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As cases of alleged sexual abuse by Cassia County educators work through the courts, school officials and outside experts debate how to prevent such incidents.

The ease with which offenders and students can communicate through texting and social media presents a complication for officials trying to guard students against offenders.

BY LAURIE WELCH AND JULIE WOOTTON

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BURLEY • A three-year string of sex abuse charges in the Cassia County School District has led to questions of what the district has and should be doing to stop the abuse.

Four cases have been filed against school district employees in the past three years. A fifth involved a student aide. One teacher was found not guilty of alleged abuse, but three of the cases have produced guilty pleas. The newest is still pending in the courts.

In the past year the district has reviewed personnel policies, tightened hiring practices and 'Passing the Trash'

Professor Charles Hobson first heard of the concept of "passing the trash" when he started researching for his book.

The term refers to deals negotiated between school officials and a perpetrator who is allowed to resign and is given a positive letter of reference for another school.

Hobson said those involved agree not to call law enforcement officials and that information about the incident won't go in the perpetrator's personnel file.

Cassia County School District Superintendent Gaylen Smyer said his district does not ever withhold information about negative past employee behavior from another hiring district. "But, I can't speak for anybody else," Smyer said. "We have to be careful what we do say but long gone are the

days of 'if you leave I'll write

student claimed he sexually touched her in a

BHS teacher Chad Burnett pleaded guilty af-

ter he was charged with having a sexual rela-

tionship with a female student. He was sen-

tenced in 2010 to at least three years in state

prison and his state teaching license was re-

In 2011, Burley Junior High School teacher

Michael Brinkerhoff pleaded guilty to having

sexual Internet conversations with a female

student and was released on 12 years of super-

vised probation. During the conversations, he

And under a plea agreement in December

2012, Josue Pablo Diaz pleaded guilty to child

sex charges stemming from incidents in 2003

when he was a student assigned to be a class-

room aide and had sexual misconduct with

several boys 5-7 years old. He's set for a Febru-

ary sentencing in Cassia County 5th District

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tion.' That just doesn't happen, at least not in this district."

Over the years, Smyer said, the district has coached some teachers and dismissed others. Many good teachers have left for their own various personal reasons.

"There's a belief out in the community and elsewhere that we can't get rid of teachers and that's not so," said Smyer. "They have their rights and we go through due process. It can take some time and some work but if they're not a good fit for the job or the Stop Educator Sex Abuse, Misconduct, and Exploitation, a nonprofit based in Las Vegas. She said one of her group's top priorities is to push for policies and legislation that prohibit that practice of passing the trash.

"What I find most appalling about this problem is that school systems customarily protect themselves and the predator with total disregard for student safety," she said.

Miller said students are put at risk when the case isn't reported to authorities. And she said some educasmaller communities such as Murtaugh and Castleford.

Idaho districts are required by law to report incidents of sexual misconduct to the Idaho State Department of Education's Professional Standards Commission, which is charged with investigating ethics complaints against educators. The commission has the power to suspend or revoke teaching licenses, as in Burnett's case. Its investigations can take time; Cassia County reported Brinkerhoff's case, but no resolution has been listed yet according to a public records request.

Out of the cases opened last year, 33 have been closed. Five involved educators accused of sexual misconduct – four with students and one with a minor who isn't a student.

Over the past few decades, 13 complaints filed with the PSC resulted in a south-central Idaho educator losing a teaching license.

In a number of those cases, educators were sentenced in court on child sexual abuse charges.

followed up on every complaint of inappropriate behavior received, said Cassia County School District Superintendent Gaylen Smyer. But he and other school officials say the matter goes beyond just what the district can address.

"We do vet our employees more thoroughly than before, there is no question about it, but we can't guarantee their behavior," Smyer said.



In December, Burley High School Vice Principal Tara Bagley was charged with two counts of felony child sexual abuse after allegedly having sexual contact and explicit electronic communications with two female students.

She pleaded not guilty to the charges and has been placed on administrative leave pending the outcome of the court case.

Hers is the fifth sexual abuse case involving the school district to reach the courts since 2010. Only one of the other four accused in that time was found not guilty of their charges — Alvin Andrew, a teacher at Oakley High School, was acquitted by a jury in 2012 after a female ld system there are mechare nisms to move them." The topic of "passing the

trash" has gained national attention by national nonprofit organizations and researchers who are working to address the topic of educator misconduct.

Terri Miller is president of

Smyer.

tors go on to offend again.

She said it's "evil" to circumvent mandatory reporting laws by allowing teachers to quietly resign.

The organization's leaders are working with legislators, including at the federal level, on bills that address the topic of passing the trash.

"We've been in the news more than we care

to be. But, when these things happen it is

news," said Smyer. "I hope people understand

that these were individual choices and we will

hold them accountable for those choices," said

National

Problem

A state school official told Smyer that the

current Cassia County case was one of 23

similar active cases across the state right now

the bulk of them in Ada County, specifi-

cally Meridian, but others occurring in

Christina Linder, ISDE's director of certification and professional standards, told the *Times-News* earlier this month that if an educator pleads guilty or is found guilty of a felony crime against a child, their license is permanently revoked.

Charles Hobson, a professor at Indiana University Northwest, said cases of educator sexual misconduct are happening all over the country. He wrote a book called "Passing the Trash: A Parent's Guide to Combat Sexual Abuse/Harassment of Their Children in School." It was published in the fall.

"This is not a problem that occurs in isolated school districts," he said. "This is going on everywhere."



Since Brinkerhoff was convicted, the Cassia County School District has ramped up its background checks and now uses ISDE's ability to examine prior personnel records from other schools, allowed in a law change in 2010.

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Magic Valley's Students of the Week



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Academic • **Buhl High School** Mauricio Ayala

Mauricio Ayala is a senior at Buhl High School and serves as the vice president of Future Hispanic Leaders of America. Mauricio displays the qualities of an exemplary student, putting forth his best effort in his classwork and being reliable.

He is an outstanding member of the student body. Mauricio's work ethic and determination make him a great student at Buhl High School and will help him be successful in his future endeavors.

Outside of school, he is involved with his church.

Mauricio also has great attendance. He has plans to attend college immediately following high school to pursue a degree in the medical field



Artist • Minico High School **Talynn Anderson**

Talynn Anderson is a senior at Minico High School who is planning to attend college in the fall. Talynn is planning to pursue a career in linguistics and art.

Pencil/charcoal drawings and pastels are her favorite mediums. Talynn is a member of the Minico newspaper staff and also enjoys writing, drawing and has an eclectic taste in music.

She especially enjoys musical selections in other languages.



Athlete • Valley High School Justin Johnson

Justin is a three-sport athlete who not only excels in sports, but in academics. He has been selected as an all-conference player in football and basketball since he was a sophomore.

Justin is hard working and a great role model both on and off the court. He's involved in school organiza-

tions and community activities. He is well respected by the student body and community.

How are the AAA students chosen? We asked guidance counselors from schools all over the Magic Valley to work with the teachers at their schools to come up with some of the best and brightest students they could find.



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Idaho Lawmakers Near Boiling Point on Gun Laws

Leadership is working to consolidate proposals from lawmakers getting an earful from 'panicked' constituents.

BY DAN POPKEY Idaho Statesman

BOISE • In one of the most 2nd Amendment-friendly



they preferred the word "concerned," rather than "panic" to describe public sentiment.

"I would use 'concerned," but if you look around enough I'm sure you can find panic," said Bedke, R-Oakley. "I'm certainly concerned."

Senate President Pro Tem Brent Hill, R-Rexburg, didn't designate Hagedorn as a Senate gatekeeper but said he's STORK REPORT

St. Luke's Jerome

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Trey David Johnson, son of Dan and Becky Johnson of Jerome, was born Jan. 9, 2013.

St. Luke's Magic Valley

Aubree Marie-Joann Haskins, daughter of Jennifer Joann Easley and Andrew Seth Haskins of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 4, 2013.

Brevan Nya Taylor, daughter of Lorie Dawn and Brenden Russell Taylor of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 13, 2013.

Wyatt Maxwell Livingston, son of Katherine Marie Burkett and Richard Michael Thomas Livingston of Hailey, was born Jan. 13, 2013.

Noemi Izabel Bravo, daughter of Storm Cheyenne Jansson and Pedro Bravo of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 13, 2013.

Claire Nicole Bell, daughter of Elexis Krystle Bell and Jason Cole Loggins II of Hagerman, was born Jan. 13, 2013.

Anali Ofelia Nava, daughter of Carmen Cecilia Ramirez and Edgar Eduardo Nava Ibarra of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 14, 2013.

Dominick Wayne Wray, son of Destiny Rae-Anne and Jonathan Wayne Wray of Buhl, was born Jan. 14, 2013.

Alejandro Diego Guzman, son of Abril Deyanira and Ruben Guzman Jr. of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 15, 2013.

Kyleigh Rae Ratliff, daughter of Rachel Renee and Richard Henry Ratliff of Hagerman, was born Jan. 15, 2013.

Chase Renold Megyese, son of Shari Lynn Dodson and Richard Steven Megyese Jr. of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 16, 2013.

Idaho Still Sending Required Mental Health Records to FBI

BY KIMBERLEE KRUESI kkruesi@magicvalley.com

TWIN FALLS • Despite challenges, state officials expect to submit most, if not all, required mental health records required for the federal background check needed before purchasing a gun by the end of the year.

Idaho recently began sending the Federal Bureau of Investigation mental health records of those adjudicated to be mentally unfit from owning guns in 2012. The Idaho State Police is in charge of channeling the state court records to the federal agency.

States were required to begin submitting the records in 2009. However, Idaho didn't enact a law that would allow the ISP's Bureau of Criminal Identification to obtain and transmit eligibility to possess a firearm to the FBI until 2010. The bureau began transmitting the records in 2012 after it had spent several years securing enough federal funding

In 2007, the system was amended to help give incentives to states to turn over the required mental health records. The amendment also included penalties for states not following through with the required submissions, but a July report from Govern-Accountability ment shows that the reward and penalty provisions are not being administered.

Since the background check system was first implemented in late 1998, the FBI has conducted more than 160 million checks, according to the agency's website. Out of that total, the agency has rejected about 987,500, with only 10,180 of those because an individual was mentally unfit.

For Idaho, the process started off slow because many of the court records obtained by the state bureau don't always contain the information the FBI requires. State officials may send over the court document but without the proper information, the FBI marks the submission as an error. For example, the FBI has only accepted 2,500 of records ISP has sent over and rejected close to 17,000 records because of data entry errors.

legislatures in America, the pressure to respond to the Sandy Hook shootings and President Obama's gun control ideas has prompted a flurry of behind-the-scenes action.

Compounding the interest is the largest freshman class in Idaho history – a group eager to address constituent concerns.

To manage the flow of legislation, House Speaker Scott Bedke has informally appointed a point person, Rep. Judy Boyle, R-Midvale, a former volunteer lobbyist for the NRA who helped pass Idaho's "conceal-carry" law in 1990.

"I don't want a bunch of redundant bills," Bedke said Thursday. "I want the common themes consolidated into individual bills. Put the ideas in the arena, let's do the research and let's have the debate."

Sen. Marv Hagedorn, R-Meridian, who authored a failed 2011 bill to allow guns on college campuses, is leading a similar effort in the Senate and working with Gov. Butch Otter's chief of staff, David Hensley.

messages urging her to act immediately. Meanwhile, she said, talk radio is ablaze with callers saying, "What's the Legislature doing? They're doing nothing!" "I think we're all getting

on Saturday in Boise.

Hagedorn said he's explor-

ing two legislative avenues:

school safety and protection

of gun rights. "Do we have

holes we need to fix, along

with what we're doing for the

Boyle said she's received

about 150 emails and un-

counted phone calls and text

schools?" he said.

the same kind of emails of panic," Boyle said Thursday. "They're scared, really

scared, about losing their guns, or their right to purchase a gun or ammunition, or any component to make their ammunition."

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Geno Apeman, of Boise, shows his support for gun rights

on his cap as he watches a Guns Across America Rally

from the third floor rotunda inside the Idaho Statehouse

Boyle said she hopes to gather the proposals into several bills in about two weeks, and urges both lawmakers and constituents to be patient.

"Mostly it's the freshmen, worried because their constituents are and they don't know what to say to them and they want to react quick," Boyle said. "The people who are worried are students of history - they have seen what Hitler did, what has happened in countries that disarm people."

But Boyle called for a "measured approach" that ourt tests and "trunot just children tizens from crazy

nd Hagedorn said

Hagedorn said he won't revive his guns-on-campus bill because it was so strongly opposed by university presidents and would be a distraction.

But Hagedorn said it's time to revisit the state's ban on guns in schools and courthouses. "One of the things we need to consider is if a person today has a right to protect themselves and carry a gun, when they go into a gun-free zone is there a liability on the state to then take over that protection?"

Boyle said she's consulting police officials and has determined arming school employees and providing advanced training for violent emergencies is a top priority.

"It's one thing to carry a gun and it's another when you have some crazy person coming at you. Police are trained on that, so that's why they've been helping us."

Idaho's 115 school districts would be able to decide whether to arm employees, but the legal incentive to do so would be high, Boyle said.

"They're going to have to take responsibility. If they're not going to accept protection for those students, they're going to have to accept the liability that they haven't done that."

and finished setting up the transmitting record process.

"We're having to map out the court system," said Dawn Peck, manager of the ISP bureau, which oversees mental health records. "We're not responsible for holding the records but we're in charge of making sure the FBI gets them."

Since then, Peck's bureau has sent about 19,500 records to the FBI's criminal background check system. Yet the agency still faces thousands of records it must send over to the agency.

Once the FBI receives the records, the agency files them into the National Instant Criminal Back Check System. Anyone who wants to purchase a gun from a federally licensed gun shop must pass the background system, which can be completed over the phone.

"We're currently working those errors," Peck said.

Further, the state bureau is quickly exhausting the electronic mental health records and must now obtain paper records from 20 years ago, Peck said. This can be a time consuming process that can slow down sending the correct records over to the FBI.

Peck expects her bureau will have completed most of the record submissions by the end of the year, depending on how easily they can find and send over the records with all the necessary information.

"We are working diligently trying to get the project finished," she said.

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BY MELISSA DAVLIN mdavlin@magicvalley.com

BOISE • When laws dealing with teacher pay get thrown out mid-year, what happens to educators' paychecks?

Good question.

Now that voters threw out the Students Come First laws, which included reductions to teacher salaries in favor of pay-for-performance bonuses, many assumed those reductions would be reinstated. But as lawmakers grapple with what to do with the \$45 million affected by the referendum, it's becoming clear that the money is still on the table.

After the repeal of Propositions 1, 2 and 3, there were two groups of money that came into play: One was money that districts would have received had the laws stood, and the second was money that was withheld under Students Come First that districts would receive now that the laws had been overturned. The second group of money includes \$14.7 million that would have gone to teacher salaries before Students Come First. When the Legislative Ser-

vices Office presented its post-Propositions budget scenarios to the Legislature, it gave three options. All of those options assumed Idaho school districts would receive \$14.7 million that had been withheld teacher salaries under Students Come First.

But it's not that simple. Currently, lawmakers are drafting bills to deal with the budget loose-ends. While no bills exist yet, the money for teacher salaries isn't guaranteed to go to districts this year.

Sen. John Goedde, R-Coeur d'Alene and chairman of the Senate Education Committee, said he wants to district budgets make whole.

But because districts weren't counting on that \$14.7 million for teacher salaries, it's not necessary to restore the money this fiscal year, he said.

Currently, the Legislature can't withhold the money, said Paul Headlee of Leg-

In addition to teachers, other

school employees with jobs not

included in the pay-for-per-

formance system - and even

Ruby said it was a "really

cool Christmas present" for

parents - made donations.

islative Services Office.

"That's where the law stands right now," Headlee said. "The authority to

withhold that was repealed." But, he said, there's also nothing stopping the Legislature from passing a new law that would allow them to withhold the money again for the current fiscal year.

Melissa McGrath, communications director for the Idaho State Department of Education, said the department is operating under the assumption that unless the Legislature acts, the money will go to teacher salaries for fiscal year 2013.

"This year will be interesting because they're deciding on two budgets at once," McGrath said.

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Shoshone Teacher Organizes Merit Pay Donation System the three teachers, who had no

was great.

BY JULIE WOOTTON jwootton@magicvalley.com

SHOSHONE • When teachers in Shoshone received merit pay checks last month, Kristine Ruby found out that three of her coworkers didn't get anything.

She decided to take action. "It was just something that I

felt pretty strongly about," she said. "It just wasn't right?" Ruby - who teaches busi-

ness, computer and career Shoshone classes at Middle/High School - organized a donation system.

Teachers shared part of their pay-for-performance money with those who didn't qualify.

Superintendent Rob Waite said Ruby asked if she could organize the fundraiser on her owntime.

"From there, she pretty much took it," he said.

Ruby said others were talking about creating some sort of donation system, but she just happened to be the person to start the process.

In order to qualify for merit pay from the state, Idaho educators had to meet both local and state benchmarks based on work last school year.

Educators received payments by Dec. 15.

The pay-for-performance system isn't in place anymore, since voters overturned the Students Come First laws in November. But during a press conference that month, Idaho

First package — including merit pay — during this year's legislative session.

Ruby said teachers in Shoshone work closely together to ensure student success and the pay-for-performance system doesn't encourage collaboration between teachers.

"We have worked really hard at Shoshone to become close knit," she said.

Most of Shoshone's 42 educators who were employed with the school district last year received merit pay, but three did not. Ruby said those three teachers are some of the hardest working and most qualified in Shoshone.

Just before Christmas, she started collecting donations.

There wasn't much of a response for the first day or two, she said, since people were wondering if they were allowed to participate.

But once coworkers started talking, Ruby said the response

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Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna told reporters he hopes to resurrect a portion of his Students Come

S.W. Idaho Company Recalling Beef, Pork and Chicken

BOISE (AP) • A southwestern Idaho company is recalling 33,500 pounds of fully cooked meat and poultry products because of possible bacterial contamination.

The United States Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Service announced Saturday that Boise-based B and D Foods is recalling a variety of meat products that could be contaminated with listeria monocytogenes, an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections.

Five different products containing beef, pork or chicken are being recalled. California, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Montana, Arizona and Ohio have received some of the products.

The agency says the problem was discovered by the company through microbiological testing. The agency says no illnesses have been reported.

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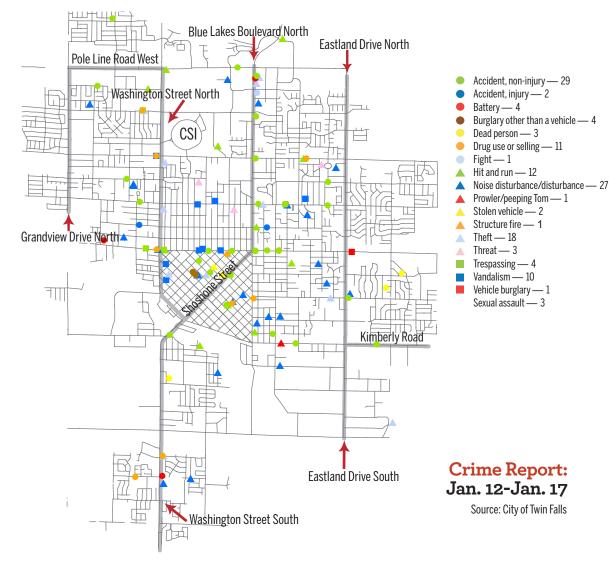




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Man Convicted in Slaying of Retired BYU Professor

AMERICAN FORK, Utah (AP) • A 25-year-old man has been convicted of aggravated murder and other charges in the 2009 slaying of a retired Brigham Young University professor during a home-invasion robbery.

A jury in 4th District Court deliberated nearly five hours before reaching the verdict late Friday night against Martin Bond in the death of 70year-old Kay Mortensen.

Bond and Benjamin Rittig, 24, were accused of slitting Mortensen's throat after breaking into his Payson-area home to steal guns.

As part of a plea deal, Bond agreed to be sentenced to life without parole if found guilty of aggravated murder. He awaits formal sentencing March 5.

Mortensen's son, Roger, and daughter-in-law, Pamela Mortensen, originally were charged with the killing and held in jail for about five months before Bond's ex-

wife stepped forward to implicate the two Vernal-area men in the crime.

Roger and Pamela Mortensen say they arrived at Kay Mortensen's home during the November 2009 robbery.

Á federal judge last year dismissed their lawsuit claiming they were wrongfully arrested after the real suspects tied them up and fled. They say a grand jury indictment hurt their finances, employment and relationships with family and friends.

"We are finally glad that the truth has come out that Roger and I were victims in crime," this Pamela Mortensen told The Salt Lake Tribune.

Defense attorneys said the verdict would be appealed. During closing arguments, they claimed Bond should be acquitted of aggravated murder because he was coerced by Rettig to kill the retired engineering professor.

Two-vehicle Crash Takes the Life of a **Gooding Man**

WENDELL • One man is dead after a two-vehicle crash that happened Friday afternoon about two miles north of Wendell.

Idaho State Police, which investigated the crash at 4:42 p.m., said Joaquin Figueiredo, 65, of Gooding was traveling north on State Highway 46 in a 2003 Dodge van when he went off the road, hitting a guard rail. Figueiredo then came back across the northbound lane and into the southbound lane, hitting head-on Joseph Melguin, 45, of Gooding, who was traveling south in a 1992 Chevy pickup truck.

Melguin was ejected from the vehicle and died at the scene, according to ISP. Figueiredo was extricated from his vehicle and transported to North Canyon Medical Center.

Wake Up and Smell the Coffee!

COMING UP

That's right, you'll almost be able to smell the delicious aroma when you read about a Twin Falls couple performing a traditional Ethiopian coffee ceremony; Paul Dunn reports. Wednesday in Food

Snow Sport

Virginia Hutchins tells you about your chance to try skijoring, a quirky winter sport that pairs skiers and horsemen. Thursday in Outdoors

CRASHES, ONIONS CAUSE ROAD BLOCKAGE FRID

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DECLO • Onions filled the roadway for about four hours along Interstate 84 near Declo on Friday afternoon, after a four-vehicle crash sent the vegetables tumbling out of a trailer. No injuries were sus-

tained in the crashes.

Idaho State Police responded to the incident about 3:25 p.m. on the Snake River Bridge west of the Declo, at Exit 216.

The incident, according to ISP, happened like this: 23year-old Declo resident Amber L. Lidell-Thomas's 1998 Toyota RAV 4 broke down in the right-hand lane, when a 2005 Peterbilt truck, driven by Edward Colburn, 47, of Hood River, Ore., hit the rear

of her vehicle. A 2001 Oldsmobile Alero, driven by Katie Quinn, 27, of Boise was passing on the left at the same time that Oleg V. Delekh, 34, of Meridian attempted to move into the left lane in a 2006 Volvo, pulling a trailer of onions, and struck Quinn's vehicle and the 2005 Peterbilt.

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Another Peterbilt, this one a 2011 driven by Keith C. Forsgren, 50, of Idaho Falls then struck the rear of the Volvo. The side of the trailer ripped open, ISP said, causing onions to spill onto the roadway.

The eastbound lanes of travel were blocked for more than four hours during the cleanup.

All drivers were wearing seat belts.



Public Comment Sought on Nev. Gold Mine Expansion

ELKO, Nev. (AP) • Federal land managers are seeking public comment concerning a proposal to expand a gold mine about 45 miles northwest of Elko.

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management has released the draft environmental impact statement for Barrick-Dee Mining Venture's Arturo Mine Project proposal to expand the Dee Gold Mine.

The proposed project would be located at the pre-

viously approved Dee Gold Mine site.

It would disturb about 2,774 acres of public land and provide an estimated 240 jobs. Plans call for about 10 years of mining and ore processing, followed by three years of site closure and reclamation.

The BLM's Elko District Office is accepting written comments through March 4. A public meeting will be

Highway 46 was blocked for more than three hours while the crash was cleaned up.

The incident is still under investigation.



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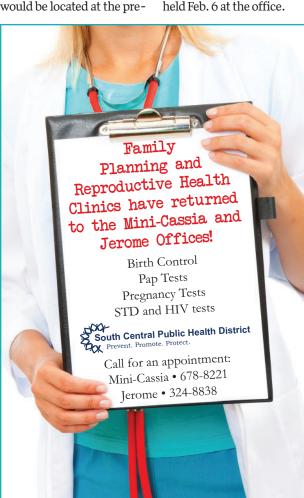
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Pictured here are Paul Sugar Factory worker houses.

CITY OF PAUL BOASTS COLORFUL HISTORY, STRONG PROMOTERS

BY LAURIE WELCH *lwelch@magicvalley.com*

PAUL • The city of Paul was established in 1908 when the Oregon Shortline Railroad put a spur through the area and two families donated land for its use.

The land was donated by Tom Clark and Jim Ellis.

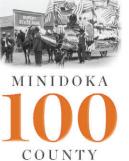
Today, the town is home to many thriving businesses, Paul Elementary School and the city is in the process of building a new park.

According to an undated article in the *DeMary Journal*, the new name for the town on the Minidoka Project could have been Clarksville, Clarkston or Clarkopolis but instead was named in honor of Charles H. Paul, the supervising engineer for the Minidoka Project.

The formation of Minidoka County in 1913 sparked a furious race between Paul and Rupert for the county seat that was determined in an election in 1914. Rupert won.

A new sugar beet factory in Paul would prove a large boon, as recounted in "The Minidoka Story," published by the *Minidoka County News*.

One of Paul's biggest promoters, Bill Larson, is credit-



ed with convincing factory owners to locate the plant east of the town.

According to accounts recorded in the paper, Larson thought Paul was the "gateway to the Minidoka Project" and he did everything in his powers to promote its growth.

When he heard the Amalgamated Sugar Co. was going to build the factory at Heyburn, he and R. Clark went to Salt Lake City and met with the developers.

Larson, the article reads, was notoriously hard of hearing, especially when the benefit would land in his favor. The two met with the company's owner and Larson kept talking "so no one else could get a

Step into Minidoka County History

On Tuesday, Jan. 22, the *Times-News* will publish a special 20-page section in our Mini-Cassia edition celebrating Minidoka County's centennial. The journey starts this week, however, including with this look at the roots of a Minidoka County town.

word in edgewise."

Frustrated, the company's owner finally slapped Larson on the back and said "we'll build the factory in Paul."

"Larson apparently heard the man perfectly that time," the article reads.

The company not only built the sugar factory in Paul, but also constructed 20 houses for company workers to live in.

After the whitefly attack in the early 1920s, the sugar factory closed its doors because sugar beets could no longer be grown in the area. It reopened in the 1930s after a more disease-resistant seed was developed. The company homes were later moved away and scattered across the area.



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Matthews noted junior and

senior high school students,

although unable to give con-

sent to sexual activity, still sometimes willingly partic-

ipate in these activities with

adults. That doesn't lessen the adult's responsibility,

"I like to think awareness

helps," said Smyer. "There

was a level of awareness on

some of these other (prior)

cases but yet here we are.

They are in the media and in

And differing values over

what is proper behavior

complicate efforts to in-

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Matthews said, noting on-

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A number of Cassia Coun-

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But experts such as Hob-

son call for additional steps

from school districts,

whom they see as having a

sizeable responsibility to

Ask hires if they've ever re-

signed rather than face

punishment for an action,

and forbid any school em-

ployee from ever being

alone with a student. He al-

so promotes using psycho-

logical testing during the

hiring process, an idea he

notes upsets teachers

"I would say that the

outcome of a child being

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Among his suggestions:

protect their students.

the press. I can't explain it."

Smyer said.

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suggested hiring policies

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"I don't know how to stop it. We've got a culture problem. We've got a promiscuity problem and a social-networking problem. Those are three issues that are really concerning."

Mike Matthews, chairman of the Cassia County School District's board of trustees

Abuse

Continued from the front page

TIMES-NEWS

Mike Poe, director of the educational leadership program at Northwest Nazarene University, said background checks do a pretty good job of finding out whether job applicants have had past criminal convictions.

But screening potential employees is only effective if the employee has a spotty past. The big question is how to screen out applicants who don't have a prior criminal background.

Poe said he doesn't know if there's a way to tell ahead of time whether an educator will be an offender.

State law only gives ISDE permission to provide school districts with information about applicants convicted of a felony offense, Linder said.

That leaves out information on when an applicant has been charged with a felony, or entered a plea but not yet been sentenced. And it skips misdemeanor crimes altogether.

It's up to school districts to decide if they want stricter background check policies.

Linder said school districts can say in their employment policy, for instance, that all applicants must submit a copy of the background check ISDE performs on them.

McGrath said in past years, only certified educators went through a background check process before they started working at a school.

That changed in 2008 with a bill sponsored by then-Rep. Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls. Now, background checks are required for student teachers, independent contractors and their employees, and other people who have unsupervised contact with students in a public school setting.

Patrick, now a state senator, said there are still cases of sexual abuse against students and there's more that could be done.

In Cassia County, Burnett had no incidents of previous bad behavior on record to use as a predictor. Brinkerlooking at background checks and references with a more critical eye - searching for both criminal charges and other matters. Cassia County's job application also asks the applicant for a waiver to allow the district access to prior employment files.

"Sometimes it's not a criminal issue but a district may be having other problems with a teacher. We would like to be able to take those things into consideration," Smyer said.

Past employment files from other districts can reveal things like habitual lateness, not completing assigned tasks or just not meeting expectations. Having information like that allows the district to ask the right questions, he said.



Though hiring is an important step, it's only one factor in a district where teachers routinely stay for 35 years or more.

Mike Matthews, chairman of the district's board of trustees, said he feels the district takes proper steps vetting employees before they're hired and has the proper policies in place. Some people simply don't follow the rules, he said, and who those people are can't always be predicted.

Red-flag behavior that can indicate improper employee conduct can be reported on the building level before it escalates to a criminal situation. Reports can also be given to school board members or directly to Smy-

The superintendent said he gets two or three anonymous letters a year address ing suspicious behavior, and he follows up on each one. In some cases, district employees have been the ones to blow the whistle on recent inappropriate behavior by staff, he said.

Matthews, who also serves on the state's parole board, said board members receiving tips will turn investigations over to district officials because they may be later asked to sit in judgment.

overlooked because of close relationships between teachers and administrators is unknown, Smyer said.

He said the district addresses such situations as soon as officials learn of them.

"And I fear that it's going on in other places and it just hasn't been brought to the surface," he said.

Both district leaders said they believe Cassia County is doing its part to prevent sexually abusive situations.

"If there are flaws in the system I don't know what they'd be," said Smyer. "I think the flaws are in the individuals."

"I'm not justifying what happened," said Matthews. "It's cut and dried what we do. There is no question, there is not even room for a hint - it goes right to the authorities. That being said, none of those people came into the district and immediately offended. They were people who came in from another district and made that totally illogical and unreasonable choice after a period of time, without any red flags."

Technology & Society

A complication is the ease with which offenders and students can communicate in the modern world through texting and social media.

n't even exist until recent years, Matthews said.

it. We've got a culture problem. We've got a promiscuity problem and a socialnetworking problem," he said. "Those are three issues

A year ago, the district re-

Some of the policies, including technology use, are

Other Known Local Cases Wendell

In 1993, a complaint was filed with the state ethics commission against former Wendell physics teacher David Dean Bowen. The commission decided to revoke his teaching license.

He was convicted the next year after admitting to having sex with two former students. In early 1995, he was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

Wendell Superintendent Greg Lowe, who wasn't superintendent at the time of the incident, said his school district's policies ensure any violation of the state's code

of ethics is dealt with immediately. "We must make sure that we help these students not get into these situations whenever possible," he wrote in an email to the Times-News. "This means always reminding our staff to be so careful of even perceptions and appearances."

Gooding

Gooding educator Julie Merrick lost her teaching license more than a decade ago after a complaint was filed with the ethics commission in 2000.

In court, she was found guilty of lewd conduct with a child under 16 and sentenced to time in prison.

Gooding Superintendent Heather Williams, who wasn't working at the school district at the time, said her district has only filed one ethics complaint in the past two vears.

Bliss

Anna Bettencourt, a former Bliss teacher, was convicted of sexual battery of a minor. In 2010, a judge suspended jail time and placed Bettencourt on a decade of probation.

Minidoka County

Minidoka County teacher Gary Logosz was accused of having sex with a female student and lost his teaching license in 1995. County prosecutors did not press charges upon request from the student's family.

Filer

Ronald Jenkins, a former high school teacher in Filer, lost his teaching license after a case was opened with the ethics commission in 1996. That same year, he received up to 17 years in prison after pleading guilty to lewd conduct with a minor.

Cassia County

James Pepcorn Sr., a former Cassia County teacher, was convicted in 2008 for multiple incidents involving two now-adult female family members between 1992 and 1995. Though he successfully appealed some of the conviction, including a rape charge, he is currently serving a life sentence for lewd conduct with a minor under 16. Sources: Court and Professional Standards Commission records and Times-News archives.

der noted reporting suspected cases of abuse is required.

"We really need to empower teachers to report," she said, noting they do have immunity if they pass along information if they see something they don't feel is right.

Poe, from NNU, said diligence is the only thing he can think of to help prevent sexual abuse cases involving educators.

"I think that ... unfortunately, you're dealing with human beings," he said.

But he said offenders "have to be dealt with in an appropriate manner" and

improved over the last 20 years - that school districts are dealing with issues quickly. But he suggested training for students about appropriate conduct and how to deal with issues needs to be stepped up.

"Oftentimes, students don't think about it," he said.

Smyer noted that the district often can't talk about personnel investigations due to privacy laws, but that doesn't mean officials aren't working to address abuse.

"I hope people take confidence in the fact that when something is brought

'Sexting' and texting did-

"I don't know how to stop that are really concerning."

visited an electronic communications policy that forbids a teacher to send inappropriate information to a student. Other policies prohibiting sexual conduct with students have existed for decades. A Boise law firm helps guide the district's policymaking.

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tions.

hoff, it was later learned, had a string of misdemeanor petit thefts that could have influenced a hiring decision had the district been aware of them.

