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CHOBANI UPDATE

## Breaking Ground

Local contractors are already seeing a boost from construction of the Chobani plant, which government officials and company leaders formally broke ground on Monday.



State, local and Chobani officials break ground at the new Twin Falls Chobani plant during a ceremony on Monday. See more photos of the ceremony at [Magicvalley.com/gallery](http://Magicvalley.com/gallery).

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Greek yogurt maker Chobani formally broke ground on its Twin Falls plant on Monday in a celebratory event, though its work had begun much sooner.

Construction crews started excavation work earlier this month at the site along Kimberly Road. Before that, city and Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency officials signed off in November on an agreement to lure Chobani's New York-based parent company, Agro Farma, to the region.

So, the audience of more than 100 at Monday's groundbreaking didn't hear any major surprises. But company leaders and govern-

ment officials made it clear that there's plenty to look forward to when the plant opens in 2012 with up to 400 employees.

Hamdi Ulukaya, chief executive officer, president and founder of the company, said the 950,000-square-foot plant will have room for expansion in future years.

He said the plant will start producing Greek yogurt, including new products, in the second half of 2012.

"We have a tight timetable," he said, declining to give the specific opening date in his speech. "... I don't want to name the time because we have competition out there."

Ulukaya said the company will eventually open an office to take applications for the jobs, adding that he's had plenty of inquiries already.

"Please be a little bit patient," he said.

The Twin Falls location will become a hub for Chobani in the western U.S. The company, which launched in 2007, has grown rapidly.

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter welcomed the company's entrance into Idaho.

"This is an exciting time," Otter said Monday.

Twin Falls Mayor Don Hall, noting the timing of the groundbreaking falling near Christmas, said: "I can't think of a better present to open than Chobani coming to our community."

Since the news, Hall said, the economic boost has lifted spirits.

Please see **CHOBANI, A2**

## Conservation K-9

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game's newest officer has four legs, a tail and a love of chew toys.

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Pepper can find a single shell casing in a field of grass, track a lost hunter or let his partner know when he detects illegally hunted game — and all he asks is a rubber chew toy in return.

Pepper, a 2-year-old black lab, is the first dog to be certified as an Idaho Department of Fish and Game K-9 and has the badge to prove it hanging from his collar. His partner and handler, Senior Conservation Officer Jim Stirling, has worked with the dog for about a year now. Their official certification came Dec. 1.

"We get called out about every other week to work a case," Stirling said, most often to recover evidence like weapons.

About two weeks ago, Pepper helped with a case involving a man suspected of illegal hunting.

While the man was stopped on unrelated suspicion of poaching, Pepper indicated something was in the back seat of his truck. This let authorities do a search, and the man admitted he had put illegally hunted ducks in the car the day before.

Stirling originally got the idea for the Fish and Game K-9 program after reading about a similar program in Kansas in 2007. He finally got approval to start, and after some bonding time with Pepper the two traveled to Indiana last spring for eight weeks of training.

"This was designed as a pilot program for five years," Stirling

Please see **K-9, A3**



Jim Stirling, a conservation officer with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, works with his dog, Pepper, the first certified K-9 dog with the agency, during a demonstration at the College of Southern Idaho on Monday.

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## Burley Man Arraigned on Murder Charge

Michael Jared Thompson, 24, is being held on \$500,000 bond in connection with the death of Kenneth Blair, 21, while the two were on their way home from a bar.

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Thompson

**BURLEY** • A 24-year-old Burley man was arraigned Monday on a murder charge and held on \$500,000 bond in connection with a weekend shooting that allegedly happened during a trip home from a bar.

Michael Jared Thompson, 24, was charged with second-degree murder with an enhancement penalty for the death of Michael Kenneth Blair, 21, of Burley, on Saturday. The shooting allegedly occurred inside a moving vehicle between Burley and Paul after Thompson, Blair and two females left a Paul bar.

Thompson told 5th District Judge Larry Duff on Monday that he would hire his own attorney. A date for Thompson's preliminary hearing has not been set.

Minidoka County Prosecutor Lance Stevenson said the shooting allegedly took place inside a moving crew cab pickup about one-half to one mile before the pickup was stopped at 500 West 245 South, between Heyburn and Paul in Minidoka County. The incident allegedly occurred after Blair, Thompson and two unnamed females left a bar together in Paul.

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## COUNTY, HEALTH CLINIC SEEK TO BRIDGE DIFFERENCES ON LEASE

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The Lord may open doors for the Mustard Tree Wellness Clinic, but now he may need to provide one in the first place.

After six months of operating under a low-cost contract, the clinic is once again looking at changing locations.

The clinic runs out of a building at the site of the former St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. After St. Luke's moved out of the Twin Falls County-owned structures in July, the county quickly formed a short-term contract that waived the clinic's utility bills, insurance costs and most of the rent.

Now that the contract is up, the question isn't just where the clinic should go but how much the clinic should pay in order to stay at the former medical center.

County commissioners are offering the former emergency room as a new location. The rent would remain \$1 a year, but they're still deciding if the clinic should chip in for utilities.

"This is prime property and we have 20 other people who would love

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# Old Hospital’s First Tenant Starts Planning for Move

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While the local state parole and probation office is the old Twin Falls hospital’s first signed tenant, a lot of work remains before the agency can make its big move from Washington Street South to Addison Avenue West.

“I hope we don’t have to gut everything,” said Dawn Anderson, manager for the

Idaho Department of Cor-rection 5th District parole and probation office.

With barely seven months until her hoped-for move in date, that remains to be seen. Anderson said Monday she hasn’t met with an architect to get an idea of exactly how exten-sive a renovation could be.

Anderson said a staff of 29 will move next summer and take advantage of the extra space for an additional treat-

ment programming room, among other things.

She added that the sum-mer closure of the depart-ment’s community work center led to the agency’s de-cision to relocate and move closer to the city, and to the local agencies with which parole and probation work.

Weeks ago, the depart-ment awarded a five-year lease to Twin Falls County to use approximately 12,000 square feet of the

county-owned former hos-pital, which was vacated earlier this year when the new St. Luke’s Magic Valley Medical Center opened on Pole Line Road. The 255,000-square-foot structure is one of 15 prop-erties associated with the old hospital.

Earlier this week, county commissioners said they al-so haven’t met with an ar-chitect yet to determine the extent of work and a price tag. While the state pays the lease, the county is paying for any construction.

The monthly lease is \$9,166, and the agency will occupy a section of the building formerly used for surgery, recovery and inten-sive care units.

# Xavier Board Approves New Leadership Structure

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Starting next month, Xavier Charter School will try out a new leadership structure — one administrators say will provide more stability.

There will be three “schools” within the Twin Falls public charter school — grammar (kindergarten through fourth grades), logic (fifth through eighth grades) and rhetoric (ninth through 12th grades).

Interim Administrator Kelly Murphy said the new system is more of a European approach to education and aligns with the school’s clas-sical education emphasis. It’s also designed to provide op-portunities for staff members to move into leadership posi-tions as vacancies occur.

“If one person leaves, the whole system doesn’t go into chaotic stress,” he said.

And, the change is a re-sponse to a decline in public education funding and in-creasing expectations for students.

“Everyone’s looking for new ways to survive and thrive,” Murphy said.

The school board tenta-tively approved the proposal last week. But since the school’s charter needs to be tweaked as a result, the changes have to be approved by the Idaho State Depart-ment of Education and the Idaho Public Charter School Commission.

Once approved, the new leadership plan will go into effect at the beginning of the second semester in late Jan-uary. However, it won’t fully

be up and running until fall 2012.

One key difference with the new system is there will be three lead teachers — one for each school. They’ll serve as direct supervisors for the other teachers.

Elementary school teacher and Xavier co-founder Becky Baird will be the lead teacher for the grammar school. Thad Biggers — a math and science teacher who’s filled in as an admin-istrator in the past — will lead the logic school. Tiffanie McAlliser — a junior high and high school lan-guage arts teacher — will lead the rhetoric school.

They’ll teach for just part of the day and will spend the remaining time on adminis-trative duties. The new lead-ership structure will require some shuffling of schedules for the new lead teachers.

After Jan. 1, the school board will also move forward to ad-vertise for its vacant adminis-trator position, but the job will look different than in the past. The administrator will be part-time. Burr said the goal is to find someone with “super-intendent -type experience who will coordinate the efforts of the lead teachers.”

Murphy and his fellow in-terim administrator, Mel Wiseman — both retired school superintendents — have been in charge of the school’s operations since October.

Former Principal Everett Bomgardner resigned this fall after the school board recommended he should fired due to policy and pro-cedure violations.

## Thompson

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According to a press re-lease from the Minidoka County Sheriff’s Office, a deputy was called to the scene for a possible drunk-en driver. Once the driver stopped, the deputy saw a female — the driver — covered in blood exit the vehicle. Blair’s body was discovered upon a search of the vehicle.

Stevenson said Thomp-son and the other female

were not at the scene when the deputy arrived.

Other case details can not be released at this time, Stevenson said.

“We are still going through the specific de-tails of this case,” he said.

An autopsy for Blair is scheduled this week in Ada County, Stevenson said.

Duff said Thompson’s court file will remain closed until the Minidoka County Sheriff’s Office completes its investiga-tion.

## Twin Falls Council Plants Seeds for Community Gardens

BY BEN BOTKIN  
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The time for planting next year’s harvest is still months away, but the Twin Falls City Council is getting ready now for community gardens.

The council on Monday approved a policy that al-lows community gardens on city-owned property. The policy forbids the pro-duce from being sold as re-tail and addresses issues like irrigation, setting leas-es at five years.

The council’s vote was 5-0, with councilmen Will Kezele and Trip Craig ab-sent.

There’s more ahead on the community garden front. The council directed city staff to start the process for changing city code to allow community gardens on private prop-erty through a special-use permit. The redrawn ordi-nance will come to the council for a vote later.

In other business, the council:

- Voted 4-1 to avoid in-creasing impact fees in 2012 due to inflation. Im-

pact fees are collected on new development to help the city recoup growth-re-lated costs. Without the council’s vote, the fee in-creases would have auto-matically increased in 2012. Councilwoman Re-becca Mills-Sojka voted against the proposal.

- Voted 6-0 to approve a request to put out two safety signs at the top and bottom of the Canyon Springs Grade. (Craig ar-rived for the latter portion of the meeting.) The signs give guidance to motorists, pedestrians and cyclists about safe use of the road.

- Voted 6-0 to waive zoning restrictions and al-low part of the Chobani yogurt facility to be built up to 90 feet high at its site along Kimberly Road in southeast Twin Falls. The council had previously ap-proved a height of 60 feet and the company sought a higher limit after its design was completed. The city’s fire department didn’t have a problem with the change.

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## Mustard

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to have this place for free,” said Commissioner Terry Kramer.

The suggestion isn’t set-tling well with clinic repre-sentatives. The two parties squared off during a tour of the ER, both listing their reasons why they should or shouldn’t charge more for building costs.

Clinic representatives ar-gue that the grants they do receive to operate are ear-marked for medical pur-poses only, leaving them strapped when it comes to pay for rent. Even though the clinic was a recipient of a \$30,000 grant from the Twin Falls County Health Initiatives Trust, it is re-stricted to only use the money for medical purpos-es.

The clinic would also need the county to add new doors to some of the rooms

and remodel parts of the ER.

“People need their priva-cy,” said Jonie Benson, the clinic administrator. “We can’t expect a curtain to protect a patient’s privacy.”

But on the other side of the dusty ER wall, the com-missioners argued the clinic needs to be more vested into the building.

Now that both represen-tatives have met and dis-cussed their concerns, it’s up to the commissioners to decide if and how much they would charge for utili-ties. If all goes smoothly, the clinic could move in to the new location in three months.

“There is no doubt that this clinic is important,” said Commissioner Leon Mills. “But this clinic isn’t just for Twin Falls residents but for the whole county. Are people from Castelford coming over here to use the clinic? I’m trying to repre-sent that person too.”

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## Chobani

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“This gives us hope for our community,” he said.

Already, the local economy is benefitting from the pre-liminary construction work.

Brian Hansen, co-owner of Gordon Paving in Twin Falls, is a subcontractor working on the plant’s building pad for Tippmann, the Indiana-based general contractor overseeing the construction.

“This gives us hope for our community.”  
Don Hall, Twin Falls mayor

Because of the Chobani project, Gordon Paving has hired 30 to 40 more people beyond its 120 employees, Hansen said. That’s in con-trast with construction lay-offs that are the norm for this time of year.

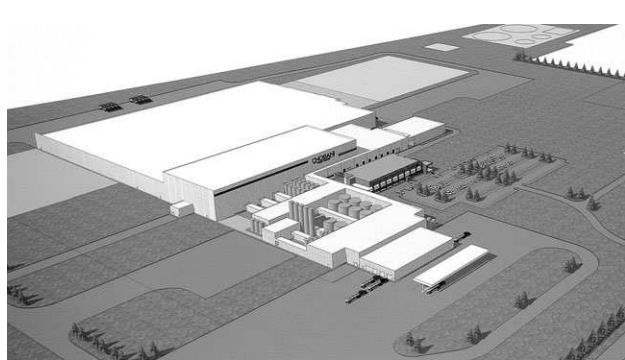
“This has been a shot in the arm,” he said.

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(TOP) Hamdi Ulukaya, the founder and CEO of Chobani, speaks during a groundbreaking ceremony in Twin Falls on Monday. (RIGHT) A view of the new 950,000-square-foot Chobani plant currently being built in Twin Falls. The plan provides room for the company to expand its facilities in the future.



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# K-9

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said. He hopes, however, it will transition into a permanent program.

The entire program has been funded by grants and donations so far, costing about \$8,500 in travel, training and equipment. Pepper would have cost \$2,000 but was donated by Mill Iron Retrievers, a breeder in Hagerman.

In the future, Stirling hopes to have a Fish and Game K-9 in each region of the state, though he acknowledged new state budget requests are difficult.

"Wildlife crimes, the commercialization of wildlife, is the second largest illegal industry besides drugs," he said.

Stirling's proudest moment and Pepper's most impressive find was in helping Nevada Fish and Game track down a firearm that had been missing for more than 200 days, sitting in a field of tall sagebrush through the winter. After an hour of searching, Pepper found the gun.

In order to find the objects,

often thrown or hidden by suspects, Pepper runs across the area in a sweeping motion trying to get a whiff of something slightly off at the command "find it."

As the wind blows different scents around, Pepper tries to find the one scent different from the environment he's in; usually gunpowder or a human scent.

"The wind moves different at his level," said Twin Falls Police Officer Rick VanVooren, who certified Pepper as an official Fish and Game dog. People may feel the wind at their backs, but Pepper notices it swirling around in the blades of grass at his feet.

"You could throw a penny and he'd find it," Stirling said.

Once he gets downwind of the item he's searching for, Pepper zeros in on the general area and sniffs until he finds it. Once he does, he gives a bark to let Stirling know he's done and gets his prize.

For field tracking finds, he gets a red Kong chew toy and for wildlife finds, a rolled-up towel.

"Him wanting that toy is the most important thing," Stirling said. "He wants to please."



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*Jim Stirling, a conservation officer with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, works with his dog, Pepper, the first certified K-9 dog with the agency, during a demonstration at the College of Southern Idaho on Monday.*

# MAN ACCUSED OF BATTERY, RESISTING OFFICERS AFTER SATURDAY INCIDENT

TIMES-NEWS

A Twin Falls man faces several criminal charges after allegedly grabbing his mother by the neck and later damaging a deputy's patrol car.

Jeremy Dee Glandon, 40, was arraigned Monday in Twin Falls County 5th District Court on charges of battery, resisting or obstructing officers, and maliciously damaging property.

Deputies said Glandon

yelled he couldn't be arrested because he was getting ready for dinner when they arrived at his mother's home on Saturday.

A Twin Falls County sheriff's deputy was dispatched to the home for a disturbance after a call from Glandon's mother, who said he was intoxicated and causing problems. According to the report, a 7-year-old girl in the house told deputies her father, Glandon, had choked her grand-

mother. The woman said she hadn't been choked but Glandon had grabbed her by the back of the neck.

As the deputies tried to arrest Glandon, he allegedly pulled away from officers. Once in the patrol car, according to court records, he began kicking the passenger-side rear window and continued to kick the window as he was transported.

Once the deputy started driving he realized the window

Glandon had been kicking was knocked out of place and was sticking out the side of the patrol car by about an inch. Additional deputies arrived on the scene to assist in restraining Glandon, who was later taken to the emergency room because of his high level of intoxication.

Once Glandon was medically cleared, he was taken to jail where deputies say he began banging his head on a concrete wall and continued to fight them.

Glandon's pretrial hearing is scheduled for Jan. 10.

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#### MONDAY ARRAIGNMENTS

**Tifini Janean Stratton**, 25, Twin Falls; driving without privileges, third or subsequent offense, providing false information, \$2,500 bond, public defender appointed, pretrial Jan. 10.

