



## GOOD MORNING

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Today: Scattered rain showers. Southwest winds 10-20 mph. Rain likely tonight and Friday. Highs 40-45. Lows near 30. Page A2

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# Budget focuses on schools, prisons

## Batt priority list looks at key needs

**The Associated Press**

BOISE — After three years of penny-pinching, Gov. Phil Batt loosened his grip on the state treasury Wednesday.

He proposed the final budget of his tenure to address some pent-up needs and stabilize state government for his heir-apparent, U.S. Sen. Dirk Kempthorne.

"My budget fills only the most essential requests for new or expanded programs," Batt said in his budget message. "It strengthens the foundations of our agencies and institutions. We are prepared to meet our highest priorities."

improvements throughout government.

"Now is the time to focus back on education," State Superintendent Anne Fox said. "He's focused in on money. I think when Kempthorne is elected, we'll see even more in the area of education."

Overall, Batt's spending blueprint for the 1998-1999 budget year that begins July 1 totals \$1.56 billion, up 7.7 percent from the current budget that is being ballooned by more than \$12 million in emergency spending, almost entirely on prisons.



Gov. Phil Batt offered his final budget to the Idaho Legislature in an address to a joint session Wednesday. The governor included a general pay raise for state employees as well as money to replace worn out or obsolete equipment.

The bulk of the new cash from the anticipated healthy 5 percent economic growth, which is earmarked by Batt for public and higher education, juvenile and adult prisons and high technology

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## Alcohol tax is bad

### News to bar owners

By Liz Wright Times-News writer

BOISE — Raising beer and wine taxes would be the final straw for Ron Spearman, owner of the Back 30 Bar in Boise.

"Run the small businessman out of town, raise the taxes, that's the way to do it. Run 'em out, by God," he said Wednesday, a few hours after Gov. Phil Batt suggested a "moderate" but unspecified increase in beer and wine taxes.

Other bar owners in the Magic Valley had a hard time swallowing the idea — "swinging it would be one more way of nickel and-diming the little guy to death."

"Any time you tax a guy with his wages, you're hurting something," said Bill Cline, owner of the Trophy Club in Eden. "Either their grocery bill or their rent bill or their

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## SIGN OF GROWTH

# Asian flu troubles investors

## Moderate growth expected in 1998 for Magic Valley

By Pat Marcantonio Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Partly because of serious Asian economic problems, say seers, a rapid growth this year in the United States.

For eastern troubles will even affect Idaho, but expect moderate growth this year in the region.

"I can suggest to you 1998 will gain at a similar pace to 1997," said Kelly Matthews of Salt Lake City, First Security Bank's chief economist. "It can maintain this year."

Matthews and other executives offered prognostications at the bank's 30th annual economic outlook Wednesday, drawing almost 400 people.

What will help to keep Idaho in the black: the state ranks 43rd in the nation in the cost of doing of business.

"Infrastructure, being the lowest is good," he said.

The Magic Valley also has made the commitment to improve infrastructure to attract investments, he said.

In addition, the education environment is strong.

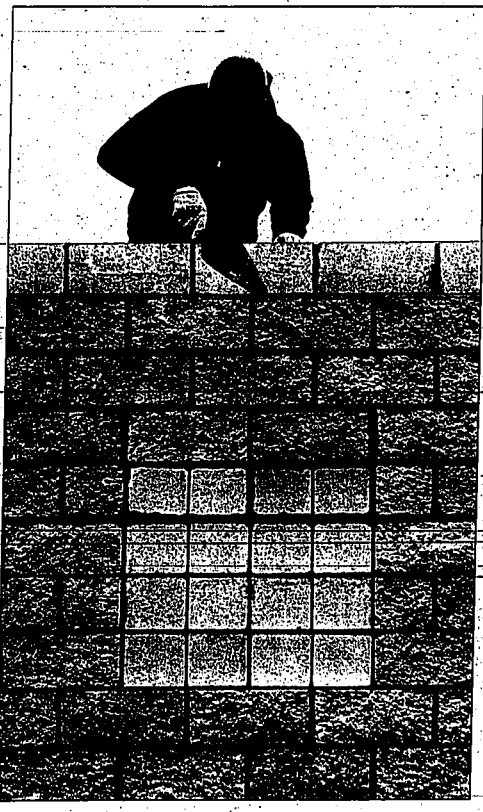
"Population will continue to slow," Matthews said. Because the economy is good elsewhere, there won't be the exodus from other states.

