S&P500ETF	1909455	110.38	+1.32
BkofAm	1693570	15.60	+.18
FordM	1180421	11.39	+.27
GenElec	1143114	16.85	+.60

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
FtBcp pfB	15.00	+2.53	+20.3
NoAmEn g	8.46	+1.39	+19.7
MI Homes	12.06	+1.85	+18.1
ExprsJet	4.38	+.66	+17.7
AnnTaylr	15.75	+2.36	+17.6

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
FstBcpPR	2.05	–.32	–13.5
DST Sys	39.45	–5.82	–12.9
PSCrudeDS	69.27	–5.21	–7.0
ProUShCrude	14.39	–1.01	–6.6
DirChiBear	44.73	–3.12	–6.5

DIARY

Advanced	2,360
Declined	723
Unchanged	89
Total issues	3,172
New Highs	80
New Lows	5
Volume	4,836,715,485

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol(00)	Last	Chg
NthgtM g	33023	2.74	–.02
GoldStr g	32398	3.01	+.01
Taseko	26106	4.65	+.07
NwGold g	24744	4.47	+.23
NA Pall g	24622	4.10	+.05

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ShengInn n	7.78	+.98	+14.4
IEC Elec n	5.17	+.58	+12.6
Arrhythm	5.57	+.58	+11.6
VirnetX	3.55	+.35	+10.9
SinoHub n	3.60	+.35	+10.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ReadyMix	2.24	–.21	–8.6
IncOpR	5.80	–.40	–6.5
NewConcEn	3.75	–.25	–6.1
HMG	4.42	–.28	–6.0
Lannett	5.39	–.34	–5.9

DIARY

Advanced	323
Declined	170
Unchanged	55
Total issues	548
New Highs	12
New Lows	2
Volume	123,606,035

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol(00)	Last	Chg
PwShs QQQ	1019359	43.65	+.39
ETrade	809721	1.53	–.06
Intel	612603	19.91	+.30
Microsoft	532834	28.46	+.05
Cisco	523958	23.02	+.29

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
BSD Med	2.27	+.60	+35.9
ComsysIT	17.39	+4.16	+31.4
TecOpsSv	3.74	+.66	+21.4
FSI Intl	3.10	+.54	+21.1
BkCarol	5.30	+.86	+19.4

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
PECO II rsh	4.11	–.64	–13.5
JeffersnB	4.61	–.61	–11.6
Tufco	2.86	–.38	–11.6
AmSupr	35.69	–4.06	–10.2
SilicnMotn	2.88	–.32	–10.0

DIARY

Advanced	1,501
Declined	1,161
Unchanged	136
Total issues	2,798
New Highs	49
New Lows	15
Volume	2,445,822,812

INDEXES

10,729.89	6,469.95	Dow Jones Industrials	10,296.85	+111.32	+1.09	–1.26	+27.46
4,265.61	2,134.21	Dow Jones Transportation	3,993.12	+30.88	+.78	–2.60	+32.02
408.57	288.66	Dow Jones Utilities	384.27	+3.15	+.83	–3.45	+2.09
7,471.31	4,181.75	NYSE Composite	7,101.44	+93.21	+1.33	–1.16	+34.80
1,908.81	1,234.81	Amex Index	1,836.92	+23.53	+1.30	+.66	+28.93
2,326.28	1,265.52	Nasdaq Composite	2,190.06	+18.86	+.87	–3.49	+44.43
1,150.45	666.79	S&P 500	1,103.32	+14.13	+1.30	–1.06	+31.58
11,941.95	6,772.29	Wilshire 5000	11,448.49	+137.97	+1.22	–.87	+35.27
649.15	342.59	Russell 2000	614.05	+4.80	+.79	–1.81	+35.58

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

AlliantEgy	1.50	50	31.60	+.29	+4.4	Kaman	.56	20	24.96	–.02	+8.1
AlliantTch	...	16	81.37	+1.94	–7.8	Keycorp	.04	...	7.52	+.18	+35.5
AmCasino	.42	...	16.27	+.82	+6.8	LeeEnt	...	...	4.30	+.17	+23.9
Aon Corp	.60	18	39.46	+.67	+2.9	MicronT	...	...	9.35	+.18	–11.5
BallardPw	...	...	2.23	–.02	+18.0	OfficeMax	...	...	14.54	+.85	+14.6
BkofAm	.04	...	15.60	+.18	+3.6	RockTen	.60	8	42.65	–.24	–15.4
ConAgra	.80	13	23.09	+.15	+.2	Sensient	.76	14	26.51	+.13	+.8
Costco	.72	24	58.77	+.86	–.7	SkyWest	.16	10	15.22	+.24	–10.1
Diebold	1.04	69	28.46	+1.51	...	Teradyn	...	...	9.80	+.16	–8.7
DukeEngy	.96	14	16.76	+.11	–2.6	Tuppwre	1.00f	17	46.39	+3.01	–.4
DukeRlty	.68	...	11.61	+.08	–4.6	US Bancrp	.20	31	24.87	–.31	+10.5
Fastenal	.80f	35	42.95	+1.42	+3.1	Valhi	.40	...	16.61	+.71	+18.9
Heinz	1.68	16	44.40	+.47	+3.8	WalMart	1.09	16	53.49	+.01	+.1
HewlettP	.32	15	48.59	+.76	–5.7	WashFed	.20	61	19.04	...	–1.6
HomeDp	.90	22	29.03	+.64	+.3	WellsFargo	.20	34	28.79	–.14	+6.7
Idacorp	1.20	14	31.15	–.16	–2.5	ZionBcp	.04	...	19.91	–.01	+55.2

HOW TO READ THE REPORT

Name: Stocks are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). 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 semiannual 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.

Fund Name: Name of mutual fund and family.
Sell: Net asset value, or price at which fund could be sold.
Chg: Daily net change in the NAV.

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, dividend omitted, deferred or no action taken at last meeting. k – Declared or paid this year, accumulative issue with dividends in arrears. m – Annual rate, reduced on last declaration. p – Init div, annual rate unknown. r – Declared or paid in preceding 12 mos plus stock dividend. t – Paid in stock in last 12 mos, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or distribution date. x – Ex-dividend or ex-rights. y – Ex-dividend and sales in full. z – Sales in full. vj – In bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.
• Most active stocks above must be worth $1 and gainers/losers $2.
Mutual Fund Footnotes: e – Ex-capital gains distribution. f – Previous day's quote. n - No-load fund. p – Fund assets used to pay distribution costs. r – Redemption fee or contingent deferred sales load may apply. s – Stock dividend or split. t – Both p and r. x – Ex-cash dividend.

Source: *The Associated Press. Sales figures are unofficial.*

COMMODITIES REPORT

CLOSING FUTURES

Mon	Commodity	High	Low	Close	Change
Feb	Live cattle	86.35	85.50	86.23	+ .98
Apr	Live cattle	89.90	88.78	89.88	+ 1.18
Mar	Feeder cattle	98.35	97.15	97.23	- .50
Apr	Feeder cattle	100.20	99.30	99.30	- .38
May	Feeder cattle	101.20	100.80	100.30	- .55
Feb	Lean hogs	65.45	64.35	65.40	+ 1.03
Apr	Lean hogs	67.03	65.80	66.85	+ .70
Feb	Pork belly	81.50	80.25	81.50	+ 1.00
Mar	Pork belly	81.40	79.70	80.80	+ 1.40
Mar	Wheat	491.00	480.00	487.25	+ 12.50
May	Wheat	503.50	496.50	501.50	+ 12.00
Mar	KC Wheat	494.00	492.50	499.00	+ 11.50
May	KC Wheat	514.50	505.25	511.00	+ 11.50
Mar	MPS Wheat	516.75	499.25	512.25	+ 11.00
May	MPS Wheat	528.25	513.00	523.75	+ 10.75
Mar	Corn	367.25	361.75	365.00	+ 6.00
May	Corn	378.00	373.50	376.25	+ 6.00
Mar	Soybeans	930.00	916.50	925.50	+ 15.75
May	Soybeans	940.50	927.00	936.50	+ 15.75
Jan	BFP Milk	14.50	14.45	14.47	- .02
Feb	BFP Milk	13.95	13.82	13.85	- .05
Mar	BFP Milk	13.47	13.25	13.47	+ .19
Apr	BFP Milk	13.17	12.98	13.17	+ .12
May	BFP Milk	13.43	13.23	13.41	+ .10
Mar	Sugar	29.82	28.88	29.40	+ .12
Apr	Sugar	xx.xx	xx.xx	28.38	+ .14
Mar	B-Pound	1.5992	1.5899	1.5977	+ .0028
Jun	B-Pound	1.5964	1.5903	1.5963	+ .0025
Mar	J-Yen	1.1080	1.0001	1.1066	+ .0032
Jun	J-Yen	1.1075	1.1014	1.1070	+ .0030
Mar	Euro-currency	1.3974	1.3884	1.3964	+ .0044
Jun	Euro-currency	1.3968	1.3885	1.3960	+ .0044
Mar	Canada dollar	.9464	.9396	.9449	+ .0046
Jun	Canada dollar	.9464	.9399	.9451	+ .0049
Mar	U.S. Dollar	79.58	79.14	79.17	- .25
Feb	Comex gold	1118.5	1100.2	1114.1	+ 9.8
Apr	Comex gold	1119.9	1099.5	1114.6	+ 9.6
Mar	Comex silver	16.81	16.56	16.68	+ .02
May	Comex silver	16.82	16.61	16.70	+ .01
Mar	Treasury bond	118.1	117.3	118.1	+ 0.8
Jun	Treasury bond	116.3	116.2	116.3	+ 0.8
Mar	Coffee	135.65	132.20	135.05	+ 2.50
May	Coffee	137.50	134.05	136.95	+ 2.50
Mar	Cocoa	2230	2157	2200	- 16
May	Cocoa	2229	2162	2208	- 17
Mar	Cotton	69.46	68.18	69.26	+ 1.04
May	Cotton	70.89	69.86	70.72	+ .86
Mar	Crude oil	77.39	74.40	77.29	+ 2.86
Mar	Unleaded gas	2.0231	1.9316	2.0205	+ .0884
Mar	Heating oil	2.0372	1.9523	2.0345	+ .0796
Mar	Natural gas	5.538	5.378	5.454	+ .020

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BEANS

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 information 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 Jan. 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-lb. minimum) spot delivery in Twin Falls and Gooding: corn, no quote (Twin Falls only). Prices quoted by JD Heiskell. Prices current Jan. 27.

Intermountain Grain
POCATELLO (AP) – Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Grain Report on Tuesday.
POCATELLO – White wheat 4.05 (steady); 11.5 percent winter 3.97 (up 12); 14 percent spring 5.50 (up 11); barley 5.52 (steady)
BURLEY – White wheat 4.05 (up 5) 11.5 percent winter 4.00 (up 13); 14 percent spring 5.22 (up 11); barley 5.50 (steady)
OGDEN – White wheat 4.18 (up 3); 11.5 percent winter 4.16 (up 12); 14 percent spring 5.53 (up 11); barley 5.92 (down 1)
PORTLAND – White wheat 4.87 (up 2); 11 percent winter n/a; 14 percent spring 6.76 (up 11)
NAMPA – White wheat cwt 6.67 (steady): bushel 4.00 (steady)

CHEESE

Cheddar cheese prices on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Barrels: $1.4725, - .0075; Blocks: $1.5025, - .0075

POTATOES

CHICAGO (AP) – USDA – Major potato markets FOB shipping points Tuesday.
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 5.50.
Baled 5-10 lb film bags (non Size A) 4.50-4.75.
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 13.00.
Round Reds 50-lb cartons Size A Minnesota-N. Dakota 6.50-7.00.

LIVESTOCK

Intermountain Livestock
POCATELLO (AP) – Idaho Farm Bureau Intermountain Livestock Report on Tuesday.
LIVESTOCK AUCTION – Blackfoot Livestock Auction on Friday. Utility and commercial cows 47.00-57.00; canner and cutter 39.00-49.00; heavy feeder steers 85.00-98.00; light feeder steers 92.00-121.00; stocker steers 101.00-123.00; heavy holstein feeder steers n/a; light holstein feeder steers n/a; heavy feeder heifers 80.00-94.00; light feeder heifers 87.00-110.00; stocker heifers 97.00-117.00; bulls 54.00-67.00. Remarks: Cows and feeders cattle steady.

METALS/MONEY

Key currency exchange rates
NEW YORK (AP) – Key currency exchange rates Tuesday, compared with late Monday in New York:

Dollar vs:	Exch. Rate	Pvs Day
Yen	90.38	90.63
Euro	$1.3964	$1.3923
Pound	$1.5978	$1.5961
Swiss franc	1.0551	1.0576
Canadian dollar	1.0596	1.0634
Mexican peso	12.8640	12.9420

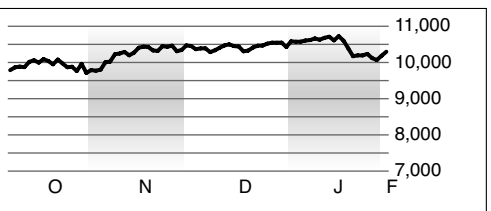
Gold
Selected world gold prices, Tuesday.
London morning fixing: $1114.00 up $27.50.
London afternoon fixing: $1111.00 up $24.50.
NY Handy & Harman: $1111.00 up $24.50.
NY Handy & Harman fabricated: $1199.88 up $26.46.
NY Engelhard: $1113.54 up $24.54.
NY Engelhard fabricated: $1197.05 up $26.38.
NY Merc. gold Feb. $1117.40 up $13.10.
NY HSBC Bank USA 4 p.m. Tue $1116.00 up $9.00.

Silver
NEW YORK (AP) – Handy & Harman silver Tuesday $16.695 up $0.170.
H&H fabricated $20.034 up $0.204.
The morning bullion price for silver in London $16.780 up $0.550.
Engelhard $16.720 up $0.230.
Engelhard fabricated $20.064 up $0.276.
NY Merc silver spot month Tuesday $16.736 up $0.083.

Nonferrous
NEW YORK (AP) – Spot nonferrous metal prices Tue.
Aluminum - $0.9280 per lb., London Metal Exch.
Copper -$3.0273 Cathode full plate, LME.
Copper $3.0850 N.Y. Merc spot Tue.
Lead - $2000.00 metric ton, London Metal Exch.
Zinc - $0.9488 per lb., London Metal Exch.
Gold - $1111.00 Handy & Harman (only daily quote).
Gold - $1117.40 troy oz., NY Merc spot Tue.

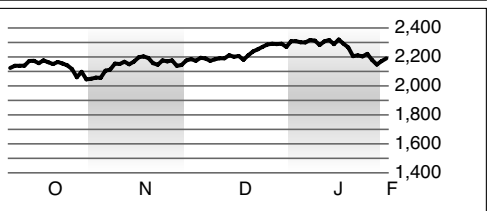
YESTERDAY ON WALL STREET

February 2, 2010
Dow Jones industrials
+111.32
10,296.85



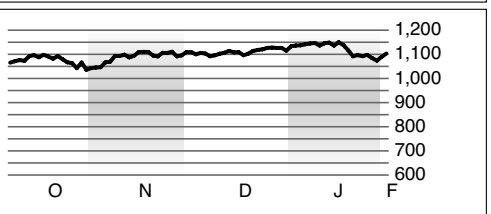
Pct. change from previous: +1.09% High 10,314.84 Low 10,173.59

February 2, 2010
Nasdaq composite
+18.86
2,190.06



Pct. change from previous: +0.87% High 2,193.66 Low 2,161.47

February 2, 2010
Standard & Poor's 500
+14.13
1,103.32



Pct. change from previous: +1.3% High 1,104.73 Low 1,087.96

SOURCE: SunGard AP

On Tuesday, the Dow rose 111.32, or 1.1 percent, to 10,296.85. The Dow's two-day climb of 229.52, or 2.3 percent, is the biggest point and percentage gain since Nov. 4-5.
The S&P 500 index rose 14.13, or 1.3 percent, to 1,103.32, while Nasdaq composite index advanced 18.86, or 0.9 percent, to 2,190.06.
Bond prices rose, pushing yields lower. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note slipped to 3.65 percent from 3.66 percent late Monday.
Crude oil jumped $2.80 to $77.23 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, its biggest one-day gain in four months as stocks advanced and hopes grew that the economy is strengthening. The dollar fell against other major currencies, while gold rose.
The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies rose 4.80, or 0.8 percent, to 614.05.
Britain's FTSE 100 rose 0.7 percent, Germany's DAX index gained 1 percent, and France's CAC-40 rose 1.3 percent. Japan's Nikkei stock average rose 1.6 percent.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Idaho aircraft company announces layoffs

SANDPOINT — Quest Aircraft Co. says it has laid off 22 of its 303 full-time employees in northern Idaho.

Quest CEO Paul Schaller says the slow economy forced the decision.

He says the layoffs began Thursday and continued Friday, and employees will be eligible for rehire when the economy picks up.

Schaller says most of the job cuts were in production, but also include employees in engineering, administration and quality control.

Schaller says the company will continue to produce three Kodiak planes a month, and has a waiting list for the planes of 18 months.

INL plans new buildings in Idaho Falls complex

IDAHO FALLS — The Idaho National Laboratory plans to create a complex in Idaho Falls so that workers will be located closer together rather than spread out over the city.

Dave Hill is the INL Deputy Director for Science and Technology. He says the INL hopes to fill in gaps between buildings over the next five years and make a complete campus.

He says about 4,000 people work in the lab and that space is tight.

Hill says new buildings include a testing demonstration center, a research and education lab, and a cafeteria.

The Idaho Falls City Council is working on plans to rezone some of this area. Council members say a growing lab will help grow the city's economy.

Geithner says economy improved from year ago

WASHINGTON — Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner says the nation's economy is stronger than it was a year ago, yet the government must continue to act to stimulate job growth.

Geithner told the Senate Finance Committee Tuesday that the Obama administration is trying to balance the desire to add jobs with the need to rein in ballooning budget deficits.

President Obama has proposed giving companies a $5,000 tax credit for each new worker they hire in 2010. Businesses that increase wages or hours for their current workers in 2010 would be reimbursed for the extra Social Security payroll taxes they would pay.

MetLife profit falls on higher claims

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — MetLife Inc., a leading life insurance company, says its profit tumbled 70 percent in the fourth quarter as it paid out more in claims and benefits.

The company also confirmed Tuesday that it's in talks with American International Group Inc. about buying the American Life Insurance Company, a unit of AIG.

Rumors surfaced last month about a possible MetLife deal for the AIG unit, which is an international life and health insurance business that operates in more than 50 countries.

MetLife's former CEO, Robert H. Benmosche, became AIG's CEO in August.

For the final three months of the year, MetLife earned $289 million, or 35 cents per share. That compares with $954 million, or $1.20 per share, in the same period a year earlier.

– The Associated Press

FHA

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use taxpayer money to cover the losses — a first for the agency, which has always used the fees it charges borrowers to pay for its losses.

As these loans from 2007 and 2008 go bad and clear off of the FHA's books, agency officials said, losses are expected to taper off, aided by the housing market's anticipated recovery and an influx of more creditworthy borrowers, who have flocked to the FHA's home-buying program in the past year.

Agency officials said they have cracked down on poorly performing lenders and announced higher qualifying fees for borrowers. On Monday, the agency projected that the fees should generate $5.8 billion in fiscal 2011, up from $2 billion this year. That would fatten the FHA's cash cushion, used to cover unexpected losses.

For now, just about every major measure of the agency's financial health is worsening.

The FHA does not make loans but insures lenders against losses. And claims have already spiked. The agency had to pay out on 47 percent more loans in October and November than in the corresponding period a year earlier, according to an FHA report.

The number of loans in foreclosure, including those that have not yet been billed to the agency, has also increased. They were up 26 percent in the last quarter from a year earlier.

FHA Commissioner David Stevens, who joined the agency in July, flagged his agency's troubles with the 2007 and 2008 loans in October, when he told a House panel that "rogue players on the margin'' immediately migrated to the world of FHA lending after the subprime mortgage market collapsed.

Their aggressive lending tactics attracted borrowers with unusually poor credit profiles to the FHA. "That clearly impacted the books of business in 2007 and 2008, and that performance data is showing up very clearly in today's balance sheet,'' Stevens said at the time.

Plunging home prices have exacerbated matters by leaving some FHA borrowers unable to sell or refinance their homes because they owe more than their homes are worth. Yet with unemployment running high, many borrowers can't afford to keep up their payments.

Toyota

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Toyota Motor Sales USA, told reporters. "But it doesn't necessarily mean that we have lost our edge on quality. But we do have to be vigilant. We have to redouble our efforts to make sure this doesn't happen again.''

Earl Stewart, who owns a Toyota dealership in North Palm Beach, Florida, and had been critical of delays in getting repair parts to dealers, said he was happy with the fix. He said he was reassured that it had been tested by independent engineers, not just Toyota's.

"You never say you're absolutely sure about anything, but I feel that this is probably the answer,'' he said.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 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.

Others, meanwhile, say consumers are still likely to be smarting.

Toshirou Yoshinaga, analyst at Aizawa Securities in Tokyo, said Toyota failed to move quickly enough.

"The top management should have gone public sooner to address the American public,'' he said. "The trust in Japanese quality, in Toyota, has been shaken.''

However, an ABC News poll found that 63 percent of Americans still rate Toyota favorably overall, and 72 percent see the gas-pedal problem as an isolated incident. About a quarter of people surveyed said the recall makes them less likely to buy a Toyota car. The poll was conducted by telephone Jan. 28-31 and sampled 1,012 adults. It had a margin of error of 4 percentage points.

Liquor

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from a long decline from the 1980s through the mid-'90s, when liquor sales fell by a third as drinkers turned to beer. Since then, an ever-increasing array of expensive liquors have fueled rapid growth.

The industry's goal to keep people drinking spirits — no matter the price — and it can then get them to pay for higher-priced drinks when the economy recovers. Most major liquor manufacturers make brands in a variety of price ranges. For example, industry giant Diageo plc, based in London, makes vodka brand ranging from cheap Popov to mid-priced Smirnoff to expensive Ketel One and Ciroc.

Mintel's Holleran expects people to start going out more this year, as they get bored staying home and want to treat themselves to little luxuries — like a night out. "You want to go out and have someone do all the work for you,'' Holleran said.

Of course, switching brands isn't the only way to economize.

Matt McCluskey, a 28-year-old researcher in Santa Monica, Calif., started buying most of his alcohol at Costco, trying to save money by buying bigger bottles. Now he spends $36 for 1.75 liters of Maker's Mark bourbon, rather than $25 for less than half that at his local liquor store.

"It's a lot harder to pour. That's the only drawback,'' he said.

Military brass supports ending 'don't ask, don't tell' policy

By Rick Montgomery
McClatchy Newspapers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Don't ask, don't tell and don't expect the military to change overnight.

But at least for the next several months, do expect men and women serving in violation of the ban on homosexuality to be treated "in a fairer manner" should others out them, Defense Secretary Robert Gates told a Senate panel Tuesday.

So the question, said experts sizing up the debate, no longer is will openly gay men and lesbians be allowed to wear the uniform for the first time in U.S. history, but when.

Following up on President Barack Obama's pledge last week to sign a repeal of the 1993 law establishing "Don't ask, don't tell," the Pentagon brass broadly outlined plans for undoing it. But the repeal, if Congress goes along, could take years to implement — after a military review panel takes up to a year exploring the best course, officials said.

Gay-rights advocates hope to press legislators into swift action. The repeal of "don't ask, don't tell" has growing public support — if it deeply cleaves some veterans groups — and affects perhaps 65,000 gay persons estimated by some researchers to be in active duty or the reserves.

On Wednesday, the advocacy group Human Rights Campaign ramps up a $2 million publicity blitz, "Voices of Honor," focusing on media markets that reach key congressional districts.

Missouri's 4th District is seen as a crucial front because U.S. Rep. Ike Skelton, the Democrat who leads the House Armed Services Committee, supports keeping the law as it is.

"There is a generational divide between Congressman Skelton — between those who served in the 20th century — and those serving in the current century," said Kevin Nix of the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network, which represents people facing discharges based on their sexual orientation.

About 13,000 active-duty troops and reservists have been fired under the law since President Bill Clinton signed it early in his administration.

Back then, polls showed that fewer than half of Americans favored allowing gays to serve. A Gallup poll last spring showed support for gays serving openly had increased to 75 percent.

Nevada lawmakers lash out at Obama over second anti-Vegas remark

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Nevada lawmakers lashed out at President Obama on Tuesday after he made another reference to Las Vegas while explaining how people should make tough choices on spending.

The issue is sensitive to Sin City because its economy is largely based on tourism, and several lawmakers said they were shocked that Obama singled out Las Vegas again after commenting one year ago about bailed-out banks holding meetings here.

"When times are tough, you tighten your belts," Obama said, according to a White House transcript of his appearance Tuesday at a high school in North Nashua, N.H.

"You don't go buying a boat when you can barely pay your mortgage," Obama said. "You don't blow a bunch of cash on Vegas when you're trying to save for college. You prioritize. You make tough choices."

The comments quickly sparked a flurry of reaction from federal, state and local lawmakers in the Silver State, which had an unemployment rate of 13 percent in December.

"I'll do everything I can to give him the boot," Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman said during a hastily called news conference, adding that he was incensed when he heard about the comments and said he would no longer welcome the president here if he visits.

"This president is a real slow learner," said Goodman, who is not affiliated with a political party.

"Enough is enough!" Democratic Congresswoman Shelley Berkley said in a statement. "President Obama needs to stop picking on Las Vegas and he needs to let Americans decide for themselves how and where to spend their hard-earned vacation dollars."

Nevada's economy has been hit hard with foreclosures, unemployment and bankruptcies during the past two years as consumers everywhere tighten leisure spending and companies spend less on meetings and conventions.

Intel chief says Al-Qaida likely to attempt attack

WASHINGTON (AP) — Al-Qaida can be expected to attempt an attack on the United States in the next three to six months, senior U.S. intelligence officials told Congress Tuesday.

The terrorist organization is deploying operatives to the United States to carry out new attacks from inside the country, including "clean" recruits with a negligible trail of terrorist contacts, CIA Director Leon Panetta said. The chilling warning comes as Christmas Day airline attack suspect Umar Farouk Abdulmutullab is cooperating with federal investigators, a federal law enforcement official said Tuesday.

Al-Qaida is also inspiring homegrown extremists to trigger violence on their own, Panetta said.

The annual assessment of the nation's terror threats provided no startling new terror trends, but amplified growing concerns since the Christmas Day airline attack in Detroit that militants are growing harder to detect and moving more quickly in their plots.

"The biggest threat is not so much that we face an attack like 9/11. It is that al-Qaida is adapting its methods in ways that oftentimes make it difficult to detect," Panetta told the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Several senators tangled over whether suspected terrorists should be tried in civilian or military court. At the same time, a group of bipartisan lawmakers introduced legislation that would force the Obama administration to backtrack on its plans to try Sept. 11 defendants in federal court in New York and use military tribunals instead.

As al-Qaida presses new terror plots, it is increasingly relying on new recruits with minimal training and simple devices to carry out attacks, Panetta said as part of the terror assessment to Congress.

AROUND THE NATION

ILLINOIS

1st primary of year sets up showdown

CHICAGO — Illinois Democrats in the nation's first primary picked candidates to defend the governor's office and a U.S. Senate seat from the onslaught of a Republican Party eager to exploit Democratic disarray in President Obama's home state.

The targets include the Senate seat Obama held before moving to the White House. Mark Kirk, a moderate five-term congressman, easily won the Republican nomination.

The race appeared to be much closer on the Democratic side, with Illinois Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias slightly ahead of former prosecutor David Hoffman.

Losing the Senate seat in the increasingly Democratic-leaning state would be a bigger personal embarrassment for Obama than Republican Scott Brown's upset victory last month in Massachusetts, which took away the late Edward M. Kennedy's Senate seat.

CALIFORNIA

Cadmium found in adult jewelry; 1 store pulls item

LOS ANGELES — Concern about the heavy metal cadmium in jewelry grew Tuesday as a California environmental group said new testing of adult necklaces and bracelets bought at three leading retailers, including Saks Fifth Avenue and Aeropostale, detected high levels of the toxic material — as much as 75 percent by weight.

One of the pieces was made in China and another was made in India. Labeling on a black-colored link necklace, purchased at Saks for $69.99, did not indicate where it was made.

Based on the results of its testing, the Center for Environmental Health said it would seek a ban on cadmium in all jewelry.

The center said it began lab testing adult jewelry for cadmium after an Associated Press investigation reported last month that pieces of cheap children's jewelry imported from China contained levels of cadmium of up to 91 percent of their total content.

FLORIDA

Cops link woman to lotto winner's death

TAMPA — A woman who befriended a Florida lottery winner who later went missing was charged Tuesday in connection with his slaying, five days after his body was found buried in her backyard.

Dorice "DeeDee" Moore, 37, was charged as an accessory after the fact to first-degree murder in the slaying of Abraham Shakespeare, Hillsborough County Sheriff David Gee said. Moore has denied hurting Shakespeare, 43. No one else has been charged.

"I won't say we have identified all of the players involved," said Hillsborough County Sheriff David Gee. "We're going to find out everyone that was involved. We're going to seek justice."

Moore's arrest is another twist in the monthslong, bizarre case.

Detectives said Shakespeare was killed on April 6 or 7, 2009, at a home in a rural town east of Tampa. He was buried, officials said, at the home next door, which according to property records, was purchased by Moore and listed in the name of her boyfriend.

Investigators said in an affidavit released Tuesday that Moore asked an unnamed witness if he knew anyone who was awaiting sentencing to prison and would be willing to take the rap for killing Shakespeare in exchange for $50,000.