**Jose Reyes Payan**, 35, Twin Falls; second degree stalking, \$1,000 bond, public defender appointed, pretrial Jan. 10.

**Benjamin Stuart Mueller**, 28, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, released without bond, public defender denied, pretrial Jan. 10.

**Roberto Cano III**, 34, Twin Falls; criminal possession of a financial transaction card, \$2,500 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary Dec. 30.

**Shawn Lee Goldstein**, 38, Twin Falls; criminal possession of a financial transaction card, \$5,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary Dec. 30.

**Jeremy Dee Glandon**, 40, Twin Falls; battery, resisting/obstructing officers, malicious injury to property, \$5,000 bond, public defender appointed, pre-

trial Jan. 10.  
**Robert Dwight Morrison III**, 40, Heyburn, driving under the influence, \$100,000 bond, public defender appointed, preliminary Dec. 30.  
**Ridge Scott Dains**, 20, Jerome; minor in consumption, intoxicated on

roadway, released without bond, public defender appointed, pretrial Jan. 10.

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NATION + WORLD

# Congress Approaches Gridlock over Payroll Tax

BY DAVID ESPO and ALAN FRAM  
*Associated Press*

**WASHINGTON** • Partisan to the core, Congress careened toward a holiday-season standoff Monday on legislation to prevent a Social Security payroll tax increase for 160 million workers on Jan. 1.

“It’s time to stop the nonsense. We can resolve these differences and we can do it in a way that provides certainty for job creators and others,” said Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio. A House vote was set for Tuesday to seek negotiations on a compromise to renew the cuts through 2012, a rejection of the bipartisan two-month extension that cleared the Senate over the week-end.

In an acid response, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid accused Boehner of risking a tax increase for millions “just because a few angry tea partiers raised their voices.” The Nevada Democrat ruled out new negotiations until the two-month measure is enacted.

That left the two parties approaching Christmas-week gridlock over an effort to pass core elements of President Barack Obama’s jobs program — renewal of the tax cuts and long-term unemployment benefits — that Republican and Democratic leaders alike say they favored.

It was the latest and likely the last such partisan confrontation in a year of divided government that brought the Treasury to the brink of a first-ever default last summer, and more than once pushed the vast federal establishment to the edge of a partial shutdown.

This time, unlike the others, Republican divisions were prominently on display.

The two-month measure that cleared the Senate, 89-10, on Saturday had the full support of the GOP leader, Sen. Mitch McConnell, who also told reporters he was optimistic the House would sign on. Senate negotiators had tried to agree on a compromise to cover a full year, but were unable to come up with enough savings to offset the cost and prevent deficits from rising.

The two-month extension was a fallback, and officials say that when McConnell personally informed Boehner and House Majority Leader Eric Cantor of the deal at a private meeting, they said they would check with their rank and file.

But on Saturday, restive House conservatives made clear during a telephone conference call that they were unhappy with the measure.

“I’ve never seen us so unified,” Rep. Louie Gohmert, R-Texas, said as he left a two-hour, closed-door meeting Monday night where Republicans firmed up their plans.

But House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi said Republicans were “walking away from a tax cut.”

NATION  
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BRIEFS

**Palin: Not Too Late to Enter GOP Presidential Race.** *Sarah Palin says it’s not too late for someone to jump into the Republican presidential race. Asked by Fox Business Network’s “Follow the Money” about the likelihood that she’d become a candidate, the former Alaska governor and 2008 GOP vice presidential nominee said it’s not too late for “folks” to jump in. Said Palin: “Who knows what will happen in the future.”*

**Deadly Snowstorm Halts Travel Across Great Plains.** *A late-autumn snowstorm lumbered into the Great Plains on Monday, unleashing snow and fierce winds that turned roads to ice, reduced visibility to zero and jeopardized thousands of holiday motorists’ travel plans just two days before the official start of winter. The storm was blamed for at least two deaths in Colorado. A guard and an inmate were killed after a prison van lost control on an icy highway five miles east of Limon on Colorado’s plains.*  
— Associated Press

# With New Generic Rivals, Lipitor’s Sales Cut in Half

**TRENTON, N.J.** • Sales of cholesterol blockbuster Lipitor plunged by half barely a week after the world’s top-selling drug got its first U.S. generic competition, new data show. That’s despite a very aggressive effort by Lipitor maker Pfizer Inc. to keep patients on its pill, which generated peak sales of \$13 billion a year, through patient subsidies and big rebates to insurers. Lipitor lost patent protection on Nov. 30 in the U.S., where the drug was still generating about \$7.9 billion in annual sales. Two generic versions costing about a third less hit the market right away.

— Associated Press



# Feds Issue Warning to Internet Sperm Donor

**SAN FRANCISCO** • A man from the San Francisco Bay area has fathered 14 children in the past five years through free sperm donations to women he meets through his website — and is now in trouble with the federal government. The case of Trent Arsenaault of Fremont has drawn attention to the practice of informal sperm donation, which physicians and bioethicists call unsafe but some people say is a civil liberties issue. Arsenaault says he donates sperm out of a sense of service to help people who want to have children but can’t afford conventional sperm banks. The 36-year-old minister’s son has four more children on the way. “I always had known through people praying at church that there’s fertility issues,” Arsenaault told AP on Monday. “I thought it would just be a neat way of service to help the community.”  
— Associated Press

## A Smooch for Santa

Rupert, a 7-month-old Dachs-hund, licks the face of volunteer Patrick Ashton, dressed as Santa Claus, during a fundraising event for the Montgomery County Animal Shelter on Sunday at a Petsmart in Shenandoah, Texas.



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# Attacks Hurt Gingrich in Iowa

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**DAVENPORT, Iowa** • More than \$1 million in negative advertising — much of it bankrolled by Mitt Romney’s allies — has eroded Newt Gingrich’s standing in Iowa and thrown the Republican presidential race here wide open two weeks before the first votes.

The former House speaker’s Iowa slide mirrors his newfound troubles nationally, and it has boosted Romney’s confidence while fueling talk that libertarian-leaning Texas Rep. Ron Paul could pull off a win in the leadoff caucus state on Jan. 3.

“The only person who profits from

Republican ads attacking other Republicans is Barack Obama and I think it is pretty reprehensible behavior on the part of some of the candidates,” Gingrich said Monday as he arrived in Davenport, jabbing his opponents even as he insisted he was running an upbeat campaign.

Later, at an appearance in Hiawatha, Gingrich encouraged voters to demand that Romney and others take down the tough spots, saying that they “ought to be ashamed of themselves.”

“If you see Romney, tell him to take them off the air,” he told several hundred supporters.

Despite his chiding, attacks against

him are all but certain to continue. For one, the Restore Our Future political action committee, made up of former Romney staffers from his failed 2008 bid, plans to spend \$1.4 million more over the next two weeks, including on a new ad beginning Tuesday that’s expected to be aimed at Gingrich. That would bring to roughly \$3 million the amount spent by the group against Gingrich.

A national Gallup poll released Monday found Gingrich’s support plummeting: He had the backing of 26 percent of Republican voters nationally, down from 37 percent on Dec. 8. Romney’s support was largely unchanged at 24 percent.



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**North Korean women cry after learning of the death of Kim Jong Il on Monday in Pyongyang, North Korea.**

# N. Korean Media Laud Son, Nation Mourns Kim Jong Il

ASSOCIATED PRESS

**PYONGYANG, North Korea** • North Korea prepared to lay longtime ruler Kim Jong Il to rest while the hermit state’s official media on Tuesday lauded his son and heir apparent as a person “born of heaven” — suggesting the transition to a new leadership was under way.

The streets of the North Korean capital, Pyongyang, were quiet Tuesday morning as thousands grieved the death of their “Dear Leader.” With an 11-day mourning period in effect, flags flew at half staff, shops were closed and streams of mourners — some wailing — placed flowers at memorials around the city.

“Today, as well as yesterday, the Korean people have been coming here to

Mansu Hill in deep sorrow at the loss of the benevolent father of our nation with the infinite feeling of longing,” said Ri Ho Il, a lecturer at the Korean Revolutionary History Museum. “Our General (Kim Jong Il) is our people’s benevolent father. He defended our people’s happiness, carrying on his forced march both night and day.”

Kim died Saturday of a massive heart attack brought about by overwork and stress, according to the North’s media. He was 69 — though some experts question the official accounts of his birth date and location. The state funeral is to be held on Dec. 28.

North Korean officials say they will not invite foreign delegations and will allow no entertainment during the mourning period.

# Iraq Issues Arrest Warrant for Vice President on Terrorism Charge

THE WASHINGTON POST

**BAGHDAD** • Iraq’s Shiite-dominated government accused its Sunni vice president of terrorism on Monday, plunging the country into its deepest political crisis in years only one day after U.S. troops departed.

As an arrest warrant was issued for Tariq al-Hashimi, three men said on Iraqi television that they had worked as his bodyguards and had carried out bombings and assassinations, killing as many as a half-dozen people.

They said Hashimi knew what they were doing. But many Iraqis questioned whether the allegations rang true.

Neither Hashimi nor his spokesman could immediately be reached for comment. Hashimi was in the semi-autonomous region of Kurdistan holding crisis talks with Kurdish leaders.

Iraqi Kurds called for calm, as did U.S. officials in Washington. The charges came despite talks over the weekend among President Jalal Talabani, Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, Sunni politicians and U.S. embassy officials that appeared to resolve the issue with the creation of a judicial committee to “thoroughly investigate” the terrorism charges.

“We are closely monitoring these reports that an arrest warrant has been issued, in particular, for Vice President al-Hashimi,” said State Department spokeswoman Victoria Nuland.



OBITUARIES

Margaret Call

Dec. 29, 1929-Dec. 18, 2011

On Sunday, Dec. 18, 2011, the Lord called Margaret Call home to rest within His arms.

She was born Margaret Lois Schrock on Dec. 29, 1929, in Lagrange, Ind. She was one of seven children born to Noah and Jennie Schrock. She was raised Mennonite in the Indiana farmland she attended school with the Amish and then graduated from high school in Topeka, Ind. In 1950, she met Ernest R. Hiebert, and they married on Aug. 23, 1951. They lived in Mountain Lake, Minn., where Ernie farmed. Two of their children were born there, Jenny and Stuart. They later moved to Indiana, where their last child was born, Jill. In 1963, they moved to Kansas, where Ernie was in sales and Margaret continued to be a housewife and mother. She worked for a short time as a telephone operator in Harper, Kan. Together they started a travel trailer manufacturing business, where Marge was the bookkeeper. In 1975, they moved to Idaho, where Ernie was a traveling manufacturing representative and Marge was his secretary and bookkeeper. In 1994, she became a widow after 43 years of marriage. In 1996, she met and married the second love of her life, Glen Call.

She loved to read and spent a good deal of each day doing just that. Puzzles and games were her forte, and she always loved a good game show. In her younger



years, she was a fine seamstress and loved to crochet. She also loved to play the piano and organ and had a lovely alto voice. She was a hopeless romantic, and her prince turned out to be Glen. He treated her like his queen and they had 15 happy years together. She loved the Lord all her life and shared him often with her grandchildren. Jeremiah 29:11 was her special verse, and Psalms 23 was also one of her favorite scriptures.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Noah and Jennie; siblings, Franklin, Hazel, Orval, Grace and Lyle; first husband, Ernest Hiebert; and son, Stuart. She is survived by the family that loved her, husband, Glen; sister, Beulah; daughter, Jill (Tim) Carroll; grandchildren, David (Sarah), Christopher (Pam), Paula (Seth), Andrew and Jake (Ruthann); and four great-grandchildren.

A special thank you to all who cared and loved her at BridgeView Estates; she made many friends there. Also thank you to Hospice Visions, who helped her through her journey home.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21, at Sunset Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Rosenau Funeral Home. Friends and family are encouraged to share your memories at [www.rosenaufuneral-home.com](http://www.rosenaufuneral-home.com).

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Mary Helen Dewey

Nov. 17, 1928-Dec. 15, 2011

**KIMBERLY •** Mary Helen Dewey, 83, of Kimberly, passed away Thursday, Dec. 15, 2011, at DeSano Care Center in Jerome.

Mary was born Nov. 17, 1928, in Cozad, Neb., to Amil and Leta (Camp) Anderson. She grew up in the Cozad area and, on May 16, 1946 in St. Frances, Kan., she married Walter John Dewey. Together they lived in Nebraska until moving to Kimberly, Idaho, in 1969. Mary loved quilting, fishing and playing bingo.

She is survived by two daughters, Connie Sayer of Hansen, Idaho, and Linda

DeVries of Bellevue, Wash.; four sons, Ronald Dewey of Santa Maria, Calif., John Lee Dewey of Blackfoot, Idaho, Don Dewey of Blackfoot, Idaho, and Gary Dewey of Jerome, Idaho; 16 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Walter John Dewey; one daughter, Kathy Myers; one brother; and two sisters.

A service was held Monday, Dec. 19. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

SERVICES

**Gladyce Arlene Kime** of Shoshone, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at Parke's Wendell/Gooding Chapel, 380 First Ave. E. in Wendell.

**Dolores M. Welker** of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the LDS Church on Eastland Drive North in Twin Falls; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Rosenau Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

**Johnny C. Traughber** of Arco, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Arco LDS Ward Chapel; visitation one hour before the service today at the church (Anderson Family Funeral Home in Arco).

**Evan Woodrow Ash** of Burley, funeral at 2 p.m. today at the Truth Tabernacle, 2459 Hiland Ave. in Burley; visitation from 1 to 1:45 p.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

**Sherman E. McCoy** of Jerome, memorial service at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Bethel Temple Apostolic Church, 929 Hankins Road in Twin Falls; visitation begins at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the church

(Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

**Ruth Barraclough Dille** of Shoshone, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Shoshone LDS Church; visitation from 10 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at the church (Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel).

**Walter Ferman Prentiss** of Jerome, funeral at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Jerome LDS 6th Ward Chapel, 26 N. Tiger Drive; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln Ave. in Jerome, and noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday at the church.

**Cleone Stephens Nielsen** of Albion and formerly of Glendale, Calif., funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Albion LDS Church, 889 S. Main St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Thursday at the church.

**Duane Allen Hansen** of Buhl, potluck meal to celebrate his life at 2 p.m. Thursday at the LDS Church on Fair Street in Buhl.

DEATH NOTICES

Gary Hall

Gary Woods Hall, 73, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Dec. 17, 2011, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 22, at the Airport Road Freewill Baptist Church, 869 Washington St. S. in Twin Falls (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Lucille Gulick

**JEROME •** Lucille Gulick, 89, of Jerome, died Saturday, Dec. 17, 2011, at her home.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 22, at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome; visitation from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21, at the mortuary.

Veda Shufeldt

**RUPERT •** Veda Viola Hines Shufeldt, 81, of Rupert, died Sunday, Dec. 18, 2011, at Countryside Care and Rehabilitation in Rupert.

The funeral will be held 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27, at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 26, at the Hansen Mortuary, 710 Sixth St. in Rupert, and one hour before the

IDAHO BRIEFS

Police Seek Suspect after Pedestrian Hit

**COEUR D'ALENE •** Police in Coeur d'Alene are looking for a 21-year-old Post Falls man suspected of driving drunk and striking a pedestrian, causing her to suffer three broken vertebrae in her lower back.

Coeur d'Alene Police spokeswoman Sgt. Christie Wood says 22-year-old Jessica White knew who struck her early on Dec. 11, but failed to report it.

White told the *Coeur d'Alene Press* on Friday she was trying to stop Thomas L. Lang from driving drunk when he told her to get out of the way and hit her as he drove off. White says she doesn't think Lang knew that he hit her. She says he apologized to her last Monday, but she hasn't seen him since.

ISP Sergeant Arrested, Put on Leave after Fight

**BOISE •** An Idaho State Police officer was arrested over the weekend after his wife filed a domestic violence report.

The *Idaho Statesman* re-

ports 48-year-old Colin Patrick Bonner was arrested Sunday morning on suspicion of misdemeanor assault after Bonner's wife called police in Meridian at about 5:30 a.m. Sunday.

Officers met the woman at the hospital, where she said she and her husband fought at their house the night before. She had visible injuries, but was not admitted into the hospital.

Bonner was interviewed at his house and police said they had enough probable cause to arrest him. He can't be released from jail until he appears before a judge.

**Man's Condition Improves after Fire in N. Idaho**

**COEUR D'ALENE •** A northern Idaho man injured in a fire that destroyed his home last week remains hospitalized, but his condition has been upgraded.

The *Coeur d'Alene Press* reports Michael Scarcello of Rathdrum was listed in good condition at Kootenai Medical Center on Sunday. Firefighters found Scarcello, a retired priest, outside his burning home last Wednesday.

—Associated Press



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Debbie Byram, seen Sunday at the Lewiston Kmart, will have an unexpected and unforgettable Christmas after a secret Santa paid enough of her layaway to get her daughters' presents home in time for Christmas.