Personal income also is expected to rise 5.3 percent over last year, about the same gain as last year. But he predicts the numbers of new jobs in the state will be minimal and the number of building permits for single-family homes to slip from last year because of the sluggish population and job expansion.

On the other hand, he can see no major layoffs in the economic crystal ball.

When it comes to agriculture, the

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Casey Rose of Gooding puts a few finishing strokes Wednesday on masonry work at the new Schuck's Auto Supply building under construction at Blue Lakes Boulevard North and Flar Avenue in Twin Falls. Economists foresee moderate growth for Twin Falls in 1998.

# Critics say Medicare alarm misleading

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A conservative advocacy group is generating a flood of worried mail and phone calls to Capitol Hill by telling elderly people a new law bars them from using their own money for annual physicals and other services not covered by Medicare.

Critics say the warning is misleading.

"They're blatantly lying," said Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., who has asked the Postal Service to look into whether a direct mail fund-raising campaign by the United States Association could amount to fraud.

"We have a difference of opinion," said United States President Sandra

Buiter. "There may be confusion ... but what's in those letters I stand behind."

The nonprofit group, which has been a champion of Republican causes, has sent more than 3 million letters to older Americans and spread its views in newspaper editorials and on talk radio shows.

"If Medicare won't pay for a medical need you have, you can't have it — even if you want to pay for it personally and even if you need it to save your life," said one United States appeal, asking elderly people to "write out a check for \$10, \$15, \$25, \$50, or \$100 or whatever you can afford" to fight a new Medicare law that became effective Jan. 1.

Clinton administration officials say that claim is unfounded.

The elderly can continue to use their own money or supplemental private insurance for services not covered by Medicare — such as yearly physicals, most dental care and routine foot care, according to Medicare administrator Nancy-Ann DeParle.

The American Association of Retired Persons is also telling confused retirees contacting its offices "if they've heard (Medicare) would not allow them to purchase non-covered services, that is inaccurate."

The new Medicare law sets rules governing when a patient and their doctors can forgo a Medicare claim and instead make private payment arrangements for services that are covered.

# Less talk, more action on cleanup

## That's suggestion from speakers at nuclear waste conference

By N.S. Nekkentvod Times-News writer

IDAHO FALLS — The hard talk about cleaning up buried radioactive waste in Idaho might be getting a boost.

"Take some action, fix some things, don't spend your time studying the waste, trying for the best solution, Chuck Rice" of the INEEL Citizens Advisory Board suggested to about 200 participants in a three-day conference on cleanup of the site's buried radioactive waste.

Rice was a top official at the INEEL during its infancy — when radioactive and hazardous wastes were buried along the Snake River Plain Aquifer, a key water source for southern Idaho. And his call to action was heeded by other attendees at the cleanup conference.

Conference chairman Dale Pflug said the trouble with getting started may be focus.

"We're looking at the forest, but we're not seeing the trees," he said.

"Tackling the whole forest looks too daunting," he said. Instead, he urged some smaller confidence building steps.

Some efforts are ongoing. For example, an effort is under way to remove solvents that have leaked from the waste into the Snake River Plain Aquifer.

INEEL officials are looking for ways to clean up 88 acres of buried waste, scattered in 16 pits and 58 trenches that were filled during the 1950s and 1960s.

This week's conference was put together to allow the federal Energy Department, the state of Idaho and the Environmental Protection Agency better understand technology that could be used on Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory waste.

The conference has drawn representatives from about 70 companies, who may be potential contractors in future cleanup at INEEL.

But one tough question facing INEEL officials, as several conference participants noted, is how to get a better understanding of the waste without actually digging into it.

Michael Mann of Earthline Technologies of Tampa, Fla., said the department doesn't have enough information to make a decision on cleanup.

He suggested the department hire a contractor to try some things to gain more data.