— The Associated Press

NEW YORK

U.S. study shows drop in child abuse

NEW YORK — A massive new federal study documents an unprecedented and dramatic decrease in incidents of serious child abuse, especially sexual abuse. Experts hailed the findings as proof that crackdowns and public awareness campaigns had made headway.

An estimated 553,000 children suffered physical, sexual or emotional abuse in 2005-06, down 26 percent from the estimated 743,200 abuse victims in 1993, the study found.

"It's the first time since we started collecting data about these things that we've seen substantial declines over a long period, and that's tremendously encouraging," said professor David Finkelhor of the University of New Hampshire, a leading researcher in the field of child abuse.

"It does suggest that the mobilization around this issue is helping and it's a problem that is amenable to solutions," he said.

The findings were contained in the fourth installment of the National Incidence Study of Child Abuse and Neglect, a congressionally mandated study that has been conducted periodically by the Department of Health and Human Services.

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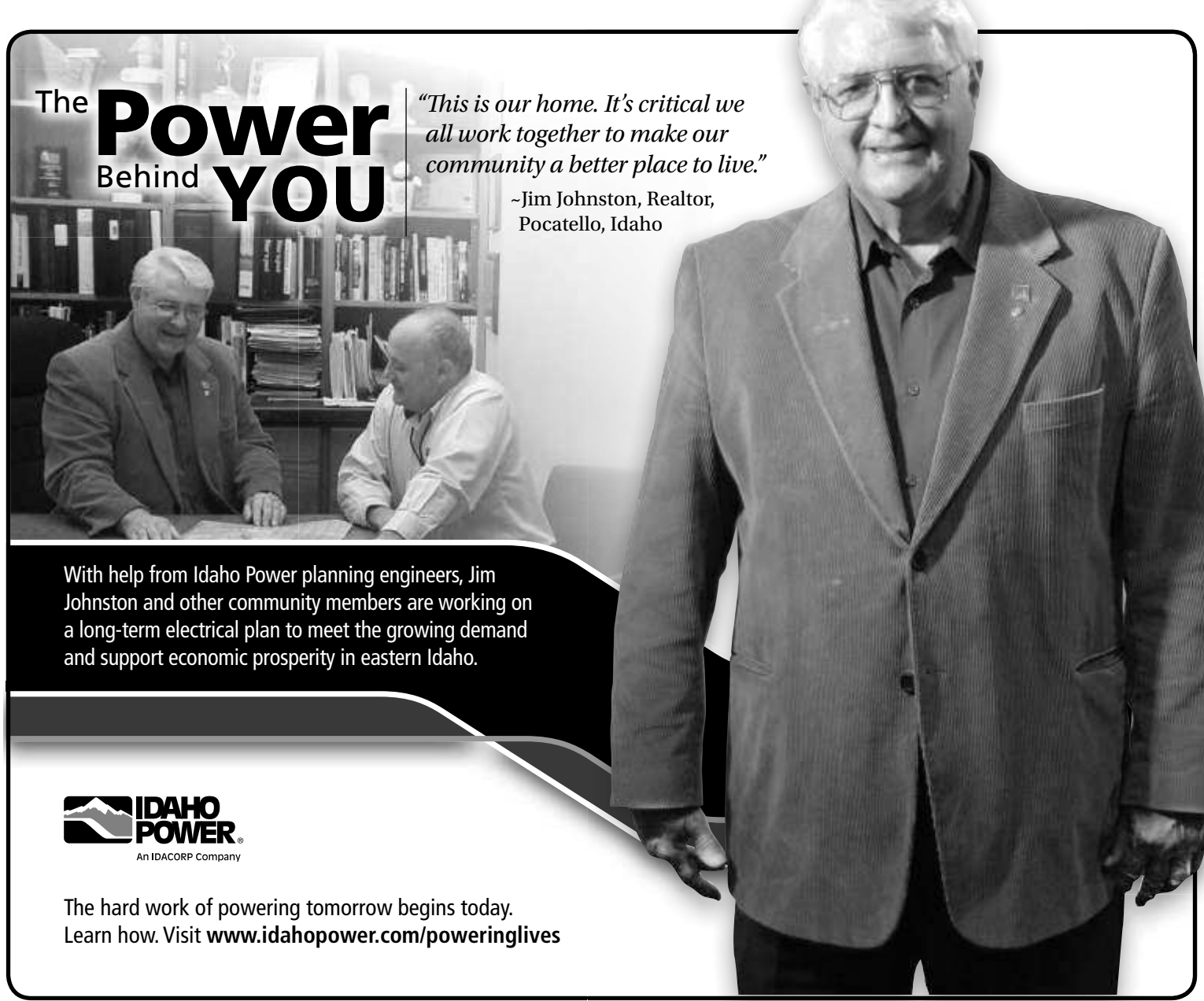


BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Developing light snow. Highs, 30s.

Tonight: Snow tapering off. Lows, 20s.

Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy. Highs, 30s.

ALMANAC - BURLEY

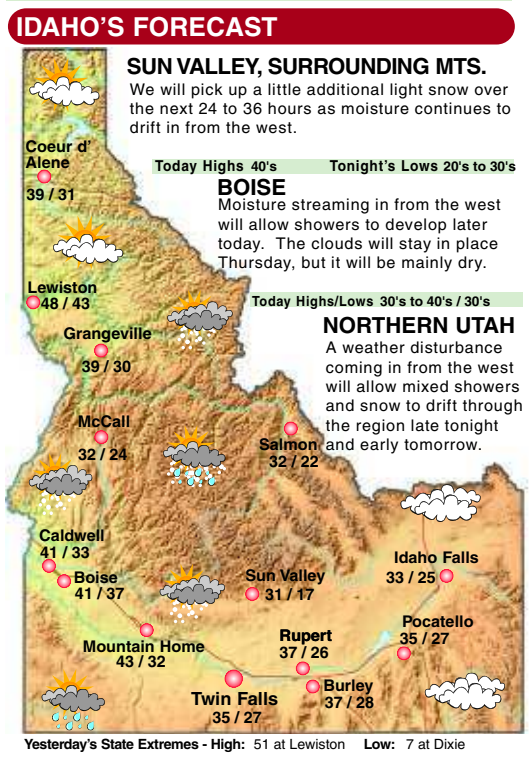
Temperature

Yesterday's High	38°
Yesterday's Low	20°
Normal High / Low	36° / 17°
Record High	56° in 1987
Record Low	-19° in 1950

Precipitation

Yesterday's	0.00"
Month to Date	0.00"
Avg. Month to Date	0.05"
Water Year to Date	2.29"
Avg. Water Year to Date	3.89"

IDAHO'S FORECAST



SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

We will pick up a little additional light snow over the next 24 to 36 hours as moisture continues to drift in from the west.

Today Highs 40's Tonight's Lows 20's to 30's

BOISE

Moisture streaming in from the west will allow showers to develop later today. The clouds will stay in place Thursday, but it will be mainly dry.

Today Highs/Lows 30's to 40's / 30's

NORTHERN UTAH

A weather disturbance coming in from the west will allow mixed showers and snow to drift through the region late tonight and early tomorrow.

Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 51 at Lewiston **Low:** 7 at Dixie

weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, mc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers,r-rain, sn-snow, fl-flurries, w-wind, m-missing

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Snow showers	Snow ending	Partly cloudy	More clouds than precip.	Cloudy, likely dry	Partly to mostly cloudy
High 35°	Low 27°	41° / 23°	42° / 32°	42° / 32°	43° / 28°

Yesterday's Weather

City	Hi	Lo	Prcp
Boise	46	32	0.00"
Challis	35	13	0.00"
Coeur d' Alene	39	34	0.07"
Idaho Falls	31	18	0.00"
Jerome	37	22	0.00"
Lewiston	51	38	0.07"
Lowell	51	39	0.05"
Malad City	n/a	n/a	n/a"
Malta	36	21	n/a"
Pocatello	35	22	0.00"
Rexburg	32	12	0.00"
Salmon	34	16	0.00"
Stanley	33	8	0.00"
Sun Valley	36	13	0.00"

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature

Yesterday's High	39°
Yesterday's Low	24°
Normal High / Low	36° / 19°
Record High	59° in 1992
Record Low	-16° in 1996

Precipitation

Yesterday's	0.00"
Month to Date	0.00"
Avg. Month to Date	0.07"
Water Year to Date	3.30"
Avg. Water Year to Date	4.42"

Humidity

Yesterday's High	81%
Yesterday's Low	55%
Today's Forecast Avg.	78%

Barometric Pressure

5 pm Yesterday 29.89 in.

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

Temperature & Precipitation valid through 5 pm yesterday

Sunrise and Sunset

Today	Sunrise: 7:50 AM	Sunset: 5:54 PM
Thursday	Sunrise: 7:49 AM	Sunset: 5:56 PM
Friday	Sunrise: 7:47 AM	Sunset: 5:57 PM
Saturday	Sunrise: 7:46 AM	Sunset: 5:58 PM
Sunday	Sunrise: 7:46 AM	Sunset: 6:00 PM

Moon Phases

Last	New	First	Full
Feb. 6	Feb. 14	Feb. 22	Feb. 28

Moonrise and Moonset

Today	Moonrise: 11:58 PM	Moonset: 9:52 AM
Thursday	Moonrise: none	Moonset: 10:20 AM
Friday	Moonrise: 1:09 AM	Moonset: 10:52 AM

Today's U. V. Index

3

Low Moderate High

1 3 5 7 10

The higher the index the more sun protection needed

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REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W	Friday Hi	Lo	W
Boise	41	37	r	47	34	pc	45	34	r
Bonners Ferry	39	28	r	41	31	r	39	31	r
Burley	37	28	mx	35	24	mx	43	24	mx
Challis	32	19	sn	32	20	mx	36	20	ls
Coeur d' Alene	39	31	r	42	31	r	40	31	r
Elko, NV	37	18	sn	37	26	pc	36	26	mx
Eugene, OR	49	37	th	48	41	r	52	41	r
Gooding	39	32	sn	39	30	mx	39	30	ls
Grace	34	24	sn	34	22	sn	35	22	ls
Hagerman	42	33	r	43	31	pc	44	31	r
Hailey	35	21	mx	33	21	sn	36	21	ls
Idaho Falls	33	25	mc	27	23	sn	34	23	ls
Kalispell, MT	36	24	mc	34	20	mc	36	20	c
Jerome	38	30	sn	39	28	mx	39	28	ls
Lewiston	48	43	r	47	35	mc	42	35	r
Malad City	37	24	mx	31	23	mx	35	23	ls
Malta	40	27	mx	40	27	mx	42	27	mx
McCall	32	24	sn	34	23	sn	36	23	ls
Missoula, MT	34	27	r	38	24	r	37	24	mx
Pocatello	35	27	mx	34	27	mx	40	27	ls
Portland, OR	50	39	th	49	41	r	52	41	r
Rupert	37	26	mx	37	25	mx	41	25	mx
Rexburg	33	22	mc	31	21	sn	32	21	ls
Richland, WA	46	35	r	46	32	r	50	32	r
Rogerson	36	23	sn	36	24	sn	36	24	ls
Salmon	32	22	mx	31	22	mx	34	22	mx
Salt Lake City, UT	39	27	mc	40	27	ls	39	27	mx
Spokane, WA	43	33	r	46	34	r	45	34	r
Stanley	35	17	sn	32	14	sn	35	14	ls
Sun Valley	31	17	sn	31	16	sn	33	16	ls
Yellowstone, MT	27	7	mc	26	6	ls	27	6	mc

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	54	37	su	49	36	r
Atlantic City	42	26	pc	40	29	pc
Baltimore	39	24	pc	40	24	pc
Billings	36	24	pc	32	21	ls
Birmingham	54	38	pc	51	40	r
Boston	33	23	c	32	18	su
Charleston, SC	59	42	pc	54	47	r
Charleston, WV	38	26	pc	41	28	pc
Chicago	33	28	mc	35	28	mc
Cleveland	33	25	sn	37	25	pc
Denver	53	24	pc	44	27	mc
Des Moines	30	23	pc	35	25	hs
Detroit	34	23	sn	34	20	pc
El Paso	55	39	r	57	39	r
Fairbanks	-5	-22	pc	-9	-20	pc
Fargo	19	8	mc	21	14	pc
Honolulu	74	63	su	75	66	su
Houston	51	46	r	50	43	r
Indianapolis	37	25	pc	40	28	pc
Jacksonville	63	49	pc	65	56	r
Kansas City	40	32	pc	40	28	mx
Las Vegas	59	45	r	60	43	pc
Little Rock	48	35	pc	42	37	r
Los Angeles	63	52	pc	62	54	r
Memphis	46	33	pc	44	38	r
Miami	75	65	pc	78	70	pc
Milwaukee	29	21	pc	31	26	mx
Nashville	46	28	pc	47	37	r
New Orleans	57	49	pc	64	54	th
New York	36	28	ls	38	25	su
Oklahoma City	46	33	r	44	32	r
Omaha	31	24	pc	34	24	mx
Orlando	69	55	pc	75	60	r
Philadelphia	43	27	pc	41	23	pc
Phoenix	63	50	th	67	49	pc
Portland, ME	50	39	th	49	41	r
Raleigh	50	28	su	48	32	pc
Rapid City	39	16	pc	37	18	mx
Reno	43	30	r	47	36	r
Sacramento	54	44	r	51	46	r
St. Louis	39	28	pc	41	30	mc
St.Paul	24	16	mc	31	21	ls
Salt Lake City	39	27	mc	40	27	ls
San Diego	61	53	pc	62	53	pc
San Francisco	51	44	r	55	48	r
Seattle	50	39	th	49	41	r
Tucson	60	47	th	63	47	r
Washington, DC	42	27	pc	41	26	pc

WORLD FORECAST

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Tomorrow Hi	Lo	W
Acapulco	84	71	r	75	72	r
Athens	46	43	sn	53	49	pc
Auckland	74	58	pc	73	54	r
Bangkok	91	77	r	84	77	r
Beijing	28	16	pc	28	18	pc
Berlin	33	24	sn	33	24	pc
Buenos Aires	83	74	th	85	75	th
Cairo	64	44	r	55	40	r
Dhahran	84	71	pc	82	60	pc
Geneva	35	25	ls	39	31	ls
Hong Kong	70	69	pc	70	69	pc
Jerusalem	56	43	r	49	44	r
Johannesburg	78	58	r	79	59	r
Kuwait City	72	58	r	71	49	pc
London	42	39	ls	46	36	pc
Mexico City	53	47	r	51	45	r
Moscow	30	9	pc	27	3	pc
Nairobi	82	56	r	77	55	r
Oslo	26	24	ls	29	23	ls
Paris	48	35	r	45	38	pc
Prague	34	12	sn	27	23	pc
Rio de Jane	90	71	th	89	70	pc
Rome	52	49	pc	55	50	pc
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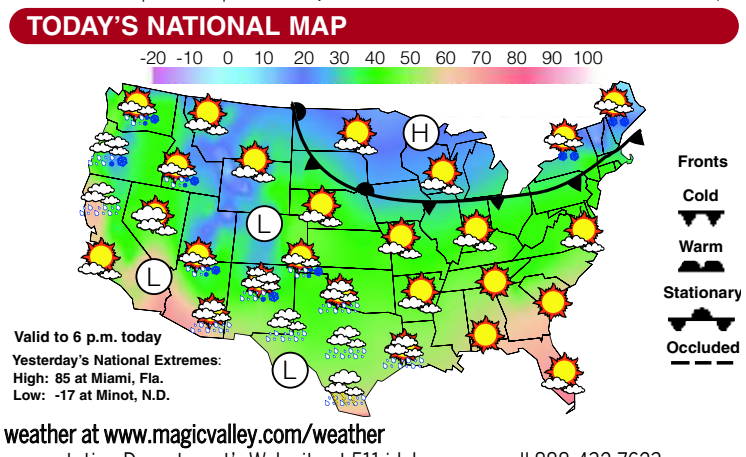

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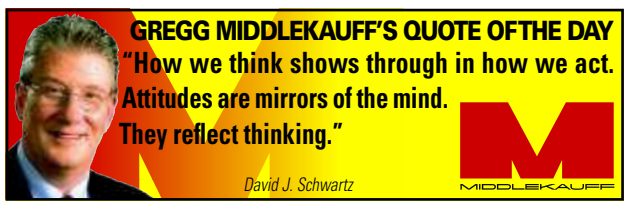

GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"How we think shows through in how we act. Attitudes are mirrors of the mind. They reflect thinking."

David J. Schwartz

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Punxsutawney Phil, right, is held by Ben Hughes after emerging from his burrow Tuesday on Gobblers Knob in Punxsutawney, Pa., to see his shadow and forecast six more weeks of winter weather.

AP photo

Punxsutawney Phil's text: Better late than never

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pa. (AP) — Punxsutawney Phil might be an expert at shadow spotting, but texting? Not so much.

About two hours after the famous groundhog "saw'' his shadow and predicted six more weeks of winter, the rodent's inaugural stab at texting appeared. Phil also sent a Twitter update at about that time.

Officials with the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club didn't immediately return calls about Phil's texting skills.

German tradition holds that if a hibernating animal sees its shadow on Feb. 2 — the Christian holiday of Candlemas — winter will last another six weeks. If no shadow is seen, legend says spring will come early.

The Inner Circle annually announces Phil's forecast at dawn on Gobbler's Knob, about 65 miles northeast of Pittsburgh.

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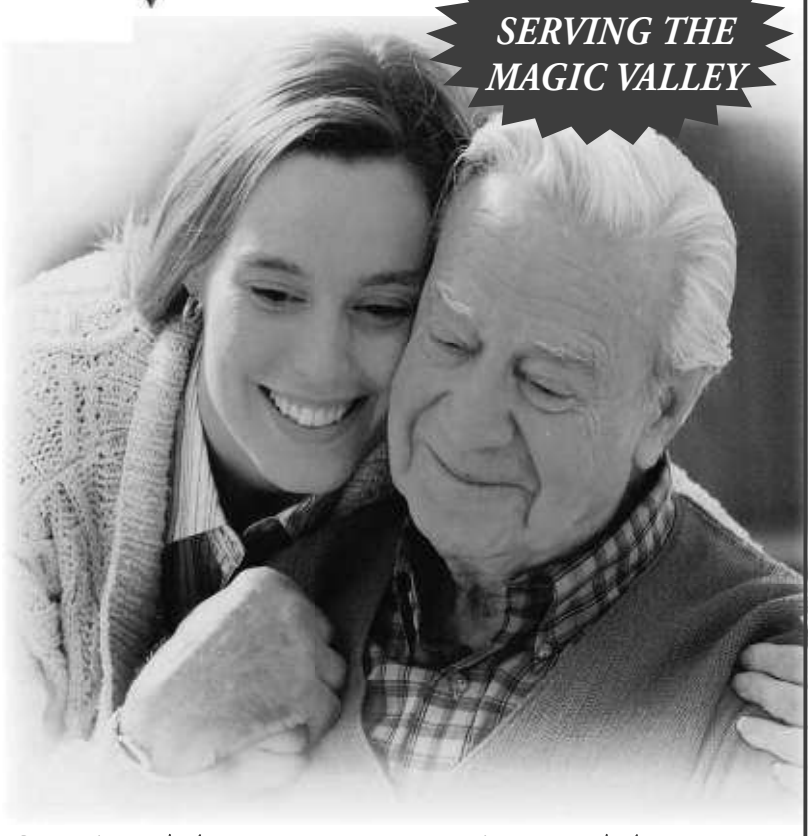

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Beeyoutiful

College of Southern Idaho baking students' bite-sized cake is packed with moist chocolate and layers of flavor.

CSI culinary students build dainty desserts

By Melissa Davlin
Times-News writer

It took 50 pounds of chopped chocolate, 1,157 marzipan bees and dozens of corny bee jokes, but it all paid off.

Students in the College of Southern Idaho's baking and pastry program spent weeks preparing for the fifth annual Death by Chocolate, a charity fundraiser by Twin Falls' Rotary Club. The students collaborated to create an entry that stood out in both taste and appearance.

Their entry in the tasting event's cake category — made with three tiny, tapered tiers of cake — resembled a beehive.

"It's the same type of cake you use to make petit fours with," student Laura Todd said. "It's a very moist cake."

Orange honey cream sat between the layers, and the whole creation was covered in ganache made from tempered chocolate. The cake rested on a crisp chocolate cookie and was adorned with white chocolate honeycomb and marzipan bees.

Tempered chocolate has been heated and cooled to exact temperatures, which fosters even crystallization, a glossy appearance and the best working conditions.

It was a long process, Todd said, especially because the school doesn't have a tempering machine or marble slats, which are normally used to temper chocolate. So Todd had to temper by hand both the dark and white chocolates for the ganache and garnish, standing at a double boiler and stirring constantly for 45 minutes. She made sure not to stir too fast, or the chocolate would seize up.

Across the room, Bridgette Dahlstrom and Brittany Phillips were hunched over the white chocolate honeycombs and tiny marzipan bees. The bees were made from almond paste and painted with chocolate and edible gold, Phillips said. Wings of almond slivers were affixed to the top, and dots of white chocolate attached the bees to the honeycomb. Each bee looked slightly different, giving the dessert more character.

The students made the honeycomb with white chocolate spread onto bubble wrap. When the chocolate dried, they punched out the thin bubbles, leaving perfect holes. They broke the honeycomb into uneven, organic pieces.

Dahlstrom and Phillips spent every school day for two weeks in the kitchen, forming and painting bees. The final total was 1,157, plus test bees to figure out the right size and shape. About 100 of the final bees were rejected for having loose wings or other defects; many of those would decorate the table where the desserts were served.

Photos by MEAGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

'Bees comin' through!' Brittany Phillips, a baking student at the College of Southern Idaho, glides through the college kitchen with a tray of fragile bees made of marzipan and almonds.

College of Southern Idaho students Addie Cahall, left, Zealanda Adams and Teah Drayton prepare hives which consist of a creamy filling and layers of moist chocolate cake, topped by chocolate ganache.

Addie Cahall points out a missed spot as Angela Lee pours chocolate ganache over the hives.

Bridgette Dahlstrom concentrates as she adds a sweet and sticky paste to the bottom of a marzipan-and-almond bee before it is attached to white chocolate honeycomb.

When Phillips and Dahlstrom finished connecting the bees and honeycomb, they took them to "the hive" — an office where finished bees waited for the event. As they put the bees in place, student Vickie Stone explained how the previous two weeks had been filled with bee-related jokes and word plays.

"We listened to (radio station 99.9) The Buzz," Stone said.

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On Thursday, the night of the Death By Chocolate competition, the students decorated their serving table with a chocolate-covered paper lantern, tiny marzipan bees and a giant marzipan queen bee with delicate chocolate wings. Students took turns serving attendees and explaining the parts of the chocolate hive, and Todd lost her voice from shouting over the music and announcements.

Dahlstrom and Phillips said most of the feedback they received was positive. Lots of people said the desserts were too adorable to eat, and some asked if they were even edible.

Holly Anderson of Twin Falls was impressed.

"Those are so cute," she said as Dahlstrom plated a hive for her.

April Johnson of Twin Falls

See **CHOCOLATE**, Food 3

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WATCH video of pastry students at work in a College of Southern Idaho kitchen, crafting their beehive dessert.

CHASING CHOCOLATE

Didn't make it to Death by Chocolate? You can still taste the wares from College of Southern Idaho culinary students at program-operated The Desert Cafe, open from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, starting Feb. 10.

The cafe is in the Desert Building on the CSI campus. Each day's three-course menu will conclude with desserts from the college's new baking and pastry program.

INSIDE

See who took top honors in each division at the annual Death by Chocolate event.

See Food 3

How to stockpile for the long haul

COUPON QUEEN
Jill Cataldo

"I am enjoying your columns so much. I must tell you about my experience with Yes detergent. I have been using it for years. I only buy on sale and I had a lot in the garage. Last month I saw that I was down to 5 packages of Yes. It hasn't been on sale in a long while, so I looked at the store to see the current price. I couldn't find any Yes on the shelf so I called the manufacturer and found out that it was discontinued — in November of 2007! That's how long it's been since I last bought detergent. I do dread looking for a new brand, but if I hadn't stockpiled, I would have been without my favorite brand long ago."

This e-mail from a reader made me smile for several reasons. One, I can absolutely relate to having several years' worth of laundry detergent in the house! Two, while it's never fun to have a favorite product taken off the market, there certainly are times as shoppers when we're less aware of brands and product varieties coming and going, simply because we're "shopping at home" from what we've stocked up on.

When we stockpile, we typically buy what our household will use during the next 12 weeks — statistically speaking, the sale prices will cycle around again at that point and we can go buy more at a very inexpensive price. But what about those mega stock-ups, when you come across a wonderful sale where things are ridiculously cheap? Do the guidelines go out the window?

For me, any time something is at an extremely low price and is a truly nonperishable item (paper products and cleaners especially) I will stock up beyond the typical 12-weeks' worth. As long as I have the space in the house or garage, I'll buy just about as much as I can store and use.

Almost nine months ago, I came across a great deal on paper towels. By stacking a store and manufacturer coupon and taking advantage of a money-back store promotion, I took home eight-roll packs of paper towels for $1.50 each. That worked out to about 19 cents per roll. So, I gathered up my coupons and bought eight eight-roll packs. Yes, 64 rolls of paper towels do take up a lot of space. But the average roll usually sells for about $1 on sale with a coupon. So those paper towels are currently stashed on a shelf in our garage. They won't expire, so I bought as many as we had room to store.

This works especially well for canned foods and items with long shelf lives, too.

Incidentally, discontinued products and packaging changes can also result in big savings. One of my favorite sales happened during a packaging change for diapers — a great time to buy, because they will be reduced to clear. Store coupons took the price down to $1.49 a pack, and the diapers were also part of a larger "Buy 3 baby items, get $5 off your next purchase" promotion. So, for every three packs of diapers I bought, I got a $5 Catalina coupon. Well, three packs of diapers were just $4.47. With tax, I paid $5.31 for three packs and also got that $5 coupon good for anything on my next shopping trip.

I bought enough diapers at less than 12 cents a pack to hopefully get my youngest out of them completely.

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

A satisfying meatless entree

By Bonnie S. Benwick
The Washington Post

Chances are you haven't had eggs quite like this. The dish makes a satisfying meatless main. It comes together so easily that you'll have time to make a tangy-sweet cilantro-jalapeno sauce as well.

Serve with warm nan and/or baked sweet potato wedges.

You may have some leftover cilantro-jalapeno sauce, which can be covered and refrigerated for up to 2 days (it will darken slightly over time). Adapted from "Lucid Food: Cooking for an Eco-Conscious Life," by Louisa Shafia (Ten Speed Press, 2009).

INDIAN SPICED SCRAMBLED EGGS

4 to 6 servings

1 bunch cilantro
1 medium-to-large jalapeno pepper
2 tablespoons honey
5 tablespoons olive oil
1 or 2 limes
Salt
1 large (8 ounces) Yukon Gold potato
2 cups cauliflower florets
1 medium yellow onion
1-inch piece peeled ginger root
1 tablespoon ground coriander
2 teaspoons ground cumin
1 tablespoon mustard seeds
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground turmeric
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
6 large eggs
2 tablespoons water (may substitute milk for a richer taste)

Wash and dry the cilantro. Cut enough of the leaves and tender stems to yield 2 cups, and place in the jar of a blender. Stem and seed the jalapeno pepper, then coarsely chop and add to the blender along with the honey and 1 tablespoon of the oil. Cut the lime(s) in half and squeeze into the blender (about 3 tablespoons' worth). Add a pinch of salt and blend on low speed to combine, then on high speed to form a sauce. Taste; adjust seasoning or add juice as needed. Transfer to a bowl or small pitcher, such as a creamer. The yield will be 3/4 cup.

Cut the potato into 1/2-inch cubes; place them in a medium saucepan and cover with salted water. Bring to a boil over high heat. Cook for 4 minutes.

While the potato is cooking, cut the cauliflower into bite-size (or smaller) pieces, and cut the onion into small dice to yield 1 cup. Grate the ginger to yield 1 tablespoon.

Add the cauliflower to the potato; after the water returns to a boil, cook the cauliflower for 1 minute. Drain the vegetables in a colander.

Heat a large skillet, preferably cast-iron, over medium-high heat. Add 2 tablespoons of the oil, then add the onion and cook for 5 minutes, stirring often, until softened. Add the cooked cauliflower and potato, coriander, ginger, cumin, mustard seeds, cinnamon, turmeric, cayenne pepper and a pinch of salt, stirring to mix well. Reduce the heat to medium and cook for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Transfer the mixture to a medium bowl and cover to keep warm while you prepare the eggs.

Crack the eggs into a mixing bowl; add the water and 1/2 teaspoon of salt. Whisk for 2 minutes, until quite foamy.

Return the skillet to the stove over medium-high heat. Add the remaining 2 tablespoons of oil. Pour in the eggs and let them set slightly before stirring. Use a spatula to gently push the eggs toward the center of the skillet, tilting the skillet as needed to evenly distribute any egg that is not quite set. As soon as the eggs are barely firm, turn them over and cook for 15 to 20 seconds. Remove from the heat.

Return the vegetable mixture to the skillet and stir gently to incorporate into the eggs. Divide among individual plates; drizzle with a tablespoon or two of cilantro-jalapeno sauce and serve hot.

Per serving (based on 6): 260 calories, 9 g protein, 19 g carbohydrates, 17 g fat, 3 g saturated fat, 212 mg cholesterol, 86 mg sodium, 3 g dietary fiber, 8 g sugar.