Across State, Secret Santas Make Layaway Payments for Struggling Idaho Families

Store managers say good Samaritans are stepping in to make sure toys end up under the tree instead of behind the layaway counter.

**LEWISTON (AP) •** Dozens of families across the state are benefiting from secret Santas who are paying their layaway bills for Christmas toys.

From Lewiston to Boise, the unsuspecting families say they're getting phone calls or arriving at the layaway counter to find their bills have been paid.

In northern Idaho, Debbie Byram told the *Lewiston Tribune* she had presents set aside for her two teenage daughters at a Kmart but couldn't afford to get them out of layaway. Then a stranger paid more than half

of her \$97 bill.

Byram learned of the payment Saturday after she got the call from a store employee.

"I just started crying," Byram said. "I cried and I thanked her."

Nationwide, store managers say more families are using layaway to pay for gifts bit by bit as they struggle to make ends meet, and good Samaritans are stepping in to make sure the toys end up under the tree.

Managers at several stores across the country have reported a wave of generosity as anonymous donors come

in wanting to help pay layaway bills.

Byram plans to return to Kmart in Lewiston on Friday after she gets paid, and become someone else's secret Santa.

"Even if I can only do \$20, I want to do something," Byram said. "I want to give back."

A handful of people have come in since Wednesday and paid all or part of about 12 layaway accounts, said store manager Jamie Fisher. All of the donors, who paid about \$1,000 in bills, have asked to remain anonymous.

Among those to benefit from the payments was a mother of three, who also didn't know if she could afford to pay the remaining

balance on the gifts she had set aside for her children in time for Christmas.

"People were really giving about it," Fisher said. "It was really nice."

In southwestern Idaho, KBOI-TV reported nearly two dozen anonymous donors have made layaway payments for others during the past few weeks at a Kmart store in Boise. So far, 41 customers have received \$4,300 toward their layaway purchases this season, the store said.

"It's just been random people," said Jennifer Deschene, a Kmart manager in Boise. "They've been calling and asking if they can come in and just give someone some little extra help for Christmas this year."

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More Trouble in Europe Sends Banks' Stocks Lower

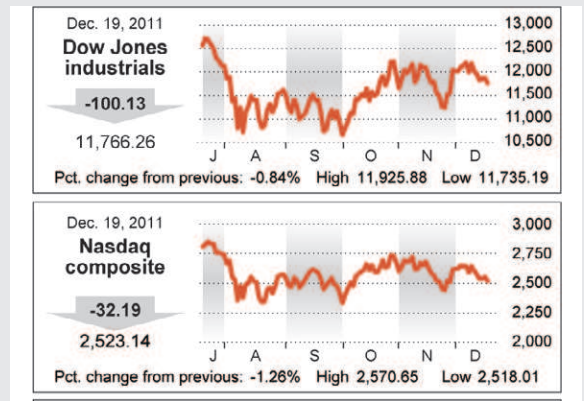
**NEW YORK (AP)** • The stock market took a late afternoon fall Monday after European finance ministers failed to come up with the full amount of money pledged for a bailout fund. Cautious comments from the head of the European Central Bank also helped push stocks lower.

Banks led the way down. Morgan Stanley dropped more than 5 percent. Bank of America Corp. sank 4 percent, the biggest fall in the Dow Jones Industrial average.

The Dow lost 100.13 points, or 0.8 percent to close at 11,766.26.

The S&P 500 index fell 14.31 points, or 1.2 percent, to 1,205.35.

The Nasdaq composite index fell 32.19 points, or 1.3 percent, to 2,523.14.



STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

AlliantEgy	1.70	15	41.79	-.17	+13.7	Kaman	.64	12	27.40	-.19	-.57
AlliantTch	.80	6	53.95	-.146	-.275	Keycorp	.12	7	71.4	-.04	-.193
AmCasino	.42	12	17.51	-.37	+12.0	LeeEnt h	...	...	...	+.70	+.01
Aon Corp	.60	16	44.58	-.28	-.31	MicronT	...	36	5.45	-.24	-.321
BallardPw	...	...	1.16	+.01	-.227	OfficeMax	...	7	4.25	-.21	-.76.0
BkofAm	.04	.44	4.99	-.22	-.62.6	RockTen	.80	20	56.06	-.62	+.39
ConAgra	.96	14	25.17	-.28	+11.5	Sensient	.84	15	36.06	-.119	-.1.8
Costco	.96	25	82.06	-.51	+13.6	SkyWest	.16	25	12.31	-.37	-.21.2
Diebold	1.12	14	28.32	-.45	-.11.6	Teradyn	...	9	12.81	-.39	-.8.8
DukeEnrgy	1.00	17	20.97	-.04	+17.7	Topware	1.20	13	53.10	-.117	+11.4
DukeRtly	.68	...	11.46	-.10	-.8.0	US Bancrp	.50	11	25.56	-.44	-.5.2
Fastenal's	.56f	36	41.50	+.08	+38.5	Valhi	.50	36	56.60	-.116	+156.0
Heinz	1.92	17	52.90	-.07	+.70	WalMart	1.46	13	57.78	-.49	+.71
HewlettP	.48	8	25.13	-.71	-.40.3	WashFed	.24	13	13.07	+.12	-.22.8
HomeDp	1.16f	17	40.20	-.22	+14.7	WellsFargo	.48	9	25.31	-.67	-.18.3
Idacorp	1.20	12	40.55	-.58	+.97	ZionBcp	.04	...	14.63	-.44	-.39.6

MAGIC VALLEY COMMODITIES

Mon	Commodity	High	Low	Close	Change
Dec	Live cattle	121.15	118.85	121.15	+3.00
Feb	Live cattle	121.50	119.25	121.50	+3.00
Jan	Feeder cattle	144.50	144.55	144.68	+1.63
Mar	Feeder cattle	147.75	145.45	147.73	+2.03
Apr	Feeder cattle	148.73	147.85	148.73	+1.20
Feb	Lean hogs	84.75	83.20	84.35	+1.90
Apr	Lean hogs	87.50	86.05	87.20	+1.30
Mar	Wheat603.00	581.75	599.75	+16.00	
May	Wheat622.00	602.25	619.00	+15.50	
Mar	KC Wheat661.00	637.25	658.50	+19.00	
May	KC Wheat669.25	648.00	667.00	+19.00	
Mar	MPS Wheat831.00	805.00	827.25	+16.00	
May	MPS Wheat803.75	795.00	808.75	+15.00	
Mar	Corn604.00	584.25	601.00	+18.00	
May	Corn612.75	593.00	609.75	+18.00	
Jan	Soybeans1148.75	1131.75	1137.00	+7.00	
Mar	Soybeans1158.25	1141.50	1146.75	+7.25	
Dec	BFP Milk	18.74	18.66	18.72	+.06
Jan	BFP Milk	17.36	17.05	17.27	+.18
Feb	BFP Milk	17.50	17.26	17.32	+.06
Mar	BFP Milk	17.22	17.07	17.12	+.xx
Mar	Sugar	23.18	22.78	23.09	+.05
May	Sugar	22.82	22.38	22.74	+.05
Dec	B-Pound1.5545	1.5467	1.5526	+.0028	
Mar	B-Pound1.5532	1.5451	1.5482	-.0003	

9.62 (up 16); corn 260.25-261.50 (up 6.25-6.50); NAMPA - White wheat 8.50 cwt (steady); 5.15 bushel (steady);

**INTERMOUNTAIN LIVESTOCK**  
LIVESTOCK AUCTION - Producers Livestock in Vale, Oregon on Dec 14th. Butcher cows 57.00-65.00; thin shelly 41.00-53.00; heavy feeder steers 98.00-131.00; light feeder steers 125.00-148.00; stocker steers 147.00-178.00; heavy holstein feeder steers n/a; light holstein feeder steers n/a; heavy feeder heifers 101.00-115.00; light feeder heifers 112.00-137.00; stocker heifers 127.00-151.49.00; butcher bulls 54.00-68.00; stock cows 700-1200/lhd; weaner pigs n/a; Remarks: Good quality calves in good demand.

**GOLD**  
London morning fixing: \$1593.00 off \$1.00. London afternoon fixing: \$1598.00 up \$4.00. NY Handy & Harman: \$1598.60 up \$4.00. NY Handy & Harman fabricated: \$1725.84 up \$4.32. NV Engelhard: \$1601.37 up \$4.01. NV Engelhard fabricated: \$1721.47 up \$4.31. NY Merc. gold Dec Fri: \$1595.60 up \$21.00. NY HSBC Bank USA 4 p.m. Fri: \$1595.00 up \$25.00.

**SILVER**  
Handy & Harman silver Monday \$28.840 off \$0.600. H&H fabricated \$34.608 off for silver. The morning bullion price for silver in London \$28.780 off \$1.000. Engelhard \$29.190 off \$0.470. NV Engelhard fabricated \$35.028 off \$0.564. NY Merc silver spot month Monday \$28.822 off \$0.793.

Justice Reports Record False Claims Recoveries

BY NEDRA PICKLER

**WASHINGTON (AP)** • The Justice Department reported Monday that it has recovered nearly \$9 billion in fraud against the government since the beginning of the Obama administration, a record three-year total.

The \$3 billion recovered in the past fiscal year included an unprecedented \$2.8 billion raised after whistle blowers filed lawsuits on behalf of the government to reclaim U.S. money or property such as Medicare benefits, military contracts and federal subsidies and loans.



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*In this Dec. 15 photo, Michael Reed fills his gas tank at a station in Charlotte, N.C. The retail price of gasoline averaged more than \$3.50 per gallon for the year, a record. Drivers cut back where they could, driving less and switching to more fuel efficient cars.*

At Gas Pump, 2011 Was the Year of the Big Squeeze

BY JONATHAN FAHEY

Associated Press

**NEW YORK** • It's been 30 years since gasoline took such a big bite out of the family budget.

When the gifts from Grandma are unloaded and holiday travel is over, the typical American household will have spent \$4,155 filling up this year, a record. That is 8.4 percent of what the median family takes in, the highest share since 1981.

Gas averaged more than \$3.50 a gallon this year, another unfortunate record. And next year isn't likely to bring relief.

In the past, high gas prices in the United States have gone hand-in-hand with economic good times, making them less damaging to family finances. Now prices are high despite slow economic growth and weak demand.

That's because demand for crude oil is rising globally, especially in the developing nations of Asia and Latin America. But it puts the squeeze on the U.S., where unemployment is high and many people who have jobs aren't getting raises.

The trap has caught Michael Reed of Charlotte, N.C. He hasn't been able to find work since he lost his computer-

support job in 2009. Now high gas prices are claiming more of what he has left. He and his wife won't exchange gifts this Christmas.

"I try to drive as little as possible so it doesn't take such a chunk out of my wallet," he says.

In 1981, when the economy was sliding into recession and oil prices were high because of Middle East turmoil, gas ate up 8.8 percent of the typical family budget, says Fred Rozell of the Oil Price Information Service.

Over the past decade, gas has taken up 5.7 percent of the family budget. If families had spent only 5.7 percent this year, they would have saved \$1,300.

For this year, gas should average \$3.53 per gallon. That's 76 cents more than last year. It's 29 cents per gallon more than 2008, when gas last set an annual record, \$3.24. That year, the price of oil hit a record in the summer but collapsed when the financial crisis struck in the fall.

Besides leaving families less money to eat out and go to the movies, high gas prices take a disproportionate toll on consumer confidence. People are more aware of small changes in gas prices because they drive past the signs all the time.

And a buck spent on gas has less bang

in the economy than, say, a dollar spent at a restaurant. The U.S. is an oil-importing country, so many of the dollars spent on gas ultimately leave the country instead of being invested here in new ventures and jobs.

James Hamilton, an economics professor at the University of California, San Diego, who studies energy prices, estimates that high gasoline prices reduced economic growth by about 0.5 percent for the year — a substantial hit for an economy only growing at an annual rate of about 2 percent.

Still, it could be worse. The U.S. economy is much more fuel-efficient than it was during the oil spikes of the late 1970s and early 1980s. In 1980, for every \$1,000 of economic output, 1.07 barrels of oil were consumed. By 2010, it took half that — 0.53 barrels, says Judith Dworkin, chief energy economist at ITG Investment Research.

Today, the U.S. uses almost no oil to generate electricity. The percentage of households using heating oil has fallen. And vehicles are less thirsty than ever — 20 percent more fuel-efficient than they were in 1980.

Also, the low price of natural gas has kept heating and electricity costs down for the same households spending more on gas.

SAAB FILES FOR BANKRUPTCY AS ATTEMPT TO REBUILD FAILS

BY JERRY HIRSCH

Los Angeles Times

**LOS ANGELES** • Saab no more.

Saab Automobile, the quirky Swedish automaker that liked to advertise its heritage as a fighter jet producer, filed for bankruptcy Monday, ending a two-year effort to revive the business after it was spun off by General Motors Co.

"Some enthusiasts in the U.S. will lament its end," said Aaron Bragman, an analyst with IHS Automotive. "Back in the 1970s and 1980s, it was an innovative brand with some unusual powertrains. They did turbocharging of small engines long before others did. The cars also had all-weather, good-handling capability."

A segment of auto buyers also gravitated to Saab because it was so different from U.S. carmakers, and even from other European brands, Bragman said.

But there weren't enough buyers of the distinctive nameplate. Saab has sold just 5,305 vehicles in the U.S. so far this year, down sharply from a peak of 48,250 in 1986.



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*Saab Automobile's President and Chairman Victor Muller speaks to media during a news conference in Trollhattan, southwestern Sweden, Monday. Saab Automobile filed for bankruptcy with a Swedish court on Monday, bringing to an end two years of efforts to rescue the iconic brand which has been the hallmark of Swedish cars for six decades. The final desperate attempts to raise funds in China were obstructed by Saab's former owner General Motors over licences.*







# OPINION

*“If House Republicans refuse to pass this bipartisan bill to extend the payroll tax cut, there will be a significant tax increase on 160 million hardworking Americans in 13 days that would damage the economy and job growth.”*

White House communications director **Dan Pfeiffer**.

## An Elusive Victory in Iraq

With the final headlong withdrawal this month of U.S. troops from Iraq, President Obama fulfilled a campaign promise to end the war. But was the nearly nine-year mission a success?



Iraq is still struggling even to ensure its own security. Its air force has no jet fighters, and U.S. officials say it would be unable to detect incoming aircraft in time to stop them. The Iraqi army is improving, but its ability to mount complex operations remains weak. The Iraqis still have a long way to go on intelligence, training and logistics.

On the political side of things, the democratic system the U.S. fought to establish is becoming increasingly authoritarian and remains divided along tribal and sectarian lines. Its ruling coalition includes parties allied with Iran. Its minority Sunni Muslims and Kurds are worried about their futures.

At the almost perfunctory ceremony Thursday in a dusty courtyard at Baghdad’s international airport to formally mark the U.S. military mission’s end, no one even tried to use the word “victory.”

But that shouldn’t come as a surprise.

Two years ago, the Army general who is now chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, Martin E. Dempsey, commissioned a panel of historians to study how wars come to an end. Dempsey could see that the long wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, conflicts to which he and his colleagues had devoted almost a decade, weren’t heading for the clear conclusions that Americans yearn for. “Whatever happened to good old-fashioned victory?” the general, a former English professor at West Point, wondered at the time.

The answer, the scholars told him, was that most wars don’t end with clear-cut winners and losers, especially long counterinsurgency wars of the sort we’ve been fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan. In that kind of conflict, it’s hard to know when it’s safe to claim progress, let alone victory.

In Washington, the withdrawal is an election-year talking point for both Republicans and Democrats. Obama is claiming credit for ending an increasingly unpopular war. Contenders for the GOP nomination are charging that Obama has “abandoned” Iraq, and that he should have pushed harder to win permission for about 5,000 military trainers and advisors to stay behind. (Negotiations on that issue broke down after Iraq refused to grant legal immunity to the troops who would remain.)

In Baghdad, the withdrawal was an even hotter political issue. Iraqi politicians, including Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, have spent years promising to end the American military presence. Negotiating a new agreement to allow thousands of foreign troops to remain in the country would have divided the coalition that keeps Maliki in power. The prime minister decided not to risk his job and to take credit for an American withdrawal instead.

Because of the Iraqi order to leave, the job of training and advising Iraq’s armed forces has been taken away from a U.S. military command with years of hard-won experience and handed to a newly formed (and necessarily untested) civilian organization run by the State Department.

Officials acknowledge that they are scrambling to set up the new Office of Security Cooperation, and say privately that they will need luck as well as skill for it to come out right.

The State Department has never tried to run a mission this big, with an estimated 16,000 civilians and contractors, many of them doing jobs — training security forces, advising intelligence agencies, even flying helicopters and driving armored vehicles — that are normally military functions.

Given these circumstances, even carefully hedged claims of success at the Baghdad ceremony Thursday sounded a little like bravado.