Eric Carter of Carter Technologies of Sugar Land, Texas, said some of the waste already has been in the ground for

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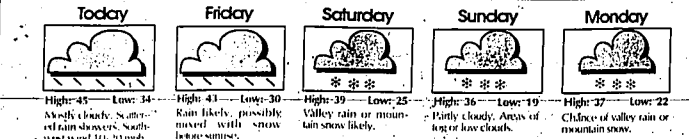
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THE REGION

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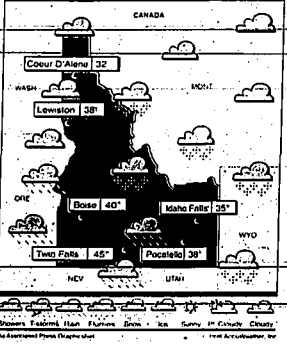


YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

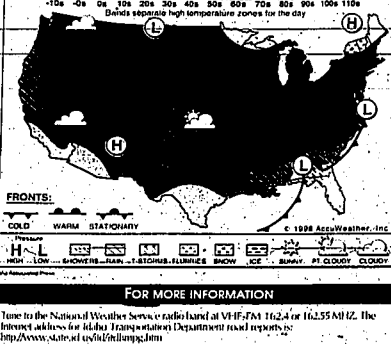
Table with columns: Twin Falls, Precipitation, Yesterday, Last year, Normal.

High: 43 Low: 33... Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley High: 39 Low: 14...

IDAHO Weather



NATIONAL Weather



Highs/Lows

Table listing high and low temperatures for various Idaho locations.

The Nation

Table listing high and low temperatures for major US cities.

Northern Idaho High: 40 Low: 32... Eastern Idaho High: 31 Low: 25...

Northern Utah High: 41 Low: 30... Northern Nevada High: 37 Low: 27...

ROAD INFORMATION

Boise: 376-8028... Pocatello: 233-6474...

SWYATCH

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ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho With little change expected in the upper level flow... South Low pressure in the Gulf of Mexico...

Alcohol

Continued from A1... In his budget speech Wednesday, Batt said it is time for lawmakers to look at higher wine, beer and cigarette taxes...

From the tax increase to fund alcoholism treatment programs... Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, who proposed raising alcohol taxes last year, said she was surprised by Batt's remarks...

U.N. tied to confirm tests

WASHINGTON - Before Iraq abruptly triggered a confrontation with a United States weapons inspection team... The disclosure provided a possible explanation for why Iraq blocked the work of a U.N. inspection team...

Outlook

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Batt

Continued from A1... Total spending in the new budget, including federal and specially earmarked tax money, will hit \$3.5 billion...

increase, but he indicated support for higher beer and wine taxes... After the 35-minute address, however, Batt labeled as unacceptable the proposal floated last year by state Sen. Hal Bunderson...

That is over \$2 million more than he successfully sought from lawmakers in the current budget... Capping the effort to leave the state on a solid financial footing for his successor, Batt called for hiking the eight-cent beer tax to 74 cents...

Action

Continued from A1... nearly 50 years, with little harm offset. The waste was isolated but perhaps more difficult and expensive retrieval and treatment would not be necessary...

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LOTTERY UPDATE: Congratulations to a lucky player from Cour d'Alene who scored \$750,000!!!... FAST: 7 11 13 19 21

Correction: Wednesday's Community page contained an error. The LDS Adult Singles "Snowball" dance will be held Jan. 23. The Times-News regrets the error.

NATION

NEWS IN BRIEF

**FDA OKs over-the-counter migraine drug**

WASHINGTON — Excedrin became the first over-the-counter migraine medicine Wednesday.

The Food and Drug Administration approved the extra-strength version of Excedrin as powerful enough to treat the pain of mild to moderate migraines, providing a new market for the 20-year-old painkiller.

Manufacturer Bristol-Myers Squibb said it would rename the product Excedrin Migraine within a few weeks, but the cost would not change. The average retail price is about \$7.51 for 100 tablets.

**Study connects education with less sex**

CHICAGO — So many teenagers really IS bliss.

Americans with college degrees get less sex than those who finished only high school, and those who went to graduate school get even less, according to a study in February's American Demographics magazine.

The study is based on 10,000 interviews with Americans conducted over the past decade by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago.

High school graduates average 58 sexual contacts a year, while those with some college average 62. Those with four-year college degrees average 56, and those who have been to post-graduate school average a paltry 50.

**Research ties healthy babies, thin moms**

BOSTON — Women who are model-thin when they get pregnant for the first time are far more likely to have healthy babies than obese women or even those of normal weight, a Swedish study found.

The study, published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine, contradicts the common belief that heavier women are more likely to have healthy, full-term babies. Although the thinnest women are more likely to have underweight babies, they are no more likely to give birth prematurely or to have their babies die in the first week after birth, the study found.

Compiled from wire reports.

