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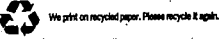
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## USING WHAT'S THERE



Though South Hills drainages such as the Rock Creek watershed have received only 61 percent of normal snowfall for this time of year, snowboarders like Josh Shindler of Twin Falls have no problem finding slopes to shred.

# Midseason Idaho snowpacks measure well below average

**By William Brock**  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Will the real El Niño please stand up?

On Wednesday, most mountains in the upper Snake River basin held only half to two-thirds of an average amount of snow for this time of year. Last year, at this time, snowpacks in the upper Snake River basin were more than twice the long-term average.

In both cases, experts blame El Niño — a hard-to-fathom blob of inexplicably warm water in

the Pacific Ocean that is affecting weather patterns worldwide.

The snow-accumulation season is almost half over, but survey data shows mountain snowpacks are thin and the weather forecast is grim.

The 30-day forecast from the National Weather Service projects precipitation will be down 30 percent with temperatures near normal.

So far, Idaho's midseason snowpacks are in the Henry's Fork drainage — where Wednesday's levels were only 75 percent of the long-term average.

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# Out of work

## Inmate cleanup detail hits a bump in the highway

**By Kent McClear**  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Inmate crew cleaning roadways are a common sight in much of the state, but not in Twin Falls County.

County Sheriff Wayne Tousey says he has a program in place that allows inmates to work more than a year and a half, because judges don't sentence people to it. Twin Falls magistrate judges, meanwhile, say the program doesn't fit most of their offenders these days.

Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver said his roadside cleanup program cleans the county, saves taxpayer money, and provides offenders an honorable alternative to jail time.

Tousey and Twin Falls County judges say some of the inmates are well-versed in the valley between the offices. They haven't been settled, so the work crew plan appears to have ground to a halt there.

Jerome, Gem, Boise, Ada and Canyon counties sentence offenders to clean up litter along roadways, or allow them to volunteer for the program, Tousey said. Tousey started his program in 1995 and has had 40 participants, adults and juveniles.

People sentenced for misdemeanors can opt for a sentence that includes work on the crew. They would pay \$15 per day to the sheriff's office to participate, plus \$4.80 per day to the magistrate for work on the county's construction insurance fees, Tousey said.

The department is equipped with six crews. Local highway districts helped the sheriff's department buy a flatbed trailer to haul collected garbage and a portable outhouse, Tousey said. The College of Southern Idaho gave the department 12 bins, and the sheriff's department refurbished it.

"We could put it to work tomorrow," Tousey said.

District Judges Roger Burdick and Daniel Niehl have sentenced people to the program, Tousey said, but since their courts handle felonies, they rarely have suitable cases.

Magistrate judges, who handle misdemeanor offenses, have been reluctant to use the program.

"They're saying, 'if we put somebody in jail, we want them in jail,'" Tousey said.

The county's magistrate judges **PHASE OUT INMATE**, Page A2

# Ruby Ridge sniper to stand trial on state charge

**The Associated Press**

BONNERS FERRY — An FBI sharpshooter Wednesday was ordered to stand trial on a state manslaughter charge in the death of white separatist Randy Weaver's wife in the 1992 siege at Ruby Ridge.

Boonville County Magistrate Quentin

Harden said there was probable cause to bring Lon Horiuchi to trial for firing the shot that killed Vicki Weaver on the second day of the 11-day siege at the cabin.

Harden scheduled a Feb. 13 arraignment before 1st District Judge James Michael.

Boundary County Prosecutor Denise Woodbury filed the involuntary

manslaughter charge in August. The Justice Department decided in 1997 against prosecuting Horiuchi on federal charges. The decision was later upheld.

U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge is scheduled to hear arguments Monday from Horiuchi's lawyers in Boise that the case should be transferred to federal court.

# Hung jury leaves Nichols sentence up to judge



Marsha Night, whose daughter died in the Oklahoma City federal building bombing, weeps as she talks to reporters after the Terry Nichols jury deadlocked over

**The Associated Press**

DENVER — In a bitter disappointment to the families of the Oklahoma City bombing victims, Terry Nichols escaped the death penalty Wednesday when a jury deadlocked over his punishment.

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch dismissed the jury and will instead impose a sentence himself. Nichols could get up to life in prison without parole; under federal law, only a jury can impose a death sentence.

Nichols, 42, sat expressionless upon learning he would not join his Army buddy Timothy McVeigh on death row, then smiled and hugged one of his lawyers after the jury left the room. Another lawyer patted him on the back.

"I guess that's what we hoped and prayed for," said Nichols' sister, Susanne McWhinnell.

A bank clerk on the jury cried, and others looked dejected when the judge



announced he was taking over the sentencing.

After deliberating 13 1/2 hours over two days, the jurors couldn't agree on the key question they had to answer to consider the death penalty: whether Nichols took part in the plot with the knowledge someone could die.

The differences of opinion were very strong, said jury forewoman Niki Deutchman. "The sentencing phase obvi-

ously was excruciating. It was agonizing."

No immediate sentencing date was set.

"Victims' relatives" were stunned. Some cried in court; others later expressed disappointment and anger.

"I don't think this jury understood or had enough information to want to do this case the way it should have been done," said Fred Anderson, whose wife, Rebecca, was killed in the bombing.

"I lost my daughter and 167 others lost their family members, too," she said, breaking into sobs. "I just don't understand."

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# Better test scores 'excite' Gem schools superintendent



Anne Fox

**The Associated Press**

BOISE — For the first time, Idaho educational officials have three years of test scores to track how public school students are doing.

They're excited about the latest results. Schools Superintendent Anne Fox said Wednesday nearly every grade tested showed improvements from the previous tests and most were over the national average.

"Our target in Idaho has been to become the best in the nation," Fox said. "We believe we are on that path."

Idaho's program of intensive testing is in its third year, providing for the first time the means to track student progress year to year.

There is much controversy over the testing, with teachers complaining about the time taken up in testing that might be used for instruction.

"Right now, it seems to be work-

ing for us," Fox said.

No figures were available for individual districts. Fox said the emphasis was on producing statewide figures to determine where emphasis needs to be placed.

Fox said weaknesses appear to be in elementary spelling, capitalization and reading accuracy.

"This is a compelling reason why we are bringing forth our phonics legislation," she said. "We will focus our in-services in this area and encourage our teachers to

stress accuracy in teaching writing."

Two legislative proposals seem destined to stir controversy.

Fox will ask the upcoming Idaho Legislature to require all school districts to give 45 minutes of daily instruction in phonics to kindergarten and first-graders.

She also wants to require three semester-hours of phonics instruction in the six hours of reading instruction required to obtain a

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NATION

# Clinton pushes better child care

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a move billed as the nation's largest investment in child care, President Clinton Wednesday proposed a \$21.7 billion package of grants and tax breaks to help working families find affordable care.

"There is no more important job than raising a child," Clinton said as he announced the plan before an audience of parents and children in the White House's East Room.

Clinton called his plan the largest national commitment to child care in the nation's history. He said his proposal is a fiscally responsible attempt to help American families, and he urged Republicans in Congress to embrace it.

"This is an issue that touches nearly every family," Clinton said. "I believe it must rise above party and partisan interests."

The key element would be a major expansion of the state block grant program offering subsidies to child care. Clinton's plan would add \$7.5 billion to the program over five years, making 2 million children eligible for child care assistance by 2003, researchers at the Brookings Institution for Extraterrestrial Physics in Germany found that stars nearest the galaxy's center move the fastest, some speeding along at more than 600 miles a second.

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Astronomers at the AAS meeting said, however, that the German findings and some American studies suggest powerfully the presence of a massive black hole at the galaxy's center. "This is the best evidence yet," said Steve Maran, a NASA astronomer.

The center of the Milky Way is 26,000 light years from the sun and its planets, including the Earth. Researchers at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics used radio telescopes to make independent measurements of the star's orbit of the galactic center and of the motion of Sagittarius A. As a reference, they used stellar objects in the background called "quasars," beyond the galaxy.



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The proposal also would expand the reach of the program to lower-income families — generally those making about \$35,000 a year for a family of four, officials said. The program now largely helps Americans trying to move from welfare to work.

While White House officials called the package the largest investment in child care in the nation's history, congressional Republicans noted today that they approved \$30 billion for child care as part of the 1996 welfare overhaul.

Congress would have to approve all the money for Clinton's proposals, and Republicans have resisted earlier attempts to expand social spending. The Clinton tax package, that nearly a third of the money would come from an expected settlement between the govern-

ment and the tobacco industry. Clinton, accompanied by Vice President Al Gore and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, announced the package in a splashy ceremony. He hoped to set a bipartisan tone, inviting several Republican governors and members of Congress to share in the announcement.

Another major component would be the \$5.2 billion over five years to expand the income tax credit that parents can take for child care expenses. Clinton also earmarked \$960 million over five years to expand an after-school program run by the Education Department and called the 21st century community learning center program. Now receiving \$40 million a year, the program would get \$200 million annually under the president's plan.

Another initiative calls for spending \$3 billion for an early-learning fund, providing grants to communities and public-private partnerships for early childhood development. For example, money could be used to provide basic training for child care providers.

The proposal would double the number of children eligible for early Head Start programs, kids up to age three. By adding \$3.8

billion to the program, Clinton would bring 80,000 children into the program within five years. Clinton also proposed \$500 million in tax credits for businesses that build or expand child care facilities. In another area, Clinton proposed \$500 million for states to hold them enforce standards for child care centers. Many states have good standards now, officials said, but lack the money to check them.

Other pieces of the package were announced at the Clinton's White House conference on child care in October. They include:

- Establishing a scholarship fund to provide \$250 million over five years for additional training of up to 50,000 child care providers. The workers, who would get \$1,500 each, would have to remain in the field at least a year.

- Eliminating state barriers to checking criminal backgrounds of child care workers. That plan must be approved by Congress and all 50 states.
- Legislation enforcing state health and safety standards in federal child care centers.



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NATION

Physicist to try to clone a human

CHICAGO (AP) — A scientist claim he will start cloning human embryos to test off-patent nationwide elation Wednesday. nation doctors who say it can't be done. ethicists who say it shouldn't be done and politicians who say they won't let it be done.

At the center of the uproar is Richard Seed, a physicist and physicist who is affiliated with a Ph.D. from Harvard who is affiliated with any institution and appears to be virtually unknown in the field of genetic science.

He says he has the expertise as well as couples willing to take on the risks involved in an independent laboratory and raise the \$2 million he estimates is needed.

Seed scoffed at the widespread opposition to the concept of human cloning — a possibility that suddenly seemed closer to reality last year after Scottish scientists announced they had cloned the adult sheep Dolly, the first cloned mammal.

"Now things of any kind — mechanical, biological, intellectu-

al, always tend to create fear," Seed said. "Then the subject becomes dulled and ignored. And the third stage, which always happens, is the subject becomes enthusiastically endorsed, and I think the same thing will happen in human cloning."

Researchers said cloning humans might one day be possible but would be inefficient, pointing out that the British team went through 277 sheep before cloning Dolly.

Government seeks phone ruling delay

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge brought a third regional Bell company Wednesday under his ruling that allowed two others to offer long-distance telephone service.

At the same time, the government asked the Federal Communications Commission to delay in implementing the order.

In a suit filed in federal court in Washington, the telecommunications market and to preserve the status quo, the Justice Department asked U.S. District Judge Joe Kendall of Wichita Falls, Texas to stay his order. The decision until an appeal is heard.

On the same day, Kendall granted a request by Bell Atlantic, the largest regional Bell company, to delay implementation of the ruling from Maine to Virginia, to join the case, Bell Atlantic spokeswoman Susan Kraus said. It originally was brought by the regional Bells SBC Communications and US West.

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# Study shows a walk a day keeps death at bay

BOSTON (AP) — All those mall walkers are onto something: A major study found that a daily stroll keeps older people living longer. The research suggests that for folks in their 60s, 70s and 80s, walking is powerful medicine. Over a 12-year period, the study found that covering just two miles a day cut the risk of death almost in half. Clearly, the legions of elderly folks who take time for a daily stroll through the shopping center or around the park already believe this. Yet among fitness professionals, the subject

is surprisingly controversial. Some have questioned whether leisurely paced exercise does much good at all. And there is virtually no carefully done research to show that walking, gardening and such keep senior citizens healthier. The new study provides evidence of this benefit in older people. Amy A. Hakim and others from the University of Virginia calculated that every extra mile they walk per day lowers their death rate by 19 percent. "The message is that we should become active and remain active," said Robert D.

Abbott, one of the researchers. "Walking is easy, and it can be quite enjoyable with friends on a nice day." Despite walking's obvious popularity, especially among older people, most Americans have not gotten the message about this or any other kind of exercise. Dr. Jody Wilkinson, medical director of the Cooper Institute for Aerobics Research in Dallas, noted that 60 percent of Americans don't get enough regular activity to improve their health. And the numbers are probably even worse for the elderly.



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## EDITORIAL

### Another witness warns of deregulation's hazards

Add one more voice — a persuasive one — to the chorus of those who warn of the hazards of deregulation in Idaho.

Robert Turner is managing director of utility research for a Baltimore office called Leach Mason Wood Walker. In a recent interview with the Idaho Business Review, Turner pointed out that Idaho has nothing to gain and everything to lose from competition among electric utilities.

Idaho has the nation's lowest electric rates. Americans in many parts of the country pay two or three times what we pay for electricity. While a competitive utility market might drive down rates in those areas, Idaho has no reason to expect similar benefits.

On the contrary, because power rates depend partly on generation costs, use Northwesterners could find themselves paying more for electricity than those in the low-cost hydro power region. The only logical outcome is higher, not lower, rates for us.

Turner's words, "if you happen to be the state with the lowest electric rate and you deregulate, there would be a tendency for low-cost energy to flow to the state that has the highest cost."

Deregulation has few likely beneficiaries in Idaho. Large-scale industrial

users of electricity, such as eastern Idaho's high phosphate plants, might gain if the economic clout lets them negotiate lower rates. Idaho Power Co. might be a winner as well, if it were allowed to sell its low-cost power to the highest interstate bidder.

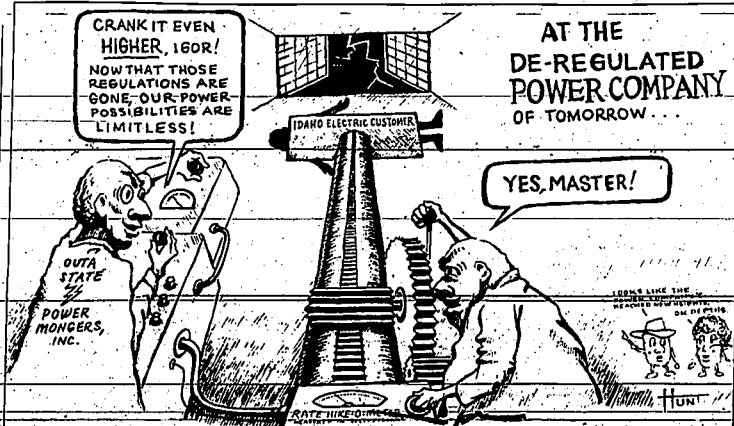
Meanwhile, Idahoans who use electricity to heat and light their homes could feel a serious pinch. Farmers who use it to pump irrigation water could see their operations' profitability turn upside down.

Most Idahoans, conservative down to their bones, generally endorse free-market policies. What makes electric deregulation different is simply a matter of survival. Idaho would be a grimly different place if the price of electric power were allowed to rise dramatically.

Idaho's Legislature needs to act aggressively and creatively in 1998 to block deregulation's potential blows to the local economy. Our congressional delegation needs to apply equal aggressiveness and creativity to opposing any national deregulation scheme that does not protect small Western states.

Some people say the momentum toward federally mandated deregulation is unstoppable. They may or may not be right. Idaho shouldn't wait for it to find out.

*While a competitive utility market might drive down rates elsewhere in America, Idahoans have no reason to expect similar benefits.*



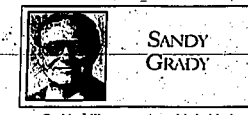
### Bono struggled with lightweight image

Sony Bono was like those smelly-fie magnets on a refrigerator. He was a 1990s hippie cartoon, a leftover joke from television's golden nights, a Hollywood clown who became "Mr. Klutz Goes to Washington."

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It was an understated, fuzzy reason he fought to escape. Now, killed on a ski slope, he won't have a chance. Sure, in this city of self-important egotists, there was much paragonizing of Bono. They called him "Sony Bonehead" and "Mister Chee." But among the puff-up careerists he was a shaft of sunshine — no facade, no B.S., an idiot saint who blew away pomp with a self-deprecating gag. "I've got a great idea," he'd say, "I'm gonna open a restaurant called 'The Sony Bono'."



God is telling you to put this behind you. Nobody could stay somber with Sony on a roll. There was truth imbedded in his hard-luck jokes. He'd split with Cher, remarried, run a spaghetti restaurant, gotten mad at bureaucrats and become Palm Springs, Calif., mayor, won a '94 congressional seat — "you don't come out the mit three times if you're a dope," he'd insist.

These present won't forget Sony's introduction to the Imperial City. This was a Washington Press Club dinner, ballroom jammed with blacked-out politicians and celebrities. Freshmen were to talk three minutes. Sony lurched into a 25-minute monologue.

The glitterati stared, silent. Who was this and faced impostor? Then Sony said, "I've got a wonderful wife. She's better looking than Cher. She's taller too. And she's 33." They didn't stop roaring as Sony shuffled every stuffed shirt in the room. "Phil Gramm says, 'You can't eat corn if you ain't a pig.' What the hell does that mean?" The ex-Sony wound down: "From now on, I'm serious." He tried, too. He became one of Newt's conservative rednecks. He pushed for saving California's Salmon Sea. Never mind that Sony would rather read Tom Clancy than a legislative bill. He was a high school dropout who admitted he didn't vote until he was 53. His japes drove lawyers on the Judiciary panel bonkers. "Boy, it's really funny in here today," Sony would say. "Why don't you guys

use plain English?" "We're making laws, not sausage," hurred rumped Rep. Charles Stenerson, D-N.Y. What's forgotten is that Bono was the Republicans' best draw, after Newt, as a fund-raiser.