“We salute the fact that Iraq is now fully responsible for directing its own path,” Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta said. “The mission of an Iraq that could fully govern and secure itself has become real.”

In other words: Mission Partly Accomplished.

## TIMES-NEWS

John Pfeifer, Publisher

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### THEIR VIEW

## A Wrong Turn in Terror Fight

The following editorial appeared in the Los Angeles Times on Friday:

The White House said last week that President Obama will sign a controversial \$662 billion defense authorization that permits indefinite detention without trial for some terrorism suspects and broadens the authorization for the use of force against people and groups “associated” with al-Qaida anywhere in the world. It’s the wrong choice.

The bill, which passed the House Wednesday and the Senate on Thursday, is being advertised as a compromise with the administration, and indeed it includes provisions designed to avoid a veto. But several are vague or confus-

ing. For example, although it requires that foreign suspected al-Qaida terrorists be placed in military custody, it seems to allow FBI agents to interrogate them. On Wednesday, FBI Director Robert S. Mueller III said that the compromise left “uncertainty as to who has the role and who’s going to do what.”

The FBI has proved effective in detaining and questioning terrorist suspects, just as the civilian court system has acquitted itself admirably in trying them. Congress’ preference for military custody and trial by military commission disregards this proven record of success.

Two other provisions would prevent civilian trials in other ways. One would bar any use of Defense Depart-

ment funds to transfer inmates at Guantanamo Bay to the United States, even for trial. Another would prohibit spending on the construction of facilities on U.S. soil to house Guantanamo inmates. As a practical matter, this means the remaining prisoners at Guantanamo will be tried by military commissions, which offer more protections than in the past but still fall short of the standards of due process observed by civilian courts.

In the process of reaffirming the post-9/11 Authorization for Use of Military Force, the legislation expands the category of targeted persons to include anyone who “was a part of or substantially supported al-Qaida, the Taliban or associated forces that are engaged in

hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners.” Both “substantially supported” and “associated forces” are vague terms that invite abuse. The bill also asserts the right to hold detainees without trial “until the end of the hostilities authorized by the Authorization for Use of Military Force.” Given the open-ended nature of the war on terrorism, that can amount to detention without end.

Beginning with his announcement at the start of his term that he intended to close Guantanamo, the president in most cases has recognized that fighting terrorism is compatible with traditional protections for the accused. He should have had the courage of his convictions.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### A Misconception

We want to clarify the misconception that we are receiving funds from the Blaine County Land, Water and Wildlife Levy.

We voted against the levy; we do not support the concept; we would not apply for funds from this levy.

We own the B Bar B ranch one mile south of Picabo. We are not the Bar B ranch north of Carey.

**KATIE BRECKENRIDGE**  
**ROB STRUTHERS**  
**Picabo**

(Editor’s note: Katie Breckenridge and Rob Struthers are the owners of the B Bar B Ranch at Picabo.)

#### Anyone Can Find God

Christmas: Wouldn’t it be wonderful if it were really true, I asked? He admitted it would indeed be wonderful if the myth was real. If love itself was all boxed up inside a human body, it couldn’t be contained. It would have to explode like an atomic bomb and irradiate everything it touched.

Recently the Higgs Boson, the “God Particle” is in the news. The theoretical particle of existence which links mass and energy, and

upon which all physics is built, is as yet an unproven faithed myth. Christianity’s Mythology states as fact the God Particle exists and names it Jesus of Nazareth: fully human flesh/matter, fully GodLove /energy. It existed briefly at the beginning of time, on Day One which we call Dec. 25. The day of the “Big Bang”. The separation from BC to AD, Anno Domine, the year of the Lord. So what? What changed?

Depends on whether you believe. Past sin disappears, vanishes, ceases to exist, not buried like radioactive waste that causes soul cancer. Fear of life vanishes because Love Himself cast out fear. Nobody and nothing can steal the joy of being caressed by God, unworthy as I am. Fear of death vanishes, with the firm expectation of eternity. Life emerges and frees one from the gnawing hunger for human acceptance at any cost. Authentic meaning in life emerges beyond procreation, legacy, wealth, winning or politics.

Just as the State Religion was threatened by a tiny suckling 2,000 years ago, so too today. Hope, pent up in the human heart since “the beginning,” finds its incarnation in that same suck-

ling. It doesn’t take a billion dollar Hadron Collider and a thousand Ph.Ds to find the ultimate God Particle. Any one of us dumb mud-suckers can find Him, and that’s why Christmas is both bastardized, and so simply wonderful.

Too good to be true? You decide.

**PHIL AUTH**  
**Berger**

#### Take a Private Sector Approach

Jerome County’s sheriff should take a cue from Gooding. Not asking taxpayers for the money to replace the jail and thinking about business options was a savvy play.

Jerome asks taxpayers for a fourth bond attempt; Gooding moves forward with private investors. Jerome will be Gooding County’s best customer before the ordeal is done. Jerome is asking for almost twice what Gooding can build a similar bed-size jail with private funds. But Jerome wants all new offices for the staff and not just a jail.

Both sheriffs know they need a new jail facility going forward. But Gooding looked at business options and made decisions with the best of the taxpayer and

the county in mind. Jerome, meanwhile, is threatening taxpayers with bankrupting the system if they deny the bond again. Really? Is closing the existing jail and forcing all inmates to be moved the only alternative to the crisis? Is that what you would do if this was your private business? Or does it show arrogance and disrespect of the people?

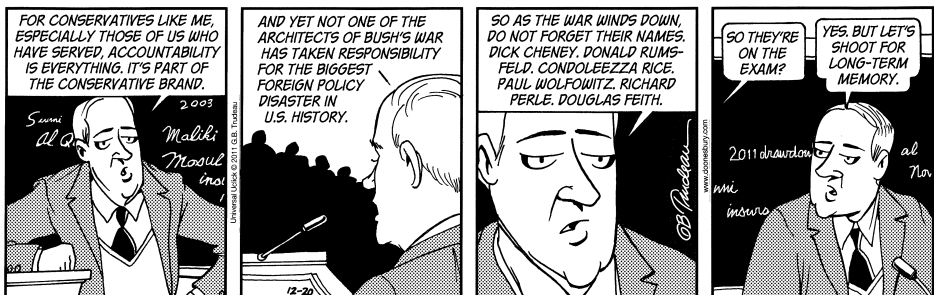
Gooding plans to pay for the costs of extra staff by renting out beds to surrounding counties and agencies. Jerome wants to do the same but is behind the curve now. How many beds can the surrounding jails overflow support? Will Jerome have to hit the taxpayer again for staff costs when the jail does not turn a profit, or until?

The Sheriff must be accountable for the money taken from taxpayers to pay for public safety. The sheriff should look at this as a business. It is not Monopoly money; it is our money and we should be listened to. This is the most expensive issue of the next election cycle.

Having a business approach can work in Jerome just as in Gooding.

**DAN CHATTERTON**  
**Jerome**

#### Doonesbury by Garry Trudeau



#### Mallard Fillmore by Bruce Tinsley





# Music is Medicine for Eagle Girl With Disorder

Benefit concert, auction in honor of Brynn Jones raises \$17,000 for research.

BY KATY MOELLER  
Idaho Statesman

**BOISE** • Brynn Jones, a 6-year-old Eagle girl, met her musical idol on Friday — pop singer Mindy Gledhill, who sang at a benefit concert to raise money for research on a genetic disorder called Rett syndrome.

The concert and silent auction was at the Rose Room in Downtown Boise.

“It was so much better than we had hoped it would be,” said Makita Jones, Brynn’s mom.

“Brynn stayed for the whole concert, she sat on my dad’s lap and watched the whole concert with a smile on her face,” Jones said.

About 300 people attended the concert. The concert and silent auction raised about \$17,000 for the International Rett Syndrome Foundation.

Rett syndrome is a genetic disorder that causes severe developmental delays in children. Symptoms start at about 18 months of age, and the disorder is often misdiagnosed as autism or cerebral palsy.

Children with Rett syndrome experience sudden bouts of screaming and crying that can last hours. Brynn’s parents discovered that music is soothing to their daughter, and Gledhill’s music is her favorite.

One of the goals of the benefit concert was to educate parents and the general public about Rett syndrome.

“I’m happy that we raised money but I’m most proud of the awareness that we have raised,” Jones said. “Hopefully the more that people are aware of Rett Syndrome, the quicker it will be to diagnose. If I had heard of it, it might not have taken us two years to figure it out.”

When Brynn needed dental surgery this past spring, the surgical staff asked Jones to bring along something that would comfort the 6-year-old.

“The only thing that comforts her is music,” said Jones, a 37-year-old mother of four. When Brynn’s big brothers babysit her, they know to play music if she needs soothing.

Jones brought her iPhone to the surgery, and the medical staff piped the music to speakers in the room. Everyone listened to Brynn’s favorite — indie pop singer Gledhill.

“The surgeon commented to me that they all liked it,” Jones said. “They said it made them happy.”



Brynn Jones, 6, who has Rett syndrome, listens as her mother, Makita Jones, left, plays her favorite song, ‘All The Pennies’ by Mindy Glendhill, on Dec. 12 in Boise.

Gledhill, who lives in Provo, Utah, was planning a tour of the Northwest and reached out to fans on her blog about coming to Boise. When she heard about Brynn, she agreed to the benefit concert at the Rose Room.

“There’s no award or accolade that I could receive that would make me feel more honored,” Gledhill said from Provo last week.

The 30-year-old singer has had a busy year. She had her third child in August and she released her fourth album, “Winter Moon: Songs for Christmas.” This month, the TV show “Bones” featured her song “Anchor.”

All proceeds from the concert will go to the International Rett Syndrome Foundation, headquartered in Cincinnati.

Brynn was progressing until she was about 2. But her parents did notice some unusual things.

“She didn’t cuddle. She was almost 1 the first time I was holding her, and she laid her head on my shoulder,” Jones said.

Her ability to verbalize the words she had learned by age 2 began diminishing.

Brynn cannot communicate verbally, and she’s unable to do sign language because of a loss of control over the movement in her hands. Her hands clap together involuntarily and repetitively.

Her family is learning to communicate with her through a special computer that reads her retinas. Her parents can ask her questions, and the computer tells them what she’s saying through what she looks at on the screen.

“We’ve learned her fa-

vorite color is pink, and she knows the names of the cartoons she watches.”

Her favorite song is Gledhill’s “All the Pennies.” The lyrics include:

*All the pennies in the wishing wells  
All the diamonds Tiffany’s could sell  
All the riches put together  
All the sunny California weather  
Could not make me love you any better.*

Brynn is a first-grader at Cecil Andrus Elementary School, where she is in primarily special-education classes. She sees a developmental therapist twice a week.

Researchers estimate that Rett syndrome occurs in about 1 in 10,000 to 23,000 live female births; it is a mutation of the X chromosome

and very rare in males.

There is no known cure, but at least one drug is in clinical trials.

“In my daughter’s lifetime, if she can have more use of her hands and communicate a little more, if she can have more normalcy, that’s going to be a gift,” Jones said.

Despite everything, Brynn is a happy child. She smiles and giggles a lot — exposing a front tooth she lost recently and another ready to go soon.

She loves shopping, swimming (with life jacket), riding therapy horses and spending time with her brothers.

“She loves to be with people. She just looks at you like you hung the moon,” Jones said. “You can’t help but smile or be happy when you’re around her.”

# Transportation Board Chairman Retires

**BOISE (AP)** • Idaho Transportation Board Chairman Darrell Manning is retiring after his latest five-year stint with the state highway agency.

Manning announced his resignation from the seven-member board Monday.

The 79-year-old Manning has had a long history in Idaho state government, having served as the first director of the Idaho Transportation Department in 1974.

He left in 1985 to become Idaho National Guard adjutant general,

but returned as ITD board chairman in 2007.

On Monday, Gov. C.L. “Butch” Otter called Manning “a state treasure.”

Manning served in various capacities on the State Board of Education, at the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and the Division of Financial Management, among other agencies.

Manning served under five governors: Democrats Cecil Andrus and John V. Evans, and Republicans Phil Batt, Dirk Kempthorne and Otter.

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# Coroner: Infant's Death Was Homicide, Dad Jailed

**BOISE (AP)** • A southwest Idaho man has been charged with first-degree murder in the slaying of his infant son.

Ada County Prosecutors charged 19-year-old Reynaldo “Lucas” Sanchez on Monday and is in the Ada County Jail on a \$1 million bond.

The coroner determined Monday that infant Adrien Sanchez died Saturday of blunt force trauma to the head and ruled the death a homicide.

Authorities say the baby was born Sept. 20 and fatally injured late last week while in the care of his father.

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# Accused White House Shooter to be Held for Trial

**BEN NUCKOLS**  
Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** • An Idaho man accused of trying to kill President Barack Obama by firing several shots at the White House from long range must remain in custody to protect the public and the president, a federal judge said Monday.

U.S. Magistrate Judge John Facciola's order that Oscar Ramiro Ortega-Hernandez be detained without bond was not unexpected given the seriousness of the charge Ortega faces — attempting to assassinate the president. It followed a two-hour hearing in which Ortega's public defender aggressively questioned an FBI agent about the strength of the government's case and apparent contradictions in witness statements.

Obama and his wife, Michelle, were out of town on the evening of Nov. 11 when authorities say Ortega used an assault rifle with

an attached scope to fire up to a dozen shots at the White House from his vehicle. Two bullets and one bullet fragment were recovered from the grounds of executive mansion, including one that was stopped by bulletproof glass. Investigators found five bullet impact points on the south side of the building on or above the second story, where the first family resides.

Friends and associates told investigators that Ortega — a 21-year-old Idaho Falls native — has long been obsessed with Obama and referred to the president as the antichrist. Ortega, who has shoulder-length dark hair and a long beard, called himself "the modern-day Jesus Christ" and told at least one person he intended to kill the president, authorities allege.

Ortega's attorney, David Bos, argued that prosecutors had failed to establish that Ortega was present when the shots were fired

or that the president was the target of the attack.

"We believe this to be an extraordinarily weak government case," Bos said.

Prosecutors have raised concerns about Ortega's mental state, although an initial psychiatric screening found him competent to stand trial.

"The defendant is a particularly dangerous individual," Facciola said, adding that he could not set any conditions for release that would ensure public safety.

Ortega will continue to be held in an undisclosed federal detention facility. He faces a possible life sentence if convicted, and he would be a flight risk if released, Facciola said.

He noted that Ortega's departure from the Washington area after the shooting was "a remarkable one, on a freight train."

Prosecutors introduced a photo of Ortega's head popping out of an empty rail car that was snapped by

a retired FBI photographer who takes pictures of trains as a hobby. The picture was taken three days after the shooting near Shenandoah Junction, W.Va., and the

train had originated in Washington. Ortega was arrested on Nov. 16 at a hotel in Indiana, Pa., where he had stayed with friends before the shooting.



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AP SPORTS STORY OF THE YEAR



In this Aug. 6, 1999 photo, Penn State head football coach Joe Paterno, right, poses with his defensive coordinator Jerry Sandusky during Penn State Media Day at State College, Pa.

# FALLING OF AN IDOL

Penn State abuse case  
a runaway winner for  
AP Story of the Year

ASSOCIATED PRESS

**NEW YORK** • The ouster of one of America’s most revered coaches, Penn State’s Joe Paterno, after shocking child sex abuse charges against his former assistant was overwhelmingly voted the sports story of the year by members of The Associated Press.

On the morning of Nov. 5, Paterno’s Nittany Lions were undefeated in the Big Ten and ranked No. 16 in the country, and the 84-year-old Hall of Famer was renowned as the winningest coach in Division I football, a leader who preached and practiced “Success with Honor.” Then came the staggering revelations: the indictment of longtime defensive coordinator Jerry Sandusky for allegedly sexually assaulting eight boys

over a 15-year span, perjury charges against two high-ranking school administrators — and a grand jury report that suggested Paterno knew of accusations against Sandusky and did not do enough to pursue them. Within four days, Penn State’s board of trustees had done the once-unthinkable, firing JoePa after 46 seasons as head coach. There were 214 ballots submitted from U.S. news organizations that make up

the AP’s membership. The voters were asked to rank the top 10 sports stories of the year, with the first-place story getting 10 points, the second-place story receiving nine points, and so on. The Penn State saga received 2,044 points and 172 first-place votes. It was also voted the No. 6 news story for 2011 in the AP’s annual poll of U.S. editors and news directors. The No. 2 sports story —

Please see **PENN, S3**

NFL

# Niners Manhandle Steelers, 20-3

ASSOCIATED PRESS

**SAN FRANCISCO** • The San Francisco 49ers were lights-out in their return to prime time, riding their top-ranked run defense again and prevailing through a pair of power outages to beat ailing quarterback Ben Roethlisberger and the Pittsburgh Steelers 20-3 on Monday night. Vernon Davis caught a 1-yard touchdown pass for the 49ers (11-3) one play after setting himself up with a 21-yard reception from Alex Smith, Frank Gore ran for a 5-yard score and David Akers kicked field goals of 22 and 38 yards to overtake Hall of Famer Jerry Rice for San Francisco’s single-season scoring record. The Steelers (10-4) missed a key chance to take sole possession of first place in the AFC North and gain the AFC’s No. 1 playoff seed.