Mrs. Clinton questioned

WASHINGTON (AP) — Prosecutors questioned Hillary Rodham Clinton at the White House Wednesday about the gathering of FBI background files on past Republican political appointees — her fifth session of sworn testimony in the Whitewater investigation.

The questioning took 10 minutes.

Mrs. Clinton said she knew

nothing about any such collection of files by the office of White House security, according to lawyers and other people familiar with her testimony. She also maintained that she was unaware of how the White House came to hire Craig Livingstone, the aide who ran the security office, said those sources, speaking only on condition of anonymity.

Study: Drinking early poses risk

WASHINGTON (AP) — Underage drinkers may have more to worry about than just breaking the law.

A study by the National Institutes of Health shows that children who begin drinking before they turn 15 are four times as likely to develop alcoholism as those who start drinking at the legal age of 21.

They also are twice as likely to abuse alcohol than people who start drinking later in life, the study. Some medical experts say early exposure to drinking, family pressures and alcohol advertisements have encouraged children to begin drinking at earlier ages and make breaking the habit more difficult as they grow up.

Plan would help married couples

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican lawmakers pressed President Clinton Wednesday to join them in changing income tax rules that they say penalize people for being married.

In a letter signed by 123 House members, lawmakers asked Clinton to use his State of the Union address later this month to endorse their proposal to eliminate the so-called marriage tax penalty. "It's immoral that our tax code punishes our most basic institution," said Rep. Jerry Weller, R-Ill., chief sponsor of the legislation along with Rep. David McIntosh, R-Ind.

They said 42 percent of all Americans, 21 million married couples, pay higher taxes than if they were single because filing joint returns pushes them into a higher tax bracket.

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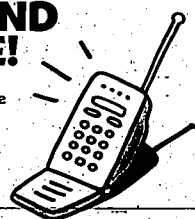
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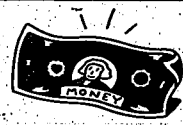


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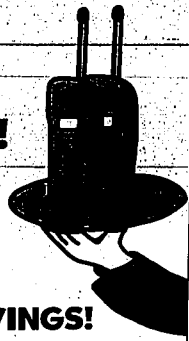


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## EDITORIAL

### Bureaucrats blame voters for failures of leadership

A notable quirk of the bureaucratic mind is the notion that citizens who oppose higher taxes don't know what's good for them.

Idaho has a well-known problem with elderly, decrepit school buildings. School districts have had spotty success at persuading local voters to pay for new ones.

Why is this so? The average person might guess that school officials do a poor sales job. Or that voters are displeased with school performance. Or that higher property taxes are not as palatable to many citizens.

These are all reasonable theories, each based on considerable evidence. Yet the bureaucrats' mind blames the voters.

The educators is again lobbying to reduce the two-thirds supermajority that Idaho requires for bond-issue approval. The educators assume that people who vote "no" are just stingy - so why not change the rules to bypass them? Why not reduce the two-thirds requirement to, say, 60 percent?

Persistent complaints about the two-thirds rule persuaded Gov. Phil Batt to put the issue in his state of the state address. He did not suggest simply easing the requirement (bless him for that). Why not reduce the two-thirds requirement while adding a voter turnout minimum. That way, taxpayers are protected from the possibility that a small minority of voters might raise everyone's taxes.

It's an interesting idea, but here's a prediction: Even if Batt's idea were adopted, it wouldn't build enough schools to satisfy the educators. They would be back in a few years, complaining that voters are too lazy to meet the turnout requirement.

Washington state has a 60 percent majority requirement, with a 40 percent turnout minimum. That rule

sometimes leads to a peculiar situation. Voters who oppose higher taxes find they can more effectively fight bond issues by staying home. (Not voting is analogous to turnout.) If that happens in Idaho, it will be an excuse to tinker with the system again.

What to do? First, if voter turnout is a concern, let's stop holding bond votes on oddball election dates. The Legislature should force school districts to hold their elections on the same four dates each year that most other elections are allowed.

Meanwhile, the educators should work on fixing the other explanations for voter reluctance: school performance, community relations, and the overall level of property taxes.

Changing the rules to make winning easier is an admission of failure. It's also likely to ignite backlash among property owners who feel they are losing control over their taxes.

The state should not take such a radical and risky step. It should leave the two-thirds rule in place.