He had the best name ID since Elvis. Yet he turned down a '98 Senate run — maybe he'd pushed the Peter Principle too far.

But for late-night comics, Sony was their dumb-o caricature. "Bill Clinton threw a stick and Buddy wouldn't fetch it," said Jay Leno. "But Sony Bono hunted for a half-hour." Colin Powell says he doesn't hear the call of politics, said Dave Letterman. "How the heck did Sony Bono hear it?"

"Squirreling away," mourned political humorist Mark Russel, "when Sony Bono came to Congress." He was struggling against that lightweight-rube image. "I've got a mountain to climb," Bono told an L.A. Times interviewer last summer. "I'll be racing the clock." The clock's stopped. Hard to miss the ironic parallel with Michael Kennedy, killed in a similar accident a week earlier — unfinished lists. Face it, though, we may forget the politician, but we won't forget the Sony and Cher, back when love beads and long hair and war were in the air, facing each other in innocent harmony: "I got flowers in the spring. I got you to wear my ring. And when I'm sad, you're a clown. And if I get scared, you're always around." "I got you babe."

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## LETTER

### Don't restrict recreation to the rich

Idaho's Fish and Game Commission legislation that would limit access to the decision-making process of raising our fishing and hunting license fees.

Folks, please take a good look at your constituency and don't make hunting and fishing a pleasure only for the rich. If we are, as the ad says, snobs in our future generations, then let's look at them first. Don't price these enjoyments out of the income range of those young people. Because as many of us know, the license fee is just the tip of the iceberg as far as the costs go, as many wives and parents might attest.

Thoughtless, irresponsible and gentlemen, it is very hard for our youth to even find a place to hunt anymore, and it's not just because of the landowners. They are most willing as long as you don't shoot the barn and can close a gate. There's just too much pressure, people from a tremendous area love to hunt and fish this great state of ours, or they used to. It's hard for them to justify spending those thousands to come here and then not have a chance at anything. A gentleman and his wife from Smith River, Calif. I met this year in the South Hills could not be-

lieve this poor number of deer they saw south of Hamsen. We agreed if the area needs a year off or a very special effort, then let's get it to before we lose it.

I've had the sincere pleasure of hunting and fishing the Magic Valley for most of my years, and you can quote me on this: Our area is a changed place. Spots I've hunted with permission can cost thousands or you simply can't get to them at all. If we are trying to save it for our future generations, then let's at least make it so they may be able to enjoy it now. You know, before we go and contaminate the water supply with something silky like radioactive waste, but that's another story.

Please, folks, I know the time I've spent enjoying a young person catching their first fish was as priceless for me as it was for them. Please make sure that all may enjoy this treasure, no matter what income range they may be in. Incidentally, Mr. Batt, I understand that \$1.50 may be too low, but please consider how much in taxes you and your family have contributed to our great state over the years. Thank you.

WILLIAM K. BUNN  
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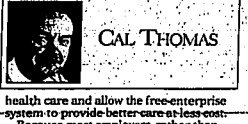
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### Naturally, Clinton wants to spend budget surplus

What does a liberal big-government Democrat trying to portray himself as a moderate the era of big government is over? Democrat do with a budget surplus when he sees his heir apparent challenged by the left wing of his party? If he is Bill Clinton (and he is), he calls for more government spending rather than a refund to America's overburdened and overtaxed workers.

The president wants to significantly expand some of our most costly social programs by offering Medicare benefits to younger retirees and restoring food stamps to immigrants who recently said that aid out.

Expanding Medicare to even more recipients without fixing what is wrong with the program might be a giveaway to the Clinton's goal of nationalized health care by other means, but it would put burdens on taxpayers. He does everything he can to prevent reducing government's cost in order to plead the "need" for all of the taxes (and more) the government gets. If the administration and Congress genuinely wish to help people who need medical insurance, they should support measures that would reduce the federal role in



health care and allow the free-enterprise system to provide better care at less cost. Because most employers, rather than families, currently acquire the health insurance plans available to workers, the understandable consumer response is to ask government to guarantee access to a doctor of his or her choice. Because health insurance purchased by employers is a tax-free benefit, but individual coverage must be purchased with after-tax income, most people do not actually "own" their health plan. Instead, the employer owns it, which is why it has been so difficult for people when they change jobs to carry their insurance with them.

As the Heritage Foundation noted in a recent report, private enterprise, not the federal government, produces the desired results of expanded health insurance coverage. One example is the Business Health Care Action Group (BHCAAG) in Min-

neapolis-St. Paul. It was formed by a group of employers frustrated by the lack of choices among commercial insurers in the area. The BHCAAG represents 38 self-insured employers, covering about 400,000 people in Minnesota, Wisconsin and North and South Dakota. Participants in the BHCAAG may choose from among 15 "care systems" — integrated teams of clinics, hospitals and doctors.

Between 87 and 97 percent of those enrolled in the BHCAAG Choice Plus plan report being "satisfied" or "very satisfied" with their care system. Contrast this with the top-down regulatory approach of the federal government.

Sadly, many members of the Republican Congress want to join the president and his big-government health-care minions in the "reform" efforts. Health care does not need federal micro-management. Expanding choice, not expanding the currently flawed system, is the best way to improve access to and quality of health care. But in an election year, count on the politicians to do the show — not the right — thing.

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### Donesbury Flashback



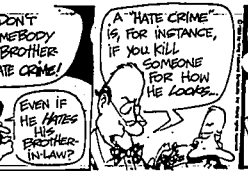
### By Garry Trudeau



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### By Bruce Tinsley





# LETTERS

## Media collude to promote coach Schottenheimer

It seemed to me that between every play of the Denver vs. Kansas City NFL game last Sunday, we saw Coach Marty Schottenheimer on the screen for just a second or two or sometimes, it seemed, the entire time between plays. This would always be accompanied by the voice of the announcer repeating the name "Schottenheimer" or "Marty Schottenheimer" over and over - again and again.

If and when we ever saw Denver Coach Shanahan on camera, it was from the back, usually with his head down. His name was mentioned only a few times by the announcers.

Was there a collusion? If not, what possible motive

would the announcer, cameraman and/or director have had to promote one coach over another? Are we being subjected to some sort of subliminal advertising or influence?

**-RAY EASTWOOD - Jerome**

## Would you please explain the word 'fiction' to me?

I've wondered about a word in the dictionary. The word is "fiction." Would you please help me explain it to the public. My dictionary says it means "inventing" and I do know that if something is assumed in a certain way, it becomes fact. Fictionism. Fictionism is used many, many ways by professional people, governments, military organizations, religious cults, newspapers

and others too numerous to mention. Hope to hear from you in your newspaper. Thanks.

Also, I wonder where the state and federal government taxes gasoline to maintain the roads and bridges; and we have to have liability insurance on our vehicles, why not have the state furnish liability insurance by putting more tax on gasoline? Every car on the road would then be covered. Everyone would be paying equally, and the insurance money would stay in the state.

I also think the counties should maintain our riprap roads, better and put a white line down the center of blacktopped roads. Sure would be safer at night, early morning and late evenings.

Also, I think about our Fish

and Game Department and the state of Idaho.

Idaho has a motto: "Estra per petua," which is supposed to mean "forever." Perhaps they should change it to mean "nothing is forever."

I think it used to be against the law to make a pet of a wild animal or bird. Now they sell permits to people who want to raise them. Soon, all the wild animals and birds will be domesticated and they will be wild no more. Our hunting and fishing cultures of the forever period are doomed unless we reverse the procedure that is going on in the state of Idaho.

The Fish and Game Department can't manage and maintain what it has. Now it has bought another big hunting area over by Yellowstone Park. All the hunt-

ing areas that are good places to hunt are turned into parks and refuges, which leaves hunters no place to hunt. And now I really wonder, could this be part of the big plan of the United Nations? Genocide was used on the Indians who lived here years ago. We are now the Indians, and it could happen again.

Wake up the people, and do some wondering. My computer tells me to do some computing or be computed. Ha, what a situation. Please think about it. We're all in the same boat.

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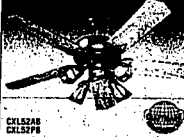
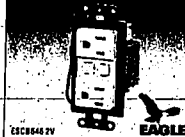




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### MORNING LINE

#### SPORTSQUOTE

It's how they wait us...  
big, strong and dumb.

—Phoenix Coyote enforcer Jim McKenzie, who played five games with a broken bone in his leg

#### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

##### Girls' basketball

Twin Falls 5 p.m. at MVCS  
 Oakley at Lugerman  
 Carey at Hansen  
 Dexford Wendell  
 Flair at Bull  
 Raft River at Mornings  
 Minidoka at Goodale  
 Junction at Wyal River  
 Burley at Beavercreek

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Village at Gooding  
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 Raft River 51 ..... Shoshone 43

#### IN BRIEF

##### Muni's Hamblin-2

**strokes back in Vegas**  
 LAS VEGAS — Jeff Thomsen of Boise fired a one-under-par 71 to take the lead Wednesday after 36 holes in the Slazenger Las Vegas Classic.

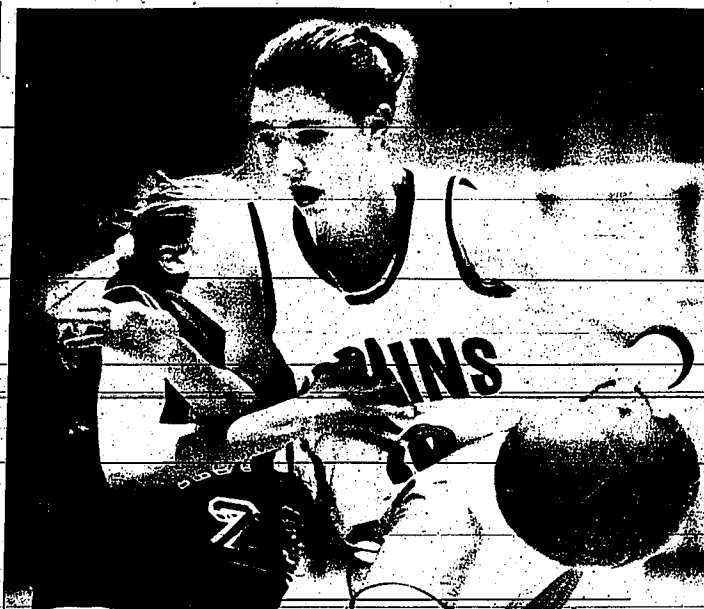
Thomsen's twoday total of 141 gives him a two-stroke advantage over Twin Falls-Municipals-Mike Hamblin, going into today's final round.  
 Twin Falls' Rob Ellis is fourth at 148. In the senior event, Hailey's John Weekes shot a two-day 150 to take a four-stroke lead over Caldwell's Lenny Stroup.  
 Ellis' team is tied for second in the team event with Sun Valley's Tommy Sanderson and teammates, three strokes out of first and one stroke ahead of Weekes' team.

##### Twin Falls looks for young soccer players

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Recreation Department is now accepting registration forms for an indoor soccer program for fifth and sixth grade boys beginning Jan. 26 and ending March 5. Game times are Monday through Thursday, 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. with one or two games per week. Practice times are Wednesdays at Robert Stuart Back Gym. Fees and a minimum of 32 participants are needed to run this program. Coaches are also needed. Registration forms can be obtained at the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Office. For more information, call 736-2265.

##### Shotgun at stake during weekend Burley trap shoot

**BURLEY** — A "Meat and Money Shoot" will start at 11 a.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Burley Trap Club range, 850 W. 50 S. on the Milner Dam Road.  
 "The board prize for Saturday will be a Model 1100 Remington shotgun and the prize is \$3.50 per space. Last week's prize of a 22 caliber action Henry rifle was won by Alan McLean of Paul.  
 Registration also will be accepted on Saturday and Sunday for the annual Snake River Trapshooting Association League competitions, starting Jan. 12. The 10-week league starts with a "lead barrel" 25 round practice and the high point rookie wins a vest. The four top competitors of the 10-week shoot will represent the club as the team for the Twin Falls tournament in April.  
 The public is invited to compete and the cost is \$3.50 for non-members and \$3 for members of the Burley Trap Club. Club membership is \$25 for a family per year and offers discounts on shells, practice rounds, supplies and voting.  
 Compiled from staff and wire reports



Misty Olpin drives to the hoop on Mountain Home's Tiffany Nevada Wednesday night at Twin Falls High. Olpin scored a 3-point shot with 1:35 left in the game, lifting the Bruins to a 48-44 victory.

## Mountain Home-schooling

### Twin Falls girls rally for 48-44 win

By Karen Sumner  
 Times-News Staff

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls girls' basketball team fought back from a nine-point deficit to beat Mountain Home 48-44 Wednesday in a non-con-

ference battle.  
 The Tigers held their biggest lead with two minutes remaining in the third quarter. Clinging to a 30-28 lead, Mountain Home's Susan Hill hit two free throws, a lay-in and a 3-pointer to give the Tigers command of the game at 37-28.

Twin Falls responded with an Amanda Young free throw, a Misty Olpin layup and a short jumper by Christie Paiz to pull with 37-33 by the end of the quarter.

Three straight jump shots by Mountain Home's Tiffany Nevada offset by just one Bruin shot gave the Tigers their second biggest lead of the game at 42-36.

With a little more than six minutes remaining, Olpin found Kerri Peterson inside. A defensive rebound by Peterson set up a Kelsey Kleinkopf-to-Christie Paiz bucket.

Olpin pulled the Bruins with three on a free throw at the 4:50 mark and another. Please see BRUINS, Page B2

### Snowboarder will boycott Olympic games

The Associated Press

**OSLO, Norway** — One of the world's best snowboarders calls the Olympic boycott by some, pompous and undemocratic.  
 And now Terje Haakonson wants no part of the Nagano Games in which snowboarding makes its Olympic debut.  
 Haakonson told newspaper newsmen Wednesday he will boycott next month's games to protest the conduct of the International Olympic Committee. He has learned the ruling body to an organized crime outfit.  
 "When I say mafia, I mean what most people see in the word: people who take over control but never let anyone have an inside look at what they are doing," Haakonson told Sweden's TV4 in December.

Haakonson is upset over the lavish treatment accorded IOC members.  
 "The facts [that] the big-wigs ride in limousines and stay in fancy hotels while the athletes live in barracks in the woods," he said.

## PGA Tour rises to Woods' challenge

The Associated Press

**CARLSBAD, Calif.** — The impact of Tiger Woods on the PGA Tour was clearly felt on the eve of the season-opening Mercedes Championships. The competitive challenge he's thrown down has been accepted.

PGA Championship winner Davis Love III said his early-season form is ahead of schedule. British Open champion Justin Leonard has been working on a couple of swing keys. And even Ernie Els, the U.S. Open titleholder who seems to ease through life with the minimum of exertion, is working out in an exercise program.

Perhaps it's because there is barely an off-season anymore, perhaps it's because there is now so much money at stake on the tour, or perhaps it's because Woods raised the competitive bar so high in 1997, but more people seem more ready to play this early in the year than ever before.

"The group of young guys coming up," Love said Wednesday after his final practice round at the La Costa Resort and Spa, "it's going to be tough to stay ahead of them."  
 "Love's eyes narrowed as he spoke of



Tiger Woods receives instruction from his teacher, Butch Harmon, Wednesday while preparing for the first event of the PGA season in Carlsbad, Calif.

his goals for the new season. He made it clear that he is prepared to put in the work to maintain a competitive edge.  
 "I want to win more majors," Love said. "Pd like to do it all one year — he

## Man plans purchase of Rangers

The Associated Press

**ARLINGTON, Texas** — Tom Hicks, who owns the NHL Dallas Stars, said Wednesday he has agreed to buy the Texas Rangers from the town headed by Texas Gov. George W. Bush in a deal valued at \$250 million.

If approved by other baseball owners, a process expected to take six to 12 months, the price would be the second highest for a baseball team.  
 Fox Sports, a division of Rupert Murdoch's News Corp., is awaiting the approval on its purchase of the Los Angeles Dodgers, from Peter Guber, who valued the club at \$250 million.

"I love sports," Hicks said. "We want to add an American League pennant ... and to bring the World Series to Arlington."

Hicks has agreed to buy the lease in The Bullpark in Arlington and ownership of an office building and restaurant in the stadium, 43 acres of nearby land and an option to buy 227 acres of adjacent property.

Hicks said the team's management, including president Tom Schuster, general manager Doug Melvin and field manager Johnny Oates, would remain in place.

In 1989, the Rangers-Arlington Stadium and some surrounding property were bought for \$83 million by a group of 28 investors headed by Bush and Russ Ross.  
 Their deal kept then-owner Eddie Chiles from selling the team to another group that would've moved the Rangers to Tampa, Fla.

Led by Bush, the Rangers persuaded Arlington taxpayers to finance a \$180 million stadium that opened in 1994. After Bush was elected governor in 1994, he stepped down as a general partner, handing over day-to-day operations to Chiles.

Hicks said he likely would ask some of his business partners in the Stars to become partners in the Rangers. It's expected to include about 80 percent ownership similar to the structure of the hockey team.

The new ballpark and the team's first playoff appearance in 1996 led to a record attendance of 2.9 million last year despite a losing record.

## Bulls suffer at hands of Heat

The Associated Press

**MILAMI** — Phil Jackson can be grateful he departed in the first half after being ejected. The rest of the Chicago Bulls had to suffer through four quarters against the Miami Heat.  
 With balanced scoring and 55-percent shooting, the Heat showed they may pose a threat to the Bulls in the playoffs by winning 99-72 Wednesday night.  
 Chicago eliminated Miami in the playoffs the past two seasons, but this time the Heat dominated the matchup of division leaders. It was Miami's biggest winning margin and Chicago's most lopsided loss this season.