Smyer said that in recent years, the district has begun

But whether teachers feel comfortable reporting the behavior of another staff member or if incidents are in constant flux as wider avenues of communication come into play – creating broader paths to go astray.

For students, sexual abuse awareness programs for "unwanted touch" are in place in the elementary lev-

sexually abused is so significant that these kinds of additional efforts in the hiring process are more than warranted," he said.

The Professional Standards Commission focuses on the reporting angle. Lin-

working shouldn't be around children.

If there's an issue or suspicion about a school employee, he said, it's important that it doesn't get covered up.

He said he thinks that has

to our attention we deal with it - even though we can't tell them step-bystep what's happening or divulge details they want to know, that we're required to follow certain procedures," he said.

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TWIN FALLS COUNTY

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS

Jesse Robert Tuckett, 33, Pocatello; DUI (2nd offense), \$1,000 fine, \$400 suspended, \$197.50 costs, 365 days jail, 350 suspended, 1 day credited, 365 days drivers license suspension, 24 months supervised probation, outpatient treatment.

Jaime Guerrero, 27, Glennsferry; DUI, \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended, \$197.50 costs, 180 days jail, 178 suspended, 1 day credited, 180 days drivers license suspension, 12 months supervised probation.

Jason Robert Neely, 39, Twin Falls; DUI, amended to DUI (2nd offense), \$1,000 fine, \$750 suspended, \$197.50 costs, \$75 public defender, 180 days jail, 165 suspended, 2 days credited, 365 days drivers license suspended, 24 months supervised probation.

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Cortes, 50, Jerome; DUI, \$1,000 fine, \$600 suspended, \$197.50 costs, 180 days jail, 177 suspended, 1 day credited, 16 hours work detail, 180 days drivers license suspension with restrictions, 12 months supervised probation. Tara A. Weighall, 24

Buhl; DUI, \$1,000 fine, \$750 suspended, \$197.50 costs, \$75 public defender, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 16 hours work detail, 180 days drivers license suspension with restricted license, 12 months supervised probation.

FELONY SENTENCINGS Oscar Zair Vera-Castre-

jon, 27, Twin Falls; obtaining or acquiring a controlled substance through deception or fraud or forgery, amended to destruction alteration or concealment of evidence, judgment withheld 3 years, sentence suspended, \$500 fine, \$500 public defender, \$339.93 restitution, 3 years supervised probation, 100 hours community service

Sonnie Flores, 24, Buhl; flee or attempt to elude a police officer in a motor vehicle, \$1,000 fine, \$750 suspended, \$270 court compliance, 5 years penitentiary, 3 determinate, 2 indeterminate, 21 days jail credited, 1 year drivers license suspension, 4 years supervised probation. Adrian Juarez Jr., 24, Heyburn; possession of a controlled substance with intent to manufacture or deliver \$1,750 fine, \$1,250 suspended, \$500 public defender, \$310 court compliance, \$1,266.93 restitution, 5 years penitentiary,

3 determinate, 2 indeterminate, 13 days jail credited, 3 years supervised probation, 100 hours community service. Jonathon Dean Row-

land, 26, Twin Falls; delivery of a controlled substance, \$1,750 fine, \$1,200 suspended, \$1,210.88 restitution, 7 years penitentiary, 3 determinate, 4 indeterminate, 180 days jail credited, sentence suspended, 3 years supervised probation, 100 hours community service; 2 other charges delivery of a controlled substance dismissed.

Michael Anthony Loya Jr., 24, Twin Falls; DUI (third or subsequent offense), \$1,250 fine, 7 years penitentiary, 2.6 years determinate, 4.6 years indeterminate, 164 days jail credited, retained jurisdiction, 365 days drivers license suspended.

CIVIL DIVORCE SENTENCINGS

Matthew Brown v. Dixie May Brown Martin Buckley v. Ana Clara Buckley Johnathan Sanders v. Jalor Sanders Berdine William Lavoy v. Kayla Turpin Donald Jack Higgins v. Estella Irene Higgins Shawn Schenkel v. Daralynn Schenkel Robin Weeks v. Jerry D. Weeks Jr.

Pro-gun Rally in Boise



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Chance Novak, 18, left, and his father, Chet Novak, both of Boise, stand outside the Idaho Statehouse after a pro-gun rally on Saturday in Boise. Rallies are being held by gun rights advocates four days after President Barack Obama unveiled a sweeping plan to curb gun violence.

T.F. County **Sees High** Number of Indigent **Medical Cases**

BY MELISSA DAVLIN mdavlin@magicvalley.com

BOISE • You're in a devastating car accident, have no insurance and don't qualify for Medicaid. Where do you turn?

Increasingly, more and more Idahoans are turning to the Catastrophic Health Care Fund. Idaho counties and state governments provide a safety net for those with medical emergencies and no medical emergencies. Twin Falls has one of the highest numbers of cases in the Catastrophic Health Care fund, or CAT fund.

According to Roger Christensen, chairman of the Catastrophic Health Care program, Twin Falls County had 125 cases approved for the CAT fund, which is paid from state dollars. That number is the third highest in the state, second only to Kootenai and Ada counties.

In addition, Twin Falls County processed 929 medically indigent cases in its fiscal year 2012 and approved 372 of those, said Twin Falls County Commissioner Terry Kramer. Many of the applications were for chronic illnesses.

Why the high numbers? During a Monday presentation to the Legislature's Joint **Finance-Appropriations**

Committee, Christensen said he didn't know, but speculated that it might be because of a high population of migrant workers and others who wouldn't qualify for Medicaid.

Kramer said he didn't know other counties' circumstances, but said Twin Falls County may receive indigent cases from outlying counties because of its medical center and the Mustard Tree Clinic.

Statewide, the CAT fund saw huge increases in 2012, processing almost 2,000 more cases than it did in 2011 for a total of 6,491 for the year. Much of that can be attributed to a huge rise in mental health care, Christensen said.

Of the 929 in Twin Falls County, 140 of those were mental health, Kramer said.

Budget Committee **Drops Public** Hearings

BY MELISSA DAVLIN mdavlin@magicvalley.com

BOISE • The Legislature's budget committee will skip a series of popular public hearings this year at the request of legislative leaders.

At the end of Friday's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee meeting, co-chairman Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, announced the committee would not hold the two public hearings scheduled for February.

The reason: Leadership requested that JFAC not get out in front of the policy committees with discussions, Cameron said. He added he hopes to hold the public hearings again in future sessions.

House Speaker Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, said because so much of this year's discussion will focus on education policy and the money surrounding it, he wants that public discussion to take place in the Senate and House education committees.

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"I would like to have the listening sessions come through the policy committees rather than the budget committees," Bedke said.

He added that the request is unique to this year's situation, and he would be open to public budget hearings in the future.

JFAC started holding public hearings two years ago, marking the first time in the Legislature's history the budget committees heard from the public. The 2012 hearing drew dozens of people to testify, mostly on the effects of Medicaid cuts. Initially this year, JFAC had scheduled two public hearings.



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OBITUARIES

Ila L. Wilson

July 22, 1918-Jan. 15, 2013

WEISER • Ila L. Wilson passed away peacefully Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2013, at a Weiser care center.

lla was born Ila Lincoln in Filer, Idaho, on July 22, 1918, to her parents, Richard and Rose Lincoln. Ila attended schools and graduat ed from Filer High School. Ila met Russel G. Wilson, and

they were married in February 1938. Two children were born from this marriage, a son, Richard and a daughter, Janice.

During her years while raising her children, she also worked in retail with Idaho Department Store and JC Penney for many years. After the death of her husband in 1986, she remained in Twin Falls until 1990, at that time moving to Weiser, Idaho, to be closer to her daughter, Janice. She enjoyed traveling, especially with her family to Alaska, Florida, New Eng-

land and the Oregon Coast.

Ila is survived by her two children, Richard (Sue Ellen) of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Janice Mullins (Gary) of Weiser, Idaho; seven grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren. Ila was preceded in death by her

brothers, Albert and Wayne; and two sisters, Ar-

conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls, Idaho, by Harem-Woods Funeral

Ila was a sweet, gentle person; she lived her life simply and did not need a lot to be content. She will be missed dearly by her family and friends as they all loved and admired her. Memorials can be made to the Weiser Community Church, 240 E. Main, Weiser, ID 83672.



Feb. 17, 1918-Jan. 15, 2013

BURLEY • Elmer Wesley Ross, the oldest son of six children of John Wesley and Inez Esther (Cunningham) Ross, passed away shortly before his 95 birthday on Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2013.

Wesley was born in Cambridge, Cowley County, Kan., and later that year moved west with his parents and settled in Jerome, Idaho, where the family engaged in farming. Wesley completed his education in the late '30s with his graduation from the Appleton Community School just west of Jerome. At the advent of World War II, Wesley terminated his farming exemption and entered the U.S. Army Air Corps and received basic and specialized training in Little Rock, Ark., and Spokane, Wash., before deploying to the European Theater at Bedford, England, from 1942-1945.

Following the war, he returned to Jerome and began



was also active in Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship as well.

He is survived by his children, Allan (Mary) Ross of Turner, Ore., Darrell Ross of Burley, Carolyn (Wayne) Bell of Eagle Point, Ore., Norman (Sharon) Ross of Baytown, Texas, and Gordon (JoAnn) Ross of San Antonio, Texas. He was preceded in death by his sons, Lyle and Calvin; and a grandson, Daniel. Calvin's wife, Gayle, survives as well as 21 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by two brothers, John and Harold Ross of Jerome. Wesley, a faithful Christian, was active in the First Christian Church of Burley, and later the Mountain View Assembly of God Church of Burley, and finally the Rupert Assembly of God Church. Today, Wesley is with the Lord Jesus Christ - the promise and hope of the Christian faith. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 25, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, where friends and family may call one hour prior to the service. Military rites will be provided by the Mini-Cassia Veterans Organization. Burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery.

Richard R. Holgate (Rick)

April 19, 1953-Jan. 15, 2013

TWIN FALLS • Rick came bouncing into his parents? Ilse and Walt Holgate's, loving arms in Wetzlar, Germany. One year later his sister, Barbara, was born and the family moved stateside to Michigan. Rick, who grew up as a typical "Army Brat," moved quite often in his young life. His sister, Karen, and brother, Rob, joined the family in Michigan after which the family moved again to Georgia, where they were stationed for only one year before his father was called again overseas. His mother, Ilse, who had lived in the U.S. for only three years, drove her brood of kids to Prineville, Ore., where Rick's baby brother, Scott, was born. When his father finished that tour, the family moved to Tacoma, Wash., where they lived for several years until his father was called to Vietnam, and Rick and his family moved to Mountain Home. They lived there for a little over a year before moving to Italy. This time they were there for four years, which was long enough for Rick to become fluent in the Italian language, and while on his paper route he found and brought home his first dog that he named Heidi and she quickly became a member of the family. Rick's dad retired after that and the family moved to Mountain Home, where Rick finished his education at Mountain Home Senior High School in 1971 and worked for the state of Idaho Highway Department. He moved to Wisconsin and lived there for a short time and decided that Idaho was where he really wanted to be.

Rick finally settled in Twin Falls, where he met and married the love of his life, Judy Haman. They just celebrated their 23rd anniversary. He and Judy raised Daniel Deane. And to Daniel he was always, Dad. We decided to move to a bigger home out in the country; Tina and her youngest son,

DEATH NOTICES

Cecil Watson

TWIN FALLS • Cecil E. Watson, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Jan. 18, 2013, at Alpine Manor in Kimberly. Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.



Andrew, moved with us and Rick became another grandpa. Tina and Andrew loved him like a father figure and we all then became a family. And because of our big hearts, we opened our home to many, many and I mean many great kids. Rick loved to give them a hard time but could never remember their names but loved them all. Rick had a huge heart and made everyone smile when he was around.

His loves were his wife, his job, lottery tickets, good home cooking, golf and his chihuahua, Mary Jane.

Rick was preceded in death by his parents, Ilse and Walt Holgate, and one nephew. He is survived by his wife, Judy; his sisters, Barbara (Pinto) Bennett and Karen (Lowell) Ganger; his brothers, Rob Holgate and Scott Holgate; his son, Daniel Deane; Judy's sisters, Tina Deane and Linda Henderson; also her brother, Fred Haman; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The funeral service for Rick will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls. A viewing for family and friends will take place on Tuesday from 9 a.m. until the time of the service. Services are under the direction of Trent Stimpson and staff at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

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parents; husband;

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Chapel of Ontario, Ore.

his 16-year farming career at the Appleton Heights Ranch, a few miles west of Jerome. On Feb. 10, 1946, he married Jennie Frances Dotson at the First Christian Church in Burley, Idaho, and together, they farmed at the ranch until the summer of 1961, when they sold the operation and purchased the rental real estate business of Frank and Caroline Dotson and moved the family to Burley.

Wesley was a successful business owner his entire life, both on the farm and later as the owner of rental real estate and still later the Starlite Motel. At the time of his death, Wesley had resided in Burley almost 52 years.

Wesley served in the community as Scoutmaster of Troop 17 for several years and

Linda Winn

BUHL • Linda Kay Winn, 70, of Buhl, died Friday, Jan. 18, 2013, at the Huntsman Cancer Institute in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Patsy Oldham

JEROME • Patsy Ann Oldham, 66, of Jerome, died Friday, Jan. 18, 2013, in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Joseph Melugin

GOODING • Joseph Ray "Joe" Melugin, 45, of Gooding and formerly of Jerome, died Friday, Jan. 18, 2013, in Wendell. Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Arthur Villafana

WENDELL • Arthur Villafana, 56, of Wendell, died Friday, Jan. 18, 2013, at North Canyon Medical Center in Gooding. Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel.





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Spencer Gene Simons

Aug. 8, 1943-Jan. 18, 2013

TWIN FALLS Spencer Gene Simons passed away Friday, Jan. 18, 2013, at the age of 69. He passed at the Oak **Creek Rehabilitation** Center in Kimberly, Idaho, after a long battle with

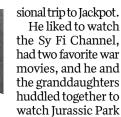
Alzheimer's.

Gene was born in Burley, Idaho, to Guy and Hazel Lucille Spencer Simons on Aug. 8, 1943. Gene was the youngest of five children; he was raised and attended schools in Burley.

He married Chris Hogge on May 18, 1968, in Burley and 10 days later, he was drafted into the Army. He did his basic training at Fort Lewis, Wash., was transferred to Fort Eustis, Va., to train as a movement specialist, and then departed to the Republic of Vietnam. After returning to the United States in April 1969, Gene and Chris resided in Tacoma, Wash., until Gene was discharged from the Army in May 1970. They returned to Burley to settle down and start a family that included three children, Eric, Dawn and Arron.

In 1981, the family moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, where Gene worked for Gem Linen Supply for a number of years, then drove a truck route for Clover Club Chips, and then was employed by Apex Container until his retirement in 2005

Gene loved his family and loved family outings. The family enjoyed many camping trips to Yellowstone, northern Idaho, California, and his favorite spots in the Stanley, Sunbeam and Yankee Fork area. If it was a Stanley vacation, he was there anyone and everyone were always welcome. He would load family and friends into his "trusty 1981 Chevy Van" and off they went to find a new adventure. He also loved an occa-



over and over. Gene had a teasing personality and a witty response to most remarks and questions. He enjoyed teasing his wife, children, their friends and the granddaughters with scary moves, masks and practical jokes. The house was always full of Eric's, Dawn's and Arron's friends and he threatened to put up a "no vacancy" sign on the house. He will be greatly missed.

Gene is survived by his wife, Chris Simons; his three children, Eric Simons, Dawn Lewis (Chris Lewis) and Arron Simons; four grandchildren, Kyla Lewis, Kasey Lewis, Kelsey Lewis and Jealsy Simons; and his sister, Camille Haskin (Gene Haskin); brother and sisterin law, Dave and Maureen Davis; and several nieces and nephews. Gene was preceded in death by his parents, Guy and Hazel Simons; and his three brothers, Lamar Simons, Keith Simons and Guy Jr. Simons.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, at Rosenau Funeral Home and Crematory, which is located at 2826 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

A special thanks to Dusty Becker and staff at Mountain View Hospital in Kimberly, Ashley Manor staff in Jerome, Visions Home Hospice in Twin Falls, along with Dr. Sara Johnson, Dr. Gies and Dr. A. Dean for their support and care. Thanks to all the family and friends that have comforted us throughout our time of sadness.

Friends are encouraged to share their memories at www.rosenaufuneralhome.com.



Feb. 5, 1945-Jan. 16, 2013

FILER • James Edwin Sparrow of Filer, Idaho, passed away suddenly Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2013.

He was born Feb. 5, 1945, in Turlock, Calif. He was raised in Twin Falls, Idaho, by Cliff and Juanita Sparrow, where he also graduated from high school. He then went and served three years in the Army in Texas. He spent the next 34 years working at Blue Lakes Trout Farm and, when those doors closed, he spent the next 10 years at Clear Springs, where he retired. He loved to go camping and four-wheeling with his family and grandchildren. He continued his time outdoors riding his motorcycle and feeling the wind in his hair. No matter what he was doing, he would stop and B.S. with you and have you laughing by the time he was gone. He will always be remembered for his infectious smile and THE Jim look. He was preceded in death by his parents, Cliff and Juanita; and brothers, Dave and George (Beanie). He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Coral Bright Sparrow; children, Sabrina (Josh) Allred, Rachael (Casey



Jerry 'Red' Montgomery May 6, 1946-Jan. 17, 2013

BUHL • Jerry "Red" Montgomery, 66, of Buhl, passed away Thursday, Jan. 17, 2013, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.

He was born May 6, 1946, to Dolly and Clifford Montgomery. He attended school in Castleford and graduated from Filer High School in 1964. Following high school, he attended college in Idaho and Nebraska, where he played football on a scholarship. In 1974, he married Tina Stevens. Together, they owned and operated Red's Beverages and Sporting Goods in Filer. They had two children, Michelle and Bryan.

Red enjoyed fishing, hunting and camping. Throughout his life, he always enjoyed the company of his dogs; most recently his companion, Charlie. For several years, he owned and operated Snake River Outfitters Flyshop in Twin Falls. His friends and customers enjoyed coming in to talk about life and fishing. In

Norma Herbold

Jan. 19, 1919-Jan. 9, 2013

RUPERT • Norma Herbold passed away peacefully at her home on Wednesday, Jan, 9, 2013, at the Salmon Creek Retirement Home in Boise, Idaho, where she had been living for the past two years. Norma was 93 years old.

She was the daughter of Peter and Julia Gnemi. Norma was born and raised on a farm in the Rosston/Jackson area near Minidoka Dam, along with her five siblings. She attended Acequia Elementary School, Rupert High School, and graduated from Albion Normal in 1938 with a degree in education. She taught school in the Springdale area near Burley, Idaho, and also at St. Nicholas School in Rupert.

Norma married Max Herbold in 1939 in Burley, Idaho. They spent 65 years together before his passing in 2005. Norma and Max were blessed with three children, Dennis, Julie and Carol.

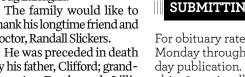
Survivors include one son and two daughters. Dennis (Millie) Herbold of Rupert, Idaho, Julie (Wayne) Matthews of Boise, Idaho, and Carol (Edwin) Prater of Twin Falls, Idaho; eight grandchildren, Suzette (Johnny) Miller, Laura (Mark) Muzatko, Angela (Aaron) Butcher, Melanie (Renato) Canto, Corey (Andrea) Matthews, Kelli Nielsen, Casey (Isabel) Nielsen and Nicholas (Schalan) Nielsen; as well as 10 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Tracey Gray and Mary (Joseph) Henscheid, both of Boise, Idaho; and one brother, Walter (Jackie) Gnemi of Salt Lake City, Utah. Norma was preceded in death by her husband, Max; her parents, Peter and Julia; one sister, Bruna Gnemi; and one brother, William (Bill) Gnemi. The family would like to express their thanks and gratitude to the wonderful managers of Salmon Creek in Boise, and the Comfort Keepers of Meridian for all their kindness and the spe-



cial care they provided for our mother and our family.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to one of Norma's favorite charities, St Nicholas School in Rupert, Idaho, or St Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute (MSTI).

A rosary and vigil will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, at the Hansen Mortuary in Rupert, Idaho. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 25, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert, Idaho.



Out of respect for Red's wishes, no public funeral service will be held. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the Buhl Quick Response Unit, 201 Broadway Ave. N., Buhl, ID

retirement, he enjoyed hunting with his son, outings with his dog and golfing with

He is survived by his mother, Dolly Larra-

(Eric); son, Bryan (Michelle); granddaughter, Adele; two special cousins, Duane and Barbara Ann; special friend, Mary Jean; stepsisters, Carmen and Judy; stepbrother, Doug Larragan.

doctor, Randall Slickers.

by his father, Clifford; grandparents, Frank and Lillie Meissner and Lon and Lula Montgomery; and stepfather, Felix Larragan.

83316. Arrangements are under the direction of Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Ruth Stone of Hazelton, memorial service at 2:30 p.m. today, Jan. 20, at the Central Church of Christ in Rupert (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

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gan; daughter, Michelle

thank his longtime friend and

friends. Annetta Mary Ellen Payton of Butler, Ohio, and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 8 p.m. today, Jan. 20, at the Apostolic Christian Church, 1635 Old Delaware Road in Mount

> Vernon, Ohio (Snyder Funeral Home in Mount Vernon, Ohio). Diana Kay Fields (Di) of Boise, memorial service at 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, at the Relyea Funeral Chapel, 318 N. Latah in Boise.

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Ann B. Kluckhohn of Meridian and formerly of Jerome, me-

morial service at 2 p.m. today, Jan. 20, at the Cloverdale Fu-

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The family would like to thank the doctors and nurses in the St. Luke's ER and ICU for everything they did for us. There will be no viewing. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, at the American Legion Hall on Main Street in Filer. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made at the memorial to help with medical expenses.



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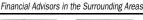


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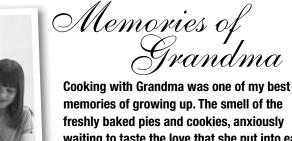




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memories of growing up. The smell of the freshly baked pies and cookies, anxiously waiting to taste the love that she put into each piece. Now that she has passed, I treasure those moments we shared the most.

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Sunday, January 20, 2013 • **A11**

Clifford Lowell Smith

May 13, 1935-Jan. 19, 2013

HEYBURN • Clifford Lowell Smith, age 77, of Heyburn, Idaho, and formerly of Oakley, Idaho, passed away Saturday, Jan. 19, 2013, after a long, courageous battle with cancer. He was surrounded by his loving family.

He was born May 13, 1935, in Compton, Ark., to Jesse Lee and Essie Ann (Armer) Smith. Cliff graduated from Jerome High School. After graduation, he met and married his eternal companion, Saragene Anderson, on Sept. 19, 1958, in Oakley, Idaho. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. He was a member of the LDS Church, where he served in many capacities.

After marriage, they moved to Oakley where he joined the family farm, Anderson Brothers. They developed and farmed many acres and played a role in the building of Ore-Ida Foods. He was an avid hunter, fisherman, horseman, cattleman, John Wayne lover, athletic and dance recital supporter. His greatest love was his family.

He is survived by his four children, Carmen (Tim) Garrard of Jerome, Todd (Renee) Smith of Heyburn, and Soni (Mike) Petterson and Michelle (Steve) Allen, both of Sammamish, Wash.; his brother, Russell E (Jackie) Smith of Heyburn; 18 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Cliff was preceded in death by his wife, Saragene; his parents; three brothers, Hershel, Lloyd and Ford Smith; one sister, Katherine Smith; two grandsons, Tyler Smith and Jayden Smith; and a daughter-inlaw, Tracy Smith.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Oakley LDS Stake Center, 355 N. Center in



Oakley, with Bishop Paul Douglass officiating. Burial will be in the Marion Cemetery. Friends and family may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.



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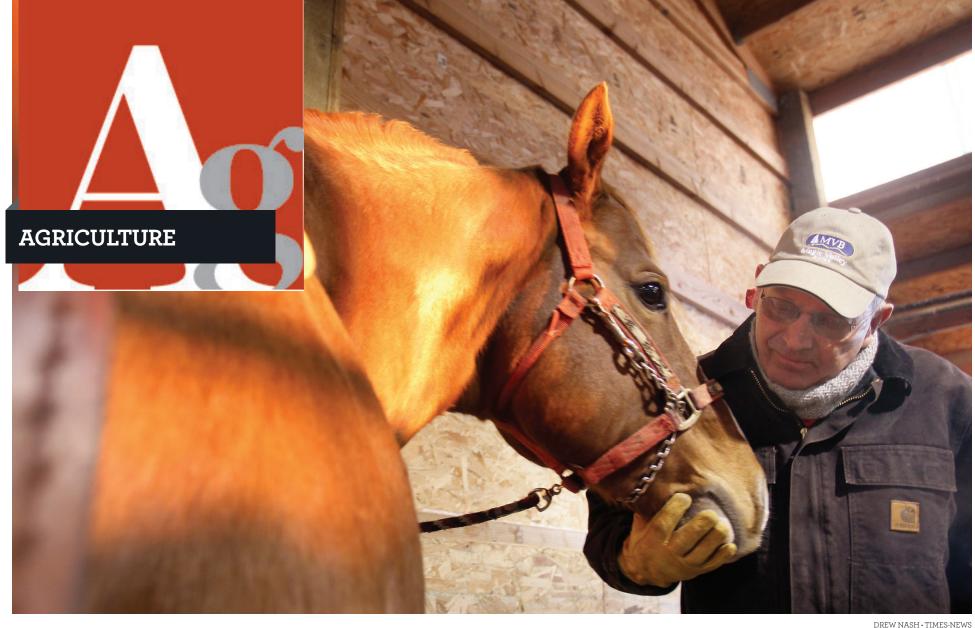
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Taylor Brown spends time with his stallion, Apollo Go Lucky, on his property Thursday near Kimberly. The Brown family has been raising and showing horses in competition for more than 50 years and have won several awards for their efforts.

HORSING AROUND

After four generations, a Kimberly family is still raising horses.

BY ANDREW WEEKS aweeks@magicvalley.com

KIMBERLY • It is something that every child would be proud of: a large, shiny belt buckle.

Five-year-old Zack Williams won the buckle at an equestrian show last fall.

Competing in equestrian competitions is a tradition that, four generations later, he is carrying into the future.

Zack was at his grandparents' ranch on Thursday, where Taylor and Patty Brown breed quarter and paint horses. They also show their animals at state and regional competitions, something they've been doing since they both were themselves Zack's age.



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vard.

It was a different time back then, Taylor said. There was more open space and horses of all kinds were valuable assets. Today, he said, you can purchase a horse at auction for as little as \$100.

Show horses, on the other hand, can still bring a pretty penny. Some, he said, sell for more than \$25,000.

"We've seen a lot of ups and downs in the horse business," Patty said, noting there are fewer breeders today because of a dour economy. It's an expensive business, let alone hobby.

"After 9/11," she said, "luxuries,

Their record speaks for itself. Medals and trophies with small horses atop them, a western-style rug depicting a horse and cowboy,

a saddle and plates with pictures of horses decorate their home. "Pretty much everything around

here is horses," Taylor said.

Outside, horses dressed in red coats galloped in the pasture or ate hay while a few remained inside a DREW NASH • TIMES-NEWS

Dozens of bridals hang in the training facility on the Brown property Thursday near Kimberly.

training arena and barn the Browns built to train the animals.

By all appearances, the ranch looks like a money-making operation. But that's not the primary goal.

The horses are more of a hobby

than anything else, Patty said. "They're something we really enjoy."

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The Browns live at "South Hills

Ranch," an 80-acre spread where Taylor's dad raised horses after the family settled here in 1926.

Taylor has fond memories of those bygone days, when they'd run their horses miles north along Falls Avenue and Blue Lakes Boulewhich horses technically are, took a back seat."

Feed seems to always be rising in cost, and fuel prices don't help. The couple once spent around \$500 on fuel alone to take their horses to a show in Utah.

"Fuel isn't cheap when you're carrying horses," Taylor said.

Please see HORSING, Ag 2

Students Learn Leadership, Ag Sciences through FFA

BY ANDREW WEEKS aweeks@magicvalley.com

HANSEN • Just a few years ago, RyAnna Carter didn't know what type of career she wanted to pursue.

After getting involved with the local FFA chapter at Hansen High School, however, Carter found her calling.

"I want to be an ag teacher," the 16-year-old student said. "It has helped me discover who I am and what I want to be. Without FFA I wouldn't have discovered what I like to do. I love leadership and helping others."

Helping teens decide on a ca-

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reer choice is just one way FFA is benefitting students at Hansen High.

Carter serves as vice president alongside president Rylee Brown, 18, in the Hansen chapter that has about 30 members. Their advisor and ag teacher is Jeff Gerard, who introduced the school to FFA in 2005.

Since then, Gerard said, the national program that encourages learning in agriculture has been a boon to the school and its students. Students learn about ag sciences, for instance, leadership skills and a little about themselves.

"When I first started I didn't talk to anybody," Brown said. "I now am getting up in front of people. It's not hard for me anymore."

The National FFA Organization, known before 1988 as Future Farmers of America, was founded in 1928 by 33 young farmers, who, while sitting in a *Please see* **FFA**, **Ag 2**

Hay Stocks Probably Adequate for Winter

BY CINDY SNYDER

For the Times-News

TWIN FALLS • Cold weather in January means livestock producers are feeding more than during last year's mild winter. If low temperatures persist, producers may find their hay stacks are a little short.

As a general rule of thumb, cattlemen should increase the winter ration by 1 percent for every 1 degree that the temperature falls below a critical temperature. If that threshold is 18 degrees for cattle with a dry, heavy winter coat but there's a 15 mph wind, the threshold drops to 3 degrees. That animal needs 15 percent more protein to maintain body condition, Mary Drewnaski told cattle producers at a winter feeding seminar last fall.

Cattle will be fine for a day or two, but cold snaps that last for several weeks can cause problems. Southern Idaho is nearing that critical point.

Compounding the problem were dry conditions last summer that had cattle coming off summer pastures lighter than normal. Cows with a body condition score of 4 instead of a more normal 5 or 6 are at a greater risk of having calving or rebreeding problems this spring.

Fortunately, Idaho hay stacks should last the winter. Idaho hay stocks as of December 1 were up about 5 percent compared to a year ago. That's Please see **HAY, Ag 2**



USDA OFFERS LOANS TO FARMERS WHO GROW FOR LOCAL CUSTOMERS

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) • With interest in locally grown food soaring, the federal government said Tuesday it has created a small loan program to help community farmers who might not be able to borrow money from banks.

Call it seed money.

The low-interest "microloans" of up to \$35,000 are designed to aid startup costs, bolster existing family-run farms and help minority growers and military veterans who want to farm. Over the last three years, there has been a 60 percent increase in local growers who sell directly to consumers or farmers markets, Agriculture Department Secretary Tom Vilsack said.

Kay Jensen, an organic farmer who grows broccoli, strawberries and tomatoes in Sun Prairie, Wis., saw two immediate benefits from the program - paperwork would go from about 30 pages to seven, and it would be easier to borrow a manageable sum. She said she might consider a loan for \$3,000 to \$10,000 to expand her irrigation systems.

"A lot times what we need is just small amounts of money, but a lot of times the only funding available is large amounts of money," she said. "This whole con-



Joe Fischer checks on his corn field in Owensboro, Ky.

cept of a microloan, where you're looking at smaller, reasonable amounts of money, this really fits an incredible niche."

The loan can cover the costs of renting land, buying seed and equipment, and other expenses. One goal is to create more op-

portunities for entrepreneurship and employment in the farming industry, Vilsack said. Another goal is to provide beginners a chance to build credit, so that they can eventually qualify for higher-value loans and expand.

"It's about making sure

that we have diversity within agriculture, that we have a good blend of large production facilities, mediumsized operations and smaller operations," Vilsack said. "It will help bolster the local and regional food system movement that is taking place."



Hay Continued from Agriculture 1

significantly different than the national average, which was down nearly 16 percent due to the widespread drought last summer. Hay production across the Pacific Northwest was down 8 percent to 10.82 million tons.

Still, the Idaho hay crop was affected by the hot, dry summer. According to the 2012 crop production estimates released by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, all hay production in Idaho totaled 4.76 million tons from 1.34 million acres, compared to 4.07 million tons from 1.35 million acres the previous year. The average dry hay yield for Idaho was 3.55 tons per acre, down from 3.76 tons in 2011.

Wilson Gray, University of Idaho extension livestock economist, thinks there should be enough hay for the state's livestock producers, but isn't looking for prices to soften until growers start cutting hay in late May.

If the cold weather lingers into - or even through - February, he would expect prices to rise \$10 to \$20 a ton before set tling back as temperatures rise.

Nationally, medium quality hay is selling for around \$220 per ton, up \$20 a ton over last year at this time and nearly \$100 a ton more than two years ago.

Unlike last winter when hay was selling for \$240 to \$260 per ton, dairymen aren't taking that much hay, said Rick Naerebout, a dairy business consultant.

Lower milk prices have them much more worried, he said. Milk prices have dropped to, and for some below, the break even rate without much hope of moving higher in the next few months.

Production in the Midwest has been much higher than anticipated with much of that milk going into cheese production, which affects Idaho dairy producers and cheese manufacturers. Naerebout said Idaho dairy producers will be watching milk production in other states closely over the next few months.

FFA

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Kansas City hotel, charted the organization's course. Their goal: bring together students, teachers and agribusiness to solidify support for agricultural education.

Since that day 85 years ago, millions of people have been affected by the group they formed.

FFA today divides each state into districts. Hansen is part of the South Magic Valley District, one of nine districts in Idaho.

Gerard, who's been involved with FFA for 29 years, said he's seen how the program has affected students, whether they want to be a future farmer or have their hearts set on something else.

"We have some kids that have no interest in agriculture but there's still just a ton of jobs out there," he said. "A lot of our students go into the agriculture field, whether they go to college or not."