## Report from LA: Things are looking up

I say much about modern government that one of the nation's most successful elected officials is, here in Los Angeles, one of the least powerful. And it says something about political leadership today that that official is this city's mayor, Richard Riordan, who has a personal library of 40,000 books and is given to citing Moses Maimonides (d. 1204) on "the eighth level of giving" (giving that makes the recipient self-sufficient). Lately he has been coping with a multilayered controversy about gasoline-powered law blowers.

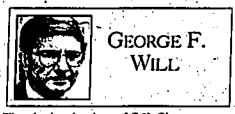
Many middle-class Southern Californians tolerate immigrants when there is law work to be done.

Much of it is done by immigrants, whose wages are depressed by competition from the constantly growing reserve army of other immigrants. To maximize their efficiency, the lawn workers use their powers, which make noise and other pollution.

Banning gas-powered blowers would mean that the lawn workers will earn less by servicing fewer lawns, or that lawn owners will pay more per lawn for maintenance. During this controversy - a conflict of class, ethnicity and hypocrisy characteristic of this college city - it was the job of the mayor, the only visible symbol of community to seem sympathetic to all sides. Which Riordan seems to have done.

"Public empathizing - and acting as if I had the power," he says - may seem a humble thing.

However, such tasks are the stuff of municipal government, and of a mayor's life in a city where the city council and various agencies are regularly non-servient. For Riordan, being an amiable presence amounts to practicing what he, a Catholic intellectual (a philosophy major at Princeton), preaches.



GEORGE F. WILL

That is the theology of G.K. Chesterton, who distilled it to this: I am important, and everyone else is, too.

Besides, bite-size actions, such as spreading a bit of sympathy in the leaf blower dispute, nibble away at tensions in a city that should be enjoying this momentary respite from larger calamities - a moment for worrying about micro-problems like law blowers.

This was, after all, the first city to suffer a major postwar riot (Watts, 1965). It is the only city to have suffered two such riots. In the 1920 riot, after the first riot, acquitted the policeman charged in the Rodney King beating, was the nation's worst since the New York City draft riots of 1963. The Northridge earthquake of 1994 was the worst - in terms of the dollar value of destruction - natural disaster in the nation's history.

The Eastern Sierra, 300 miles north of here, California's most volcanically active region, is the head of a vulnerable network of streams, reservoirs and aqueducts that supplies two-thirds of this city's water. Seismic activity has been increasing ominously there.

Meanwhile, Riordan, a Republican in his second term, can enjoy the not inconsiderable success of a steep reduction in violent crime, largely because, he says, so many of the relatively small cadre of violent people are now in prison. And he says city government has become less of a job-killing machine.

The bureaucratic drag of permit pro-

cesses has been diminished enough that movie production is up 60 percent since Riordan became mayor. That paradox - measuring success in terms of movies made in the movie capital - leads to another: Success in economic revitalization has required a surge of upscale immigration to this capital of immigration, bringing people (particularly from Ireland, Israel and India) to fill some of the more than 30,000 unfilled jobs in the computer industry.

Perhaps more efficiencies are needed in a city where, Riordan says, some hotels send their linens 120 miles to Tijuana to be laundered by low-wage workers. However, Los Angeles has passed New York City as a center of the garment industry because immigrant workers - Riordan calls them the "backbone" of the city's recovery - have transformed this city as radically as immigration has transformed Miami.

Fred Siegel, in his book "The Future Once Happened Here: New York, D.C., L.A., and the Fate of America's Big Cities," notes that in 1960, five years before the liberalization of immigration laws, Los Angeles had the largest percentage of native-born white Protestants of any major U.S. city. Only 9 percent of the residents were foreign born. By 1980 the percentage was 27; by 1990, 40. About 750,000 of the city's 3.5 million residents entered the country in the 1980s.

Riordan says part of his job is answering "Nothing" (when asked what he can do to solve particular neighborhood problems (abandoned buildings, aggressive panhandling, graffiti). Nothing much, that is, beyond bestowing recognition by expressing empathy. Which is, come to think about it, a lot.

George F. Will is a Washington Post columnist.

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## LETTERS

### Land abuse warrants a lawsuit

There are sound and urgent reasons for such lawsuits as the pending one regarding the BLM's management of livestock grazing in Idaho's Oversee Resource Area.

The lawsuit has become a last-resort effort to correct documented abuse of public lands. Honest efforts to correct this exploitation of public lands by the BLM or Forest Service managers are thwarted when our politicians rush to appease complaining ranchers. The land managers are told to back off for fear of their jobs. The politicians gain political support, the ranchers are pacified and thousands use of public lands zones off.