Tim Hardaway had 17 points and 13 assists to lead Miami. Michael Jordan scored 26 points for Chicago.  
 Michael Jordan's 3-point, buzzer-beating shot gave the Bulls a 28-20 lead after

one period, but Miami outscored Chicago 32-13 in the second quarter and 28-13 in the third.  
 The win was only Miami's fifth in 18 games against Chicago since Pat Riley became Heat coach.  
 Jackson departed with four seconds left in the first half after he became angry about a technical foul called on Dennis Rodman. When the Bulls' coach charged into court cursing and flailing his arms, he was given a technical and ejected by referee Eddie F. Rush.

The sequence began when Miami's Alonzo Mourning showed Rodman to the floor near the Heat basket. When a wide-open Mourning even took a pass and scored easily, Rodman hustled back into the action and appeared to jump into the Heat center, knocking him to the ground.



Chicago Bull Randy Brown (1) battles the Miami Heat's P.J. Brown (42) for a loose ball as the Bulls' Dennis Rodman (31) watches during Wednesday's contest.

SPORTS

Buhl takes Aberdeen in overtime

BUHL - With free-throws as the determining factor Wednesday in Buhl, the hometown Indians came out victorious, 72-66 in overtime against Aberdeen.

Other high school basketball scores

Wednesday's games
Boys
Clark County 64, North Fremont 56
Blaine 64, Milersburg 45

School, with a 49-18 win over Caldwell followed by a 40-20 loss to Hammond Warriors.

Jeff Bowden won in overtime in his 140-pound match against Caldwell, and brothers Miller and Rob McMillan won their matches with ease - Miller taking the 125-pound match 17-5 and Rob pinning 135-pound opponent Derrick Sisco in five minutes after being behind in points.

Nuggets set record in futility

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - The Denver Nuggets set a team record with their 15th straight loss as David Robinson scored 22 points to lead the San Antonio Spurs to a 96-89 win.

Pro basketball
shot 59 percent from the field to average last month's 97-88 loss to Boston and improve to 10-1 at the MCI Center. Washington has won three straight.

and landed on Cassell's shoulder, no foul was called.
Suns 92, T'wolves 77
MINNEAPOLIS - Antonio McDyess scored 22 points and Steve Nash had nine points and had two key assists in the fourth quarter to lead the Phoenix Suns past the Minnesota Timberwolves.

Knicks 89, Nets 88; OT
NEW YORK - Chris Childs scored on a drive to tie game with 6.3 seconds left in overtime, and Cassell was then injured on a controversial final play as New York defeated New Jersey.

Magle 83, Raptors 81
TORONTO - Vernon Maxwell, playing his second game since joining Orlando, scored 18 points as the Magic won a fourth straight game to lead the Phoenix Suns past the Toronto Raptors.

Hagerman 56, Minico JV 27

HAGERMAN - Starting off with a bang, the Hagerman Pirates defeated the Minico juniors squad with a first quarter lead of 22-0 in a 56-27 win in Wednesday's non-conference basketball.

win at the hands of the Sho-Ban Indians Wednesday night.

"They've got a really good big guy, and the game was really tight," said Raft River coach Gary Ovenson. "Then we jumped into a zone and put some pressure on him. We kind of woke up and started to run the floor against them."

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Emmett takes over No. 1 in A-2

The Associated Press
The arrival of the new year saw just one new team enter the Associated Press Idaho high school basketball rankings.

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SPORTS

# Cornerback hopes for redemption

DENVER (AP) — Burned by Yancey Thigpen for three touchdown passes in his last game in Pittsburgh, Darrien Gordon has been eagerly awaiting a rematch, all the while making big defensive plays to help Denver get back to three Rivers Stadium.

Despite having a solid season, Thigpen's career has been good deeds would be obscured by repeated newspaper stories and television replays of his "mistake."

"Every time I read a newspaper or watch TV, there it is," Gordon said Wednesday. "I've been a great player in other nationally televised games this season, but the Pittsburgh game is what the media has chosen to

focus on.

"But that's part of the NFL," said Denver's coach Mike Shanahan. "As I told him after the game, 'Hey, you've had a great year. Forget about it. If you're a defensive back in the NFL, those type of days are going to occur. You can't lose your confidence, you have to challenge every play you see. You're going to have some big games on into the playoffs.' And fortunately he has."

In a 42-7 rout playoff victory over Jacksonville, Gordon had five solo tackles including a sack, knocked down four passes and had the first postseason interception of his career.

In a 14-0 divisional playoff victory at Kansas City last

Sunday, Gordon posted five solo tackles and deflected Elvis Grbac's endzone pass on the Chiefs' final play. His 36-yard punt return was the longest in Denver postseason history.

"But all anyone wants to talk about is his struggle against Thigpen.

"That was five or six weeks ago," Gordon said, "and I'm still having nightmares."

Thigpen's three TD catches — all in the first half — helped the Steelers rebound from a 21-7 deficit in a 35-24 victory.

"It was a tough day, but I've had days like that before," said Gordon. "If you play corner long enough, and you play man-to-man defense enough, you'll have those kind of days."



Pittsburgh Steelers receiver Yancey Thigpen, right, catches a touchdown pass ahead of Denver Broncos cornerback Darrien Gordon during the game Dec. 7 contest.

# Guard comes off bench to spark No. 2 Duke

The Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C. — Two baskets by backup point guard William Avery during a 26-second span of the second half sparked an otherwise sluggish-Duke offense and the second-ranked Blue Devils finished off a season with a 66-50 Wednesday night.

The Blue Devils (13-1, 3-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) beat the No. 10 Virginia Cavaliers in a steamy Cameron Indoor Stadium and for the 14th time in the last 17 meetings.

Nitney also gave Duke, led by Chris Carrwell's 14 points, its best ACC start in six seasons.

However, the victory over N.C. State (12-2) didn't come with the gaudy statistics that accompanied a 44-point win over Virginia and a 32-point victory over Maryland in the Blue Devils' previous two league games.

The Wolfpack, who knocked the top-seeded Blue Devils out of the ACC tournament last season in the quarterfinals, led Duke 31 points under its season average and leading scorer Trajan Laney in eight points.

Duke didn't win this one, though, with defense, forcing the Wolfpack into a season-high 23 turnovers.

**College basketball**

Defense turned to its defense Wednesday night and beat Penn State 77-62.

The Bollermakers capitalized on 21 turnovers including 10 steals and 10 blocked shots. Chad Ankin led the Bollermakers with 15 points, while Brad Miller had 14 points and 12 rebounds.

Purdue (13-3, 2 Big Ten) broke the game open with a 25-0 run in the Nitney Lanes (7-5, 0-2) and two field goals in a six-minute span during the first half.

**Maryland 81, No. 13 Florida State 74**

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Othman Ekzieke had 18 points and 11 rebounds and Maryland turned up the defense in the second half to rally past No. 13 Florida State 81-74 Wednesday night.

The Terrapins (8-5, 1-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) trailed by 12 points early in the second half, then forged ahead by limiting the Seminoles to two field goals over a 12-minute span.

**No. 14 Mississippi 90, Florida 74**

OXFORD, Miss. — Jason Smith scored 20 points and had seven steals as No. 14 Mississippi tied a school record with its 15th straight home win, beating Florida 90-74 Wednesday night.

Again making it look easy on their home court, the Rebels (11-1, 2-0 Southeastern Conference) scored the game's first seven points and never trailed.

**No. 16 South Carolina 71, Vanderbilt 70**

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Despite BJ McKie, the Southeastern Conference's leading scorer, shooting 2-for-13, No. 16 South Carolina used a late 9-0 run and Ryan Stock's dunker foul shooting in hold off Vanderbilt, 71-70 Wednesday night.

The Commodores (11-4, 0-2) trailed 71-70 when South Carolina's Melvin Watson missed a layup with four seconds left. Draw Maddux, Vanderbilt's leading scorer, was alone downcourt with an open basket, but he fumbled the long pass from Billy Dispalto out of bounds

and South Carolina (9-2, 1-1) ran out the clock.

**No. 18 Syracuse 77, Providence 59**

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Fred Burgan, with 17 points and 10 rebounds, Wednesday night, and No. 18 Syracuse capitalized on the second half of slowing Providence has ever had in the Big East, opening a 25-point halftime lead and cruising to a 77-59 victory.

Martin Jankulis was 4-of-5 from 3-point range and scored 14 points for the Orangemen (13-1, 4-0). Providence (5-7, 0-3) was led by Llewellyn Cole's 15 points and seven rebounds. The Friars shot just 29 percent (17-of-59) including a worst-ever in a conference game (19 percent in the first half — as they lost their third straight).

**No. 19 Xavier 104, La Salle 67**

CINCINNATI — Lenny Brown went 4-for-5 from 3-point range and scored 22 points to lead the Musketeers.

Darnell Williams had 20 points for Xavier (9-3, 1-1 Atlantic-10), while James Posey added 17 and Gafy Lumpkin had 10.

**Alabama-Birmingham 65, No. 20 Marquette 52**

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Cedric Dickson had five 3-pointers and scored all of his 21 points in the second half Wednesday night to lead Alabama-Birmingham to a 65-52 victory over No. 20 Marquette, the Green Eagles' first loss this season.

The Blazers (10-4, 2-0 Conference USA) have won six straight games and snapped a seven-game losing streak to the Golden Eagles.

**No. 22 Arkansas 83, Mississippi 70**

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Nick Davis scored 10 points over the first 4 1/2 minutes of the second half and Turk Wallace added two much-needed 3 pointers as No. 22 Arkansas beat Mississippi State 83-70 Wednesday night.

Davis' production gave Arkansas (12-2, 2-0 Southeastern Conference) a 49-37 lead. Wallace's second 3 put the Razorbacks in front by eight and the lead reached double digits for the first time when he spotted a crack and exploded down the lane

for a layup and a 51-41 lead. The Bulldogs (12-3, 1-1) never got closer than seven points the rest of the way.

**Women**

**No. 5 Texas-Tech 82, Baylor 63**

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Tech's women's basketball team can win at its best.

The Lady Raiders committed 22 turnovers and surely outplayed Baylor, but shot 65 percent on the way to beating the Bears 82-63 Wednesday night in the Big 12 Conference.

Tech was 20-of-27 in the second half as Texas Tech pulled away from a 38-31 lead at halftime.

Aliecia Thompson had 22 points and 14 rebounds for the Lady Raiders (9-2, 2-0 Big 12) and Angie Brazel added 18 points.

**No. 6 Vanderbilt 64, Kentucky 54**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Na'Sheema Elman led all scorers with 19 points and 10 rebounds with 10 blocked shots Wednesday night as No. 6 Vanderbilt defeated Kentucky 64-54.

Hillman scored nine points in a 13-2 second-half run that put the Commodores ahead 48-42 with 6:08 to play. Her layup with 9:46 remaining had pushed Vandy into a 42-41 lead. Vanderbilt (13-1, 3-0 Southeastern Conference) didn't trail again.

**No. 12 Florida 94, No. 20 Georgia 61**

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Maribel Pagan scored 23 points and 11 rebounds Wednesday as No. 12 Florida defeated 20th-ranked Georgia 94-61.

**Alabama 62, No. 18 Auburn 46**

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Brittney Ezell and Dominique Chiny each scored 17 points Wednesday to lead Alabama to a 62-46 victory over No. 18 Auburn.

The Crimson Tide (9-5, 2-1 Southeastern Conference) trailed only twice and led by no more than four points. Consuela Sparrow was the only player to score in double figures for Auburn (11-2, 1-2) with 16 points and nine rebounds.

# SPORTS IN BRIEF

## Nebraska's Green bound for NFL; Huard stays

LINCOLN, Neb. — Alhman Green wanted to leave Nebraska with a national title more than he wanted a Heisman Trophy, spokesman news fall, so the junior running back made himself eligible for the NFL draft Wednesday.

Florida tackle Mo Collins also declared for the draft and Brigham Young tackle Eric Bateman was expected to announce Thursday that he was giving up his senior year for the pros. Washington quarterback Brock Huard said he would stay in school.

## Michigan's Carr receives coach of year honor

DALLAS — Michigan coach Lloyd Carr, who guided Michigan to the Associated Press poll national championship, was selected Division I A coach of the year on Wednesday by the American Football Coaches Association, the same group that voted Nebraska No. 1 in its poll.

Also honored as the best on their level were Villanova coach Andy Katz for Division III, AAU, Northern Colorado coach Joe Glenn for Division II and Mount Union coach Larry Kehres for Division III.

## Monica Seles pulls out of Australian Open

MELBOURNE — Monica Seles, a four-time winner of the Australian Open, withdrew from the season's first Grand Slam Wednesday because of "personal reasons." The Open begins Jan. 19 in Melbourne.

Seles, who has struggled with injuries since returning to the tour in July 1995, also said she would also pass up the warm-up tournament in Sydney, Australia, beginning next Monday.

## Agassi, Rafter rally for wins in Open

MELBOURNE, Australia — Andre Agassi and Patrick Rafter rallied for comeback victories in separate Australian tennis tournaments Wednesday.

Agassi led the first set 6-4 and was trailing 3-2 in the second when rain forced suspension of his match against Argentina's Sergio Sanchez at the Men's Hardcourt Championships. Agassi returned to take the second set 6-4 and rallied off Sanchez's 3-1 first tiebreak.

At Perth, U.S. Open champion Rafter beat Carlos Moya 7-5, 7-6, 7-6 (8-6), and teamed with Annabel Ellwood to beat Moya and Arantxa Sanchez Vicario 7-5, 6-2 in the decisive doubles match of the Hopman Cup mixed-team tournament.

## Henman, Ivanisevic enter quarterfinals

DUBLIN, Qatar — Britain's Tim Henman and Croatia's Goran Ivanisevic reached the quarterfinals of the \$1 million Qatar Open Wednesday in contrasting fashion.

Henman defeated Frenchman Guillaume Raoux in straight sets, 7-5, 6-4, while Ivanisevic had to rally to beat Switzerland's Marc Rosset 6-7, 7-5, 7-5.

## Cansco pleads no contest to battery charge

MIAMI — Jose Cansco pleaded no contest Wednesday to a domestic violence charge and was sentenced to one year of probation as part of a deal with prosecutors.

The 33-year-old free agent outfielder was arrested in November and charged with misdemeanor battery for hitting his wife, Jessica, 24.

The incident occurred when Cansco and his wife were returning from a night out. The 6-foot-4, 240-pound baseball star grabbed his wife by the hair and slapped her in the face and the back of the head while they rode in a friend's car, police said.

## Ex-pro shoots course manager, kills himself

MOUNT DORA, Fla. — A former professional golfer who was reprimanded for his behavior in a public course shot, his manager in the chest Wednesday and then killed himself in the pro shop.

The board of directors of the Mount Dora Golf Association had written Ernest Tarloff, 85, several letters and threatened to bar him from the course for driving his golf cart on the green and disrupting others' games by moving to tees before they were done.

Police said Tarloff walked into the pro shop Wednesday morning with a .38-caliber revolver in his pocket and shot himself through the chest twice in the chest. After the shooting, Tarloff walked back into the shop to call police. He then turned the gun on himself.

Passen was taken to Orlando Regional Medical Center, where he was listed in stable condition after surgery.

## Olympic cyclist hurt in hit-and-run accident

PTOS, Calif. — Olympic cyclist Maureen Kaula-Vergara was struck by a hit-and-run driver last week, resulting in a separated calcaneus and a badly cut stomach. She needed surgery and received 50 stitches.

"I'm not going to stop until I find these guys," California Highway Patrol Officer Ray Faulk said.

Kaula-Vergara said she was tossed more than 150 feet after being hit on Dec. 28 by a car traveling at least 45 mph. When she landed and looked up, she said she saw "brake lights flash a couple of times." And she didn't see the car, so she called "bumping."

Compiled from wire reports

## NCAA upholds UTEP sanctions

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — The NCAA on Wednesday upheld a five-year probation and other sanctions imposed on Texas-El Paso for rampant violations within its athletic department.

The Infraction Appeals Committee found the punishment appropriate, even though several violations were deemed minor, in part because of UTEP's history of problems.

When a lesser transgression is "one of many, many, many, then you have a breakdown in the system, lack of institutional control. You can't really isolate on one event, you need to look at the totality of it," said committee chairman Michael Slive.

UTEP had appealed to the committee for a reduction of the sanctions, including the restoration of some of the 18 scholarships that were taken during the program. The committee did not dispute the violations, but argued the penalties were too harsh.

The NCAA also agreed to reduce a scholarship penalty assessed against the football program, in recognition of coach Charlie Bailey's questioning of the NCAA financial aid legislation by the committee.

As a result, the NCAA said, the appeals committee will permit the football program to award 21 scholarships to football players in each of two years during the penalty period. It also will permit the program to increase the number of overall grants from 70 to 75 during one of those years and 80 to 81 during the other.

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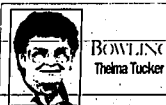
## It's time to get serious about tourney

## —TRACKING THE LOCALS—

The holidays are over and it's time to get serious about entries for the Twin Falls Women's City Tournament scheduled at the Bowlingdom on Feb. 7-8 and 14-15. Entry forms are available at local centers and must be completed by Feb. 20. The total prize fund is \$750 added to the prize fund.

This year, there will be an award for one of the leagues. Membership totals have been recorded as of Dec. 1 on all the leagues where the ladies bowl. The league with the greatest percent of participation in the team event will be awarded \$50, which will be deposited in their league banking account. When a bowler signs up for the team event, every league on which she is a member will receive credit for that entry. Not only can you have a great time bowling in a tournament but you could help increase your league's bank account.

The money can be used to purchase trophies, increase the year-end payback for the winning



**BOWLING**  
**Thelma Tucker**

league or for anything the league desires to spend it on. There is a poster at each of the bowling centers, which will be updated weekly, showing the number of members, number signed up to bowl and the percentage. The chase is on. Which league will be?

The Twin Falls Men's City Tournament will be Feb. 21-22-23 and March 1 at the Magic Bowl. It is the printer of the first of this week and should now be available.