The program is for stu-

The Mission To date, more than \$34

million in FFA collegiate scholarships have been awarded to students pursuing higher education. The purpose of FFA and its chapters is to:

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Patty Brown holds onto SHR Derby Day Diego, a quarter horse Thursday near Kimberly.

Horsing

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Those who do breed want the best horses they can get. The ante jumps up another notch if you're showing horses in competition.

A key to breeding showwinning horses: "You can't leave it up to only the stallion," Taylor said. "You have to breed the best of both, mare and stallion. The stallion has to have something to start with. You have to breed excellence to excellence?

Those that don't fit the bill are horses that might be sold fairly inexpensive.

"There's nothing wrong with them, their nice-looking horses, but there's nothing remarkable about them," he said.

Most horses have their own personalities and temperament. You usually can tell early on what type of temperament a horse will have, Taylor said. Most of their animals are of a mild, even-mannered temperament.

Pedigree and disposition are key, but in show judges also look for strong lines, posture and workability.

The Browns don't want their horses to be good at just one or two things, but to be well-rounded animals.

"I want them to be able to do the whole shebang," Taylor said.



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Patty Brown shows photos that 2B Photography took while competing through the Idaho State Horse Show Association.

Horses mark the family in another way: Taylor's grandfather died after being trampled by the animals.

There's no ill will toward horses, however, and the family has continued to pass on their love for the animals.

Both of the couple's children have shown horses over the years and now so does their grandson.

While in the family's arena on Thursday, Zack climbed atop Whiskers, a 15year-old quarter horse, and flicked the reins. Tucker took off in a slow gallop around the facility.

"I showed horses when I was little, and now Zack is showing horses," his mom, Lindsay Williams, said. Zack won his belt buckle at the Idaho State Horse Association in the Lead Lline Trail

Lindsay also won at show, wearing a buckle as bright

"I have another one at home," she said.

Two other horses stood

"She's a good horse," Patty said. "She likes people."

The family rides their horses at least twice a week during winter, but most every day in warm weather.

Time is another factor when breeding and training horses. They need a lot of attention, the couple said, but for the most part quarter horses and paint breeds are smart animals and like to please their owners.

"We've just had such a wonderful time with these horses," Patty said. "We continue to try new things. It's an ongoing adventure, if you will."

And young Zack, flicking the reins on Whiskers for another ride around the arena, his belt buckle still shining, is carrying on the legacy.

dents in grades 7-12. They participate in a number of hands-on teaching activities throughout the year judging livestock, for instance.

"Students are taught to evaluate the three main species of livestock - beef, sheep and hogs," Gerard said. They also learn about soil composition, forestry issues and leadership training, where students learn to fill out a job application, write a resume, and prepare for an interview. And, they have the opportunity to participate in national contests.

Most of the classes are electives, Gerard said, but the school also gives credit for plant and animal science as students work toward their graduation requirements. Some college credits also are offered, he said, such as in welding.

Something the students are proud of: for three years in a row the chapter has won first place – earning \$7,000 twice and \$5,000 once - in the Nutrients for Life competition, a national event that Carter said "seeks to inform the public about fertilizer, how it

 Promote healthy lifestyles.

• Encourage excellence in scholarship Source: ffa.org

works, and why it benefits us."

The students also are involved with a project that aims to inform the community about corn and wheat. You can find their project, a 2 1/2-minute video, on YouTube.

For some students, however, the benefits of FFA are not always so tangible.

"We're a small chapter and we work really well as a team," Brown said. "We're able to develop close friendships and spend time together. ... I'd recommend this to others because it offers something for everyone. There will be something in it that you'll enjoy."



competition.

and shiny as her son's.

near - Apollo Go Lucky and Patty's horse, SHR Derby Day Diego.

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COMMODITIES WRAPUP

Soft white wheat (Magic Valley avg.)

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March 2013 corn futures (CME)

Dec. 28 – 6.94/bu. Jan. 4 – \$6.80/bu. Jan. 10 — \$6.9875/bu. Jan. 17 — \$7.2425/bu.

May 2013 corn futures (CME)

Dec. 28 — \$6.96/bu. Jan. 4 — \$6.80/bu. Jan. 10 — \$6.9750/bu. Jan. 17 — \$7.2525/bu.

Dec. 2013 corn futures (CME)

Dec. 28 — \$5.99/bu. Jan. 4 — \$5.71/bu. Jan. 10 — \$5.84/bu. Jan. 17 — \$5.8650/bu.

Class III January 2013 2012 futures contract (CME)

Dec. 28 — \$18.10/cwt. Jan. 4 — \$18.03/cwt. Jan. 11 — \$18.06/cwt. Jan. 18 — \$18.11/cwt.

Class III February 2013 futures contract (CME)

Dec. 28 — \$18.54/cwt. Jan. 4 — \$18.40/cwt. Jan. 11 — \$17.61/cwt. Jan. 18 — \$17.28./cwt.

February 2013 live cattle futures contract (CME)

Dec. 28 — \$133.500/cwt. Jan. 4 — \$132.950/cwt. Jan. 11 – \$130.600/cwt. Jan. 18 - \$124.950/cwt.

April 2013 live cattle futures contract (CME) Jan. 4 – \$136.775/cwt.

Jan. 11 — \$134.550/cwt. Jan. 18 — \$129.825/cwt.

January 2013 feeder cattle contract (CME)

Dec. 21 - \$152.150/cwt. Dec. 28 -\$152.025/cwt. Jan. 4 — \$153.175/cwt. Jan. 11 — \$149.325/cwt. Jan. 18 — \$143.900/cwt.

March 2013 feeder cattle contract (CME)

Dec. 20 - \$154.775/cwt. Dec. 28 - \$154.725/cwt. Jan. 4 — \$156.325/cwt. Jan. 11 — \$151.500/cwt. Jan. 18 — \$146.375/cwt.

CWT Export Update

Cooperatives Working Together (CWT) has accepted 10 requests for export assistance from Darigold, Michigan Milk Producers Association and United Dairymen of Arizona to sell 1.358 million pounds (616 metric tons) of cheddar and Monterey Jack cheese, 2.519 million pounds (1,143 metric tons) of butter and 44,092 pounds of whole milk powder to customers in Asia, the Middle East, North Africa and South America.

The product will be delivered from January through July 2013.

These are the first CWT-assisted sales of the new year and will be sent to seven countries on three continents. When combined with the 2012 CWT-assisted export sales that will ship in 2013, the milk equivalent is 773.3 million pounds, or the same as the annual production of 36,800 cows.

Assisting CWT mem-

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Workers harvest apples in September in Gleed, Wash. Now that Washington has legalized marijuana, will an area recognized as one of the most productive agricultural regions in the world become known as the vice belt? Not necessarily.

Future of Pot Farming Uncertain

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP) • Irrigation canals line Washington's Yakima Valley east of the Cascade Range, transforming a desert landscape into one of the most productive agricultural regions in the world - including crops for some of Amer-

ica's biggest vices. Thousands of acres of wine grapes dot the landscape, contributing to Washington's No. 2 rank for premium wine production behind California. Farmers grow more than two-thirds of U.S. hops for big beer companies and craft brewers alike, and a large tobacco field is flourishing on a valley Indian reservation.

Now that Washington voters have legalized mariognized as one of the country's leading fruit bowls, best celebrated for Washington apples, become known as the vice belt? Not necessarily.

Too many unanswered questions remain about the new law, from how the state will regulate it to whether entrepreneurs or large corporations should lead the way. And the biggest question: the federal government's role going forward.

Marijuana remains illegal under federal law. Many states have approved it for medical use, but only Washington and Colorado have legalized it for recreational use.

The Justice Department has not said whether it will try to block the two states from implementing their new laws, passed late last year. For that reason, key land-grant universities that typically aid the agriculture industry by researching such things as pest control and crop yields - but rely on federal funding to do so are avoiding the marijuana industry altogether.

In addition, marijuana is a crop that can't be insured, and federal drug law bars banks from knowingly serving the industry.

Any combination of those factors makes farmers leery of planting marijuana in the near term, said Bob Young, chief economist for the American Farm Bureau Federation.

"At this stage of the game, it poses tremendous problems for growers," he said. "Quite frankly, I'd tell one of our members to approach this with great caution."

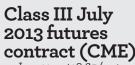
Both states are in the process of developing rules for a legal marijuana industry.

In Washington state, a Liquor Control Board that privatized liquor sales statewide last year on orders of a different voter-approved initiative now is tasked with developing rules governing pot cultivation, processing and sales.

Of the three licenses the board will authorize - grower, processor, seller – the rules for producing marijuana raise the most complex issues, according to Randy Simmons, project manager for the Liquor Control Board.



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Jan. 11 - \$18.65/cwt. Jan. 18 — \$18.61/cwt.

Spot cheddar cheese block price (CME)

Dec. 28 — \$1.7400/lb. Jan. 4 — \$1.7600/lb. Jan. 11 — \$1.7200/lb. Jan. 18 — \$1.6875/lb.

Spot cheddar cheese barrel price (CME)

Dec. 28 - \$1.7100/lb. Jan. 4 — \$1.7200/lb. Jan. 11 — \$1.6725/lb. Jan. 18 — \$1.6375/lb.

bers through the Export Assistance program positively impacts producer milk prices in the shortterm by helping to maintain inventories of cheese and butter at desirable levels. In the long-term, CWT's Export Assistance program helps member cooperatives gain and maintain market share, thus expanding the demand for U.S. dairy products and the farm milk that produces them.

CWT will pay export bonuses to the bidders only when delivery of the product is verified by the submission of the required documentation.

- Cindy Snyder

Wyo. Hay Production in 2012 Worst Since 2002

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) • Months of high temperatures and low precipitation made 2012 the worst year for Wyoming hay growers in at least a decade and, in some cases, in nearly a century.

According to a report released from the National Agricultural Statistics Service, the Cowboy State produced 1.9 million tons of hay in 2012, down from 2.4 million tons the previous year and the lowest such production since 2002.

Overall acreage for alfalfa hay was down by 145,000 to 475,000 acres total; acreage for other types of hay was down 100,000 to 400,000 total acres – the lowest since 1919.

"Hay production was

down by 20 percent from last year," said Todd Ballard, director of the Statistics Service's Wyoming Field Office. "Our acreage was the main thing. We were way down."

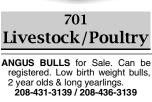
The hay shortage has caused skyrocketing prices for the crop with alfalfa going for upward of \$215 a ton in November, compared to \$145 the previous year.

Likewise, Ballard said end-of-year hay stocks are down 27 percent from last January.



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Ireland Recalls 10M Burgers over Horsemeat

DUBLIN (AP) • An Irish meat processor recalled 10 million burgers Wednesday from supermarkets across Ireland and Britain amid fears that many could contain horsemeat, a discovery that poses no danger to public health but threatens to undermine the beef business central to Ireland's rural economy.

Silvercrest Foods, Ireland's second-largest processor of beef burgers, took the action after the Food Safety Authority of Ireland revealed that DNA tests of patties on sale found tiny traces of horsemeat in more than a third. Experts said the finding was not surprising, given that meat refrigeration units and slaughterhouses would handle multiple kinds of meat.

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We know that the issues have been in the news more, but see little evidence that true "dialogue" has occurred. Rhetoric has increased and intensified; but all too frequently the necessary dialogue looks like and sounds like two concurrent monologues.

ON THE LEFT



ASSOCIATED PRESS President Barack Obama talks about proposals to reduce gun violence Jan. 16 at the White House in Washington.

President Barack Obama, Jan. 16

"While there is no law or set of laws that can prevent every senseless act of violence completely, no piece of legislation that will prevent every tragedy, every act of evil, if there is even one thing we can do to reduce this violence, if there is even one life that can be saved, then we've got an obligation to try.

"And I'm going to do my part. As soon as I'm finished speaking here, I will sit at that desk and I will sign a directive giving law enforcement, schools, mental health professionals and the public health community some of the tools they need to help reduce gun violence.

"We will make it easier to keep guns out of the hands of criminals by strengthening the background check system.

"We will help schools hire more resource officers if they want them and develop emergency preparedness plans.

"We will make sure mental health professionals know their options for reporting threats of violence – even as we acknowledge that someone

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NRA president David Keene speaks Dec. 21 during a news conference in response to the Connecticut school shooting in Washington.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry, Jan. 16

"Guns require a finger to pull the trigger. The sad young man who did that in Newtown was clearly haunted by demons and no gun law could have saved the children in Sandy Hook Elementary from his terror. There is evil prowling in the world it shows up in our movies, video games and online fascinations, and finds its way into vulnerable hearts and minds.

"As a free people, let us choose what kind of people we will be. Laws, the only redoubt of secularism, will not suffice. Let us all return to our places of worship and pray for help. Above all, let us pray for our children. In fact, the piling on by the political left, and their cohorts in the media, to use the massacre of little children to advance a pre-existing political agenda that would not have saved those children, disgusts me, personally."

NRA Executive Vice President Wayne LaPierre, Jan. 16 "The NRA sat in on a White House meeting that was sold to the public as an 'open discussion' about how to improve school safety. But that was a dirty lie. They didn't listen to gun owners' concerns ... they didn't consider any real solutions on how we can keep our kids safe. Instead Barack Obama, Joe Biden, and their gun ban allies in Congress only want to BLAME you, VILIFY you, BULLY you, and STRIP you of your Second Amendment freedoms. Right now, they're steamrolling ahead with legislation that would ban your guns, register your ammunition purchases and even force you to register the firearms you already own with Obama's anti-gun bureaucrats. I warned you this day was coming and now it's here. This is the fight of the century."

with a mental illness is far more likely to be a victim of violent crime than the perpetrator.

"And while year after year, those who oppose even modest gun safety measures have threatened to defund scientific or medical research into the causes of gun violence, I will direct the Centers for Disease Control to go ahead and study the best ways to reduce it — and Congress should fund research into the effects that violent video games have on young minds. We don't benefit from ignorance. We don't benefit from not knowing the science of this epidemic of violence."

Vice President Joe Biden, Jan. 16

"It's been 33 days since the nation's heart was broken by the horrific, senseless violence that took place at Sandy Hook Elementary School – 20 – 20 beautiful first-graders gunned down in a place that's supposed to be their second sanctuary. Six members of the staff killed trying to save those children. It's literally been hard for the nation to comprehend, hard for the nation to fathom.

"And I know for the families who are here that time is not measured in days, but it's measured in minutes, in seconds, since you received that news. Another minute without your daughter. Another minute without your son. Another minute without your wife. Another minute without your mom."

Colorado Governor John Hickenlooper, Jan. 10

"Surely, Second Amendment advocates and gun-control supporters can find common ground in support of this proposition: Let's examine our laws and make the changes needed to keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people. It's not enough to prevent dangerous people from getting weapons. We have to do a better job of identifying and helping people who are a threat to themselves and others."

Please see **LEFT, O2**

e know that since the mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School on Dec. 14 there have been more than 925 additional gun deaths in our country. We don't know how many of these would have been avoided if the executive orders signed by the president or the proposals he forwarded to Congress this week had already been in place.

We know that yesterday was "Gun Appreciation Day," a hastily put-together coalition of groups that encouraged gun owners via their website and mass email campaign to "go to your local gun store, gun range or gun show with your Constitution, American flag and your 'Hands off my Guns' sign to send a loud and clear message to Congress and President Obama."

We know that the top story on their website, "Guns and Freedom" (printed in its entirety along the right-hand column) is said to be written by "Judge" Andrew P. Napolitano, who in reality is a former judge and current Fox News commentator. We know that the third story found on http://gunappreciationday.com is "Guns are Safe and Sexy."

We don't know the complete motivation behind "Gun Appreciation Day," nor of what organizers would call "success" following its conclusion.

We know that lawful, responsible gun owners feel threatened. We wonder what Gun Appreciation Day looks like to parents in Newtown.

We know that last Tuesday the New York Legislature passed and Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed into law a fairly comprehensive gun bill that further restricted sale of assault weapons, reduced maximum ammunition magazine capacity to seven bullets and implemented additional measures to keep guns out of the hands of those who are mentally disturbed.

We know that no such legislation will be introduced this spring in Boise.

We know that (according to their website) the board of directors of the National Rifle Association has 75 members and that the NRA itself has upward of 4 million members. We know how NRA Executive Vice President Wayne LaPierre feels about ANY gun restrictions.

Please see **GUNS, O2**

We know that the word "gun" is not specifically contained in the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution. Nor, for that matter, is the word "gun" found in the Bible. And yet both documents are frequently used as proof texts to support positions long held.

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John Pfeifer, Publisher The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are John Pfeifer, Autumn Agar, Robert Monteith and Jess Johnson.

Former New Jersey Superior Court Judge; current Fox News analyst Andrew P. Napolitano, Jan. 17

"The right of the people to keep and bear arms is an extension of the natural right to self-defense and a hallmark of personal sovereignty. It is specifically insulated from governmental interference by the Constitution and has historically been the linchpin of resistance to tyranny. And yet, the progressives in both political parties stand ready to use the coercive power of the government to interfere with the exercise of that right by law-abiding persons because of the gross abuse of that right by some crazies in our midst. "When Thomas Jefferson wrote in the Declaration of Independence that we are endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable rights, he was marrying the nation at its birth to the ancient principles of the natural law that have animated the Judeo-Christian tradition in the West. Those principles have operated as a break on all governments that recognize them by enunciating the concept of natural rights. "As we have been created in the image and likeness of God the Father, we are perfectly free just as He is. Thus, the Please see **RIGHT**, O2

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Case Highlights Inadequacy of Criminal System

The recent decision by the Idaho Supreme Court in State v. Straub delineates the difference between civil and criminal remedies. It also highlights the inadequacy of our criminal system to fully achieve justice in horrendous cases where one person's reckless and criminal conduct robs another of his life and his family of their loved one.

Daniel Straub was convicted of vehicular manslaughter in the death of David Webster. Webster was a 57-year-old avid cyclist. On June 25, 2009, as Webster rode his bicycle on Falls Avenue, Straub was driving recklessly and intoxicated (his blood tested at .08 percent). Straub stuck Webster, killing him instantly. Webster left a wife, two daughters and a son.

Straub plead guilty to vehicular manslaughter. During sentencing, Webster's family tearfully testified about what David's loss meant - both in human and financial terms. After their testimony, the deputy prosecutor asked Judge Stoker to award the Websters compensation through criminal restitution for their loss and for David's future earnings. The judge agreed, awarding \$500,000 in future lost earnings.

Though Judge Stoker's award was later successfully appealed by the defendant, it was a just resolution to a horrible case. When I spoke to the Times-News on Jan. 10, 2013, I erroneously stated that the deputy prosecutor in the case did not ask the court for lost wages. I have since listened to the tape of the sentencing hearing, which reveals that the deputy prosecutor did, indeed, urge Judge Stoker to award those damages.

This is a tragic case in which both the judge and the prosecutor sought to make the victim's family whole after a terrible tragedy. They were right to seek a just resolution, irrespective of the Supreme Court's decision that criminal restitution only goes so far and may not "substitute for civil action."

GRANT LOEBS Twin Falls

(Editor's note: Grant Loebs is the prosecuting attorney for Twin Falls County.)

UN Small Arms Treaty Will Lead to Total Gun Control

lished in the March 2013 Journal of Experimental Social Psychology found that the more someone plays violent video games, the more aggressive he is likely to become in real life.

The mass murderer, Adam Lanze, had an existence that "largely involved playing graphically violent video computer games in his bedroom like the Call of Duty in a Windowless Bunker" as reported by The Telegraph in England. The USA media has largely ignored this information and his mental diagnosis, medication and that he didn't have a father in the home.

The liberal Supreme Court ruled in June 2011 that the video game industry has a First Amendment right to sell violent video games to minors that overrules parent's rights over their own children.

State legislators should pass laws that direct the supreme courts to correct its mistake, and Congress should remove this issue from federal court jurisdiction. Also, increased mental health evaluations need to be considered.

The United Nation's Small Arms Treaty will lead to total gun control and must not be ratified. We must get out of the tyrannical, world government United Nations. Thomas Paine said, "It is the duty of the patriot to protect his country from his government."

The Second Amendment says, "..., the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." ADRIAN L. ARP, PH.D. Filer

Idaho Power Discouraging New Forms of Alternative Energy

Once again, Idaho Power is attempting to renege on its stated commitment to encourage the development of small-scale alternative energy sources. (See Times-News reader comment dated Jan. 15, 2013)

There is a small stream that goes through my farm down a hill to my neighbor's farm. In 2003, my neighbor and I decided to look into the feasibility of developing a small hydroelectric generating site to take advantage of this renewable energy source. After a considerable amount of research and based on the net-metering policy in place that Idaho Power helped write, we decided to develop the site. We spent a (to us) considerable amount of capital and three years of labor on the project. We did not apply for nor receive any federal or state grants or assistance. We went online in June 2006. This project is an environmentally friendly source of clean, reliable power. It is non-consumptive and nonpolluting. We return every drop of water we use back to its natural streambed, changed only in that we remove the trash from it. And a few duck feathers from the many ducks that like to visit our pond. This is a very small operation producing a maximum of 25KW. Compared to

the total production and consumption of electricity in the state of Idaho, it might be compared to one light bulb in a city of light. And yet Idaho Power wants to turn off that light bulb and discourage any new light bulbs from being turned on.

Idaho Power's proposal to the PUC to stop providing payment for excess energy produced by net - metering customers — customers who built their facilities in the good faith that Idaho Power would honor its agreement — is short sighted, indeed. We producers have invested in the future of Idaho. Is Idaho Power investing only in the bottom line at the end of the year?

JACK GOODMAN Buhl

Personal Property Tax Repeal Hurts Small Taxing Districts

Recently, I learned that Gov. Otter's proposal to eliminate the tax on business equipment (the personal property tax) would reduce our Burley Public Library's property tax revenue by 9.52 percent. The bulk of our library's revenue comes from property taxes.

I then went to the Idaho State Tax Commission's report and found that this proposed cut would damage much more than our library. The property tax revenue to these local units would be cut by the following percentages: Cassia County, 14.61 percent; Minidoka County, 18.39 percent; city of Burley, 9.52 percent; city of Rupert, 23.03 percent; Cassia County School District, 16.23 percent; Minidoka County School District, 18.39 percent; College of Southern Idaho, 10.79 percent. Other Mini-Cassia cities and property tax-supported entities such as highway and cemetery districts would also receive cuts. (To see the full reportgoto

http://tax.idaho.gov/nfeed.cfm?idd358 and click on the link near the bottom of the page that says 2012 Personal Property Tax Analysis.)

Such cuts would either decimate essential services in our area or would force local taxpayers to make up the shortfall through the proposed local option tax. The bulk of the money that would be taken from our local area would go to large corporations which, though they may provide jobs in



Guns

Continued from **Opinion 1** We don't know how the 4.3 million members feel, although surveys indicate a rather broad array of opinions on the acceptability of certain gun and ammunition restrictions as well as the need for increasing the thoroughness and effectiveness of background checks for all gun purchases. In a group of any kind that has that many members, there's always more diversity of opinion than is readily apparent. We know that our state

of Idaho was among the very last to upload mental health records to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System. Fortunately, this has changed. Dawn Peck, manager of the Bureau of Criminal Identification for the Idaho State Police, recently stated that 16,383 records have now been submitted. That's encouraging.

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Continued from Opinion 1 New York Assemblyman Karim Camara, Jan. 15

"We can no longer afford to sit idly by and allow gun violence to destroy the fabric of our communities. It is imperative that we take immediate action now to prevent further senseless acts of violence."

Attorney General Eric Holder, Jan. 18, addressing the U.S. Conference of Mayors

"Public service is never easy, and there come times when those of us who are in elected or appointed positions must put the interests of those we are privileged to serve above that which might be politically expedient or professionally safe. This is one of those times. Each of the leaders in this room has both the power – and the responsibility – to make a powerful, positive difference.

"Although there's no single solution that can bring a decisive end to this senseless violence, it's incumbent upon each of us to try. And it's time to consider what commonsense steps we can take. But we won't be able to do this alone. The fact is that our ability to tackle this challenge will depend on the willingness of millions of Americans - and thousands of dedicated public servants like you to engage with one another in order to make a positive difference."

Right

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natural law teaches that our freedoms are pre-political and come from our humanity and not from the government, and as our humanity is ultimately divine in origin, the government, even by majority vote, cannot morally take natural rights away from us. A natural right is an area of individual human behavior like thought, speech, worship, travel, self-defense, privacy, ownership and use of property, consensual personal intimacy immune from government interference and for the exercise of which we don't need the government's permission. "Today, the limitations on the power and precision of the guns we can lawfully own not only violate our natural right to self-defense and our personal sovereignties; they assure that a tyrant can more easily disarm and overcome us."

National Rifle Association Media Release, Jan. 10

The National Rifle Association of America is made up of over four million moms and dads, daughters and sons, who are involved in the national conversation about how to prevent a tragedy like Newtown from ever happening again. We attended today's White House meeting to discuss how to keep our children safe and were prepared to have a meaningful conversation about school safety, mental health issues, the marketing of violence to our kids and the collapse of federal prosecutions of violent criminals. We were disappointed with how little this meeting had to do with keeping our children safe and how much it had to do with an agenda to attack the Second Amendment. While claiming that no policy proposals would be "prejudged," this Task Force spent most of its time on proposed restrictions on lawful firearms owners honest, taxpaying, hardworking Americans. It is unfortunate that this Administration continues to insist on pushing failed solutions to our nation's most pressing problems. We will not allow lawabiding gun owners to be blamed for the acts of criminals and madmen. Instead, we will now take our commitment and meaningful contributions to members of congress of both parties who are interested in having an honest conversation about what works - and what does not.

More gun controls will not stop the mass killings, but could lead to gun confiscation under a dictatorship. Likely these murderous acts come from hours of role-playing violent video games and the shooter's mental health.

The ownership of firearm does not desensitize someone to the cold-blooded murder of children or a theater audience. Mass murders must have become insensitive to the blood spattering results or he would not have continued the killing amid the horror. A recent study to be pubIdaho, send their profits out of the state. (Small business will no longer have to pay this tax when Idaho's growth reaches 4 percent and the law passed in 2008 becomes effective.)

If you are as concerned as I am about what these proposed cuts would do to our local area, please contact our legislators. They are being bombarded by the lobbyists from the large corporations. They need to hear from us.

KATHLEEN HEDBERG Burley

(Editor's note: Kathleen Hedberg is the president of Friends of the Burley Public Library.)

Group Pushes Legislative Archiving

BY DAN POPKEY

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Just two months ago, legislative leaders affirmed their decision to remain among 17 states that don't archive floor proceedings and make the footage available to the public.

But last week, IdahoReporter.com, the online news arm of the Idaho Freedom Foundation, began posting the floor sessions on the Web.

The news was noted by lobbyist John Foster, who wrote in his daily briefing, "The videos should give every single legislator pause.... It now appears that the IFF will make sure every joke, every nodding off, every slip of the tongue, will be saved for posterity or political opponents."

Senate President Pro Tem Brent Hill and House Speaker Scott Bedke say they think it's time that the state maintain the video.

"My personal feeling is we need an official archive, one that is accessible by everyone without being filtered through some outside organization," said Hill, R-Rexburg, who met with IFF Executive Director Wayne Hoffman late Wednesday.

Campaign Tactics

Among Hill's concerns is possible video manipulation, with no official source to provide context.

"I just don't think it's appropriate that they be the only ones in the world that retain a copy of floor sessions" Hill said.

IdahoReporter's content has been used in GOP primary campaigns, Hill noted. Last year, the group published the "Freedom Index," a scorecard based on voting records on key issues. Maurice Clements, a recipient of IFF's Lifetime Achievement Award, blasted Sen. Patti Anne Lodge, R-Huston, for her minus 27 score.

Changing Views

Resistance to a state archive has been led by Senate Majority Leader Bart Davis, R-Idaho Falls, who fears an official record will complicate the judicial reading of legislative history and spur grandstanding.

Davis participated in Wednesday's meeting with Hoffman, Hill and Senate Majority Caucus Chairman Russ Fulcher, R-Meridian. Afterward, Davis said that he isn't convinced an official archive is necessary but that he is "rethinking what is in the best interests of the state."

Another council member, House Minority Leader John Rusche, D-Lewiston, said lawmakers shouldn't wait until the council's May meeting. L101C.

And yet both documents are frequently used as proof texts to support positions long held. The constitution reads the same in blue states as it does red. Bibles with blue covers or red letters contain the same words. We know that the

Times-News was but a small voice among many that called for a renewed dialogue about all aspects of school safety, mental health and guns in the week immediately following the Dec. 14 shooting in Connecticut.

We know that the issues have been in the news more, but see little evidence that true "dialogue" has occurred. Rhetoric has increased and intensified; but all too frequently the necessary dialogue looks like and sounds like two concurrent monologues.

But the issues are at least being talked about, and that's a start.

At some point in the past, conservatives and liberals, Republicans and Democrats, residents of red states and blue states agreed that having guns on airplanes was a bad thing. It was a small point of agreement; but agreement nonetheless. There are others out there. And with a little less talking and a lot more listening they can be found.

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, Dec. 17

"The time for talk is over. Congress and the White House have to come up with something that stops this carnage no matter what the political ramifications are. Somehow or another, we've come to think that getting reelected is more important than saving lives. That political power is more important than saving lives. That partisan politics is more important than saving lives. Enough!

"We here urge the president to ... assemble a legislative package quickly so that gun violence can be the first order of business ... that the new Congress takes up when it convenes in January. I think the millions of Americans who have been affected by gun violence, including the individuals standing with me today, deserve nothing less.

The President and Congress can and should address these (gun) measures at the same time they're reaching an agreement on avoiding the fiscal cliff. These things have nothing to do with one another. If Congress and President can't focus on two things at once, who on Earth did we elect?... This is not a partisan issue. This is just a bunch of people I think are cowed by the N.R.A."

Kentucky Senator Rand Paul, Jan. 16

"We will nullify anything the president does that smacks of legislation. ... There are several of the executive orders that appear as if he is writing new law. That cannot happen ... The court struck Clinton down for trying this."

Health Care Act's Death Star?

willow, not an oak. So said conservatives of Chief Justice John Roberts when he rescued the Affordable Care Act – aka Obamacare – from being found unconstitutional. But the manner in which he did this may have made the ACA unworkable, thereby putting it on a path to ultimate extinction.

This plausible judgment comes from professor Thomas A. Lambert of the University of Missouri Law School, writing in Regulation quarterly, a publication of the libertarian Cato Institute. The crucial decision, he says, was four liberal justices joining Roberts' opinion declaring that the ACA's penalty for not complying with the mandate to purchase health insurance is actually a tax on not purchasing it. With this reasoning, the court severely limited the ability of the new health care regime to cope with its own predictable consequences.

What was supposed to be, constitutionally, the dispositive question turned out not to be. Conservatives said the mandate - the requirement that people engage in commerce by purchasing health insurance exceeded Congress' enumerated power to regulate interstate commerce. Liberals ridiculed this argument, noting that since the judicial revolution wrought during the New Deal, courts have given vast deference to Congress regarding that power. The ridicule stopped when five justices, including Roberts, agreed with the conservative argument.

This did not, however, doom the ACA because Roberts invoked what Lambert calls "a longstanding interpretive canon that calls for the court, if possible, to interpret statutes in a way that preserves their constitutionality." Roberts did this



by ruling that what Congress called a "penalty" for not obeying the mandate was really a tax on noncompliance. This must, Lambert thinks, have momentous — and deleterious implications for the functioning of the ACA. The problems arise from the interplay of two ACA provisions — "guaranteed issue" and "community rating."

The former forbids insurance companies from denying coverage because of a person's pre-existing health condition. The latter, says Lambert, requires insurers to price premiums "solely on the basis of age, smoker status, and geographic area, without charging higher premiums to sick people or those susceptible to sickness."

The point of the penalty to enforce the mandate was to prevent healthy people particularly healthy young people - from declining to purchase insurance, or dropping their insurance, which would leave an insured pool of mostly old and infirm people. This would cause the cost of insurance premiums to soar, making it more and more sensible for the healthy to pay the ACA tax, which is much less than the price of insurance.

Roberts noted that a person earning \$35,000 a year would pay a \$60 monthly tax and someone earning \$100,000 would pay \$200. But the cost of a qualifying insurance policy is projected to be \$400 a month. Clearly, it would be sensible to pay \$60 or \$200 rather than \$400, because if one becomes ill, "guaranteed issue" assures coverage and "community rating" means that one's illness will not result in higher insurance rates.

So, Lambert says, the ACA's penalties are too low to prod the healthy to purchase insurance, even given ACA's subsidies for purchasers. The ACA's authors probably understood this perverse incentive and assumed that once Congress passed the ACA with penalties low enough to be politically palatable, Congress could increase them.

But Roberts' decision limits Congress' latitude by holding that the small size of the penalty is part of the reason it is, for constitutional purposes, a tax. It is not a "financial punishment" because it is not so steep that it effectively prohibits the choice of paying it. And, Roberts noted, "by statute, it can never be more." As Lambert says, the penalty for refusing to purchase insurance counts as a tax only if it remains so small as to be largely ineffective.

Unable to increase penalties substantially, Congress, in the context of "guaranteed issue" and "community rating," has only one way to induce healthy people to purchase insurance. This is by the hugely expensive process of increasing premium subsidies enough to make negligible the difference between the cost of insurance to purchasers and the penalty for not purchasing. Republicans will ferociously resist exacerbating the nation's financial crisis in order to rescue the ACA.

Because the penalties are constitutionally limited by the reasoning whereby Roberts declared them taxes, he may have saved the ACA's constitutionality by sacrificing its feasibility. So as the president begins his second term, the signature achievement of his first term looks remarkably rickety.



Insanity Plea

Reporter Alison Gene Smith examines the Idaho justice system, asking if the state's substitute for the insanity defense accomplishes its original purpose.