Roethlisberger, playing on a sprained left ankle that had Big Ben in a walking boot during the week, threw two early interceptions and another in the waning minutes. Even all those Terrible Towel-waving Steelers supporters couldn’t will their team when San Francisco’s unique home-field advantage became two blackout delays. The first outage pushed back the opening kickoff by 20 minutes. Thousands of flashbulbs went off in the midst of the blackness, with a sellout crowd of 69,732 sitting in darkness — including all those Terrible Towel-waving Steelers fans who travel the country with their team. The second delay came early in the second quarter and halted the game again between 10-3 playoff-bound teams for about 15 minutes.



San Francisco 49ers running back Frank Gore (21) runs against the Pittsburgh Steelers during the first quarter in San Francisco on Monday.

TIMES-NEWS

Idaho State coach Joe O’Brien announced his resignation as men’s basketball coach on Monday, effective immediately. Assistant coach Deane Martin has been chosen interim head coach, with the Bengals’ first game under his leadership coming Dec. 22 against Wyoming at Holt Arena. “In coaching you need to know when it is time to walk away,” O’Brien said. “I know it is time. For a number of reasons in my life it is time. ... A different voice will make a difference in this program. It is time for me to do something different.”

O’Brien’s decision comes on the heels of ISU’s 71-59 loss on Dec. 16 at Utah. Losing to the Utes is something Bengals fans have come to expect, as ISU is 0-15 all-time at the Jon M. Huntsman Center. But with Utah enduring its worst season in history and ranked 320th out of 340 schools in the Ratings Percentage Index, this was just another in a long line of losses that have saddled the Bengal program. Idaho State has gone 13-50 against Division I teams over



O’Brien



Martin

tract extension in the offseason. ISU slipped to 7-22 the

following year and showed slight improvement in going 9-20 last season. But with this year’s team at 2-8 and with just one win against Division I competition to its credit, the prospects for getting back to the level O’Brien enjoyed his first three seasons at ISU were dim. “I appreciate all that Joe has done for Idaho State athletics over his six years as head coach,” ISU athletic director Joe Tingey said. “His teams played hard on the court and continually took part in various community activities here in the Pocatello community. I wish him the best of luck in his future.” Please see **O’BRIEN, XX**

BOISE STATE

# Consistency Is Potter’s Hallmark

BY ALEX CALINSKY  
For the Times-News

**BOISE** • Offensive linemen are the forgotten football players. Unless there’s a false start, holding call, or the quarterback is sacked, football fans rarely hear about the big guys up front. Although they very rarely touch the ball, the outcome of nearly every game hangs on the line’s success or failure. One of those normally unheralded players doing the dirty work in the trenches, Boise State left tackle Nate Potter, recently earned consensus All-America honors after being

named to four prominent All-America squads, either on the first or second-team. Ryan Clady, a current Denver Bronco and player Potter learned from, is the only other consensus All-American in Boise State history. “I definitely wasn’t expecting it, but it’s a nice compliment. I think it says more about my team than me,” said Potter, who will play his final game for Boise State on Thursday against Arizona State in the Las Vegas Bowl. Potter, a 6-foot-6, 295-pound redshirt senior from Boise’s Timberline High, Please see **POTTER, S4**

NBA PRESEASON



Portland Trail Blazers Nolan Smith, left, defends against Utah Jazz’s Earl Watson (11) in the first quarter on Monday.

# Trail Blazers Top Jazz Behind Matthews’ 17

Jazz get 25 points from Derrick Favors, little production elsewhere in preseason opener.

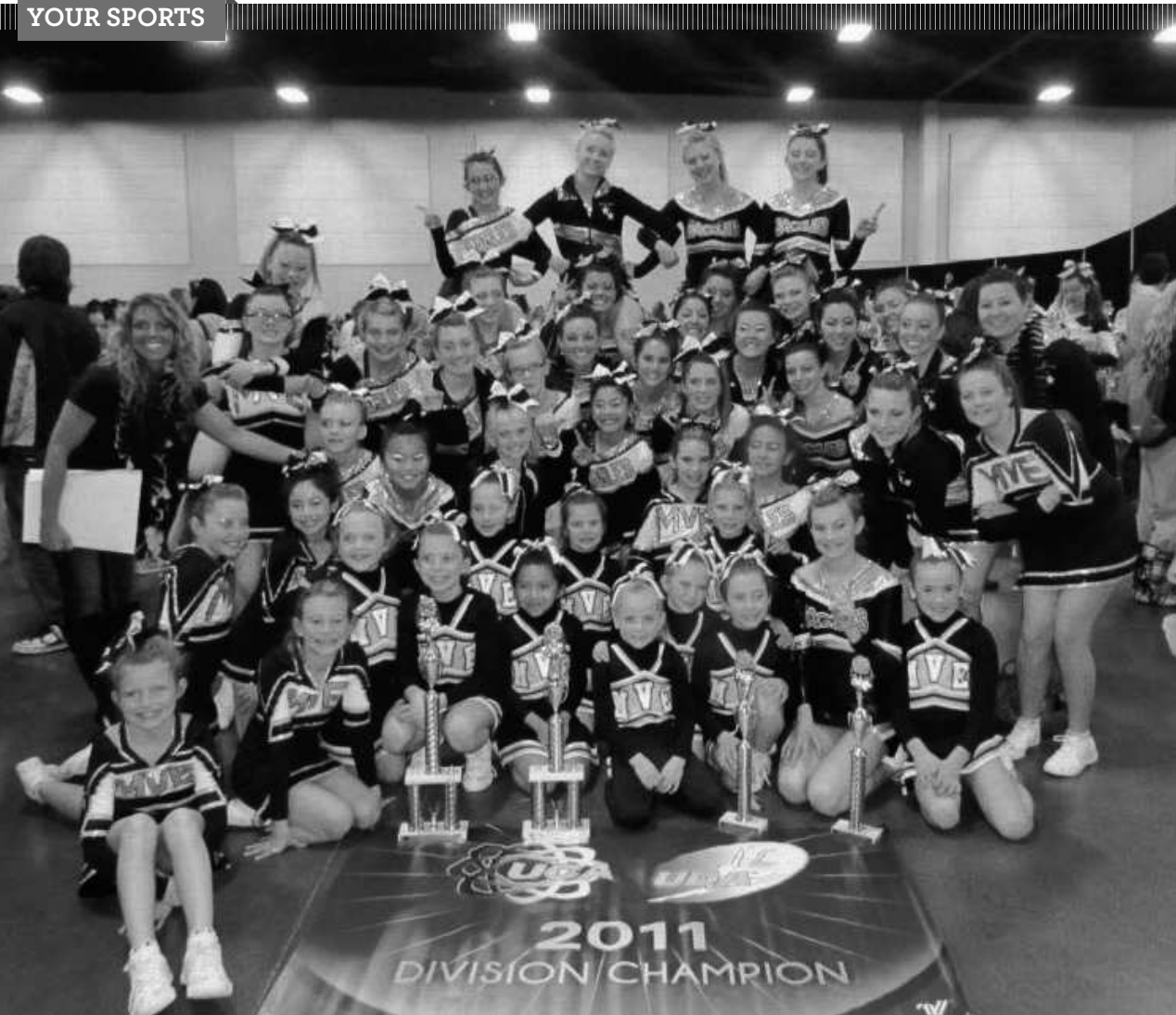
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PORTLAND, Ore. — Wesley Matthews scored 17 points in 23 minutes as the Portland Trail Blazers built an early lead and beat the Utah Jazz 110-90 in the teams’ preseason opener Monday night. Nicolas Batum started in place of LaMarcus Aldridge and had 13 points in 22 minutes and the Blazers led by as many as 24 points. Derrick Favors came off the bench with 25 points

and 12 rebounds for the Jazz. Utah was without Paul Millsap, who has right quadriceps tendinitis. Al Jefferson, who has been bothered by a sore left hamstring, started and scored seven points, and newcomer Josh Howard played five scoreless minutes. The Blazers head to Utah on Wednesday night for the second exhibition, the only warm-up games before the start of the lock-out-shortened regular season.



## YOUR SPORTS



(ABOVE) The Magic Valley Eagles All-Star cheerleaders competed in a UCA competition in Sandy, Utah, on Dec. 10. The mini team placed third, the youth team placed fourth, the junior team placed second, and the senior team placed first. The Eagles train at Radio Rondevoo under the leadership of Hunter Slagel, Bailey Barton, Lexxi Richardson, Judy Smith and Andrea Pierce.

(BELOW) During the 48th Annual Idaho Bowling Council Jamboree held in Twin Falls this month, the Leazer family was selected as the "Family of the Year". This award is presented to one family each year to recognize their support, dedication and commitment to enriching the sport of bowling, and with a combined 69 years of experience in the game, the Leazer family is certainly worthy of the honor. From left to right: Steffi, Bob, Jenny, Kim and Hailey Leazer.

(LEFT) Micheal Arndt was recently promoted to the rank of brown belt. Arndt was tested on Oct. 8 at the Jerome Martial Art Academy by head instructor Dale Shropshire, right, and assistant instructor Gary Wright, left. Micheal has been a student at the Jerome Academy since 2006, and is currently working on his requirements to test for the rank of Black Belt next year. Micheal is the son of Kelly and Betty Arndt of Jerome.

COURTESY PHOTOS



## BOWLING RESULTS

## BOWLADROME TWIN FALLS

## SUNDAY EARLY MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Nate Ybarra 790, Neil Welsh 621, Shawn Bymun 593, Jason Desler 591.  
MEN'S GAMES: Nate Ybarra 279, Jake Carnahan 240, Jason Desler 232, Adam Kepner 224.  
LADIES SERIES: Misty Welsh 552, Roxie Bymun 511, Nicole Trump 508, Debbie Westburg 464.  
LADIES GAMES: Misty Welsh 210, Nicole Trump 193, Debbie Westburg 185, Roxie Bymun 178.  
MONDAY MIXED FOLLIES  
MEN'S SERIES: Dale Black 690, Dennis Seckel 635, Dave Wilson 602, Kevin Hamblin 597.  
MEN'S GAMES: Dale Black 244, Dennis Seckel 234, David Marshall 220, Dave Wilson 219.  
LADIES SERIES: Kay Puschel 541, Shirley Long 533, Georgia Randall 519, Dee Hall 501.  
LADIES GAMES: Audrey Horton 187, Kay Puschel 182, Shirley Long 182, Georgia Randall 181.

## MID MORNING MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Adam Kepner 610, Ed Dutry 598, Matt Baysinger 593, Myron Schroeder 592.  
MEN'S GAMES: Matt Baysinger 258, Myron Schroeder 224, Cary Moser 216, Jim Kepner 213.  
LADIES SERIES: Kim Leazer 618, Kimberlie Kepner 607, Vicki Kiesig 551, Bernie Smith 538.  
LADIES GAMES: Kim Leazer 235, Kimberlie Kepner 206, Vicki Kiesig 195, Linda Vining 188.  
TUESDAY A.M. TRO  
SERIES: Shirley Merrill 483, Jackie Boyd 478, Charm Petersen 472, Doris Brown 460.  
GAMES: Betty Wartgow 188, Jackie Boyd 185, Shirley Merrill 169, NaJean Dutry 169, Gail McAllister 169.  
LATECOMERS  
SERIES: Charlene Anderson 537, Susan Kepner 535, Linda Vining 533, Lisa Allen 521.  
GAMES: Donna Kruger 218, Lisa Allen 210, Charlene Anderson 202, Susan Kepner 202.  
TUESDAY MAJORS  
BOYS' SERIES: Tyler Black 605, Anthony Vest 582, Anthony Brady 516, Tom Upchurch 455.  
BOYS' GAMES: Tyler Black 236, Anthony Vest 225, Anthony Brady 186, Tom Upchurch 164.  
GIRLS' SERIES: Kati Jo Moses 494, Alexis Ybarra 401, Rio Leazer 392, Megan McAllister 386.  
GIRLS' GAMES: Kati Jo Moses 179, Alexis Ybarra 163, Rio Leazer 152, Katie Upchurch 141.

## CONSOLIDATED

SERIES: Zach Black 700, Cobey Magee 697, Nate Jones 685, Kevin Thompson 663.  
GAMES: Rob Walsh 279, Tony Everts 275, Doug DeRuiter 263, Zach Black 257.

## LADIES CLASSIC

SERIES: Nancy Lewis 578, Michele Seckel 542, Shirley Long 523, Kay Puschel 521.  
GAMES: Shelby Schuessler 213, Michele Seckel 203, Carol Quaintance 202, Lisa Burton 202.  
PINZ & NEEDLES  
MEN'S SERIES: Ryan Jensen 591, Joe Dickinson 556, Ed Sabia 513, Alan File 473.  
MEN'S GAMES: Ryan Jensen 209, Joe Dickinson 309, Ed Sabia 209, Alan File 189.  
LADIES SERIES: Jean Hopkins 470, Tiffany Jacobson 448, Sharlene Combs 415, Raanae Combs 371.  
LADIES GAMES: Tiffany Jacobson 175, Jean Hopkins 172, Jessica Adams 163.

## SUNSET

SERIES: Gail Cederlund 583, Kristy Rodriguez 574, Marie Bourn 553, Michele Seckel 552.  
GAMES: Kristy Rodriguez 235, Gail Cederlund 233, Marie Bourn 229, Barb Aslett 244.

## FRIDAY P.M. SENIORS

MEN'S SERIES: Bob Brown 705, Tom Smith 625, Myron Schroeder 563, Ed Dutry 552.  
MEN'S GAMES: Bob Brown 268, Tom Smith 225, Myron Schroeder 222, Eddie Chappell 203.  
LADIES SERIES: Bonnie Draper 550, Jeanne Miller 498, Bernie Smith 496, Joann Burkett 490.

LADIES GAMES: Bonnie Draper 216, Joann Burkett 192, Bernie Smith 191, Shirley Kunsman 187, Shirley Griffiths 187.

## PEEWEE &amp; BUMPER

BOYS' SERIES: Brock Hanson 137, Nickolas Folks 136.  
BOYS' GAMES: Brock Hanson 74, Nickolas 73.  
GIRLS' SERIES: Lindsay Beem 173.  
GIRLS' GAMES: Lindsay Beem 95.

## GIANTS

BOYS' SERIES: Jacob Hildreth 406, Griffen Magee 320, Cooper Hildreth 304.  
BOYS' GAMES: Jacob Hildreth 177, Griffen Magee 123, Brendan Rife 109, Cooper Hildreth 107.  
GIRLS' SERIES: Jenny Leazer 275, Steffi Leazer 248, Ravyn Barela 208.  
GIRLS' GAMES: Jenny Leazer 112, Steffi Leazer 90, Ravyn Barela 86.

## MOOSE

MEN'S SERIES: Dave Wilson 664, Jake Carnahan 655, Bob Leazer 640, Jim Sorenson 638.  
MEN'S GAMES: Kris Armstrong 256, Tim Bowman 246, Bob Leazer 245, Dave Wilson 236.  
LADIES SERIES: Julie Shull 562, Leanna Magee 521, Susan Kepner 510, Kim Leazer 508.  
LADIES GAMES: Kim Leazer 201, Leanna Magee 195, Julie Shull 194, Susan Kepner 184, Michelle Baughman 184.

## MAGIC BOWL – TWIN FALLS

## SUNDAY ROLLERS

MEN'S SERIES: Kyle Mason 615, Stan Visser 606, Keith Kelly 568, Troy Gordon 568.  
MEN'S GAMES: R.D. Adema 224, Stan Visser 223, Troy Gordon 214, David Holley 201.  
LADIES SERIES: Sylvia Inman 577, Nancy Craig 566, Sandy Kelly 465, Ida Countryman 446.  
LADIES GAMES: Sylvia Inman 225, Nancy Craig 222, Ida Countryman 165.

## COMMERCIAL

SERIES: T.J. Carender 660, Mark Branham 655, Mark Quaintance 628, Les Carender 593.  
GAMES: Les Carender 259, Mark Branham 246, T.J. Carender 228, Leon Klimes 220.

## MASON'S TROPHY

SERIES: Linda Williams 489, Glenda Barrutia 482, Virginia Mulkey 480, Anna Moore 477.  
GAMES: Linda Williams 189, Virginia Mulkey 183, Glenda Barrutia 178, Gloria Harder 174.

## VALLEY

SERIES: Tony Cowan 743, Nate Jones 743, Mike Tackett 735, Zach Black 718.  
GAMES: Zach Black 298, Nate Jones 276, Tony Cowan 264, Leon Klimes 258, Jordan Jerke 258.