While visiting one of the local bowling centers, I ran into a gentleman that said he hadn't seen his name in the bowling column

lately. He figured it was because he hadn't been bowling well. In hopes of improving his scores, Russ Barlett may bow well this coming week and have your name in the scores as well.

Back in school time and back to bowling for the junior bowlers. Leagues are starting up again. Call your local bowling center for the day your age group will be bowling.

The Twins, Teens from Rupert Bowl have turned in their winners for the first time this season. The B.S. Duo (Brady Cook and Shane McGregor) took the first place team spot. The Pin Crushers (Lagan and Justin Studer) took second and Cleetus (Barbara Studer and Samantha Armstrong) finished third.

Most improved were John Pena and Judy Banner. Winning the handicap series were Erik Bywater and Angie Ehlers. High handicap game went to Travis

Martsch, Carlie Parish and Lindsay Hankins. High average at 231 for the boys was Tyson Hirsch and Tiffany Bywater was high for the girls at 169.

On the Monday Jr. Rollers League, Chyenne Call and Emily Sampson took the first place team spot, followed by Jared Studer and Anthony Barinega in second and third place went to Alysha and Britney Call.

Most improved went to Bobby Banner (plus 4) and Bethany Banner (plus 5); Mark Studer, 636 and Toley Parish 612 won high handicap series. Handicap game was Orin Lewis, 247 and Amanda Studer 245. High average on this league went to Jordan Parish for the boys and Cathy Studer at 113 led the girls.

Thelma Tucker writes a weekly bowling column for the Times News. You can contact her at 733-4257 or by email at tucker@magicklink.com.

## Randy Carpenter

TACOMA, Wash. - Randy Carpenter, a freshman at the University of Puget Sound,

made the travelling baseball team. Carpenter is attending the school on a Presidential Scholarship.

## Weber State faces crucial contests

The Associated Press

One game back of Big Sky leaders Montana State and Portland State, Weber State coach Ron Abeggen knows a pair of games this weekend could make or break his season.

The Wildcats are a lockstep 3-0 overall, but stand 3-1 in league play with a trip to Idaho State and a home stand against Eastern Washington on Friday and Saturday, respectively.

Weber comes off a 60-58 upset of Montana Monday night in Missoula, but Abeggen won't allow his Wildcats to get cocky. ISU may be 0-2 in conference play (4-8 overall), but Friday's game in Pocatello renews what has been "an intense rivalry," the coach says.

"We haven't had much luck up there in the past," Abeggen said. "They always play hard against us in Pocatello."

The Bengals are reeling from a 100-56 rout at MSU Monday night. Nonetheless, ISU coach Herb Williams confidently looks to get well in the cozy confines of Holt Arena.

"We've got three home games," he said. "Three important home games. If we win those, we'll be in good shape."

The Wildcats are home to face EWU (7-5 overall, 1-1 Big Sky), and need a victory over the Eagles to break a four-year losing streak, Abeggen said.

While MSU (10-3, 2-0) travels to Cal State-Northridge (0-2, 4-8) and NAU (7-5, 1-1) Saturday, co-leader PSU (7-5, 2-0) visits ISU today and then travels to Sacramento State (1-9, 0-0) Sunday.

## YOUR SCORES AND STATS

### BOWLING

For the 1998-99 season, all scores are based on the average of 10 games.

#### Bowlingdom, Twin Falls

MEN'S SERIES: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

#### Magic Bowl, Twin Falls

MEN'S SERIES: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

#### Sunset Bowl, Buhl

MEN'S SERIES: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

#### Rupert Bowl, Rupert

MEN'S SERIES: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

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  - Score or places won for the participants.
  - A name and phone number for more information.
  - Photographs are encouraged. Please a self-addressed envelope if you want your picture returned.

### VOLLEYBALL

For the 1998-99 season, all scores are based on the average of 10 games.

#### Altoona

Men's Series: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

#### Blaine

Men's Series: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

#### Clatsop

Men's Series: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

#### Trask

Men's Series: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

### Y-Dell Bowl, Burley

MEN'S SERIES: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

### Jerome Bowl, Jerome

MEN'S SERIES: Don Stuber 219, Steve Dyer 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210, Don Stuber 210.

### TRAP CLUB

Members of the local trap club will be competing in the 1998-99 season. The club is open to all ages and is a great way to spend time with family and friends.

## Cleveland 10th-grader tops Under

PERTH, Australia (AP)—Some day she hopes to swim the English Channel, and there's every reason to think Erica Rose will do just that.

The 10th-grader from Cleveland Heights, Ohio, on Wednesday captured the 5-kilometer crown swim at the world championships, winning easily for her first major international victory.

"I knew I had a good chance, and it was my goal," Rose said. "It was a surprise that I was as far ahead as I was, but I'm not surprised to win it."

The smiling, 5-foot-4 swimmer was dwarfed on the victory podium

—by the other two medalists. After her name was announced, the second-place finisher, Edith van Dijk of the Netherlands, had to prompt her to take her place on the podium.

When the U.S. national anthem started and the flag was coming up, Rose spent the first few bars staring off into space, before she realized where the flags were.

Moments later, she heard the U.S. national anthem again as part of the American team that won for the best men's and women's combined performances.

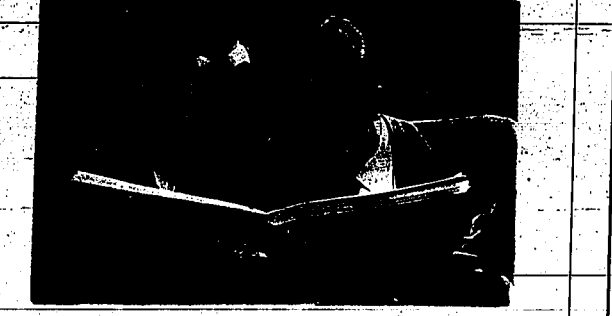
Rose, who began swimming at age 7, has been training four hours a day at the Lake Erie

Swim Club.

"I like the challenge," she said. "Unlike most people, I also like the practicing ... I have an amazing ability to just keep going and keep my pace — and I can't sprint."

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Scheme nets Twin Falls man return trip to jail

**TWIN FALLS** - A bogus merchandise return funded a Twin Falls man to jail.

James Floyd Allinen Jr., 20, entered court Monday afternoon with a receipt, a Twin Falls report said.

He went to the housewares department and selected two back massagers, and to the toy department for a remote-control car.

Allinen then walked to the service department, asking for a refund for the merchandise which matched his receipt, the report said.

He got a \$125.98 cash.

ShopKo security had seen the bogus return, the report said. They stopped Allinen, summoned police to arrest him and called his parole officer.

Allinen was arraigned into Twin Falls County Magistrate Court Wednesday on burglary charge. He was being held in Twin Falls County Jail on another burglary charge, with bail on each charge set for \$10,000.

# DOE plans hearing on waste plant

By N.S. Norkentved  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The first round of public comments on a radioactive waste treatment plant in eastern Idaho ends Friday.

The federal Energy Department is conducting a study to look at the environmental effects of treating waste contaminated with plutonium and hazardous chemicals at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

Preliminary hearings on the plant were held in Idaho Falls and Boise last month, but not in Twin Falls.

The department, however, plans to conduct a hearing in Twin Falls once the draft environmental impact statement is released. Officials expect to release the



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The contractor calls for the plant to treat 2.3 million cubic feet of waste. It may also treat waste from other federal sites outside of Idaho.

The agreement permits the plant to begin operation by March 2003.

Batt's agreement, hailed by some as a guarantee that all radioactive waste would leave Idaho, requires that all plutonium-contaminated waste stored at the INEEL - an estimated 2.3 million cubic feet - be shipped to a disposal site in New Mexico by 2018.

But less than half the stored waste meets disposal criteria at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant in New Mexico, slated to open this year. Therefore INEEL plans to treat the waste and blend it so all will meet the criteria.

The contract for the treatment facility specifies the plant will treat 2.3 million cubic feet of waste, but the Idaho waste

is only one of several sources - including other federal sites outside of Idaho.

In the treatment plant, waste would be sorted, compacted and some would be melted, some annealed. In concrete and some would be incinerated. Some Energy Department scientists recommend against incinerating radioactive waste.

The Energy Department maintains Batt's agreement covers the 2.3 million cubic feet of waste now stored above the ground. It is uncertain whether the agreement also covers more than 2 million cubic feet of plutonium-contaminated waste buried in the desert soil, 580 feet above the Snake River Plain Aquifer.

Times-News staff writer N.S. Norkentved can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 237.

## COUNTING CROWS



Crows, flocking in the hundreds, dot the trees on the College of Southern Idaho campus earlier this week. The sun will have a tougher time getting to the Magic Valley with cloudy and unsettled weather expected for the next few days.

# Blaine County passes hotly contested hillside rule revision

By Kristan Kenney  
Times-News correspondent

**HAILEY** - Blaine commissioners unanimously approved a revision of the county's hillside ordinance Wednesday, despite last-minute lobbying by critics who claim the changes spell doom for private property owners.

Commission Chairman Len Harlig, a proponent of hillside protection for nearly a decade, said he was satisfied the retooled law serves the majority of Blaine County residents.

"This won't please everybody," Harlig said. "But I believe the vast amount of the community believes in some sort of protection for the hillsides."

The vote establishes a new definition of the "mountain overlay district" - the areas of hills which should be protected from building. The draft voted into law Wednesday was the result of six months' grueling public hearings and heated debates. It marks the law's third such retooling since 1991.

The ordinance aims to protect hillsides



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from unchecked development, evident in resorts such as Aspen, Colo., and Park City, Utah. But Blaine County's law has proven a legal Achilles heel. Officials hope this revision will better define what constitutes a hill and where landowners can build.

"And they hope it will protect the county legally."

But during the final public hearing Monday, critics said the revisions add confusion to an unclear law and restrict more land than the previous document.

Benchmark Associates, a local engi-

neering firm, submitted last-minute recommendations for defining the district. Benchmark spokesman Garth McClure, a former Ketchum city planner, suggested the county incorporate the term "fall line."

The county rejected Benchmark's concept after amplifying the suggestion Tuesday with county engineer Jim Koonce, who said Wednesday that the concept did not clarify definitions. Rather, it removed parcels of lands near

Please see HILLSIDE, Page C2

# Sun Valley ponders increased density

By Susan Bailey  
Times-News correspondent

**SUN VALLEY** - Officials agreed the days have passed to pursue developers who seek back development on multi-family lots.

"In its place is a need for greater housing density on parcels zoned for condominiums or apartments."

In a joint meeting between the City Council and planning commission, talk centered on the possibility of setting minimum density requirements for areas zoned for multi-family use, to plan for growth.

Planning commission chair Jim McLaughlin suggested setting minimum densities at Sun Valley and Elkhorn resorts, where housing density is already high, and public transportation and retailers are present.

Council member Kevin Laird pointed out that studio and one-bedroom units in Elkhorn Village and the Ateliers near Sun Valley are filled with full-time residents, indicating a need for lower-priced housing within city limits.

Mayor Tom Fraggustis noted he thought city officials had overblown concerns that the market will refuse to accommodate any changes in sizes and types of housing.

"The market will apply itself to the zoning," Fraggustis said. "Figure what you want to see then come for it."

Planners and council members agreed it was poor planning to allow developers to build for their needs without regard for the needs of the city and its citizens.

"We're seeing one type of project being built over and over," McLaughlin said. "There's no diversity. The market is literally driving the building."

Others said city laws could help direct development.

"Whether it's 10 units sold at \$100,000 or five at \$200,000, it comes out the same for the builder," Wilson said.

After much discussion, officials decided to ask planning department staff to target undeveloped parcels of land for further study.

Planners and council members alike noted seven-eighths of the available land belongs to Sun Valley Co., and is likely to be presented to the council on a case-by-case basis for development. By another two or three other pieces of land are open for development.

"We have no mechanism in place to reward a developer who wants to cut density," said council member Jim Dowd.

Putting such a mechanism in place is the goal of the planning commission and the council. Members agreed any changes in policy needed to be instituted before the building season starts in April.

Times-News correspondent Susan Bailey can be reached through Assistant City Editor Virginia S. Garber at 733-0931, Ext. 204.

# Ex-jailer faces more charges

Report: Man tried to have wife's house burned down

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - A former Twin Falls County jailer faces charges of trying to arrange "for his wife's house to be burned down" and "to have his wife's house burned and another burnt, glared."

John Duane Hopper, 58, was being held in Twin Falls County Jail, awaiting trial on charges of attempting to kidnap his wife last February. His wife has filed for divorce.

ing on the case is set for today.

Another inmate at Twin Falls County Sheriff's deputies Hopper was trying to get him to burn down his wife's house with a firebomb and steal three handguns from his

John Duane Hopper

Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department report said; Hopper gave the inmate several sheets of information about the home, the work schedules of his intended victims, and how to be paid for the deeds through Hopper's parents, the report said.

Hopper discussed the plans while the inmate was wearing a tape recorder outfit by sheriff's detectives, the report said.

The inmate told investigators Hopper wanted a \$10,000 cash advance if the divorce went through, the report said. The inmate went to jail deputies, saying he was worried Hopper would try to kill him.

Hopper told detectives the inmate had been pestering Hopper for something he could do to help him, the report said.

Hopper was arrested on charges of domestic battery against the woman earlier in February 1997; three weeks later he broke into her house and tried to force her into sexual intercourse. Hopper, police say, was captured two days later.

Hopper now is charged with two counts of child solicitation of a minor crime. He was arraigned on the charges Wednesday.

# Full agenda awaits meeting of TF planners

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear a number of requests this evening.

John Boling of Sunrise Custom Homes wants the commission to approve three land splits - two of them after the fact. He wants to split 2.54 acres, 2.88 acres and 2.64 acres in the agricultural zone north of Kimberly into two parcels each.

Bill Nebecker and Robert Widmer want to split one acre, for a potato storage building, from 160 acres in the agricultural zone southwest of Marburg.

Andrew J. Williams wants to split 2.54 acres in the agricultural zone north of Kimberly.

Everett and Lola Prescott want to split five acres in the agricultural zone north of Kimberly.

Ted Bear wants to split 40 acres from 17.92 acres in the agricultural zone. Please see PLANNERS, Page C2

## Hansen begins steps to protect quality of water

**HANSEN** - The city has resolved to develop a groundwater and wellhead protection plan to maintain the quality of Hansen's drinking water.

The decision came after John Boker, a groundwater technician for the Idaho Rural Water Association, told the City Council that steps should be taken now to protect groundwater resources supplying Hansen, a city news release said.

The plan's objectives will be:

- Reduce potential risks to community health.
- Avoid costs of cleaning up contamination and providing alternative water supplies.
- Prevent negative economic effects on community development that groundwater contamination can cause.

Development of the plan will involve identifying the critical areas around city wells that need protection, identifying potential contaminant sources within those areas and planning management for those areas.

For more information on groundwater and wellhead protection, call the Idaho Rural Water Association in Lewiston at 743-4142, or Hansen's Public Works Supervisor Jim Etherington in City Hall at 423-5158.

## Police arrest TF man after parking lot mishap

**TWIN FALLS** - A Twin Falls man was arrested Tuesday night on suspicion of drunken driving after he crunched a car in a parking lot and drove off, police say.

A man stopped police in a parking lot at 4th and Broadway, police report said, about 9 p.m., saying his car had been hit and the other driver had left, a Twin Falls police report said.

Officers stopped the suspected car at West Five Points and arrested its driver, Antonio Romero, 50, the report said, on suspicion of driving under the influence.

Romero's blood-alcohol content tested at .21, the report said; the legal limit is .08.

Romero was charged with excessive DUI, driving on a suspended license and leaving the scene of an accident, the report said.

## Former Mountain Home man gets 41 months

**BOISE** - A former Mountain Home businessman was sentenced to 41 months in prison for what federal officials said was a fraud scheme that cost First Interstate Bank more than \$11 million.

William A. Ward Jr., 52, also was ordered by U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge Wednesday to serve three years' supervised release after his prison term.

Ward, who now lives in Palmer, Alaska, was convicted in October on 15 counts of bank fraud, two charges that he submitted false information to a bank and one count of income tax evasion.

The Justice Department alleged Ward convinced company known as Energy Products, which mined and distributed lava rock.

U.S. Attorney Betty Richardson said Ward was convicted of submitting false financial information to First Interstate Bank to get loans, diverting secured accounts receivable to his personal benefit and misrepresenting the total amount of accounts receivable.

Assistant U.S. Attorney George Breitinger said that cost First Interstate Bank, Lodge characterized him as "reckless and self-serving."

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TWIN FALLS



Deborah R. Hamlin-Cheatham, 70, of Twin Falls, passed away Monday, Jan. 5, 1998, at her home from complications of diabetes. She fought bravely from this insidious disease for 16 years...

FILER

Nellie E. McKibben, 92, of Filer, died Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1998, at the Rock Creek Rehab and Medical Center in Twin Falls.

BURIAL

Rose Eva Fahrni, 84, of Buhl, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1998, at her home.

Leo C. Brown

Leo Chester Brown, 80-year-old, Rupert resident, passed away at his home of cancer, Jan. 7, 1998. Leo was born in Chester, Idaho, on March 29, 1917...

BURLEY

Clifford E. Kimbrough, 54, of Burley, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1998, at his home.

Forest J. Severe

Forest J. Severe, 86-year-old Burley resident, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1998, at the Park View Care and Rehabilitation Center.

CLACKAMAS, ORE.

Randy K. Haynes, 39, of Clackamas, Ore., died Jan. 4, 1998, at his home.

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Randy K. Haynes was born Aug. 16, 1955, in Twin Falls. He worked for the Forest Service from 1975 to 1978 and moved to Clackamas, Ore., in 1978.

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OBITUARY

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She was a member of Eastern Star and was worthy mother of the Filer Chapter No. 1001 of the Filer United Methodist Church.

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Emma Katharina Berreth, 84, of Burley, 11 a.m. today at the First Baptist Church in Paul.

Kenneth William Capps of Jerome, 2:30 p.m. today at the Home-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Morris Dee Hillis of Castleford, 11 a.m. Friday at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Chapel in Filer.