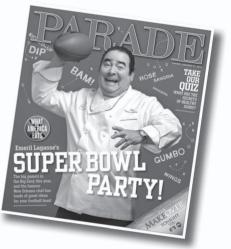


Local Agriculture Section with Commodities Wrapup

Overeaters Anonymous

When eating habits are out of control: Reporter Paul Dunn visits an Overeaters Anonymous meeting.

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The West Front of the Capitol in Washington is dressed in red, white and blue on Saturday.

Washington Prepares for the Inauguration

WASHINGTON (AP) • On the brink of a second term, President Barack Obama invoked Martin Luther King Jr.'s commitment to service Saturday as inauguration-goers flocked to the capital city for a distinctly American celebration including an oath-taking as old as the republic, a splashy parade and partying enough to last four years.

Freshly built inaugural stands at the Capitol gleamed white in the sun, and hundreds of chairs for special guests were set out on the lawn that spills down toward the National Mall as the president and vice president began their inauguration weekend.

Officials estimated that as many as 800,000 people will attend Monday's

The Schedule for the Second Inaugural of President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden:

Saturday, Jan. 19 Kids' Inaugural Concert Washington Convention Center

6 p.m. EST

First lady Michelle Obama and Jill Biden host the Kids' Inaugural Concert for military children and families.

Sunday, Jan. 20 Inaugural ceremonies are not held on a Sunday because public institutions are closed. In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, Obama and Biden are officially sworn in on Sunday. Vice President Joe Biden's Official Swearing-In Naval Observatory 8 a.m. EST Wreath-Laying Ceremony

- Location: Arlington National Cemetery 9 a.m. EST
- President Obama's Official Swearing-In
- White House, Blue Room 11:55 a.m. EST _____

Monday, Jan. 21 Ceremonial Swearing-In Capitol Hill 11:30 a.m. EST The order of the program: Musical selections: The

- U.S. Marine Band Musical selections: P.S.
- 22, Staten Island in NY., and Lee University Festival Choir, Cleveland, Tenn.

Call to order and welcoming remarks: Sen. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y.

- Invocation: Myrlie Evers-Williams
- Musical selection: Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir

Oath of office administered to President Obama: Chief Justice John Roberts Inaugural address: Presi-

dent Obama Musical selection: Kelly

Clarkson Poem: Richard Blanco Benediction: the Rev. Luis Leon of St. John's Church,

- Washington The National Anthem: Beyonc0x233 Inaugural Parade
- Viewing stands and

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bleachers are lined along

Pennsylvania Avenue

- Washington Convention Center
- 6 p.m. EST

The gala honors service members and their families.

The Inaugural Ball Washington Convention Center, Halls A, B and C 6:30 p.m. EST Washington Convention

Center, Halls D and E Doors open 7 p.m. EST

Tuesday, January 22, 2013 National Prayer Service Washington National Cathedral 10:30 a.m. EST The Obamas and Biden

The Obamas and Biden attend.



public ceremonies. That's more than live in the city, if far fewer than the 1.8 million who were at Obama's first inauguration in 2009. Oath of office administered to Vice President Biden: Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor Musical selection: James

Taylor

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Rallies Against Stricter Gun Control Draw Crowds

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) • Hundreds of gun owners and Second Amendment advocates rallied in state capitals nationwide Saturday, days after President Barack Obama unveiled a sweeping package of federal gun-control proposals.

Some 600 attendees in Austin, Texas, carried signs bearing messages such as "An Armed Society is a Polite Society" and "The Second Amendment Comes from God." About 2,000 people – many carrying American flags and "Don't Tread On Me" banners – turned out for the chilly outdoor rally at the New York state capitol in Albany.

The "Guns Across America" rallies, which activists promoted primarily via social media, also followed New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo's signing this week of the nation's toughest assault weapon and magazine restrictions.

Republican Assemblyman Steven McLaughlin told the crowd in Albany that New York's new law was an "abuse of power" by the governor.

Police in Connecticut said about 1,000 people showed up on the capitol grounds in Hartford, about 50 miles from the site of last month's mass shooting at Newtown's Sandy Hook Elementary School. Demonstrators there urged state and federal authorities not to introduce new restrictions on gun ownership as task forces created by the Legislature and Connecticut Gov. Dannel Malloy consider changes to state gun laws

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Demonstrators rally outside the Capitol in Albany, N.Y., on Saturday.

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Algeria: 32 Militants, 23 Hostages Killed

In a bloody finale, Algerian special forces stormed a natural gas complex in the Sahara desert on Saturday to end a standoff with Islamist extremists that left at least 23 hostages dead and killed all 32 militants involved, the Algerian government said.

With few details emerging from the remote site in eastern Algeria, it was unclear whether anyone was rescued in the final operation, but the number of hostages killed on Saturday seven — was how many the militants had said that morning they still had. The government described the toll as provisional and some foreigners remained unaccounted for.

The siege at Ain Amenas transfixed the world after radical Islamists linked to al-Qaida stormed the complex, which contained hundreds of plant workers from all over the world, then held them hostage surrounded by the Algerian military and its attack helicopters for four tense days that were punctuated with dramatic tales of escape. Algeria's response to the crisis was typical of its history in confronting terrorists, favoring military action over negotiation, which

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) • caused an international outcry from countries worried about their citizens. Algerian military forces twice assaulted the two areas where the hostages were being held with minimal apparent mediation - first on Thursday, then on Saturday.

> "To avoid a bloody turn of events in response to the extreme danger of the situation, the army's special forces launched an intervention with efficiency and professionalism to neutralize the terrorist groups that were first trying to flee with the hostages and then blow up the gas facilities," Algeria's Interior Ministry said in a statement about the standoff.

> Immediately after the assault, French President Francois Hollande gave his backing to Algeria's tough tactics, saying they were "the most adapted response to the crisis?' Hollande added the hostages were "shamefully murdered" by their captors, and he linked the event to France's military operation against al-Qaidabacked rebels in neighboring Mali. "If there was any need to justify our action against terrorism, we would have here, again, an additional argument," he said.



Two British hostages Peter, right, and Alan, carrying his luggage, center, (no family name available), are seen on Saturday after being released, in Ain Amenas near the gas plant where they were kidnapped.

Ukrainian Ex-PM Suspected in Murder

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) • Ukrainian authorities have formally notified jailed former Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko that she is a suspect in the murder of a businessman and lawmaker in 1996.

Tymoshenko is suspected of "ordering and organizing" the contract-style murder of Yvhen Scherban, his wife and two other people, the Prosecutor General's Office said on its website Friday. Prosecutors say the killing appeared aimed at eliminating a business rival.

The move stops short of formally charging Tymoshenko but indicates charges are likely. Prosecutors have said for months that she was being investigated in the case. Tymoshenko denies the accusations and says it is part of a broader campaign by her President foe, Viktor Yanukovych, to keep her in prison and bar her from politics.

Tymoshenko is serving a seven-year prison term for abuse of office while negotiating a gas deal with Russia in 2009.

The new case was likely to further spoil Ukraine's ties with Western nations, which have called Tymoshenko's imprisonment politically motivated. The European Union has frozen a key cooperation deal with Ukraine over Tymoshenko's imprisonment. Tymoshenko's party said a formal announcement of suspicion represent ed a "shameful day in the history of the Ukrainian law enforcement system."

"Their fear has paralyzed their mind. They are no longer hiding the fact that they want to lock away for life not only the leader of the opposition, but also the whole of Ukraine,' the party said in a statement.

The European Court of Human Rights is expected to rule on the Tymoshenko case in the next several weeks, and analysts said



In this 2011 photo, former Ukrainian Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko appears during a trial hearing at the Pecherskiy District Court in Kiev, Ukraine.

the murder case was the government's attempt to keep her in jail during the 2015 presidential campaign if the European court rules in her favor in the gas case.

"It is evident that the Ukrainian authorities are really and seriously intent on keeping Tymoshenko in jail," said Vadim Karasyov, a political analyst with ties to the government, according to the Interfax news agency.

Tymoshenko's family and allies have expressed concern over the state of her health. Tymoshenko is undergoing hospital treatment for a severe back condition. Her lawyer, Serhiy Vlasenko, said Friday that when he tried to see her recently, she was unresponsive for several minutes. Doctors insisted she was in a satisfactory condition and was under the influence of sedatives.

Tymoshenko's office said Saturday that they have been unable to reach Tymoshenko and inquire about her health since that incident.



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Netanyahu speaks on the phone on Thursday with Israeli voters persuading them to vote for him in the upcoming Israeli elections during an event for the media in his party headquarters in Tel Aviv.

NETANYAHU FACES TOUGH CHOICE IF **RE-ELECTED AS PM**

JERUSALEM (AP) • After a lackluster three-month campaign, few doubt that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is on his way to re-election. But the makeup of Netanyahu's next government remains a mystery.

If re-elected on Tuesday, Netanyahu will face a critical decision that will define his term. He can form a majority coalition with the hard-line and religious parties he often calls his natural partners - or reach across the aisle and try to bring centrist parties into a broader-based government that might be more amenable to pursuing peace and ending, at least partly, the occupation of the West Bank and other territories.

His decision will have deep implications. A narrow coalition of parties that oppose concessions to the Palestinians, while the easier option, would mean continued deadlock in Mideast peace efforts and increased confrontation with the international community, including Israel's key ally, the United States. A broad coalition could force Netanyahu to give powerful Cabinet posts to more moderate fig-

"This would send the wrong message that we've already won," Saar told an interviewer on Channel 2 TV. He said the party is focused on capturing as many seats in the Knesset, or parliament, as possible. Under Israel's system, parties win a number of seats based on the percentage of votes they receive. No party has ever won an outright majority in the 120-seat parliament. The leader of the party with the best chance of cobbling together a majority is tapped as prime minister and gets the first chance to form a coalition. All the polls show that Netanyahu's Likud Party – in alliance with the more nationalist Israel Beitenu party - will win more than a quarter of the seats, and together with other rightist and religious parties should command at least a narrow overall majority.

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Russian Protesters Seek Escape

BY KATHY LALLY The Washington Post

MOSCOW • In the end, Suren Gazaryan had little time to make a life-changing decision: Stay home and end up in jail, or flee the country.

"The choice is very simple, between freedom and prison," said Gazaryan, an environmentalist from southern Russia. "For me it was clear."

He escaped to Estonia in December, leaving behind his wife, two daughters and scientific career.

The prosecution of more and more opponents of President Vladimir Putin means that a widening circle of Russians may confront similar decisions. The main leaders in Moscow have vowed to stay and fight despite the court cases stacking up against them, but less visible figures are agonizing over whether there's anything to gain behind bars.

"It's a very personal matter," Gazarvan said during a conversation on Skype. "I decided freedom was better than prison, especially Russian prison. You are a hostage in prison, and your family will suffer a lot."

The authorities have been bearing down hard on the opposition since a May 6 demonstration, on the eve of Putin's inauguration, when police clashed with protesters.

Investigators accused 18 protesters of mass rioting and assaulting police, and have recently said 12 of those cases are ready for court. One man among the original 18 cooperated with police, saying he had grappled with an officer and regretted it. In November he got 41/2 years in jail, an unmistakable signal that protest would be treated harshly.

In August, after three members of a feminist punk rock group were sentenced to two years in jail for performing an anti-Putin song in Moscow's main cathedral, two other, unidentified members of the group reportedly left the country and went into hiding. By some estimates, hundreds of activists have done the same, and the maga-

zine New Times recently published a five-page guide for would-be asylum-seekers, offering information on the most receptive countries and advice on how to get there.

The numbers remain unclear, but Marina Popova, coordinator of the Sixth of May Committee, organized to protect protesters who are under threat, said she knows of about 10 who have made their departures public.

"Others are keeping it quiet," she said. "Only their closest relatives and friends know."

Anastasia Rybachenko, a 21-year-old student, thinks hundreds may have quietly left, hoping that someday they can return. Rybachenko, who protested in Moscow's Bolotnaya Square on May 6, was in Strasbourg, France, for an event at the Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly in July when she was told police had searched her apartment.

"The investigators called me as a witness in the case," she said. "But the search of a witness's apartment means the witness will soon become a suspect."

Rybachenko stayed abroad. Her university in Moscow expelled her. Garry Kasparov, the chess champion and opposition leader, and Boris Nemtsov, another longtime Putin nemesis, helped her enter a university in Estonia, where she is finishing her last year.

"I did not want to waste four years in prison," she said. "I am more useful as a free person. I can finish my educa-

tion, get experience, and someday I hope I can return. I want to contribute."

Estonia also has been a favorite destination. Maxim Efimov, a human rights activist, won political asylum there in October. A year ago, as the protest movement was awakening, he posted an article critical of the Orthodox Church, which he said operated like a branch of the ruling United Russia party. His apartment was raided. Investigated for extremism, he was

warned that he could face two years in jail for offending religious beliefs.

The political emigrants, as they call themselves, are finding refuge in Estonia, Spain, Germany, and Ukraine – the latter a not entirely safe destination but one that does not require a visa. In the fall, activist Leonid Razvozzhayev said Russia agents kidnapped him from Kiev and spirited him into Russia, where he faces charges of organizing mass disturbances.





ures as the price of their support, and would likely draw fierce opposition from within his own Likud Party.

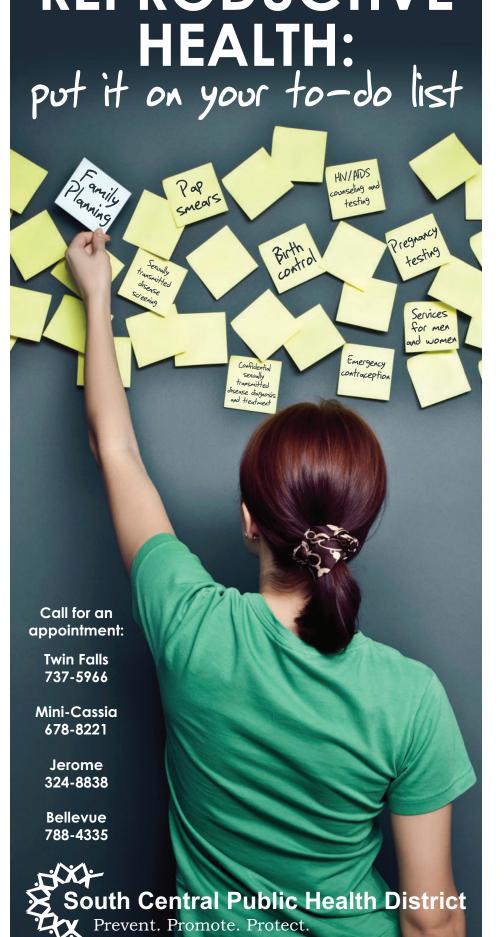
In either case, the odds for a breakthrough in peace talks appear faint at best, because no Netanyahu-led coalition is likely to offer the Palestinians better peace terms than those they already have received and either rejected or ignored under previous governments. Netanyahu's own positions fall far short of anything acceptable to the Palestinians.

Likud officials refuse to say which way they are leaning. Netanyahu's campaign chairman, Cabinet Minister Gideon Saar, said Thursday that the party hasn't even started thinking about building the coalition.



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South Africa: Vets Struggle to Treat Injured Rhinos

JOHANNESBURG (AP) • A highvalue target survives two attempts on her life. After recovering from multiple gunshot wounds, she is secretly moved to an undisclosed location in hopes that the killers won't track her down again.

This isn't a Hollywood thriller about a hunted witness in a police protection program. It is the tale of Phila, one of a growing number of rhinoceroses that survive horrific injuries during attempts by poachers to hack off their horns. With her horns still intact, Phila is a rare survivor of a surge in rhino killings in South Africa, home to most of the world's rhinos.

In a new push, veterinarians are racing to learn more about rhino anatomy so they can swiftly treat survivors of attacks by poachers whose arsenal includes assault rifles and drug-tipped darts. The obstacles are funding, a dearth of past research and the logistics of helping fearsome-looking behemoths that are easily traumatized if moved from their habitat. There are "suddenly a lot of live rhinos needing medical attention," said Dr. Katja Koeppel, senior veterinarian at the Johannesburg Zoo, where Phila spent two years before her surreptitious return to a game reserve in November. She cautioned that treatments for rhinos are inexact: "We know very little about rhinos. We treat them as a large horse."

The South African government says a record 668 rhinos were killed in the country in 2012, an increase of nearly 50 percent over the previous year. Demand is growing in Vietnam and elsewhere in Asia where rhino horn is believed to have medical benefits despite evidence to the contrary. The horn is made of keratin, a protein also found in human fingernails.

Veterinarians say there are no reliable statistics for the number of rhinos injured by poachers, partly because some game reserve owners prefer to keep quiet for fear other criminals will flock to any location known to harbor rhino. Those involved in the protection of rhinos are skittish, and suspicion that people are colluding with poachers is plentiful.



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A mural painted on a suburban wall in Johannesburg calls for the halt to rhino poaching on Friday.

One of Phila's guardians refused to

Dr. Georgina Cole, a veterinarian

knew of 10 rhinos that survived poaching attacks in South Africa in the past year, and she believes the unreported number is much higher. Dr. Johan Marais, an equine and wildlife surgeon at the University of

Pretoria, said a "conservative" estimate of rhino survivors is 40 to 60 a year. Marais predicted: "As the amount of poaching goes up, we'll probably get more and more of these survivors."

3-D Sonar Provides New View of Civil War Shipwreck

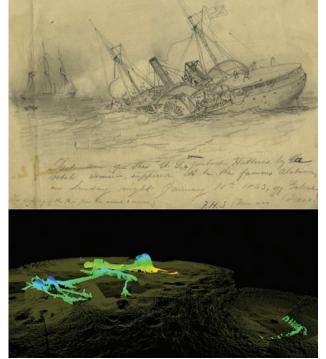
GALVESTON, Texas (AP) • The remains of the only U.S. Navy ship sunk in the Gulf of Mexico during Civil War combat now can be seen in 3-D sonar images from the Gulf's murky depths, revealing details such as a shell hole that may have been among the ship's fatal wounds.

The high-resolution images of the 210-foot, iron-hulled USS Hatteras are being released this month to coincide with the 150th anniversary of the battle where the ship was lost. Besides the shell hole, they also show previously unknown details like a paddle wheel and the ship's stern and rudder emerging from the shifting undersea sands about 20 miles off the coast of Galveston.

"This vessel is a practically intact time capsule sealed by mud and sand, and what is there will be the things that help bring the crew and ship to life in a way," said Jim Delgado, the project's leader and a director for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries.

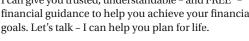
The Hatteras had sat mostly undisturbed and unnoticed from January 1863 when a Confederate raider sunk the ship and took most of the crew prisoner - until its discovery in the early 1970s.

Divers used the 3-D gear to map the site in the silt-filled water where visibility is from near zero to only a few feet. The water's murkiness doesn't affect sonar technology like it would regular photography equipment



ASSOCIATED PRESS A view of the USS Hatteras depicted in a drawing by Civil War artist Francis H. Schell, above a 2012 high-resolution 3-D sonar image from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration







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at the Johannesburg Zoo, said she



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Marchers Protest the Slaying of Pakastani Immigrant in Greece

ATHENS, Greece (AP) • Several thousand people marched through central Athens on Saturday to protest a spate of anti-immigrant attacks in Greece, including the fatal stabbing of a 27-year-old Pakistani immigrant by suspected rightwing extremists.

Earlier in the day about 150 members of Greece's Pakistani community and a handful of Greeks gathered outside Athens City Hall to say prayers and pay their respects to Shehzad Luqman, the Pakistani who died Thursday. His coffin was displayed on the ground while mourners unfurled a banner in Greek and English reading "Punishment to the fascist murderers of Shehzad Luqman." A hearse took the coffin away at the end of the ceremony.

"We want to be peaceful. We are simple workers, and we will not do what the fascists do. In the last three years they have attacked 700 to 800 people. ... We go to our jobs and they attack us. It's the job of the police to arrest these people and send them to jail," Javied Aslam, head of Greece's Pakistani community, said after the prayers.

Greece has been suffering a surge in anti-immigration sentiment during its 3-year-old economic crisis, which has demolished living standards and led to high unemployment. The country also has long been the main gateway for illegal immigrants entering the European Union, with up to onetenth of the nation's population born abroad.

London-based anti-racism campaigner Sasha Simic said he traveled to Greece to attend the demonstration.

"I'm here to show solidarity with Greek people fighting against Golden Dawn, an openly fascist organization that is trying to exploit the misery of the crisis that the bankers have caused to scapegoat immigrants, to scapegoat gay people, to scapegoat anybody that doesn't fit into their political schema. We know what happened in the 1930s with the rise of the Nazis. ... We are here to stop them," Simic told The Associated Press.

Golden Dawn, the ultra-right party running on an explicitly anti-immigrant platform, entered Parliament for the first time last June, polling nearly 7 percent of the vote and capitalizing on locals' resentment over a largely uncontrolled influx of immigrants that they blame for rising joblessness and crime.



ASSOCIATED PRESS Mourners protest on Saturday in Athens against racist attacks and the murder of Shehzad Luqman, a Pakistani immigrant who was killed on Thursday after being stabbed by suspected extreme rightists.

Japan's New PM to Visit White House in February

WASHINGTON (AP) • The United States on Friday invited Japan's new prime minister to the White House next month, as the Asian nation's top diplomat signaled the government's intent to strengthen security ties with the U.S.

Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's conservative government took power last month after a sweeping election victory and faces stiff challenges in reviving a stagnant economy and managing an escalating dispute with China over an island chain in the East China Sea. Abe is eager to make an early trip to Washington to demonstrate the U.S. alliance is the cornerstone of his foreign policy, and wants Japan to be a bigger player on the global stage.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton announced the White House invitation for the third week in February after meeting Foreign Minister Fumio Kishida at the State Department, and she described the U.S. relationship with Tokyo in similar terms.

"Our alliance with Japan remains the cornerstone of American engagement in the region," Clinton told a joint news conference. Kishida said the security in the Asia-Pacific is "ever more challenging" and that cooperation between the U.S. and Japan is "indispensable" for maintaining peace and stability.

Friday's meeting took place against a backdrop of heightened tensions in Northeast Asia. Japan and China, the world's thirdand secondlargest economies, are at loggerheads over tiny, uninhabited islands, known as Diaoyu in China and Senkaku in Japan. The long-running dispute sharpened in September when Japan's government bought some of the islands from private owners. That sparked violent protests in China, which also claims them as part of its territory.

Chinese vessels have since repeatedly ventured into what Japan considers its territorial waters. In a worrying development last week, the two sides scrambled jet fighters to the area. The U.S. could be



ASSOCIATED PRESS Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and Japanese Foreign Minister Fumio Kishida talk after their joint press availability at the State Department in Washington on Friday.

compelled to come to its ally's defense in case of a conflict. The U.S. has about 50,000 troops based in Japan. Clinton said she reiterated to Kishida the U.S. policy on its treaty obligations: that it doesn't take a position on the sovereignty of the Senkakus but would "oppose any unilateral action that would seek to undermine Japanese administration" of the islands.





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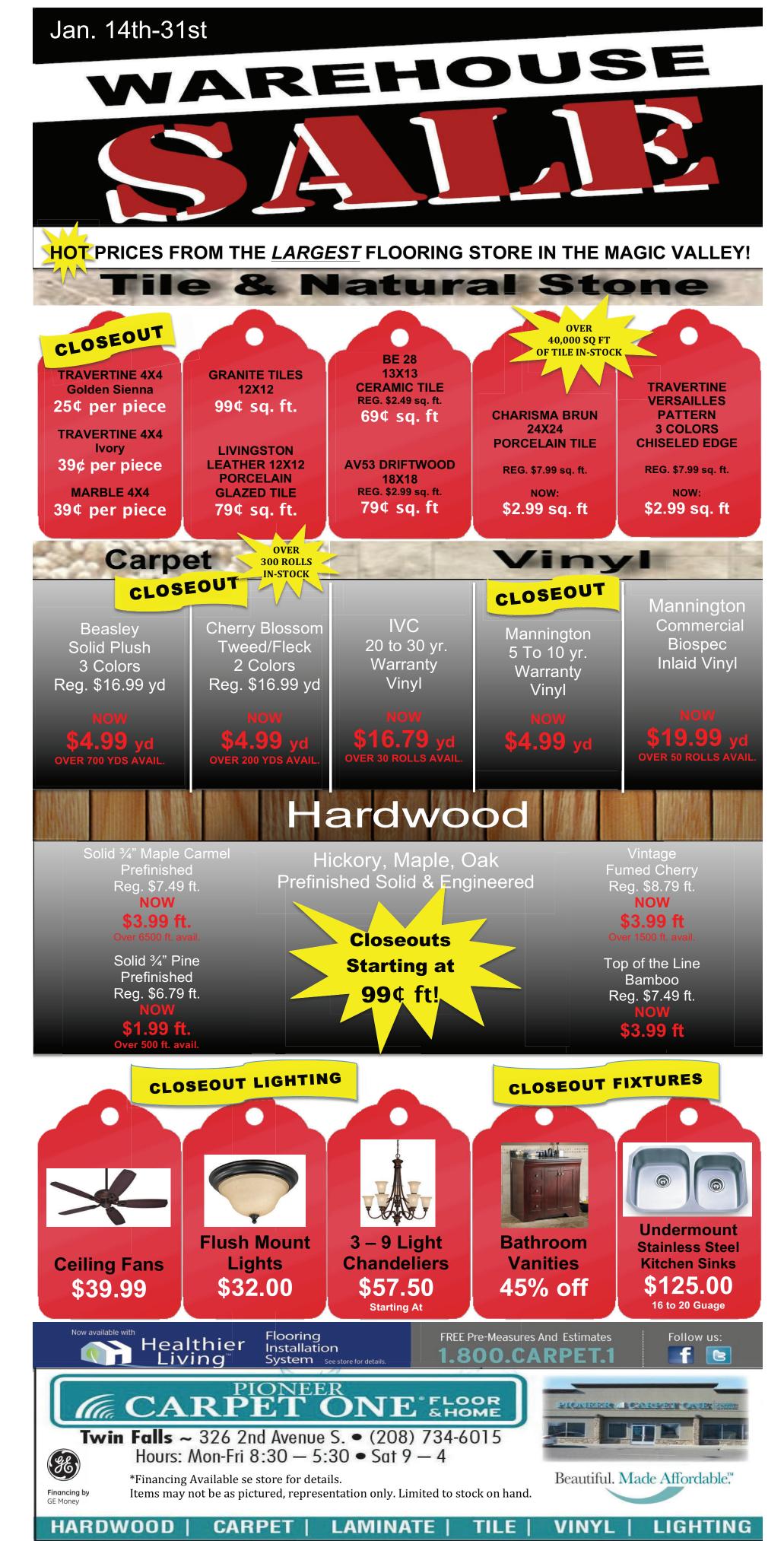
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Is it illegal to have fog lights or more than two lights burning when approaching oncoming traffic? As a truck driver, it is so hard to see the cars coming at you when they have four headlights burning or even the new high-tech lights. — Russell

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BY SCOTT ROCHAT Longmont Times-Call

LONGMONT, Colo. (AP) • Ernest Clark's life now has room for 105 years and only one regret.

"I was working on a doctor's degree when Korea and Vietnam came along," said Clark, who trained pilots during both wars as well as World War II. "I just never got back to it."

He didn't miss many other opportunities. Barnstormer. Teacher. Novelist. Columnist. And of course, super-centenarian, a title he added to with his latest birthday Jan. 15. Clark's not as surprised by the milestone as some might be. It's in the genes, he explains. His older brother lived to 102, his aunt reached 100, and two sisters both made it past 99.

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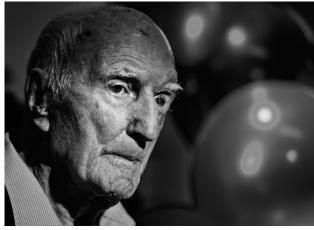
"He still keeps current on all the modern planes," his daughter Glynda Yoder said. "He can tell you the specs, all

Rupert Senior Center Hosts Provider of the Month

RUPERT • Warren House, a senior living community by Assisted Living Concepts, Inc., will host Provider of the Month honoring Don C. Pates, MD. The event will take place at noon on Jan. 22 at the Rupert Senior Center. The

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ASSOCIATED PRESS Ernest Clark celebrates his 105th birthday at Applewood Living Center in Longmont, Colo., on Tuesday.



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The menu includes spaghetti, bread and peaches and cream pie.

The public is invited. Proceeds will be used to help senior center projects that benefit the senior community.

"The needs or our senior community is a top priority," said Stacy Ramey, recreation director at Warren House. "The Warren House will do whatever we can to help raise funds that support the needs of our seniors."

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Sunday in People

Fireball Lights up Sky over California, Nevada

RENO, Nev. (AP) • A fireball spotted across a wide swath of the West from Reno to San Francisco might have broken up over the Pacific Ocean, experts said Friday.

The American Meteor Society based in New York has received reports from about 50 people in California and Nevada who saw the brilliant streak of light at 5:21 a.m. Thursday, spokesman Robert Lunsford said.

Lunsford said most of the reports came from the San Francisco Bay Area, but the fireball also was seen around Reno, and in San Diego and Redding, Calif. Most people described seeing an intense flash of blue or white light.

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"It looks like it was heading from east to west, so it may have made it into the ocean," Lunsford told The Associated Press. "Most of the people who saw it were heading off to work in the dark, and say it lit up the ground like it was almost daylight."

Ronald Normandin was driving to work in Vacaville, Calif., when the fireball lit up the inside of his car.

Lewiston, Rexburg **Excel in Jobless Rates**

BY ELAINE WILLIAMS Lewiston Tribune

Lewiston's jobless rate of 5.9 percent in 2012 was the second lowest of 11 cities tracked by the Idaho Department of Labor.

That figure is included in a report released today by the Idaho Department of Labor.

The only town with a better number was Rexburg where the unemployment rate was 5.4 per-

cent last year. Caldwell had the highest at 9.2 percent. The state of Idaho was at 7.4 percent in 2012.

The statistics in the report show Idaho gradually climbing out of the recession that started in 2007.

"There are still slightly more than two workers for every job posted in Idaho, but that is down dramatically from nearly five for every posting ... in late 2009," according to a news release issued with

the figures.

The average annual number of jobs in Idaho is growing, but not anticipated to return to pre-recession levels until 2015, according to the news release.

Idaho had an average of 612,600 jobs in 2012, compared with 603,600 in 2010, when the recession hit its worst point, said Bob Fick, a spokesman for the Idaho Department of Labor in Boise.

LIBRARY NEWS

Kimberly Library Receives New Titles

Do you have the hankering to read something new? Maybe listen to a new CD or watch a movie you haven't seen before? Stop by the Kimberly Public Library, which recently received several new titles. Added to the library's circulation are:

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JUVENILE

Loveland Student Photographers Lead Mural Project

BY SHELLEY WIDHALM Loveland Daily Reporter-Herald

LOVELAND, Colo. (AP) • Giving students two years to shoot a dozen photos seems curious in our fast-paced digital world.

Not for artist-in-residence Robert Campagna and his 13 students whose goal was to shoot 200 photos using an old-fashioned 4x5 monorail view camera.

Campagna, a photographer who teaches photography classes at Bill Reed Middle School, asked students to create their version of Ansel Adams' pre-war mural project, using the same kind of camera he did.

"This is walking backwards in the materials and process ... catching the early photography of the masters," Campagna said.

Campagna explained his

project idea recently at a student panel discussion in which student photographers answered questions from Campagna, the audience and each other.

In 1941, the secretary of the interior commissioned Adams to photograph national parks and other areas for inclusion in a mural project to decorate the hallways of the Department of Interior. But after Adams had taken slightly more than 200 photos, the project was stopped in 1942 because of World War II.

Campagna's students photographed black-andwhite images of Loveland, chronicling well-known spots, people working at their jobs or out on the streets, and the exteriors and interiors of buildings from businesses to abandoned buildings.

LIBRARY NEWS Libraries Host Reading Programs

HANSEN • The Hansen Community and Kimberly Public Libraries will host an adult reading program series at the Hansen Community Library for anyone interested.

The theme of the Let's Talk About It series is "Humor and Satire." The programs begin at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at the Hansen Community Library, 120 W. Maple, with "Pride & Prejudice" by Jane Austen.

Feb. 13 with "Forever Erma" a collection of Erma Bombeck's column writings; Feb. 27 with "Green Grass, Running Water" by Thomas King; March 13 with "The Lonely Polygamist" by Brady Udall; and March 27 with "Hope: A Tragedy" by Shalom Aus-

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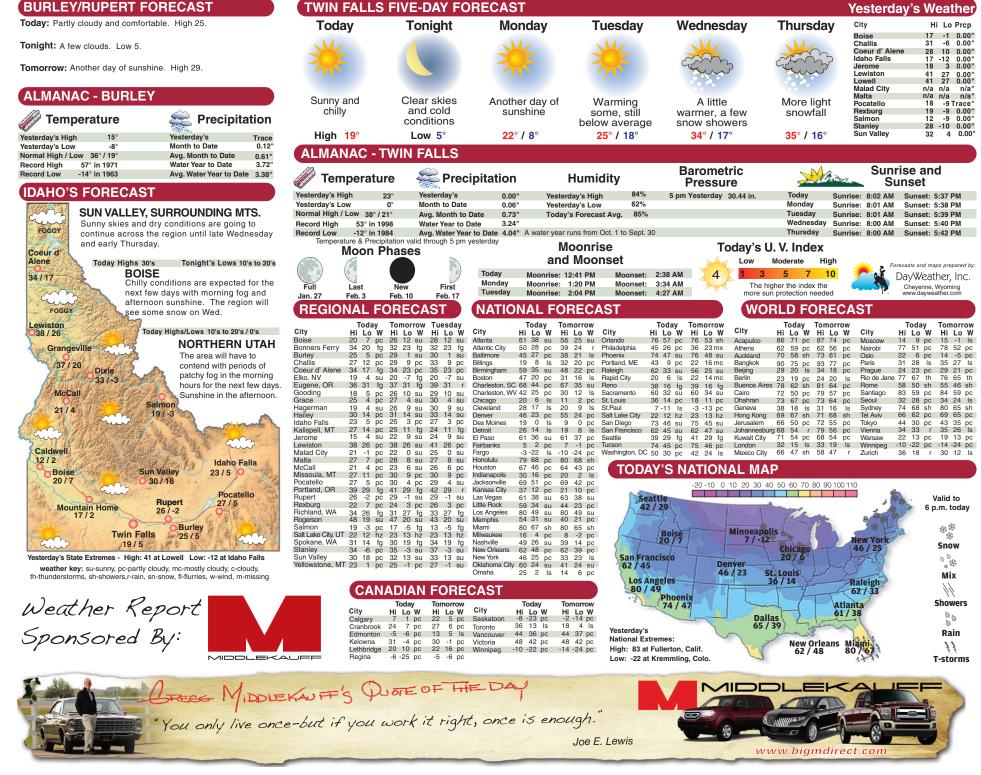
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Indicted Megaupload Founder Launches New Site

BY KRISTEN GELINEAU Associated Press

SYDNEY • Indicted Megaupload founder Kim Dotcom launched a new file-sharing website on Sunday, promising users amped-up privacy levels in a defiant move against the U.S. prosecutors who accuse him of facilitating massive online piracy.