## FIFTY PLUS SENIORS

MEN'S SERIES: Charles Lewis 679, Tom Smith 669, Jim Brawley 613, Blaine Ross 609.  
MEN'S GAMES: Jim Brawley 259, Charles Lewis 242, Tom Smith 235, Ed Dutry 234.  
LADIES SERIES: Bernie Smith 571, Glenda

Barrutia 534, Barbara Smith 509, Gloria Harder 509.  
LADIES GAMES: Glenda Barrutia 199, Barbara Smith 195, Bernie Smith 192, Lucy Anderson 184.

## SUNSET BOWL – BUHL

## MONDAY YABA

BOYS' SERIES: Bradley Webb 495, Chaz Hicks 384, Anthony Poehler 378, Chris Thompson 361, Hunter Smith 361.  
BOYS' GAMES: Bradley Webb 179, Chaz Hicks 158, Chris Thompson 157, Anthony Poehler 147.

GIRLS' SERIES: Julianne Nejezchleba 355, Alexis Breck 317, Abbey Pato 310, Lynzee Schaeffer 236.  
GIRLS' GAMES: Alexis Breck 137, Julianne Nejezchleba 130, Abbey Pato 112, Sarah Thompson 111.

## SUNSET SENIORS

MEN'S SERIES: Charlie Hill 548, Don Huff 543, Ron Fugate 483, Gene Schroeder 480.  
MEN'S GAMES: Don Huff 219, Ron Fugate 199, Charlie Hill 192, Jim Kodesh 183.

LADIES SERIES: Dixie Schroeder 442, Verna Kodesh 421, Bonne Silgar 392, Carol Rutherford 378.

LADIES GAMES: Dixie Schroeder 167, Carol Rutherford 160, Verna Kodesh 146, Elda Huff 143.

## LUCY STRIKERS

SERIES: Darla McCallister 566, Lois Tomlinson 563, Elaine Wignington 505, Beverly Rodig 485.  
GAMES: Lois Tomlinson 227, Darla McCallister 199, Mitze Crown 190, Elaine Wignington 180.

## MASON TROPHY

SERIES: Verna Kodesh 483, Tracy Allred 460, Dixie Schroeder 427, Beverly Lauritzen 326.  
GAMES: Verna Kodesh 179, Tracy Allred 175, Carol Rutherford 155, Amy Allred 127.

## PINBUSTERS

SERIES: T.J. Carender 706, Dustin McCallister 686.  
GAMES: T.J. Carender 279, Lee Taylor 269.

## SPARE PAIRS

MEN'S SERIES: Kenny Moon 682, Mitch Olsen 656, Curt Quaintance 629, Dirk McCallister 629.  
MEN'S GAMES: Kenny Moon 247, Dirk McCallister 245, Mitch Olsen 234, Roger Shaddy 232, Curt Quaintance 232, Dustin McCallister 232.

## SNAKE RIVER BOWL

## BURLEY

## WINTER SIZZLERS

SERIES: Kathryn Stanger 538, Alice Ferrin 469, Ila Despain 416.  
GAMES: Kathryn Stanger 204, Ila Despain 180, Alice Ferrin 160.

## LADIES CLASSIC TRIO

SERIES: Tiffnayah Hager 632, Debe Ingram 627, Jachelle Lowe 519, Stephanie Stelly 509.  
GAMES: Debe Ingram 244, Tiffnayah Hager 226, Jachelle Lowe 199, Jachelle Mechem 188.

## MEN'S CLASSIC TRIO

SERIES: Bob Bywater 941, Justin Studer 895, Gary Gallegos 789, Delbert Bennett 775.  
GAMES: Bob Bywater 268, Justin Studer 257, Gary Gallegos 237, Rusty Holm 226.

## TUESDAY MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Rick Hieb 727, Bob Bywater 246, Chris Warr 243, Jared Studer 205.  
MEN'S GAMES: Rick Hieb 289, Bob Bywater 246, Chris Warr 243, Jared Studer 205.

LADIES SERIES: Tiffnayah Hager 632, Alicia Bywater 533, Bridget Albertson 529, Stacy Hieb 507.  
LADIES GAMES: Tiffnayah Hager 226, Bridget Albertson 200, Alicia Bywater 193, Stacy Hieb 181.

## SENIORS &amp; FRIENDS

MEN'S SERIES: Delbert Bennett 642, Travis Turner 592, Duane Smith 513, Kurt Stimpson 483.  
MEN'S GAMES: Delbert Bennett 261, Travis Turner 222, Duane Smith 201, Kurt Stimpson 179.

LADIES SERIES: Kira Teal 464, Becky Smith 434, Peggy Jurolimiek 422.  
LADIES GAMES: Kira Teal 203, Becky Smith 168, Peggy Jurolimiek 150.

## WEDNESDAY MIXED

MEN'S SERIES: Ryan Swalling 652, Tyson Hisch 607, Galan Rogers 603, Spencer Meyer 532.  
MEN'S GAMES: Tyson Hirsch 246, Ryan Swalling 225, Galan Rogers 222, Spencer Meyer 209.

LADIES SERIES: Bobbi Crow 548, Jessica Meyer 487, Annette Hirsch 472, Gayle Erekson 393.  
LADIES GAMES: Bobbi Crow 196, Annette Hirsch 183, Gayle Erekson 143, Susan Fowler 136.

## RAILROADERS

SERIES: Kym Son 543, Kris Jones 524, Sharon Hissung 523, Theresa Knowlton 505.  
GAMES: Sharon Hissung 195, Shanna Deleon 192, Jamie Stewart 191, Kym Son 190.

## HOUSEWIVES

SERIES: Bridget Albertson 550, Brenda Schenk 549, Derry Smith 536, Kristie Johnston 525.  
GAMES: Brenda Schenk 207, Bridget Albertson 192, Kristie Johnston 186, Derry Smith 181.

## MAJORS

SERIES: Bob Bywater 691, Chris Warr 674, Justin Studer 668, Steve Studer 634.  
GAMES: Bob Bywater 258, Steve Studer 248, Duane Blauer 243, Spencer Meyer 242.

## PINHEADS

BOYS' SERIES: Brody Albertson 489, Alexander Moor 371, Curtis Fisk 270, Trevor Hager 263.  
BOYS' GAMES: Brody Albertson 182, Alexander Moor 145, Teagan uscola 106, Curtis Fisk 101.

GIRLS' SERIES: Kira Hieb 497, Cheyenne Powers 430, Dachotah Hieb 429, Briana Bennett 212.  
GIRLS' GAMES: Kira Hieb 191, Dachotah Hieb 172, Cheyenne Powers 169, Briana Bennett 122.

## BURLEY

BOYS' SERIES: Logan Hollins 434, Brandon Baldwin 427, Regi Baliola 411, Thomas Rassmussen 405.  
BOYS' GAMES: Logan Hollins 182, Thomas Rassmussen 159, Brandon Baldwin 156, Regi Baliola 143.

GIRLS' SERIES: Kira Hieb 464, Dachotah Hieb 390, Bethany Adams 385, Sam Koyle 340.  
GIRLS' GAMES: Kira Hieb 167, Bethany Adams 149, Dachotah Hieb 141, Courtney Johnson 127.

## MINICO

BOYS' SERIES: Reid Pinther 572, Shane Amen 509, Kolby Widmier 416, Larry Morris 396.  
BOYS' GAMES: Reid Pinther 232, Shane Amen 224, Kolby Widmier 158, Larry Morris 141.

GIRLS' SERIES: Angie Holmes 475, Sydney Walker 401, Lyndie Mittelsteadt 357, Caitlin Schafer 327.  
GIRLS' GAMES: Caitlin Schafer 177, Angie Holmes 173, Jade Hensheid 141, Sydney Walker 136.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

## CSI Christmas Basketball Camp

The College of Southern Idaho men's basketball program will hold its annual Christmas basketball camp Dec. 28-29 at the CSI gym and run from 9 a.m.-noon. Campers will have the opportunity to work directly with the CSI men's basketball players and coaching staff. Brochures can be found at [www.csi.edu/athletics](http://www.csi.edu/athletics). Cost is \$45 for pre-registration and \$55 at the door. Information: Colby Blaine at 208-340-7588 or [CBlaine@csi.edu](mailto:CBlaine@csi.edu).

## Jerome H.S. Basketball Camp

Shaquille Kennedy, as part of his senior project, is hosting a youth basketball camp on Dec. 22-23 at the high school. Jerome High players and coaches will act as clinicians. Second through fifth grade boys will be instructed from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., followed by sixth through eighth grade boys from 1-3 p.m. Cost is \$25 and includes a t-shirt.

## Elite Skills Basketball Camp

Burley High School is hosting and elite skills basketball camp on Dec. 27-28 from 1-4 p.m. for all children in grades 3-8. Cost is \$35 and includes a T-shirt. Information: Michael Hill, 670-4924 or 878-6606, ext. 2314.

## Frozen Stones Highland Games

The Scottish-American Athletic Association is hosting the Frozen Stones Games at Shoshone Falls on Jan. 1 at 10 a.m. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. and costs \$30 to participate. Novices are welcome to participate and the event is free to the public. Information: Erick Ettesvole, 490-6470.

## CSI Softball Winter Camp

The CSI softball program is hosting a winter camp Dec. 29-31 in the CSI Expo Center. The camp is for girls in grades 7-12. Guest coaches include pitcher Christina Gwyn (Texas, BYU) and catcher Cortney Clark

(Arizona, BYU), as well as several former and current CSI players. Information: Nick Baumert, 308-4978, or online at [www.csi.edu/athletics](http://www.csi.edu/athletics) for a registration form.

## Rapids Recruiting U13 Boys Players

Twin Falls Rapids Soccer Club is recruiting players for its U13 boys team for the spring season. Information: Sasha at 731-2386 or Garrett at 280-0054.

## Southern Idaho Baseball Camp

CSI is hosting the Southern Idaho Baseball Camp on Dec. 27-29. Collegiate and professional players and coaches will instruct campers in hitting, fielding, catching and pitching. Information: Jim Walker, 308-4024, Boomer Walker, 308-4025, or on the web at [athletics.csi.edu/baseball/camp.asp](http://athletics.csi.edu/baseball/camp.asp).

## YMCA/City Pool Hours

Twin Falls Parks and Recre-

ation and the YMCA of Twin Falls have announced new swim hours for January through March. The pool will be open every weekday from 2-4 p.m. Cost is \$4 for adults 18 and older, \$3 for ages 4-17 and \$2 for those 3 and under. YMCA members swim for free.

## Burley Golf Course Specials

Until further notice, Burley Golf Club is offering all-you-can-play greens fees at rates of \$12 per nine holes and \$17 for 18 holes. Cart fees are extra.

## Twin Falls Golf Club Specials

Greens fees from Nov. 1-Jan. 31 are \$10 for everyone. Punch cards are on sale Dec. 1-Feb. 14. Cost is \$150 for 10 rounds. All store credit must be spent by Dec. 15. Special orders were done as of Oct. 30.

—Staff reports

## O'Brien

Continued from Sports 1

Prior to his arrival in Idaho State, O'Brien was one of the most accomplished coaches in junior college basketball. At South-eastern (Iowa) CC, he went 213-64 with three NJCAA Division I national titles, including back-to-back crowns in 2003-04.

## Another Assistant Leaves Vandal Football

MOSCOW • The shakeup of Robb Akey's coaching staff at Idaho continues.

Akey confirmed Monday evening that Luther Carr, who served as Idaho's wide receivers coach and recruiting coordinator the last five seasons, has left the program. His departure — an apparent dismissal — comes on the heels of the retirement of offensive coordinator Steve Axman last week.

"I appreciate everything Luther has done for the past five seasons and wish him the best in his future endeavors," Akey said in a statement released by UI.

Carr, a former Eastern Washington University receiver and Lewis & Clark High coach, oversaw successful receiving units in 2009 and 2010. This season, the Vandals were plagued by injuries to top wideouts Preston Davis, Armauni Johnson and Justin Veltung.

The Vandals' top receiver was Mike Scott, who walked on during fall camp and finished with 55 catches for 691 yards.

—Josh Wright



# SCOREBOARD

**Odds**  
**NCAA FOOTBALL**  
**Tonight**  
**Beef 'O'Brady's Bowl**  
**At St. Petersburg, Fla.**

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
FIU	4½	4	(48)	Marshall
<b>Tomorrow</b>				
<b>Pointsettia Bowl</b> <b>At San Diego</b>				
TCU	11	9½	(55½)	Louisiana Tech
<b>Thursday</b>				
<b>Maaco Bowl</b> <b>At Las Vegas</b>				
Boise St.	11½	13½	(66)	Arizona St.
<b>Saturday</b>				
<b>Hawaii Bowl</b> <b>At Honolulu</b>				
Southern Miss.	5½	6	(62)	Nevada

**NFL**  
**Thursday**

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
Houston	6½	6½	(40½)	at Indianapolis
<b>Saturday</b>				
at Kansas City		Pk	(42)	Oakland
Denver	3	3	(42½)	at Buffalo
at Tennessee	7½	8½	(40)	Jacksonville
at Cincinnati	5½	4½	(40)	Arizona
at New England	10½	10	(48½)	Miami
at Baltimore	13½	13½	(39)	Cleveland
at N.Y. Jets	3	3	(46)	N.Y. Giants
at Washington	5½	6	(44)	Minnesota
at Carolina	7	7	(48)	Tampa Bay
at Pittsburgh	OFF	OFF	(OFF)	St. Louis
at Detroit	3	3	(50½)	San Diego
at Seattle	OFF	OFF	(OFF)	San Francisco
at Dallas	3	3	(50½)	Philadelphia
<b>Sunday</b>				
at Green Bay	OFF	OFF	(OFF)	Chicago
at New Orleans	6½	7	(53½)	Atlanta

**Off Key**  
Pittsburgh played Dec. 19  
San Francisco played Dec. 19  
Green Bay may rest players

**NCAA BASKETBALL**

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
St. Bonaventure-x		NC State
Idaho	1	at Wright St.
at Nebraska	13½	Cent. Michigan
at BYU	11½	Buffalo
at Gonzaga	13½	Butler
at San Jose St.	7	UC Davis
at UCLA	16	UC Irvine
at Kentucky	36	Samford
at Louisville	18	Coll. of Charleston
at New Mexico	21½	Montana St.
at Saint Mary's (Cal)	16½	E. Washington
at Syracuse	19½	Bucknell
at Troy	5	S. Utah
at Arizona	9½	Oakland
at Ohio St.	23	Lamar
y-at Logan, Utah		

**NFL STANDINGS**  
**AMERICAN**

EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-New England	11	3	0	.786	437	297
N.Y. Jets	8	6	0	.571	346	315
Miami	5	9	0	.357	286	269
Buffalo	5	9	0	.357	311	371
SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Houston	10	4	0	.714	343	236
Tennessee	7	7	0	.500	279	278
Jacksonville	4	10	0	.286	207	293
Indianapolis	1	13	0	.071	211	395
NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Pittsburgh	10	4	0	.714	285	218
x-Baltimore	10	4	0	.714	334	236
Cincinnati	8	6	0	.571	305	283
Cleveland	4	10	0	.286	195	274
WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	8	6	0	.571	292	343
Oakland	7	7	0	.500	317	382
San Diego	7	7	0	.500	358	313
Kansas City	6	8	0	.429	192	319

**NATIONAL**

EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	8	6	0	.571	348	296
N.Y. Giants	7	7	0	.500	334	372
Philadelphia	6	8	0	.429	342	311
Washington	5	9	0	.357	252	300
SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-New Orleans	11	3	0	.786	457	306
Atlanta	9	5	0	.643	341	281
Carolina	5	9	0	.357	341	368
Tampa Bay	4	10	0	.286	247	401
NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Green Bay	13	1	0	.929	480	297
Detroit	9	5	0	.643	395	332
Chicago	7	7	0	.500	315	293
Minnesota	2	12	0	.143	294	406
WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-San Francisco	11	3	0	.786	327	185
Seattle	7	7	0	.500	284	273
Arizona	7	7	0	.500	273	305
St. Louis	2	12	0	.143	166	346

**X-clinched playoff spot**  
**Y-clinched division**

**Monday's Game**  
San Francisco 20, Pittsburgh 3  
**Thursday, Dec. 22**  
Houston at Indianapolis, 6:20 p.m.

**SUNDAY'S LATE BOX**

<b>CHARGERS 34, RAVENS 14</b>					
Baltimore	0	7	0	7 -	14
San Diego	7	10	14	3 -	34
<b>First Quarter</b>					
SD-Tolbert 2 run (Novak kick), 4-47.					
<b>Second Quarter</b>					
Bal-Dickson 15 pass from Flacco (Cundiff kick), 13:27.					
SD-FG Novak 45, 7-44.					
SD-Matthews 1 run (Novak kick), :19.					
<b>Third Quarter</b>					
SD-Floyd 28 pass from Rivers (Novak kick), 10:38.					
SD-Matthews 3 run (Novak kick), 4:05.					
<b>Fourth Quarter</b>					
SD-FG Novak 28, 4-28.					
Bal-TSmith 36 pass from Flacco (Cundiff kick), 1:55.					
A-67,242.					
	<b>Bal</b>	<b>SD</b>			
First downs	19	23			
Total Net Yards	290	415			
Rushes-yards	14-89	37-145			
Passing	201	270			
Punt Returns	0-0	0-0			
Kickoff Returns	5-134	0-0			
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	2-45			
Comp-Att-Int	24-35-2	17-23-0			
Sacked-Yards Lost	7-43	0-0			
Punts	2-56-0	0-0-0			
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0			
Penalties-Yards	3-25	3-35			
Time of Possession	25:48	34:12			
<b>INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS</b>					
RUSHING-Baltimore, Rice 10-57, R.Williams 3-20.					
Flacco 1-12, San Diego, Matthews 26-90, Tolbert 8-40, Jackson 1-9, Hester 2-6.					
PASSING-Baltimore, Flacco 23-34-2-226, Taylor 11-0-18, San Diego, Rivers 17-23-0-270.					
RECEIVING-Baltimore, Rice 9-55, T.Smith 6-77.					