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DEATH NOTICE

Julius Davidson RUPERT - Louise Davidson, 85, of Rupert, died Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1998, in Rupert. Arrangements are pending.

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# Plant seeks Filer comments about Curry site

**By Nicole Gilbert**  
Times-News correspondent

FILER — A representative from MPE Inc., a Hailey environmental consulting firm, asked the Filer City Council Tuesday for comments regarding a proposal to build a factory near the junction of U.S. Highways 33 and 30.

Leading Edge Earth Products Inc. has chosen an 80-acre site about half a mile east of 2401 East Broadway by 4000 North, to build a pair of 40,000-square-foot factory buildings, said Larry Young of MPE. The factory near Curry Crossing would produce foam-insulated metal walls, ceilings and floors for the construction industry.

Young said the property is ideal due to railroad and highway access and because two natural gas lines run through it.

The property in question lies outside Filer City's jurisdiction, but Young said LEEP is very conscious of public opinion and would

appreciate written or verbal comments, proposals and conditions.

The council decided against taking an official stand and opted to respond to the proposal as individuals.

In other Filer business Tuesday, two new council members — Don Barkley and Bob Parent — were sworn in with incumbent Mayor Russell Sheridan.

Other city appointments: Bob Templeman is council president, and police and zoning commissioner; Jeff Webster is fire and water commissioner; Barkley is streets and sewage commissioner; and Parent is library commissioner and Gen Community representative.

Bob Crawford and Peggy Cristobal were reappointed to the zoning board, and Gary Dameron was appointed to the library board.

Also Tuesday, the city approved adoption of a statewide phone service called Dig Line. Public Works Supervisor Bud Compher said Dig Line provides a toll-free number for any-

one to call to secure a digging permit or investigate another digger's permit.

The city's annual cost for this service will be \$50.

In other business, the council tabled a \$1,000 request from the Idaho Transportation Department to help fund a feasibility study of the proposed Third Crossing plan. The study would investigate the possibility of building another bridge over the Snake River Canyon north of where Highway 93 now ends.

The area runs adjacent to Filer's area of impact. The council decided against donating any money unless the state could provide more information.

In a meeting last week, the Filer council hired officer Randy Freeman to replace Michael Dudley in the Filer Police Department. Dudley resigned to move away. Freeman will be paid \$21,660 yearly, the Filer clerk said.

# NEWS IN BRIEF

**Vandals strike at car windows in Buhl**

BUHL — Buhl police hope to crack a rash of broken car windows.

Windows on six cars were damaged Christmas Eve night or Christmas Day morning, said Police Chief Terry Tipton. 13 more were broken New Year's night, he said.

The damage follows a pattern, Tipton said. Side windows broken on cars parked along the street, and between 10 p.m. and 1 a.m. Damage could be done with BBs, rocks, marbles or a golf club.

"They're all around town. We feel they're probably driving," Tipton said, and probably copying a series of smashed car windows in Twin Falls in December.

The three teen-agers suspected in the Twin Falls spree were caught a few days from citizens like Tipton hopes for a lead from alert citizens.

"We've got to get people at home to look out their windows and help us," Tipton said. "They know who's supposed to be in the neighborhood and who isn't."

To get a description of the car or the suspects, the suspicious vehicle's license plate number or at least direction of travel; and call police, Tipton said. Call 911 if you see a vandal in progress; call 735-1911 if you have information about criminals.

# Explosions rock plant near Reno; 4 missing

LOCKWOOD, Nev. (AP) — Two powerful blasts triggered earthquake monitors leveled an explosives plant near Reno Wednesday, leaving four people missing and injuring six, officials said.

Twelve employees were inside the Sierra Chemical Co. plant at 2401 East Broadway, about 1.5 miles east of Reno, when witnesses heard two consecutive booms and saw a large plume of black smoke just before 8 a.m. A 13th employee and a delivery truck driver initially thought missing were not at the plant when it exploded, officials said.

One survivor, 29-year-old Gustavo Alcalá of Reno said he and several others were trapped inside one building after the second blast.

"I yelled for help from my coworkers but they couldn't hear me," Alcalá told The Associated Press from his bed in a hospital intensive care unit at Northern Nevada Medical Center in Sparks.

Alcalá said some of the trapped workers found a hole in the side of the building and crawled out, carrying 24-year-old Benigno Orozco, who was severely burned.

"We went down a hill to put him in the safe place," Alcalá said, speaking in a mix of Spanish and English.

They returned to try to save more "but they wouldn't let us in," he said of coworkers afraid of more explosions.

After an afternoon of searching, Washoe County Sheriff Dick Kirkland said there were no survivors.

He said he started the search Tuesday to resume their search Thursday.

"Everything is in a million lit-



Juan Cruz of Sun Valley, Nev., draped in sheets and towels after going through a decontamination process, is wheeled into Washoe Medical Center by a hospital worker dressed in chemical gear Wednesday in Reno.

Wednesday afternoon to look for survivors and bodies. But the search was expected to take some time, since the blast and resulting fires were so fierce.

"We haven't located any remains yet," he said, "but it remains to be seen if there is a human being." Kirkland said after they began the search.

The blast rattled the area, blowing the front door off a nearby house, and was felt as far away as Fernley, 20 miles to the east.

Barbara Bradley, who lives across the street, told KTVN-TV that the first boom threw her out of bed. When she went to see what happened, the second blast knocked her to her knees.

"It really shook the whole house," Ms. Bradley said. "I was thrown back and forth across the walls. It scared me half to death. I almost had a heart attack."

Washoe County Sheriff's Sgt. Bill Perry said both main buildings at the plant were flattened by the blasts. He described the scene as "complete devastation. It looks like a war zone."

Windows were blown out of smaller outbuildings and the buildings were riddled with shrapnel.

Sierra Chemical officials said buildings where explosives are manufactured are designed to collapse in an explosion.

"The building opens up and it allows the product to burn," said Lynn Kinder, one of the company's employees. The building contained cast primer, a TNT-based product used in mining, he said.

"It's a nightmare," he said.

Two people were examined at the scene and remained to help rescuers.

# Bellevue officials tackle snowmolds

BELLEVUE — The Bellevue City Council will meet today at City Hall.

An executive session to discuss personnel starts at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting, open to the public, follows at 7 p.m.

Items on the agenda are a citizens' group with snowmobile problems on city streets, Mike Clark with an appointment to planning and zoning, acceptance of a recommendation on the Winwood Subdivision and setting a public hearing date, review of election procedures, residential water treatment plant, water ordinance and the north-end local improvement district.

Old business will include the fire station and water and sewer funding.

A closed executive session to discuss personnel will include the meeting.

Compiled from staff reports

# Burley panel hopes to put building plan to voters

By Kurt Friedemann  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — The Citizens' judicial committee will start the new year with meetings to prepare for a bond issue election which could finance a new judicial building in Cassia County.

The committee hopes to hold the election in conjunction with the 1998 primary in May.

County Administrator Tim Hurst said, "There are other ways to get the money to build," he said. "But the commissioners don't want to do that, they want voter approval."

The push to create a separate building for judicial proceedings started in 1993 when the Cassia County Court Facilities Citizens Committee formed. Hurst said the committee was created because the county had received a number of complaints from attorneys and judges about the courthouse's inadequacies.

Committee members identified reasons — including lack of security and a courthouse that is simply bulging at the seams — for building another facility.

Committee Chairman Stephen Bywater said the next few meetings will focus on polishing plans and cost for the new building.

"We would then go out and educate the public, show them our plans and ask for input," he said. "If we are off base, we want to know it."

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# Hillside

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knolls from the mountain overlay district, Koonce said such parcels would be off-limits for the county.

Exactly what lies within the mountain overlay district continued to be the most contentious topic through out this process — even after Wednesday's final vote.

Ketchum resident Lloyd Betts told the board that his ordinance makes landowners build only on certain parcels, even if other appropriate buildings exist on the property. "That is wrong as it can be," Betts said, adding the entire subdivision of Hulén Meadows north of Ketchum would be illegal under the law.

At the final public hearing Monday, others made similar com-

ments.

Ketchum Realtor Heidi Baldwin claimed the new version would ignore more chaos than exists now.

"When I read this, I see Pandora's box opening," Baldwin said.

A group of Realtors, developers and engineers reiterated claims Monday that the revised law threatened private property owners and presented overly restrictive language and innuendoes.

The commission took some of those criticisms to heart, and Wednesday's document reflected them. Officials removed language, which could have required a farmer to apply for site-alteration permits to fix a fence or a hinge.

Also, the county engineer will take a more active role in the approval process, following argu-

ments Monday that the planning administrator didn't have adequate technical expertise to make engineering decisions.

On the opposite end of the spectrum this week, Blaine County planner and zoning commissioner Tom Bowman said remarks by Benchmark Associates and Baldwin "were good examples of hyperbole."

Likewise, planning commissioner Jay Coleman urged the board to keep language which made for broader, not narrower, definitions of the district. Coleman said public opinion supports hillside protection and warned the board of a backlash if he bowed to critics.

"It will make to the anger of the public if we don't stand up to this," Coleman said.

# Planners

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OK Paving Inc. wants to store materials and build an office and shops on 20 acres in the agricultural zone south of Twin Falls.

Rhonda Hammett of Country Cottage wants to add staff housing to a facility for developmentally disabled people on five acres in the agricultural zone south of Curry Crossing.

The commission also will consider a wellhead protection ordinance.

The commission will meet at 7 p.m. at the Twin Falls City Office Building at 246 Third Ave. E. The meeting is open to the public.

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**FAMILY LIFE**

**In marriage, thought counts - so do gifts**

**DEAR ABBY:** My daughter, "Sybil," has had a boyfriend I'll call "Todd" for about five years, through high school and now college. They are considering marriage. They have exchanged gifts for birthdays and holidays, but Todd's participation has always been reluctant.

Recently, Sybil treated Todd to dinner at an expensive restaurant and gave him a gift for his 21st birthday. She was happy to do it, and he seemed very appreciative. When her birthday came, she received only a card and a phone call from Todd, even though they live in the same town. She was hurt, and it strained their relationship.

Todd's excuse was that gifts are "materialistic." Sybil and I believe that a gift of any size would have been a thoughtful remembrance.

Abby, I am concerned that this could become a habit. I have known women who have been lucky to get even a nod from their significant others on their special days and, as a result, I have seen sorrow every year when their days roll around. Why should they have to grin and bear it, or nag their partners? Will you please share how this matter can be tactfully handled?

**A MOM IN WASHINGTON**

**DEAR MOM:** If you are on comfortable terms with Todd, try a candid, confidential talk with him. Bear in mind that upbringing has everything to do with how one views gift-giving. Todd's family may have a different value system.

Explain how important a gesture of remembrance is in your family. If Todd is made out of the right stuff, he will adjust and acknowledge Sybil's special days. If not, she will have to decide if Todd is the man for her.

**DEAR ABBY:** My letter is in response to "Grace in Tampa, Fla.," who was worried about her friend's behavior and her date's friend chatting with a boy on the Internet.

The parents have every cause to be worried and should get the girls off the Internet, but perhaps they shouldn't go to the extreme of saying she cannot even write to the boy. Why don't they check him out, verify who lives at the address, and speak with him to see what he is like?

If things check out OK, they should read the letters he has already written to make sure the correspondence is appropriate, and if it is, let the teen keep in touch with her date.

As for the girls being home alone every afternoon, those parents should get them busy! As someone who chats online on occasion, I know that most people who are chatting have no life, and chatting is their only entertainment. Teens should be taught to do more than chat online. Get them into a Big Sister program, volunteer groups, Girl Scouts, sports — something to help them build skills and develop their sense of self.

**—LAURIE IN PORTLAND, ORE.**

**DEAR LAURIE:** Your answer is better than mine, and I thank you for it. Since this topic has received so much public attention, may I add: A computer can be a powerful tool for learning, as well as a rich resource of

entertainment. However, it is not, and never was intended to be, a baby sitter. I agree with you that a computer is no substitute for activities where young people mingle, interact, and learn social skills as well as how they, as individuals, can contribute to their communities.

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10th, from 12 to 6 p.m. in the Fine Arts Music Building. Purchase or preview is possible earlier in the week by appointment. Please call (208) 733-0577 for more information. Purchase, documentation, warranties, financing, and delivery will be handled by Keith Jorgensen - Music, Kawal's institutional representative.



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## Child labor revelations draw interest from feds, some U.S. companies

The Associated Press

Federal officials and some leading U.S. companies, expressing concern about reports of children working illegally in American fields and factories, are promising to crack down.

Some companies have begun monitoring their suppliers more closely and are threatening to stop doing business with those who violate child labor laws. A U.S. senator is proposing higher fines for violators and increased funding for enforcement, and the U.S. Labor Department has announced a spring enforcement drive.

Labor Secretary Alexis Herman is asking the public to help.

"We will never leave enough money for inspectors to find every person out to exploit a child to save a buck, to police every garment factory, every store of every shipment of imports to make sure that children are not being abused," she said.

"We will need the public's help to demand producers face child labor laws to support companies that monitor their production lines, and to demand that children in fact have time to be children."

The actions are in response to a series of Associated Press stories reporting that tens of thousands of children, some as young as 4, work illegally in the United States, often in exhausting and even hazardous jobs. The December stories traced products made by children from

factories and farms to more than two dozen leading companies.

H.J. Heinz, Campbell Soup Co. and Newmann's Own all said they are changing their policies as a result of the reporting.

At Heinz, spokeswoman Debbie Magnus said the company had previously required vendors to sign a form guaranteeing compliance with child labor laws. She said that it is now clear that this is not sufficient, and that Heinz is now planning to work directly with processors, and growers "to truly guarantee compliance."

At Campbell Soup, spokesman Kevin Lowery said the company is sending letters to all of its suppliers, whether identified in the stories or not, reminding them that violating federal and state child labor laws could cost them their contracts.

"We're telling thousands upon thousands of suppliers, 'If you are not in adherence, you will what we call a former supplier,' Lowery said.

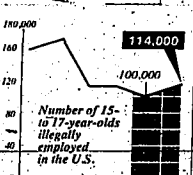
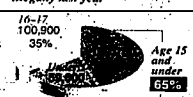
Nature's Own said this week that chili growers, processors, labor contractor agencies and suppliers will all be required to sign contracts promising to comply with state and federal child labor laws. The company will also require spot checks of the fields during harvest season, it said.

"If there are using children to pick the produce, we're not going to buy it," said Tom Indoe, chief operating officer of Newmann's Own.

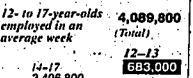
## CHILD LABOR IN THE U.S.

A study commissioned by The Associated Press estimated the number of children working in violation of child labor laws.

Children employed illegally last year 290,200 (Total)



12- to 17-year-olds employed in an average week 4,089,900 (Total)



Source: Douglas L. Kruse, Rutgers University School of Management and Labor Relations AP

## Late surge wipes out most of steep slide but techs lag

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A late surge of bargain hunting left most stock measures only slightly lower Wednesday as investors continued to puzzle over how much U.S. companies are being hurt by the economic crisis in Asia.

The Dow Jones industrial average, down nearly 130 points in the early after, finished just 3.98 lower at 7,902.27 after mounting an 85-point rally over the final 15 minutes of trading.

The late rally also wiped out the bulk of the day's losses for most broad-market indicators, but the technology group, considered most vulnerable to the troubles overseas, lagged the rebound.

"The market abhors uncertainty, and that's what we've got a lot of," said John Cleland, chief investment strategist at Security Benefit Group in Tokyo, Kan., adding that the impending flood of fourth-

quarter-profit reports "probably won't settle the lingering questions about Asia." "The real uncertainty is what the Southeast Asian problems mean for corporate earnings throughout 1998, so we're in for a choppy market for a while."

With high season for the fourth-quarter reports just a week away, investors bristled at late Tuesday's profit warning by Atmel, a semiconductor maker, which said many of its Asian customers had been unable to secure credit to pay for shipments scheduled for December.

Meanwhile, in a fresh reminder that the Asian backdrop may not stabilize for some time, Hong Kong's main stock index tumbled nearly 6 percent on Wednesday and several other markets in Southeast Asia also fell as many local currencies sank to new lows. Notably, Japanese and South Korean stocks rose on Wednesday despite

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## Home sales close in on 19-year record

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — New-home sales surged 5.1 percent in November, propelled by falling mortgage rates and the buoyant summer confidence in nearly three decades.

Economists said sales for all of 1997 probably hit a 19-year high and predicted the strength will carry over into early this year.

New single-family homes sold at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 830,000 in November, the most since April 1980, the Commerce Department said Wednesday. Analysts predicted sales for all of 1997

topped top 800,000, roughly a 6 percent increase over 1996, the best since 817,000 new homes were sold in 1978. Sales should slacken to around 760,000 this year, still among the handful of best years for the past 20 years.

Economists had expected home sales to slow late in 1997. Instead, they've taken off as interest rates have fallen; the result of stable inventory and withdrawal from Asia and sinking money into the U.S. bond market.

Thirty-year, fixed-rate mortgages averaged 7.2 percent in November and most recently have fallen to just under 7 percent, nearly the best in four years.

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## HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the Nasdaq National Market, and 100 most active on the American Stock Exchange, Mutual Shares, Mutual Funds, 1,115 Indexes. Stocks in bold change 1 percent or more in price.

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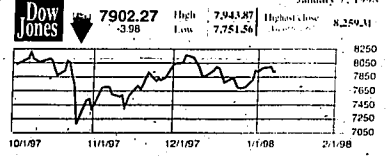
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Federal Express raises rates on shipments within U.S.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - Federal Express Corp. said Monday it is raising rates for domestic package shipments by 3 percent to 4 percent.

Railroad announces Utah job cuts

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Union Pacific Railroad has announced it will cut 1,000 jobs at its Salt Lake City locomotive repair facility.

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Large table listing various mutual funds with their names, assets, and performance metrics.