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BE READY FOR THE BIG GAME

For Super Bowl party, think tiny pizza sliders

By Ryan King
For The Associated Press

Don't let burgers have all the fun. With sliders — tiny hamburgers easily noshed in a bite or two — all the rage, offer up a platter of pizza sliders at your Super Bowl party this year.

Not only are pizza sliders a natural party food, they also are easily assembled in just minutes and cook even faster. Best yet, they can be prepared in advance, then baked off as needed.

Since pizza topping are a pretty personal choice, we'll skip a formal recipe for this one and just offer up tips on the method.

A 1-pound bag of prepared pizza dough from the grocer will make about 36 to 40 mini pizzas, depending on how many times you reroll the scraps. Start by letting the dough come to room temperature; this makes it easier to roll.

Roll out the dough on a lightly floured surface, then use a 2-inch round biscuit cutter to cut circles of dough. The scraps can be rerolled, but the more times you do this the tougher the dough is to work with. This results in thicker rounds (which are tasty, but not as attractive).

Arrange the circles on a lightly oiled baking sheet. Top each with 1 teaspoon of tomato sauce, shredded cheese and whatever toppings (finely chopped) you desire. For interest, make a mix.

Bake the pizzas at 500 degrees for about 6 minutes, then serve immediately.

AP photo
Bite-sized pizza sliders are perfect for a Super Bowl gathering. Prepared in advance, they can be quickly baked in a hot oven as they are needed while the game plays out.

AP photo
Fast to make and cheap to serve, a few big subs will serve all your friends at your Super Bowl gathering. Warm Italian Party Sub, foreground, and Warm Pastrami Party Sub are toasted in the oven and served warm.

Want to feed a Super Bowl crowd fast? Think subs

By Ryan King
For The Associated Press

If you're looking to feed a Super Bowl crowd fast and cheap, giant subs are the way to go. Depending on how much other food you plan to serve, one 24-inch sub can make as many as 12 servings. And it takes just minutes to assemble.

Alternatively, and for even less effort, set up a sub buffet — a variety of rolls, deli sliced meats and cheeses, roasted and fresh vegetables, and a bunch of condiments — then let your guests assemble their own. You even could turn on the oven for guests who want their subs heated.

Consider these easy recipes for giant Italian and pastrami subs just a jumping-off point. Head to the deli, buy whatever meats and cheeses inspire, then head home and create.

If you have a little extra time, you also could marinate and roast some vegetables the night before. These make a great addition to warm or cold subs. For an easy marinade, use a bottle of balsamic vinaigrette salad dressing.

WARM ITALIAN PARTY SUB

Start to finish: 20 minutes. Servings: 12.

24-inch baguette, halved lengthwise
8 deli slices ham
8 slices prosciutto
8 slices mortadella
8 slices salami
8 large slices pepperoni
2 large tomatoes, sliced
1 large green bell pepper, thinly sliced
1 small red onion, thinly sliced
1/4 cup sweet banana pepper slices
8 deli slices provolone cheese
1 cup shredded iceberg lettuce
3 tablespoons oil and vinegar salad dressing

Heat the oven to 350 degrees.

Arrange one half of the bread on a baking sheet. One variety at a time, layer the meats over the length of the bread. Top that with layers of sliced tomato, bell pepper, red onion and banana peppers. Top with provolone cheese.

Toast in the oven until heated through and the cheese has melted, about 5 minutes. Sprinkle with lettuce and the salad dressing, then top with the remaining half of the bread. Cut into 12 slices.

WARM PASTRAMI PARTY SUB

Start to finish: 15 minutes. Servings: 12.

24-inch baguette, halved lengthwise
3 tablespoons yellow mustard
10 slices pastrami
6 slices cheddar cheese

Heat the oven to 350 degrees.

Arrange one half of the bread on a baking sheet. Spread the mustard evenly over the bread. Top with pastrami, then cheese. Toast until the pastrami is hot and the cheese has melted. Top with the remaining half of the bread. Cut into 12 slices.

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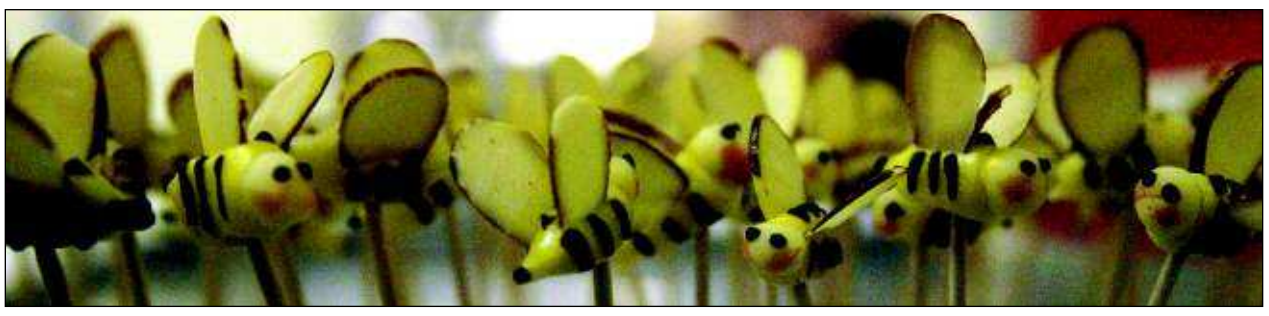

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Dozens of tiny marzipan-and-almond bees await their attachment to individual pieces of honeycomb, to garnish the edible beehives created by College of Southern Idaho students for the annual Death by Chocolate tasting event last week in Twin Falls.

Chocolate

Continued from Food 1

agreed, praising the creative presentation. Jeff Fink and Krysten London of Twin Falls both said they were surprised when they bit into the ganache-covered cake.

"(It was) not exactly what I was expecting," London said. "It was still very good."

Other Death by Chocolate attendants agreed, although the judges weren't as convinced. The dessert won first place in the People's Choice cake category and third from the judges. That was good enough for the students, half of whom went to collect the first-place award after event chairwoman Jill Skeem announced winners at the evening's end.

And while they are sick of chocolate for now, the plaque gave them a sweet reward for weeks of work.

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Chocolate chefs take honors

Rotary Club of Twin Falls estimates that it netted about $26,000 for local charities at its fifth annual Death by Chocolate tasting event last week, event chairwoman Jill Skeem said.

Local chefs competed against each other in five categories, vying to win the favor of the tasting public and a panel of judges. The judges — who didn't know entrants' identities — selected these winners:

Cake: Zulu Bagels, first place; Wynwood assisted living center, second place; College of Southern Idaho culinary students, third place.

Brownie: Pandora's, first; Hilton Garden Inn, second; That One Place, third.

Cookie: Hilton Garden Inn, first; Cosmic Jolt, second; Thomas Cuisine Management, third.

Candy: Wynwood, first; Daisy's, second; Dina's Deelites, third.

Unique Dessert: Fire 10 Grill, first; Snyder Winery, second; Cold Stone Creamery, third.

People attending Death By Chocolate marked ballots to reward their favorite chefs, who served from labeled tables. Those winners:

Cake: CSI culinary students, first place; Wynwood, second place; Zulu Bagels, third place.

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In frugal kitchens, think lentils as well as beans

By Jim Romanoff
For The Associated Press

Most people know beans are a frugal cook's best friend. They are inexpensive, nutritious and filling. But many people may not realize — perhaps because so few Americans eat them regularly — that lentils share those qualities.

This recipe for curried lentils with chicken, which costs under $1 per serving, is a simplified version of an Indian dal. It can be made with leftover cooked chicken, turkey or even tofu, and can be on the table in less than 45 minutes.

The dominant seasoning, curry powder, is a blend of many spices, and adds complex flavor without the cook needing to reach for multiple ingredients. A can of diced tomatoes with jalapenos also does double duty by adding both acidity and heat.

To complete the meal, serve this spicy curry over a bed of steaming basmati rice.

While beans may be king in a frugal kitchen, consider making room for lentils which share all their beneficial traits. Curried lentils with chicken is a simple version of an Indian dal that has a bit of heat and is plenty filling.

AP photo

CURRIED LENTILS WITH CHICKEN

Start to finish: 45 minutes (15 minutes active). Servings: 4.

1 cup brown lentils
1 tablespoon canola oil
1 small yellow onion, finely chopped
2 teaspoons curry powder
14-ounce can diced tomatoes with jalapenos
4 cups cooked diced chicken or turkey
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup low-fat plain yogurt

In a medium saucepan over high heat, combine the lentils and enough water to cover. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to simmer and cook until the lentils are just tender, about 30 minutes. Drain and rinse under cold water. Set aside.

In a large saucepan over medium-high, heat the oil. Add the onion and cook, stirring often, until softened, 2 to 4 minutes. Add the curry powder to onions and cook, stirring constantly, until fragrant, about 1 minute.

Add the reserved lentils, tomatoes, chicken (or turkey) and salt. Cook, stirring often, until heated through. Remove from heat and stir in the yogurt.

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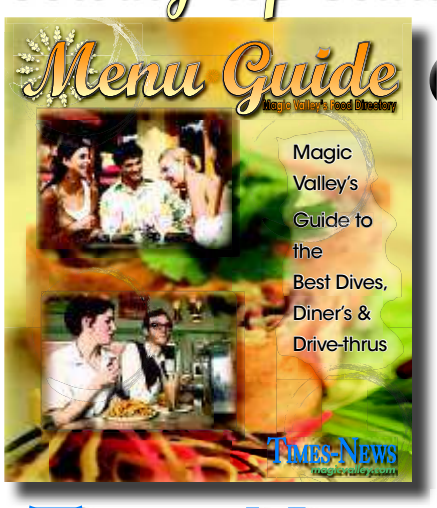

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An easy quiche that is seriously high on happiness

By J.M. Hirsch
Associated Press writer

With Parmesan cheese, heavy cream, bacon and puff pastry, this quiche sounds like a diet killer. But with 242 calories per serving, it actually isn't all that bad. And all those ingredients are so happiness-inducing, it's worth every calorie anyway.

The recipe starts from a basic quiche equation — a mess of eggs whisked with some heavy cream, salt and pepper. But rather than a traditional pastry crust, I went with a lighter — and delightfully fattier — puff pastry.

To up the savoriness, I added cooked bacon and grated Parmesan. What you do after that depends on your inspiration. You could use a bit of the bacon fat to saute onions and mushrooms, then add those. Thinly sliced scallions also would be a fine choice.

If you do add mushrooms, be sure to cook them until the moisture they release (this happens after several minutes of sauteing) has simmered off. You don't want a watery quiche.

This quiche comes together in about 45 minutes. It also can be made a day ahead and refrigerated. Serve it slightly warmed or at room temperature.

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While it's not the most healthy Valentine's Day meal you can create, a bacon and Parmesan quiche will nonetheless put a smile on your valentine's face.

BACON AND PARMESAN CHEESE QUICHE

Start to finish: 45 minutes (15 minutes active). Servings: 6.

1 sheet frozen puff pastry, thawed according to package directions (each 17.3-ounce package contains 2 sheets)
4 eggs
1/2 cup heavy cream
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
1/4 teaspoon dried thyme
8 strips bacon, cooked, cooled and crumbled
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Heat the oven to 375 degrees.

On a lightly floured surface roll out the puff pastry until it forms about a 12-by-12-inch square. Carefully fit the pastry into a 9-inch tart pan with a removable bottom. Gently press the pastry into the edges, then pass a rolling pin over the top to trim off any excess dough.

Top the pastry with a sheet of parchment paper, then place a second (slightly smaller) tart or pie pan into the tart. Bake for 12 to 15 minutes, or until lightly browned. Remove the tart shell from the oven, leaving the top pan in the tart, and set aside to cool slightly. Increase oven temperature to 400 degrees.

While the quiche shell bakes, in a medium bowl whisk together the eggs, heavy cream, salt, pepper, garlic powder and thyme. Stir in the bacon and 1/4 cup of the Parmesan cheese. Carefully transfer the egg mixture to the cooled tart shell, then sprinkle the remaining cheese over it.

Bake for 18 to 20 minutes, or until the eggs and cheese are lightly browned and puffed. Cool slightly before serving.

Per serving: 242 calories; 169 calories from fat; 19 g fat (9 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 166 mg cholesterol; 4 g carbohydrate; 13 g protein; 0 g fiber; 670 mg sodium.

INSIDE

Find valentine desserts to tickle your sweet tooth.

See Food 5

Underappreciated pleasures of port

By Fred Tasker
McClatchy Newspapers

It takes courage to drink port. You can find yourself labeled old and doddering, a Lord Plushbottom sort slumped deep in a leather chair in a decaying men's club, nodding off over a snifter and a smoldering cigar.

The English writer Evelyn Waugh saw it that way: "Port is not for the very young, the vain and the active. It is the comfort of age and the companion of the scholar and the philosopher."

We port lovers know better. There's nothing more satisfying, after a fine meal, than to sip a glass of port with a piece of Cheddar or bleu cheese and a handful of walnuts. The cigar is out these days, I guess.

Ports start out like table wine, but the fermentation process is interrupted early by the addition of distilled grape alcohol. This leaves enough unfermented sugar to create a sweet dessert wine, and the fortification brings the alcohol level up to 17 to 20 percent. Result: a sweet and powerful wine.

Ports come in several styles:

Ruby port: The most popular, it's stored in stainless steel tanks and bottled early, creating a youthful, lively wine.

Tawny port: It's aged from seven to 40 years in wood barrels, turning it tawny in color and mellow and nutty in flavor.

Vintage port: Made only in the best years, it is aged for two or three years in wood barrels, then often aged for another decade or two in bottles. It's the most august of ports.

Late-bottled vintage port: This is aged four to six years in barrels, then bottled; it often uses top grapes that were earmarked for vintage port, but diverted from lack of market demand.

White port: Made of white grapes, it's popular in Europe over ice with a slice of lemon.

Rose port: These hit the U.S. market only in 2008. They start out like ruby ports, but the white juice is pulled off the dark-red skins early, creating a bright, fruity pink wine.

So don't be discouraged, port lovers. With years and experience, we come to know what to value. And we can hew to a kinder saying: "Wine improves with age. The older I get the more I like it."

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Croft Nonvintage Rose Port: crisp, lightly sweet, full of juicy red-fruit flavors; $20.

2007 Fonseca Vintage Port: black raspberry and mocha aromas and flavors, intensely fruity, very smooth; $95.

2003 Taylor Fladgate Late Bottled Vintage Port: floral aroma, intense black cherry and mocha flavors, soft tannins; $24.

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Nonvintage Osborne Fine Tawny Port: aromas and flavors of black plums, coffee and nuts, very fruity; $13.

Nonvintage Fonseca Ruby Port: bright red color; crisp, almost zingy flavors of tart cherries; soft tannins; $17.

2004 Prager Aria Napa Valley White Port-Style Wine: rich, sweet and potent, with aromas and flavors of caramel and burnt sugar; $48.

2007 Taylor Fladgate Vintage Port: floral aroma; lean and tannic, with rich, black plum flavors; youthful: $95.

2007 Croft Vintage Port: rich and hearty, with minty aromas and black cherry flavors; $95.

Eating lighter, with the help of root veggies

By Stephanie Witt Sedgwick
Special to The Washington Post

Root vegetables — large rutabagas, white and yellow turnips, golden beets, carrots, parsnips and more — can be thrown into stews and roasted in the oven.

But when company's coming or I am catering to a vegetable-phobic crowd, I fall back on glazing, a method I learned in cooking school. The vegetables steam in the pan in a sweetened liquid, and as they near tenderness, the liquid is allowed to reduce until it forms a glaze that lightly coats each piece. Even my 10-year-old does not find an excuse to skip the glazed vegetables.

I also love how I can mix and match my roots. Carrots and parsnips make a duo for a family party. Assorted roots are great for clearing out my vegetable bin. Turnips can stand on their own when that's all the refrigerator holds. The one rule I follow is to skip red or purple beets. Though golden beets bring a lovely sweetness to a dish, red beets tend to turn everything a shade of purple, which is confusing. (Think purple-tinged rutabaga.) If you want to use red beets, allow them to fly solo, or pair them with golden beets so the color doesn't compete with the flavor.

My method of glazing the vegetables used to start with a big chunk of butter. I find this slimmed-down approach works just as well.

APPLE CIDER-GLAZED ROOT VEGETABLES

5 or 6 servings

1 tablespoon unsalted butter
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 1/2 to 1 3/4 pounds assorted root vegetables, such as turnips, rutabagas, carrots and golden beets, peeled and cut into 1/2- to 3/4-inch pieces
1/8 to 1/4 teaspoon salt
1 cup fresh apple cider
Freshly grated nutmeg, to taste (about 1/2 teaspoon)

Combine the butter and oil in a large, deep saucepan over medium-high heat.

When the butter has melted, add the vegetables and 1/8 teaspoon of salt; toss to coat evenly. Add the cider and bring just to a boil, then reduce the heat to medium and cover, adjusting the heat so the liquid boils, but not rapidly. Cook for 20 to 25 minutes, until the vegetables are barely fork-tender (they should show just a little resistance when poked with the tines of a fork or a skewer).

Uncover and bring the liquid back to a rapid boil. Cook for about 8 minutes, until the liquid has reduced to a glaze.

Sprinkle the vegetables with the nutmeg; toss to incorporate. Taste, and add salt as needed. Serve warm.

Per serving (based on 6): 100 calories, 1 g protein, 14 g carbohydrates, 4 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 5 mg cholesterol, 81 mg sodium, 3 g dietary fiber, 10 g sugar.

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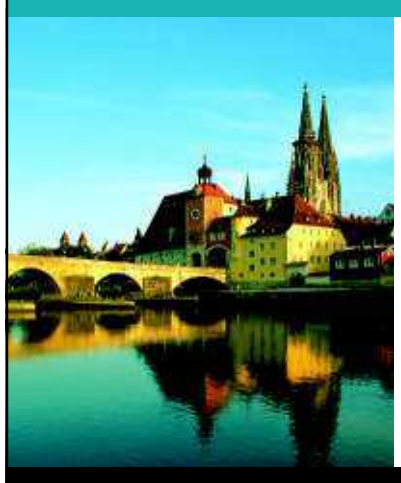

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Valentine, impressive: An easy cheesecake that gets attention

By Alison Ladman
For The Associated Press

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A fine dessert is always a welcome ending to a Valentine's Day dinner. Blackberry Lime Cheesecake will impress with a lot less effort than you may think.

Cheesecake isn't a terribly difficult dessert, it just requires a bit of attention to detail. This recipe is perfect for those who love sweet-tart desserts. It has a classic graham cracker crust and a rich and creamy berry cheesecake, all topped with a sweet-tart blackberry lime curd.

The recipe for the curd makes more than what you need for the cheesecake. That's because it's easier to make it in quantity. Leftovers are delicious on toast or waffles in place of jam, or spooned over vanilla ice cream.

BLACKBERRY LIME CHEESECAKE

Start to finish: 1 1/2 hours (1 hour active), plus cooling. Servings: 6.

For the crust:
2/3 cup (2 ounces) graham cracker crumbs (about 5 whole crackers)
3 tablespoons butter, melted
1 tablespoon brown sugar
For the cheesecake:
16 ounce-package frozen blackberries, thawed 30 minutes at room temperature, divided
3/4 cup sugar, divided
16 ounces cream cheese (2 packages), room temperature
2 tablespoons flour
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
For the curd:
2 eggs
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup lime juice
Finely grated zest from 2 limes
4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) butter, cut up
Fresh blackberries and mint leaves, to garnish

Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Spray a 6-inch springform pan with baking spray.

In a small bowl, use a fork to combine the graham cracker crumbs, melted butter and brown sugar. Press the mixture into the bottom of the prepared pan. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes, or until golden around the edges. Set aside to cool. Leave the oven on.

Reserve 2/3 cup of the semi-thawed blackberries.

In a blender or food processor, combine the remaining blackberries with 1/4 cup of the sugar. Process or blend until pureed. Strain through a fine mesh strainer to remove the seeds. Set aside the puree.

In the bowl of a stand mixer, combine the cream cheese, remaining 1/2 cup of sugar and the flour. Mix on low until combined. Scrape down the sides of the bowl, then mix some more. Do not mix any faster than medium-low; you don't want to incorporate air into the mixture.

Add 1 egg, mix thoroughly and scrape the bowl. Add the second egg, mix and scrape again. Add the vanilla and mix one more time. Fold 1/2 cup of the blackberry puree and the reserved whole blackberries into the batter.

Transfer the batter to the crust. Bake for 10 minutes, then lower the temperature of the oven to 250 degrees and bake for another 30 minutes. The top of the cheesecake should be slightly puffed and spongy-firm to the touch. It should just jiggle slightly in the center when the pan is tapped. Let cool at room temperature for 1 hour, then refrigerate until completely chilled.

While the cheesecake bakes, make the blackberry-lime curd. In a medium stainless steel bowl, combine the eggs and sugar with a whisk. Add the remaining blackberry puree, the lime juice and lime zest.

Set the bowl over a medium saucepan of simmering water. The bowl should rest on the top edge of the pan without touching the water. Whisk the mixture continuously until it reaches 170 degrees. Remove from heat and add the butter, one piece at a time, whisking to combine. Press plastic wrap directly onto the surface of the curd and refrigerate until cool.

When ready to assemble the dessert, remove the springform pan sides. Run a spatula under the crust to remove the bottom of the pan. Transfer to a plate. Spoon the blackberry lime curd over the top of the cheesecake. Garnish with fresh blackberries and mint leaves and serve.

Valentine, simple: Easy-to-love flourless chocolate cake

By Alison Ladman
For The Associated Press

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Elegant yet easy to make, Flourless Chocolate Cake is served with fresh whipped cream and berries.

A quick pulse in the food processor is all it takes to make this simple, yet decadent flourless chocolate cake. If you don't have a food processor, you can finely chop the almonds with a knife and whisk the ingredients together in a bowl, but the texture of the cake won't be as delicate.

The cake can be baked in a small cake pan, or divided among muffin cups. To dress it up for Valentine's Day, you also could purchase heart-shaped foil baking pans. Serve with whipped cream and fresh berries.

FLOURLESS CHOCOLATE CAKE

Start to finish: 30 minutes. Servings: 6.

1/2 cup sliced almonds
2 tablespoons sugar
12 ounces dark chocolate chips
1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter
4 eggs

Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Spritz a 6-inch cake pan or muffin tins with baking spray (a cooking spray containing flour).

In a food processor, pulse the almonds and sugar until finely ground. Set aside.

In a glass bowl or measuring cup, combine the chocolate chips and butter. Microwave on high in 15-second bursts, stirring between, until melted and smooth.

With the processor running, pour the chocolate mixture in and process until combined. One at a time, add the eggs, processing between each to combine. Scrape down the sides of the bowl and process one last time.

Pour the batter into the prepared pan. Bake for 15 to 25 minutes (depending on pan size), or until the cake is puffed and no longer glossy. Let rest in the pan until the top sinks back down, about 10 minutes. Invert onto a plate. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Valentine, together: Romantic evening starts with cooking

By Alison Ladman
For The Associated Press

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Mocha Baked Alaska can be the dessert to make together as well as enjoy together.

This restaurant classic is a favorite for special occasions because it packs plenty of Wow!-factor. It's also great to cook together because it involves so many little steps. And what's more romantic than cooking something together, then setting it on fire?

If mocha isn't your thing, feel free to use whatever flavor ice cream or sorbet you prefer. Just skip the instant coffee in the chocolate sauce.

MOCHA BAKED ALASKA

Start to finish: 45 minutes. Servings: 4.

For the syrup:
1/2 cup sugar
1/4 cup water
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
For the mocha sauce:
1/2 cup heavy cream
1 teaspoon instant coffee granules
4 ounces dark chocolate chips
For the base:
1 pint purchased coffee ice cream
4 slices (about 6 ounces) purchased pound cake
For the strawberries:
8 ounces fresh strawberries, hulled and sliced
2 tablespoons sugar
1 tablespoon orange liqueur
For the meringue:
4 egg whites
3/4 cup sugar, divided
1/4 cup water

To make the syrup, in a small sauce pan over medium-high, combine the sugar and water and bring to a boil so that the sugar dissolves. Remove from the heat and let cool to room temperature. Add the vanilla, then set aside.

To make the mocha sauce, in a microwave-safe dish, combine the cream and coffee granules. Heat on high in 30-second bursts until bubbly. Add the chocolate chips and stir until smooth, then set aside.

Use a biscuit cutter or overturned large glass to cut each slice of pound cake into rounds. Arrange the cake rounds on a baking sheet. If you wish to prepare only 2 servings, divide the cakes between 2 baking sheets. Brush each round with the vanilla sugar syrup.

Scoop the ice cream into 4 large balls and mound one on top of each slice of cake. Place in the freezer.

In a medium bowl, toss the strawberries with the sugar and orange liquor. Set aside.

Place the eggs in a large bowl. Prepare an electric mixer with the whisk attachment. In a small saucepan over medium, combine 1/2 cup of the sugar and the water. When the temperature of the sugar and water reaches 220 degrees, turn the mixer on medium-high and whip the egg whites.

When the egg whites are very frothy, slowly add to them the remaining 1/4 cup sugar. Continue beating the egg whites until they reach soft peaks. Continue cooking the sugar syrup until it reaches 240 degrees. This should happen at almost the same time at the egg whites being ready.

With the mixer on, pour the sugar syrup down the inside of the bowl into the egg whites. Continue beating until the outside of the bowl is no longer warm and the meringue is thick and bright white.

Remove the cakes from the freezer. Using a spoon or a piping bag, completely cover the outside of the ice cream and cake with meringue. If you only plan to prepare 2 servings, the remaining can be frozen until needed.

Heat a broiler. When the broiler is very hot, place the meringue-covered cake and ice cream rounds under it for about 1 minute, or until just lightly browned.

To serve, coat the bottom of each serving plate with the chocolate sauce. Use a spatula to transfer one baked Alaska to each plate, then spoon strawberries alongside it. Serve immediately.