Dickson 3-36, Pitta 3-25, Boldin 2-51, R.Williams 1-0.  
San Diego, Floyd 5-96, Jackson 3-84, Gates 2-31,  
Matthews 2-19, Tolbert 2-18, McMichael 2-9, V.Brown 1-13.  
MISSED FIELD GOALS-Baltimore, Cundiff 36 (WR).  
San Diego, Novak 37 (WR).

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
**BOISE ST. 70, FRESNO ST. 63**  
**FRESNO ST. (4-0)-1.** Brown 2-4 0-0 4, T. Johnson 6-12 3-4 17, Willis 3-8 0-0 6, Olekaibe 10-17 5-7 28, Shepp 0-3 0-0 0, McLaughrey 0-0 0-0 0, G. Johnson 1-4 0-0 2, Foster 2-4 1-5 6, Totals 58-42 9-16 63.  
**BOISE ST. (9-3)** Domic 5-8 0-0 14, Buckner 2-8 1-2 5, Elorriaga 2-4 2-2 7, Wiley 1-3 0-0 2, Perryman 2-5 0-0 5, Marks 1-3 1-1 3, Hanstad 0-1 0-0 0, Nichols 2-6 3-4 7, Bropleigh 3-10 2-4 9, Watkins 5-10 8-11 18. Totals 23-58 17-24 70.  
Halftime-Boise St. 26-23, 3-Point Goals-Fresno St. 6-21 (Olekaibe 3-9, T. Johnson 2-3, Foster 1-2, Willis 0-2, Shepp 0-2, G. Johnson 0-3), Boise St. 7-17 (Domic 4-6, Perryman 1-1, Bropleigh 1-3, Elorriaga 1-3, Hanstad 0-1, Nichols 0-1, Wiley 0-2). Fouled Out-Willis, Rebounds-Fresno St. 25 (Foster 8), Boise St. 41 (Watkins 11). Assists-Fresno St. 8 (Shepp 4), Boise St. 14 (Marks 4). Total Fouls-Fresno St. 24, Boise St. 17. A-3,702.

**NHL STANDINGS**  
**EASTERN**

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Philadelphia	31	20	8	3	43	110	91
N.Y. Rangers	30	18	8	4	40	87	67
Pittsburgh	33	18	11	4	40	107	88
New Jersey	32	18	13	1	37	90	92
N.Y. Islanders	30	10	14	6	26	69	97
NORTHEAST	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Boston	32	22	9	1	45	111	63
Toronto	33	16	13	4	36	102	108
Buffalo	32	16	13	3	35	89	94
Ottawa	33	15	14	4	34	102	116
Montreal	34	13	14	7	33	87	92
SOUTHEAST	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Florida	33	18	9	6	42	90	84
Winnipeg	32	15	13	4	34	89	97
Washington	31	16	14	1	33	91	96
Tampa Bay	32	14	16	2	30	87	107
Carolina	34	10	18	6	26	86	116
WESTERN	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Chicago	33	21	8	4	46	111	98
St. Louis	32	19	9	4	42	82	69
Detroit	31	17	11	1	41	104	69
Nashville	32	17	11	1	38	85	84
Columbus	33	9	20	4	22	80	111
NORTHWEST	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Minnesota	33	20	8	5	45	84	72
Vancouver	33	20	11	1	41	106	90
Calgary	33	14	15	4	32	82	94
Edmonton	32	14	15	3	31	87	87
Colorado	33	15	17	1	31	88	100
PACIFIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA
Dallas	32	19	12	1	39	85	89
San Jose	30	17	10	3	37	86	74
Phoenix	32	16	13	3	35	84	85
Los Angeles	33	15	14	4	34	72	81
Anaheim	33	9	19	5	23	78	110

**NOTE:** Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.  
**Sunday's Games**  
Florida 3, Carolina 2, OT  
Chicago 4, Calgary 2  
St. Louis 6, Columbus 4  
**Monday's Games**  
Los Angeles 3, Toronto 2, SO  
Boston 3, Montreal 2  
Dallas 5, Anaheim 3  
Philadelphia at Colorado, late  
Detroit at Edmonton, late  
Minnesota at Vancouver, late

**Ski Report**

Idaho	Bogus Basin - Opening Soon for Snow Sports
Brundage	- Opening Soon for Snow Sports
Kelly Canyon	- Opening Soon for Snow Sports
Lookout Pass	- Mon 5:22 am 1 new packed powder machine groomed 34-57 base 34 of 34 trails 540 acres, 4 of 4 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p
Magic Mountain	- Opening Soon for Snow Sports
Pebble Creek	- Opening Soon for Snow Sports
Pomerelle	- Mon 6:02 am hard packed machine groomed 20-29 base 20 of 24 trails, 3 of 3 lifts 80% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p
Schweitzer Mountain	- Mon 2:58 pm packed powder machine groomed 32-57 base 92 of 92 trails 2900 acres, 7 of 9 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-3:30p
Silver Mountain	- Mon 6:13 am packed powder machine groomed 18-38 base 52 of 73 trails 6 of 6 lifts, 72% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-3:45p; Sat/Sun: 9a-3:45p
Snowhaven	- Opening Soon for Snow Sports
Soldier Mountain	- Opening Soon for Snow Sports
Sun Valley	- Mon 5:03 am packed powder machine groomed 20-20 base 52 of 75 trails, 900 acres 13 of 19 lifts, 40% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p
Tamarack	- Mon 5:52 am loose granular machine groomed 12-19 base 1 of 36 trails, 1 of 5 lifts 3% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; Dec 22-Jan 01: 9a-4p; Open Thu-Sun
Sun Valley XC	- Sun No Recent Information packed powder machine groomed 2-4 base 3 of 14 trails, 5 miles, Mon-Fri: 9a-5p; Sat/Sun: 9a-5p

**Transactions**

<b>BASEBALL</b> <b>National League</b>
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS - Agreed to terms with OF Jason Kubel on a two-year contract.
HOUSTON ASTROS - Named Tom Lawless roving infield instructor.
NEW YORK METS - Agreed to terms with RHP Frank Francisco on a two-year contract.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES - Agreed to terms with SS Jimmy Rollins on a three-year contract.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS - Agreed to terms with OF Mike Cameron on a minor league contract. Named Tony Beasley manager of Syracuse (IL), Matthew LaCroy manager of Harrisburg (EL), Brian Rupp manager of Potomac (Carolina) and Tripp Keister manager of the Gulf Coast Nationals.
<b>BASKETBALL</b> <b>National Basketball Association</b>
GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS - Traded F Lou Amundson to Indiana for G Brandon Rush.
NEW YORK KNICKS - Signed G Baron Davis.
OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER - Waived G Anthony Goods.
SACRAMENTO KINGS - Voided the contract of F-C Chuck Hayes after he failed a physical.
WASHINGTON WIZARDS - Signed G Nick Young to a one-year contract.
<b>FOOTBALL</b> <b>National Football League</b>
CHICAGO BEARS - Signed RB Armando Allen, DE Thaddeus Gibson and WR Max Komar from the practice squad. Signed RB Robert Hughes to the practice squad. Placed 5 Chris Conte and WR Johnny Knox on injured reserve.
CINCINNATI BENGALS - Signed CB Devon Torrence to the practice squad.

## SCHEDULE: TONIGHT'S BIG GAMES

**PREP BOYS BASKETBALL**  
**7:30 p.m.**  
Dietrich at Oakley  
Hagerman at Raft River  
Shoshone at Wendell  
Buhl at Canyon Ridge  
**PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
Hagerman at Raft River  
**7:30 p.m.**  
Glenns Ferry at Gooding  
Buhl at Burley  
Wendell at Valley  
Richfield at Lighthouse Christian  
Preston at Minico

**On TV**  
**COLLEGE FOOTBALL**  
**6 p.m.**  
ESPN - Beef 'O'Brady's Bowl, FIU vs. Marshall, at St. Petersburg, Fla.  
**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
**5 p.m.**  
ESPN2 - Samford at Kentucky  
**7 p.m.**  
ESPN2 - Butler at Gonzaga  
**NHL HOCKEY**  
**5:30 p.m.**  
VERSUS - Chicago at Pittsburgh  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
**8 p.m.**  
FSN - Tennessee at Stanford

## PREP ROUNDUP

## Jones, Defense Lead Pilots Past Wolves

TIMES-NEWS

Wilder Jones went 8 of 10 from the free throw line en route to a game-high 14 points, leading Glenns Ferry past Castleford.

Jones was one of three Pilots in double figures - Chris Popoca dropped in 11 points and Michael Willis added 10.

Defense was again the story for Glenns Ferry (6-2), as it held the Wolves to just one point in the third quarter.

"We brought our defensive intensity (up) and that got us back in the game," Glenns Ferry coach Nathan Jones said.

Cody Hansen led Castleford with nine points.

**Glenns Ferry 54, Castleford 36**

Castleford	12	11	1	12	-36
Glenns Ferry	9	17	14	14	-54

**CASTLEFORD (36)**  
Kline 4, Timmers 6, Allred 7, Hansen 9, Howard 8, Weekes 2, Totals 14 6-11 36  
**GLENN'S FERRY (54)**  
Christensen 2, Willis 10, Jones 14, Pattison 1, Martine 4, Popoca 11, Janousek 2, Garcia 6, Bryant 4, Totals 21 10-18 54  
3-point field goals: Castleford 2 (Allred, Hansen), Glenns Ferry 2 (Willis, Popoca). Team fouls: Castleford 11, Glenns Ferry 14.

## Penn

Continued from Sports 1

labor strife in the NFL and NBA - had 15 first-place votes and 1,345 points.

The turmoil that at times seemed to rock college sports on a weekly basis this year was evident in the voting beyond the Penn State selection. Three more of the top 10 stories involved upheaval in the NCAA: conference realignment (No. 4); the Ohio State infractions that cost Jim Tressel his job (No. 6); and more sex abuse accusations, these involving Syracuse basketball (No. 9).

Tiger Woods' humbling return to the public eye was the top story last year.

Here are 2011's top 10 stories:

-**1. PENN STATE:** Paterno said in a statement Nov. 9, "It is one of the great sorrows of my life. With the benefit of hindsight, I wish I had done more," and that he would retire at the end of the season. It wasn't enough to quell the rising outrage that he didn't go to the police after then-graduate assistant Mike McQueary told him in 2002 about witnessing an apparent assault. By the night of Nov. 9, Paterno was out, and so was Penn State President Graham Spanier. As 2011 comes to a close, athletic director Tim Curley, who was placed on leave, and since-retired university

vice president Gary Schultz await trial, and Sandusky faces additional charges. Paterno revealed Nov. 18 he had been diagnosed with a treatable form of lung cancer. The Nittany Lions play Houston in the TicketCity Bowl on Jan. 2.

-**2. NFL/NBA LOCKOUTS:** "Millionaires vs. billionaires" was often fans' reaction to the labor woes that struck the NFL and NBA this year. Football's work stoppage lasted 4½ months before an agreement was signed Aug. 5; it cost the league just one preseason game. Fans have quickly forgiven the owners and players based on ticket sales and television ratings. Basketball's dragged on for more than five months and wiped out 16 games of the normal 82-game schedule. The fallout won't be clear until the season begins on Christmas.

-**3. PACKERS WIN:** Aaron Rodgers and Green Bay are shining and well out of Brett Favre's shadow. The injury-ravaged Packers barely made the playoffs as a No. 6 seed last season, then won three road games to reach the Super Bowl, where they beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 31-25 in February. They kept right on winning into the 2011 season, rolling to a 13-0 start led by play from their quarterback almost as perfect as their record, until an upset loss to the Chiefs.

-**4. CONFERENCE REALIGNMENT:** San Diego State in the Big East? Another dizzying round of college conference hopping made a mockery of geography. Texas A&M bolted the Big 12 for the SEC in September - likely ending its more than century-old rivalry with Texas - which set off the dominoes. Missouri followed the Aggies to the SEC. The Big East lost Syracuse and Pittsburgh to the ACC and West Virginia and TCU to the Big 12, then regrouped by adding some hardly Eastern schools: Boise State, San Diego State, Houston, SMU.

-**5. CARDINALS WIN:** St. Louis trailed in the wild-card race by 10½ games in late August but rallied to clinch a playoff berth on the season's final day. The Cardinals' comeback in the World Series might have been even more remarkable. They were twice down to their final strike in Game 6 against the Texas Rangers, who were up by two runs in the ninth and 10th innings. St. Louis won it on David Freese's home run in the 11th before clinching the championship in Game 7. Manager Tony La Russa retired after the victory parade.

-**6. OHIO STATE:** The Buckeyes beat Arkansas 31-26 on Jan. 4 in the Sugar Bowl with five players allowed to take part even though they were suspended for the first five games of the 2011 season for NCAA infractions. Ohio State would soon have far bigger problems. The school learned that month that Jim Tressel, who coached the Buckeyes to their first national title in 34 years, long knew about the transgressions and had violated NCAA rules by not reporting them. On May 30, he finally resigned under pressure. After a 6-6 season, Ohio State replaced Tressel with somebody who's won two national championships: former Florida coach Urban Meyer.

-**7. MAVERICKS WIN:** Five years after blowing a series lead in the NBA finals to the Heat, Dallas and Dirk Nowitzki got revenge and redemption against Miami. The Mavs picked up fans around the country by beating the Heat, suddenly everybody's favorite team to hate with the nucleus of LeBron James, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh. After Dallas won in six games, Dirk finally got his title - while LeBron still seeks his.

-**8. WHELDON DIES:** Two-time Indianapolis 500 winner Dan Wheldon was killed Oct. 16 during IndyCar's season finale in Las Vegas in a fiery 15-car crash. The 33-year-old Brit won Indy this year in one of just three starts during the season as he searched for sponsorship. Wheldon was chasing a \$5 million incentive in Las Vegas, and IndyCar is still answering questions about whether the race was excessively dangerous.

-**9. SYRACUSE:** Less than two weeks after the Sandusky charges, ESPN reported that two former Syracuse ball boys accused longtime men's basketball assistant coach Bernie Fine of molesting them. Then, on Nov. 27, Fine was fired after the network aired a tape in which a woman identified as Fine's wife tells one of the men, Bobby Davis, she knew "everything" that was going on. Fine has not been charged, and a federal investigation is ongoing.

-**10. WOMEN'S WORLD CUP:** Their country devastated by a tsunami and earthquake, Japan's soccer players vowed they would inspire their homeland. They did it with an improbable victory in the final, rallying from a goal down late in regulation and again in overtime against the favored Americans to force penalty kicks, which they won 3-1. The Japanese also upset host Germany in the quarterfinals.

## TOP 25 ROUNDUP



BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny and seasonable. High 36.

Tonight: Partly cloudy overnight. Low 20.

Tomorrow: Snow showers possible. High 35.

ALMANAC - BURLEY

Temperature

Yesterday's High 37°  
Yesterday's Low 24°  
Normal High / Low 37° / 19°  
Record High 57° in 1979  
Record Low -5° in 1984

Precipitation

Yesterday's 0.00"  
Month to Date 0.04"  
Avg. Month to Date 0.64"  
Water Year to Date 1.97"  
Avg. Water Year to Date 2.31"

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Conditions will be mostly sunny today, but snow showers return tonight and continue into Wednesday.

Today Highs 30's

Tonight's Lows 20's

BOISE

Conditions will be mostly sunny and mild during the day today, with a high in the upper 30's. Snow showers return overnight.

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

NORTHERN UTAH

Conditions will be mostly cloudy today and tonight with snow showers returning on Wednesday. Highs will be in the lower 30's.