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# Director defends prison

BOISE (AP) — Correction Director James Spalding laid out his defense of a new \$49 million prison Wednesday, gearing up to refute critics, lead by conservative state Sen. Hawkins that the facility is not needed.

Spalding pointed out for the Board of Correction that while the current system has a maximum capacity of 3,250 male inmates with the opening of another 546 beds this month, the state has custody of nearly 3,700 men. The relatively new woman's prison in Pocatello has the same problem on a smaller scale.

And he said the six-month break in dramatic monthly increases in the prison population appears to be over. After net population declines in the previous months, December produced a net increase of 12. Spalding also said that the inmate backlog in county jails is building again and his records clerks are reporting that processing activity into the prison reception unit has picked up in recent weeks.

The backlog of inmates waiting in county jails until space opens up in a state facility had dropped below 190 late last year but was back up to nearly 200 on Jan. 1.

Projected growth over the next two years would add 900 more inmates to the population as the new 1,146-bed facility to be operated by Corrections Corp. of America opens as the 1990s end.

Based on all those figures, Spalding said, "we're not asking for two many beds."

More importantly, however, Spalding said he will emphasize to state lawmakers during the Jan. 16 hearing on the prison project that the actual capacity of existing facilities is less than 2,200 under a mid-1990s federal court order on prison crowding. The extra space was squeezed out by double-banking all of the cells except those in the main facility, which was the focal point of the inmate lawsuit more than a decade ago. No one has yet to challenge the double-banking decision in court.

The population press has created problems at the prison in Orofino, where nearly 500 inmates are housed in space designed for 427. Eight inmates staged a mini-riot last July causing \$20,000 in damage.

# Farmer fights potato commission

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — An eastern Idaho potato farmer is circulating a petition to take growers off the board of the Idaho Potato Commission, claiming the organization has become an "administrative bureaucracy" that favors shippers and processors.

It would also eliminate the 10-cent surcharge that growers pay the commission for every hundred pounds they sell.

"(The commission) has become an entity first and foremost committed to its perpetuation, and second to the service of pickers and processors, and finally to the needs of growers," wrote Tom

Holm, who is asking the Idaho Legislature to amend Idaho Code. An executive director of one growers' organization said he believes Holm is "misguided."

Dave Beasley of the Idaho Potato Farmers Association said he believes the Potato Commission is doing a good job of promoting Idaho potatoes in faraway markets. If anything, growers, shippers and processors could be paying more.

"We're sitting here with our dime rate, wondering why we're not getting more done," Beasley said. He said Florida orange growers pay 50 cents on every hundred

pounds of crop they sell. The result has been an enormous market share.

But Holm said a problem for several growers is consignment. Processors and shippers buy spuds, figure their marketing costs and then pay the grower whatever is left. The 10-cent charge they pay the commission is figured into their costs, which means growers are paying double, he said.

Potato Commission Executive Director Mel Anderson said he believes there would be no petitions like Holm's if prices were better.

# Orofino hospital joins larger health care system

OROFINO (AP) — The Clearwater Valley Hospital and Clinic will shift at the end of this month from being a county-run hospital to part of a national health care

management chain. County commissioners Tuesday signed a lease agreement with the hospital and the Beneficence Health System of Duluth, Minn.



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# Counties get less forest revenue

BOISE (AP) — Idaho counties will be getting smaller checks this year as their share of federal national forest revenue shrinks.

The counties will share \$14.3 million, down 18.3 percent from the previous year. That's a cut of \$3.5 million.

Idaho's 34 counties, 19 will suffer reductions ranging from 15 to 38 percent. About 90 percent of the revenue cut will be sustained by the major timber-producing counties, Boise, Bonner, Boundary, Elmore, Idaho, Kootenai, Shoshone and Valley.

State Treasurer Lydia Justice Edwards said the cut was caused by accounting adjustments covering previous years. The money is based on the amount of federal forest lands in each county. The money is earmarked for county roads and schools.

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## Finding peace in the wilds at Baker Lake

One of my favorite campgrounds is an out of the way spot on the west side of a man-made lake in western Washington. It is about 12 miles north of the town of Concrete, and just southwest of the North Cascades National Park.

The area was logged decades ago, but the loggers left a lot of old hemlocks, cedars and Douglas firs in the campground. Vine maples and ferns grow around fallen logs between the campsites.

Across the lake at the north end, in the Noisy-Diobud Wilderness Area, the trees are hundreds of years old. When the lake was created, it made the big trees on the east side inaccessible. Years ago, someone built a bridge across Baker Creek - no ramps, just the bridge. But the Forest Service has refused permission to build a road around the north end of the lake.



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One spring, I paddled across the lake with some friends to hike up along Noisy Creek. The creek eloquently carries its name. It tumbles down among boulders and fallen trees.

The downed trees were so big I had to climb over many of them. Normally, when I'm hiking in the woods, I can step onto or over most fallen trees.

We found what my friends thought was the biggest one - a venerable Douglas fir at least 200 feet tall, even with the top snuffed off. It was more than 36 feet in circumference at a shoulder-height, which works out to 12 1/2 feet in diameter.

Outside the wilderness area, these big trees were tempting to loggers. The Scott Paper Co., which once made advertising history by claiming its toilet paper wouldn't cause hemorrhoids - wanted to barge equipment across the lake and cut the big trees.

These days, the woods are home to a lot of wildlife. Various times I have spotted deer, elk, black bear, and a wide variety of birds in the area. I never saw one, but I'm sure I heard a spotted owl one night. And some say there are grizzly bears roaming the wilderness area north of Cascades National Park above Baker Lake.

Upper Baker Dam created the small lake, but before it was flooded, loggers cut the trees up to the river line in times of low water, the stumps they left behind are high and dry. With the soil washed away from the roots, the stumps looked like alien monsters stalking across the reservoir.

My favorite time to camp at Baker Lake is early in the year, as soon as the snow begins to melt and reach the campground. At these times, I generally have the place to myself.

The first time I did it was in mid-March. I arrived at afternoon and set up camp. Only two other campsites were occupied. The others left by evening, heading back to civilization. As the last car left, and I heard it fading away on the road, the realization began to sink in that there was no one else for miles around.

The only sound was the bubbling of my dinner on the hissing campstove. By dark I was alone - completely. My only companions were my anxieties and the noises of the night. The sky was as dark as it gets, with cloud cover and miles from any lights. I couldn't see a thing.

I was a little uneasy - and completely dependent on my own resources. Help was 12 miles away. I enjoy solitude, and I have never alone, but I was alone, but this was the first time I'd spent a night so far out in the woods by myself.

I crawled inside my flimsy nylon tent, and I forced myself to lay back and listen to the night. I left the flap open to smell the moist air that was fragrant with impending spring.

Small creatures crashed through the underbrush - in my mind a raccoon sounded like a black bear. Then I heard a dog barking. That's odd, I thought. But as I listened, the pattern wasn't right. I recognized it as a spotted owl, probably in the old-growth trees across the lake.

I layed intently for it for a long time before I fell asleep.

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# HIGH DANGER

## Likelihood of avalanches prevails despite lack of snow

By William Brock  
Times-News writer

**SUN VALLEY** - Bad news for skiers, snowmobilers and others who enjoy the backcountry in winter: The snowpack is rotten. More precisely, Idaho's thin mountain snowpacks are dangerously susceptible to avalanches. The lack of snow has allowed cold weather to suck out the structural integrity of the snowpack's lower layers.

At the bottom of the snowpack, near the relative warmth of the earth, the temperature disparity has led to evaporation that's transformed the snow into a honeycomb of paper-thin ice crystals.

"It's like a layer of potato chips with bricks on top of it," said Janet Kellam, an avalanche forecaster with the U.S. Forest Service's Sun Valley Avalanche Center. "When you tip it on an edge, as on a steep slope, that's when it really slides downhill."

Snowy slopes of 30 to 45 degrees are bobby-traps that humans can unwittingly trigger. Avalanches - sometimes fatal and always terrifying - can be set off by roaring snowmobiles or silent skiers slicing through the snow.

Under a bys mal circum-stances, they can be triggered by as little as a shout or a sneeze.

If you don't think it could happen to you, then think about this: Four people have been killed by avalanches in eastern Idaho and western Montana in the past week; nine others died in British Columbia on Jan. 2. Seven more were killed by avalanches in the Rockies before New Year's Day.

That's 20 avalanche deaths already this winter. The victims included snowmobilers, skiers, snowboarders, snowshoers and hikers.

Safety conditions are bound to improve as more snow falls, Kellam said. More snow means more insulation, which will eventually halt the dehydration deep within the snowpack.

After the rot stops, the snow-

### Get current

For up-to-date information about backcountry avalanche conditions in the Sun Valley area, call 888-1200, Ext. 6027. Anyone with firsthand observations to report can dial Ext. 8028.

A basic avalanche course for women will be offered tonight and Saturday. For more information, call Janet Kellam at 622-5371. Tonight's classroom session will run from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Community School's Middle School in Sun Valley; a \$10 donation is requested. Saturday's field session will begin at 9 a.m. at the Sawtooth National Forest's Ketchum Ranger Station on Sun Valley Road. A \$25 donation is requested.

pack will slowly strengthen as it settles, allowing weaker layers to adhere to stronger layers. The healing process could take a while, so backcountry travelers should proceed with caution.

"We're going to have to worry about this three feet of rotten snow all year long," said Mike Glasgow, an avid backcountry skier from Elko, Nev. Though he's not an avalanche professional, Glasgow is a seasoned observer who skis extensively in the Ruby Mountains of Nevada and the Teton of western Wyoming.

"There simply isn't a right, present-foot in the back of everyone's mind," Glasgow said. "In her backcountry avalanche advisory for Wednesday, Kellam noted, 'The rotten' snow that lies in the lower layers isn't going to go away very quickly.... Additional snow loading or just a human trigger may be all that will start an avalanche.'"

Given that, backcountry travelers should be leery of any new snow that falls on the rotten base.

A simple slough of fresh snow, even a few inches, can unleash a deceptive amount of weight and power, Kellam said, which sometimes is enough to trigger a much bigger slide deep within the snowpack.

Until conditions settle out, Kellam's advice backcountry travelers to confine their activities to slopes of less than 30 degrees.

"That way, you're not spinning the roulette wheel" with your life, she said.

Times-News staff writer William Brock can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 264.



Avalanche forecaster Janet Kellam, of the U.S. Forest Service's Avalanche Center in Sun Valley, inspects a handful of snow from a pit she dug north of Hetchum Wednesday. Avalanche experts warn that mountain snowpacks are structurally flawed and dangerously unstable throughout the northern Rockies.



Wrong place, wrong time: A powder snow avalanche smashes into Little Cottonwood Canyon in the Wasatch Mountains near Salt Lake City. Slab avalanches, which cleave away in chunks, are much more common in Idaho.

## How to avoid getting swept away

### The Times-News

Be sure to bring the proper equipment and knowledge when heading into the winter backcountry.

At the very least, you should:

• Have a basic understanding of snow dynamics and an avalanche course under your belt.

• Carry a probe, pole and tuck-a-collapse shovel in your pack.

• Wear an avalanche "beeper" next to your body under your clothes.

• Beeper send and receive radio signal to your partner. Much like a metal detector over a buried coin, beepers in the "receive" mode can pinpoint a buried beeper in the "send" mode.

It's not enough to carry a beeper in your pack or on your snowmobile because avalanche victims often wind up separated from their equipment. It's also not enough to simply carry the equipment: Backcountry travelers must know how to use it.

Searching for - and finding - a buried beeper must be second-nature because many avalanche victims die within 30 minutes.

If you have a shovel for help, the rule of thumb is "rescuers" will dig out corpses - not survivors.

the ones that aren't needed. Keep a wary eye peeled for signs of recent avalanche activity and skirt the danger.

Play detective. Interpret the evidence. Spot the killer.

The best way to start is by recognizing that avalanches are Nature's way of stabilizing itself. Snow accumulates on mountain slopes until it becomes easier than staying put - much like ripe fruit falling from a tree.

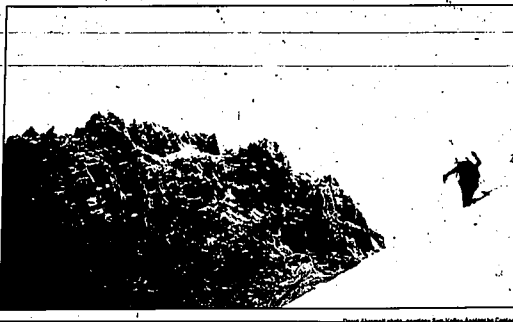
Excessive snow loading is apt to occur after a storm, or after periods of sustained winds. Wind can redistribute snow 10 times faster than the heaviest snowfall.

Beware of snow that collapses beneath your weight with a hollow "woomph" sound. It is an unmistakable symptom that the snowpack is rotten within.

Look for disturbances on the smooth surface of the snow - such as small sloughs, sharply defined slabs that have broken away, and piles of snow rubble that stopped sliding when they reached lower-angle slopes.

Virtually all fatal avalanches occur on slopes of 30 to 45 degrees, with the majority of slides in the 30

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Reduced to heel-and-toe travel, a backcountry skier picks his way along a high traverse in the White Cloud Mountains.

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The best rescue, experts say, are

OUTDOORS

Wildlife explosion hits Oregon valley with mixed blessings

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Lane County is experiencing a population boom and while some of the newcomers add elegance and diversity to the neighborhood, others are a real nuisance.

Just over the hill from West Eugene's scenic Mt. Humbug, for example, a colony of great egrets has quietly established a new winter retreat at Fern Ridge.

The egrets feeding within view of Highway 126 provide commuters with a beautiful contrast to the mudflats that dominate the reservoir during winter.

By far the most dramatic example of unwanted immigration are Canada geese—who are the focus of a costly expanded hunting season that opened in December in northwest Oregon.

Increased hunting pressure is a cornerstone of a proposed federal plan to reduce the wintering goose population in the region 20 percent by the year 2002.

Meanwhile, there are a lot of extra hands munching away at the crops of Willamette Valley farmers.

They're not bothered by hunters here very much. If they're hunted in one field a couple of times, they just move across the road to another field.

Canada geese are hunted less in northwest Oregon than in other places because this is the historic wintering ground of the "dusky" subspecies of Canada geese.

Meanwhile, several other examples of changing wildlife behavior are evident in Western Oregon, Castillo says.

More subtle changes are occurring with elk, Castillo says. Ten to 15 years ago, "there were definite places where the elk concentrated at this time of year."

Castillo suspects the elk changed their habits because hunting seasons have been expanded and segmented—to the point where elk are hunted from August through December.

Hunters stalk game inside — thanks to computer

Knights-Ridder News Service

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Richard Nowak of Park Forest, Ill., has been able to track a deer through the hazy landscape through the binoculars on the computer screen.

Luck came Nov. 28 when he was tracking his way through snow-laden pine trees. The deer entered within rifle range.

"It was a nice-looking buck," murmured a voice inside the computer at the North Atherton Street Wal-Mart. "It looks like he's a mature buck."

"Apparently changing his mind, Nowak swung the telescope's cross hairs onto the animal and touched-off the trigger. Silently the buck crumpled into the deep snow.

"Thank God that's a nice shot," chirped the computer voice.

Though Pennsylvania's two-week antlered deer season has ended, sportsmen like Nowak, who can't get far for the real thing because he's about to graduate from Penn State, can still stalk the deer of their dreams, thanks to a new CD-ROM computer game.

"Deer Hunter," has been an instant success for Wizard Works, a Michigan-based computer publishing company. The \$20 game, released in June 1997, has sold more than 100,000 copies since it was introduced by another company distributing the game.

"Deer Hunter" targets a strong core market in Pennsylvania. One in every 10 of the state's 12 million residents buys a hunting license.

The Wal-Mart store in State College is outselling every other store in the giant merchandising chain.

Of the Wal-Marts selling the game, five of the top 10 stores are in Pennsylvania. While the State College store ranks first, Erie ranks third; Meadville, fourth; Lewisburg, fifth; and Uniontown, 10th, according to Carl Pacione, a regional supervisor for New York City-based REPS Ltd., a company that has Wal-Mart market the product.

"Deer Hunter" also sells well in Ohio, which has two stores in the top 10, Indiana, Kentucky,

The facts

What: "Deer Hunter," a deer hunting simulation game from Wizard Works.

Cost: \$19.98.

Where: After Dec. 28, it became available through national PC and distribution.

Computer requirements: IBM PC compatible computer with a Pentium 75 or higher processor chip recommended; Windows 95 or compatible operating system; 1 MB RAM; 30 MB hard disk space; CD-ROM drive; DirectX-compatible video card (NVIDIA Direct compatible sound card).

Michigan, New York and West Virginia, he said.

In less than two months, the game has developed an almost cult-like following. Savvy computer users with access to the Internet can download additional landscapes through which to chase their quarry. Some World Wide Web sites offer "cheat codes" that give away the buck's locations or give the virtual hunter an irresistible in-breath scent when players tap out the correct letters on the keyboard.

(Wal-Mart employees are reluctant to hand out the Internet addresses, fearing it will kill the fun in the game.)

"This was a surprise hit," said Pacione. "This is one of the best-selling titles Wal-Mart has ever carried in its computer software division. People are really impressed with the graphics and the sound effects."

According to the Wizard Works, "Deer Hunter" has been Wal-Mart's best-selling title for the last four weeks in the State College Wal-Mart, it's moving faster than "Riven," the long-anticipated sequel to one of the game's best-selling adventure games, "Myst."

Shoppers snap up about four dozen copies of the game per week, according to Wal-Mart's Smart Computer Center manager, Andy Nations.

"We've had a customer buy a computer just to run the game," Nations said. "One gentleman spent \$500 just to upgrade his current system just all this for a \$20 game."

And the craze that doesn't require field dressing or dragging a 100-pound carcass out of

the wilderness continues to grow. People trampled a woodland scene display to get to the copies of the game, Nations said.

"We've never seen a game sell this fast," said Pacione, the assistant manager who kept the computer center. "I think Christmas has something to do with it."