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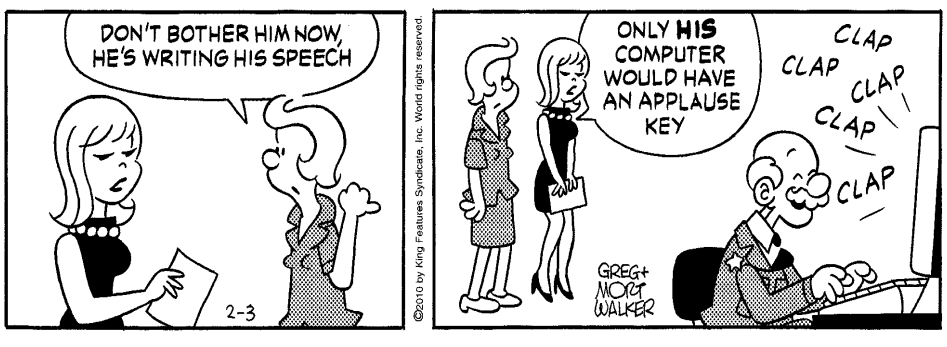

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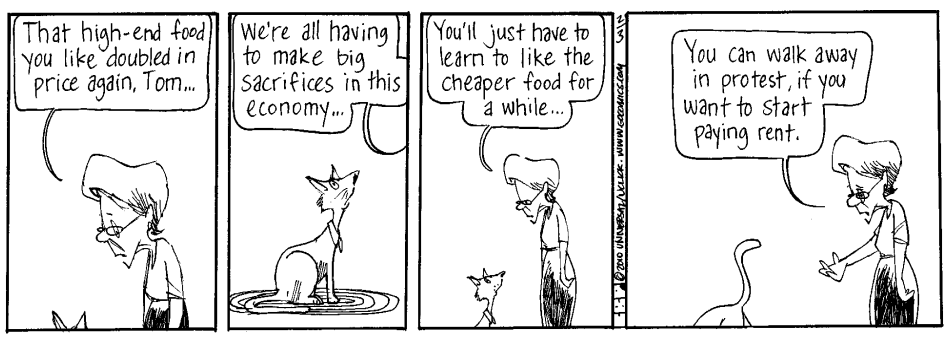

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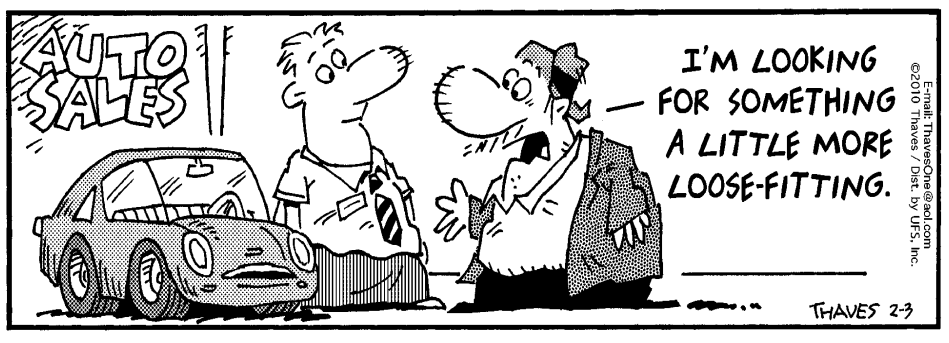

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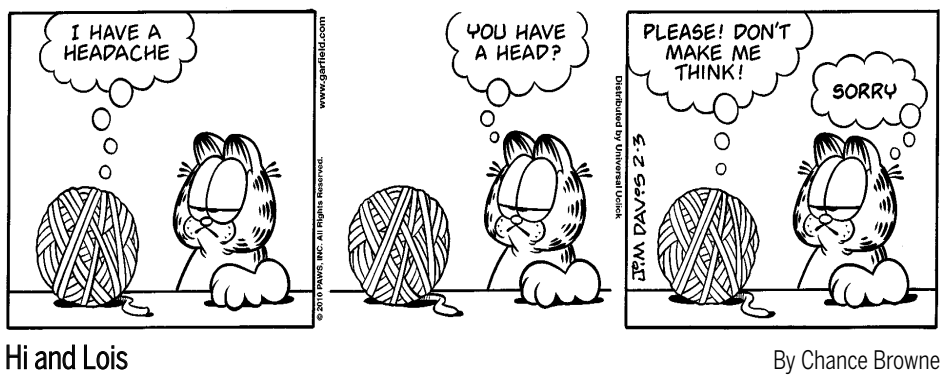

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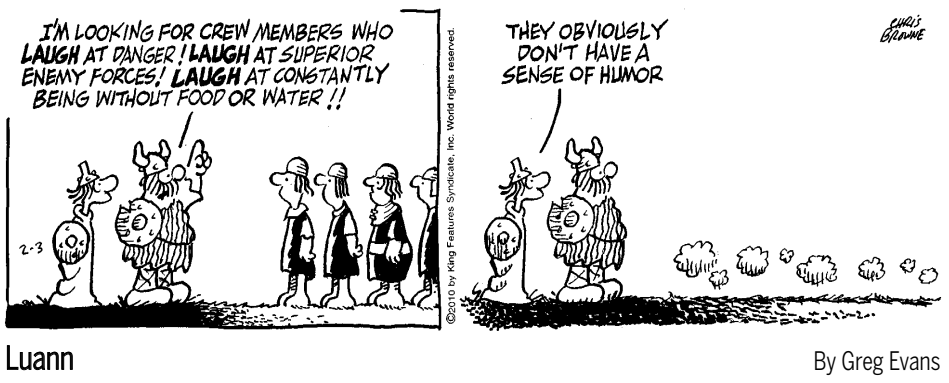

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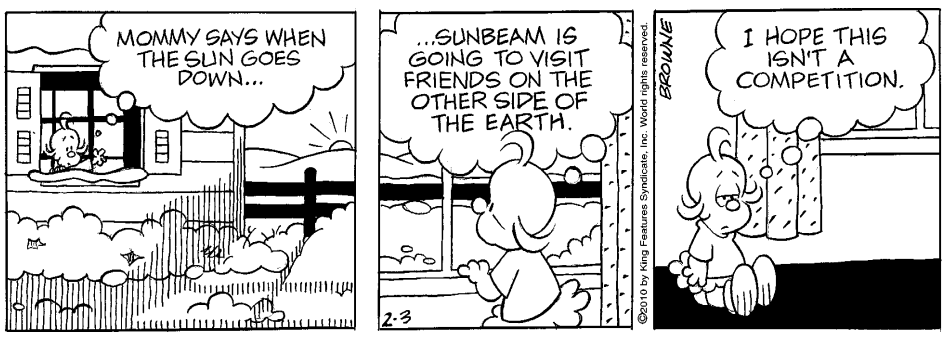

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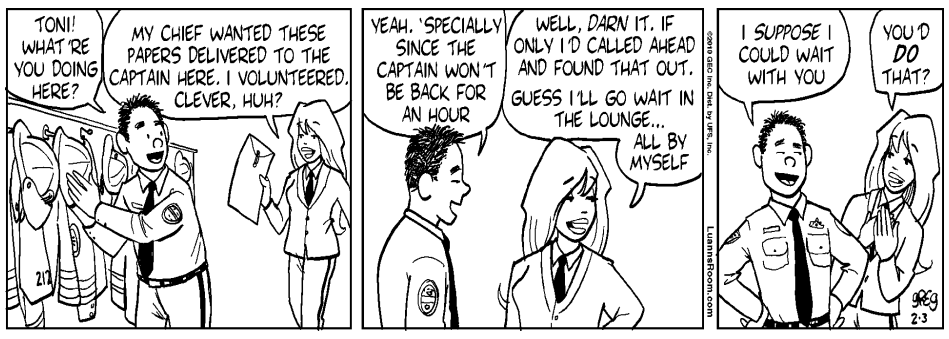

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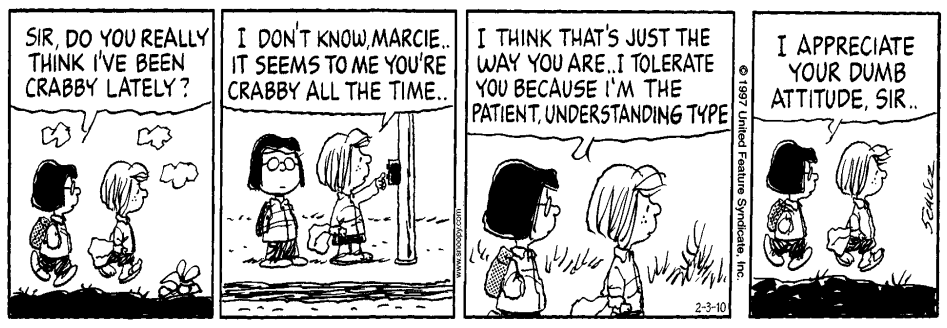

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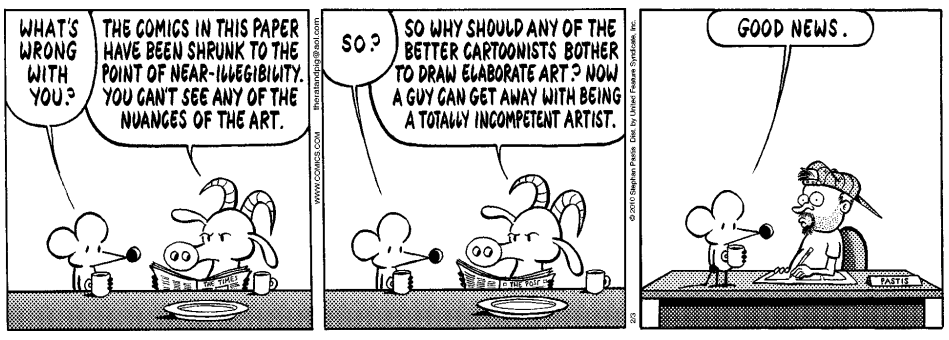

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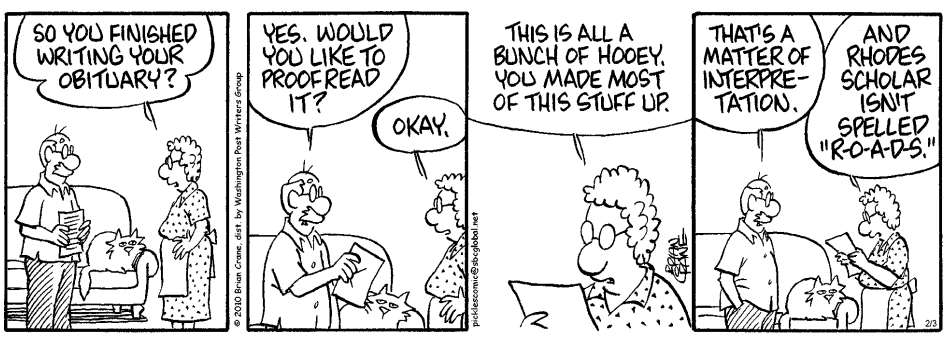

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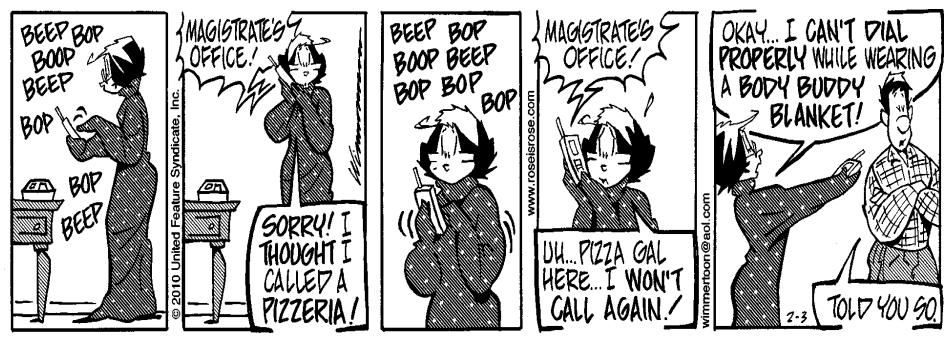

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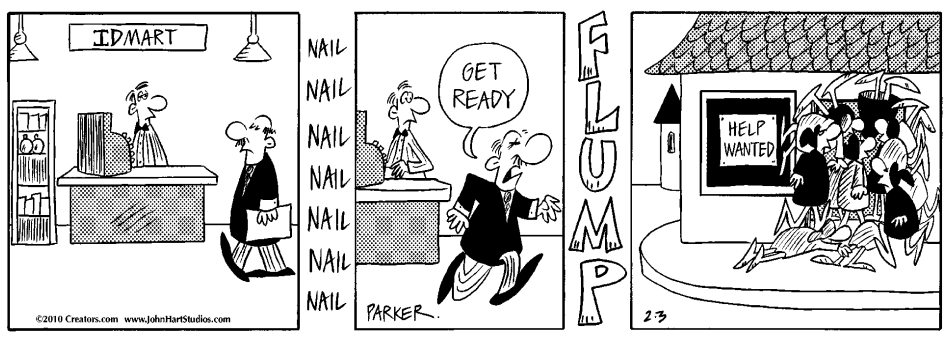

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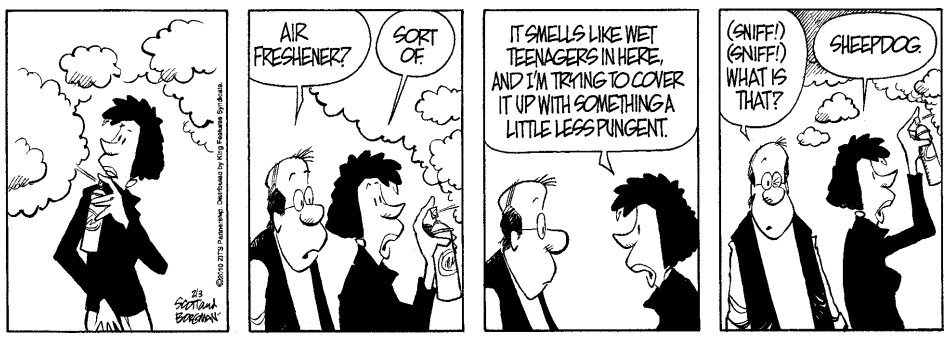

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NATION & WORLD

Lancet retracts study tying child vaccine to autism

Press Association/AP Images

Four-month-old Matai Reid takes part in autism research Jan. 13 at Durham University in Stockton-on-Tees, England.

By Michelle Fay Cortez
Bloomberg News

LONDON — The Lancet medical journal retracted a 1998 study that linked a routine childhood vaccine to autism and bowel disease after a British investigation found flaws in the research.

Britain's General Medical Council, which licenses doctors, concluded in a report last week that three researchers led by Andrew Wakefield at the Royal Free Hospital in London carried out invasive, unnecessary tests, failed to act in the best interest of the children, and misused public funds. It also said Wakefield didn't disclose a conflict of interest as he was involved in legal claims against the vaccine makers.

"It has become clear that several elements of the 1998 paper by Wakefield et al are incorrect, contrary to the findings of an earlier investigation," the editors of the Lancet wrote in a statement Tuesday.

Immunization rates plunged in Britain to less than 80 percent by 2003, as parents concerned about the possible health risks refused the vaccine, according to the Health Protection Agency. Ten of the 12 authors, in a 2004 article in the Lancet, backed away from the suggestion that autism and bowel disease were linked to the vaccine. A panel of U.S. government advisers found the same year that childhood vaccinations probably don't raise the risk of autism.

The original study, involving 11 boys and one girl aged 10 and under, found bowel disease and developmental disorders in the previously normal children. The parents reported symptoms in eight of the children after they were vaccinated for measles, mumps and rubella.

"It was outrageous," said Jeffrey Boscamp, a pediatrician at Hackensack University Medical Center in New Jersey. "Most of the authors asked for their names to be removed from the study. It's unfortunate that it undermined confidence in vaccines when in fact it wasn't true at all."

With Tuesday's action by the Lancet, the paper was retracted from the published record, stripping it of its scientific claims.

Wakefield oversees the research program at Thoughtful House, a treatment center for children with developmental disorders, in Austin, Texas.

"The allegations against me and against my colleagues are both unfounded and unjust, and I invite anyone to examine the contents of these proceedings and come to their own conclusion," Wakefield said in a statement provided by Thoughtful House Tuesday.

Iranians propose prisoner swap for U.S. hikers

By Nasser Karimi
Associated Press writer

TEHRAN — Iranian president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad on Tuesday proposed a swap of Iranians in U.S. prisons for three American hikers being held in Tehran.

Ahmadinejad said in interview with state TV that there were ongoing negotiations about exchanging the hikers for several Iranians jailed for years in the United States.

Ahmadinejad

"There are some talks under way to have an exchange, if it is possible," he said. "Recently they (the U.S.) have sent messages, we answered to bring them (the Iranians), to bring these people (the hikers). We are hopeful that all prisoners will be released."

Ahmadinejad did not mention any specifics but in December Iran released a list of 11 Iranians it says are being held in the U.S. — including a nuclear scientist who disappeared in Saudi Arabia and a former Defense Ministry official who vanished in Turkey. The list also includes an Iranian arrested in Canada on charges of trying to obtain nuclear technology.

"I had said I would help in releasing them, but the attitude of some of U.S. officials damages the job," said Ahmadinejad. "There are a large number of Iranians in prison in the U.S. They have abducted some of our citizens in other countries."

Shane Bauer, Sarah Shourd and Josh Fattal were hiking in Iraq's northern Kurdistan region in July when they accidentally crossed the border into Iran, their families have said.

Samantha Topping, a New York City-based spokeswoman for the three families, said they had no comment on Ahmadinejad's remarks.

The White House, through a spokesman, called the reports "fragmentary."

"If President Ahmadinejad's comments suggest that they are prepared to resolve these cases, we would welcome that step," National Security Council spokesman Mike Hammer said. "But we have not entered into any discussion with Iran about an exchange. As we have indicated publicly, if Iran has questions about its citizens in U.S. custody, we are prepared to answer them."

Aid logjam in Haiti

Bottlenecks, scattered attacks keep food in port

By Paisley Dodds
Associated Press writer

AP photo

Men carry the body of 24-year-old Sergeline Joseph after they were paid by her father Thomas Silvain, rear left, more than $200 to retrieve her from the rubble of their collapsed house instead of waiting for demolition crews, Tuesday in Port-au-Prince.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — A generous world has flooded Haiti with donations, but anger and desperation are mounting as the aid stacks up inside this broken country.

Bottlenecks at key transportation points and scattered violence, including an armed group's attack on a food convoy, have slowed the distribution of food and medicine from the port, airport and a warehouse in the Cite-Soleil slum. U.S. air traffic controllers have lined up 2,550 incoming flights through March 1, but some 25 flights a day aren't taking their slots. Communication breakdowns between Haitians and their foreign counterparts are also endemic.

"Aid is bottlenecking at the Port-au-Prince airport. It's not getting into the field," said Mike O'Keefe, who runs Banyan Air Service in Fort Lauderdale.

Foreign aid workers and Haitians are fed up — one Haitian father paid a group of men more than $200 on Tuesday to retrieve his daughter's body from his collapsed house, rather than wait for demolition crews.

"No one is in charge," said Dr. Rob Maddox of Start, Louisiana, tending to dozens of patients in the capital's sprawling general hospital. "There's no top-down leadership. ... And since the Haitian government took control of our supplies, we have to wait for things even though they're stacked up in the warehouse. The situation is just madness."

Boxes of supplies are stacked to the ceiling in the hospital's dimly lit warehouse. In another storage area, medicine, bandages and other key supplies pile up on tables — watched over by a Haitian health worker who scrawls in a notebook, ticking off everything that comes in and out. Doctors say since locals took over the supply room, crucial time to save lives has been lost by filling out unnecessary forms.

Donors talk about five key logistical challenges — grappling with a non-functioning government, a backlog of flights at the airport, a damaged and small port, clogged overland routes from outlying airports and the Dominican Republic, and security concerns.

Aid agencies say food and water deliveries have about doubled in the past 10 days, but some relief workers are frustrated at how long it takes to move other supplies out of the U.N.'s warehouses.

UN officials said Tuesday that more than 100 ships are en route to Haiti, but part of the capital's port remains unsound, with limited capacity. Ships need their own cranes and other offloading equipment.

Traveling from the airport on the eastern edge of the capital to the western side of the city can take more than 3 hours.

'Blind Side,' District 9,' Up' make Oscar final cut

By John Horn
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — They are precisely the kinds of movies hardly ever nominated for the best-picture Oscar — a tear-jerker sports film, a space-alien thriller and an animated feature with a flying house and talking dogs — but the populist pleasures "The Blind Side," "District 9" and "Up" all made the final cut for the top Academy Award.

Concerned that a steady stream of challenging, often little-seen art movies were dominating the Oscars and deflating television ratings, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences doubled this year's best-picture race to 10 contestants, and the results Tuesday were exactly as intended: the inclusion of movies that have sold a boatload of tickets.

The nominations for the 82nd annual Academy Awards were led by the presumptive best picture favorites — "Avatar" and "The Hurt Locker," which each scored in nine categories.

The two movies represent opposite extremes of audience recognition, as "Avatar" has generated almost 50 times more domestic revenue than "The Hurt Locker."

But to the delight of the March 7 ceremony's producers, four movies besides "Avatar" that have grossed more than $100 million made the best-picture competition: "Up" ($293 million), "The Blind Side" ($237.9 million), "Inglourious Basterds" ($120.5 million) and "District 9" ($115.6 million).

When last year's statuettes were presented, only one of the five best-picture finalists — "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" — had grossed more than $100 million.

"The fact that 'The Blind Side' made it in made me happier than anything," said Bullock, who also was nominated for best actress. "The greatest thing the academy could have done is to make it 10 movies."

The last time the academy nominated so many films for best picture was in 1944 ("Casablanca" won), and the return to the expanded list was sparked by declining ratings (about 36 million people watched last year's ceremony, down from 1998's "Titanic" sweep record of 55.2 million) and viewers who were growing older and more concentrated in large cities.

In recent years, Oscar voters also had been singling out works often unfamiliar even to regular moviegoers: challenging and sparsely attended productions such as "The Last King of Scotland" and "Milk."

Oscar nominations are in

The 82nd annual Academy Award nominations were announced Tuesday. The presentation will take place March 7.

Best picture:	**"Avatar"; "The Blind Side"; "District 9"; "An Education"; "The Hurt Locker"; "Inglourious Basterds"; "Precious"; "A Serious Man"; "Up"; "Up in the Air"**
Lead actor:	**Jeff Bridges,** "Crazy Heart"; **George Clooney,** "Up in the Air"; **Colin Firth,** "A Single Man"; **Morgan Freeman,** "Invictus"; **Jeremy Renner,** "The Hurt Locker"
Lead actress:	**Sandra Bullock,** "The Blind Side"; **Helen Mirren,** "The Last Station"; **Carey Mulligan,** "An Education"; **Gabourey Sidibe,** "Precious"; **Meryl Streep,** "Julie & Julia"
Supporting actor:	**Matt Damon,** "Invictus"; **Woody Harrelson,** "The Messenger"; **Christopher Plummer,** "The Last Station"; **Stanley Tucci,** "The Lovely Bones"; **Christoph Waltz,** "Inglourious Basterds"
Supporting actress:	**Penelope Cruz,** "Nine"; **Vera Farmiga,** "Up in the Air"; **Maggie Gyllenhaal,** "Crazy Heart"; **Anna Kendrick,** "Up in the Air"; **Mo'Nique,** "Precious"

SOURCE: Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences AP

AP photo

Actor Jeff Bridges (above) and actress Maggie Gyllenhaal (below), shown in Beverly Hills, Calif., Tuesday, have been nominated for Oscars for best actor and best supporting actress, respectively, for their roles in 'Crazy Heart.'

Officials: Bomb suspect's family helps FBI

By Matt Apuzzo and Pete Yost
Associated Press writers

WASHINGTON — The Nigerian man accused of trying to use a bomb hidden in his underwear to bring down a Detroit-bound airliner on Christmas Day has been cooperating with investigators since last week, discussing his contacts in Yemen and providing intelligence in multiple terrorism investigations, officials said Tuesday.

Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab's cooperation could prove to be a national security victory and a political vindication for President Obama, who has been under fire from lawmakers who contend the administration botched the case by giving Abdulmutallab the right to remain silent, rather than interrogating him as a military prisoner.

In the days following the failed bombing, a pair of FBI agents flew to Nigeria and persuaded Abdulmutallab's family to help them. When the agents returned to the U.S., Abdulmutallab's family came, too, according to a senior administration official briefed on the case. The family persuaded Abdulmutallab to work with the FBI, believing he would be treated fairly in U.S. courts, the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the case.

FBI officials continue to question Abdulmutallab, working in collaboration with CIA and other intelligence authorities, the official said. Obama has received regular updates on the interrogation, according to the official.

Stars gather for 'We Are the World 2'

The Washington Post

LOS ANGELES — Twenty-five years after the all-star recording of "We Are the World" became a signature moment in celebrity altruism and pop-music history, a new collective of stars came together this week at the same Hollywood recording studio to record a new version for Haiti earthquake relief.

Barbra Streisand, Celine Dion, Kanye West and Keith Urban turned up Monday at the same soundstage (now called Henson Recording Studios) to join an all-star chorus that was 100 voices strong.

Doris Coleman

JEROME — Doris Coleman, 88, of Jerome, died Monday, Feb. 1, 2010, at St. Benedicts Long Term Care Unit in Jerome surrounded by her daughter and son-in-law.

She was born July 31, 1921 at Nocona, Texas, the daughter or Earl Melvin and Lucy Elizabeth King Loy. She attended schools in Texas and Jerome, graduating from Jerome High School. Doris married Dale Thomas Coleman on March 31, 1944, at Tacoma, Wash.; they were blessed with two children. Doris has been a resident of Jerome County since 1937, where she has held jobs being a telephone operator, working at JC Penny, King's and the Jerome Bowling Alley.

She is a past member of the Women of the Moose, during the '50s a chief observer for the Jerome Ground Observation Corps. Doris was a former president of Town and Country Demonstrations Club and was a member of the Domestic-Etts Home Demonstrations Club. Doris helped her husband build two houses. She headed the fair department for her club and was one of the women's superintendents for the county fair.

Doris was the first woman named on the Jerome County Fair Board from 1964 to 1968 in the history of Jerome County. She was a past member Magic Valley Dolls Club. Doris is a member of the Jerome LDS 2nd Ward and a member of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers. She enjoyed sewing, gardening, canning, fishing, camping and her family.

Doris is survived by her children, Doris Ann (Robert) Watts of Jerome and Eldon Thomas Coleman of Bakersfield, Calif.; five grandchildren; one step grandchild; eight great-grandchildren; five step great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; one brother, Olin King (Nina) Loy of Othello, Wash.; and a sister-in-law, Mary Loy of Arcadia, Calif. She was preceded in death by her husband, mother, father, grandparents and one brother.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, at the Jerome LDS 2nd Ward Church on 100 S. Road, with Bishop Blaine Hope officiating. Visitation will be conducted from 6 until 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome and one hour prior to the service at the church. Services are under the care and direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Dr. Elizabeth Sugden and her staff and the staff of St. Benedicts Long Term Care Unit in Jerome.

Ruby Jinkins

GOODING — Ruby Jinkins, 89, passed away peacefully Saturday, Jan. 30, 2010, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

Ruby is survived by two sisters, her twin, Ruth L. Vannote and Gloria G. Ashby, both of California; two daughters, Ramona (Pete) Bugayong of Gooding and Susan (Dale) Steffen of Tracy, Calif.; and two granddaughters of California.

Ruby was very active in her community, including serving as co-chairman of the Bliss Centennial Celebration in 1983; member of the Ladies Golf Association of Gooding; on the Gooding Hospital Auxiliary Board; member of the Bliss Garden Club, where she served a term as president; and also worked with the Gooding Fair Board.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel. Burial will follow at the Upper Clover Creek Cemetery north of Bliss. A viewing will be held from 10 a.m. until service time Thursday.

Betty Lou (Connor) Nielsen

SPARKS, Nev. — Betty Lou (Connor) Nielsen, 81, of Sparks, Nev., passed away Thursday, Jan. 28, 2010.

Betty was born Jan. 10, 1929, in Ogden, Utah, to Louis and Ruby Connor of Heyburn, Idaho. She grew up in Heyburn, where she met and married her eternal companion, Hollis Dell Nielsen; they have been married 63 years. They have resided in the Sparks/Reno, Nev., area for the past 45 years, where they have raised their family and have been an integral part in their church and community.

Betty is survived by her husband, Hollis; daughters, Janice, Jeanette and Jeri; and son, Kurtis. Betty has 14 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

She is loved by many and will be sadly missed, though we are comforted to know that one day we will have the opportunity to see her again.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2955 N. Rock Blvd. in Sparks, Nev. The graveside service will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn.

Clark 'Corky' McKean

Clark "Corky" McKean, passed away at 6:03 a.m. Monday, Feb. 1, 2010, in Twin Falls, Idaho.

He was born July 12, 1934, in Twin Falls, the son of Ray and Dorothy McKean. Clark was an outdoorsman. He loved his family and friends. He enjoyed driving bus for children with special needs. He was a man who believed in the power of prayer and will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Surviving Clark is his loving wife, Beverly McKean of Twin Falls; sons, Terry Allen of Waldport, Ore., and Rick (Linda) Allen of Meridian, Idaho; daughters, Karen Clayton of Redding, Calif., and Janet Forsyth of Aloha, Ore.; grandsons, Eric (Jamie) Allen of Kuna, Idaho, Ryan Clayton and Richie Clayton, both of Redding, Calif., and Joel Forsyth of Aloha, Ore.; granddaughters, Janette Allen and Mindy Allen, both of Plant City, Fla., Kristine (Greg Malberg), Melissa Forsyth of Portland, Ore., Kristin Clayton of Redding, Calif.; and numerous great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Dorothy McKean; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gregg, and Mr. and Mrs. George McKean; son, Marty Allen; granddaughters, Brenda Lee Allen and Sarah Marie Allen; son-in-law, Gary Clayton; and daughter-in-law, Natalie Allen.

A celebration of life for Clark will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, at the Veteran's of Foreign Wars Memorial Hall, 459 Shoup St. in Twin Falls. (The family requests you BYO beverage and a side dish.)

Vollie Clark

RUPERT — Vollie Clark, mom, grandma, "sister" and friend, graduated to her new assignment in heaven on Sunday morning, Jan. 31, 2010, just 12 days short of her 93rd birthday.

She was born Feb. 12, 1917, in Thornburg, Ark., to James Fuller and Bessie Beatrice Hawkins. The eldest of nine, five brothers and three sisters, she could handle an ax, cross-cut saw and an unruly child with the best of them.

She met Oliver "Bud" Clark when he saw her and her sister, Allie, using a cross-cut saw cutting down trees in the Arkansas woods. He was smitten, they got married and he took her to North Dakota in 1935, where they began their life together and had five of the their six children. In August of 1949, they left North Dakota and landed in Burley, where they worked in the potato harvest, eventually buying a home and having their last child. They later moved to Rupert. Mom worked many years at the Burley Processing Plant and later at Simplot's. Her family meant the world to her and nobody could brag on them better than her. You couldn't go to her house without her making sure you had something to eat. She had a special way of grabbing your face and kissing your cheek — a "Grandma Clark Kiss."

Mom loved the outdoors, camping and fishing, and animals. It troubled her when she observed animals caged or penned up. When she married Bud, his family owned a parrot that she would always let out of his cage and he would follow her around calling "here kitty, kitty, kitty." She loved Jesus, she loved music, and she loved her family. She had an ear for and loved to harmonize. Nobody could whistle like her.

She is survived by her sons, Dale (Velda) Clark of LaCenter, Wash., Harry Clark of Declo, Gary (Audrey) Clark of Declo and Stan (Jerri) Clark of Nampa; daughters, Janice (Jerry) Pruitt of Roswell, N.M., and Marilyn (Joe) Hoosier of Rupert; 21 grandchildren; 50 great-grandchildren; 12 great-great-grandchildren; two more expected great-grandchildren; her brothers, Clarence (Helen) Hawkins, Clifton (Lovie) Hawkins, Rolland (JoAnn) Hawkins, Clayton (Sharon) Hawkins and Jim (Evelyn) Hawkins; her sisters, Marcell (Alton) Montgomery and Jeannie (John) Bentley, all of Arkansas. She was preceded in death by her husband of 71 years, Oliver "Bud," in 2006; her parents; one sister, Allie; one great-grandchild; and one great-great-grandchild.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010, at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St., with Gary Clark officiating. Burial will be in the Paul Cemetery. Viewing and visitation will held from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, and one hour prior to the services on Saturday at the mortuary.

The family suggests memorials may be made to New Life Assembly in Rupert, Parkview Care Center in Burley, hospice, missions in Haiti or other areas of need.

We are so very grateful for the love and care that the staff at Parkview gave our mom the last year. She loved you all and very much appreciated you all.

Earl D. Brownlee

POST FALLS — Earl D. Brownlee, age 74, of Posts Falls, Idaho, died surrounded by his family Sunday, Jan. 31, 2010, at Coeur d'Alene Homes in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

He was born March 29, 1935, in Gooding, Idaho, to William and Harriet (Knight) Brownlee and raised in Shoshone. He was a proud Idahoan. Earl made his home in Post Falls for the last eight years after relocating from Mountain Home, Idaho.