The colorful entrepreneur unveiled the "Mega" site ahead of a lavish gala and press conference planned at his New Zealand mansion on Sunday night, the anniversary of his arrest born Internet tycoon from New Zealand, where he is free on bail. Prosecutors say Dotcom made tens of millions of dollars while filmmakers and songwriters lost around \$500 million in copyright revenue.

Dotcom argues that he can't be held responsible for copyright infringement committed by others, and insists Megaupload complied with copyrights by removing links to pirated material when asked.

"In the dark ages ... the enemies of progress burned books," Dotcom said last week at an Auckland ice

4 Climbers Die in Scottish Highlands Avalanche

LONDON (AP) • An avalanche killed four climbers in the Scottish High-lands on Saturday, police said.

The victims were in a group of six climbers — three men and three women — who were at Glencoe, one of Scotland's best-known glens, when a snow slope broke away.

The BBC said five of them were

swept down the mountain in ice and snow, with four dying and one being saved and hospitalized in serious condition. The sixth climber managed to escape unharmed and call emergency services, police said.

John Grieve, who leads the Glencoe mountain rescue team, said it found the dead climbers by pushing a metal

stick into the snow.

"I'm not sure how deeply buried they were, but using that technique would suggest it was more than a meter (3 feet)," said Grieve, who was not part of the search.

Like much of Britain, Scotland has been battered by heavy snow and strong winds in the past few days.



on racketeering charges related to his now-shuttered Megaupload file-sharing site. Megaupload, which Dotcom started in 2005, was one of the most popular sites on the web until U.S. prosecutors shut it down, accusing Dotcom and several company officials of facilitating millions of illegal downloads.

"As of this minute one year ago (hash)Megaupload was destroyed by the US Government. Welcome to http://Mega.co.nz," Dotcom posted on his Twitter account as the new site went live. Within hours, Dotcom wrote, Mega had received 250,000 user registrations.

U.S. authorities are trying to extradite the German-

cream shop, where he handed out ice cream cups, some bearing Willy Wonkastyle golden tickets to his launch party. "And now today they are burning websites. And Mega is going to be the website that is going to end all of that."

Mega, like Megaupload, allows users to store and share large files. It offers 50 gigabytes of free storage, much more than similar sites such as Dropbox and Google Drive, and features a drag-and-drop upload tool.

The key difference is an encryption and decryption feature for data transfers that Dotcom says will protect him from the legal drama that has entangled Megaupload and threatened to put him behind bars.



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CSI Men Romp Over Utah State-Eastern

BY NICK RULAND

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TWIN FALLS • Somehow, the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team lost to Utah State-Eastern by 15 points earlier in the year.

Saturday night, the hometown Golden Eagles won by 64, 103-39, out-doing their 40-point win two nights earlier.

The disparity between the road trip in which they lost to Utah State-Eastern and beat Colorado Northwest Community College and the two home wins against them was a mere 100 points.

Hard to chalk that up to home-court advantage alone.

"I don't think we came out with the sense of urgency that we came out

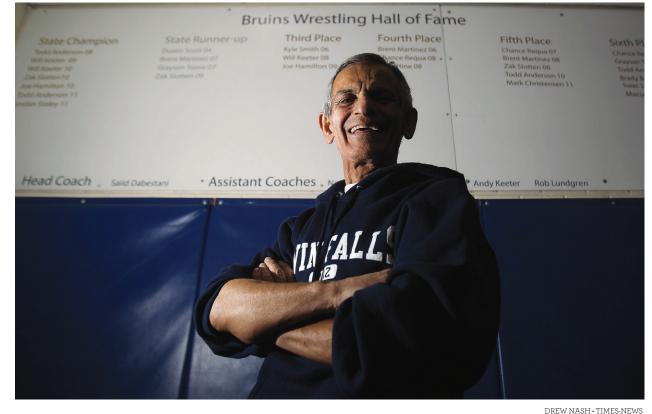
with here," head coach Steve Gosar said. "Obviously teams are going to be better at home than on the road. But honestly, I think we have gotten a lot better the last three weeks. I really like where we are at as a team right now."

CSI dominated every phase of the game, showing off its depth and versatility throughout. It started with ball pressure, as it always seems to with Gosar's team, guards as Sebastian Michineau, Kareem Storey and Montigo Alford "heated up the ball" as they like to say. The trio forced Utah State-Eastern out of its offense and into mistakes including 25 turnovers.

On the rare occasion Utah State-Eastern was able to get into the paint for a good shot, big men Please see MEN, S2







Twin Falls wrestling coach Saiid Dabestani stands for a portrait by the Bruins Wrestling Hall of Fame Saturday, Jan. 19, 2013 at Twin Falls High School.

Twin Falls wrestling coach Dabestani uses his own complex history to guide his wrestlers on, off the mats.

BY NICK RULAND

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TWIN FALLS • Twin Falls head wrestling coach Saiid Dabestani wouldn't mind hanging 'em up soon.

In his 12th season with the school, Dabestani wants to make sure he hands the program off to someone, man or woman he said, with

just the right his approach approach.

That could take a while.

ly doing his best," Dabestani said. "You have to stay positive. I discipline the kids, of course, and hold them to account, but you have to do it in a positive way so that the kid doesn't lose self-esteem. The coaches that are negative and yell, they all have it wrong."

Bruins wrestler, albeit in a rebuilding stage, have done plenty of winning un-

"The wrestling culture, these people are obsessed with winning and when a kid loses they don't realize that he is likely doing his best,"

Saiid Dabestani, Twin Falls head wrestling coach

a real special quality about him."

Dabestani was born in Iran, one of the top wrestling nations for decades and producer of six medalists (3 golds, all Greco-Roman) at the 2012 London Olympics. As a 19-year-old, he defeated the reigning world champion from Bulgaria with a move he invented, still known in Iran and in wrestling circles with esoteric knowl-

edge as the Saiid.

"I teach some of the kids my move, but if they aren't careful they'll pin

College of Southern Idaho guard Patrice Toston (20) makes a move on Utah State-Eastern guard Amy Arbon during their women's basketball game Saturday at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

CSI Women Cruise Past Utah State-Eastern

BY NICK RULAND

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TWIN FALLS • The earto-ear grin on College of Southern Idaho women's head coach Randy Rogers face as his team walked towards the bench after another smooth transition sequence late in the second-half lied about as much as the scoreboard.

That is to say, not at all. CSI played as close to its offensive potential Saturday afternoon it has all year, beating Utah State-Eastern 97-69.

"It's the best we've played on offense," guard Patrice Toston said. "I think people have more confidence in their shots. Our transition was pretty good and we were getting the ball ahead. We can play like this all year with better defense of course."

CSI didn't need to play much defense on Saturday, at least not the kind that defined its threegame road winning streak or Thursday's win against Colorado Northwestern. Please see WOMEN, S2

There may not be anyone else like the Iranian-born, Ph.D.-holding, fish-head cooking Persian chef, almost-Olympian, once Swedish refugee.

His philosophy on wrestling might be more exceptional than his resume.

"I'm really picky," Dabestani said. "I want the school to have right person in place. My philosophy is much different than other coaches. Once I find the replacement, I'll take him or her under my wings for a year, show them the ropes and then hand over the baton."

Dabestani is easily spotted among the mass of humanity at a local state wrestling tournament. It's not because of his skin color or slight stature.

He's the personage not yelling, screaming, berating.

"The wrestling culture, these people are obsessed with winning and when a kid loses they don't realize that he is like-

der Dabestani's guidance. Prior to taking over the program, the Bruins had one state champion wrestler in 25 years. They've had as many as three in one year under Dabestani.

"When we have wrestlers who have the ability, by the end of year they thrive," Bruins athletic director Mike Federico said. "All wrestlers who come to him with the ability to win state win it. His success is when kids succeed."

But Dabestani does not believe in forcing a standard to mark success that is unattainable for his wrestlers.

"He is not someone who is going to grind down his wrestlers, beat them up, have them run for 25 straight hours," Federico said. "He's one of the few who has said less is more. He is more about coaching kids to use their intellect and skill instead of just brute force. He's got

themselves, Dabestani said.

Growing up under the Pahlavi dynasty and its Shahs, Dabestani got his bachelor's in chemistry and math from Iran National University.

He was a champion wrestler and 4.0 student at the school, where he ranked as high as No. 3 in the world in the late '60s.

In 1971, Dabestani was wrestling with the Iran Olympic team in hopes of qualifying for the 1972 Munich games. But he got calls from universities in the United States offering scholarships to study environmental studies and geochemistry.

Dabestani made the choice of his life.

"I had a darn good chance, I'd say an 80 percent chance, of making that team," Dabestani said. "But I was done with wrestling after encouragement Please see WRESTLING, S2



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Wrestling

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from father. My dad always wanted me to get an advanced degree so that I wouldn't have to worry about making a living. He told me if I decided on trying for the Olympics I'd be missing the opportunity of mylife."

Dabestani ended up watching the 1972 games from his dorm room at the Colorado School of Mines, where he eventually graduated with a Master's in chemistry. He later received his Ph.D. from the University of Nebraska, where he also met his wife, Kathy.

In 1974, he returned to Iran, where he was hired as a professor at the National University of Iran.

He wouldn't teach long. With the country in turmoil the Islamic Revolution sought to and eventually succeeded in overthrowing the Shah, establishing an Islamic Republic - Dabestani wanted out.

"I told my students at that time that I agreed with them on the injustices we saw, but I wasn't sure they had the right solutions to have the theocra-



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Twin Falls wrestling coach Saiid Dabestani horses around with a wrestling dummy during a photo shoot Saturday at Twin Falls High School.

cy established," he said.

In 1979, the year the Shah was overthrown, Dabestani fled Iran and traveled to the only European country that would take him – or any other Iranian refugees, for that matter - Sweden.

"The U.S. embassy in Iran was being occupied by the hostage crisis at that time," Dabestani said. "I had never been to Sweden. I went to the U.S. embassy there, and eventually they let me in."

Prior to fleeing the country,

Dabestani planned to visit his family on a summer trip. Instead, Dabestani chose to be with them permanently - he applied for a visa.

"I called my wife and said, 'You need to rescue me. I'm stuck?" Dabestani said. "That's when I realized I needed to make the decision."

Once again, Dabestani chose the United States. His wife and child flew into Sweden, helping prove their marriage, and the family flew into Nebraska where Kathy and the child were living.

His entire family fled the country prior to the revolution. Many of them, he says, are physicians scattered across the globe, from France and England to Australia.

"I can get a good second and third opinion," Dabestani quipped.

Dabestani was hired by the state government where he became Director of Environmental Laboratories. That's where he got back into wrestling, this time as a coach. In 2002 he was hired by the Bruins.

Dabestani doesn't think he'd have made it as an immigrant if it weren't for wrestling.

"The self discipline that wrestling taught me enabled me to survive," Dabestani said. "At the age of 33, I started from zero again when I moved to the U.S. If I hadn't wrestled, with everything it taught me, I wouldn't have survived."

And those life skills, Dabestani said, are what he wants to impart on his wrestlers. Among other things Dabestani holds his wrestlers to a 3.0 GPA standard, believing a correlation exists between good grades and wrestling.

"They are at a critical age," he said. "You have to teach them discipline, time management and life skills that they can remember for the rest of their lives. Wrestling is a suitable tool for me to implement those ideas. I also designed this program so that they could be successful in athletic activities. I don't allow kids lagging on grades to wrestle, regardless of the district's policy."

From the O'Leary middle school wrestling program, which Dabestani helped reorganize when he was first hired, to junior varsity, Bruin wrestlers are treated differently than wrestlers at traditional wrestling programs.

"Kids need attention; you have to give it to them," Dabestani said. "Now is it positive or negative? You coach them like your own family member. I'm their grandpa, dad, you name it.... They are smart. They may not want to work hard, but they see right through you. You have to be very smart and honest with them. They know who you are and if you're BS-

ing them. You need to balance their time."

Dabestani, now a consultant, doesn't limit his time to influence what he calls "his kids."

"He is in school every day talking about kids grades," Federico said. "He even visited the kids at jail and funerals. He's been a speaker at funerals for a few kids that have passed. That's how much parents respect him. He's a father figure."

Every year, Dabestani brings wrestlers into his home and cooks them an Iranian delicacy, the fish head - it comes with an "I Conquered the Fish Head" shirt.

Dabestani doesn't have any insecurities about the meal. Just like the fish head, he doesn't care that his coaching philosophy is so much different than American tradition.

He just cares about his kids. "I really think that after all these years I may have had just

a couple kids out of line later on their lives," Dabestani said. "I tried everything. There was nothing I could do for them anymore, no matter how much time I spent on them. For that I'm sorry."

Women

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The women scored efficiently all across the court and in all manners in which they're capable of scoring. CSI started out by beating the USU-Eastern press, resulting in layups set up by pinpoint advance passes.

Once CSI displayed mastery of this scoring method, it turned to the half-court and semi-transition, moving the ball from side to side and inside out. Often it came by way of penetration from Adriana Dent and Patrice Toston, who combined for 15 assists. Forcing the defense to rotate, CSI got the ball into the hands of its forwards, who attempted shots without help defense converging, or to shooters with their feet set.

Skidmore, Cassidy thought to be the most impactful freshman coming into the year, finally had her day, making all four of her 3-pointers, scoring 18 points.

"It was so much fun, Skidmore said. "I don't know how it came or what happened, but it felt good. defender trying to close out.

"Cassidy has been waiting for a breakout game all year; she got it," Rogers said. "When we can stretch the floor like that, it gets everybody going."

Skidmore wasn't the only CSI player who played her best game of the year. Center Jessy Saint-Felix, who'd been struggling to finish lately, made six of eight shots and snared a team high 10 rebounds.

CSI was playing with such flow and movement on offense, creating quality shots seemingly so easy, that late in the game they started playing for the highlight reels.

Considering how poor CSI's played on offense this year, it was the first time hot-dogging had been on the menu.

"The girls started to see things too well. They were passing up some easy stuff for the home run play," Rogers said.

CSI 97, UTAH STATE-EASTERN 69 USU-E (69)

USUE (69) Collette 28 0-0 4, Parry 3-12 0-0 6, Arbon 3-10 1-4 7, Borges 2-10 0-0 6, Slade 1-3 4-5 6, Fletcher 0-2 0-0 0, Scoggins 2-6 1-2 6, Costa 3-10 4-10 10, Call 6-10 2-2 10, Thackeray 1-2 0-0 3, Earl 0-2 0-0, Strebel 2-7 0-2 0. Totals 25-52 12-25 69. CSI (97)

Men

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Kennedy Esume, Billy Reader and Juwan Newman were there to deny it and then clean it up with a rebound. The three combined to draw four offensive fouls near the basket, blocked five shots and contested everything on their end, which is quickly turning into a no-fly zone.

"Juwan Newman has continued to have great games for us," Gosar. "'Tigo and Storey have increased the ball pressure. When they are all healthy, they can keep it up because it takes a lot of energy. It snowballs on defense when everyone is playing hard. It's frustrating (for the other team). It's starting to click right now. This is how they should be playing."

Offensively, CSI got virtually anything it wanted at anytime. Its 3-point shooters thrived with mostly lightly contested looks -CSI shot 9-for-13 from beyond the arc. It scored near, far and everywhere in-between.

Six players scored in double digits, and nine had at least six points. Darius Johnson, who played point guard, shooting guard and small forward, was flying around on defense, blanketing the ends of possessions with perfect rotations, and doing a little bit of everything on offense. He scored 12.

"Right now we are together,"



STEVE CONNER/FOR THE TIMES-NEWS

Things are just coming together. We really worked on shooting this week. It seems like we are just getting into the flow of things."

Skidmore had two assists, and showed the ability to get by a wrong-footed Dent 3-3 1-2 8, Toston 5-7 7-10 18, Prestwich 0-2 0-0 0, Tanner 5-8 0-0 10, Saint-Felix 6-8 0-0 12, Skidmore 5-6 4-4 18, Duftrema 1-2 3-4 6, Dill 1-2 3-4 6, Grinsell 2-5 0-0 4, Roussas 0-2 0-0 0, Wirth 1-2 1-3 3, Toumson 2-3 1-2 2, Toumson 2-3 2-3 5. Totals 36-65 18-28 97. Halftime: (SI 41, USUE-31. 3-point goals: USUE-7-21 (Collette 0-1, Arbon 0-3, Borges 2-7, Scoggins 1-2, Call 1-3, Thackery 1-1, Earl 0-2, Strebel 1-27, (SI 1-18, Roussas 0-2, Dill 1-1, Franklin 0-1, Furniss 0-2, Dufurrena 1-1, Toston 1-4, Prestwich 3-8 Skidmore 4-4, Dent 1-1, Wirth 0-1, Grinsell 0-1), Rebounds: USUE-747 (Calint 1-6); Sciant-Felix 10, Assists: USUE-741 (0) (Strebel 2); CSI 26 (Toston 9), Turnovers: USU-741 (5) (27, Team fouls: USUE-70; C31. 3-3 1-2 8, Toston 5-7 7-10 18, Prestwich 0-2 0

Johnson. "We found our energy and chemistry from the start. Everybody is running. We know where we are trying to get. My coach wants my energy, they've preached it all week. Tonight I gave it."

CSI 103, UTAH STATE-EASTERN 39 USU-E (39) College of Southern Idaho guard Montigo Alford (1) shoots over Utah State-Eastern forward Jason Timpf (15) during their men's basketball game Saturday, Jan. 20, 2013 at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

Timpf 0-8 3-4 3, Perkins 1-6 2-2 4, Johnson 1-2 1-2 3, Stroud 1-6 0-0 3, Gatewood 6-19 1-5 14, Hadzisehovic 1-2 1-2 3, Day Jr. 0-2 0-0 0, Dias 4-6 0-0 9, Helgeson 0-3 0-2 0, Machado 0-2 0-0 0. Totals: 14-56 8-17 39. CSI (003) Paid 4-8 2-1 4, Pitchie 0-0-2-2, Paader 1-3 5-6 7, Paine 5-0 4-4 15

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Totals 32-56 30-36 103. Halftime: CSI 47, USU-E 14, 3-point goals: USU-E 3-12 (Timpf 0-3, Stroud 1-2, Gatewood 1-5, Dias 1-1, Machado 0-1): CSI 9-13 (Reid 4-6, Paige 1-1, Michineau 3-3, Johnson 0-2, Storey 1-1). Rebounds: USU-E 33 (Helgeson 7): CSI 40 (Newman 8). Assists: USU-E 5 (Timpf 4): CSI 11 (Storey 4). Turnovers: USU-E 25, CSI 9. Team fouls: USU-E 25, CSI 15.

LOCAL ROUNDUP

TWIN FALLS GIRLS CLINCH SHARE OF GBC TITLE

TIMES-NEWS

Falls on Tuesday.

HAILEY • Kaiya Moffitt had 11 points and eight rebounds as the Twin Falls girls basketball team wrapped up at least a share of the Great Basin Conference championship with a 51-17 rout at Wood River on Saturday.

Regan Harr and Kaitlyn Merritt each had 10 points for the Bruins (14-4, 9-0) and Hannah Meyerhoeffer dished out three assists.

Twin Falls hosts Burley and Wood River travels to Minico on Tuesday.



BURLEY • Burley junior Chelsee Baker tossed in 14 points to lead the Bobcats over the Indians in nonconference action.

Amy Morse led Buhl with 10 points followed by Kali Archibald with nine.

Buhl is at Wendell and Burley (13-4) travels to Twin

Buhl Burley BUHL (26) Archbald 9, 10 13 -26 17 8 -65 30 1723

BUHL (26) Archbald 9, Bowman 4, A. Morse 10, N. Morse 1, Amoth 2, Totals 9 3-5 26. BURLEY (65) Villanueva 4, Hutchison 8, Robins 2, Vale 9, Wayment 4, Villa 2, Baker 14, Noble 2, Carpenter 6, Bowers 6, Anderson 8. Totals 28 5-7 65. 3-point goals: Buhl 5 (Archibald 2, A. Morse 2, Bowman); Burley 4 (Vale 3, Baker). Total fouls: Buhl 16; Burley 10. Fouled out: none.

CHALLIS 66, HANSEN 34 HANSEN • Challis senior Madisen Garlie finished with 35 points, followed by Morgan Miller with 13 in the Snake River Conference win over the host Huskies.

Brandi Huizar topped Hansen with 12 points. Hansen (4-12, 0-5) is at

Grace on Monday. Challis



Hansen 6 13 9 6 -34 (HAILS) (66) 6 13 9 6 -34 (HAILS) (66) 6 13 Chanberland 4, Anderson 6. Totals 28 7-10 66. HANSEN (34) K. Urena 4, L. Urena 3, Huizar 12, Harris 4, Reese Peters 4, Valles 2, Carter 5. Totals 12 9-12 34. Ppoint goals: Challis 3 (Cail 2, Chamberland); Hansen 1 (Huizar). Total fouls: Challis 15; Hansen 11. Fouled out: Anderson.

AMERICAN FALLS 55, **KIMBERLY 46**

KIMBERLY • Makenzie Watts led the Bulldogs with 14 points, including three 3pointers in the home loss to the Beavers.

Kimberly (7-9) hosts Canyon Ridge on Wednesday.

American Falls 920 1215 18 8-55 9 10-46 Kimberly AMERICAN FALLS (55) Worris 2. A. Morris 4, Sanchez 6, Villa 6, Vicamon 9 C. Neamer Ayala 1, H. Morris 2, A. Morris 4, Sanchez 6 Perman 10, Woodworth 11, S. Neamen 9, C.)-35 55.

KIMBERI V (46)

KINGERLY (40) Keller 2, Burnham 9, Watts 14, Upton 7, Rongen 2, Bright 2, Christensen 4, Wall 6. Totals 17 8-21 46. 3-point goals: American Falls 3 (C. Neamen 2, Woodworth); Kimberly 4 (Watts 3, Burhnam). Total fouls: American Falls 17, Kimberly 22. Fouled out: Keller, Wright

CAREY 59, CASTLEFORD 23

CASTLEFORD • Jaide Parke tallied 23 points and Morgan Parke chipped in 14 as the Panthers improved to 3-1 in the Northside Conference with the road win over the Wolves.

Kylie Weekes led Castleford with 10 points.

Carey (8-6) is at Murtaugh on Tuesday. Castleford hosts Dietrich on Wednesday.

17 22 13 7 -59 3 2 13 5 -23

Castleroro CAREY (59) Durtschi 4, Jaide Parke 23, Rivera 5, Kirkland 4, Villanueva 1, Koudelka 2, Zarate 2, Cenarrusa 2, Castle 2, Morgan Parke 14. Totals 26 6-14 59.

Castle 2, Morgan Parke 14. Totals 26 6-14 59. **CASTLEFORD (23)** Harr 5, Bremers 3, Weekes 10, Gandolfo 5. Totals 9 3-18 23. 3-point goals: Carey 1 (Rivera); Castleford 2 (Harr, Gandolfo). Total fouls: Carey 15; Castleford 12. Fouled out. pone

GLENNS FERRY 48, GRACE 46, OT

GLENNS FERRY • Karli McHone scored 24 and Glenns Ferry held off Grace in overtime.

McHone hit two free throws with no time remaining in regulation to force the extra period.

Bailey Gorrell scored 11 for Glenns Ferry (13-5, 5-1 Snake River), which visits Wendell on Monday.

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WENDELL 34, SHOSHONE 31

WENDELL • Lupita Vargas scored 14 as Wendell picked up its fourth win of the season.

Jessie Simonson scored 14 and Sheyenne Hadden scored 11 for the Indians (7-10).

Wendell (4-12) hosts Glenns Ferry on Monday.

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WENDELL (34)

HETALL 1549 Wert 5, L. Vargas 14, Lancaster 6, Slade 2, E. Vargas 5, Andrus 2, Totals 12 9-26 34, 3-point goals: Shoshone 3 (Hadden 2, Simonson); Wendell 1 (Lancaster). Total fouls: Shoshone 18, Wendell 14, Fouled out: none.

BUTTE COUNTY 41, HAGERMAN 38 HAGERMAN • A late foul on

a 3-point shot gave Butte County the last three points of the game from the foul line.

Larissa Knight scored 10 points for Hagerman (13-5, 1-4 Snake River), which hosts

Hansen on Tuesday.

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Blattner 6. Totals 14 10-13				
HAGERMAN (38)	-		-	
White 6. Knight 10. Bean 8	. Reg	nier 6.	Sauer	8. lotals 1/

3-point goals: Butte County 3 (Shaffer 3); Hagerman 4 (White 2, Bean 2). Total fouls: Butte County 7, Hagerman 8. Fouled out: none.

Boys Basketball FILER 50, CANYON RIDGE 18

FILER • Filer improved to 12-2 as Jed Oyler scored a gamehigh 14 points.

Logan Beard added 11 for the Wildcats.

Filer hosts Kimberly on Tuesday. Canyon Ridge hosts Minico on Wednesday.

Canyon Ridge 6 5 2 5-18 17 18 5 10-50

Hier 1/ 18 5 10 -30. CANYON RIDGE (18) Burke 3, Bastian 3, Bishop 2, Gates 5, Teske 3, Clark 2. Totals 7 2-11 18.

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 FILER GOJ
 L. Beard 11, Tews 2, A. Beard 3, Whitlock 8, Oyler 14, Bailey 8, Ackerman 4. Totals 18 9-12 50.
 3-point goals: Canyon Ridge 2 (Gates, Teske); Filer 5 (L. Beard 3, Whitlock, Oyler). Total fouls: Canyon Ridge 16; Filer 9. Fouled out: none.

BUTTE COUNTY 56, HAGERMAN 40

HAGERMAN • Hagerman junior Kade Kress was the leading scorer for the game with 24 points, including four 3-pointers, but the Pirates' struggles continued against 1A-INo.1Butte County.

Hagerman (4-9, 1-4 Snake River) travels to Shoshone on Thursday.

Butte County 15 4 12 11 19 8 18 - 56 9 - 40 Hagerman BUTTE COUNTY (56)

Colburn 3, Gamett 10, Cummins 1, Fa Kent 10, K. Isham 17. Totals 21 5-8 56 HAGERMAN (40) 10, Cummins 1, Farmer 7, H. Isham 8 HAGERMAN (40) Kress 24, Funkhouser 7, Goolsby 2, Emerson 2, Arriaga 1, Sauer 4, Totals 13 10-12 40. 3-point goals: Butte County 9 (K. Isham 3, Kent 2, Gamet 2, Colburn, Farmery Hagerman 4 (Kress 4). Total fouls: Butte County 15; Hagerman 15. Fouled out: none.

HANSEN 52, CHALLIS 50

HANSEN • Seth Williams scored 25 and Devon Fitzsimmons added 11 as Hansen scored a big Snake River Conference win.

The Huskies (3-11, 1-4) host Lighthouse Christian on Tuesday.

Challis 13 8 13 16 -50 15 14 10 13 -52

Hansen _____ CHALLIS (50) Trusnovec 15, Hamilton 21, Olson 13, Provence 1. Totals HANSEN (52)

HANSEN (\$2) Cervantes 2. Stimpson 4, Williams 25, Fitzsimmons 11, Denny 4, Arevalo 2, Lasso 2, Urie 2. Totals 21 7-11 52. 3-point goals: Challis 4 (Trusnovec 4); Hansen 3 (Williams 3), Total fouls: Challis 11, Hansen 15, Fouled out: none. Technical fouls: Hamilton; Arevalo.

DECLO 77, **AMERICAN FALLS 55**

DECLO • Kai Garner scored 21, Hayden Hanson added 19 and Declo routed American Falls.

The Hornets (8-4) host Wendell on Monday.

American Falls 9 12 20 14 -55 20 19 16 22 -77

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 AMERICAN FALLS (55)
 Mower 7, A. Patterson 02, Stuart 2, Hall 13, B. Patterson 2, Barmert 9, Funk 2. Totals 21 8-15 55.
 DECLO (77)

 Margum 10, Hanson 19, Schroder 7, Moore 8, Garner 21, Matthews 3, Heward 9, Totals 22 23-33 77.
 American Falls 5 (Hall 3, A. Patterson, Mower); Declo 4

 Mathews 3, Heward 9, Totals 21, A. Patterson, Technical Falls 23, Declo 17, Fouled outs. B. Patterson, Technical Totals 8.
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SCOREBOARD

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Basketball

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CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana Chicago Milwaukee Detroit Cleveland WESTERN	25 23 20 14 10	16 15 18 25 31	.610 .605 .526 .359 .244	- 3½ 10 15
SOUTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio Memphis Houston Dallas New Orleans	32 25 21 17 13	11 13 21 24 27	.744 .658 .500 .415 .325	- 4½ 10½ 14 17½
NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City Denver Utah Portland Minnesota	32 24 21 20 17	8 18 19 19 20	.800 .571 .525 .513 .459	9 11 11½ 13½
PÁCIFIC	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers Golden State L.A. Lakers Sacramento Phoenix	31 24 17 16 13	9 15 22 25 28	.775 .615 .436 .390 .317	6½ 13½ 15½ 18½

Phoenix 13 28 Friday's Games Chicago 100, Boston 99, 0T Philadelphia 108, Toronto 101, 0T Indiana 105, Houston 95 Charlotte 106, Orlando 100 Brooklyn 94, Atlanta 89 Memphis 85, Sacramento 69 San Antonio 95, Golden State 88 Washington 112, Denver 108 Oklahoma City 117, Dallas 114, 0T Saturday's Games Sar Antonio 98, Atlanta 93 Sacramento 97, Charlotte 93 Minnesota 92, Houston 79 Golden State 116, New Orleans 112 Memphis at Chicago, 6 p.m. Cleveland at LA. Clippers, (Late) Sunday's Games Sanda L.A. Clippers, (Late) Sunday's Games Sanda L.A. Clippers, (Late) Washington at L.A. Lippers, Lac Sunday's Games L.A. Lakers at Toronto, 11 a.m. Dallas at Orlando, 4 p.m. Boston at Detroit, 5:30 p.m. Oklahoma City at Denver, 6 p.m. Oklahoma City at Denver, 6 p.m. Monday's Games Indiana at Memphis, 11 a.m. Sacramento at New Orleans, 11 a.m. Minnesota at Atlanta, Noon Houston at Charlotte, Noon Brooklyn at New York, 1:30 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Golden State, 2 p.m. San Antonio at Philadelphia, 5 p.m. Washington at Portland, 8 p.m. Washington at Portland, 8 p.m.

Warriors 116, Hornets 112

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 GOLDEN STATE (116)

 Barnes 1-2 0-1 2, Landry 3-9 5-6 11, Ezeli 5-9 3-3 13, Curry 5-17 8-10 20, Thompson 11-16 2-2 29, Biedrins 0-10-0 0, Green 2-2 0-0, 5, 1ack 7-13 10-11 25, Lefferson 4-8 2-2 11, Jenkins 0-0 0-0 0, Tyler 0-0 0-0 0, Bazemore 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 38-77 30-35 116.

 NEW ORLENSK (112)

 Amiun 7-9 0-114, Davis 9-12 2-7 20, Lopez 1-2 0-0 2, Vascuez 3-10 0-04, Gordon 7-16 6-7 23, Anderson 8-14 2-19, Mason 5-7 0-0 12, Henry 0-11-21, Smith 1-2 2-2 4, Rivers 4-6 0-08, Thomas 0-0 1-21. Totals 45-79 13-23 12.

/9 13-23 112. Golden State 33 34 18 31 – 116 New Orleans 27 30 32 23 – 112 3-Point Goals–Golden State 10-22 (Thompson 5-7, Curry 2-8, Green H., Jefferson 1-2, Jack 1-3, Barnes 0-1), New Orleans 9-24 (Gordon 3-7, Mason 2-3, Vasquez C. Jackerson 27, Buing O. H., Boulad Out, Mong

Anderson 2-7. Rivers 0-1). Fouled Out-None

18. Michigan State (16-3) beat No. 11 Ohio State 59-56. Next: at Wisconsin Tuesday wisconsin, Iuesday. 19. New Mexico (16-2) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado State, Wednesday. 20. Notre Dame (15-3) beat Rutgers 69-66. Next: vs. 22. Note Danie (LF3) Dear Rule of SO-00. Note Vs. Georgetown, Monday. 22. Oregon (16-2) beat No. 24 UCLA 76-67. Next: vs. Washington State, Wednesday. 22. VCU (16-3) beat Duquesne 90-63. Next: at Richmond, Thursday. VCU (16-9) Deate Durquesine 50: 004 neural at a second Thursday.
 Illinos (14-5) did not play, Next: at Nebraska, Tuesday.
 ULA (15-4) lost to No.21 Oregon 76-67. Next: at No. 7 Arizona, Thursday.
 Marquette (13-4) lost to Cincinnati 71-69, OT. Next: vs. Providence, Saturday.