The BLM and Forest Service managers have the skills and information needed to handle most grazing problems, they are rarely able to do so without political interference. That happened in Twin Falls last year when Sen. Larry Craig called on Sawtooth National Forest's Bill LeVere to warn this forest supervisor about ranchers' plans for improved grazing management on the Sawtooth.

Ranchers and their supporting politicians have only themselves to blame for pending lawsuits. The judicial process is the last resort for concerned citizens.

HAI PRUNTY  
Twin Falls

### Law impairs care for seniors

As nurses who provide home health care to elder patients in the state of Idaho, we are deeply concerned about the future well-being of those we serve. Many elderly individuals who receive home health care services and depend on their Medicare benefit to finance those services will be facing the ad-

### verse effects of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997.

A great number of patients in the state of Idaho will no longer be able to receive home health care after approximately Feb. 5. The exceptions to this will be those who have the personal financial means to pay for their care independently.

The only way many of our clients are able to remain in their own homes is to receive visits from home health-care staff. Often these visits occur several times a day to provide assistance with everything from meal preparation and bathing to assisting patients in and out of bed. The responsibility for care of these individuals may now be placed fully on their families, or for those who have no family or other support, they may be forced to transfer to other alternatives, such as nursing-home placement. The cost of this care could possibly exhaust all of their financial resources and cause them to become the financial responsibility of the state through the Medicaid program for their health care.

Most of our patients have paid into the Medicare system throughout their employment years and deserve to remain at home with dignity. All of us, as we look forward to our own retirement years, hope they will be spent in good health. However, if this is not the case, we too, may be faced with unpleasant choices.

We would like to encourage the elderly community, caregivers and health-care professionals to write to your congressmen, senators and any other political leaders regarding this important issue.

CYNTHIA BOX, RN  
CHERYLYN VANHOUDEN, RN  
Rocky Mountain Home Services  
Twin Falls

### Slow down, prevent accidents

Here is my first letter of the new year. I wish it could be more positive, but not.

My complaint is: I live on a corner in Jerome. I daily watch drivers who never stop at the stop signs placed on our street, both north and south of our home.

There is going to be a wreck there sooner or later that's going to be more than a fender bender.

I am going to remind my husband to take a look for he ain't never seen a wreck like I.

MARY J. TOUPIN  
Jerome

### 2nd Amendment protects freedom

One of the most outstanding differences in this country, the United States of America, is our Constitution. It guarantees us many things, and anyone

seeking public office must swear to uphold it.

The Second Amendment to the Constitution states very plainly that you have the right to bear arms and that cannot be abridged or violated in any manner.

Why it is there is to protect another right which is there: you are guaranteed the right to own and enjoy private property, including your home. The founders of this nation realized that you should be able to defend that right from whoever or whatever, including foreign powers and, yes, even domestic powers.

Each state militia, under the Constitution, has the obligation to defend the rights of the individuals in that state. When government tries to circumvent those rights, it could make the difference whether we remain a free people where the government works for the

people instead of the people working for the government. In the 21st century, we could be slaves to the politically correct, or should we say the politically incorrect. Remember, the militia, a state army, is to uphold the Constitution under the law.

It is the Bill of Rights, not the Bill of Needs. Every church, every school, every politician and every voter should uphold the Constitution from cover to cover. Let it be your standard and the rule book to keep this country free with and by our God-given rights under the Constitution.

If a national emergency occurs, the president assumes control of the National Guard and the governor has only the sheriff and, in many instances, the local police and state guard unit referred to as the militia, which is like a sheriff's posse.

JACK STREETER  
Mountain Home

## LETTERS

### Doonesbury



### By Garry Trudeau

### Mallard Fillmore



### By Bruce Tinsley

OPINION

# Hallelujah, I'm born again - so don't send me to the gas chamber

Some strong advocates of the death penalty for first-degree murderers are having second thoughts in the case of a Texas woman convicted of the murders of two Houston people in 1983. Karla Faye Tucker, 38, is scheduled to die by lethal injection Feb. 3.

Religious broadcaster Pat Robertson is one of those who has come to Tucker's defense. Robertson believes that Texas officials should spare her life because she says she has been born again.