In 1957, he met and, after dating only a week, married his wife, Pat. They celebrated 51 years together. He was a man who could build or "fix" anything. He worked as a carpenter, hospital maintenance engineer, heavy equipment operator and an RV repairman. He owned and operated his own RV business. Earl served in the USAF for 20 years and was a Vietnam veteran. He loved traveling in his RVs and "seeing where that road went." He was an avid hunter, loved to hike and hit the auctions. He loved his family and his critters.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Brownlee of Post Falls; daughters and sons-in-law, Kami and Mark Robins of Post Falls and Cindy and John Reed of Post Falls; a son, Paul Brownlee of Monroe, Wash.; six grandchildren, Brandon Jett of Moscow, Jenica Jett of Seattle, Wash., Keegan Robins of Seattle, Wash., Jace Robins of Coeur d'Alene, Riley Robins of Post Falls and Zoe Reed of Post Falls; and an aunt, Tilda Hannebaum of Hailey. He was also loved by his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Charles and Shirley Frazier, Bill and Janice Frazier, and Ann and Milburn Buckminister of Louisiana; and numerous nieces and nephews, all of Louisiana. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A memorial service will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Yates Funeral Home, Hayden Chapel. A gathering will follow at the family home in Post Falls. Memorials may be sent to Hospice of North Idaho, 9493 N. Government Way, Hayden, ID 83835. Please visit Earl's online memorial and sign his guestbook at www.yatesfuneralhomes.com.

DEATH NOTICES

Rachel Darrington

DECLO — Rachel Morgan Darrington, 10, of Declo, died Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2010, at Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Declo LDS Stake Center, 213 W. Main St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Stephanie A. Silva

BUHL — Stephanie Anne (Brown) Silva, 37, of Buhl, died Monday, Feb. 1, 2010.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

SERVICES

Stanley J. Sorenson of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls; visitation from 9 to 10:30 a.m. to at the funeral home.

Patricia Jane Wickel of Coeur d'Alene, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; visitation one hour before the service today at the funeral home.

James Samuel Osborne of Gooding, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the First Christian Church in Gooding (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Betty Joyce Estes Boatwright of Rupert, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert (Morrison Funeral Chapel in Rupert).

Phoebe Ann Patten Hodges of Boise, funeral at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Jerome LDS 3rd Ward Church, 825 E. Ave. B; visitation from noon to 1:45 p.m. Thursday at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

Arthur Glen Hadden of Paul, memorial service at 11 a.m. Friday at the Paul Congregational Church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Wilma Gillett Thurston of Burley, funeral at 1 p.m. Friday at the Star LDS Church, 100 S. 200 W. of Burley; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and noon to 12:45 p.m. Friday at the church.

Merlin "Pops" Dee Cox of Fairfield, funeral at 2 p.m. Friday at the Gooding LDS Church; visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel, and 1 to 2 p.m. Friday at the church.

Diana M. Stockdale of Heyburn, memorial service at 4 p.m. Friday at the Morrison Funeral Home, 188 S. Highway 24 in Rupert.

Golden Robert Bennett of Twin Falls, casual gathering from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Michael H. "Mike" Christophersen of Kimberly, celebration of life from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the home of his son, Jasen, at 2380 E. 4300 N. in Filer (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

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Manning the big star on Tuesday

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BSU moves game with Va. Tech to Labor Day

Game to be televised on ESPN

The Associated Press

BOISE — Boise State's national profile keeps rising.

The Broncos announced Tuesday that they have moved their game this fall against Virginia Tech to Labor Day. The nationally televised showcase (6 p.m., MDT, ESPN) will match the kings of the Western Athletic Conference and the perennial contenders for the Atlantic Coast Conference championship. Both teams finished last season in the top 10 of The Associated Press Top 25.

BSU vs. Va. Tech

6 p.m., Sept.6, ESPN

The game will begin in primetime at FedEx Field in Landover, Md., home of the Washington Redskins. It had been scheduled for Oct. 2. The movement of the Virginia Tech game means BSU's home game with the University of Toledo, originally set for Sept. 11, will move to Oct. 9.

The Broncos' upgraded nonconference schedule for 2010 also includes a Sept. 25 home game against Pac-10 runner-up Oregon State. Wyoming (Sept. 18) rounds out the nonconference slate. Virginia Tech, Oregon State and Wyoming all played in postseason bowls last season.

The WAC portion of Boise State's 2010 schedule will be announced next month.

Boise State is expected to return 21 of its 22 starters from last season's undefeated Fiesta Bowl champions, including junior quarterback Kellen Moore. The Broncos beat TCU 17-10 in the Jan. 4 bowl and finished No. 4 in Associated Press poll.

SENATORS IMPEACH WILDCATS

By Diane Philbin
Times-News writer

FILER — Neither No. 2 seed Filer nor No. 4 Gooding was ready to give in at the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference tournament. But someone had to lose.

After almost 32 minutes of lead changes and ties, and after a 3-pointer by Taylor Twichell gave Filer a 33-32 lead with 20 second remaining, Gooding pulled out the victory as a late basket by Angela Vitek and a free throw by Brittany Wirth gave the Senators a 35-33 upset win.

Gooding has played the entire season with only six players on its roster so things looked a bit bleak for the Senators when Wirth was whistled for her third foul with 1:49 remaining in the first quarter. Somehow, someway Wirth managed to still play her game, scoring a game-high 19 points and staying on the court until the final buzzer.

"Brittany knew she had to stay in the game and stay smart," said Gooding coach Luanne Axelson, whose team advances to a semifinal matchup with Kimberly at 7 p.m. today at the College of Southern Idaho.

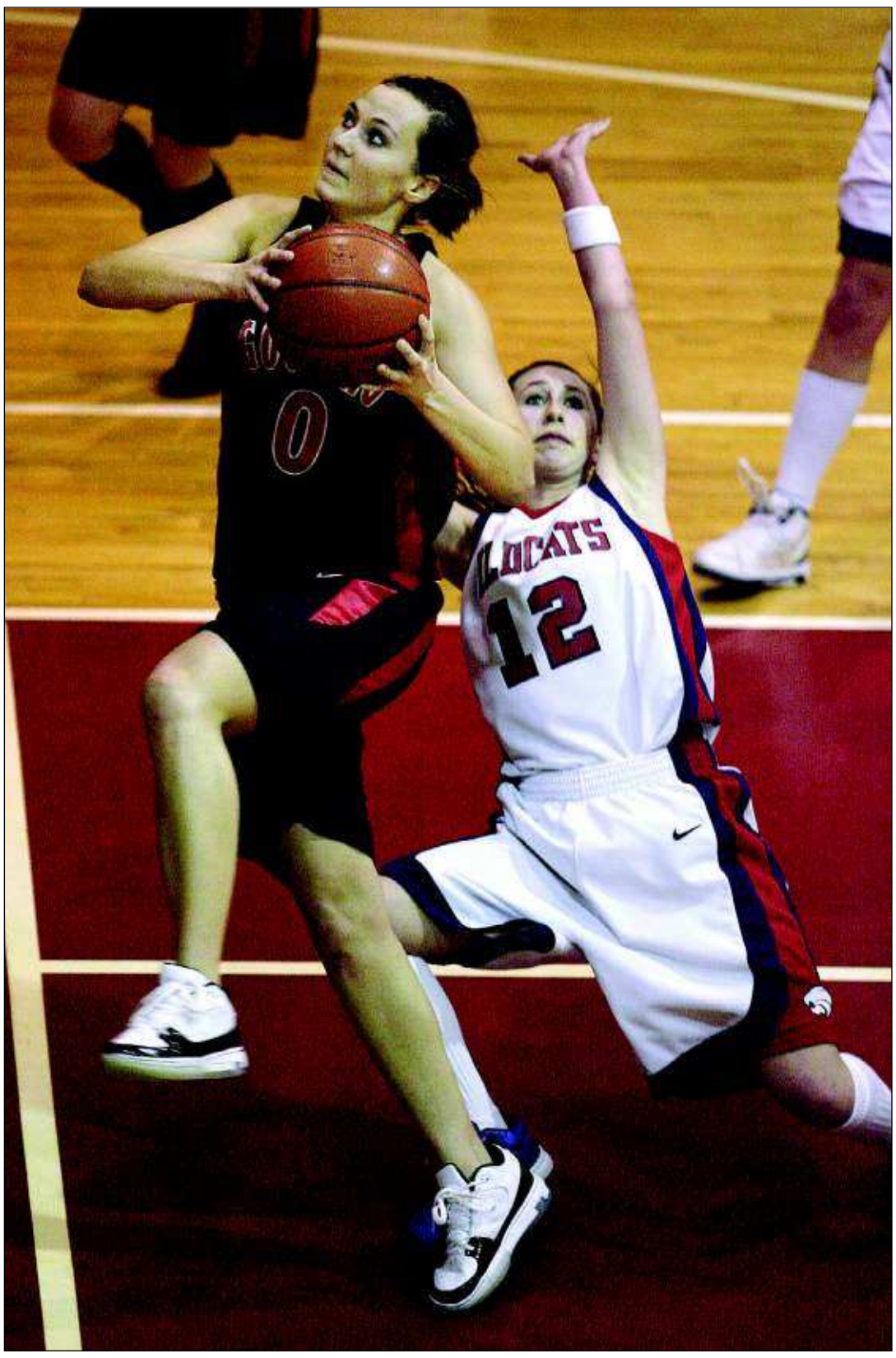
"I just knew I didn't want to foul out," said Wirth. "We seemed to come out with more fire at the end. Angela (Vitek) was really intense."

Mackenzie Stevens assisted on Vitek's bucket with seven seconds left, and Wirth's charity shot with three seconds left accounted for the final margin.

There was no lack of effort by the Wildcats, but Filer coach Toby Gleave believed his girls had too many critical miscues and missed a couple of easy baskets.

"You just can't have that many turnovers at this time of year," said Gleave. "It is always tough to beat the same team three times. We just can't dwell on this one."

Natalie Hughes led the Wildcats with 12 points, followed by Twitchell with nine.



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Gooding High School junior Angela Vitek (0) drives past Filer's Charmaine Weatherly during the second quarter of their game Tuesday night in Filer.

WENDELL 47, BUHL 33

Kristen Brandsma scored 16 and Krystyl Miller added 10 as Wendell survived an elimination game with Buhl, winning 47-33.

The Trojans (9-11) outscored Buhl 22-11 in the first half and eased to the finish line.

"I thought we played a lot better, with more consistent defense," said Wendell coach Delon Huse. "We didn't have a letdown like we did (Monday) against Gooding."

Bailee Montgomery scored 13 in the loss for the Indians.

Buhl ends its season at 8-13. Wendell advances to play Filer in another elimination game today at 5:30 p.m., at the College of Southern Idaho.

SCIC Boxes

Gooding 35, Filer 33

Gooding	5	9	9	12 – 35
Filer	9	8	3	13 – 33

GOODING (35)

Angela Vitek 9, Mackenzie Stevens 2, Danielle Baker 3, Carrie Baker 2, Brittany Wirth 19. Totals 11 12-19 35.

FILER (33)

Alyssa Lekkerkerk 1, Charmaine Weatherly 5, Taylor Twitchell 9, Sierra Koyle 2 , Taylor Oyler 2, Kenzie Kaster 2, Natalie Hughes 12. Totals 12 5-7.

3-point goals: Gooding 1 (Wirth), Filer 4 (Twitchell 3, Weatherly). Total fouls: Gooding 10, Filer 19. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Wendell 47, Buhl 33

Buhl	6	5	8	14 – 33
Wendell	14	8	12	13 – 47

BUHL (33)

Cassidee Kippes 6, Mercedes Pearson 7, Lacy Hall 2, Courtney Azevedo 3, Arly Pettinger 2, Bailee Montgomery 13. Totals 10 12-25 33.

WENDELL (47)

Kiersten Hilt 2, Sean Campbell 2, Krystyl Miller 10, Yvonne Bartholomew 8, Kristen Brandsma 16, Heather Sturgeon 9. Totals 20 5-12 47.

3-point goals: Buhl 3 (Montgomery), Wendell 2 (Miller, Sturgeon). Total fouls: Buhl 17, Wendell 10. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Bruin girls race past CRHS in first round

By Bradley Guire
Times-News writer

If Twin Falls girls basketball coach Nancy Jones harbored an ounce of concern that her girls would try to cruise through the opening round of the Great Basin Conference tournament, the Bruins proved otherwise in little time.

Williams

Grubbs-Imhoff

Facing their cross-town rival for the third time this season, the No. 3 Bruins defeated sixth-seeded Canyon Ridge 83-26 Tuesday at Baun Gymnasium. Twin Falls advances to face second-seeded Minico on Thursday.

"If we come out and play like we did last time, we'll be OK," said Twin Falls junior Erin Grubbs-Imhoff. "We've got to shut down their shooters."

The Bruins beat the Spartans 64-57 on Jan. 16 but fell 44-43 in their first contest on Dec. 11. A victory Thursday puts the Bruins against the winner of Jerome-Wood River on Saturday.

Against the Riverhawks, Twin Falls started strong, going on a 7-0 run during the first quarter to take the lead and never look back. Grubbs-Imhoff connected on a pair of layups and hit a free throw to score five during that time and get her team going. The Riverhawks were held to one basket during the period.

The second quarter wasn't much better. The Bruins found a groove as eight of their 10 players scored to extend the lead to 37-10. Taylor Williams scored on a putback and a layup in the second period for four of her nine points. She also finished with six boards. That performance came in only her third game back from an appendectomy and marked the most minutes she's seen since the two-week layoff in January.

"It was a good game to get in and play," she said.

Jazlyn Nielsen led the Bruins with 16 points, five rebounds, one steal and two blocks, while Alex Simmons netted 15 with seven boards. Josie Jordan

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Challis, Shoshone favorites in SRC girls tourney

By Ryan Howe
Times-News writer

Two and a half berths to the Class 1A Division I state girls basketball tournament are up for grabs as the Snake River Conference tournament tips off tonight.

Postseason action began Monday as Oakley defeated Lighthouse Christian in a district play-in game. The Hornets will play today at Raft River, the No. 1 seed from the SRC South.

Although the Trojans, who have made four consecutive state tournament appearances, earned the South's top spot, the balance of power in the SRC has tipped toward the North.

Challis (16-2, 6-0), ranked No. 2 in the state's media poll, is the odds-on favorite to win the conference tournament. The Vikings open with Sho-Ban, the South's No. 4 seed, tonight.

"Challis girls are difficult to drive or pass on because their arms are either blocking shots or in the passing lane," said Raft River head coach Jeremy Qualls. "Some of them may have more than two arms, I'm not sure. It's difficult to say."

Shoshone (14-6, 4-2) is another favorite to earn a state tourney berth, based on the Indians' ability to put five players on the court all capable of scoring at any time, led by Lacy Kniep, Taylor Astle and Kelcie Hutchins. The Indians host South No. 3 Castleford tonight.

If Challis and Shoshone play out as expected, that would leave the rest of the field to battle for third place and a state play-in opportunity against the third-place team from District III.

"Any given night, that half seed is going to be up for grabs," said Qualls. "There are equally talented teams battling for that half spot."

Teams that could have an edge include Raft River and Hansen, the Nos. 1 and 2 seeds from the South, respectively.

Raft River relies on balanced scoring and a hearty defensive effort, led by Whitney Holtman and Kassie Ottley. Freshman Hailey Greenwood has also been a solid contributor at times for the Trojans.

Hansen's strength has been with the experienced guard/post combo of Shawnie Higgins and Shelbie Hancock. The Huskies open at home against Hagerman, the No. 3 seed from the North.

The higher seed will host the first two rounds, after which the remainder of the tourney moves to Murtaugh. The championship will be played at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

The Class 1A Division I state tournament will be Feb. 18-20 at Columbia High School in Nampa.

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District IV girls basketball tournament schedules.

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Freshman guard Pledger dismissed from CSI team

By Mike Christensen
Times-News writer

Freshman guard Keon Pledger has been dismissed from the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball program, head coach Steve Gosar announced Tuesday.

Pledger

Gosar said the 6-foot-3 Pledger "didn't meet team and academic rules."

A left-handed shooting guard out of Lynnwood High School in Los Angeles, Pledger appeared in nine games for the Golden Eagles, averaging 2.0 points and a rebound per game. He played just 8.2 minutes per game, shooting 34.8 percent from the field and 22 percent from 3-point range.

Gosar said off-the-court issues limited Pledger's game contributions.

"It's a privilege to be here," said Gosar. "It's a privilege to wear a CSI uniform, it's not a right. Along with that uniform comes a lot of responsibility. I want these guys to be accountable for that."

Pledger is the second Golden Eagle dismissed this season, joining sophomore guard Antonio Owens, who departed the program in mid-January. Freshman forward Brandon Givens left the team in December for personal reasons.

CSI (15-7, 7-5 Scenic West Athletic Conference) is on the road this week for games at Eastern Utah (Friday) and Colorado Northwestern (Saturday).

DISTRICT IV TOURNAMENTS

Class 4A Great Basin Conference Tournament
Tuesday
Game 1: No. 4 Wood River 37, No. 5 Burley 27
Game 2: No. 3 Twin Falls 83, No. 6 Canyon Ridge 26
Thursday
Game 3: Wood River (16-5) at No. 1 Jerome (19-1), 7 p.m.
Game 4: Twin Falls (14-7) at No. 2 Minico (13-7), 7 p.m.
Game 5: Canyon Ridge (0-21) at Burley (10-11), 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 Tournament
Monday
Game 1: Kimberly 54, Buhl 28
Game 2: Gooding 54, Wendell 40
Tuesday
At Filer
Game 3: Wendell 47, Buhl 33 (Buhl eliminated)
Game 4: Gooding (11-8) 35, No. 2 Filer 33
Wednesday
At CSI
Game 5: Wendell (9-11) vs. Filer (8-11), 5:30 p.m.
Game 6: Gooding (12-8) 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 Tournament
Tuesday
Game 1: No. 3 Glenns Ferry 49, No. 2 Valley 48
Thursday
Game 2: Glenns Ferry (6-15) at No. 1 Declo (15-5), 7:30 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 8
Game 3: Valley (8-12) 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 Tournament
Monday
Play-in Game
At Murtaugh
Oakley 54, 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.
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, Noon or 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, 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 play-in vs. third place from District III at 3 p.m., Feb. 13 at Glenns Ferry HS.

Class 1A Division II Northside Conference Tournament
At Carey
Saturday
Game 1: No. 5 Community School (4-10) vs. No. 4 Camas County (10-8), 6 p.m.
Game 2: No. 6 Bliss (6-9) 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.

Glenns Ferry upsets Valley in Canyon tourney

Times-News

Karli McHone hit a free throw with 4.8 seconds left to lift the Glenns Ferry girls basketball team to a 49-48 win at Valley on Tuesday to advance in the Canyon Conference Tournament.

Dacia Hunter hit three foul shots with 11 ticks left to tie the game for Valley (8-12), but McHone's 26th point of the game was the winning one.

Glenns Ferry (6-15) scored 23 points in the second quarter to take a 28-17 lead at the break.

"The fourth quarter, both teams played hard and there was a lot of intense play," said Valley coach Brian Hardy. "But it boiled down to they just whipped us in that second quarter."

Valley (8-12) will wait for the outcome of Thursday's Glenns Ferry-Declo game. The Vikings will visit the loser of that game next Monday.

Glenns Ferry 49, Valley 48

Glenns Ferry	5	23	5	16 – 49
Valley	10	7	11	20 – 48

GLENNS FERRY (49)
Karli McHone 26, Chelsea Woody 6, Jennifer Popoca 3, Mollee Shrum 3, Cassandra Garza 2, Sara Arellano 9. Totals 14 16-24 49.
VALLEY (48)
Valene Lickley 11, Kaylee Kent 2, Dacia Hunter 11, Alyssa Henry 11, Cheyanna Nelson 9, Conny Chaires 4. Totals 13 20-26 48.
3-point goals: Glenns Ferry 5 (McHone 3, Popoca, Arellano), Valley 2 (Henry, Nelson). Total fouls: Glenns Ferry 15, Valley 20. Fouled out: Valley, Henry. Technical fouls: none.

DIETRICH 66, COMMUNITY SCHOOL 10

Dietrich crushed Community School 66-10 as Moriah Dill scored 22 points while Jessica Perron followed with 11 for the Blue Devils Tuesday night.

Dietrich visits Richfield today with a chance to clinch the Northside Conference regular-season title outright. A loss will create a three-way tie with Carey and Richfield and call for a three-way coin flip to decide conference tournament seeding.

Dietrich 66, Community School 10

Dietrich	21	19	12	14–66
Community School	1	0	5	4–10

DIETRICH (66)
Jessica Perron 11, Nakia Norman 3, Ellie Dalton 5, Kelsie Dalton 6, Moriah Dill 22, Halie Stoddard 6, Dayna Phillips 8, Charley Bingham 5. Totals 27 7-11 66.
COMMUNITY SCHOOL (10)
Natalie Goddard 5, Ella Marks 3, Kayla Cloud 2. Totals 4 1-4 10.
3-point goals: Dietrich 5 (Norman, Perron, Stoddard, Bingham, E. Dalton); Community School 1 (Goddard). Total fouls: Community School 6, Dietrich 5. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Boys basketball

SHOSHONE 75, OAKLEY 62

Andrew Sortor led four Shoshone players in double figures with 20 as the Indians came back to top Oakley 75-62 on Tuesday.

Shoshone (16-1) got 18 points from Thomas Lanhan, 13 from Skye Axelson and 10 from Josh Olsen.

Oakley (5-9) got 18 from Hunter Wadsworth, 17 from Weston Cooper, 15 from Payson Bedke and 12 from Paxton Robinson. The Hornets led 37-32 at the break on the strength of nine first-half 3-pointers.

"They were just hotter than a firecracker in the first half," said Shoshone coach Larry Messick. "About the only thing that kept us in the game was that Lanhan had 16 of his 18 in the first half."

Axelson's back-to-back 3-pointers with less than 30 seconds left in the third quarter gave Shoshone a 54-48 lead, and the Indians never looked back.

Shoshone visits Hagerman on Thursday with a chance to clinch the Snake River Conference's North Division title.

Shoshone 75, Oakley 62

Oakley	15	22	11	14 – 62
Shoshone	11	21	22	21 – 75

OAKLEY (62)
Payson Bedke 15, Weston Cooper 17, Hunter Wadsworth 18, Paxton Robinson 12. Totals 24 3-3 62.
SHOSHONE (75)
Justin Santana 2, Nell Valencia 4, Sky Axelson 13, Andrew Sortor 20, Thomas Lanhan 18, Josh Olsen 10, Shane Walsh 2, Cody Race 6. Totals 29 12-15 75.
3-point goals: Oakley 11 (Wadsworth 4, Robinson 4, Bedke 3); Shoshone 5 (Axelson 3, Lanhan 1, Olsen). Total fouls: Oakley 14, Shoshone 7. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

MURTAUGH 67, CAMAS COUNTY 38

Manuel Pacheco scored 28 as Murtaugh pounded Camas County 67-38 Tuesday.

Humberto Pacheco scored 19 for the Red Devils (12-2, 8-2 Northside), and Derek Bates added 15.

"Camas (County) is really improved. The score doesn't really indicate the growth they've made," said Murtaugh coach Adam Johnson. "I thought we got an outstanding effort from Manuel Pacheco tonight, especially with rebounds. He had more than 10."

Murtaugh visits Carey on Friday.

Murtaugh 67, Camas County 38

Camas County	9	15	3	11 – 38
Murtaugh	26	12	17	12 – 67

CAMAS COUNTY (38)
Derek Walker 15, Andrew Simon 3, Carlos Robles 10, Jordan Robles 7, Mickenzie Boggs 3. Totals 14 8-15 38.
MURTAUGH (67)
Cummins 2, Filiberto Martinez 2, Humberto Pacheco 19, Derek Bates 15, Manuel Pacheco 28, Luis Aburto 1. Totals 24 13-19 67.
3-point goals: Camas County 2 (J. Robles, Simon); Murtaugh 2 (H. Pacheco, M. Pacheco). Total fouls: Camas County 15, Murtaugh 17. Fouled out: Camas County, Walker. Technical fouls: none.

CASTLEFORD 76, HAGERMAN 43

Ethan Tverdy and Kale Weekes each had 19 as Castleford pasted Hagerman 76-43 Tuesday.

Tyler Hansen added 16 for the Wolves, who have won 15 in a row after a season-opening loss to Glenns Ferry.

Dylan Brooks scored 10 in the loss for Hagerman (7-10), which hosts Shoshone Thursday.

Castleford 76, Hagerman 43

Castleford	20	13	16	27 – 76
Hagerman	10	10	15	8 – 43

CASTLEFORD (76)
Kline 2, Howard 4, Vargas 6, Horner 2, Weekes 19, Chavez 6, Hansen 16, Wiseman 2, Tverdy 19. Totals 34 6-11 76.
HAGERMAN (43)
Brooks 10, Arnold 4, Luttmer 9, Johnson 3, Henslee 4, Reid 7, Douville 6. Totals 16 6-11 43.
3-point goals: Castleford 2 (Chavez 2), Hagerman 5 (Luttmer 3, Reid, Brooks). Total fouls: Castleford 15, Hagerman 14. Fouled out: Hagerman, Reid, Douville. Technical fouls: none.

FILER 54, AMERICAN FALLS 29

Bryce Beard scored 20 and Terrell Bailey added 11 as Filer smothered American Falls 54-29 on the road Tuesday.

The Wildcats (12-3) scored 25 points in the first quarter and had 39 at halftime. They only scored three in the third quarter but held the Beavers to seven second-half points.

Filer visits Canyon Ridge on Thursday.

Filer 54, American Falls 29

Filer	25	14	3	12 – 54
American Falls	13	9	4	3 – 29

FILER (54)
Matt Ramseyer 5, Bryce Beard 20, Ryan Karel 1, Cassidy Babb 3, Cody Reynolds 5, Terrell Bailey 11, Tyler Kreft 2, Andrew Wright 2, Justin Orban 5. Totals 21 2-7 54.
AMERICAN FALLS (29)
Rodriguez 3, Wagman 3, Martinez 2, Mandilla 2, Fitch 11, Mock 3, Taylor 5. Totals 10 6-12 29.
3-point goals: Filer 10 (Beard 4, Bailey 3, Ramseyer, Babb, Orban); American Falls 3 (Mock, Rodriguez, Wagman). Total fouls: Filer 11, American Falls 12. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

JEROME 59, KIMBERLY 41

Kameron Pearce scored 19 as Jerome earned a 59-41 victory over Kimberly on Tuesday.

Jerome outscored Kimberly in every quarter except for the fourth, but the deficit was too much for Kimberly to overcome.

Kimberly's Nick Dame scored 13 in the losing effort.

"They just outhustled us. They beat us to the lose balls and on the boards," said Kimberly coach Marvin Mumm.

Kimberly (7-9) plays Wendell on Friday, and Jerome hosts Burley.

Jerome 59, Kimberly 41

Jerome	17	13	17	12– 59
Kimberly	8	4	15	14 – 41

JEROME (59)
Kameron Pearce 19, Cameron Stauffer 2, Gus Callen 6, Chace Capps 4, Austin Clegg 2 , Spencer Parker 9, Jake Hollifield 7, Garrett Amos 6, Bryan Harper 4. Totals 22 9-13 59.
KIMBERLY (41)
Derek Maloney 5, Nick Dame 13, Brian Crane 6, Parker Champlin 7, Tyler Wadsworth 2, Cody Casperson 2, Nicola Schmid 6. Totals 14 10-13 41.
3 point goals: Jerome 3 (Pearce 2, Parker), Kimberly 3 (Maloney, Dame, Champlin). Total fouls: Jerome 14, Kimberly 11. Fouled out: Jerome, Capps. Technical fouls: none.

RAFT RIVER 76, SHO-BAN 39

The Raft River Trojans thumped Sho-Ban 76-39 Tuesday in Malta for a Snake River Conference South Division victory.

Taylor Thacker (18 points), H.D. Tuckett (18), Cade Powers (14) and Rio Manning (13) all scored in double figures as Raft River improved its league record to 4-2 (13-5 overall).

The Trojans travel to Fort Hall next Tuesday to face Sho-Ban again.

Raft River 76, Sho-Ban 39

Sho-Ban	12	12	11	4 – 39
Raft River	24	18	16	18 – 76

SHO-BAN (39)
Runninghorse 8, Coby 9, Redcloud 2, Sanchez 10, Grant 2, Tone 4, Plentyhawk 4. Totals 16 4-7 39.
RAFT RIVER (76)
Cade Powers 14, Rio Manning 6, Taylor Thacker 18, Nelson Manning 13, H.D. Tuckett 18, Sean Streeter 2, Brogan Higley 1, Jason Hurst 4. Totals 31 14-19 76.
3-point goals: Sho-Ban 3 (Runninghorse 2, Sanchez). Total fouls: Sho-Ban 15; Raft River 5. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

CAREY 54, MAGIC VALLEY CHRISTIAN 41

Carey edged Magic Valley Christian 54-41 Tuesday night. Brett Adamson was the leading scorer with 16 points for the Panthers. Zach VanEsch scored 20 points for the Conquers. Carey travels to the Community School Thursday while Magic Valley Christian will visit Bliss.