Yesterday's State Extremes - High: 46 at Caldwell Low: -1 at Dixie

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

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today

Tonight

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Mostly sunny and mild

Partly cloudy overnight

Snow showers possible

Cooler, but with more sunshine

Scattered cloud cover

A mix of sun and clouds

High 43°

Low 27°

40° / 13°

34° / 11°

36° / 21°

40° / 20°

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature

Yesterday's High 39°  
Yesterday's Low 27°  
Normal High / Low 35° / 17°  
Record High 54° in 1991  
Record Low -3° in 1984

Precipitation

Yesterday's 0.00"  
Month to Date 0.01"  
Avg. Month to Date 0.73"  
Water Year to Date 1.82"  
Avg. Water Year to Date 2.65"

Humidity

Yesterday's High 80%  
Yesterday's Low 50%  
Today's Forecast Avg. 67%

Barometric Pressure

5 pm Yesterday 30.24 in.

Sunrise and Sunset

Today Sunrise: 8:04 AM Sunset: 5:07 PM  
Wednesday Sunrise: 8:04 AM Sunset: 5:08 PM  
Thursday Sunrise: 8:05 AM Sunset: 5:08 PM  
Friday Sunrise: 8:05 AM Sunset: 5:09 PM  
Saturday Sunrise: 8:05 AM Sunset: 5:09 PM

Moon Phases

New Dec. 24

First Jan. 1

Full Jan. 9

Last Jan. 16

Today

Wednesday

Thursday

Moonrise: 3:27 AM

Moonrise: 4:41 AM

Moonrise: 5:53 AM

Moonsset: 1:48 PM

Moonsset: 2:31 PM

Moonsset: 3:22 PM

Today's U. V. Index

Low Moderate High

2 1 3 5 7 10

The higher the index the more sun protection needed

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REGIONAL FORECAST

Today

Tomorrow

Thursday

City

Hi Lo W

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Boise

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40 15 pc

34 15 pc

Bonnors Ferry

33 20 ls

32 13 pc

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Elko, NV

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36 5 mc

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Eugene, OR

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Gooding

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Hagerman

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Hailey

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Idaho Falls

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Kalispell, MT

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Malta

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McCall

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Missoula, MT

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Pocatello

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Portland, OR

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Rupert

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Rexburg

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Richland, WA

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Salmon

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Salt Lake City, UT

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Spokane, WA

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Stanley

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Sun Valley

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Yellowstone, MT

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City

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Atlantic City

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Billings

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Birmingham

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Charleston, SC

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Charleston, WV

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Chicago

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42 31 mc

Cleveland

39 39 r

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Denver

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44 18 pc

44 18 pc

Des Moines

33 28 ls

37 25 pc

37 25 pc

Detroit

37 36 mc

46 35 r

46 35 r

El Paso

47 30 pc

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Fairbanks

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19 -9 ls

Fargo

33 17 pc

31 15 ls

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP

Valid to 6 p.m. today

Yesterday's National Extremes: High: 79 at Brownsville, Texas Low: -5 at LaBarge, Wyo.

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Bigge Middlekauff's QUOTE OF THE DAY

"In the absence of clearly-defined goals, we become strangely loyal to performing daily trivia until ultimately we become enslaved by it."

Robert Heinlein

## Potter

Continued from Sports 1

does his job consistently and reliably, providing time for Kellen Moore to throw or paving a running lane for Doug Martin. It is almost taken for granted that Potter will accomplish his assignments.

"I think it's one of those things with the O-line-men, if you don't hear their name, that's a good thing. Nate always played very, very solid," Boise State coach Chris Petersen said.

Technique and learning the nuances of the line of scrimmage are vital to playing the offensive line well. According to Petersen, Potter is constantly working to improve his ability.

"He's one of the guys that watches as much tape as anybody, he's always taking care of business, works in the weight room

hard, works at practice," Petersen said. "He's all business and when you do that for as long as he's done it, you're going to slowly and gradually hone your craft and get a little bit better."

"That's been my mind-set," Potter said. "It's hard to make huge strides over a short period of time but it's the little things, it's the details, it's the practice-at-a-time, and then at the end you can go back and look at all the progress you've made."

With the possibility of an NFL career looming, Potter says he's refused to think about it until the end of the season, and instead continues to sharpen the proverbial axe.

"I'm just worried about the next game, our next opponent, and me improving every week," Potter said.

The Broncos' offensive line allowed only eight sacks during the regular

season, and Moore appreciates every nanosecond of protection the hogmollies provide up front – especially Potter.

"He's just been very consistent, he's gotten better throughout his career, and he's just kind of a take-care-of-business guy," Moore said. "He's a very smart football player and I think that's key for an offensive lineman."

Perhaps after Thursday's game, Potter will take a few minutes to reflect on a great career and well-deserved recognition – then it's back to work, preparing for his future.

"I got to get my life in order, got a lot of things to do," Potter said.

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Line: FIU by 4.  
Series Record: First meeting.  
WHAT'S AT STAKE  
Florida International is attempting to build a name in college football. The Golden Panthers began their program in 2002 and are in their seventh season in the Football Bowl Subdivision. This is a matchup between the last two winners of the Little Caesars Bowl. Marshall beat Ohio there two years ago, and FIU beat Toledo in 2010.  
KEY MATCHUP  
FIU multi-purpose threat Ty Hilton vs. Marshall's secondary and special teams. Hilton had a 201-yard receiving game against Louisville and finished the regular season with

BEEF 'O BRADY'S BOWL

Marshall (6-6) vs. FIU (8-4)

64 receptions for 950 yards and seven touchdowns. He also was a first-team all-Sun Belt Conference selection as a kick returner and all-purpose player.  
PLAYERS TO WATCH  
Florida International: QB Wesley Carroll has completed 181 of 303 passes for 2,224 yards and 14 TDs, while RB Kedrick Rhodes has run

for 1,121 yards and eight TDs.  
Marshall: QB Rakeem Cato has completed 155 of 265 passes for 1,833 yards and 13 TDs. Leading receiver Aaron Dobson has 42 receptions. 587 yards and 10 TDs. DE Vinny Curry is second in the nation with 21½ tackles for a loss, including 11 sacks. His 43 career tackles for a loss are tops among active players.  
FACTS & FIGURES  
FIU is 1-0 in bowl games. Marshall is 6-2 all-time. ... The game is being played at 33,000-seat Tropicana Field, home of baseball's Tampa Bay Rays. ... A different team from Conference USA's East Division has represented the league in St. Petersburg for the four bowl games played at the domed stadium.

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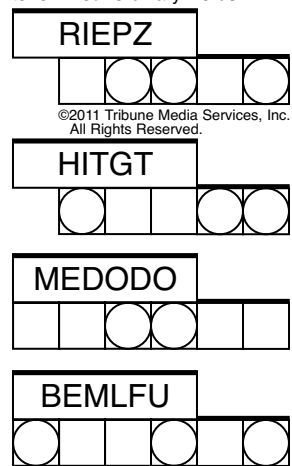






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Today is Tuesday, Dec. 20, the 354<sup>th</sup> day of 2011. There are 11 days left in the year. The Jewish Festival of Lights, Hanukkah, begins at sunset.

**Today's Highlight:**  
On Dec. 20, 1860, South Carolina became the first state to secede from the Union as all 169 delegates to a special convention in Charleston voted in favor of separation.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

**On this date:**  
In 1790, the first successful cotton mill in the United States began operating at Pawtucket, R.I.

In 1803, the Louisiana Purchase was completed as ownership of the territory was formally transferred from France to the United States.

In 1864, Confederate forces evacuated Savannah, Ga., as Union Gen. William T. Sherman continued his "March to the Sea."

In 1945, the Office of Price Administration announced the end of tire rationing, effective Jan. 1, 1946.

In 1961, playwright-director Moss Hart, 57, died in Palm Springs, Calif.

In 1963, the Berlin Wall was opened for the first time to West Berliners, who were allowed one-day visits to relatives in the Eastern sector for the holidays.

In 1978, former White House chief of staff H.R. Haldeman was released from prison after serving 18 months for his role in the Watergate cover-up.

In 1987, more than 4,300 people were killed when the Dona Paz, a Philippine passenger ship, collided with the tanker Vector off Mindoro island.

In 1989, the United States launched Operation Just Cause, sending troops into Panama to topple the government of Gen. Manuel Noriega.

In 1999, the Vermont Supreme Court ruled that homosexual couples were entitled to the same benefits and protections as wedded couples of the opposite sex.



**DEAR ABBY:** I have been married for 13 years to a good guy who is a great dad. We have two boys, ages 9 and 11. The problem is, we don't communicate. We hardly have sex and we don't get along at all.

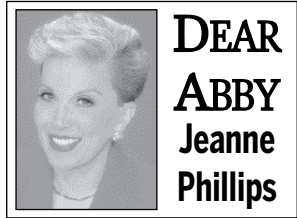
I feel like I have sacrificed physical and emotional intimacy so my kids can have both parents in their lives full-time. When I think of writing down my husband's attributes, all I can think of is that he's a good dad, good worker and helps out around the house. But I have no problem coming up with a list of bad things.

Am I selfish? Should I just smother my emotions and go on like I have been all these years?

— UNFULFILLED  
IN GEORGIA

**DEAR UNFULFILLED:** It's not selfish to want emotional and physical intimacy with another person. It's normal, and your husband may miss it, too.

There's an alternative to ending your marriage, and that is fighting to save it. It would require effort from both of you and the services of a licensed marriage counselor. However, if it works, I know you'll thank me. And if it doesn't, at least you will know you tried. Why not suggest to your husband that you make it your first New Year's resolution?



**DEAR ABBY:** Right now I'm so tired I can hardly write this letter asking for the advice I need. I work the 11 p.m.-7 a.m. shift at a prison. Because I'm home during the day, everyone assumes I am available to socialize. How do I get through to them that I sleep during the day and work at night? A lot of people — including my husband — will say to me, "What? You're not up YET?" when I have been asleep for only three hours.

I have thought about calling these people from work at 2 a.m. asking, "Aren't you up YET?" Then they might get the picture. What do you think?

— WORKING A  
40-HOUR WEEK  
AT AGE 73

**DEAR WORKING:** The insensitivity of the folks in your circle is surprising. And as for your husband, did you marry someone who is sadistic or selfish? Tell him that if he wants to enjoy the benefits of your paycheck, he will have to make sure you get enough sleep to earn one.

When people call or come by and disturb your rest, tell them plainly you do not want to be disturbed before a certain time. Then turn off your phone, let callers leave messages on your voicemail and return them when you're fully awake. As to those who still drop by — by all means call them at 2 a.m.

**DEAR ABBY:** Christmas is fast approaching. Our family get-together consists of a crazy celebration where we draw numbers and choose a gift in numerical order. If we want, we can choose a gift that someone already has.

I'd like your opinion on regifting. Each year some family members just bring the gift they received last year, rewrapped. I think if someone doesn't care enough to shop for a \$20 gift for a family exchange, it takes away from the idea of gift-giving. What do you think?

— JIM IN  
AMARILLO, TEXAS

**DEAR JIM:** I think you should find your sense of humor where you misplaced it, and stop looking a gift horse in the mouth. The kind of party you describe is done for laughs, and none of the gifts is selected with one specific person in mind if it can be claimed by another.

**TO MY JEWISH READERS:** Tonight at sundown the eight days of Hanukkah begin. Happy Hanukkah, everyone! May all of you enjoy a joyous festival of lights.

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Stewart has put together an excellent intermediate-level book on card reading, with themes and ideas that will prove interesting to all players.

However, the real reason why I can recommend this self-published book is that Frank has a history over the last decade of self-publishing, then donating the proceeds to his local charities in Fayette, Ala. This will be his fourth such project.

Consider today's deal. Against four hearts West leads the diamond nine, and East plays the jack. You take the ace and lead a club, West playing low. Should you put in the king or the jack?

West's top-of-nothing opening lead appears to mark East with the missing diamond honors, and you must hope he also has the heart king. But East never bid. If you play the club jack, you will probably go down, even if it forces out the ace, losing a trump to West's king and two diamonds. The potential is that East cannot hold all the diamond honors and the club ace, as well as the heart king. Make a "second-degree assumption" and play the club king to give yourself the best chance.

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**NORTH** 12-20-A  
♠ J 7 6 5 2  
♥ J 7 5  
♦ 6 3 2  
♣ K J

**WEST**  
♠ Q 9 8 3  
♥ 4  
♦ 9 8 7  
♣ A 10 8 4 3

**EAST**  
♠ 10 4  
♥ K 8 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ Q 9 6 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ A K  
♥ A Q 10 9 6 2  
♦ A 10 5  
♣ 7 5

Vulnerable: Neither  
Dealer: East

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1 ♥ Pass 2 ♥ Pass  
4 ♥ All pass

Opening lead: Diamond nine

## BID WITH THE ACES

12-20-B

South holds:  
♠ 10 4  
♥ K 8 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ Q 9 6 2

South West North East  
1 ♦ Pass 1 ♠ Pass  
?

**ANSWER:** You should make an invitational jump to three clubs, knowing North has at least four clubs, typically in an unbalanced or semibalanced hand. After the one-diamond response, opener would typically rebid one no-trump with a balanced hand, even one with a four-card major. This is because responder would introduce a four-card major before diamonds, unless he has at least invitational values.

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## HOROSCOPE



**Jeraldine Saunders**

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Start feeling your oats. You can kick up your heels; try early morning exercise to start the day. A knack for using common sense and practical solutions can cut through the fog of political expediency.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** You have too much time on your hands. Your penchant for relaxation and indulgence could leave you at the starting gate when the boss hands out the blue ribbons, so pay attention to deadlines and details.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Put another nickel in the nickelodeon. Nothing is free, they say, so it is a good idea to ante up when called upon to donate your fair share. Keep confidential information under wraps — even if provoked.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Deal with the minutes and the hours will take care of themselves. Spending more time window shopping at the mall won't get the rug vacuumed or the bills paid. Use spare time wisely.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** He who pays the piper calls the tune. You might need to stick up for your rights in a situation, but don't get carried away. It is, after all, the holiday season and some generosity and tolerance is needed.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Wanting and needing could be connected by an invisible thread. It might be the right time to analyze your needs. With careful choices, you can avoid going overboard with frivolous or wasteful purchases.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Miss a kiss under the mistletoe. A chance meeting could kick-start a new romantic attachment, but the outcome could be unpredictable. Avoid acting on whims and stick to the tried and true for success.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Take complaints with a grain of salt. Play to win in the business world, but leave decisions about finances for another day. It won't pay to get cross about others who are working at cross-purposes.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Jingle your own bells. You might be on top of the heap where work is concerned but can't afford to take the chance on shortcuts. Be a social butterfly and flit from one group to another.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Sometimes choice is merely a delusion. You must pay your bills and make obligatory social appearances just like everyone else. Don't let suspicious or aggravating individuals get under your skin.


**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** The person who falls at your feet may only be assessing the value of your shoes. This might be a day when whatever can go wrong, does. Purchases made now might not please the recipient.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Steer a straight path. Sensitive handling of confidential data and minor upsets can earn you some kudos. Don't ignore any signals from a significant other that hint of a demand for more freedom or attention.

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5 \_\_\_ from; besides  
10 Short letter  
14 Skunk's defense  
15 Sled racer  
16 \_\_\_ though; albeit  
17 Ten-cent coin  
18 Feel about blindly  
19 Fix  
20 Outstanding  
22 Climbs  
24 Falsehood  
25 Bonet & others  
26 Steer clear of  
29 \_\_\_ for the course; usual  
30 Calls using an old phone  
34 MDs, familiarly  
35 Upper limb  
36 Give; grant  
37 Perform  
38 Tiny bit of rain  
40 Bartender's cubes  
41 Of the Celts  
43 \_\_\_ to lunch; distracted  
44 \_\_\_ in; wearing  
45 Singer/pianist \_\_\_ John  
46 Swamp  
47 Book spine info  
48 Stolen  
50 Facial twitch  
51 Foolish talk  
54 King or queen  
58 \_\_\_ jacket; buoyant vest  
59 Biblical tower  
61 Surrealist Salvador \_\_\_  
62 Actor Sharif  
63 Ring-shaped island  
64 Very eager  
65 Actor \_\_\_ Grant  
66 Outscores  
67 Clockmaker \_\_\_ Thomas

**DOWN**  
1 Drape holders  
2 Blue-pencil  
3 Partial amount  
4 Climbing plant latticework  
5 Seaweeds  
6 Kitten's sound  
7 In the past  
8 Patch up  
9 Lock of hair  
10 Formidable foe  
11 Microwave  
12 Take care of  
13 Finishes  
21 Can cover  
23 West Point student  
25 Harsh satire  
26 Proverb  
27 Outspoken  
28 Group of eight  
29 Expert  
31 Leaning  
32 From the neighborhood  
33 Stockholm resident  
35 Curved band of sparks  
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### Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★

12/20

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

### Answer to previous puzzle

3	2	9	8	6	7	4	1	5
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