Cal Thomas



Evangelist Pat Robertson

Would Pat Robertson and John Boyles favor commuting her sentence if she had converted to something other than Christianity, if she had been of some other race or of a different age, young, white and female - four characteristics that tug at the heartstrings of a culture that values them. Anyone doubting this should recall the reaction to the death of Princess Diana. How many homes, black, male or older convicts enjoy the defense of such high-profile religious leaders as the Rev. Robertson?

The third flaw is what message a reprieve would send, not only to convicted killers but to those who might be plotting murder. If all you have to do is claim you have been born again, "revival" will surely break out in the prison system, and instead of filing petitions with lawyers, inmates will start sending letters to religious broadcasters and pack the prison chapel. There will be no way to discern which inmates are telling the truth and which are running a scam.

The death penalty is a way for society to validate the ultimate value of human life. It says that if you illegally take the life of another person, the only way society can ratify the value of that life is for

your life to be forfeited. It deprecates life merely to deprive someone of liberty for murder. But in a culture that increasingly values life less at all stages (unless it is young, pretty, female and, for some, "converted"), why should some guilty lives or deaths be protected if we are killing the innocents on a "birth row" in abortion chambers?

The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles should not grant clemency to Karla Faye Tucker unless there are extenuating circumstances - other than her conversion - of which we are currently unaware. If Tucker has truly been converted, she has already received the only pardon she will ever need.

Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.

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SPORTS

Atlanta pounds Mavs, keeps streak alive

ATLANTA (AP) — Steve Smith scored 29 points and Dikembe Mutombo added 21 points and 19 rebounds as the Atlanta Hawks defeated the Dallas Mavericks 108-82 Wednesday night for their fifth consecutive victory...



Atlanta Hawks center Dikembe Mutombo, right, and Dallas Mavericks forward A.C. Green scramble for a loose ball Wednesday during first half action in Atlanta.

Rik Smits and Mark Jackson chipped in with 16 points each and Jackson had 11 assists.

Raptors 109, Clippers 101

TORONTO — Damon Stoudamire tied his career high with 36 points to lead Toronto to its sixth victory...

Warriors 95, Bulls 95

MILWAUKEE — Glenn Robinson scored 12 of his 31 points and Armon Gilliam had 10 of his 20 in the final period as Milwaukee won its third straight...

Spurs 89, Wizards 79

WASHINGTON — Tim Duncan had 16 points and 10 rebounds and David Robinson added 20 points and 14 rebounds as San Antonio broke its four-game losing streak to Washington...

Pacers 100, Pistons 93

INDIANAPOLIS — Reggie Miller scored 25 points, including a key 3-point shot with 2:04 seconds to play, as Indiana defeated Detroit despite a season-high 26 turnovers.

Indiana overcame a season-high 37 points by Grant Hill, who matched his career-high with 15 field goals and attempted a career-high 29 shots.

Joe Dumars added 23 points for Detroit, one off his season-high.

Broncos' linemen better mouth off, or else

DENVER (AP) — For the Denver Broncos' offensive line, it's time to speak up or pay the price...

The linemen began their self-imposed silent treatment early in the 1996 season as a form of bonding. With the encouragement of offensive line coach Alex Gibbs, who himself rarely communicates with the media...

field goals and attempted a career-high 29 shots. Joe Dumars added 23 points for Detroit, one off his season-high.

Barkley enters not guilty plea for bar incident

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Charles Barkley pleaded not guilty Wednesday to charges he threw a bar patron through a window and asked for a jury trial.

Bruins

Continued from B1. "Luckily, I made the layup." Nelson matched up against Trent Miller's Mark Thair for much of the night, in a key matchup that pitched the 6-foot-8 Nelson against the 6-5 Thair...

Thair finished with 14 points and nine rebounds. He had a spin, double-clutch layup that beat the Bruins up momentarily, 42-41.

Twin Falls' Jake Robertson finished with 10 points, including eight in the first half when the Bruins got out to a 23-21 lead.

Wrestling

Frederick said, "CBS discovered that when it lost football and it lost the ability to program it is shows to a large audience."

SCORES AND STATS

Large table containing scores and statistics for various sports including basketball, football, baseball, and hockey. Includes sections like 'ON THE AIR TELEVISION', 'IN THE BLEACHERS', and 'HOCKEY'.

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resting an officer without violence for the Oct. 26 fight. His trial date has been set, but a pre-trial hearing was scheduled for Feb. 2.