Carey 54, Magic Valley Christian 41

Carey	8	17	15	14–54
MVC	8	8	12	13–41

CAREY (54)
Dillion Simpson 6, Brett Adamson 16, Trevor Peck 8, Blair Peck 6, Shane Bingham 2, Wacey Barg 5, TylerChavez 5, Caleb Cenarrusa 4, Brad Peck 2. Totals 23 6-6 54.
MVC (41)
Andre Briggs 2, Dylan VanEsch 11, Zach VanEsch 20, Matt McClimans 8. Totals 17 6-10 41.
3-point goals: Carey 2 (Adamson 2); MVC 1 (D. VanEsch). Total fouls: Carey 11, MVC 7. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 48, TWIN FALLS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 31

Lighthouse Christian cruised to a 48-31 win over Twin Falls Christian Academy.

Zane Jesser scored 13 points and Aaron Borchardt followed with nine for the Lions.

James Garrison paced the Warriors with 11 points. Lighthouse Christian hosts Challis Thursday while Twin Falls Christian Academy hosts Camas County.

Lighthouse Christian 48, Twin Falls Christian Academy 31

Lighthouse Christian	12	16	12	8– 48
TFCA	9	0	12	10–31

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN (48)
Alex Nixson 8, Aaron Borchardt 9, Gabe Heath 8, Evan Aardema 5, Dedrik Rodriquez 4, Zane Jesser 13, Logan Vander Stelt 1. Totals 17 11-24 48.
TFCA (31)
Austin Brown 7, Nate Rippee 6, Joel Carpenter 5, Jesse Bolyard 2, James Garrison 11. Totals 14 1-8 31.
3-point goals: LHC 3 (Nixson 2, Aardema); TFCA 2 (Brown, Carpenter). Total fouls: LHC 13, TFCA 18. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

DIETRICH 57, COMMUNITY SCHOOL 52, OT

Dietrich outlasted the Community School in overtime Tuesday night winning 57-52.

Kolton Hubert scored 17 points and Jay Liu followed with 11 for the Blue Devils.

Daniel Gomis scored 15 points while Will Brokaw added 14 for the Cutthroats.

Dietrich travels to Richfield Thursday while the Community School visits Twin Falls Christian Academy next Tuesday.

Dietrich 57, Community School 52, OT

Dietrich	5	16	18	9,	9–57
Community School	8	11	14	15,	4–52

DIETRICH (57)
Whit Bingham 3, Jay Liu 11, Dylan Perron 3, James McDaniel 8, Dion Norman 3, Kolton Hubert 17, Andrew Rocha 7, Walter Hansen 5. Totals 20 16-36 57.
COMMUNITY SCHOOL (52)
Will Brokaw 14, Tanner Flanigan 4, Paul Davis 7, Eli Albarran 3, Daniel Gomis 15, Henry Rickbeil 2, Hunter Weaver 7. Totals 20 5-8 52.
3-point goals: Dietrich 1 (Rocha); Community School 5 (Brokaw 3, Albarran, Gomis). Total fouls: Community School 28, Dietrich 14. Fouled out: Community School, Flanigan, Gomis, Rickbeil. Technical fouls: none.

Fredette leads No. 12 BYU over TCU

PROVO, Utah — Jimmer Fredette scored 26 points and Jackson Emery had 12 points and six assists as No. 12 BYU beat TCU 76-56 on Tuesday night.

BYU (22-2, 7-1 Mountain West) scored the game's first 10 points and held a double-digit lead for most of the game while remaining unbeaten against TCU since the Horned Frogs joined the conference.

Noah Hartsock added 14 points and Chris Miles pulled down 11 rebounds for the Cougars, who have won 17 of 18.

Greg Hill and Garlon Green led TCU (10-13, 2-6) with 11 points apiece.

TCU is 0-10 against BYU in Mountain West regular season and tournament games.

The Frogs finished 21 of 60 from the field and made just 3 of 16 3-pointers. They also hurt themselves with several layups that bounced off the rim and into the hands of the Cougars, who outrebounded TCU 45-36.

AP photo
BYU forward Noah Hartsock dunks against TCU in the first half Tuesday in Provo, Utah.

NO. 2 VILLANOVA 81, SETON HALL 71

VILLANOVA, Pa. — Corey Stokes hit two 3-pointers during the decisive run and scored all 11 of his points in the second half, helping No. 2 Villanova hold off a serious scare from Seton Hall in an 81-71 victory Tuesday night.

Stokes was a non-factor for the Wildcats (20-1, 9-0 Big East) until he broke a tie with a 3. He quickly followed with another 3-pointer for a long-range start to an 11-0 run that helped put the game away and extended Villanova's winning streak to 11 straight games.

NO. 3 SYRACUSE 85, PROVIDENCE 68

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Reserve Kris Joseph had a career-high 23 points and Arinze Onuaku added a season-high 20 for Syracuse.

The Orange (22-1, 9-1 Big East) have won nine straight and are off to the best start in school history. They were 21-1 in 1979-80, but had never won 22 of their first 23 games to begin a season.

NO. 4 KENTUCKY 85, NO. 25 MISSISSIPPI 75

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Freshman John Wall shook off a recent slump with 17 points and seven assists to lead Kentucky.

DeMarcus Cousins added 18 points and 13 rebounds for the Wildcats (21-1, 6-1 Southeastern Conference), who built an early double-digit lead then held off a couple of second-half rallies by the Rebels.

Terrico White led Mississippi (16-6, 4-4) with 19 points and Chris Warren added 15 but Mississippi missed freshman big man Reginald Buckner, who sat out his second straight game with a sprained ankle.

NO. 16 WISCONSIN 67, NO. 5 MICHIGAN ST. 49

MADISON, Wis. — Jason Bohannon scored 19 points and Wisconsin snapped Michigan State's perfect Big Ten start.

Kalin Lucas, Michigan State's leading scorer and last season's Big Ten player of the year, had to be helped off the court after injuring his ankle midway through the second half and didn't return. Lucas, averaging 16 points per game, finished with seven points to snap a string of 33 consecutive games in double figures.

Jordan Taylor added 17 points as Wisconsin (17-5, 7-3) won its third game over a team ranked sixth or better this season and its 18th straight at the Kohl Center.

NO. 10 KANSAS ST. 76, NEBRASKA 57

LINCOLN, Neb. — Denis Clemente scored 23 points and Jamar Samuels added 15 as Kansas State bounced back from its overtime loss to archrival Kansas.

Clemente matched his season high with five 3-pointers, including three straight early in the second half to break open the game.

– The Associated Press

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Bulls' Rose excused from All-Star rookie game

NEW YORK (AP) — Derrick Rose has been excused from the rookie challenge at All-Star weekend and will be replaced by Golden State's Anthony Morrow.

Rose, last season's Rookie of the Year, was selected as a reserve for the All-Star game and is competing in the skills challenge as the defending champion of the event. Because that would have meant events on three straight nights, the NBA announced Tuesday that the Chicago point guard could skip the rookie game.

Players in their first two seasons selected for the All-Star game are typically required to compete in the game between rookies and sophomores on Friday night of All-Star weekend.

Rose will defend his skills challenge title against fellow All-Stars Steve Nash of Phoenix and Deron Williams of Utah, plus rookie Brandon Jennings of Milwaukee. Rose last year became the first rookie to win the event, which is an obstacle course consisting of dribbling, passing and shooting.

Morrow is averaging 11.5 points.

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grabbed five rebounds, Mallory Jund had five steals, while Alexin Clark had three steals.

The Riverhawks were again plagued by poor ball handling, cold shooting, abundant turnovers and a lack of rebounding, and until they can fix those things, head coach Kim Wray said, teams will continue to beat them.

Canyon Ridge travels to Burley Thursday in an elimination game, seeking its first-ever victory.

WOOD RIVER 37, BURLEY 27

Kaitana Martinez scored 11 as Wood River advanced in the Great Basin Conference Tournament with a 37-27 win over Burley on Tuesday. The wolverines (16-5) scored just two points in the first quarter, but held Burley (10-11) to just 19 points over the final three quarters.

Burley's Teresa Wayment scored nine in the loss.

Wood River visits Jerome in the championship bracket on Thursday, while Burley hosts Canyon Ridge in an elimination game.

GBC Boxes

Twin Falls 83, Canyon Ridge 26

Canyon Ridge	2	8	3	13 – 26
Twin Falls	11	26	19	27 – 83

CANYON RIDGE (26)
Karly Hudelson 5, Bonnie Detweiler 2, Laken Mullin 2, Staci Baird 9, Dani Richards 2, Katie Hamby 6. Totals 9 7-10 26.
TWIN FALLS (83)
Josie Jordan 5, Alexin Clark 7, Erin Grubbs-Imhoff 8, Brianna Bishop 4, Mallory Jund 8, Allie Kelsey 7, Jazlyn Nielsen 16, Taylor Williams 9, Alex Simmons 15, Brylee Bartlett 4. Totals 30 21-31 83.
3-point goals: Canyon Ridge 1 (Baird); Twin Falls 2 (Kelsey, Bartlett). Total fouls: Canyon Ridge 17; Twin Falls 14. Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: none.

Wood River 37, Burley 27

Burley	8	12	6	1 – 27
Wood River	2	16	13	6 – 37

BURLEY (27)
Cheri Preston 7, Brandee Potts 2, Teresa Wayment 9, Jessica Laumb 1, Sara Behunin 2, Shawna Pace 6. Totals 10 6-13 27.
WOOD RIVER (37)
Alex Lindbloom 2, Kaitana Martinez 11, Allie Hesteness 7, Monica Garceau 4, Haylee Thompson 9, Cheyenne Swanson 4. Totals 15 3-4 37.
3 point goals; Burley 1 (Preston), Wood River 4 (Martinez 3, Hesteness). Total fouls; Burley 7, Wood River 13. Fouled out; none. Technical fouls; none.

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LeBron dishes 15 assists as Cavaliers shred Grizzlies

CLEVELAND — LeBron James tied a career high with 15 assists and Shaquille O'Neal ruled underneath, collecting 13 points and 13 rebounds in 21 minutes to help the Cleveland Cavaliers beat the worn-down Memphis Grizzlies 105-89 on Tuesday night for their ninth straight victory.

James scored 22 but was more focused on setting up his teammates. It was the fifth time in six games he has had at least 10 assists, accepting the challenge of running Cleveland's offense while the club waits for guards Mo Williams and Delonte West to return from injuries.

Cleveland has won its past four games by an average of 19 points.

PISTONS 97, NETS 93

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Tayshaun Prince slammed down a tiebreaking dunk on an inbounds play with 45.6 seconds left and Detroit snapped a five-game losing streak.

Richard Hamilton had 11 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter, including three free throws in the final 21.3 seconds, as the Pistons won for only the fifth time in 24 games.

Brook Lopez led New Jersey with 27 points on 11-of-16 shooting from the field.

THUNDER 106, HAWKS 99

OKLAHOMA CITY — Kevin Durant had 33 points and 11 rebounds, Jeff Green added 19 points and two key baskets down the stretch, and Oklahoma City recovered after letting a 13-point lead slip away to beat Atlanta.

Durant became the first player since Allen Iverson nine seasons ago to score at least 25 points in 22 consecutive games and came up big down the stretch.

Fans started chanting "M-V-P!" as Durant made two free throws with 9.6 seconds left to complete a perfect 14-for-14 night at the foul line.

MAGIC 99, BUCKS 82

ORLANDO, Fla. — Vince Carter had 17 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists to lead short-handed Orlando over Milwaukee.

The struggling shooting guard had by far his most efficient game in more than a month, giving Orlando its seventh win in eight games.

Charlie Bell and Luke Ridnour had 13 points apiece for the Bucks.

ROCKETS 119, WARRIORS 97

HOUSTON — Aaron Brooks and Carl Landry scored 24 points apiece, and Houston salvaged the last game of its longest homestand of the season by beating Golden State.

Trevor Ariza scored 18 points and Chuck Hayes grabbed 13 rebounds for the Rockets.

Monta Ellis scored 34 points for the Warriors, who've lost six games in a row.

PACERS 130, RAPTORS 115

INDIANAPOLIS — Danny Granger scored 23 points and Indiana snapped Toronto's five-game winning streak.

Troy Murphy had 20 points and 14 rebounds for Indiana, which ended a three-game skid. Roy Hibbert had 18 points and nine boards, and Earl Watson added 15 points and a season-high 11 assists.

CLIPPERS 90, BULLS 82

CHICAGO — Chris Kaman had 21 points and 11 rebounds in his return from injury and Eric Gordon scored 24 points and Los Angeles snapped a four-game losing streak.

Back home after finishing a long road trip with five impressive victories over good Western Conference teams, the Bulls shot 38 percent and committed 20 turnovers in losing to the last club to beat them — the struggling Clippers.

— The Associated Press

SCOREBOARD

GAME PLAN

LOCAL

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL
7:30 p.m.
Burley at Canyon Ridge
Twin Falls at Minico
Valley at Declo
Wood River at Buhl
HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL
Regular season
7:30 p.m.
Dietrich at Richfield
Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament
At CSI
See Sports 2
Class 1A Division I Sawtooth Conference Tournament
See Sports 2
HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING
5 p.m.
Jerome, Highland, Pocatello at Burley
6 p.m.
Buhl at Twin Falls

TV SCHEDULE

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
5 p.m.
ESPN2 — DePaul at Marquette
7 p.m.
ESPN2 — Kansas at Colorado
9 p.m.
ESPN2 — Idaho at Utah St.
NBA BASKETBALL
6 p.m.
ESPN — Miami at Boston
8:30 p.m.
ESPN — Phoenix at Denver
FSN — Portland at Utah

BASKETBALL

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All Times MST
EASTERN

ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	30	16	.652	–
Toronto	26	23	.531	5½
New York	18	29	.383	12½
Philadelphia	16	31	.340	14½
New Jersey	4	43	.085	26½
SOUTHEAST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Orlando	33	16	.673	–
Atlanta	30	17	.638	2
Charlotte	24	23	.511	8
Miami	24	24	.500	8½
Washington	16	31	.340	16
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Cleveland	39	11	.780	–
Chicago	23	23	.500	14
Milwaukee	21	26	.447	16½
Indiana	17	32	.347	21½
Detroit	16	31	.340	21½

WESTERN

SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	30	18	.625	–
San Antonio	27	19	.587	2
Houston	26	22	.542	4
Memphis	26	22	.542	4
New Orleans	26	22	.542	4
NORTHWEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Denver	33	15	.688	–
Utah	29	18	.617	3½
Portland	29	21	.580	5
Oklahoma City	27	21	.563	6
Minnesota	11	38	.224	22½
PACIFIC	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
L.A. Lakers	37	12	.755	–
Phoenix	29	21	.580	8½
L.A. Clippers	21	27	.438	15½
Sacramento	16	31	.340	20
Golden State	13	34	.277	23

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, OT
Utah 104, Dallas 92
Portland 98, Charlotte 79

Tuesday's Games
Indiana 130, Toronto 115
Cleveland 105, Memphis 89
Orlando 99, Milwaukee 82
Detroit 97, New Jersey 93
L.A. Clippers 90, Chicago 82
Oklahoma City 106, Atlanta 99
Houston 119, Golden State 97

Wednesday's Games
L.A. Clippers at Atlanta, 5 p.m.
New Jersey at Toronto, 5 p.m.
Chicago at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
Washington at New York, 5:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at New Orleans, 6 p.m.
Miami at Boston, 6 p.m.
Golden State at Dallas, 6:30 p.m.
Portland at Utah, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Sacramento, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Denver, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Miami at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
San Antonio at Portland, 8:30 p.m.

NBA Boxes

MAGIC 99, BUCKS 82

MILWAUKEE (82)
Delfino 2-13 4-4 8, Mbah a Moute 1-4 0-0 2, Bogut 5-11 0-2 10, Jennings 1-7 0-0 2, Bell 5-11 0-0 13, Ridnour 5-11 1-1 13, Ilyasova 2-7 3-5 8, Thomas 4-7 0-0 8, Stackhouse 2-6 0-0 5, Warrick 4-7 1-6 9, Meeks 1-4 0-1 2, Gadzuric 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 33-91 9-19 82.
ORLANDO (99)
Barnes 2-5 7-8 11, Lewis 5-16 1-2 13, Howard 7-10 8-13 22, Williams 4-8 1-1 11, Carter 7-15 1-3 17, Gortat 3-6 0-0 6, Redick 4-5 4-5 15, Johnson 0-3 0-0 0, Anderson 1-3 2-2 4. Totals 33-71 24-34 99.

Milwaukee	26	10	21	25	–	82
Orlando	23	27	25	24	–	99

3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 7-22 (Bell 3-5, Ridnour 2-4, Stackhouse 1-3, Ilyasova 1-3, Meeks 0-1, Jennings 0-3, Delfino 0-3), Orlando 9-16 (Redick 3-4, Carter 2-3, Williams 2-3, Lewis 2-4, Anderson 0-1, Barnes 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 51 (Bogut 10), Orlando 65 (Howard 11). Assists—Milwaukee 17 (Jennings, Ridnour 4), Orlando 21 (Carter 7). Total Fouls—Milwaukee 24, Orlando 15. Technicals—Milwaukee defensive three second, Redick. A—17,461 (17,461).

CLIPPERS 90, BULLS 82

L.A. CLIPPERS (90)
Butler 6-8 1-2 16, Camby 5-10 1-2 11, Kaman 10-20 1-2 21, B.Davis 4-13 0-0 8, Gordon 7-15 7-10 24, Smith 3-5 0-1 6, Collins 0-4 0-0 0, R.Davis 0-1 0-0 0, Thornton 2-6 0-0 4, B.Brown 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-82 10-17 90.
CHICAGO (82)
Deng 6-14 4-4 18, Gibson 3-6 0-0 6, Noah 4-6 0-1 8, Rose 7-20 2-2 16, Hinrich 3-9 4-5 10, Thomas 1-5 7-8 9, Salmons 1-4 0-0 2, Miller 1-7 0-1 3, D.Brown 2-5 0-0 5, Pargo 1-2 0-0 3, Johnson 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 30-79 17-21 82.

L.A. Clippers	31	19	28	12	–	90
Chicago	26	16	21	19	–	82

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 6-14 (Butler 3-3, Gordon 3-7, Collins 0-1, B.Davis 0-3), Chicago 5-15 (Deng 2-4, Pargo 1-1, D.Brown 1-2, Miller 1-3, Rose 0-1, Hinrich 0-1, Salmons 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 49 (Kaman 11), Chicago 56 (Thomas 9). Assists—L.A. Clippers 21 (B.Davis 7), Chicago 18 (Rose 4). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 15, Chicago 16. Technicals—L.A. Clippers defensive three second. A—19,335 (20,917).

CAVALIERS 105, GRIZZLIES 89

MEMPHIS (89)
Gay 7-14 1-2 15, Randolph 3-14 2-3 8, Gasol 4-9 2-2 10, Conley 1-6 1-2 3, Mayo 4-15 1-1 10, Tinsley 5-8 2-3 12, Thabeet 0-2 6-6 6, Haddadi 0-1 0-0 0, Carroll 4-8 0-0 8, Hudson 3-8 2-2 8, Ma.Williams 2-2 0-0 5, Hunter 2-5 0-2 4. Totals 35-92 17-23 89.
CLEVELAND (105)
James 7-14 7-7 22, Hickson 6-12 3-4 15, O'Neal 6-10 1-4 13, Gibson 6-11 2-2 16, Parker 3-5 1-1 8, Ilgauskas 6-10 2-2 14, Moon 1-6 0-0 2, Varejao 3-4 2-2 8, J.Williams 1-5 2-2 5, Green 1-1 0-0 2, D.Jackson 0-1 0-0 0, C.Jackson 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 40-81 20-24 105.

Memphis	16	21	25	27	–	89
Cleveland	28	27	31	19	–	105

3-Point Goals—Memphis 2-14 (Ma.Williams 1-1, Mayo 1-4, Tinsley 0-1, Gay 0-1, Haddadi 0-1, Hudson 0-2, Conley 0-4), Cleveland 5-18 (Gibson 2-6, Parker 1-1, J.Williams 1-3, James 1-4, C.Jackson 0-1, Ilgauskas 0-1, Moon 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Memphis 54 (Mayo 6), Cleveland 54 (O'Neal 13). Assists—Memphis 17 (Mayo 4), Cleveland 27 (James 15). Total Fouls—Memphis 21, Cleveland 18. Technicals—Cleveland defensive three second. A—20,562 (20,562).

THUNDER 106, HAWKS 99

ATLANTA (99)
Williams 2-7 0-0 4, Jos.Smith 6-9 3-4 15, Horford 5-10 4-6 14, Bibby 3-8 4-5 12, Johnson 13-20 8-8 37, Evans 0-1 0-0 0, Crawford 4-8 0-0 9, Pachulia 1-3 0-0 2, Teague 1-4 0-0 2, J. Smith 0-2 2-2 2, West 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 36-75 21-25 99.
OKLAHOMA CITY (106)
Durant 9-18 14-14 33, Green 7-15 2-3 19, Krstic 4-7 0-0 8, Westbrook 5-16 2-2 12, Sefolosha 3-7 3-4 9, Maynor 1-5 0-0 2, Ibaka 4-5 0-0 8, Collison 2-2 2-4 6, Harden 2-6 4-5 9. Totals 37-81 27-32 106.

Atlanta	22	27	23	27	–	99
Oklahoma City	22	27	30	27	–	106

3-Point Goals—Atlanta 6-14 (Johnson 3-6, Bibby 2-5, Crawford 1-2, Evans 0-1), Oklahoma City 5-15 (Green 3-4, Durant 1-3, Harden 1-4, Sefolosha 0-1, Westbrook 0-1, Maynor 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 42 (Jos.Smith, Williams 6), Oklahoma City 50 (Durant 11). Assists—Atlanta 16 (Bibby 6), Oklahoma City 20 (Westbrook 9). Total Fouls—Atlanta 24, Oklahoma City 16. A—17,360 (18,203).

PISTONS 97, NETS 93

DETROIT (97)
Prince 7-15 0-0 15, Jerebko 2-6 2-2 6, Wallace 4-6 0-0 8, Stuckey 6-17 9-12 21, Hamilton 9-16 3-4 22, Villanueva 0-2 0-0 0, Bynum 5-8 0-0 10, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Gordon 2-6 2-2 7, Maxiell 3-6 2-4 8. Totals 38-82 18-24 97.
NEW JERSEY (93)
Hayes 5-10 0-0 11, Yi 1-12 1-1 3, Lopez 11-16 5-8 27, Harris 7-14 10-11 24, Lee 5-9 2-2 15, Humphries 3-8 3-4 9, Williams 0-1 0-0 0, Douglas-Roberts 0-1 0-0 0, Quinn 1-2 2-2 4. Totals 33-73 23-28 93.

Detroit	24	19	28	26	–	97
New Jersey	29	19	19	26	–	93

3-Point Goals—Detroit 3-8 (Prince 1-1, Hamilton 1-2, Gordon 1-4, Jerebko 0-1), New Jersey 4-15 (Lee 3-4, Hayes 1-3, Quinn 0-1, Williams 0-1, Harris 0-3, Yi 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 49 (Prince 8), New Jersey 46 (Humphries 12). Assists—Detroit 24 (Stuckey 8), New Jersey 24 (Harris 14). Total Fouls—Detroit 20, New Jersey 18. Technicals—Hamilton. A—9,417 (18,974).

PACERS 130, RAPTORS 115

TORONTO (115)
Belinelli 7-13 4-5 21, Bosh 13-22 9-12 35, Bargnani 14-21 2-6 34, Jack 1-6 2-2 4, Weems 0-3 0-0 0, Calderon 2-6 0-0 5, Johnson 3-6 0-1 6, Wright 0-8 4-4 4, Nesterovic 1-4 0-0 2, Banks 0-2 4-4 4, O'Bryant 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-92 25-34 115.
INDIANA (130)
Granger 8-19 7-7 23, Murphy 8-12 2-2 20, Hibbert 7-12 4-4 18, Watson 4-8 7-8 15, Rush 5-8 0-0 13, Dunleavy 3-5 5-5 12, D.Jones 1-5 6-6 8, Price 3-4 2-3 8, Head 5-11 0-0 13, McRoberts 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 44-84 33-35 130.

Toronto	34	19	33	29	–	115
Indiana	32	26	42	30	–	130

3-Point Goals—Toronto 8-20 (Bargnani 4-6, Belinelli 3-4, Calderon 1-3, Jack 0-2, Wright 0-5), Indiana 9-24 (Rush 3-4, Head 3-5, Murphy 2-5, Dunleavy 1-3, Watson 0-1, Price 0-1, Granger 0-5). Fouled Out—Murphy. Rebounds—Toronto 54 (Bosh 15), Indiana 48 (Murphy 14). Assists—Toronto 27 (Calderon 8), Indiana 24 (Watson 11). Total Fouls—Toronto 28, Indiana 27. Technicals—Toronto defensive three second. A—11,191 (18,165).

ROCKETS 119, WARRIORS 97

GOLDEN STATE (97)
Radmanovic 2-6 0-0 5, Tolliver 2-8 0-0 4, Biedrins 2-3 0-0 4, Curry 6-18 0-0 14, Ellis 13-22 6-9 34, Karl 5-13 1-2 12, Turiaf 2-4 1-2 5, George 2-8 0-0 4, Watson 4-11 1-2 9, Hunter 3-5 0-0 6. Totals 41-98 9-15 97.
HOUSTON (119)
Battier 4-6 2-4 12, Scola 4-13 2-2 10, Hayes 3-4 1-1 7, Brooks 10-20 2-4 24, Ariza 6-16 5-5 18, Budinger 5-7 2-2 14, Landry 6-9 12-13 24, Andersen 4-6 0-0 8, Conroy 1-4 0-0 2, Dorsey 0-0 0-0 0, Cook 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 43-86 26-31 119.

Golden State	25	24	19	29	–	97
Houston	39	20	24	36	–	119

3-Point Goals—Golden State 6-24 (Curry 2-5, Ellis 2-6, Radmanovic 1-3, Karl 1-4, George 0-3, Watson 0-3), Houston 7-22 (Battier 2-4, Budinger 2-4, Brooks 2-6, Ariza 1-6, Conroy 0-1, Andersen 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Golden State 45 (Biedrins 8), Houston 66 (Hayes 13). Assists—Golden State 23 (Karl 7), Houston 22 (Brooks 6). Total Fouls—Golden State 23, Houston 14. A—12,845 (18,043).

Monday's Late NBA Box

TRAIL BLAZERS 98, BOBCATS 79

CHARLOTTE (79)
Wallace 5-10 6-8 17, Diaw 2-4 1-2 6, Mohammed 2-3 2-2 6, Felton 3-10 2-2 8, Jackson 9-19 3-3 23, Murray 2-7 7-7 13, Augustin 0-5 0-0 0, Brown 2-4 0-0 4, Graham 1-2 0-0 2, Diop 0-0 0-0 0, Henderson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-64 21-24 79.
PORTLAND (98)
Webster 3-8 2-2 10, Aldridge 8-13 1-2 17, Howard 1-4 1-2 3, Miller 4-6 0-0 8, Bayless 6-10 2-2 15, Pendergraph 0-0 4-4 4, Blake 2-6 0-0 5, Fernandez 4-9 1-1 11, Batum 7-10 0-0 15, Cunningham 5-8 0-0 10, Mills 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 40-75 11-13 98.

Charlotte	19	24	22	14	–	79
Portland	29	22	21	26	–	98

3-Point Goals—Charlotte 6-23 (Murray 2-6, Jackson 2-7, Wallace 1-2, Diaw 1-3, Felton 0-1, Augustin 0-4), Portland 7-20 (Fernandez 2-6, Webster 2-6, Bayless 1-2, Batum 1-3, Blake 1-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Charlotte 37 (Wallace 10), Portland 41 (Batum 9). Assists—Charlotte 15 (Jackson 4), Portland 21 (Miller 10). Total Fouls—Charlotte 16, Portland 20. Technicals—Charlotte defensive three second. A—20,106 (19,980).

Men's College Scores

Far West
BYU 76, TCU 56
San Diego St. 70, Air Force 48
Midwest
Bradley 67, Drake 65
Kansas St. 76, Nebraska 57
Northwestern 67, Michigan 52
SE Missouri 68, SIU-Edwardsville 49
Wisconsin 67, Michigan St. 49
South
Kentucky 85, Mississippi 75
Longwood 70, High Point 66
Radford 111, VMI 84
Southern Miss. 56, SMU 53
UCF 67, East Carolina 56
W. Illinois 53, N.C. Central 50
Wake Forest 62, Miami 53
East
Drexel 97, Towson 55
Northeastern 67, Delaware 51
Rhode Island 90, La Salle 83
Rutgers 84, St. John's 72
Syracuse 85, Providence 68
Villanova 81, Seton Hall 71

Women's College Scores

Far West
CS Bakersfield 57, Oregon St. 54
Midwest
Bowling Green 85, N. Illinois 67
Duquesne 61, Saint Louis 54
SIU-Edwardsville 59, SE Missouri 57
South
Cincinnati 74, Louisville 68, OT
Davidson 66, Wofford 60
South Florida 61, Villanova 51
East
Connecticut 80, West Virginia 47
Georgetown 67, St. John's 57
Hartford 85, UMBC 45
St. Bonaventure 69, Massachusetts 54
Syracuse 87, Pittsburgh 80, OT
Temple 58, Saint Joseph's 56

NJCAA Division I Men's Poll

Team	Rec.	Pts.	Pvs.
1. Midland College	23-0	320	1
2. Connors St. College	21-0	292	4
3. Harcum College	21-0	279	3
4. North Idaho College	20-2	257	6
5. Wallace St. CC-Hanceville	22-1	252	6
6. Howard College	19-2	218	8
7. Northwest Florida St.	20-2	213	2
8. Hutchinson CC	21-2	209	9
9. Wabash Valley College	20-2	196	8
10. San Jacinto-Central	19-2	166	12
11. Tallahassee CC	20-3	156	14
12. Shelton State CC	21-2	150	13
13. McLennan CC	20-2	115	18
14. East Mississippi CC	18-3	70	22
15. Kankakee CC	20-4	69	11
16. Middle Georgia College	18-3	62	15
17. Odessa College	18-5	59	10
18. Southeastern CC	17-5	33	21
19. John A. Logan College	17-4	28	–
20. Chipola College	17-5	27	16
21. Butler CC	19-4	25	–
22. Paris JC	18-4	22	–
23. Cochise College		18-4	19 –
24. Navarro College	17-5	17	17
25. Three Rivers CC	18-5	17	–

Others receiving votes: Indian Hills CC 15, Arizona Western 14, Alabama Southern CC 12, North Platte CC 8, Chattanooga State CC 7, Cape Fear CC 5, Salt Lake CC 5, Indian River St. College 4, Northwest College 4, Collin County CC 3, Hinds CC 3, Moberly Area CC 2, Sheridan College 2, Snead State CC 2, Central Florida CC 1, North Dakota State College of Science 1, Pearl River CC 1.