Football

WILD-CARD PLAYOFFS Saturday, Jan. 5 Houston 19, Cincinnati 13 Green Bay 24, Minnesota 10 Sunday, Jan. 6 Baltimore 24, Indianapolis 9 Seattle 24, Washington 14 Divisional Playoffs **Divisional Playons** Saturday, Jan. 12 Baltimore 38, Denver 35, 20T San Francisco 45, Green Bay 31 San Francisco 45, Green Bay 31 Sunday, Jan, 13 Atlanta 30, Seattle 28 New England 41, Houston 28 Conference Championships Sunday, Jan, 20 San Francisco at Atlanta, 1 p.m.(FOX) Baltimore at New England, 4:30 p.m.(CBS) Pro Bowi

Baltimore at New England, 4:30 p.m.(CBS) Pro Bowl Sunday, Jan. 27 At Honolulu AFC vs. NFC, 5 p.m.(NBC) Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 3 At New Orleans AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 4 p.m.(CBS)

NFL DRAFT EARLY ENTRIES Released Saturday Keenan Allen, WR, California David Amerson, CB, N.C. State Alvin Bailey, G. Arkansas Stedman Bailey, WR, West Virginia David Barkhiran, OT, Colorado Dwayne Beckford, LB, Purdue Le'Veon Bell, RB, Michigan State Gio Bernard. RB, North Carolina Tyler Bray, OB, Tennessee Terrence Brown, CB, Stanford Duron Carter, WR, Ohio State Knile Davis, SR, Arkansas Mike Edwards, DB, Hawaii Matt Elam, S, Florida Zach Ertz, TE, Stanford Gavin Escobar, TE, San Diego State Chris Faulk, OT, LSU Sharrif Floyd, DT, Florida Michael Ford, RB, LSU Travis Frederick, C, Wisconsin Kwame Geathers, NT, Georgia William Gholston, DE, Michigan State Johnathan Hankins, DT, Ohio State Johno Jefferson, RB, Nevada Tony Jefferson, S, Oklahoma Jelani Jenkins, LB, Florida Luke Jocket, OT, Texas A&M Jarvis Jones, LB, Georgia Jose Jose, DT, LUCF Joe Kruger, DE, LUtah Eddie Lacy, TB, Alabama Marcus Latifumore, RB, South Carolina Grap Eleb, CB, Alabama Barkevious Mingo, DE, LSU Brandon Moore, DE, Horida State Jorda Reed, TE, Florida Eric Reid, S, LSU Greg Reid, DB, Florida State Shelon Richardson, DT, Missouri Nickel Robey, OB, Souther Cal Logan Ryan, CB, Rutgers Ace Sanders, RB, Suth Carolina Darrington Sentimore, DE, Florida State Shelon Richardson, DT, Missouri Nickel Robey, OB, Souther Cal Logan Ryan, CB, Rutgers Ace Sanders, WR, South Carolina Darrington Sentimo EAST, WEST SHRINE STATS

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2-5-1-19. West–Carder 9-11-1-95. Scott 3-4-0-81, Doege 4

RECEIVING—East- Fuller 2-29, Pantale 2-21, Davis 1-16,

CHAMPIONSHIP LEADING

Blake 1-8, Highsmith 1-7, Graham 1-6, Harris 1-5, Reed 1-3; West-Bumphis 4-92, Amos 4-59, Collins 3-17, Davis 2-12, Hill 1-10, Sudfeld 1-9, Michael 1-7.

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Golf

SCORES

ABU DHABI HSBC

Saturday At Abu Dhabi Golf Club Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates Purse: \$2.7 Million Yardage: 7,605 - Par: 72 Third Round Junitio. Doc Endead

Jamie Donaldson, Wales Thorbjorn, Olesen, Denmark Thongchai Jaidee, Thailand Richie Ramsay, Scotland David Howell, England Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano, Spain Ledeau Deth. Australia

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Justin Rose,England Jamie Donaldson, Wales

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HUMANA CHALLENGE SCORES

Saturday La Quinta, Calif. Purse: \$25.6 Million P-PGA West, Arnold Palmer Private Course (6,950 Yards,

PPGA west, a non Painter Private Course (6,950 rause Par 72) N-PGA West, Jack Nicklaus Private Course (6,951 Yards, Par 72) Q-La Quinta Country Club (7,060 Yards, Par 72) Third Round

Matteo Manassero, Italy

Scott Stallings Roberto Castro Stewart Cink Charles Howell III

John Rollins

Charley Hoffman Sang-Moon Bae Kevin Streelman

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Saturday

CHAMPIONS TOUR-MIT-

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INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

At Hualalai Golf Course Kaupulehu-Kona, Hawaii
Purse: \$1.8 Million
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Second Round David Frost
John Cook
Kirk Triplett
Fred Couples
Tom Kite
Bernhard Langer
Jay Haas
Steve Elkington
Russ Cochran
Tom Lehman
Hale Irwin Fred Funk
Willie Wood
Larry Nelson
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Hockey

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NORTHEAST	GP	W	L	OT	PTS GF	GA
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SOUTHEAST	GP	W	L	OT	PTS GF	GA
Florida Tampa Bay Carolina Washington Winnipeg WESTERN	1 1 1 1	1 0 0 0	0 0 1 1 1	0 0 0 0	2 5 2 6 0 1 0 3 0 1	1 3 5 6 4
CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS GF	GA
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Calgary Colorado Edmonton Minnesota Vancouver	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0
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loss. Friday's Games Priday's Games No games scheduled Saturday's Games Pritsburgh 3, Philadelphia 1 Ottawa 4, Winnipeg 1 Chicago 5, Los Angeles 2 Boston 3, N.Y. Rangers 1 Toronto 2, Montreal 1 New Jersey 2, N.Y. Islanders 1 Tampa Bay 6, Washington 3 Florida 5, Carolina 1 St. Louis 6, Detroit 0 Columbus 4 Nashville, (Late) Phoenix at Dallas, (Late) Colorado at Minnesota, (Late) Colorado at Minnesota, (Late) Sunday's Games Philadelphia at Buffalo, 10:30 a.m. San Jose at Calgary, 4 p.m. Pittsburgh at NY. Rangers, 5 p.m. Dallas at Minnesota, 6 p.m. Edmonton at Vancouver, 7 p.m. Chicago at Phoenix, 8 p.m. Winnipeg at Boston, 11 a.m. Tampa Bay at NY. Islanders, 11 a.m. Suf Jose at Calgary, 7 p.m. Portoit at Columbus, 5:30 p.m. Detroit at Columbus, 5:30 p.m.

Ski Report Value Bogus Basin – Fri 4:20 am hard packed machine groomed 23-28 base 52 of 66 trails 5 of 9 lifts, 79% open, Mon-Fri: 10a-10p. Sat/Sur: 9a-10p. Brundage – Sat 5:40 am PP 46:76 base 46 of 46 trails, 25 miles 1500 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 93-04:30p Sat/Sur: 9:30a-430p. Kelly Canyon – Operating, no details. Magic Mountain – Sat 9:48 am powder machine groomed 32-38 base 11 of 11 trails 3 of 3 lifts, 100% open, Fri: 9a-4p. Sat/Sur: 9a-4p. Open Fri-Sun. Pebble Creek – Tue No Recent Information packed powder machine groomed 18-52 base 36 of 54 trails, S00 acres, 2 of 3 lifts, 79% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p. Sat/Sur: 9a-4p.

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Tue/Sat: 4p-9p. Soldier Mountain – Sat 9:53 am packed powder achine groomed 24-39 base 36 of 36 trails 3 of 3 Iffs, 100% open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p, Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Sun Valley – Sat 6:01 am packed powder machine groomed 24-51 base 73 of 75 trails 15 of 19 lifts, 98%

TODAY'S SCHEDULE:

AUTO RACING Midnight NBCSN – Dakar Rally, final stage (delayed tape) GOLF 1 p.m. TGC — PGA Tour, Humana Challenge, final round 5:30 p.m. TGC - Champions Tour, Mitsubishi Electric Championship, final round NFL FOOTBALL 1 p.m. FOX – NFC Championship, San Francisco at Atlanta 4:30 p.m. CBS – AFC Championship, Bal-

timore at New England NHL HOCKEY 8 p.m. NBCSN — Chicago at Phoenix

PREP BASKETBALL 3 p.m. ESPN – New Hampton (N.H.)

Prep vs. Huntington (W.Va.) Prep TENNIS 9 a.m. ESPN2 – Australian Open, fourth round (same-day tape) 7 p.m. ESPN2 - Australian Open, fourth round 1:30 a.m. ESPN2 – Australian Open, fourth round WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKET-BALL 11 a.m. ROOT SPORTS NW - Iowa St. at Oklahoma St. 1 p.m. ESPN2 - Maryland at Georgia Tech ROOT SPORTS NW - UAB at UTEP 3 p.m. ESPN2-Texas A&M at Georgia

Ukraine, 6-4, 6-3. Sloane Stephens (29), U.S., def. Laura Robson, Britain,

7-5, 6-3. Bojana Jovanovski, Serbia, def. Kimiko Date-Krumm, Japan, 6-2, 7-6 (3). Doubles Men Second Round Simone Bolelli/Fabio Fognini, Italy, def. Rohan Bopanna, India/Rajeev Ram (12), U.S., 6-2, 7-6 (3). Thomaz Bellucci, Brazil/Benori Parie, France, def. Alexander Peya, Austria/Bruno Soares (9), Brazil, 3-6, 4-4-62

6-4, 6-3 Robin Haase/Igor Sijsling, Netherlands, def. Jonathan

Marray, Britain/Andre Sa (16), Brazil, 6-4, 7-6 (5). Mahesh Bhupathi, India/Daniel Nestor (5), Canada, def. Victor Hanescu, Romania/Martin Klizan, Slovakia, 6-1,

Victor namescu, Komanay wai un Kitzan, Siovana, Y. 7-6 (8). David Marrero/Fernando Verdasco (11), Spain, def. Tomasz Bednarek/Jerzy Janowicz, Poland, 6-1, 6-2. Kevin Anderson, South Africa/Jonathan Erlich, Israel, def. Matthew Barton/John Millman, Australia, 6-1, 6-7. (c), 6-2. (5), 6-3. Marcos Baghdatis, Cyprus/Grigor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, def. Max Mirnyi, Belarus/Horia Tecau (4), Romania, 3-6

6-3, 6-2. Julien Benneteau/Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France, def. Robert Lindstedt, Sweden/Nenad Zimonjic (7), Serbia, 6-3, 6-7 (5), 7-6 (5). Women

Women Second Round Jelena Jankovic, Serbia/Mirjana Lucic-Baroni, Croatia, def Anna-Lena Groenefeld, Germany/Kveta Peschke (9), Czech Republic, walkover. Irina-Camelia Begu/Monica Niculescu (13), Romania, def Alexandra Panova, Russia/Galina Voskoboeva, Kazakhstan, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5. Nadia Petrova, Russia/Katarina Srebotnik (5), Slovenia, def. Darja Jurak, Croatia/Katalin Marosi, Hungary, 6-1, 7-6 (3)

Varvara Lepchenko, U.S./Zheng Saisai, China, def. Julia Var var a Epricienkov, Los Zineng Sansan, China, Germany/Sam Stoszyn, Australia, 75, 3-6, 7-5. Serena, Venus Williams (12), U.S., def. Vera Dushevina, Russia/Olga Govortsova, Belarus, 6-1, 6-2. Cara Black, Zimbabwe/Anastasia Rodionova, Australia, def. Shuko Aoyama, Japan/Irina Falconi, U.S., 6-4, 6-4.

First Round Jarmila Gajdosova/Matthew Ebden, Australia, def. Sabine Lisicki, Germany/Frederik Nielsen, Denmark, 7-6 (6), 6-3. Abigail Spears/Scott Lipsky, U.S., def. Raquel Kops-Jones, U.S./Treat Conrad Huey, Philippines, 6-3, 3-6, 10-

7. Yaroslava Shvedova, Kazakhstan/Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, def. Vania King, U.S./Marcelo Melo, Brazil, 2-6, 6-4, 10-7. Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan/Rohan Bopanna, India, def.

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NBA



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San Antonio Spurs guard Tony Parker (9) works against Atlanta Hawks guard Kyle Korver (26) in the second half of an NBA basketball game on Saturday in Atlanta. San Antonio won 98-93.

Thornton, Evans Lift Kings over Bobcats, 97-93

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. • Marcus Thornton scored 18 points off the bench, Tyreke Evans came up big down the stretch, and the Sacramento Kings held on to beat the Charlotte Bobcats 97-93 Saturday night for their third win in four games.

After scoring just 69 points in a 16-point loss to Memphis a night earlier, the Kings made sure there would be not be another offensive letdown.

They led most of the way but needed a late burst from Evans, who scored six of the team's last nine points in the final four minutes.

Evans finished with 16 points. DeMarcus Cousins added 17 points and 10 rebounds, and James Johnson chipped in with nine points and nine rebounds for the Kings (16-25).

TIMBERWOLVES 92, **ROCKETS 79**

MINNEAPOLIS • Chris Johnson and Mickael Gelabale signed 10-day contracts with Minnesota on Saturday morning, then scored the first 23 points of the fourth quarter to lift the Timberwolves to a 92-79 victory over the slumping Houston Rockets on Saturday night.

Johnson, signed from Santa Cruz of the NBA Development League, scored 13 of his 15 points in the fourth. Gelabale, a forward who arrived from France on Thursday, had 10 of his 11 points in the final 12 minutes to help the injury-

Parker had 23 points and 12 assists, and the Spurs held off the short-handed Atlanta Hawks 98-93 on Saturday night for their fourth straight victory.

"Tony is just incredible," said Spurs coach Gregg Popovich. "What competi-tiveness. What a will to win. What a will to carry the team. He's really fun to watch at both ends of the court. And he's been doing that all year."

The Spurs snapped a streak of three straight road losses with their first win away from San Antonio since Jan. 2.

Matt Bonner added 17 points, and Kawhi Leonard and Tiago Splitter each had 14 for the Spurs.

WARRIORS 116, HORNETS 112

NEW ORLEANS • Klay Thompson had a seasonhigh 29 points, Jarrett Jack scored seven of his 25 in the final minute and the Golden State Warriors beat the New Orleans Hornets 116-112 on Saturday night.

The Warriors trailed 110-108 in a topsy-turvy game when Jack hit two free throws with 52 seconds left to tie the score. He converted a tough floater to give Golden State a 112-110 lead, and he finished off the Hornets with three free throws.

Thompson scored 24 in the first half as the Warriors led by as much as 16. Jack, who played for the Hornets last season, added 12 assists. Stephen Curry, returning after missing two games with a right ankle sprain, had 17 of his 20 points in the second half. New Orleans struggled on its final possessions. Eric Gordon missed an open shot that would have broken a 110-all tie. Jason Smith was called for an illegal screen when they trailed 112-110. Greivis Vasquez missed a 3-point shot that would have tied the score at 113. Gordon scored 23 points for the Hornets, who lost despite shooting a seasonhigh 57 percent. Rookie Anthony Davis added 20 points and 12 rebounds.

Rebounds–Golden State 41 (Landry 11), New Orleans 47 (Davis 12). Assists–Golden State 25 (Jack 12), New Orleans 30 (Vasquez 15). Total Fouls–Golden State 19, New Orleans 26 A-15,472 (17,188). Spurs 98, Hawks 93

SAN ANTONIO (98) Leonard 4-8 4-4 14, Diaw 4-7 0-0 9, Splitter 7-11 0-0 14, Parker 10-22 3-5 23, Green 3-9 0-0 7, Blair 3-7 1-2 7, Jackson 0-3 0-0 0, Neal 2-9 0-0 4, De Colo 1-2 0-0 3, Bonner 7-8 0-0 17, Totals 41-86 8-11 98.

7, Jackson 0-3 0-0 0, Neal 2-9 0-0 4, DE COO 1-2 0-0 3, Bonner 7-8 0-0 17, Totals 41-86 8-11 98. **ATLANTA (93)** Smith 8-15-8 21, Horford 4-11 1-2 9, Pachulia 2-4 0-0 4, Teague 6-16 4-4 16, Korver 7-12 0-0 19, Johnson 1-3 0-0 2, Harris 4-8 3-6 13, Jenkins 3-12 2-2 9, Scott 0-2 0-0 0, Tolliver 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 35-85 15-22 93. **San Antonio** 25 77 20 26 - 98 **Atlanta** 16 26 28 23 - 98 **Atlanta** 16 26 28 23 - 93 3-Point Goals–San Antonio 8-24 (Bonner 3-3, Leonard 2-5, De Colo 1-1, Diaw 1-4, Green 1-4, Parker 0-1, Jackson 0-2, Neal 0-4), Atlanta 8-21 (Korver 5-8, Harris 2-3, Jenkins 1-6, Smith 0-1, Teague 0-3), Fouled Out–None. Rebounds–San Antonio 46 (Blair, Splitter 7), Atlanta 59 (Horford 15), Assists–San Antonio 12 (Parker 12), Atlanta 12 (Teague 8), Total Fouls–San Antonio 15, Atlanta 14.4. - Markez 55 (NZP9). **Timberwolves 92, Rockets 79**

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HUBUSTON (79) Parsons 2:10 2:2 7, Patterson 1:3 0:0 3, Asik 1:4 0:0 2, Lin 3:12 6:8 12, Harden 5:18 8:10 18, Smith 6:9 0:0 12, Delfino 5:12 1:2 15, Beverley 0:4 2:4 2, Morris 1:3 0:0 3, Douglas 1:3 2:2 5. Totals 25:78 21:28 79.

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Kings 97, Bobcats 93

 SACRAMENTO (97)

 Salmons 2-4 0-0 4, Thompson 5-6 1-2 11, Cousins 8-19

 1-2 17, IThomas 4-11 7-8 15, Evans 6-10 4-4 16,

 Thornton 6-11 2-2 18, Robinson 0-1 0-0 0, Johnson 4-8

 1-9, Brooks 0-4 2-2, Hayes 0-3 0-0 0, Garcia 2-4

 0-0-5, Totals 37-81 18-21 97.

 CHARLOTTE (93)

 Kidd-Gilchrist 1-4 2-4, Warrick 3-7 6-8 12, Biyombo

 0-0-0, 0, Walker 6-17 1-11 4, Henderson 7-15 1-2 15,

 Haywood 3-5 5-9, Gordon 4-10 1-2 12, Sessions 5-10

 5-7 16, Adrine 2-3 5-7, Taylor 0-1 2-2, Totals 31-72

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26-38 93. Sacramento 25 26 27 19 – 97 Charlotte 20 26 30 17 – 93 3-Point Goals–Sacramento 5-18 (Thornton 4-7, Garcia 1-2, Evans 0-1, Salmons 0-1, Johnson 0-1, Brooks 0-2, 1.Thomas 0-4), Charlotte 5-15 (Gordon 3-4, Sessions 1-1, Walker 1-7, Taylor 0-1, Henderson 0-2), Fouled Out-None Perhounds–Sacrament A6 (Guisins 10) None. Rebounds–Sacramento 46 (Cousins 10), Charlotte 54 (Haywood 7). Assists–Sacramento 24 (I.Thomas 7), Charlotte 20 (Walker 10). Total Fouls– Sacramento 27, Charlotte 18. A–17,012 (19,077).

TOP 25 FARED

Saturday 1. Louisville (16-2) lost to No. 6 Syracuse 70-68. Next: at

1. LOUSINIE LID-21 INSE UNIX O STRUCT Y & CARTON Villanova, Tuesday. 2. Indiana (15-2) did not play, Next: at Northwestern, Sunday. 3. Duke (16-1) did not play, Next: at Miami, Wednesday. 4. Kansas (16-1) beat Texas 64-59. Next: at No. 16 Kansas

Katley Tuesday.
 Sinchigan (17-1) did not play. Next: vs. Purdue, Thursday.
 Syracuse (17-1) beat No. 1 Louisville 70-68. Next: vs.

6. Sprace (17) beat Arizona State 71-54. Next: vs. No. 24 UCLA, Thursday. 8. Gonzaga (17-1) at No. 13 Butler, Next: vs. BYU, Thursday.

9. Minnesota (15-3) did not play. Next: at Northwesterr

10. Florida (14-2) beat No. 17 Missouri 83-52. Next: at Georgia,

11. Ohio State (13-4) lost to No. 18 Michigan State 59-56.

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 Next: vs. Jowa, Tuesday.
 Creighton (17-2) lost to Wichita State 67-64. Next: at Drake, Wednesday.
 Butler (15-2) vs. No. 8 Gonzaga. Next: at La Salle, Wednesday.

Wednesday, 14, N.C. State (14-3) did not play, Next: vs. Clemson, Sunday, 15, San Diego State (14-4) lost to Wyoming 58-45. Next: at Nevada, Wednesday. 16, Kanass State (15-2) beat Oklahoma 69-60. Next: vs. No. 4 Kansas, Tuesday. 17. Missouri (13-4) lost to No. 10 Florida 83-52. Next: vs. South Carolina, Tuesday.

open, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p. Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Tamarack – Sat 8:00 am packed powder 19-58 base 35 of 36 trails, 3 of 6 lifts 98% open, Thu/Fri: 9a-4p.

Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Jan 21: 9a-4p. Sun Valley XC – Operating, no details. **Utah**

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groomed 52-52 base 104 of 104 trails 100% open, 28 miles, 3000 acres, 8 of 9 lifts, sm Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Snowbird – Sat 7:45 am packed powder machine groomed 59-59 base 85 of 85 trails 100% open, 13 of 13 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-5p. Sat/Sun: 9a-5p. Solitude – Sat 7:46 am packed powder machine groomed 57-57 base 65 of 65 trails 100% open, 8 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p. Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Sundance – Sat 5:00 am packed powder machine groomed 39-39 base 42 of 42 trails 100% open, 450 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon. Wed-Fri: 9a-9p. Tue-9a-4:30p. Wolf Mountain – Fri 10:12 am packed powder machine groomed 54-54 base 22 of 22 trails 100% open, 4 of 4 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-9p. Sat/Sun: 9a-9p. **Wyoning** Grand Targhee – Sat 6:07 am packed powder machine groomed 54-54 base 72 of 72 trails 100% open, 2602 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p. Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Jackson Hole – Sat 7:01 am packed powder machine groomed 47-59 base 110 of 116 trails 96% open, 2400 acres, 12 of 15 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p. Sat/Sun: 9a-4p. Grand Targhee X = 54t Reonen 1/20 nacked nowder

9a-4p. Grand Targhee XC – Sat Reopen 1/20 packed powder machine groomed 24-69 base 5 of 5 trails, 15 miles Mon-Fri: 9a-4p. Sat/Sun: 9a-4p.

Tennis AUSTRALIAN OPEN RESULTS

Saturday At Melbourne Park Melbourne, Australia Purșe: \$31.608 million (Grand Slam) Surface: Hard-Outdoor

Men Third Round Richard Gasquet (9), France, def. Ivan Dodig, Croatia, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (2), 6-0. 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (2), 6-0. Jeremy Chardy, France, def. Juan Martin del Potro (6), Argentina, 6-3, 6-3, 6-7 (3), 3-6, 6-3. Andreas Seppi (21), Italy, def. Marin Cilic (12), Croatia, 6-7 (2), 6-3, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2. Andy Murray (3), Britain, def. Ricardas Berankis, Lithuania, 6-3, 6-4, 7-5. Jowilliried Stong (7), France, def. Blaz Kavcic, Slovenia, 6-2, 6-1, 6-4. Milos Baoni (13), Canda, def. Philion Kohlschreiher Slovena, 6-2, 6-1, 6-4. Milos Raonic (13), Canada, def. Philipp Kohlschreiber (17), Germany, 7-6 (4), 6-3, 6-4. Roger Federer (2), Switzerland, def. Bernard Tomic, Australia, 6-4, 7-6 (5), 6-1. Gilles Simon (14), France, def. Gael Monfils, France, 6-4, 6-4. 4-6. 1-6. 8-6. Women Third Round Maria Kirilenko (14), Russia, def. Yanina Wickmayer (20), Belgium, 7-6 (4), 6-3. Victoria Azarenka (1), Belarus, def. Jamie Hampton,

U.S., 6-4, 4-6, 6-2 Svetlana Kuznetsova. Russia. def. Carla Suarez Navarro. Spain, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 Span, 6-2, 4-6, 6-5. Serena Williams (3), U.S., def. Ayumi Morita, Japan, 6-1,

Elena Vesnina. Russia. def. Roberta Vinci (16). Italy. 4-6. Caroline Wozniacki (10). Denmark. def. Lesia Tsurenko.

Ashiegh Barty, Australia/Jack Sock, U.S., 63, 6-3, Elena Vesnina, Russia/Leander Paes (2), India, def. Sofia Arvidsson, Sweden/Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi, Pakistan, 6-7 (8), 6-4, 10-7. Andrea Hlavackova, Czech Republic/Daniele Bracciali (7), Italy def. Casey Dellacqua/John-Patrick Smith, Australia, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (4). Legends Doubles Round Rohin

Round Robin

Men Todd Woodbridge/Mark Woodforde, Australia, def.

Mansour Bahrami, Iran/Wayne Ferreira, South Africa, 7-6 (17), 6-4. Women Iva Majoli, Croatia/Barbara Schett, Austria, def. Nicole Bradtke/Rennae Stubbs, Australia, 7-5, 6-1. Junior Singles

Boys First Round

Lee Duck Hee, South Korea, def. Jacob Grills, Australia, 6-4, 7-6 (4). Hannes Wagner, Germany, def. Jakub Oravec, Slovakia, 6-3, 7-6 (2). Christian Garin (9), Chile, def. Takashi Saito, Japan, 7-6

(2), 6-2. Filippo Baldi (8), Italy, def. Jay Andrijic, Australia, 6-4, Paul Woerner, Germany, def. Dominic Weidinger,

Austria, 6-3, 7-6 (3). Matej Maruscak, Slovakia, def. Laslo Djere (4), Serbia, 6-4, 6-7 (7), 6-2. Akira Santillan, Australia, def. Mazen Osama, Egypt, 6-

1, 6-2. Yoshihito Nishioka (14), Japan, def. Karen Khachanov,

Russia, 6-4, 6-2. Lucas Miedler, Austria, def. Johan Sebastien Tatlot, Lucas miedlef, Austria, der. Jonan Seubstein Fatur, France, 6-2, 6-20, Serbia, def. Jurence Zosimo Mendoza, Philippines, 6-3, 6-1. Oliver Anderson, Australia, def. Brayden Schnur, Canada, 2-6, 6-0, 7-5. Marc Polmans, Australia, def. Nicolas Jarry, U.S., 6-2, 6-

Borna Coric (11), Croatia, def. Martin Redlicki, U.S., 6-4,

Chung Hyeon (6), South Korea, def. Jake Delaney, Chung Hydro (U), South Norea, vs. Jake Delaney, Australia, 6-1, 6-2.
Kim Dukyoung, South Korea, vs. Mackenzie McDonald (13), U.S., 3-6, 6-0, 6-1.
Yeung Pak Long, Hong Kong, def. Maxime Hamou, France, 6-1, 6-0.

Girls First Round

Pist Kounu Oleksandra Korashvili (16), Ukraine, def. Nicoleta Dascalu, Romania, 6-2, 7-5. Sun Ziyue, China, def. Priscilla Hon, Australia, 4-6, 6-1,

Natalia Vajdova, Slovakia, def. Lizette Cabrera, Australia, 6-2, 6-2. Barbora Krejcikova (12), Czech Republic, def.

Kamonwan Buayam, Thailand, 6-0, 6-4. Anett Kontaveit (10), Estonia, def. Harriet Dart, Britain, 6-2, 7-5. Antonia Lottner (4), Germany, def. Aliona Bolsova, Moldova, 7-6 (2), 6-7 (4), 6-2. Mami Adachi, Japan, def. Bridget Liddell, New Zealand,

Ana Konjuh (3), Croatia, def. Ellen Perez, Australia, 6-3,

Ölga Fridman, Ukraine, def. Naiktha Bains, Australia, 6-2, 2-6, 10-8. Carol Zhao (6), Canada, def. Brooke Rischbieth, Australia, 4-6, 7-5, 6-4. Anna Danilina (7), Kazakhstan, def. Hikari Yamamoto, Japan, 6-2, 7-5. Sara Tomic, Australia, def. Gabriela Pantuckova, Czech Republic, 2-6, 6-2, 6-4. Alexandra Kiick (15), U.S., def. Deborah Chiesa, Italy, 6-3, 6-4. Fiona Ferro, France, def. Madrie Le Roux, South Africa, 7-6 (7), 3-6, 6-4. Xu Shilin, China, def. Stefani Stojic, Australia, 4-6, 6-2, Jamie Loeb, U.S., def. Camilla Rosatello, Italy, 6-1, 6-2.

Transactions BASKETBALL National Basketball Association NBA-Fined Dallas Mavericks F Shawn Marion \$25,000 for public riticism of officiating. FOTBALL National Football League

National Football League BUFFALO BILLS – Named Pat Morris offensive line coach. CHICAGO BEARS — Retained defensive backs coach Jon Hoke and defensive line coach Mike Phair. Announced the retirement of Rusty Jones director of Division development Physical developement. JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS – Named Jedd Fisch offen-sive coordinator and Bob Babich defensive coordina-

tor. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS – Signed DL Marcus Forston from the practice squad.

plagued Wolves snap a fivegame skid.

James Harden scored 18 points on 5-of-18 shooting for the Rockets, who have lost seven straight games. Houston shot 32 percent and committed 20 turnovers in another lethargic effort that had coach Kevin McHale scrambling to find anybody who could give them some energy.

SPURS 98, HAWKS 93

ATLANTA (AP) • With Tim Duncan given a night off and Manu Ginobili still out with a hamstring injury, Tony Parker took the lead for the San Antonio Spurs.

Highlights of Proposals Passed at NCAA Convention

GRAPEVINE, Texas (AP)

• Some of the changes that will go into effect Aug. 1 after the NCAA Division I Board of Directors voted on a series of proposals at the conclusion of the NCAA convention Saturday:

 Student-athletes will be able to accept up to \$300 per year beyond normal expenses to attend nonscholastic events.

 Student-athletes can receive an undefined amount of money to help offset expenses associated with practices and competition with national teams, including tryouts.

• Schools can provide normal expenses, including travel, for athletes representing the school at events such as goodwill tours and media appearances.

• Schools, conferences or

the NCAA can pay for medical and related expenses for a student-athlete.

• There will no longer be restrictions on how recruits can be contacted or how often they can be contacted, though no-contact periods would remain in place.

• Elimination of recruiting coordination rules that must be performed only by a head or assistant coach, limits of how many coaches can be recruiting off-campus at any one time and restrictions on what printed materials can be sent to recruits. - Deregulation of rules on camp and clinic employment for college athletes and recruits and allow senior prep players to participate in camps and clinics.

Armstrong's Enemies Find Vindication, Sadness

Associated Press

First shunned, then vilified by Lance Armstrong, Mike Anderson had to move to the other side of the world to get his life back.

Now running a bike shop outside of Wellington, New Zealand, Armstrong's former assistant watched news reports about his former boss confessing to performanceenhancing drug use with only mild interest. If Anderson never hears Armstrong's voice again, it would be too soon.

"He gave me the firm, hard push and a shove," Anderson said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press. "Made my life very, very unpleasant. It was an embarrassment for me and my family to be portrayed as liars, to be called a disgruntled employee, implying there was some impropriety on my part. It just hurt. It was completely uncalled for."

Anderson is among the dozens, maybe hundreds, of former teammates, opponents and associates to receive the Armstrong treatment, presumably for not going along with the party line that the now-disgraced, seven-time Tour de France cyclist didn't need to cheat to win.

The penalties for failing to play along were punitive, often humiliating, and now that Armstrong has admitted in an interview with Oprah Winfrey that he's a doper, aliar and a bully, many of those who saw their lives changed, sometime ruined, are going through a gamut of emotions.

Some feel vindicated, others remain vengeful. Some are sad, while many others are simply wrung out.

"He's damaged a lot of people's lives," said Betsy Andreu, whose husband, Frankie, was culled from Armstrong's team for not agreeing to dope. "He has damaged the sport of cycling. Frankie was fired for not getting on the program. I never thought this day would come but it's so incredibly sad."

Before his interview with Winfrey aired, Armstrong reached out to the Andreus to apologize but the planned reconciliation did not work. In fact, Armstrong's interview only made things worse, when he refused to confirm what the Andreus testified to under oath – that they had heard the cyclist admit to doping while meeting with doctors treating him for cancer at an Indiana hospital in 1996.

Regardless of whether Armstrong says more about that, there's no denying that life for the Andreus changed when they refused to go along.

"Frankie's career was definitely cut short. His career was ruined early," Betsy Andreusaid. "Youhaveriders out there whose careers never happened" because of Armstrong.

And some whose careers were cut short.

Filippo Simeoni was a talented, young rider who dared admit to doping and told authorities he received his instructions from physician Michele Ferrari, who also advised Armstrong during his career. After that 2002 testimony, Armstrong branded Simeoni a liar. He went so far as to humiliate Simeoni at the 2004 Tour de France, when he chased down the Italian rider during a breakaway and more or less ordered him to fall back in line. Later in the race, and with a TV camera in his face, Armstrong put his finger to his lips in a "silence" gesture. After the stage, he said he was simply protecting the interests of the peloton.

Te'o Provides Answers, but More May be Asked

NEW YORK (AP) • Manti Te'o tried to put one of the strangest sports stories in memory behind him, insisting he was the target of an elaborate online hoax in which he fell for a fake woman created by pranksters, then admitting his own lies made the bizarre ordeal worse.

Whether his off-camera interview with ESPN was enough to demonstrate that the Notre Dame star linebacker was a victim in the scheme instead of a participant is still an open question.

The most important judges of the All-American and Heisman Trophy finalist may be pro football teams. Te'o has finished his coursework at Notre Dame and is preparing for the NFL draft at an elite training facility in Florida, where the 2¹/₂-hour interview was conducted late Friday night.

ESPN reporter Jeremy Schaap said that the 21-yearold Te'o answered all his questions in a calm voice, and tried to clear up the mysteries and inconsistencies of the case.