Frustration may also play a part in the game's popularity. The Pennsylvania Game Commission estimates only 15 percent of the state's more than a million hunters bring home the venison with a rack each year. With "Deer Hunter," the chase lasts forever.

Pacione said men dressed in fluorescent orange came out of the forests for a few hours each week. A storeholder held the first week of hunting season at the North Atherton Street store. The store, Adam Barlow of State College, took home a new computer for landing a digital 18-point buck.

Each state, open 24 hours, has "Deer Hunter" loaded onto four computers. Nations said there's nearly always someone negotiating his way through a realistic-looking Arkansas autumn woodland, a Colorado alpine fir or an Indiana winter timberland.

"That drives the sales even more because people can see how it plays," Ackerman said. "A lot of people will laugh and then sit down and start playing and say, 'I could go for this.'"

Hunters have their choice of using a rifle, shotgun or bow. As the sometimes do in life, they use a bleating deer call, a set of rattling antlers and cover scents to mask human body odor. If they want, they can climb a tree stand.

"To better understand the landscape, they can use a map or scope. Through a simulated binoculars held as camouflaged hands as red-jungled blackbirds trill or geese honk overhead.

Like real hunters, the virtual one complains about the cold and lack of deer, suggesting the player look elsewhere. Like real animals, the virtual deer can be elusive, peaking out from behind a tree before turning and moving away.

Observers should mark the spot where the victim was engulfed by the slide, and the spot where the victim was last seen. The search should fan out downhill from the spot where the victim was last seen.

Search methodically, but swiftly.

Finally, don't let group dynamics

Downed deer crumple bloodlessly. Heads of prized bucks are immediately mounted in a trophy room.

Nowak, who works in Wal-Mart's automotive department, plays the game during his breaks and on his own computer at home. He learned some tricks along the way.

"If you go to Indiana, you get bigger deer," he said. "But it's tougher to hunt there because they run away faster than they do in Arkansas."

Nowak said there are advantages to sitting in front of the computer screen. Players don't get cold feet from the digital snow or sore shoulders from firing off make-believe weapons.

Ned Fletcher, 23, of State College, took his first try at the game recently.

"You actually get to see a deer; I never get to see one when I'm out hunting," Fletcher, brother, Sam, 26, also of State College, dove a 14-point buck while his brother chattered.

"That one played right into my hands," Sam said. "He just kept walking toward me."

Unlike his older brother, Sam said he doesn't hunt.

"That one did things just on video games," he said.

Pacione said people are using the game to teach basic hunting skills to their children, he said.

Paige Carlson, sales manager for GT Value Products, which owns Wizard Works, said "Deer Hunter" is one of the most popular company games.

"Fisherman's Paradise," selling for \$20, and "Sportsman's Paradise" for \$25.

"We thought it would do well, we just didn't know it would do this well," Carlson said. "It's amazing. Orders are coming in faster than we're building the product right now."

Carlson credits the game's celebrity to its snappy, bright orange packaging and the different Wal-Mart stores' creative displays. It also helps that nothing else on their computer game shelves rivals "Deer Hunter" and that it sells for a few pennies less than its competitors.

"Usually, anything under \$20 is an impulse purchase," she said. "You don't have to think about it. It makes a great gift."

Trash fish compete with trout at Diamond Lake

DIAMOND LAKE, Ore. (AP) — In 1952, Dave Loomis pulled in a net while doing a routine fish survey on Oregon's most popular rainbow trout mecca.

He snatched a minnow no bigger than a few inches.

"I cried," he said, his tongue out in surprise. "I'd never seen a fish so small and so fat."

Loomis, fisheries biologist for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, immediately recognized his catch: a small but prolific trash fish known as the tuft chub. It wasn't the first time the fish arrived in Diamond Lake, and Loomis realized the consequences of his find.

"I turned to the person in the boat and said, 'This is going to change Diamond Lake a lot,'" he said.

The chub made its first appearance in 1954.

The situation 43 years ago is remarkably similar to what biologists find today: a trash fish population numbering in the millions is snatching away the insects that also feed the lake's prized rainbow trout fishery.

A fishery of fat trophy trout has been transformed into the smaller or number of emaciated "hot dogs" Loomis finds today accompanied by a ramatic downturn in the area's sports fishing industry.

The state Game Commission rounded in the 50s by treating the entire lake with rotenone, a plant extract that inhibits the biochemical process of fish and amphibians that encounter it.

The substance, although deemed by the EPA as safe for humans, effectively causes fish to suffocate.

Because Diamond Lake is so well enclosed and relatively shallow, the department estimates it can be treated 100 percent twice after draining down the lake by a third. Officials said the draw-down will prevent the substance from escaping down Lake Creek before it breaks down.

Steve Denny, the ODWF's assistant regional supervisor in Lewiston, said it will take about 140 tons of rotenone to do the job.

In 1954, Loomis said, only about 300 tons of trout were left, mixed in with more than 30 million of the smaller chub. That's 400 tons of tuft chub compared to 100 pounds of trout that were left over after the department liberal-

ized catch limits in the months leading up to the chemical treatment.

The ODWF is proposing the "rotene draw-down" strategy for September 1999.

Officials acknowledge that such a measure is likely to generate controversy. This fall, David Lake in Northern California was treated with rotenone to rid the lake of an exotic species of pike, but the measure also eliminated a rebuke from another state agency.

Francis Eatherington, a member of the Oregon Watersheds, said she's worried about water quality issues and wonders about the estimated \$1 million cost of treating the water. "I don't know," she said, "but I probably have to be treated again in 15 years."

"They aren't solving the problem with this," she said.

Biologists said the chub was most likely introduced by anglers using it as bait for rainbow. That turned out to be an exceedingly bad idea. Loomis noted, because a single female chub can spread 20,000 eggs to hatch in the lake's milky bottom.

The hatchery trout are overwhelmed.

Diana Wales, vice president of the Ormpack Valley Audubon Society, suggested other alternatives besides treating the lake, such as introducing a different mix of fish to compete with the chub. "It would be better to compete with the chub in the lake," Loomis noted.

"It's not like it's going to be a world-renowned brown trout fishery," Loomis said. "There really is no alternative if you want to maintain the brown trout. It has been better to compete with the chub in the lake since 1971 and has been coming to the lake for a long time since 1939, said he only bothered to go fishing once last summer. He and others in the Diamond Lake Homeowners Association are pushing for a repeat of the department's action in 1954.

"In two or three years, the fishing was just great again," Planchich recalled.

Avalanche

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to 40 degree range. 38 degrees is considered the worst possible angle.

Temperatures of less than 30 degrees aren't steep enough for slides to run, while slopes of more than 45 degrees are too steep to hold much snow. A variety of inexpensive devices is available to measure slope angles.

It's not enough to pay attention to the slope you're on, because slopes that are upsteeled out of sight can avalanche without warning. Gullies are notorious "terrain traps" because there's nowhere to hide.

On open slopes, a modest slide can bury a victim with several feet of snow. In a tight gully, snow depth can easily exceed 10 feet.

Ergo, it's safest to travel along ridges and on wind-scoured slopes that are upsteeled out of sight, and when in doubt, resist the urge to defile virgin slopes.

Big, dramatic avalanches

are the only ones that kill people. Most fatalities occur in slides that are less than 3 feet deep at the top and run less than 300 feet.

Avalanche rubble is difficult to shovel away because it's tightly packed when, the sliding stops; victims may be stuck two feet beneath the surface rilly break free on their own.

If the unimaginable happens and you are caught in an avalanche, yell to attract your companions' attention before being swept away. Join your skis and poles, lest they act as levers that will twist you into a human pretzel.

Try to swim in the moving snow and stay near the top. Punch an arm towards the surface as the slide loses momentum and you're likely to be buried; your face in the crook of your

other arm to preserve some breathing space.

Observers should mark the spot where the victim was engulfed by the slide, and the spot where the victim was last seen. The search should fan out downhill from the spot where the victim was last seen.

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ics follow your innate sense of caution. In the mountains, everyone is responsible for their own safety.

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TAKING FLIGHT



A flock of dunlin sandpiper birds take flight over an eight-acre salt marsh restoration project on the Niqualley Delta near Dupont, Wash., in December. The show birds were feeding in the salt marsh that is being formed in the two years since the Niqualley Indian Tribe created a breach in a dike.

Wildlife artist, 80, still finds beauty in nature

Knight-Ridder News Service

MINNEAPOLIS — Les Kouba's window at the Mount Oliver Home for Senior Citizens in Minneapolis overlooks a busy city street, a realtor's office and an automobile sales lot full of new Volvos.

Sitting at the window, Kouba, the 80-year-old wildlife artist, occasionally gazes outside, but mostly he watches his right hand. It glides effortlessly over a pile of 100 prints, the product of his most recent painting.

With swift strokes of a No. 2 pencil, Kouba jots his signature on each print, adding the trademark "dry duck over the top" in his last name. The signature is as identifiable and famous as its owner, whom many credit with helping launch today's wildlife-art industry.

The painting is called "The Dude's Bush Hangout" and it depicts an old cabin in the woods and a woodsman working on a boat. Kouba is proud of the work; he says it's a place he would enjoy visiting.

"Get a load of this pine tree here," he says, pointing to a large white pine standing behind the cabin. "Look around. Does it look familiar?"

Across the street, behind the

Volve lot, an identical white pine looms over the neighborhood. Kouba flashes a wide grin.

"You're 100 percent into this painting," he says. "And if you carefully count the pine trees, you'll find there are 13. There has to be 13 of something in each painting."

It is classic Les Kouba. It takes a master artist to find beauty in a forgettable urban pine. It also takes a person with enormous strength to paint that pine after nearly two years of pain and personal loss.

But those are qualities that define Kouba, one of Minnesota's enduring outdoor legends and conservationists and the dean of the state's wildlife artists.

His struggles began in 1995 with triple bypass surgery and a heart valve replacement. Then his beloved wife of 57 years, Oriol, contracted a blood disease and died last October. In the last year, Kouba has endured more surgery and several bouts with pneumonia.

He moved from his Minneapolis home to Mount Oliver because "the house is nothing but a bunch of (of) sticks without Oriol there." "What a partner she was," he says sadly. "She would look over my shoulder and say, 'Les, that's the best you've ever done.' She

was my best friend for 57 years."

Kouba doesn't regret moving to Mount Oliver; he calls it a place "for people who have to 'regroup and need some minor help.'" His walk has slowed, but he is constantly in motion, chatting with nurses, having lunch with friends, signing prints and visiting relatives. He hasn't hunted for two years, but recently took a walk around a game farm.

He still possesses his trademark mustache, waxed sharply on both ends, and wears his classic bolo tie. "I've painted nine major paintings since I've been here," he says of his stay at Mount Oliver. "I keep active as hell. We were put here to do something. We just can't sit around."

It is that tireless energy and ambition that propelled the son of a Minnesota dairy farmer to become one of the nation's most prolific and well-known wildlife artists.

Kouba was born Feb. 3, 1917, during a blizzard in Hutchinson, Minn. to parents who immigrated from Prague, then part of Bohemia. He discovered his talent early; when he was 11, he sold his first painting to a wealthy German farmer for \$12. It was an enormous sum in the late 1920s.

At 14, he enrolled in a corre-

spondence art course at the Federal Schools in Minneapolis and later attended a private art academy in Hutchinson after being kicked out of public school.

His early years were spent traveling the United States, painting Coca-Cola signs before the advent of decals. His sharp eye didn't like the Coke logo; he decided it needed more flair, so he stopped and fattened the letters.

Coke officials got wind of Kouba's redesign, trucked him down and were impressed. "I got a handsome check in return," Kouba says.

An injury kept him out of World War II, but he moved to Minneapolis and opened a commercial art studio called Kouba Advertising Art. Among his famous contributions to the Midwest commercial art scene: the Red Owl logo for a grocery store chain.

At night, he worked on his own paintings of ducks, deer and other wildlife. His big break came when publishing giant Brown & Bigelow purchased some paintings for a calendar. Then a contract arrived to paint a cover for Sports Field magazine. His wildlife-art career was born.

Snow-making machines may be the salvation of Idaho's ski resorts

BOISE (AP) — From early November on, Idaho's Michael Kelley has cranked his head toward Bogus Basin enough times to get windblasted.

"It was really to struggle the weatherman before we finally got enough snow to open," said Kelley, a student at South Junior High. "I've got to have snow. Skiing's what I do on Saturdays."

If Kelley stays around, he may never have to wait on Another Nature again. The Bogus Basin Ski Area hopes that, in five years, it will be making enough snow by machine to cover the front-side-of-the-mountain.

"It won't be big and fancy," said General Manager Mike Shirley, who waited anxiously for two weeks before enough snow fell this season at the resort north of Boise. "But it'll be the difference between being open and not being open — and that's very important to us."

Snowmovers has kept many a ski resort from going under in dry years. It's a 30-inch system was rigged from farm irrigation pipes and crude nozzles at Malheur Mountain in Connecticut.

But until recently, no one thought there was enough water at Bogus to make snow. That was proved wrong by the discovery of springs and seepage from rain and snow that has collected in aquifers in fractures beneath all the area's granite.

Expansion of the small snow-making system at Bogus Basin hinges on getting legal rights to use water from the well near the bottom of the Showcase lift. Shirley said he believes the matter could be settled in a few months. Right now, Bogus Basin can make snow at the top of the Morning Star lift and along a Cat track ferrying skiers to Silver Queen and Lake Louise.

The area often is blown here even in heavy snow years. The ski area can make a limited amount of snow at the resort north of Bogus Creek Trail. It made enough snow on Coach's Corner this year to conduct an instructor hiring clinic the weekend after Thanksgiving, when only a few inches was on other slopes.

Officials also expect to make a lot of snow for the freestyle jump, which will be the site of a world-class freestyle competition in February. It takes 20 feet of snow just to make the jump.

Typical weather patterns with temperatures of 30 and below allow Bogus Basin to make snow beginning the first week of November, Shirley said. If things go as hoped, Bogus Basin will spend \$1 million to start making snow soon as it could enough.

The money would pay for new pipes and electrical wiring, 10 giant fans and a half-million-gallon storage tank, he says. Shirley says Bogus Basin hopes to do

with all the new equipment. By Thanksgiving, most of the area's skiing, by Dec. 15, open another 13 acres and by Dec. 15, add another 17 acres.

"The areas include some beginner and intermediate terrain — Bogus Basin's broad and milder. "The extreme runs are harder to cover. They're big long runs, and the back side that would take all our capacity," Shirley says.

"Besides, intermediate skiers are where our money is. There's not as many extreme skiers."

Bogus Basin has a lot riding on the ability to make snow. The area generally gets a third of its total skier visits for the year by the end of Christmas break.

"People are always ready for the next thing," Shirley said. "During October and November, they're ready to go skiing. During March, when we usually have our best snow depths, they're thinking about making plans for the summer."

"We've got to catch them when they're thinking about skiing."

In an average year, Bogus Basin gets nearly 30 inches of snow by Dec. 15 and another 5 inches by Jan. 1. But it had just 14 inches by Jan. 1 during the 1995-96 ski season and 15 feet of snow during the 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1989-90 seasons. It currently has 24 inches — enough to get by, but just barely.

And its three snowmovers have been busy manufacturing half an acre of snow, 1 foot deep, every night in the areas that investigate ski field.

Shirley need look no farther than Sun Valley — site of the world's largest and most sophisticated snowmaking system — to see just what a difference creating snow can make. Sun Valley invested about \$16 million in its snow system after several feeble winters.

Its 548-snow-gun salute is a big insurance policy: It guarantees that the resort can open for Thanksgiving every year that the temperatures are low enough.

Without snowmaking, the resort probably could not have opened for Thanksgiving this year.

With it, skiing was off only 10 percent from a year prior — even though only five of the 78 runs were open for the November, holiday, Christmas and the busiest season of about \$16 million in Sun Valley, and snow machines never expect save the day again.

The resort area is 100 percent wooded — despite the patches of brown on hills surrounding Bald Mountain.

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Snowshoeing demonstration set

TWIN FALLS — Anyone who wants to give snowshoeing a try is invited to a free demonstration Saturday in the Sawtooth Valley.

The event will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Fisher Creek, which is two miles south of Sessions Lodge at Obsidian on U.S. Highway 75.

Blue Lakes Sporting Goods will provide 50 pairs of high-tech Yubashoo and Tubbs snowshoes. Representatives from the Patagonia company also will provide gear for people to use.

A warm-up cabin will be open a little more than a mile uphill from Highway 75, so weary wanderers can take a break and warm up with hot chocolate, coffee or a bowl of soup. The weather could be cold, so bring several

layers of clothing that can add or shed as needed.

For more information, call Blue Lakes Sporting Goods at 733-6446.

Event offers chance to cross-country ski

HANSEN — Everyone who's wanted to try cross-country skiing, but didn't know how or didn't have the equipment, is invited to a Free Ski day on Jan. 10.

The event will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Magi Mountain Ski Area, south of Hansen on the Rock Creek Road.

Skis, boots, poles and patient instruction will be available at no cost; refreshments also will be provided.

For more information, call Jack Yarbrough at 837-5055.

Jerome gun club sets practice shoot

JEROME — The Jerome Rod and Gun Club will hold a practice shoot for sporting clays and trap from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday at its range, located northeast of Jerome.

Cost is \$7 for sporting clays and \$3 for trap. Shooters need to bring their own guns

and ammo.

Both members and non-members are invited. For more information, call John L. Weston Sr. at 324-7374.