Scenic West Athletic Conference Standings

Men

Team	Conf.	Overall
1. North Idaho	20-2	10-2
2. Salt Lake CC	18-5	9-4
3. Eastern Utah	14-8	8-5
4. CSI	**15-7**	**7-5**
5. Snow College	9-14	3-10
6. Colo. NW CC	1-19	1-12

Women

Team	Conf.	Overall
1. Salt Lake CC	19-3	11-2
2. North Idaho	18-3	9-3
3. Snow College	17-6	8-5
4. CSI	**15-7**	**7-5**
5. Eastern Utah	7-16	3-10
6. Colo. NW CC	2-17	0-13

BETTING

Glantz-Culver Line

NFL
Sunday
Super Bowl
At Miami

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
Indianapolis	3	5	(56½)	New Orleans

FOOTBALL

NFL Playoffs

All Times MST
Pro Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 31
At Miami
AFC 41, NFC 34
Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 7
At Miami
New Orleans vs. Indianapolis, 4:25 p.m. (CBS)

HOCKEY

NHL

All Times MST
EASTERN

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
New Jersey	55	35	18	2	72	146	125
Pittsburgh	57	35	21	1	71	180	161
Philadelphia	54	28	23	3	59	163	149
N.Y. Rangers	56	25	24	7	57	143	154
N.Y. Islanders	56	23	25	8	54	143	172
NORTHEAST	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Buffalo	54	32	15	7	71	153	132
Ottawa	56	31	21	4	66	157	157
Montreal	57	26	25	6	58	146	154
Boston	54	23	22	9	55	131	140
Toronto	57	18	28	11	47	152	197
SOUTHEAST	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Washington	56	38	12	6	82	218	150
Florida	56	24	23	9	57	149	161
Tampa Bay	55	23	21	11	57	140	163
Atlanta	55	24	23	8	56	166	176
Carolina	55	19	29	7	45	147	180

WESTERN

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Chicago	55	37	14	4	78	180	129
Nashville	55	30	21	4	64	151	153
Detroit	55	26	19	10	62	142	147
St. Louis	55	24	22	9	57	143	153
Columbus	58	22	27	9	53	150	193
NORTHWEST	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Vancouver	55	34	19	2	70	180	135
Colorado	55	31	18	6	68	161	144
Calgary	56	27	21	8	62	143	145
Minnesota	56	27	25	4	58	155	167
Edmonton	54	17	31	6	40	141	186
PACIFIC	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**
San Jose	55	36	10	9	81	187	134
Phoenix	57	34	18	5	73	155	145
Los Angeles	55	33	19	3	69	166	151
Dallas	56	25	20	11	61	161	179
Anaheim	56	26	23	7	59	155	172

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Monday's Games
Pittsburgh 5, Buffalo 4
Anaheim 3, Florida 0
Philadelphia 3, Calgary 0
Edmonton 4, Carolina 2

Tuesday's Games
Phoenix 1, Nashville 0, SO
Washington 4, Boston 1
Toronto 3, New Jersey 0
Tampa Bay 2, Atlanta 1
Montreal 3, Vancouver 2
Dallas 4, Minnesota 2
Colorado 5, Columbus 1
N.Y. Rangers at Los Angeles, late
Detroit at San Jose, late

Wednesday's Games
Ottawa at Buffalo, 5 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 6:30 p.m.
Carolina at Calgary, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Edmonton, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Anaheim, 8 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Montreal at Boston, 5 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 5 p.m.
Dallas at Columbus, 5 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay, 5:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Ottawa, 5:30 p.m.
San Jose at St. Louis, 6 p.m.
Colorado at Nashville, 6 p.m.
Edmonton at Minnesota, 6 p.m.
Anaheim at Los Angeles, 8:30 p.m.

SKI REPORT

Idaho
Bogus Basin – Tue 6:35 am snowing lightly 38 degrees packed powder 58 - 69 base 45 of 52 trails, 27 miles, 2450 acres, 6 of 8 lifts, 85% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-4:30p Sat/Sun: 9a-10p.
Brundage – Tue 5:17 am snowing lightly 32 degrees packed powder 54 - 62 base 46 of 46 trails, 25 miles, 1500 acres, 4 of 5 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9:30a-4:30p Sat/Sun: 9:30a-4:30p.
Kelly Canyon – Tue 12:38 pm overcast 21 degrees packed powder 28 - 33 base 26 of 26 trails, 2 of 5 lifts, 100% open, Tue-Thu: 12:30p-9:30p; Fri: 9:30a-9:30p Sat: 9:30a-9:30p; Sun: 9:30a-4:30p; Open Tue-Sun.
Lookout Pass – Tue 5:18 am snowing lightly 27 degrees 1 new packed powder machine groomed 46 - 82 base 34 of 34 trails, 18 miles, 540 acres, 4 of 4 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p.
Magic Mountain – Operating No Details
Pebble Creek – Tue 10:11 am cldy 24 degrees powder machine groomed 23 - 48 base 49 of 54 trails, 2 of 3 lifts, 80% open, Mon-Thu: 9:30a-4p, Fri 9:30a-9:30p Sat: 9:30a-9:30p, Sun: 9:30a-4p.
Pomerelle – Tue 8:05 am mixed snow/rain cloud/sun 34 degrees packed powder machine groomed 69 - 92 base 24 of 24 trails, 250 acres, 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Mon: 9a-4p; Tue-Fri: 9a-9p Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p.
Schweitzer Mountain – Tue 4:42 am mixed snow/rain cloud/sun 31 degrees packed powder 49 - 75 base 92 of 92 trails, 2900 acres, 7 of 9 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Thur: 9a-4p Fri: 9a-7p; Sat: 9a-7p, Sun: 9a-4p.
Silver Mountain – Tue 10:16 am snowing lightly 30 degrees packed powder machine groomed 25 - 54 base 60 of 73 trails, 6 of 7 lifts, 82% open, Mon, Thu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p
Open Thu-Mon.
Snowhaven – Tue 10:51 am snowing lightly 25 degrees packed powder 30 - 40 base 7 of 7 trails, 2 of 2 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-4p; Sat: 10a-9p; Sun: 10a-4p.
Soldier Mountain – Tue 8:22 am overcast 25 degrees packed powder machine groomed 30 - 36 base 36 of 36 trails, 1147 acres, 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open,
Sun Valley – Tue 5:00 am partly cloudy 35 degrees packed powder 34 - 67 base 67 of 75 trails, 1000 acres, 12 of 19 lifts, 95% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to terms with RHP Josh Judy and RHP Zach Putnam.
National League
HOUSTON ASTROS—Named Hector Mercado pitching coach for the Astros (GCL). Agreed to terms RHP Alberto Arias, OF Brian Bogusevic, RHP Sammy Gervacio, OF Yordany Ramirez and LHP Polin Trinidad on one-year contracts.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with OF Reed Johnson on a one-year contract.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Agreed to terms with OF Scott Hairston on a one-year contract.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Agreed to terms with RHP Guillermo Mota on a minor league contract.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
CLEVELAND CAVALIERS—Signed G Cedric Jackson to a second 10-day contract.
Women's National Basketball Association
CONNECTICUT SUN—Signed G Kara Lawson to a three-year contract. Re-signed G Anete Jekabsone-Zogota to a two-year contract.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
CHICAGO BEARS—Named Mike DeBord tight ends coach.
NEW YORK JETS—Fined coach Rex Ryan $50,000 for making an obscene gesture at a mixed martial arts event on Jan. 30.
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Signed P Durant Brooks to a two-year contract.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Named Keenan McCardell receivers coach.
Canadian Football League
MONTREAL ALOUETTES—Re-signed RB Dahrran Diedrick to a two-year contract.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ATLANTA THRASHERS—Traded F Matt Siddall from Victoria (ECHL) to Gwinnett (ECHL) for future considerations.
CAROLINA HURRICANES—Recalled RW Steven Goertzen from Albany (AHL).
DETROIT RED WINGS—Assigned D Andreas Lilja to Grand Rapids (AHL) for conditioning.
NEW YORK RANGERS—Traded F Christopher Higgins and F Ales Kotalik to Calgary for F Olli Jokinen and F Brandon Prust.
WASHINGTON CAPITALS—Recalled D Karl Alzner from Hershey (AHL).
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
FC DALLAS—Acquired allocation money from Chivas USA for the rights to MF Osael Romero.
Women's Professional Soccer
SAINT LOUIS ATHLETICA—Traded D Kia McNeill, MF Angie Kerr, the rights to MF Amanda Poach, and the second-round pick in the dispersal draft to Atlanta for the first-round pick in the dispersal draft and the 2011 second-round pick in the WPS Draft.
COLLEGE
CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT—Named Jessica Morris assistant director of athletic communications.
CENTRAL MICHIGAN—Named Tim Daoust defensive line coach and Jay Johnson quarterbacks coach.
COASTAL CAROLINA—Named Tammy DeCesare women's soccer coach.
MARSHALL—Named Chris Rippon defensive coordinator.
TUSCULUM—Promoted assistant soccer coach Steve Voltz to men's soccer coach.
YOUNGSTOWN STATE—Named Andre Coleman tight ends coach.

Jets fine coach Ryan $50,000 for obscene gesture at MMA event

NEW YORK — Jets coach Rex Ryan was fined $50,000 by the team Tuesday for making an obscene gesture at a mixed martial arts event last weekend.

The team's decision came after a smiling Ryan was caught on a cell phone camera flipping his middle finger at a fan during the competition in Sunrise, Fla., on Saturday night. The image of Ryan quickly spread across the Internet and made its way onto the back pages of New York tabloids.

Ryan apologized the next day, calling his actions "stupid and inappropriate."

"I wouldn't accept that type of behavior from one of the coaches or players and it's unacceptable from me," he said in a statement.

General manager Mike Tannenbaum had said the organization was disappointed and would address the matter internally.

The coach also could be fined by the NFL under its personal conduct policy. Commissioner Roger Goodell fined Tennessee Titans owner Bud Adams $250,000 for making an obscene gesture to fans in November, but that was during an NFL game.

SOCCER

Cabanas conscious and could talk with police

MEXICO CITY — Paraguay striker Salvador Cabanas is conscious and could talk to police about being shot in the head while in the bathroom of a Mexico City bar.

Cabanas continued his strong recovery Monday, speaking to family members and taking food after doctors lowered his sedation level. A star of the Paraguay national team and Mexican side America, Cabanas watched his club earn a 1-0 victory over Indios on television Sunday.

Shortly after the shooting a week ago, surgeons attempted to remove the small-caliber bullet lodged in Cabanas' skull but decided surgery was too risky.

"He could give testimony if investigators come to speak with him, but he is not going to recall what happened," Dr. Ernesto Martinez told reporters at Angeles del Pedregal Hospital. "We're not going to interfere with the police."

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MAGIC VALLEY

Gooding holds VB tourneys

GOODING — The Gooding boys basketball team will hold a men's 6-on-6 volleyball tournament Saturday, Feb. 6 at Gooding High School. A co-ed tournament will be held Saturday. Feb. 13. The cost for either event is $120 per team.

Information: Max Piper at 539-4666 or piper_max@hotmail.com.

Youth hoops tourneys set

KIMBERLY — Idaho Prep Basketball will host its last two Magic Valley Winter Youth Tournaments Feb. 13 and 27 in Kimberly and Twin Falls. Boys in grades 5-8 and girls in grades 5-8 are eligible.

Information: Robby Fenk at 360-885-7810 or http://wwwidahoprepbasketball.com.

Bruins honor seniors today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School wrestling program will honor its senior during today's dual with Buhl. The Bruin seniors include Danny Hernandez (112 pounds), Joe Hamilton (125), Will Keeter (140), Keverin Freeman (160) and Zak Slotten (171).

Wrestling begins at 6 p.m.

North Side holds sign-ups

JEROME — North Side Baseball and Softball is holding registration for the 2010 season. Sign-ups will be held at Summit Elementary School (200 10th Ave.) Registration for Cal Ripken baseball will be offered for ages 9-12 from 5 to 7 p.m., Feb. 9 and from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Feb. 13. Ages 11-12 may sign up from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Feb. 13. Babe Ruth softball sign-ups for ages 9-10 will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m., Feb. 13. Ages 11-14 may sign up from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Feb. 13. Ages 9-14 may sign up from 5 to 7 p.m., Feb. 17.

Players should bring a birth certificate (if new to the league), a glove and tennis shoes. The cost is $50, plus $10 for new pants.

Information: Chris Bragg at 324-3585, Connie McDonald at 324-8588 or http://www.leaguelineup.com/northside-baseball.

Bulldawgs hold dinner and raffle

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Bulldawgs semi-pro football team will hold its third annual Night Out with the 'Dawgs Feb. 27 at Radio Rondevoo. The cost is $50 per couple or $35 per person. Doors open at 6 p.m., with the all-you-can-eat dinner starting at 7:30. A raffle will be held with the grand prize being $500 and a trip to Las Vegas.

Information: Ben at 358-1469.

Northwest BBB seeks players

TWIN FALLS — The Northwest BBB baseball league is seeking adult players and manager for the upcoming season.

Information: Carlos at 212-4044.

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 player.

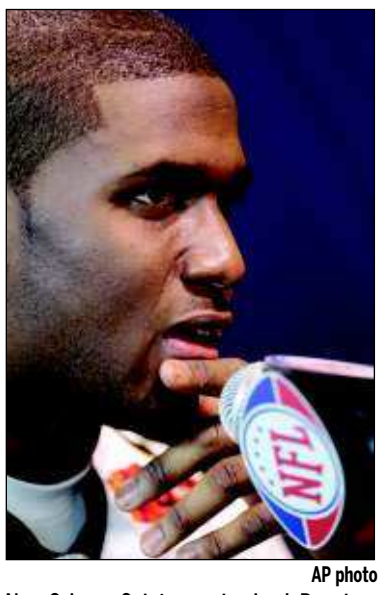
Information: Shawn Crowley 326-6835.

— Staff and wire reports

Colts vs. Saints

4:25 p.m., Sunday, CBS

Bush a star and disappointment at same time



AP photo

New Orleans Saints running back Reggie Bush (25) speaks during media day for Super Bowl XLIV Tuesday in Miami.

MIAMI (AP) — Reggie Bush can make the spectacular look routine.

And he can make the routine look too hard to handle.

Since the New Orleans Saints made the dynamic running back from Southern California the second overall pick in the 2006 draft, Bush has been a revelation and a disappointment. At times, he resembles the breathtaking game-breaker who won the Heisman Trophy in 2005. Then he morphs into a fumbling, pass-dropping, injury-ravaged nonentity — a third-stringer with little impact in the NFL's most potent offense.

Unquestionably, the Saints need him to display every one of his award-winning talents and none of his weaknesses in Sunday's Super Bowl against the Indianapolis Colts.

"I haven't lived up to the expectations I set for myself," Bush admitted Tuesday while seated on a podium at media day, surrounded by dozens of reporters. "Before I got to the NFL, I thought it would be the Super Bowl every year, make the Pro Bowl every year. You discover it's hard. It's hard to get to the Super Bowl. I've been in the league four years and just got here. There's a lot of great players who never get to the Super Bowl.

"I haven't lived up to the expectations I set for myself," he repeated, "but I know it will come.

"All I want to do is be the best player ever to play this game, and I'd be remiss if I didn't feel that way," Bush said. "If I didn't feel that way when I step on the field, I'd be selling myself short."

Some might argue Bush has come up far too short for the Saints. He hasn't made the Pro Bowl or All-Pro team. He hasn't approached 1,000 yards rushing in any season, and his career total of 1,940 yards is 66 fewer than second-year back Chris Johnson's for the Titans in 2009.

He hasn't beaten out Pierre Thomas, an undrafted free agent in 2007, for the starting job, but, worse, sometimes Bush is coach Sean Payton's third choice to carry the ball. His second choice is another undrafted player, Mike Bell.

Then there is Bush's inability to stay in the lineup. He's missed 12 of 48 regular-season games with a variety of knee injuries.

Ah, but then there are glimpses of greatness.

Two of them came in the divisional round victory over Arizona: an 83-yard punt return and a 46-yard run, each for scores. On both, Bush's burst past would-be tacklers was jaw-dropping.

Bush generally has lived up to his billing as a punt returner and is an important piece of Payton's passing schemes — so much so that opponents must plan for him at all times, even to the point of making sure a cornerback covers him.

"They have really good backs, fast backs with Reggie Bush," Colts linebacker Clint Session said. "We try not to get a lot of separation with a guy like him in the open field, so we're probably playing him a little tighter than normal.

"We have to know the beast, as we call it. Know the beast, respect his speed, and try to keep a close eye on him."

The Colts have a practice squad player named Taj Smith who is quite elusive, but as Session notes, Smith is no beast. And no Bush.

"That's a once-in-a-lifetime athlete that you'll see," Session said.

Manning the big star on Media Day

MIAMI (AP) — Peyton Manning worked the room masterfully. He took questions from all directions, throwing in plenty of eye contact. He spoke glowingly when necessary, took a few stabs at humor and steered away from anything that might come across as controversial.

Yes, the Indianapolis Colts quarterback handled Super Bowl media day with the same aplomb he shows at the line of scrimmage.

Manning, a four-time MVP and clearly the biggest star in South Florida, spoke on a wide range of subjects Tuesday without revealing a whole lot we didn't already know. He certainly didn't provide any bulletin-board fodder to Sunday's opponent, the New Orleans Saints.

Heck, that's his hometown, the city where his father Archie played and still lives. If the Colts weren't trying to win a title of their own, Manning would've been the Saints' biggest fan. He was certainly happy when they beat Minnesota in an overtime thriller to earn their first trip to the Super Bowl, a game that Manning won three years ago.

"The Saint were my team growing up," he said. "I was really excited for New Orleans, watching them win that game against the Vikings. It was exciting to see the French Quarter empty in the third quarter and then be packed after the game. I had a lot of friends down there tell me what it was like."

Manning said he also appreciates the history of the Colts, dating back to their days in Baltimore. In fact, one of his father's favorite players was Hall of Fame quarterback Johnny Unitas (the other: Mickey Mantle).

"I understand the significance of Unitas," Manning said. "I still feel that connection to Colts history."

Not long after being drafted by Indianapolis, Manning met Saints quarterback Drew Brees, who was then playing at right-down-the-road Purdue.

"He came to see a Colts game," said Manning, who then quickly pointed out that Brees "paid for his ticket. Everything was on the up-and-up," apparently in case the NCAA was listening.

Manning didn't get any offbeat questions, but that didn't stop him from trying to add a little levity to the proceedings.

"No, I'm not superstitious," he said. "I'm just a little 'stitious. OK, that's a bad joke. Eli gave me that one. I take it back."

Later, when another reporter broached the same subject, Manning was more revealing. He doesn't carry around a rabbit's foot, but he does have a routine he goes through before every game. When he first gets to the stadium, he reads the game program from front to back. Then, exactly two hours before kickoff, he goes out to the field to throw a few balls with receiver Reggie Wayne.

Manning shied away from any questions that might have turned controversial.

For instance, when asked about Lane Kiffin bolting from Manning's alma mater, Tennessee, to take the coaching job at USC, the quarterback replied, "I'm looking forward when it comes to the situation in Knoxville. I just want to wish the best to coach Dooley," referring to Kiffin's successor Derek Dooley.

On other subjects, Manning said:

• He misses former NFL quarterback Steve McNair, who was slain last summer by his mistress in what was ruled a murder-suicide. "There was no tougher player in the NFL than Steve McNair. I'm really proud to have shared the MVP award with him in 2003."

• The Colts will try to establish their ground game Sunday, even though they ranked last in the NFL in rushing yards during the regular season. "I don't think you can just drop back and pass on every single play."

• He believes the league is sincere in its efforts to deal with concussions. "I appreciate what the NFL is trying to do. The game is about being tough, but it's about being smart as well."

• The Florida quarterback who's getting mixed reviews from NFL scouts will do better in the pros than many are expecting. "Any NFL team would be lucky to have Tim Tebow. I think about all the problems we've had on third-and-1 and fourth-and-1. He was probably 100 percent in his college career at converting those."

AP photo

Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning (18) during media day for Super Bowl XLIV Tuesday in Miami.

4 injured in stage collapse at Super Bowl site

MIAMI (AP) — Four people were injured when a small stage collapsed outside Sun Life Stadium, where the Super Bowl is being played this weekend.

A Miami-Dade Fire Rescue news release says all four victims were taken to area hospitals Tuesday night. Two were transported by helicopter and the others by ambulance. The injuries were not considered life-threatening.

The Indianapolis Colts and the New Orleans Saints are set to play Super Bowl XLIV at the stadium on Sunday.

A message seeking comment from a fire department spokesman wasn't immediately returned.

Colts' Freeney still hopes to play in despite ankle injury

MIAMI (AP) — Colts defensive end Dwight Freeney still hopes to play in the Super Bowl despite a torn ligament in his right ankle.

"Hopefully, towards the end of the week it starts to get better," Freeney said at Tuesday's media day. "The decision will come later on in the week. It's kind of early now."

Freeney

An All-Pro player, Freeney wore a pair of flip-flops to the morning session. His injured ankle was unwrapped.

"Very discouraging" was how he described his inability to practice for Sunday's NFL title game against the New Orleans Saints.

"The competitor in me says they'll never stop me from being on the field," he said with a laugh before adding: "There's some pain there definitely, with throwing everything at it, all types of techniques, to find the best thing to get this thing as good as possible. You name it, I've probably done it."

Freeney injured the ankle in the AFC championship game against the New York Jets and said the chances of working out later this week weren't good.

He's the only starter on either team who might miss the game because of injury.

Freeney said he's enlisted the help of chiropractors, slept in an oxygen chamber, used ice, regular therapy and anything else team doctors prescribed, to try to get the ankle to heal.

Despite everything, his teammates still believe Freeney will be on the field Sunday.

Defensive lineman Raheem Brock, who would replace Freeney in the lineup, took it a step further.

"I think he'll be back and playing third downs. And I think he'll be effective, until I see something different," Brock said.

Freeney, the former league sacks champ, led the Colts with 13 sacks and is considered the team's defensive leader.

Coach says alleged affair hindered '98 U.S. soccer team

NEW YORK (AP) — Breaking more than a decade of silence, former U.S. soccer coach Steve Sampson said Tuesday he dropped John Harkes from the national team roster two months before the 1998 World Cup because the American captain was having an affair with the wife of teammate Eric Wynalda.

Harkes has long denied having an affair with Amy Wynalda.

Wynalda brought up the situation Monday night during a discussion on "Fox Football Fone-In" about a scandal in England over an alleged relationship between current English captain John Terry and the former partner of Wayne Bridge, his teammate on the national squad.

Sampson told The Associated Press on Tuesday he was glad the story was coming out now because "maybe people will have a little better of an understanding of what happened in the final months leading up to the World Cup."

After advancing to the second round of the 1994 World Cup at home, the U.S. finished last in the 32-nation field at the 1998 tournament in France, getting shut out by Germany, then losing 2-1 to Iran and 1-0 to Yugoslavia.

"It wasn't about losing 2-0 to Germany or losing to Iran," Sampson said. "There was more to it than that that impacted I believe the outcome of this team."

Wynalda said he spoke out during the program he co-hosts on Fox Soccer Channel because he was asked about Terry, who has been front-page news since Saturday in British newspapers.

"There's a lot of similarities between what happened to us in '98 and what's happening now to England," Wynalda told the AP. "It's an unfortunate time for England, because I know how that can affect a team firsthand. Obviously, we all know how we did in the World Cup in '98."

Sampson was replaced by Bruce Arena after the tournament.

Harkes was a member of the 1990 and 1994 U.S. World Cup teams and became the regular captain before he was dropped by Sampson in a surprise move on April 14, 1998. He made 90 international appearances from 1987-90.

"I am not going to rehash the things that have happened in the past," Harkes said Tuesday in a telephone interview. "1998 was devastating to me and my family. It was hard enough not to play in the World Cup, but it was even difficult to go through that time period, the most difficult time period of my life."

Sampson said Tuesday that Roy Wegerle, another U.S. player, came to him and assistant coach Clive Charles between the Feb. 25 game at Belgium and the March 14 match against Paraguay in San Diego and said he had personal knowledge of the affair. Charles died in 2003 and Wegerle, now retired, did not return a phone call Tuesday

In 1998, Sampson said Harkes, then 31, was dropped because the midfielder refused to play a more defensive role. Sampson also cited "leadership issues" but didn't elaborate.

Sampson, much criticized by players during the World Cup and fired after the U.S. was eliminated, defended his decision to hide the truth. He said he discussed his decision at the time with then-U.S. Soccer Federation president Alan Rothenberg, secretary general Hank Steinbrecher and current president Sunil Gulati, a longtime member of the leadership.

"I felt that these are the kinds of issues that need to stay in the locker room and within the team and not (be) exposed to the public," Sampson said. "The private issues for me were the most serious issues. I think I could have lived with everything else and kept John on the team if it had not been for the private issues. It's one thing to have an affair outside the team. It's another to have one inside. ... There are just certain lines that one cannot cross."

Rothenberg said Tuesday he had no memory of any discussion of the matter, Gulati declined comment and Steinbrecher did not return a telephone message.

Wynalda, however, insists an affair did take place.

"I'm calling it an inappropriate relationship. It was a major contributor to why I'm no longer married," said Wynalda, a father of three who separated from his wife in 2003 and then divorced.

Wynalda said that when Sampson informed him in the spring of 1998 that he was dropping Harkes, Wynalda tried to persuade the coach to change his mind. Sampson didn't recall such a conversation, but said that doesn't mean it didn't take place.

"At that time, I felt that he was still a player that could help our cause and he was still one of the best 22 players in our country," Wynalda said.

Wynalda and Harkes played together just once after that, when called in by Arena for a January 2000 exhibition at Chile.

"At that point, it was still manageable," Wynalda said.

Harkes, the U.S. college player of the year in 1987 at Virginia, was one of the first Americans to make the move overseas, playing for Sheffield Wednesday, Derby, West Ham and Nottingham Forest in England during the 1990s.

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NOTICES

NOTICE OF SOLE SOURCE EXPENDITURE

The purchase of the equipment listed below has been determined by the City of Jerome to be a sole source expenditure as defined at § 67-2808(2) of the Idaho Code and the City of Jerome purchasing policy.

In order to ensure that procurement procedures are conducted in a fair and impartial manner, and all qualified vendors/manufacturers are notified of the intent to award a sole source contract, this notice is given. Qualified and interested parties may submit evidence that more than one firm has the manufacturing capability to provide the same piece of heavy equipment prior to the proposed award date. If evidence presented reveals that more than one source is available to provide the piece of equipment, the City of Jerome may issue a competitive solicitation. The equipment to which the notice applies is as follows:

CAT Mini-Excavator 304C CRAC Capable of being interchangeable with attachments off a CAT 420 Backhoe without special manufacturing and alterations.

Interested parties must submit evidence in writing within 10 days of the date of the publication of this notice date via letter, facsimile, or email to the City Clerk, Shonna Fraser at: sfraser@ci.jerome.id.us; fax # 208-324-8204; office # 208-324-8189. The proposed award date is as stated: February 16, 2010.