Among the highlights:

– Te'o denied being in on the hoax. "No. Never," he said. "I wasn't faking it. I wasn't part of this."

- Te'o provided a timeline and details of his relationship with Lennay Kekua, his virtual sweetheart, who went through an array of medical calamities before "dying" of Leukemia in September, just hours after Te'o got real news of his grandmother's death.

- He acknowledged that he lied to his father about meeting Kekua in person, then exacerbated the situation after her supposed death when he "tailored" his comments to reporters to make it sound as if their relationship was more than just phone calls and electronic messages.

"I even knew, that it was

49ers' Crabtree Questioned in Sexual Assault Case

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) • San Francisco 49ers wide receiver Michael Crabtree has voluntarily met with police in their investigation into an alleged sexual assault in a hotel after the team's playoff victory over the Green Bay Packers last weekend, his at-

out this investigation," the attorney, Joshua Bentley, said in a brief statement emailed to The Associated Press.

Bentley provided no additional details and had no further comment.

The statement comes af-

Sunday. Crabtree hasn't been detained or arrested, and has agreed to be available for more questions in the future, police said.

The probe is being handled by the department's special victims unit. When the investigation is done, the crazy that I was with somebody that I didn't meet, and that alone — people find out that this girl who died, I was so invested in, I didn't meet her, as well," Te'o said. "So I kind of tailored my stories to have people think that, yeah, he met her before she passed away, so that people wouldn't think that I was some crazy dude."

In the same part of the conversation, Te'o said: "Out of this whole thing, that is my biggest regret. And that is the biggest, I think, that's from my point of view, that is a mistake I made."

 He detailed the confusing phone conversation he had on Dec. 6, when the woman who was posing as Kekua contacted him and told him one last hard-tobelieve story about how she had to fake her own death to evade drug dealers. Te'o said it left him piecing together what exactly was going on over the next few days, when he was bouncing from interview to interview while taking part in the Heisman Trophy ceremony in New York on Dec. 8 and another awards dinner in Los Angeles the next night. He mentioned his girlfriend in interviews at least three times over that period.

- Even after he went to his parents, coaches and Notre Dame officials with the story by Dec. 26, and the school provided an investigation that it says corroborated Te'o's version by Jan. 4, the player told ESPN that it was not until Ronaiah Tuiasosopo, a 22-year-old acquaintance who lives in California, contacted him Wednesday and confessed to the prank, that he finally believed Kekua was not real. Schaap said that Te'o showed him direct messages from Twitter in which Tuiasosopo admitted to masterminding the hoax and apologized.

Schaap remarked to Te'o earlier in the interview that he still talked about Lennay as if she existed.

"Well, in my mind I still don't have answers," Te'o replied. "I'm still wondering what's going on, what happened." Tuiasosopo has not spoken publicly since Deadspin.com broke the news of the hoax on Wednesday and identified him as being heavily involved.

At the Tuiasosopo house in Palmdale, Calif., the family did not answer the door Saturday. The AP learned Saturday through public records and interviews a house on the street as the Tuiasosopo's that Te'o had flowers delivered to after Kekua "died" was once lived in by Ronaiah. The residents now? A family named Kekua, though they've never heard of a Lennay Kekua.

Whether Tuiasosopo ultimately confirms Te'o's version of the story will go a long way toward determining where this saga is headed.

In the interview with ES-PN, Te'o implied that he was not holding a grudge against Tuiasosopo.

"I hope he learns," Te'o said. "I hope he understands what he's done. I don't wish an ill thing to somebody. I just hope he learns. I think embarrassment is big enough."



torney said Saturday. "Michael fully cooper

"Michael fully cooperated with the inspectors and will continue to do so throughter police said they were investigating a sexual assault allegation involving Crabtree in a San Francisco hotel early findings will be forwarded to the district attorney's office, which decides if charges should be filed, police said.



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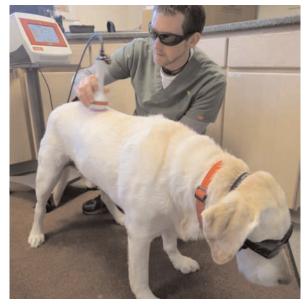
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KAREN BOSSICK · FOR THE TIMES-NEWS Jared Higley applies laser therapy to Hank's rump at Sun Valley Animal Center. Hank, a yellow Lab, was outfitted with goggles before his treatment.

Laser Therapy Goes to the Dogs

BY KAREN BOSSICK For the Times-News

KETCHUM • Laser therapy to treat chronic arthritis and injuries. An underwater treadmill for post-surgical rehabilitation. ...

These tools are now going to the dogs.

The Sun Valley Animal Center near Ketchum just started using a Class IV Therapy Laser, considered new technology in the U.S., to reduce pain, inflation and scar tissue in dogs that have undergone surgery. And a new underwater treadmill is sitting in its box awaiting use to treat dogs with orthopedic problems, musculoskeletal disease, arthritis and obesity.

The new equipment is part of the veterinary clinic's attempt to offer a full-service Physical Therapy Unit, in addition to the elbow surgeries, acupuncture and other services it already offers.

"We know dogs heal better with physical therapy, just like people," said veterinarian Heidi Woog, who is getting her physical therapy certification along with clinic veterinarian Maggie Acker.

Among the first to be treated with canine laser therapy at the clinic was Hank, a 12-year-old yellow Lab that recently underwent surgery to clean out



Stephanie Van Diest pets her dog Baylee at her Kimberly home on Monday.

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Remembering Man's Best Friend

Magic Valley residents share stories of how they memorialized pets that died.

KIMBERLY • Some animals come into people's lives as pets but leave as family members. For Stephanie Van Diest



est was waiting for her daughter's bus to arrive and saw boys kicking at a springer spaniel puppy.

"I yelled at them, 'Don't

back discs that had caused sciatica. The sciatica kept him from getting around.

Veterinary technician Jared Higley outfitted Hank with goggles to prevent exposure to his eyes from the laser treatment. Then he rubbed a bulbous instrument that emitted a purplish laser light over the shaved patch on Hank's rump.

Hank stood there lapping it up as if someone were rubbing his back.

"I haven't had a dog complain yet!" Higley said.

After a 15-minute treatment Hank was moving around the clinic, nosing up to anyone he thought might give him a doggy biscuit.

"Seven laser treatments and he's jumping in the car again. He hadn't done that for eight months," said veterinarian assistant Sue Acker.

Most chronic conditions show a positive response in three to four treatments, with dogs showing at least a 50 percent improvement in mobility and pain reduction, said laser consultant Craig Hartshorn. The treated site feels better either immediately or within 12 to 24 hours after treatment.

The canine laser treatment uses photons from lasers to penetrate into the tissue, accelerate cellular reproduction and growth and increase the energy available to the cells so they can take on nutrients and get rid of waste products more quickly, Woog said.

Treatments, which cost between \$30 and \$50, reduce pain and inflammation. They accelerate tissue repair and growth, stimulating fibroblasts to produce collagen to replace or repair tissue injury. They also increase the formation of new capillaries in damaged tissue to speed the healing of a wound. In addition, they reduce the formation of scar tissue and improve nerve function in impaired limbs. And they stimulate the immune system, Woog said.

"Laser therapy doesn't require anesthesia. And it can be used for things like arthritis that surgery can't always address," she said.

always address," she said. The treadmill, when it is up and running, will be used to help canines who have undergone back and other surgeries and can't do weight-bearing exercise. The treadmill will help build the dogs' muscle mass as they paddle against the resistance of the water.

"It takes the weight off joints that suffer from trauma or arthritis," Woog said.

Sun Valley Animal Center: http://svanimal.com/

NEXT WEEK

Circle of Support

When eating habits are out of control: Reporter Paul Dunn visits an Overeaters Anonymous meeting. *Next Sunday in People* of Kimberly, her dog Bruno wasn't just a family member, he was her soul pet.

"It was his job to always be next to me," Van Diest said.

Whenever Van Diest was sick in bed, Bruno was at the foot of the bed. If she was in her sewing room, Bruno was under the table.

So when Bruno suddenly died Jan. 7, 2007, after eating tainted dog food that killed dogs across the U.S., Van Diest was devastated and grieved for a long time.

"He was just so wonderful, he was special. I miss him," Van Diest said. The American Veterinary TETONA DUNLAP. TIMES-NEWS A cross marks where a pet was buried in the Magic Valley Pet Memorial Cemetery.

Medical Association recently released its U.S. Pet Ownership and Demographics Sourcebook, which showed that Idaho ranks ninth for pet ownership with 62 percent of households owning a pet. Van Diest always jokes that her family didn't adopt Bruno, he adopted them. Fifteen years ago, Van Dikick him," Van Diest said.

The boys told her it wasn't their dog and they were trying to shoo it away. When the bus arrived and Van Diest's daughter got into the car, the puppy jumped into her lap. Bruno has been a member of the family since.

Bruno still joins Van Diest when she works at her sewing machine. Memorialized in a quilt, he sits in a blue chair.

The quilt of Bruno won Curator's Choice and was a part of the 2010 Hoffman Challenge, a traveling quilt show that tours the *Please see* **REMEMBERING, P4**

The Man Who Likes to Tease

BY TETONA DUNLAP

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When We Met

If you're meeting Danny Vanden Bosch for the first time, you might want to tell him a joke. He's known as a bit of a teaser and a joker by his coworkers at The Mustard Seed in Twin Falls.

"He'll walk by and stick his tongue out ... or he'll wave," store manager Liz Mandelkow said Jan. 14 while I sat in her office at the thrift store waiting to meet Vanden Bosch.

I wasn't clever enough to think of a funny way to break the ice by the time he walked to the front of the store. So I didn't blame him for wanting to go back to work rather than sit in an office and talk with a new person wielding a camera.

"He's camera shy," said Vanden Bosch's developmental technician, Diane Goodman, as we followed him to the back room of The Mustard Seed where Vanden Bosch was sorting hangers.

Vanden Bosch reminded me of my



Danny Vanden Bosch sorts hangers at The Mustard Seed in Twin Falls.

youngest sister, Juniper, quiet in front of strangers but someone who loves a good laugh when around family and people she knows. She will turn 21 in April, and though she graduated from high school almost four years ago, she still attends school where she learns to how to care for herself and works at a recycling center where she sorts plastics and aluminum. During one conversation I had with my mother a *Please see* YOUR NEIGHBOR, P2

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Your Neighbor

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week or so ago, she said Juniper, who was on winter break, was anxious to go back to school and her job.

Vanden Bosch likes a routine, too.

"He doesn't like to meet new people, he doesn't like change," Goodman said.

When it comes to change, Mandelkow said she could relate. "We're a lot alike. He's just more verbal. He wears his heart on his sleeve," Mandelkow said.

How You Might Know Him

Goodman and Vanden Bosch are together five days of the week for 91/2 hours a day. The two like to bowl, shop for model vehicles - John Deere is Vanden Bosch's favorite - and walk around the Magic Valley Mall for exercise. He also likes to take his family out to dinner at Golden Corral, Goodman said.

"I'm his adopted sis. But he tells me he's going to fire me in the same breath," Goodman said with a laugh.

But of all the things that Vanden Bosch does during the week, Goodman said, his favorite is working at The Mustard Seed.

"He's found a lot of friends here," Goodman said. Vanden Bosch, 46, has worked at The Mustard Seed for eight years.

As Mandelkow walked back to her office, Vanden Bosch shouted to her: "I love you, Liz. I'm gonna quit."

Mandelkow replied using one of Vanden Bosch's favorite responses: "Yeah, whatever."

When Vanden Bosch is not in the room, it's quiet as the other volunteers and workers fold clothes and sort items like shirts, coats and shoes. But when Vanden Bosch is present, he chats with everyone.

"Let's go fishing, you guys," Vanden Bosch said. As he walked toward the front of the store, Goodman asked

him: "Where are you going?"

"Get some more tape for the people," he said. "Your truck is gone?

"I hope not, we'll have to walk," Goodman said.

When We Said Goodbye

Goodman said she is not allowed in Vanden Bosch's domain by the clothes racks when he is at work, but I asked him if he



Danny Vanden Bosch kisses Diane Goodman, his developmental technician, on the forehead.

would be willing to pose for a picture with Goodman. He put his arm around Goodman, but he didn't want to look into the camera, finding every corner in the room but the lens in front of him. Instead he leaned over and gave Goodman a kiss on the head.

Then Goodman went to her side of the room and Vanden Bosch went back to work, taking a sip from a mug.

I asked if he was a coffee drinker.

"Yup, it keeps me warm," he said.

He took a pile of clothes to a free bin, but before going outside he paused at the door. "Oh, it's snowing again, guys," he said, and he walked out into the flakes that seemed to form in the frigid air.

Tell Tetona Dunlap whom she should meet next for her weekly column: 735-3243 or tdunlap@magicvalley.com.



The Long Shadow of Abby and Ann Pride' of Jane Austen Is Worth a Celebration M LANE Austen's masterpiece "Pride Celebration of the book and

BY CAROLYN HAX The Washington Post

Era over. What a strange institution it is, the advice column; it's part of the cultural air we breathe, but onbecause of Pauline lv Phillips, who died this week at 94, and her sister Eppie Lederer. Dear Abby and Ann Landers to most of us, of course.

As a writer who gives advice now, I get to see all the unanswerable questions that pop into my inbox day and night, week after week,



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In this 2001 photo, 'Dear Abby' advice columnist Pauline Friedman Phillips, 82, known to millions of readers as

Special to The Washington Post

"We're expecting a mob," said Tara Olivero, curator of special collections and archives at Baltimore's Goucher College. "Something for everyone who loves Jane Austen, we hope."

Jan. 28 is the 200th anniversary of the publication of and Prejudice," the romantic novel spun around the loveangst of privileged country gentry in Regency era of England. While universities worldwide are gearing up to remember the novel's anniversary, Goucher is planning "Pride and Prejudice: A 200-Year Affair," a lighthearted author that will probably appeal to ordinary readers as well as hard-core "Janeites" - the sometimes-dismissive term used to describe Austen fans.

"We feel kind of special about Austen," said Olivero, who oversees the only comprehensive Austen archive in America.



year after year. Unanswerable to some extent due to my limitations, which are legion, and also due to the limits of the human experience, where we can never fully know another's heart. Often, it's a twisted mystery just knowing our own.

And as someone who has appeared publicly in need of advice herself – as both Pauline Phillips and Eppie Lederer did at well-publicized times, especially given their rivalry – I can say that writing an advice column is also a state of being in which your private and professional lives are so entwined that the meaningful distinctions might exist in our imaginations alone. The lives we lead and witness end up in columns, and columns affect our lives, and if any of it goes awry, we end up in someone else's column.

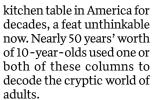
And so a life of advice is to walk the finest of lines, between knowing and guessing; entertainment and empathy; compassion and

Abigail van Buren, signs autographs for some of dozens of fans after the dedication of a 'Dear Abby' star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in Los Angeles.

criticism; between trying to help and presuming to; between being a public resource and a punch line.

About that rivalry. Phillips and Lederer lived this already-weird life with the added weirdness of being the Friedman Twins: identical, double-weddingand-double-honeymooned, then transformed into fierce competitors as Phillips, the younger by minutes, pulled a classic little-sister move and launched her own column after practicing on Lederer's.

She is said to have responded to 70 letters in two hours when she tried out for the new gig. That slim anecdote encompasses what made Phillips so huge quick, smart and breezy and why advice columns evolved away from the bitesize buck-ups the sisters brought to virtually every



"Ann" and "Abby" didn't provide the first public forum for the lovelorn but, in combination, they made advice into a central tenet of pop culture - one their heirs try to, variously, live up to, live down and live by to this day.

Portions of this essay are adapted from a May 7, 2012, benefit performance at Theater J in Washington, D.C.

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Poland's National Museum Expands Modern Art Wing

WARSAW, Poland (AP) • Poland's National Museum in Warsaw has opened an expanded gallery devoted to 20th- and 21stcentury Polish art, with officials hailing it as the most comprehensive permanent collection of modern and contemporary art in the nation's capital.

More than 220 objects went on view at an inauguration Friday night. The bulk of the exhibition is made up of paintings but there also are a number of sculptures, video installations and photo montages, with all the works spanning the past century.

Museum Director Agnieszka Morawinska told a large gathering of people that the gallery is very important for both the museum and the city "because for the first time there is such a space in Warsaw where you can see how Polish art developed from World War I until today."

Museum officials say there was an urgent need for such a collection because until now there was no exhibition in Warsaw that gave the full scope of Polish art in that era, with other collections small, fragmentary or still being created. The works show Polish artists adopting expressionism and abstract and avant-garde styles in vogue in Paris and elsewhere in the West, even as they grappled with national traumas such as communism and the horrors of World War II.

Poles welcomed the rebirth of an independent state at the end of World War I, built up a new republic, and then witnessed death during World War II, followed then by decades of communism. The country reemerged as a free and democratic state in 1989 - and the opening of the new gallery is part of a new cultural and economic flourishing the country has witnessed since.

Most of the collection has long been in the museum's holdings, with a few on view, but until now there was not a large wing where so many could be shown at once, the curator, Piotr Rypson said. In addition, about 20 new pieces were acquired for the new gallery, he said.

An example of one of the works on view is "Surrealist Execution (Execution VIII)" by a leading 20th century Polish artist, Tadeusz Wroblewski. Painted in 1949, the work depicts Poles being executed by Germans during the wartime occupation.





massive destruction and (TOP) Museum goers examine the art at the National Museum in Warsaw on Friday.

Russia Angry over US Fines for Jewish Collection



NSU Band to March in **Inauguration** Parade

ABERDEEN, S.D. (AP) . The Northern State University marching band is preparing to take part in President Barack Obama's inauguration parade on Monday. The experience will give the students a renewed sense of patriotism, Marching Wolves color guard director Bailey Geist told the American News.

More than 100 students from the Aberdeen university will march down Pennsylvania Ave. in the nation's capital, playing the song "This is My Country."

Playing in the parade will help Northern State "kind of get our name out there and show what we have to offer," said junior Callie Marlette, a trumpet player from the South Dakota city of Gettysburg. The pace has been hectic since the Marching Wolves learned Dec. 18 that they had been selected for the parade.

"The first thing was we had to get everybody registered with the Secret Service. And that was due by Jan. 1," said NSU associate band director Terry Beckler.

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MOSCOW (AP) • Russia on Thursday harshly criticized a U.S. court ruling fining it \$50,000 a day for holding onto tens of thousands of religious books and manuscripts stolen from Jews during the Russian revolution and World War II.

Russia's State Library and the Russian military archive have refused to give up the books, some hundreds of years old, even after a U.S. court ruled that the Brooklynbased Chabad-Lubavitch group is the rightful owner. The country says the books are part of its national heritage.

Chief Judge Royce Lamberth of the U.S. District Court ruled Wednesday that Russia should pay the fine until it complies with his 2010 order to return the collection to the Jewish group.

The Russian Foreign Ministry on Thursday called the ruling "an absolutely unlawful and provocative decision" and threatened a tough response if U.S authorities try to seize Russian property in an attempt to get the fine.

There are two collections at issue: 12,000 religious books and manuscripts seized during the Bolshevik revolution and the Russian Civil War nearly a century ago; and 25,000 pages of handwritten teachings and other writings of religious leaders stolen by Nazi Germany during World War II, then transferred by the Soviet Red Army as war booty to the Russian State Military Archive.

Efforts to get the materials returned date back



Remembering

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country.

Bruno's ashes are kept in a wooden box. When Van Diest dies, she said, she'll be cremated too, and she and Bruno will be scattered together in the South Hills.

••• So what does one do to remember a dog, cat, bird or fish after it dies?

Ruth Pierce of Twin Falls said her son was a little boy when his goldfish died more than 15 years ago. Her son is now in graduate school, but it's an event that Pierce remembers, and smiles.

"It was really cute. He had a funeral over the toilet," Pierce said. "I never prayed over a toilet before. It was a first."

Pierce said her son told the goldfish that if it came back to life, to please come back to him.

"People's pets are really family members. There is a strong human-animal bond, especially for baby boomers, people who are my age and their kids are out of the house," said David Clark, veterinarian and owner of Kimberly Veterinary Hospital.

Clark often gets to know his four-legged patients very well. When they die it's hard.

"We see dogs start as little puppies and see them through their life span," Clark said. "The worst part of our job is euthanizing animals, but it's part of the job; it reduces suffering so they can go with dignity."

He often sends a letter of sympathy or flowers to families after a pet has died.

Sheri Wills of Twin Falls said that when her dogs Katie and Tiger died she had them cremated, a service she didn't know existed until her veterinarian told her about it. Wills spread their ashes in the yard where every year a row of lilacs blooms.

Clark's best bud was a little wiener/dachshund named Mitzi who is buried, with other pets his family has had over the years, in a pet cemetery on his property.

People who don't have land to bury their pets have the option of burying them at the Magic

What Readers Wrote

On Facebook, reporter Tetona Dunlap asked readers about their pet memorials. Among the comments:

Whitney Beem: "We buried our dog of 10 years on our family's land in the country in the field she loved to play in, stacked it with rocks with messages from each family member and placed a cross on top to remind us that's she's in heaven. One of the hardest thing ever."

Mikki Brown Pittman: "We have 2 labs that are part of our family and already have our oldest ones cremation paid for." Jolyne Sipots Dickinson: "We do a Christmas tree ornament to remember each of them by."

Dona Aston: "We have three marked graves in our backyard. They were part of our family. Flowers are planted, wreaths are placed at Christmas, grandchildren sit and chat."

Kilah Dale Wilkinson: "I keep my Fluffy's ashes in a beautiful box on my dresser! I miss her everyday."

Colleen Dilley Cook: "Our sweet puppy (he was 10) was cremated and now in a beautiful wooden box on our shelf next to



TETONA DUNLAP • TIMES-NEWS (ABOVE) Crosses and headstones mark where pets were buried by their families in the Magic Valley Pet Memorial Cemetery. ASHLEY SMITH • TIMES-NEWS

(RIGHT) Stephanie Van Diest shows a photo and ashes of her dog Bruno, who died suddenly in 2007 after eating tainted dog food.

Valley Pet Memorial Cemetery run by Bill and Jan Peters.

The cemetery was started in 1996 after Bill's dog became sick and had to be euthanized. Jan said the veterinarian told the couple he would take the dog's body but didn't divulge more. After some prying, Jan said, he finally admitted he would take it to the dump.

Jan said Bill told the veterinarian his dog was worth more and took him home to bury him.

"I can't be the only one who feels this way for my dog," Jan recalled her husband saying.

Today the couple allows people to bury their pets on 21/2 acres of their property in south Twin Falls. Jan said there are around 100 dogs, cats, horses and even a gecko buried at the cemetery.

The burial charge is based on the animal's size: \$35 for a small dog or a cat; \$45 to \$55 for a medium dog; \$65 to \$85 for a large dog; \$100 for an extra large dog; and \$250 for a horse.

On Jan. 14, Jan took a walk out to the cemetery surrounded by a white fence. People can come anytime to visit their animals' graves. Jan has four horses – Classy, Blush, Kizzy and Rocky – buried here, too.

"We treat the animals as though they were our own," Jan said as she pulled a few weeds near a headstone covered partially in snow.

Some graves are decorated with plastic flowers, faded by the elements, while others are covered in old dog houses. One blue doghouse has the name "Rocky" stenciled on the front with white paint. Rocky's owners left him messages written in white: "I'll never forget you, Rocky. Miss you lots."

Jan said she and her husband keep the cemetery open as a service to Magic Valley pet owners.

"I look at them as somebody else's family,



When a Pet Dies

Pet cemetery: Magic Valley Pet Memorial Cemetery is at 3246 N. 2700 E. in Twin Falls; for information, call Bill and Jan

ucation by a licensed therapist; toll-free at 866-266-8635, or email at plhl@vetmed.wsu.edu. Hours are 7-9 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays and 1-3 p.m.

his photo.

Danny Crafton: "We have Great Pyrennes and Akbash: 65-150 pound dogs. Besides being loved pets they are our protectors. We have them cremated and keep them close. Can't let go. Don't want to."

and we feel obligated to keep it going," Jan said.

The Peterses aren't the only ones who feel a sense of duty.

Their dog, Dakota, lies on the ground in the cemetery for hours after someone's pet is buried.

Peters at 208-733-3731.

Handling pet loss: If you have lost a pet, you can contact the Pet Loss Hotline. Operated by Washington State University's College of Veterinary Medicine, it offers veterinary student volunteers who have been trained in grief ed-

Saturdays.

Another option: You can also contact the ASPCA National Pet Loss Hotline at 877-474-3310.

Online memorial: Pets can be memorialized online at www.vetmed.wsu.edu/petmemorial. Email submissions to pet-

Colosseum Cleaning Yields Old Frescos, Graffiti

ROME (AP) • A long-delayed restoration of the Colosseum's only intact internal passageway has yielded ancient traces of red, black, green and blue frescoes – as well as graffiti and drawings of phallic symbols – indicating that the arena where gladiators fought was far more colorful than previously thought.

Officials unveiled the discoveries Friday and said the passageway — between the second and third levels of the 1st Century Colosseum would open to the public starting this summer, after the \$100,000 restoration is completed.

The frescoes were hidden under decades of calcified rock and grime, and were revealed during a cleaning and restoration project over the last two months. The traces confirmed that while the Colosseum today is a fairly monochrome gray travertine rock, red brick and mosscovered marble, in its day its interior halls were a rich and expensive Technicolor.

"We're used to thinking that during excavations, archaeological surprises are a risk for builders and for the city's development," Rome archaeological heritage superintendent Mariarosaria Barbera said. "But here is a beautiful archaeological surprise ... a monument that has been studied and known and appreciated across the world, yet still provides surprises."

While intriguing, none of the fragments restored so far rival the gorgeous frescoes found in other nearby ruins of the Roman Forum, such as the 6th century biblical scenes in the Santa Maria Antiqua church. But officials stressed that they are nevertheless remarkable because they give a very different impression of what the Colosseum must have looked like in its heyday.

Colosseum director Rosella Rea said less than 1 percent of the painted surfaces of the Colosseum remain. And while the exposed seating area was covered in white marble, "the insides, the galleries, all the corridors and transverse hallways were completely colored."

Many of the splashes of color are covered with layers of more recent graffiti. "Ricciu" signed his name there with the date 1943. "Maria" and "Filippo" did as well. Someone else left some drawings in 1620.

But there are also older types of graffiti as well that officials say may date from the 3rd century, after the Colosseum was restored following a fire in A.D. 217. A red palm frond and a drawing of a crown are believed to have been drawn by a gladiator fan as he or she passed through the passageway, officials said. Another restored section has





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(TOP) Tourists walk outside Rome's Colosseum on Friday. (ABOVE) Ancient graffiti, in background red, covered by tourist's graffiti, is seen inside a gallery of Rome's Colosseum on Friday.

images of a phallus, which officials said was commonly drawn for good luck.

Asked how such details could have gone undetected for nearly 2,000 years, officials said flatly: money. There simply wasn't funding available to carry out the restoration of the passageway, which Rea said had been a goal for her office for 20 years.

Branford Marsalis Headlines Jazz Festival in Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) • Saxophone legend Branford Marsalis is head-lining a jazz festival in Haiti.

Marsalis arrived in the impoverished Caribbean nation Friday to perform several shows at the Portau-Prince International Jazz Festival.

The first show for the Branford Marsalis Quartet will be Friday night in the coastal town of Jacmel. The second show will be Saturday in Port-au-Prince at a concert venue that was once a sugarcane plantation.

Marsalis will also perform a private show Tuesday at the residence of U.S. Ambassador Pamela White.

"It's really cool to be here," Marsalis, 52, said by telephone from an oceanfront hotel in Jacmel. "The people are beautiful to me."



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A Haitian national flag flies at half-staff on the front lawn of the former National Palace on Friday, marking the 3rd anniversary of the devastating 7.0 magnitude earthquake, in Port-au-Prince.

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When Mother asked me what the girl's name would be, I said I had always liked "Melody," and that if I had my way, that is what I'd name a girl. My mother immediately started knitting an afghan with the name Melody on it.

A week later, my husband said that while he didn't mind the name Melody, he thought we should decide on a name together. I tried to tell Mom that Melody might not be the name we choose. Her response was, "Well, my granddaughter will always be Melody to me."

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– WHAT'S IN A NAME IN CANADA

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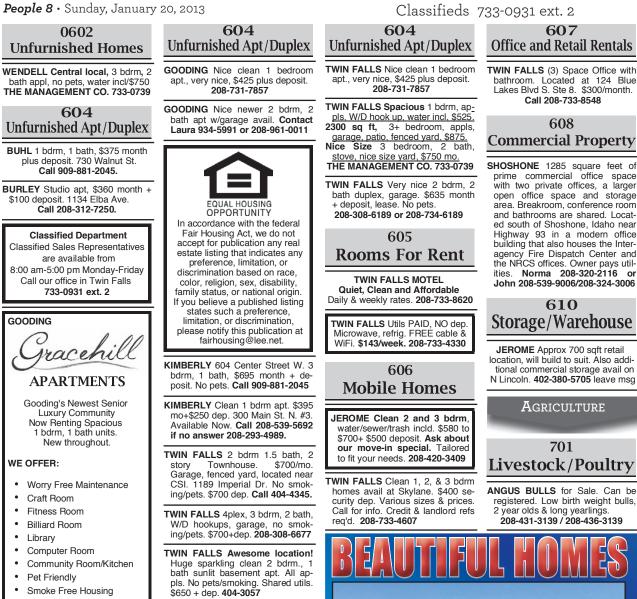
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Dear Mr. Wolff:

My partner has been trying to persuade me to play suit-preference signals and discards. Where do you stand on attitude as opposed to suit preference?

Up and Down, Trenton, N.J.

ANSWER: In signaling I like attitude as the primary signal. I use count when I think partner knows my attitude — or he has specifically requested it. I do not use attitude on declarer's leads; I may use suit preference, but only if I think partner does not need to know my count. Suit preference in the trump suit IS a useful signal, since count in that suit is so often already established. And once both players know how a suit is divided, suit preference is very useful from the remaining holding.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

I assume you would open this hand one diamond without a qualm: \bigstar A-Q-3-2, \forall J-2, ♦ K-Q-10-9-4, ♣ 10-6. But would you overcall two diamonds over one heart — or do you prefer either a pass or double?

Walter Mitty, Wilmington, N.C.

ANSWER: The overcall of two diamonds risks losing spades but pre-empts the opponents; the double risks finding clubs — and regretting it — but puts spades front and center. Much depends on your style of doubling; if you play fast and loose, as I tend to, the double is fine. Doublers who are more disciplined will overcall. Either is better than passing!

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Please comment on the best use of five no-trump after asking for aces or for key cards. Does it always show possession of all the key cards, or can it be used to get to the best small slam?

Seasick, Mason City, Iowa

ANSWER: While I admit one would sometimes like to use the call to help in negotiating to the best small slam, that usage comes up too rarely. Better is to play it as looking for a grand slam and asking responder either to bid kings up the line, or to jump to a grand slam with undisclosed extras or a source of tricks.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Facing a two-club opening bid, would you respond two diamonds or two no-trump with \bigstar 9-2, ♥ A-10-7-4, ♦ J-6-4, ♣ K-10-6-3? And what is the factor that makes you go one way or the other?

In the Bushes, Tupelo, Miss.

ANSWER: If you play the two-notrump response as natural (say 8-10), this hand qualifies. My instincts are that the hand will play better your partner's way up, so I'd bid two diamonds and hope to catch up later.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

I was watching bridge online when I saw experts do something strange after Stavman was doubled. What would you recommend Average Joes do here?

Fast Learner, Elkhart, Ind.

ANSWER: Make the normal response to Stayman with a club stopper, redouble to show good clubs, and pass without a stopper, when partner's redouble asks for a major again. Now if you want (and can remember), you may use transfers in response to get the hand declared the other way up. Two diamonds would show hearts, two hearts would show spades, and two no-trump denies a major. If that sounds too obscure, just respond as you usually would after the redouble.

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of importance.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Couch potatoes need to be buttered up. Accept an invitation or get out with the crowd. Physical exercise, whether for work or for pleasure, will make your life a bit brighter this week.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Conquer envy by concentrating on contentment. The happiest people in the world don't necessarily have it all; they just make the best of what they have. Count your blessings in the upcoming week.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Make teamwork a priority. Soothe ruffled feathers and persuade others to cooperate in work-intensive enterprises. Emphasis is on friendly flirtation and smooth-talking salesmanship in the week to come.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't become discouraged in the week ahead if you have not reached your goals. If, for instance, you've gained weight, remember it took more than one day to gain it - and you'll need more than one day to lose it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Life doesn't come with a remote control. You have to get up and change it yourself. It is tempting to rest on your laurels in the week ahead, but you will accomplish much more if you get up and get at it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Call the shots. You can only build muscles by using them, so build up a business, career or store of knowledge in the week ahead. By using self-discipline and organiza tional skills, you can reach your goals. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Getting ahead in life is like riding a bicycle. To remain balanced, you have to keep moving. In the week to come, you might find that a mate or partner offers a sterling example of focused ambition. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You possess the leader ship abilities to make a positive difference this week. Inspiring orator Winston Churchill said, "Success is not final, failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts." SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): It is not enough to forgive others. You must learn to forgive yourself first. It is quite possible that you will be able to find permanent relief from at least one old trouble in the coming week. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Supercharge your organizational abilities. In the week ahead, your street smarts get a boost and you will have ample opportunities to show them off. Be sure to set up a tight schedule and prioritize. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): If you search, the answers will be found. Get advice or information from an expert in the field for best results. Repetitive tasks may add up to large achievements in the week ahead. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You can use a vardstick to measure ambitions and success, but you can't measure generosity or sincerity. In the week ahead, you can power up your creativity without losing sight of compassion and sympathy.



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On this date:

In 1265, England's first representative Parliament. which included officials from districts, cities and boroughs, met for the first time.

In 1649, King Charles I of England went on trial. accused of high treason (he was found guilty and executed by month's end).