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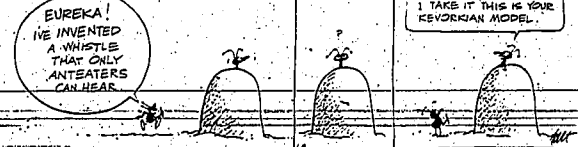
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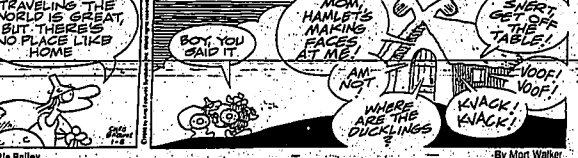
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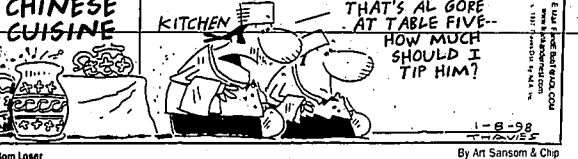
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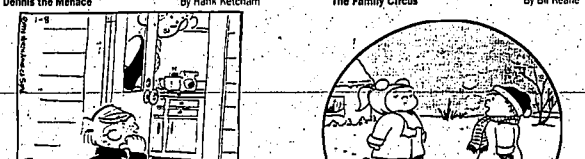
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The Dalmatian dilemma

Everybody knows the Dalmatian dog was once the preferred pet of the gypsies along the Adriatic coast of Dalmatia. But nobody knows where the breed actually got started. ... What do the cosmology experts say? ... Here's to Polly Hoffman and associates - clink!

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

IF JANUARY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, you'll do plenty of travel this year. Love relationships intensify, financial gains and setbacks abound with possible change of marital status. ... CAPRICORN (Dec. 21-April 19): ... TAUROS (April 20-May 20): ... GEMINI (May 21-June 20): ... CANCER (June 21-July 21): ... LEO (July 22-Aug. 22): ... VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): ... LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): ... SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): ...

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## FAMILY TIES



The family of Willis Draper of Heyburn, front center, recently gathered for a five-generation photo. Pictured are, front row from left, Kristin Tucker of Boise, granddaughter Kay Tucker, Kameron Yeggy, daughter Madge Hansen and Alex Yeggy, all of Twin Falls. In the back, great-grandson Scott Tucker, Madison Tucker, both of Meridian, great-granddaughter Becky Yeggy of Twin Falls, Darin Tucker and Savannah Tucker, both of Boise.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Team looks for ideas

**JEROME**—The Jerome Child Advocacy Team will hold an open forum at 12:30 p.m. today at Papa Kosey's, 222 S. Lincoln.

The public is asked to bring ideas to assist the team in "making a difference in our community for our children and youth," Melanee Olsen, co-chairperson, said. The team will compile a list of community members who will be asked to serve on a steering committee.

Also on the agenda is completing a mission statement. The draft mission statement reads, "To promote the belief in a healthy lifestyle for the youth of Jerome. To also provide safe homes, safe schools and a safe community for our youth."

For more information, call Olsen at 324-8891 or co-chairperson Susan Medford at 324-8553.

### Arts society to meet

**TWIN FALLS**—The Le Livre Et La Plume Literary Arts Society will meet at 8 p.m. today at the home of Mary Ellen Russumen.

The book "Winter Wheat" by Minda Walker, will be reviewed by Alona Desrosiers. Desrosiers will give the author's sketch, and Patrick Kleinkopf will present a guided thought. Debra Plante, Marlene Burnett and Kleinkopf will be the co-hostesses.

### Breakfast is served

**JEROME**—Breakfast will be served from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the Jerome

**Senior Center.**  
Biscuits and gravy or pancakes and ham or sausage, eggs, hashbrowns, coffee, milk and juice are on the menu. Cost is \$2.50 per person.

### CSI plans up for sale

**TWIN FALLS**—The College of Southern Idaho Music Department is offering pianos and digital keyboards to the public at a piano sale this weekend.

CSI has benefited from the use of a number of new pianos loaned to the music department at no cost. First-class, well-maintained instruments for teaching, practice and performance were provided, courtesy of the Kawai America Corp. and its local representative, as part of the national educational loan program.

In addition to the CSI pianos, Kawai is offering for sale a selection of other name-brand new and used grand, baby-grand, studios, consoles, professional uprights, spinets and digital keyboards. Most are less than 1 year old and have been meticulously maintained with full manufacturer's warranties.

A private appointment sale taking place today through Saturday morning provides priority status on lowest pricing and best selection. All sales are on a first-come, first-served basis. To make an appointment, call 733-0577.

The general public sale is set for noon to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Fine Arts Music Building on the CSI campus.

Special arrangements have been made for financing, delivery and warranty service through Keith Jorgensen Music Co.

### Newlyweds honored

**TWIN FALLS**—An open house to celebrate the marriage of Ruth Warren and the Rev. Robert J. Smith is planned for 3:30 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church, 910 Shoshone St. E.

The event is being hosted by the couple's friends and family at the First Baptist Church. Warren and Smith were married during the Christmas holidays.

### LETTERS OF THANKS

#### Donations appreciated

Barnes & Noble Booksellers would like to thank all of the generous customers who participated in the Giving Tree Program this holiday season. You provided over 50 books to children in the South Central Head Start Program.

**MARY PREESS**  
Barnes & Noble  
Twin Falls

#### Sticky situation resolved

I want to thank Julie Croy for helping me out at a very stressful time. I had a wedding reception on Dec. 27, 1997, and my husband and I stopped at Fred Meyer to pick up our cake about one hour before the reception. They had problems ringing up our cake so my husband drove to McDonald's to pick up our punch while I waited for our cake. In my stressed-out frame of mind, I decided to meet my husband by walking up Blue Lakes. Unfortunately, he decided to take the back way to Fred Meyer, and we totally missed connections. When I got to McDonald's, Julie Croy appeared to offer me a ride. She drove me out of town to our recep-

**We want your news**

If we have news to report, we want to have about it. We are April Cronin and Amy Breyer. It is our job to bring you the news of our community.

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**Deadlines for the Tuesday page is noon Wednesday. Deadlines for the Thursday page is noon Friday. Deadlines for the Saturday page is noon Saturday. Deadlines for the Wednesday page is noon Friday.**

## CLUB CALENDAR

**CIVIC**

**Blue Lakes Rotary Club**  
Meets at 7 a.m. Tuesdays at the Weston Plaza Hotel & Convention Center in Twin Falls. For more information, call President Larry at 734-1447 or Vice-President Bruce Iacon at 734-9797.

**Buhl Rotary Club**  
Meets at noon Thursdays at Melina's Restaurant, downtown Buhl. For more information, call President George Nye at 543-9229 or Secretary Robert E. Bailey at 543-5506.

**Burley Lions Club**  
Meets at noon Fridays at Price's Cafe, 2444 Overland Ave. For more information, call Secretary Larry Osterhout at 678-3653 or President Sam Yoshida at 678-7992.

**Burley Rotary Club**  
Meets at noon Tuesdays at Burley Inn Convention Center. For more information, call President Dave Westfall at 678-0456 or Secretary Jon Anderson at 678-0392.

**Civil Air Patrol**  
Meets at 6:30 p.m. Mondays at Burley National Guard Armory. Anyone age 12 and older is invited to join. For more information, call Pete Schulte at 677-2559 or James Fletcher at 436-6861.

**Gooding Rotary Club**  
Meets at 12:05 p.m. Fridays at the Lincoln Inn, downtown Gooding. For more information, call President Jim Schottger at 934-4851 or Secretary Claude Scanlon at 934-4851.

**Kwanis Club of Buhl**  
Meets at noon Tuesdays at Melina's Restaurant, 113 Broadway Ave. S. For more information, call President Chuck Goska at 543-4624 or Secretary Tamara Taylor at 543-4624.

**Kwanis Club of Filer**  
Meets at noon Tuesdays at the Filer Methodist Church. For more information, call President Jim Schottger at 934-4851 or Secretary Claude Scanlon at 934-4851.

**Kwanis Club of Twin Falls**  
Meets at noon Thursdays at the Turf Club for lunch. For more information, call Peter Tort, president, at 737-5021 or Marvin Chamberlain, secretary at 734-4244.

**Magic Valley Optimist Club of Twin Falls**  
Meets at 7 p.m. Mondays at the Creekside Restaurant, Twin Falls. For more information, call Tom Reval, president, at 733-2878 or Donna Baird, secretary, at 733-2278.

**Twin Falls Lions Club**  
Meets at noon Wednesdays at the Mandarin House. For more information, call Brian Weidner, president, at 736-1438, or Ray Strubberg, membership chairman at 734-6644.

**Twins Optimist Club**  
Meets at noon Thursdays at the Mandarin House. For more information, call Wayne Bohra, president, at 324-1836 or Archie Goodman, membership chair, at 733-2049.

**Writers Support Group**  
Meets at 6 p.m. Wednesdays at Chapter 1, bookstore in Halley, 120 N. Main. For more information, call John at 788-4403.

**Gooding Lions Club**  
Meets at 7 p.m. Mondays at the Lincoln Inn, downtown Gooding. For more information, call Pat Bishop at 934-3318.

**Soroptimist International of Twin Falls**  
Meets at 6 p.m. Tuesdays at George K's in Twin Falls. For more information, call Rupert Lonesh Club.

**Rupert Lions Club**  
Meets at 8 p.m. Monday at the Rupert Methodist Church.

**Rupert Lions Club**  
Meets at 8 p.m. Monday at the Rupert Elks Lodge.

**Syringa Rebekah Lodge #110**  
Meets at 8 p.m. Mondays. For more information, call Peg Roberson at 324-3604.

**MUSICAL**

**Magchords Barberson Chorus**  
Meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at First Methodist Church in the basement, corner of Shoshone and Fourth Street, Twin Falls.

**Sweet Adelines Chorus**  
Meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays for rehearsal night at Valley Christian Church and Our Savior Lutheran Church in Twin Falls. All women age 15 to 70 are invited to accept six weeks free membership. For more information, call Kelly at 733-6238 or Betty at 734-1900.

**Rupert River Reelers Square Dance Club**  
Will offer square dance lessons for beginners at 7:30 p.m. today at Gil's Hall, 215 W. 100 S. in Rupert. For more information, call Ed and Dolly at 436-1057 or Clete and Mae at 436-1848.

**HOBBIES**

**Friends in Recreational Opportunities Group**  
The group meets to bowl from 1 to 3 p.m. each week at Magic Bowl, 340 Second Ave. E. in Twin Falls. For more information on FROG, call LINC at 733-1712.

**Magic Valley Chess Club**  
Meets from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturdays at Barnes & Noble bookstores. For more information, call Barry Eacker at 733-6186.

**Magic Valley Pinocle Club**  
Meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Disabled American Veterans Hall on Harrison Street and Shoup Avenue, Twin Falls. Open to the public. \$2 donation. Prizes.

**Bridge**  
Meets at 1 p.m. Mondays at Magic Valley Bridge Club. For more information, call 737-5111.

**Twin Falls: For more information, call 733-8699. Newcomers welcome.**

**Valley Vista Retirement Center Pinocle Club**  
Meets Tuesdays and Saturdays in the community center at 653 Rose St. N. in Twin Falls. Play starts at 6:30 p.m. and is for 20 and older by invitation or per person. For more information, call Donna Baird at 733-5531.

**Bridge Club**  
Meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks Lodge, 200 W. 85 S. Newcomers welcome. For more information, call Jean Giesler at 436-6571 or Billie Park at 436-7822.

**Bingo**  
Meets at 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the War Memorial Hall in Gooding. Cost is \$1.25 per person. Participants must be over 18.

**B & J Bridge**  
Meets at 1 p.m. Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks Lodge, 200 W. 85 S.

**Gooding TOPS Chapter No. 251 (a non-profit organization)**  
Meets at 5 p.m. Thursdays at the Gooding Senior Citizens Center, 308 Senior Ave. For more information, call (208) 839-4500.

**Jerome TOPS Chapter No. 48**  
Meets at 6 p.m. Wednesdays at the Public Library. TOPS is a non-profit organization. For more information, call (208) 839-4500.

**Twin Falls TOPS Club ID No. 130**  
Meets at 12:30 p.m. Mondays at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 208 Heyburn Ave. E. (corner of Heyburn and Maurice). For more information, call 733-3304.

**Twin Falls TOPS Chapter No. 309 (a non-profit organization support group for weight loss)**  
Meets at 7 p.m. Wednesdays at Valley Vista Village, 653 Rose St. N. For more information, call 734-5132 or 736-3291.

**Overeaters Anonymous**  
Meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at First Baptist Church on Shoshone Street (first through side doors) in Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-4547.

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Meets at 12:30 p.m. Mondays at First Methodist Church, Twin Falls. For more information, call 734-4547.

**SUPPORT GROUPS**

**Al-Anon** (for relatives and close friends of problem drinkers)  
For more information on meeting times and places, call the Al-Anon Hotline at 736-3555.

**Alateen**  
Meets from 6 to 7 p.m. Mondays at Walker Center Outreach, 263 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. The meeting is for young people affected by someone else's drinking. For more information, call Elise at 734-4444.

**Adult Children of Dysfunctional Families**  
Meets from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Walker Center Outreach, 263 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Each meeting is counselor facilitated and costs \$10. For more information, contact Susan at 734-4444 or call 1-800-528-5282 for a 2-step recovery group and bibliotherapy.

**Meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays at the First Baptist Church of Twin Falls, corner of 9th and Shoshone. For more information, call Mike at 736-9292 or Tom at 734-6714.**

**Alcoholics Anonymous.**  
For more information, call: 736-8446, 734-0590 or 733-7897.

**Christian 12-Step Support Group**  
For more information, call Suzan at 734-4444.

**Cocaine Anonymous**  
For more information, call 734-7242.

**Magic Valley Brain Injury Support Group**  
For more information, call Cassandra Blakley at (208) 326-0080 or Sonia Blakley-Hueger at 734-0824.

**For more information, call Nancy Boswell at 678-2571.**

**Mothers in Touch**  
Meets at 7 p.m. first through the 10th week. MIT is a group of two or more moms who meet one hour each week to pray for their children and the school they attend. For more information on meeting times, call Lori at 825-0644.

**Recovery Line (a self-help mental health group)**  
Meets at 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St. in Burley. The recovery program uses techniques to help depression, anxiety, stress, panic disorder, fears, anger and nervous symptoms. For more information, call Rhonda at 678-8180.

**Breath Easy Club & Magic Brothers Club of Idaho** group for people with lung disease and asthma. For more information, call the Southern Idaho Region 736-1160 or 1-800-328-5257.

**Overeaters Outreach Christ-centered 12-Step support group for addictive and compulsive behaviors**  
Meets at 7 p.m. on Mondays at First Baptist Church, 262 Hilland Ave., Burley. For more information, call Mitch or Rita at (208) 678-3678.

**Parents of Down Syndrome Children**  
For more information, call Danielle Crovatski at (208) 736-4545 message Substance Abuse Volunteer Efforts (S.A.V.E.)  
For more information, call (208) 436-9468.

**Cancer Support Group**  
Meets at 7 p.m. today at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Cancer Center. For more information, call (208) 326-2211 or (208) 326-2215.

**Mini-Cassia Cancer Support Group**  
Meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday at 418 Overland. For more information, call E. Mai at 678-1538 or J. Simpson at 654-2241.

**Badging Disorders Support Group**  
Meets at 7 p.m. Mondays in the J. Weldon Beck Room at the Cassia Regional Medical Center, 1501-14th in Burley. For more information, call 436-3240 or 436-6076.

**Mothers of Young Children**  
Meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Dr. W. Free childcare is available. For more information, call Sandy Nordquist at 324-7035.

## CLUB CALENDAR

**Get listed**

This public information is designed to update Magic Valley clubs and organizations to be included in our 150 events from 1 to 5 p.m. on Tuesday.

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A note of appreciation and thanks to all contributors to the East End Providers. Funds received were a new record, as was the number of family units supported. Food distributed was a new record, as were the results of the Boy Scout Food Drive. We have the resources to run the food pantry throughout the year.

Thanks to all who gave money, time and effort. Special thanks goes to Cecille Griffith, operators, and her crews.

**ED HUDSON**  
Chairman, East End Providers  
Kimberly

**Giving thanks**

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AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 124 ADOPTED MARCH 23, 1994... AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 124 ADOPTED MARCH 23, 1994...

WHEREAS, Twin Falls County finds that the offensive activities of juveniles are not easily controlled... WHEREAS, Twin Falls County finds that the offensive activities of juveniles are not easily controlled...

WHEREAS, Twin Falls County is a family oriented geographical area... WHEREAS, Twin Falls County is a family oriented geographical area...

WHEREAS, the goal of this Ordinance is to increase the support available to parents... WHEREAS, the goal of this Ordinance is to increase the support available to parents...

WHEREAS, the Ordinance is drawn liberally from the Juvenile Corrections Act... WHEREAS, the Ordinance is drawn liberally from the Juvenile Corrections Act...

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION 1-DEFINITIONS

Empowered means any person eighteen (18) years of age or older... Empowered means any person eighteen (18) years of age or older...

SECTION 2-TRUANCY

1. Goals: Twin Falls County recognizes the importance of school attendance... 1. Goals: Twin Falls County recognizes the importance of school attendance...

SECTION 3-RUNAWAY/INCOERCIBILITY

1. Goals: The County Commission of Twin Falls County recognizes the importance... 1. Goals: The County Commission of Twin Falls County recognizes the importance...

SECTION 4-CURFEW

1. Age and Hour Restriction: For any person under the age of eighteen... 1. Age and Hour Restriction: For any person under the age of eighteen...

SECTION 5-PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

1. Parental Control: The parent or guardian of a juvenile knowingly... 1. Parental Control: The parent or guardian of a juvenile knowingly...

SECTION 6-ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES

1. Contacting Parents: Whenever it is determined that a juvenile is... 1. Contacting Parents: Whenever it is determined that a juvenile is...

to the Twin Falls County Courthouse where a parent or guardian shall immediately be notified... to the Twin Falls County Courthouse where a parent or guardian shall immediately be notified...

SECTION 7-PENALTIES, TREATMENT

1. Status Offenders: Any juvenile who violates any provision of this Ordinance... 1. Status Offenders: Any juvenile who violates any provision of this Ordinance...

SECTION 8-REPEALER AND EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance repeals Ordinance 124 heretofore published in the... This Ordinance repeals Ordinance 124 heretofore published in the...

PUBLISHED January 8, 1998

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