PUBLISH: February 3, 2010

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FHF-87967 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on May 11, 2010, at the hour of 01:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE TWIN FALLS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 425 SHOSHONE STREET NORTH, TWIN FALLS, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho, to-wit: LOT 10 IN BLOCK 6 OF FIRST AMENDED WOODLAND HILLS SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN BOOK 18 OF PLATS, PAGE 11, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **541 WILDROSE LOOP, TWIN FALLS, ID 83301,** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **SCOTT M TROUT AND MELISSA Y TROUT, AKA MISSIE Y TROUT,** HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to TWIN FALLS TITLE AND ESCROW COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of BENEFICIAL IDAHO INC., as Beneficiary, dated 3/17/2008, recorded 3/18/2008, under Instrument No. 2008-006096, Mortgage records of TWIN FALLS County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by BENEFICIAL IDAHO INC.. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 3/17/2008, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 6/21/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of January 4, 2010 Delinquent Payments from June 21, 2009 5 payments at $2,248.28 each $11,241.40 2 payments at $2,418.70 each $4,837.40 (06-21-09 through 01-04-10) Late Charges: $674.46 Beneficiary Advances: $150.00 Suspense Credit: $0.00 TOTAL: $16,903.26 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 $258,590.17, together with interest thereon at 9.840% per annum from 5/21/2009 to 11/21/2009, 9.840% per annum from 11/21/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 1/4/2010 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CO 616 1 st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.rtrustee.com ASAP# 3409507

PUBLISH: January 20, 27, February 3 and 10, 2010

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FHF-89026 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on May 20, 2010, at the hour of 12:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE CASSIA COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1459 OVERLAND AVENUE, BURLEY, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of CASSIA, State of Idaho, to-wit: LOT 12 IN BLOCK 156 OF THE BURLEY TOWNSITE, CASSIA 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 Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **1434 ALMO AVENUE, BURLEY, ID 83318,** 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 **DENNIS JAMES PELTON AND KAREN KRISTINE PELTON,** HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to Land Title And Escrow, Inc., as Trustee, for the benefit and security of BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO. OF IDAHO, as Beneficiary, dated 8/9/2006, recorded 8/10/2006, under Instrument No. 310154, Mortgage records of CASSIA County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO. OF IDAHO. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 8/9/2006, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 8/14/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of January 13, 2010 Delinquent Payments from August 14, 2009 5 payments at $ 702.82 each $ 3,514.10 (08-14-09 through 01-13-10) Late Charges: $ 156.85 Beneficiary Advances: $ 0.00 Suspense Credit: $ 0.00 TOTAL: $ 3,670.95 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 $61,770.31, together with interest thereon at 11.550% per annum from 7/14/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 1/13/2010. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By Kara Lansberry, Assistant Trustee Officer c/o REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CO 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500 Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 340-2550 Sale Information: http://www.rtrustee.com ASAP# 3418106

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LANDS FOR LEASE

BIA ACCEPTING BIDS FOR FARM/PASTURE LEASES

The Bureau of Indian Affairs is now accepting sealed bids until NOON on March 4, 2010 on various Farm/Pasture leases on the Fort Hall Reservation. Bid forms and additional information can be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Indian Affairs at (208) 238-2305 or 238-2307.

PUBLISH: January 31, February 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28 and March 3, 2010

CITY OF WENDELL
ANNUAL ROAD AND STREET REPORT
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

This certified report of dedicated funds is hereby submitted to the State Auditor as required by Idaho Code 40-708.
Dated this 31st day of December, 2009
Mickey Walker, Clerk
Rick Cowen, Mayor

Beginning Balance of October 1, 2008	9,015.80
RECEIPTS	
Local funding sources	
Property tax levy	111,038.11
Total Local Funding	111,038.11
State Funding Sources	
Highway user revenue	83,050.99
Sales tax/Inventory replacement tax	20,353.02
Sales tax/revenue sharing	16,465.88
Total State Funding	119,869.89
Total Receipts	230,908.00
DISBURSEMENTS	
Total reconstruction/replacement	76,240.22
Total routine maintenance	58,478.49
Total equipment	28,295.66
Administration	25,413.41
Other	30,206.53
Total Disbursements	218,634.31
Receipts Over Disbursements	12,273.69
Closing Balance	21,289.49

PUBLISH: February 3, 2010

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Trustee's Sale No. 02-FHF-87278 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on March 30, 2010, at the hour of 03:00 PM, of said day, FRONT STEPS OF THE GOODING COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 624 MAIN STREET, GOODING, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of GOODING, State of Idaho, to-wit: Township 5 South, Range 14 East of the Boise Meridian, Gooding County, Idaho, Section 1: A parcel of land in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and more particularly as follows: COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of said Section 1, from which the West One Quarter corner of said Section 1 bear North 00°19'41" West 2636.26 feet; THENCE North 00°19'41" West along the West boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 275.00 feet to THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE continuing North 00°19'41" West along the West boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of section 1 for a distance of 125.00 feet; THENCE South 85°22'52" East for a distance of 456.18 feet; THENCE South 16°41'50" East for a distance of 88.71 feet; THENCE South 89°36'21" West parallel with the South boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 479.48 feet to THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING SUBJECT TO a 25.0 foot wide county road easement along the West boundary of the before described parcel. AND THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF THE FOLLOWING: Township 5 South, Range 14 East of the Boise Meridian, Gooding County, Idaho. Section 1: A parcel of land located in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of said Section 1, from which the West One Quarter corner of said Section 1 bears North 00°19'41" West 2636.26 feet; THENCE North 00°19'41" West along the West boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest of Section 1 for a distance of 150.00 feet to THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE continuing North 00°19'41" West along the West boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 125.00 feet: THENCE North 89°36'21" East parallel with the South boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 479.48 feet; THENCE South 16°41'50" East for a distance of 72.73 feet; THENCE South 09°23'33" West for a distance of 56.01 feet; THENCE South 89°36'21" West parallel with the South boundary of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1 for a distance of 490.53 feet to THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO a 25.00 foot wide County road easement along the West boundary of the before described parcel. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **1292 SOUTH 1700 EAST, GOODING, ID 83330,** 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 **PHILLIP W. BARMORE,** AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Grantor, to GOODING TITLE AND ESCROW COMPANY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III, as Beneficiary, dated 2/2/2007, recorded 2/5/2007, under Instrument No. 220194, Mortgage records of GOODING County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 2/2/2007, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 7/7/2009 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. Amount due as of November 20, 2009 Delinquent Payments from July 07, 2009 (07-07-09 through 11-20-09) 5 payments at $946.73 each $4,733.90 Late Charges: $351.33 Beneficiary Advances: $0.00 Suspense Credit: $0.00 TOTAL: $5,085.23 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 $114,733.15, together with interest thereon at 9.000% per annum from 6/7/2009, until paid. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same. DATED: 11/20/2009. PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC Trustee By: REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION It's Attorney-in-Fact By Anna Egdorf Authorized Agent 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# 3362952

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No.: ID-232033-C Loan No.: 0588412502 A.P.N.: RPOF3150010020A NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on 4/5/2010 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), In the lobby of Land Title & Escrow 1411 Fillmore Street, Ste. 600 Twin Falls, ID 83301, 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 and personal property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOT 2 IN BLOCK 1 OF FAIR SUBDIVISION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, RECORDED IN BOOK 19 OF PLATS, PAGE 37, RECORDS OF TWIN FALL COUNTY, IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address sometimes associated with said real property is: **2280 E 3950 NORTH FILER, Idaho 83328-0000** 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: **VAL JENSEN,** A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as grantors, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of "MERS" MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as Beneficiary, dated 10/5/2005, recorded 10/11/2005, as Instrument No. 2005-022978 and re-recorded , records of Twin Falls County, Idaho, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 10/5/2005. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of 1149.23, due per month from 8/1/2009 through 4/5/2010, and all subsequent payments 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 $142,302.52, plus accrued interest at the rate of 7.125% per annum from 7/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: 11/27/2009 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC By Executive Trustee Services, As Attorney In Fact Dee Ortega, authorized signatory C/O Executive Trustee Services, LLC 2255 North Ontario Street, Suite 400 Burbank, California 91504-3120 Sale Line: (714) 730-2727 ASAP# 3359974 01/13/2010, 01/20/2010, 01/27/2010, 02/03/2010

PUBLISH: January 13, 20, 27 and February 3, 2010

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: January 8, 2010 File No.: 7261.27522 Sale date and time (local time): May 10, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: outside the main entrance of the Minidoka County Courthouse, 711 'G' Street Rupert, ID 83350 Property address: **910 N. 600 West Paul, ID 83347** Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: **Richard A. Kinsey and Jane M. Kinsey,** husband and wife Original trustee: LSI, a Fidelity National Financial Company Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Quicken Loans, Inc. Recording date: January 23, 2006 Recorder's instrument number: 482408 County: Minidoka Sum owing on the obligation: as of January 8, 2010: $149,139.42 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Parcel No. 1: Township 8 South, Range 23 East of the Boise Meridian, Minidoka County, Idaho, Section 4: That part of Tract E, Farm Unit E, lying in said Section 4, of the North Side Pumping Division of the Minidoka Project, Idaho (as shown by plat, dated May 4, 1956, on file in the office of the County Recorder, Minidoka County, Idaho,) described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 4, which point shall be known as the True Point of Beginning; thence North 00 degrees 09' East along the West section line of said Section 4 for 880.67 feet; thence South 89 degrees 51' East for 150.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 50'57" East 318.68 feet; thence South 00 degrees 09' West for 243.66 feet; thence South 26 degrees 43'39" East for 248.65 feet to the centerline of an irrigation lateral; thence South 50 degrees 40'51" West along said lateral centerline for 652.93 feet; thence North 89 degrees 58'30" West for 77.05 feet to the True Point of Beginning. Save and Except the following described tract: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 4, said corner marked by a 5/8 inch rebar; thence South 89 degrees 58'30" East for 77.05 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 50 degrees 40'51" East along the centerline of an irrigation lateral for 652.93 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar which shall be the Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 15'03" West for 346.61 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 7 degrees 33'03" East for 220.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 89 degrees 50'57" East for 205.79 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 26 degrees 43'39" East for 248.65 feet to the Point of Beginning. Parcel No. 2: Township 8 South, Range 23 East of the Boise Meridian, Minidoka County, Idaho, Section 4: That part of Tract E, Farm Unit E, lying in said Section 4, of the North Side Pumping Division of the Minidoka Project, Idaho (as shown by plat, dated May 4, 1956, on file in the office of the County Recorder, Minidoka County, Idaho) described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 4, said corner marked by a 5/8 inch rebar; thence South 89 degrees 58'30" East for 77.05 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 50 degrees 40'51" East along the centerline of an irrigation lateral for 652.93 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar which shall be the Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 15'03" West for 346.61 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 7 degrees 33'03" East for 220.00 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 89 degrees 50'57" East for 205.79 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence South 26 degrees 43'39" East for 248.65 feet to the Point of Beginning. Parcel No. 3: A 25 foot wide access easement for the benefit of Parcel No. 2, as disclosed by Warranty Deed dated February 23, 1988 and recorded February 23, 1988, as Document No. 77505, records of Minidoka County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 4, said corner marked by a 5/8 inch rebar; thence North 0 degrees 09'00" East along section line for 471.11 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 0 degrees 09'00" East along section line for 25.01 feet to a point; thence North 88 degrees 22'11" East for 165.48 feet to a point; thence South 89 degrees 26'50" East for 79.74 feet to a point; thence South 7 degrees 33'03" West for 82.55 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar; thence North 89 degrees 15'03" West for 25.18 feet to a point; thence North 7 degrees 33'03" East for 57.28 feet to a point; thence North 89 degrees 26'50" West for 51.00 feet to a point; thence South 88 degrees 22'11" West for 165.78 feet to the Point of Beginning. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7261.27522) 1002.142462-FEI

PUBLISH: January 20, 27, February 3 and 10, 2010

NOTICES NOTICES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: January 12, 2010 File No.: 7777.11797 Sale date and time (local time): May 14, 2010 at 11:00 AM Sale location: outside the main entrance of the Minidoka County Courthouse, 711 'G' Street Rupert, ID 83350 Property address: **810 2nd Street Rupert, ID 83350** Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: **Betty L. Moncur** a widow Original trustee: First American Title Original beneficiary: Wells Fargo Financial Idaho, Inc. Recording date: April 16, 2007 Recorder's instrument number: 490352 County: Minidoka Sum owing on the obligation: as of January 12, 2010: $37,459.13 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: The East one (1) foot of Lot 9 and all of Lot 10 in Block 77 of the original Townsite of Rupert, Minidoka County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, now on file in the office of the county recorder, Minidoka County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7777.11797) 1002.143499-FEI

PUBLISH: January 27, February 3, 10 and 17, 2010

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No: ID-09-330049-TD On Ste'/tlOIO, at 11:00:00 AM (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of TWIN FALLS, State of Idaho: In the lobby of Land Title & Escrow, 1411 Fillmore Street, Suite 600 Twin Falls, ID 83301, Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee on behalf of Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of TWIN FALLS State of Idaho, and described as follows: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO Section 13: A parcel of land located in a portion of the N1/2N1/2NW1/4 and a portion of Tract A, Walden 2nd Subdivision, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 13; said point lies South 89°48'43 " West 2664.93 feet from the North quarter corner of Section 13; Thence North 89°48'43" East 1043.60 feet along the North boundary of Section 13; Thence South 00°07'24" West 40.00 feet to the Northwest corner of Tract A, "Walden 2nd Subdivision"; and being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence North 89°48'43" East 636.57 feet along the Southerly right of way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence along the Westerly boundary of that parcel of land shown on survey instrument No. 2003Â-011497 as follows: South 00°11'20" West 172.43 feet; South 70°02'16" West 72.56 feet; South 53°40'11" West 31.26 feet; South 33°44'05" East 48.16 feet; South 09°41'00" East 112.02 feet; South 14°46'24" East 144.78 feet; South 01°44'32" West 115.21 feet to a point on the Southerly boundary of N1/2NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 13; Thence South 89°48'50" West 335.76 feet to the Southwest corner of N1/2NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 13; Thence South 89°48'50" West 287.20 feet along the South boundary of N1/2NW1/4NW1/4, Section 13 to the Southwest corner of Tract A, "Walden 2nd Subdivision;" Thence North 00°07'24" East 621.29 feet along the Westerly boundary of said Tract A to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING, EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described parcel: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO Section 13: All that portion lying on the West boundary of the above described parcel known as Waldens 2nd Subdivision Tract "A" ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO Section 13: A parcel of land located in a portion of the N1/2NE1/4NW1/4, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the North Quarter corner of Section 13. Said point lies North 89°48'43" East 2664.93 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 13; Thence South 89°48'43" West 864.24 feet along the North boundary of Section 13; Thence South 00°19'49" West 40.00 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence South 89°48'44" West 120.33 feet along said right of way to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence South 00° 11'20" West 172.43 feet; Thence South 70°02'16" West 72.56 feet; Thence South 53o40'11" West 31.26 feet; Thence North 00°11'20" East 215.42 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence North 89°48'43" East 93.24 feet along said Right of way to the REAL POINT OF BEGINING. ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 17 EAST OF THE BOISE MERIDIAN, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO Section 13: A parcel of land located in a portion of the N1/2NE1/4NW1/4 being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the North Quarter corner of Section 13. Said point lies North 89°48'43" East 2664.93 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 13; Thence South 89°48'43" West 864.24 feet along the North boundary of Section 13; Thence South 00°19'49" West 40.00 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence South 89°48'44" West 120.33 feet along the said right of way to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence South 00° 11'20" West 172.43 feet; Thence South 70°02'16" West 72.56 feet; Thence South 53°40'11" West 31.26 feet; Thence North 00°11'20" East 215.42 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way boundary of Highway Project S-2741 (1); Thence North 89°48'43" East 93.24 feet along said right-of-way to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of **3186 ADDISON AVE. E, Twin Falls, ID 83301** is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by **BEVERLY CALDWELL AND MARVIN CALDWELL,** WIFE AND HUSBAND as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR TAYLOR, BEAN & WHITAKER MORTGAGE CORP., is named as Beneficiary and TICOR TITLE as Trustee and recorded 12/17/2008 as Instrument No. 2008-026445 in book --, page -- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 12/10/2008. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of $911.60, due per month for the months of 7/1/2009 through 1/7/2010, 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 $198,895.36 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 5.5000 per cent (%) per annum from 6/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: 1/15/2010 By: Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, LLC an Idaho limited liability company, as Trustee by Quality Loan Services, as Attorney in Fact, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington, as Agent 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 Tara Donzella, Assistant Vice President ***For Sale Information Call: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelityasap.com If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 3422066

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S. No.: ID-231992-C Loan No.: 0450919113 A.P.N.: RPT3481006000IA NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on 4/5/2010 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), in the lobby of Land Title & Escrow 1411 Fillmore Street, Ste. 600 Twin Falls, ID 83301, 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 and personal property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: THAT PART OF BLOCK 6 OF MOORMAN'S FIRST ADDITION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 35, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY. COMMENCING AT A POINT 150.54 FEET EAST AND 110 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID BLOCK; THENCE NORTH 55.78 FEET; THENCE EAST 130.42 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF ADAMS STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF ADAMS STREET 55.45 FEET TO A POINT 100 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID BLOCK; THENCE WEST 130.46 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address sometimes associated with said real property is: **373 ADAMS STREET TWIN FALLS, Idaho 83301** 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: **PERRINE D. VAUGHN and JANET K. VAUGHN,** HUSBAND AND WIFE, as grantors, to ALLIANCE TITLE AND ESCROW CORPORATION, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as Beneficiary, dated 10/29/1997, recorded 11/4/1997, as Instrument No. 1997018257 and re-recorded , records of Twin Falls County, Idaho, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC FKA GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 10/29/1997. The monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impounds (if applicable) of 495.43, due per month from 8/1/2009 through 4/5/2010, and all subsequent payments 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 $44,358.64, plus accrued interest at the rate of 7.5% per annum from 7/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: 11/27/2009 PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC By Executive Trustee Services, As Attorney In Fact Dee Ortega, authorized signatory C/O Executive Trustee Services, LLC 2255 North Ontario Street, Suite 400 Burbank, California 91504-3120 Sale Line: (714) 730-2727 ASAP# 3359976

PUBLISH: January 13, 20, 27, February 3, 2010

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 Fillmore 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:

EXHIBIT "A"

PARCEL 1

Lot 1 in Block 2 of Old Farm Subdivision No. 1, according to the official plat thereof, filed in Book 19 of Plats at Page(s) 15, Official Records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

PARCEL 2

Township 9 South, Range 14 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho

Section 25: A parcel of land located in a portion of E½NE¼SW¼ being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of E½NE¼SW¼;

THENCE South 89°25'42" West 110.60 feet along the South boundary of said E½NE¼SW¼, to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

THENCE South 89°25'42" West 94.00 along the South boundary of said E½NE¼SW¼;

THENCE North 00°21'23" West 246.95 feet to the center of an existing irrigation ditch;

THENCE South 72°36'46" East 98.69 feet along the center of said ditch;

THENCE South 00°21'23" East 216.52 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 3

Township 9 South, Range 14 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho

Section 25: A parcel of land located in a portion of E½NE¼SW¼ being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of E½NE¼SW¼ and being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING;

THENCE South 89°25'42" West 110.60 feet along the South boundary of the said E½NE¼SW¼;

THENCE North 00°21'23" West 216.52 feet to the center of and existing irrigation ditch;

THENCE South 72°36'46" East 27.42 feet along the center of said ditch;

THENCE South 68°37'13" East 59.52 feet along the center of said ditch;

THENCE South 80°58'19" East 29.59 feet along the center of said ditch to a point on the East boundary of E½NE¼SW¼;

THENCE South 00°21'23" East 180.88 feet along the East boundary of said E½NE¼SW¼ to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

The street address or the designation commonly used for the property is **606 Barness Ave., Buhl, Idaho 83316; NKA, Buhl, Idaho 83316; and 1448 East 4225 North, 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 **Earl Gray and Eileen Gray,** husband and wife, as Grantors, to Alliance Title Company as Trustee, and D.L. Evans Bank as Beneficiary, dated December 9, 2008, and recorded on the 9th day of December, 2008 as Instrument No. 2008-026003, 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 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 $50,914.44, together with accruing interest, and costs of sale.

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

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

30213462 Loan No. 0060036191 T.S. No. 057-010204 On 6/9/2010, at 11:00 a.m. (recognized local time), at the following location in the County of Cassia, State of Idaho: Lobby of Land Title & Escrow 211 W 13th St Burley, ID 83318 , TRANSNATION TITLE & ESCROW, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION, as Trustee on behalf of UTLS Default Services, LLC 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 Cassia State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOT 14 AND THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 15 IN BLOCK 3 OF HOMELAND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF BURLEY, CASSIA COUNTY, IDAHO, AS THE SAME IS PLATTED IN THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, NOW OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. 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 **1910 MILLER AVENUE, BURLEY, ID 83318** 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 **WILLIAM H. PAYNE AND SUSAN R. PAYNE,** HUSBAND AND WIFE as Grantor/Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., is named as Beneficiary and LAND TITLE AND ESCROW as Trustee and recorded 2/16/2007 as Instrument No. 313976 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Cassia 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 2/8/2007. The monthly installments of principal, interest, and impounds (if applicable) of $1,117.89, due per month for the months of 4/1/2009 through 1/25/2010, 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 $132,312.86 together with interest thereon at the current rate of 6.87500 per cent (%) per annum from 3/1/2009. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 1/26/10 TRANSNATION TITLE & ESCROW, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION By: Lynn Darling, AVP THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ASAP# 3428524

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101 Lost and Found

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HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Take baby steps. You need to take things slowly with the help of a friendly companion before you can walk independently.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Sit on the sidelines as this isn't the right time to push your agenda or let personal feelings affect business decisions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Disputes can be settled through inaction. You need not stir the pot; just serenely accept the status quo and allow time to pass.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You may be briefly suspicious of someone's motives or otherwise allow your imagination to get out of hand.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You don't need to make your views and opinions known. Don't make key purchases, especially of things that require good taste.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Cling to core values. Your true self and guiding principles won't necessarily change along with circumstances.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Avoid sensitive subjects. It is tempting to stir the pot by entering into debates about politics, philosophy or religion.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Set the record straight. You don't need to be argumentative to highlight the facts and point out errors.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Only losers play the blame game. Excuses aren't going to be accepted whether you give them or receive them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): There is no need to waste time in a fruitless struggle over personal beliefs. Admit that others have the right to speak.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Bow to conventions to achieve your dreams. You might think that you are above the law, but the law does not necessarily agree.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): A false friend can be more dangerous than an open enemy. This is not a good time to sign contracts or make promises.

502 Homes For Sale

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514 Income Property

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521 Manufactured Homes

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RENTAL PROPERTIES

601 Furnished Homes

JEROME/Between Jerome and Wendell. 1 bdrm, appls, no drugs/alcohol $350+dep. **324-7901**

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	3	2			5	1	6	8
9			1		6			4
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1			2					7
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	8	3				4		

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1	4	7	8	2	5	6	9	3
8	2	9	3	1	6	5	7	4
6	5	3	7	9	4	1	2	8
2	9	6	5	4	3	8	1	7
4	7	5	1	6	8	9	3	2
3	1	8	9	7	2	4	6	5
9	8	4	6	3	7	2	5	1
7	6	2	4	5	1	3	8	9
5	3	1	2	8	9	7	4	6

Difficulty Level ★★ 2/03

0602 Unfurnished Homes

BUHL 617 12th Ave N. 2 bdrm, 1 bath, tenant pays all utils, no pets. $390 mo + $350 dep. **731-4941**

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14 Refueling ship
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20 Five-sided building in Washington, D.C.
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51 Shortness
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55 Nile and Tigris
56 One who writes the words of a song
60 Declare
61 Prestigious British school
63 Creme de __; sweet liqueur
64 Tins
65 Gray wolf
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DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Harry," and I had a good marriage for 25 years, but we have grown apart and have agreed to divorce when our child finishes college. We just don't have a lot in common anymore. Harry is on the road a lot, and I have my own business.

My problem is I have fallen in love with Harry's cousin "Cyrus." We met 25 years ago at my sister-in-law's house and were instantly attracted. My mother-in-law reintroduced us five years ago so we could put together a business deal, and we became close. Cyrus is successful, and he's generous to me and my child. I have been secretly in love with him all these years, and now he has fallen in love with me, too.

DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

Because I plan to leave Harry does not mean I want to leave his family. I have a wonderful mother-in-law and great sisters-in-law, and I love being a part of their family. I enjoy the weddings, family reunions and even the memorial services.

When I divorce Harry and marry Cyrus, I plan to remain part of the family, but my sisters-in-law do not approve, and they no longer want to continue our friendship. If it doesn't bother my soon-to-be-ex-husband, why should my continuing to attend family reunions bother them? And will time heal all wounds?

— GOING CRAZY IN ALABAMA

DEAR GOING CRAZY: Allow me to offer a clue. Harry's sisters appear to be traditional in their beliefs and may consider you to be an adulteress who has wronged their brother. If the breach can be healed, Harry will have to explain to them that the divorce is also his idea because your marriage has been over for years. However, if your soon-to-be-ex is unwilling to step forward, then I seriously doubt time will heal this wound, so please don't hold your breath expecting any invitations when their clan gathers.

DEAR ABBY: Ever since my father died 15 years ago, my mother has pursued her children's friends and made them her own. Example: I live in another state and have had a best friend, "Anne," for 20 years. Mom has gotten to know Anne quite well over the years, through me. She now calls Anne long distance, invites her to come and stay with her (without me), and considers the two of them best friends.

Last week when I talked to Anne, I learned that Mother will be joining us on a girls' trip I had planned with my closest friends. Mother has done this with my siblings' friends, too — taking them on trips with her or inviting them to visit. Since Dad's death, she has severed most of their old friendships. Now, aside from our friends, her only friends are her secretary and some of her employees.

I'm having a hard time with this because I can no longer be open about my mother to Anne. Mom's relationship with Anne has changed my relationship with my friend, and I resent it. Is this normal?

— COMPETING WITH MOM

DEAR COMPETING: No, but has it occurred to you that after your father's death, their friends may have ended their relationship with your mother? According to my mail, it happens quite often because a widow may be perceived as a third wheel or even a threat.

Your mother may be competing with you (and your siblings), or it could be a desperate attempt to be more involved in your lives.

Does Anne know how uncomfortable this three-way has made you feel? If so, how did she respond when you told her? If you have discussed it, then it's time to recognize that the problem isn't entirely your mother, and you may be mad at the wrong person.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:

In 1809, German composer Felix Mendelssohn was born in Hamburg. Congress passed an act establishing the Illinois Territory effective March 1.

In 1865, President Abraham Lincoln and Confederate Vice President Alexander H. Stephens held a shipboard peace conference off the Virginia coast; the talks deadlocked over the issue of Southern autonomy.

In 1913, the 16th Amendment to the Constitution, providing for a federal income tax, was ratified.

In 1916, Canada's original Parliament Buildings, in Ottawa, burned down.

In 1924, the 28th president of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, died in Washington, D.C. at age 67.

In 1930, the chief justice of the United States, William Howard Taft, resigned for health reasons. (He died just over a month later.)

In 1959, rock-and-roll stars Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson died in a small plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa. An American Airlines Lockheed Electra crashed into New York's East River, killing 65 of the 73 people on board.

In 1966, the Soviet probe Luna 9 became the first manmade object to make a soft landing on the moon.

In 1969, Yasser Arafat was elected chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization's executive committee during a council meeting in Cairo, Egypt.

In 1989, Alfredo Stroessner, president of Paraguay for more than three decades, was overthrown in a military coup.

Ten years ago: The flight data recorder from Alaska Airlines Flight 261 was recovered from the Pacific Ocean off California. The Senate voted 89-4 to confirm Alan Greenspan for a fourth term as chairman of the Federal Reserve. Richard Kleindienst, who had served as U.S. attorney general during the Nixon administration and resigned during the Watergate scandal, died in Prescott, Ariz. at age 76.

Five years ago: Alberto Gonzales won Senate confirmation as attorney general. An interim report detailed conflicts of interest and flawed management in the U.N. oil-for-food program. An Afghan passenger jet carrying 104 people crashed east of Kabul, killing all on board.

One year ago: Eric Holder became the first black U.S. attorney general as he was sworn in by Vice President Joe Biden. The White House announced that Tom Daschle had asked to be removed from consideration as health and human services secretary after acknowledging he'd failed to pay all his taxes. Iran sent its first domestically made satellite, Omid ("hope"), into orbit.

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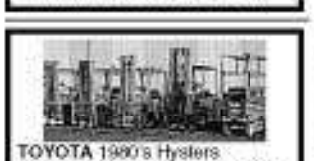

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First let's look at what happened to South in four spades. The opening lead of the club 10 went to the ace. Declarer could see that unless he lost two spade tricks, he would be home. He led a diamond to dummy's ace and a spade back to his king. He then cashed his second top club and ruffed a club. Now, when he led a second trump from dummy, East rose with the ace and thoughtfully underled his heart ace to put his partner in with the king. West returned the diamond queen, and East ruffed away dummy's king and exited with a club, forcing declarer to ruff in hand. As there was still another diamond to lose, declarer finished down one.

While a low diamond lead would have defeated the game, declarer should have considered the risk of the defenders getting a ruff, even on a club lead. To prevent this, the winning line is to start cutting the defenders' communications by leading a low heart at trick two. Declarer wins the club return, crosses to the diamond ace, plays a trump as before, then takes the club ruff for the second trump play, and East is helpless.

02-3-A

NORTH
♠ 10 6 2
♥ Q 9 5 4
♦ A K 9 3
♣ 8 5

WEST
♠ 8
♥ K 10 7 2
♦ Q 10 8 5 4
♣ 10 9 2

EAST
♠ A J 3
♥ A J 8 6
♦ J
♣ Q J 7 4 3

SOUTH
♠ K Q 9 7 5 4
♥ 3
♦ 7 6 2
♣ A K 6

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
3 ♣*	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
4 ♠	All pass		

* Long-suit game-try

Opening lead: Club 10

BID WITH THE ACES

02-3-B

South holds:

♠ 10 6 2
♥ Q 9 5 4
♦ A K 9 3
♣ 8 5

South	West	North	East
		1 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	3 ♣	Pass	Pass
?			

ANSWER: It cannot be right to bid three spades — if your partner had extra shape, he would have already acted. So the choice is to pass or double; and since a double here simply shows a good hand with decent defense, it looks reasonable to me — as long as you can be sure partner is on the same wavelength. If not, pass out three clubs and avoid disaster.

For details of Bobby Wolff's autobiography, "The Lone Wolff," contact kay19072 @aol.com. If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbywolff@mindspring.com.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers tomorrow)

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Answer: The lazy student flunked the math test because he made — "SUM" ERRORS

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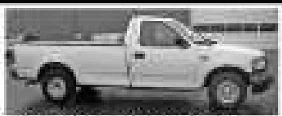

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