In 1887, the U.S. Senate approved an agreement to lease Pearl Harbor in Hawaii as a naval base.

In 1936, Britain's King George V died; he was succeeded by Edward VIII.

In 1942, Nazi officials held the notorious Wannsee conference, during which they arrived at their "final solution" that called for exterminating Jews.

In 1957, President Dwight D. Eisenhower and Vice President Richard Nixon were sworn in for their second terms of office in a private Sunday ceremony (a public ceremony was held the next day).

In 1961, John F. Kennedy was inaugurated as the 35th President of the United States.

In 1981, Iran released 52 Americans it had held hostage for 444 days, minutes after the presidency had passed from Jimmy Carter to Ronald Reagan.

In 1986, the United States observed the first federal holiday in honor of slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

In 1993, Bill Clinton was sworn in as the 42nd president of the United States. Actress Audrey Hepburn died in Switzerland at age 63.

In 2001, George Walker Bush became America's 43rd president after one of the most turbulent elections in U.S. history.

In 2009, Barack Obama was sworn in as the nation's 44th, as well as first African-American, president.

Ten years ago: Secretary of State Colin Powell, faced with stiff resistance and calls for caution, bluntly told the Security Council that the U.N. "must not shrink" from 26

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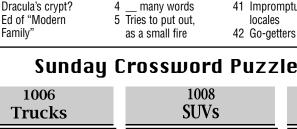
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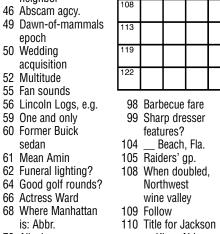
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Five years ago: The Los Angeles Times announced its top editor, James O'Shea, had been fired after he rejected a management order to cut \$4 million from the newsroom budget, 14 months after his predecessor was also ousted in a budget dispute. Georgian President Mikhail Saakashvili (sahkahsh-VIH'-leh) was sworn in for a second term. The New England Patriots defeated the San Diego Chargers in the AFC championship game, pulling out a 21-12 victory that sent them back to the Super Bowl for the fourth time in seven seasons. The New York Giants won a 23-20 overtime victory over Green Bay in the NFC championship.

One year ago: Six U.S. Marines were killed in a helicopter crash in Afghanistan's southern province of Helmand. A rogue Afghan soldier killed four French troops. Singer Etta James, 73, died in Riverside, Calif.





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Other Known Local Cases Wendell

In 1993, a complaint was filed with the state ethics commission against former Wendell physics teacher David Dean Bowen. The commission decided to revoke his teaching license.

He was convicted the next year after admitting to having sex with two former students. In early 1995, he was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

Wendell Superintendent Greg Lowe, who wasn't superintendent at the time of the incident, said his school district's policies ensure any violation of the state's code of ethics is dealt with immediately.

"We must make sure that we help these students not get into these situations whenever possible," he wrote in an email to the Times-News. "This means always reminding our staff to be so careful of even perceptions and appearances."

Gooding

Gooding educator Julie Merrick lost her teaching license more than a decade ago after a complaint was filed with the ethics commission in 2000.

In court, she was found guilty of lewd conduct with a child under 16 and sentenced to time in prison.

Gooding Superintendent Heather Williams, who wasn't working at the school district at the time, said her district has only filed one ethics complaint in the past two years.

Bliss

Anna Bettencourt, a former Bliss teacher, was convicted of sexual battery of a minor. In 2010, a judge suspended jail time and placed Bettencourt on a decade of probation.

Minidoka County

Minidoka County teacher Gary Logosz was accused of having sex with a female student and lost his teaching license in 1995. County prosecutors did not press charges upon request from the student's family.

Filer

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Cassia County School District Superintendent Gaylen Smyer

Abuse

Continued from **the front page**

Mike Poe, director of the educational leadership program at Northwest Nazarene University, said background checks do a pretty good job of finding out whether job applicants have had past criminal convictions.

But screening potential employees is only effective if the employee has a spotty past. The big question is how to screen out applicants who don't have a prior criminal background.

Poe said he doesn't know if there's a way to tell ahead of time whether an educator will be an offender.

State law only gives ISDE permission to provide school districts with information about applicants convicted of a felony offense, Linder said.

That leaves out information on when an applicant has been charged with a felony, or entered a plea but not yet been sentenced. And it skips misdemeanor crimes altogether.

It's up to school districts to decide if they want stricter background check policies.

Linder said school districts can say in their employment policy, for instance, that all applicants must submit a copy of the background check ISDE performs on them.

McGrath said in past years, only certified educators went through a background check process before they started working at a school.

That changed in 2008 with a bill sponsored by then-Rep. Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls. Now, background checks are required for student teachers, independent contractors and their employees, and other people who have unsupervised contact with students in a public school setting.

Patrick, now a state senator, said there are still cases of sexual abuse against students and there's more that could be done.

In Cassia County, Burnett had no incidents of previous bad behavior on record to use as a predictor. Brinkerhoff, it was later learned, had a string of misdemeanor petit thefts that could have influenced a hiring decision had the district been aware of them.

Smyer said that in recent years, the district has begun looking at background checks

tinely stay for 35 years or more. Mike Matthews, chairman

of the district's board of trustees, said he feels the district takes proper steps vetting employees before they're hired and has the proper policies in place. Some people simply don't follow the rules, he said, and who those people are can't always be predicted.

Red-flag behavior that can indicate improper employee conduct can be reported on the building level before it escalates to a criminal situation. Reports can also be given to school board members or directly to Smyer.

The superintendent said he gets two or three anonymous letters a year addressing suspicious behavior, and he follows up on each one. In some cases, district employees have been the ones to blow the whistle on recent inappropriate behavior by staff, he said.

Matthews, who also serves on the state's parole board, said board members receiving tips will turn investigations over to district officials because they may be later asked to sit in judgment.

But whether teachers feel comfortable reporting the behavior of another staff member or if incidents are overlooked because of close relationships between teachers and administrators is unknown, Smyer said.

He said the district addresses such situations as soon as officials learn of them.

"And I fear that it's going on in other places and it just hasn't been brought to the surface," he said.

Both district leaders said they believe Cassia County is doing its part to prevent sexually abusive situations.

"If there are flaws in the system I don't know what they'd be," said Smyer. "I think the flaws are in the individuals."

"I'm not justifying what happened," said Matthews. "It's cut and dried what we do. There is no question, there is not even room for a hint - it goes right to the authorities. That being said, none of those people came into the district and immediately offended. They were people who came in from another district and made that totally illogical and unreasonable choice after a period of time, without any red flags."

constant flux as wider avenues of communication come into play - creating broader paths to go astray.

For students, sexual abuse awareness programs for "unwanted touch" are in place in the elementary levels. But Smyer and Matthews noted junior and senior high school students, although unable to give consent to sexual activity, still sometimes willingly participate in these activities with adults. That doesn't lessen the adult's responsibility, Smyer said.

"I like to think awareness helps," said Smyer. "There was a level of awareness on some of these other (prior) cases but yet here we are. They are in the media and in the press. I can't explain it."

And differing values over what is proper behavior complicate efforts to increase that awareness, Matthews said, noting online comments from students reflecting approval or envy about abusive situations.



A number of Cassia County's policies - fingerprinted background checks, asking new hires to allow information to be gathered from their past jobs, asking employees to report concerns - are considered best practices on the national level.

But experts such as Hobson call for additional steps from school districts, whom they see as having a sizeable responsibility to protect their students.

Among his suggestions: Ask hires if they've ever resigned rather than face punishment for an action, and forbid any school employee from ever being alone with a student. He also promotes using psychological testing during the hiring process, an idea he notes upsets teachers unions

"I would say that the outcome of a child being sexually abused is so significant that these kinds of additional efforts in the hiring process are more than warranted," he said.

The Professional Standards Commission focuses on the reporting angle. Linder noted reporting suspected cases of abuse is required.

"We really need to empower teachers to report," she said, noting they do have immunity if they pass along information if they see something they don't feel is right.

Poe, from NNU, said diligence is the only thing he can think of to help prevent sexual abuse cases involving educators.

"I think that ... unfortunately, you're dealing with human beings," he said.

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But he said offenders "have to be dealt with in an appropriate manner" and shouldn't be working around children.

If there's an issue or suspicion about a school employee, he said, it's important that it doesn't get covered up.

He said he thinks that has improved over the last 20 years - that school districts are dealing with issues quickly. But he suggested training for students about appropriate conduct and how to deal with issues needs to be stepped up.

"Oftentimes, students don't think about it," he said.

Smyer noted that the district often can't talk about personnel investigations due to privacy laws, but that doesn't mean officials aren't working to address abuse.

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Ronald Jenkins, a former high school teacher in Filer, lost his teaching license after a case was opened with the ethics commission in 1996. That same year, he received up to 17 years in prison after pleading guilty to lewd conduct with a minor.

Cassia County

James Pepcorn Sr., a former Cassia County teacher, was convicted in 2008 for multiple incidents involving two nowadult female family members between 1992 and 1995. Though he successfully appealed some of the conviction, including a rape charge, he is currently serving a life sentence for lewd conduct with a minor under 16.

Sources: Court and Professional Standards Commission records and Times-News archives.

and references with a more critical eye - searching for both criminal charges and other matters. Cassia County's job application also asks the applicant for a waiver to allow the district access to prior employment files.

"Sometimes it's not a criminal issue but a district may be having other problems with a teacher. We would like to be able to take those things into consideration," Smyer said.

Past employment files from other districts can reveal things like habitual lateness, not completing assigned tasks or just not meeting expectations. Having information like that allows the district to ask the right questions, he said.



Though hiring is an important step, it's only one factor in a district where teachers rouTechnology & Society

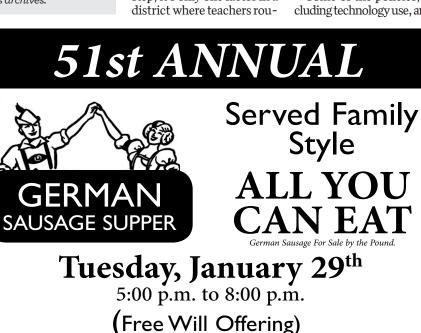
A complication is the ease with which offenders and students can communicate in the modern world through texting and social media.

'Sexting' and texting didn't even exist until recent years, Matthews said.

"I don't know how to stop it. We've got a culture problem. We've got a promiscuity problem and a social-networking problem," he said. "Those are three issues that are really concerning."

A year ago, the district revisited an electronic communications policy that forbids a teacher to send inappropriate information to a student. Other policies prohibiting sexual conduct with students have existed for decades. A Boise law firm helps guide the district's policymaking.

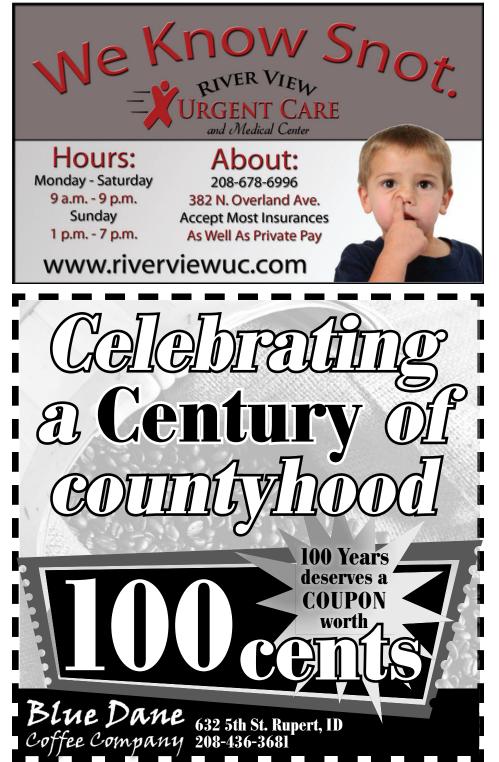
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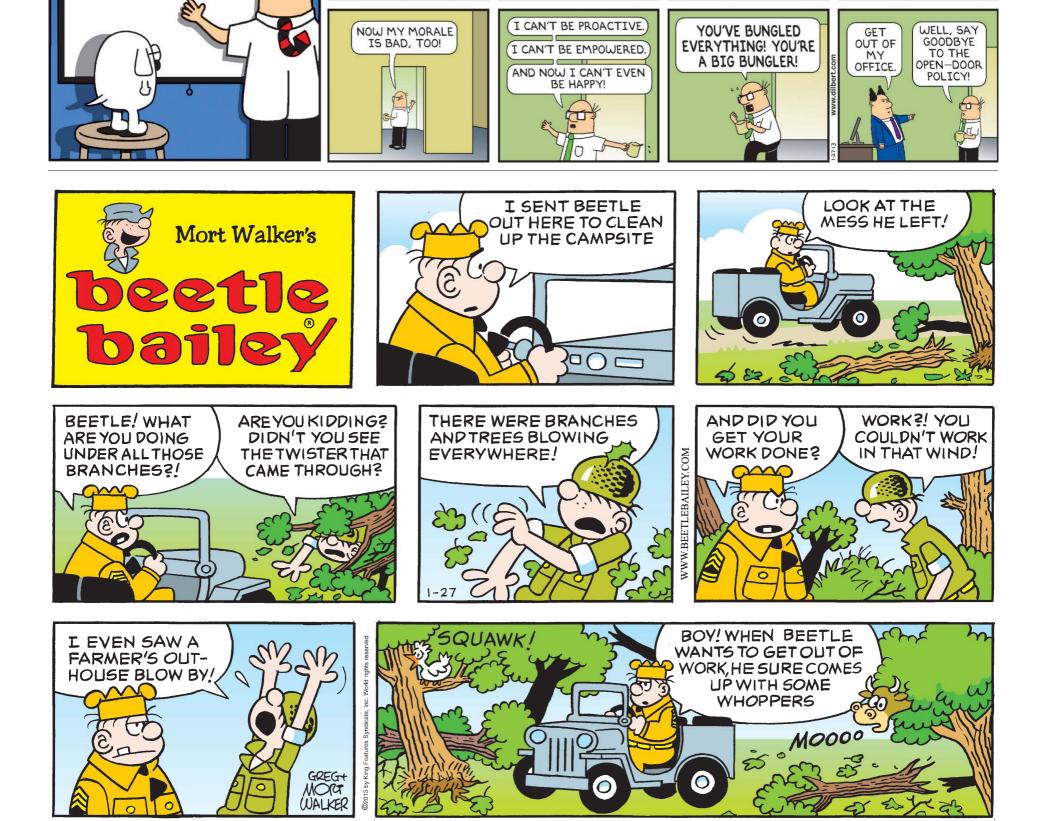
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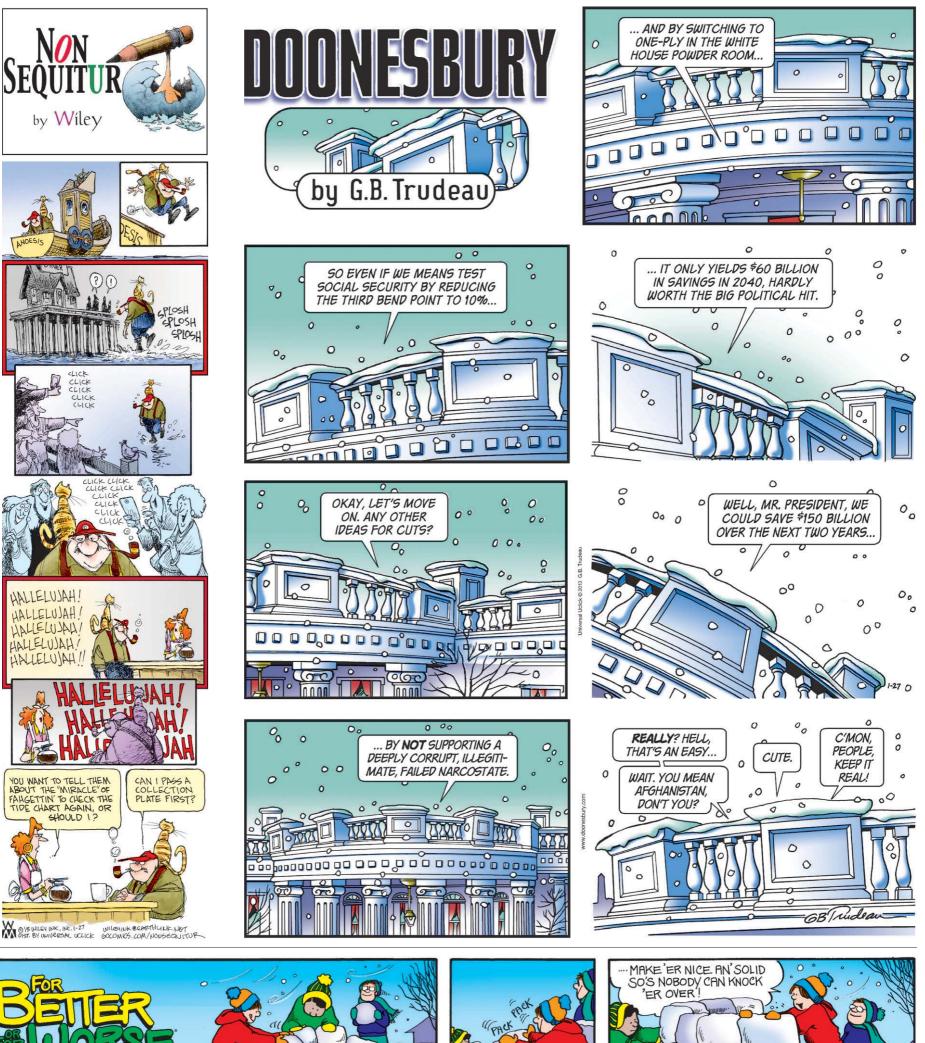
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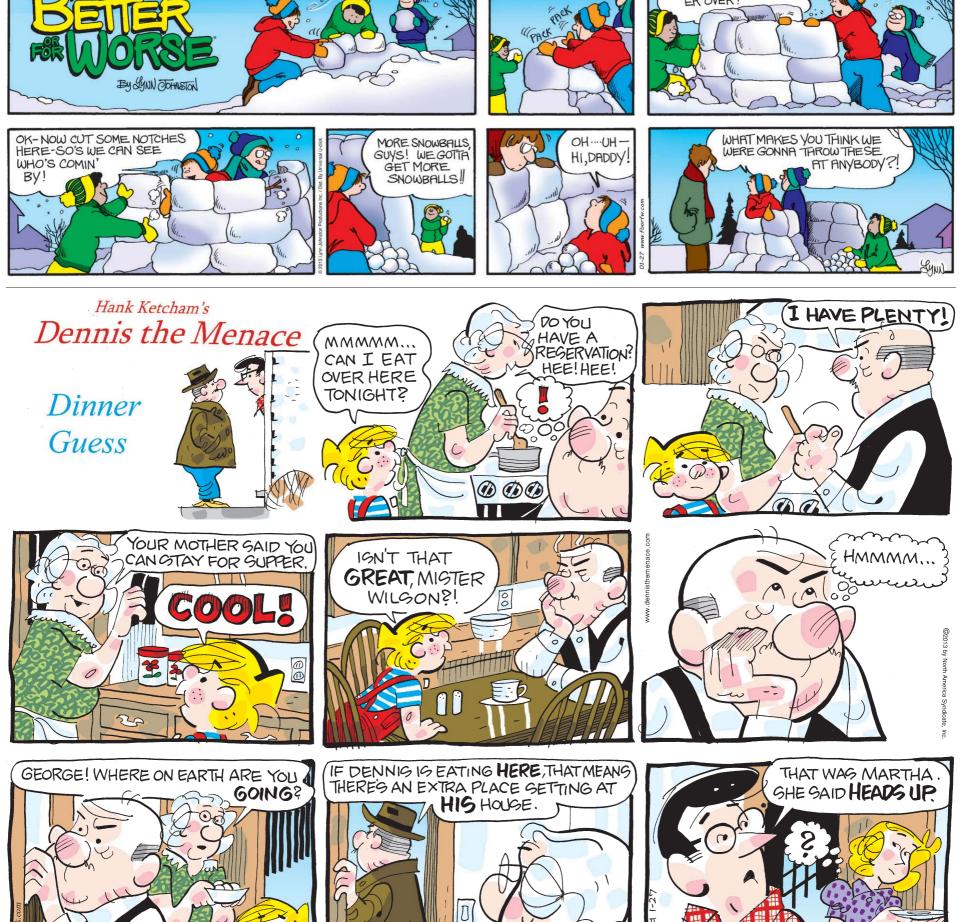


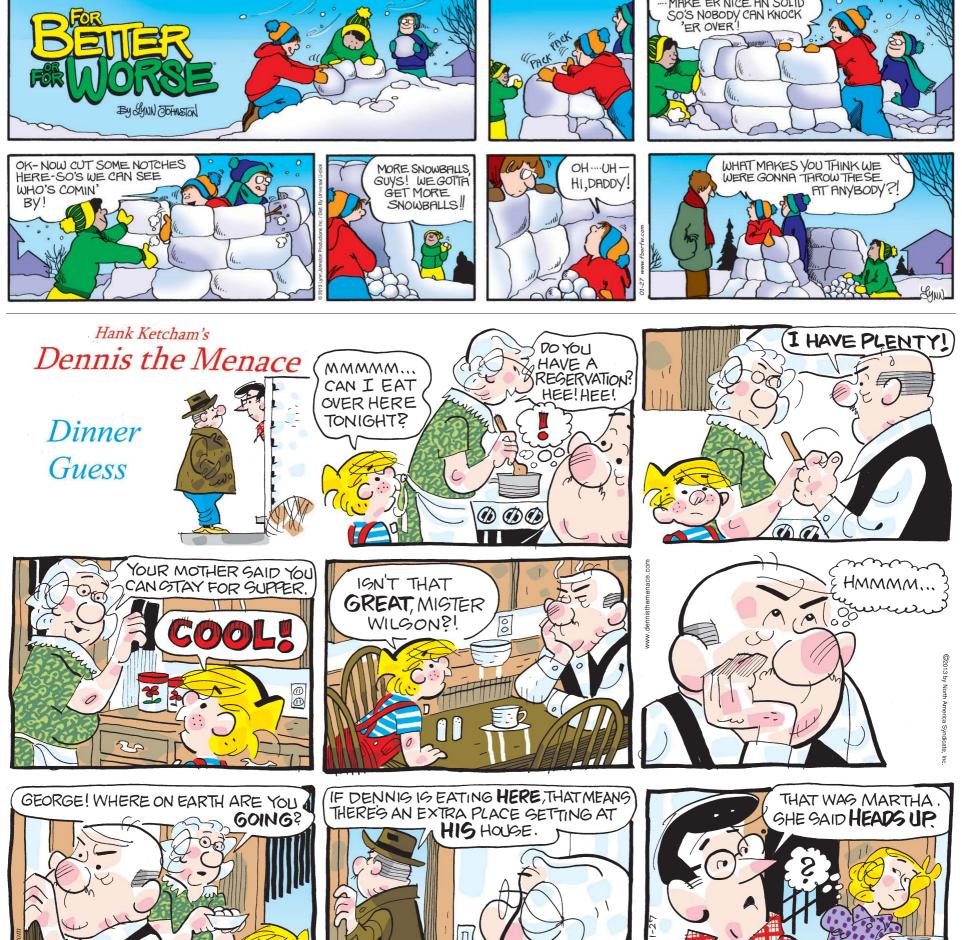


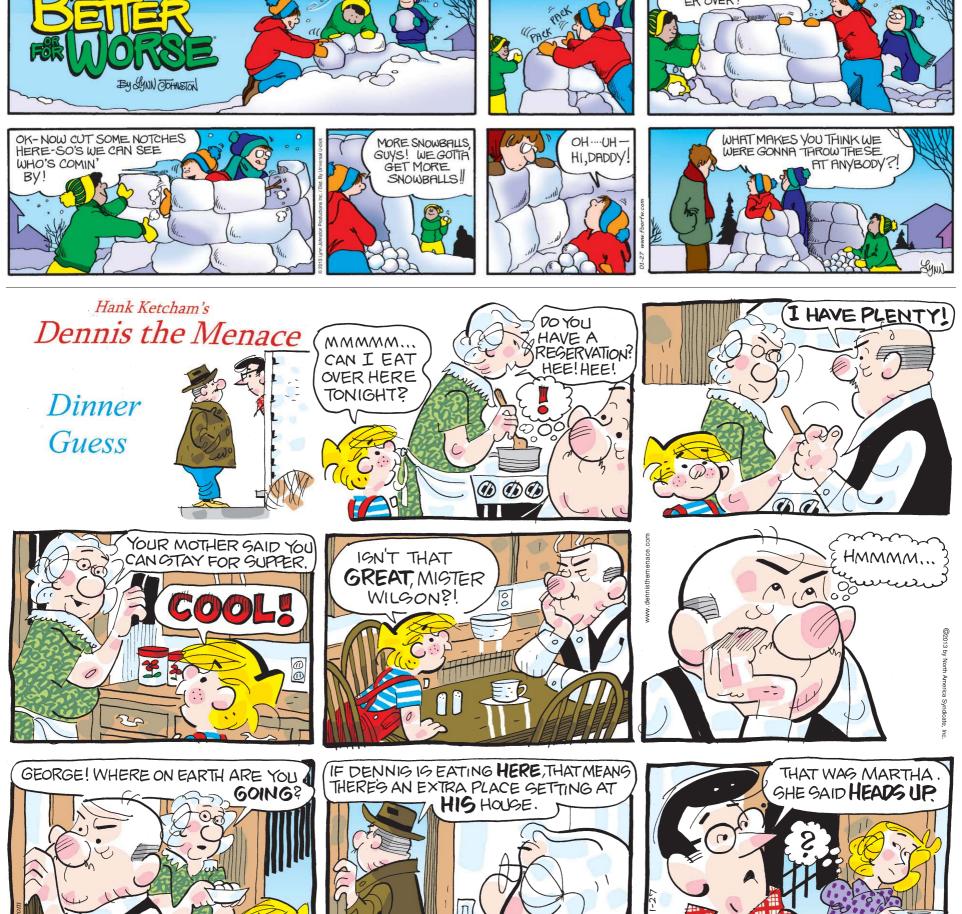




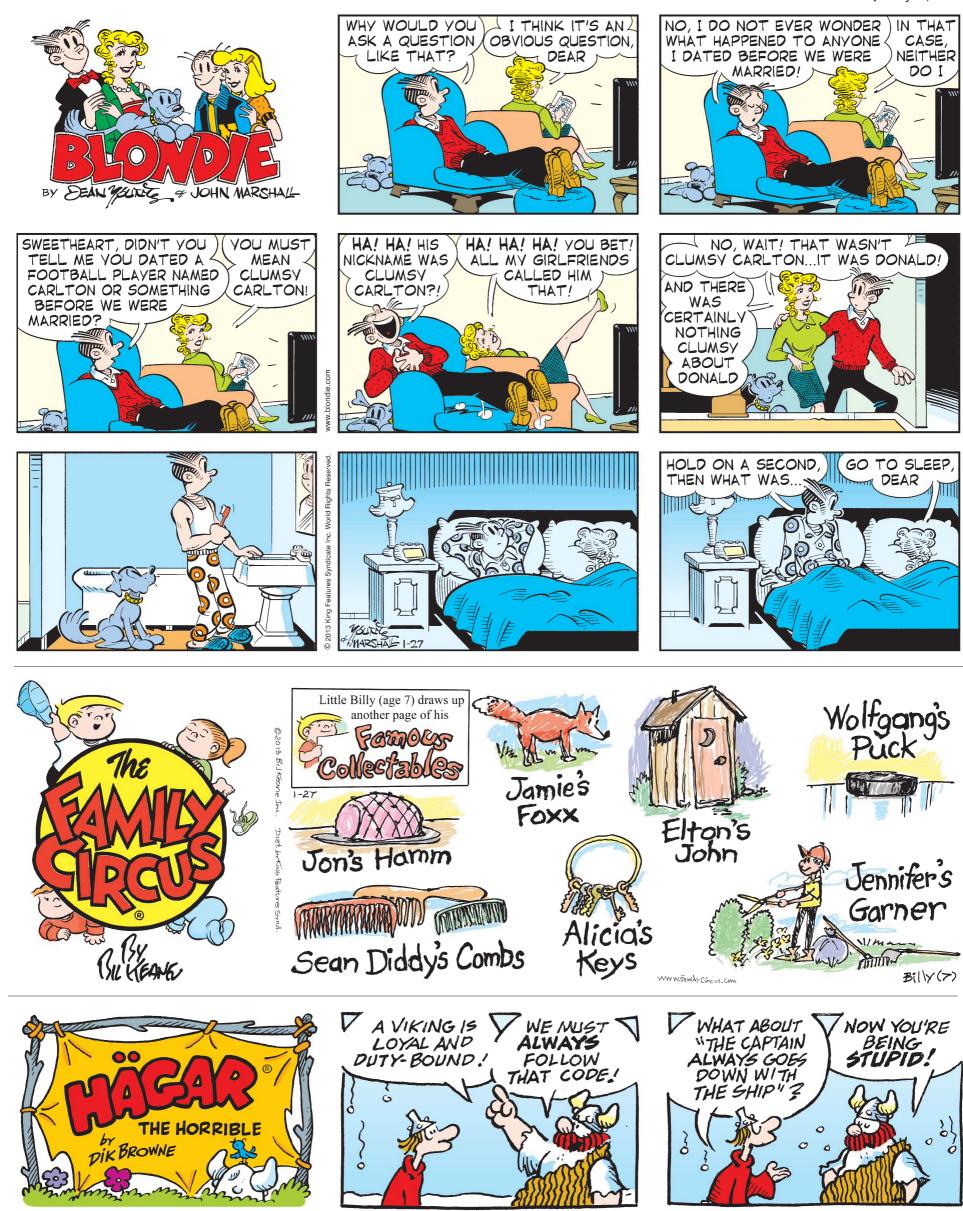


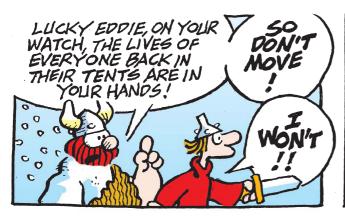






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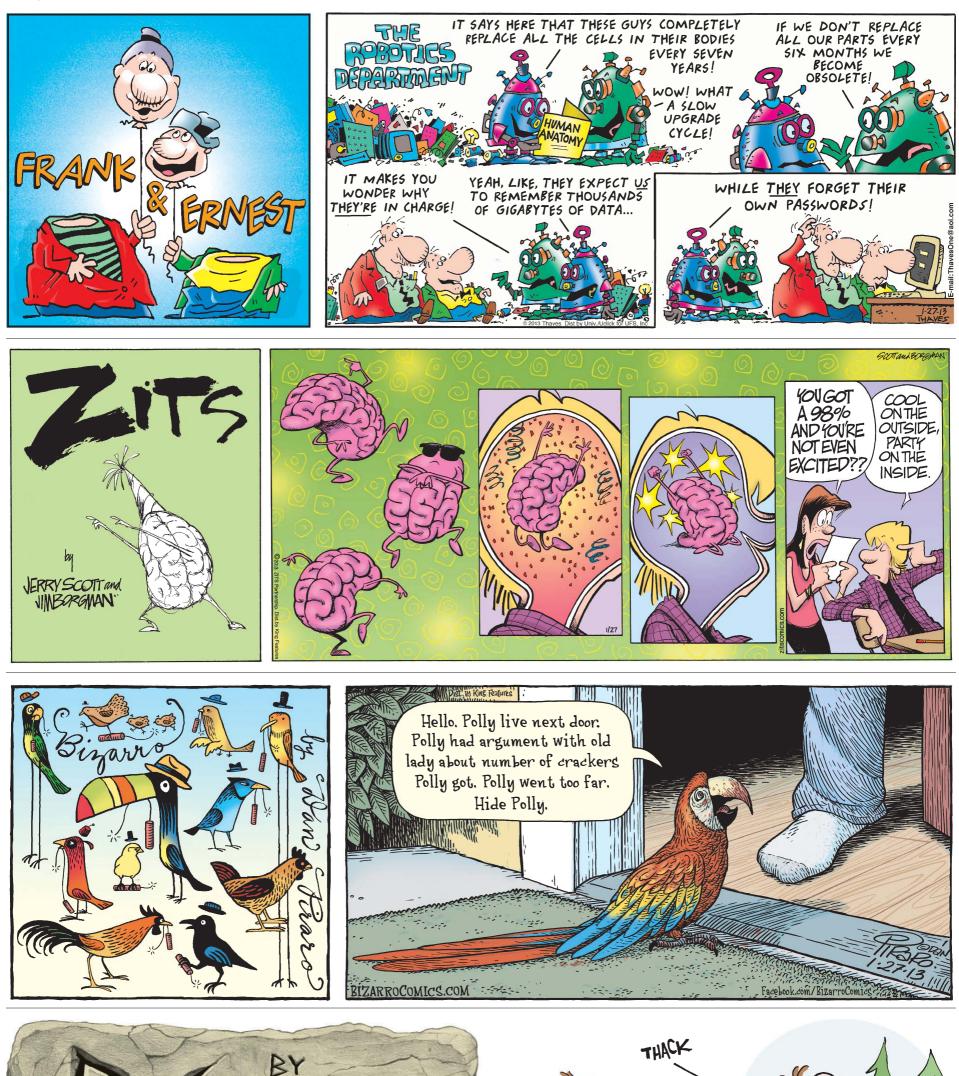








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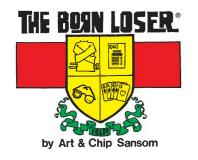


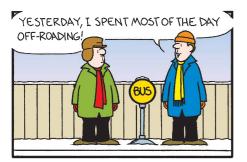
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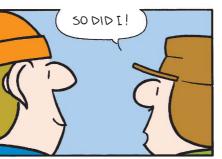


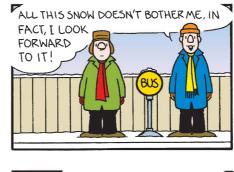
















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