Golfer heads toward courtroom showdown with PGA Tour

POMPANO BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The ailment behind Casey Martin's golf cart controversy is a rare, painful birth defect that reduces blood flow in his legs and could result in amputation.

"We've found somebody who gets more media attention than Tiger Woods," one observer said. "Before limping to his controversy trial, Martin met briefly with a caddy to discuss the unfamiliar Palm-Aire Country Club course."

NFL

Continued from B1. Frederick said, "CBS discovered that when it lost football and it lost the ability to program it is shows to a large audience."

work. The situation surrounding Fox's No. 1 announcing team of Pat Summitt and John Madden is not as clear.

TRANSACTIONS

Table listing various sports transactions, including player signings, trades, and roster moves across different leagues like the NFL, NHL, and MLB.

# Out of luck: Maryland stuns No. 1 Tar Heels in overtime

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — Top-ranked North Carolina and coach Bill Guthridge finally ran out of luck Wednesday night. Maryland handed the Tar Heels their first loss of the season and the first in the Guthridge era. Aaron Proffit scored six points in overtime to lead the Terrapins to an 89-83 victory. Antawn Jamison scored 27 points for North Carolina (17-1, 4-1 Atlantic Coast Conference), but he missed four foul shots in overtime and his one free throw with 7.4 seconds left won't help him over the final 18 minutes. Proffit scored 19 points for Maryland (10-5, 3-2), which lost by 32 points at home to Duke just 11 days earlier. Proffit clinched the win by making two foul shots for an 87-82 lead with 18 seconds left. It was the second time in three

## Men's college basketball

years the Terrapins beat No. 1 North Carolina in Cole Field House as they did it in the 1994-95 season. North Carolina had won 34 of 35, including 17 straight under Guthridge, who took over for Dean Smith this season. The Tar Heels had won three games by five points or less, including a two-point decision in overtime against Georgia. "This time, however, North Carolina never led after Proffit made two foul shots for a 84-82 lead with 2:11 left. No. 2 Duke 88, Wake Forest 52. WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — Shane Battier led Duke's stifling defense

in an 88-52 victory over Wake Forest on Wednesday night, the Demon Deacons' worst loss in the nine-year history of Lawrence Joel Coliseum. The Blue Devils (15-1, 5-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) won their sixth consecutive game by scoring 29 points off 20 turnovers. Duke, which has an average winning margin of 28 points in conference play, got 15 points from Chris Carruwell, 10 from Trajan Langdon, 12 from Steve Wojciechowski and 10 pieces from Roshom McCleod and Mike Chappell. Battier wound up with four points, 10 rebounds, four steals and three assists in 20 minutes.

Chenoweth led Kansas (20-2, 4-0 Big 12) with 16 points, nine in the second half, and Pierce scored 11 of his 15 points in the second half as the Jayhawks won their fourth straight and 12th in 13. The Aggies (6-6, 0-4) stayed close, trailing 45-37 at halftime, but the Aggies missed their final seven shots of the first half and their first eight of the second half, allowing the Jayhawks to break the game open with a 12-2 run to take the second half. Michael Schmitt led the Aggies with 16 points. No. 13 Iowa 61, Ohio St. 46. COLUMBUS, Ohio — Deay Oliver doubled his average with 17 points and Iowa flourished offensively but still had enough firepower for the win. The Hawkeyes came in averaging 87 points a game, but had 21 turnovers and shot just 43 percent

from the field. Iowa (14-2, 3-1 Big Ten) won for the eighth time in its last nine games. It was the Hawkeyes' eighth straight win over Ohio State — their longest winning streak in the 122-game series. George Washington 78, No. 18 Xavier 73. OT. WASHINGTON — Freshman Mike King made two free throws with one time remaining in regulation, then scored six of the seven free-throw points in overtime for George Washington. King, playing only because of a second-half injury to leading scorer Yegor Mescheriakov, scored all of his points over the final 6:13 of regulation and in overtime. King forced overtime when he hit two free throws with zeros on the clock to tie the score 68-68 after he was fouled trying to put back an offensive rebound as time expired.

## No. 22 Arkansas 89, Florida 84

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Karven Reid scored 18 of his 25 points in the first half and made both ends of a 3-and-1 with 23 seconds left as the Razorbacks survived an impossible Florida rally. Reid's free throws made it 87-84 and came after Tank Wallace stole an inbounds pass, following a Florida timeout. Wallace made two free throws to give Florida a 90-87 lead with 13 seconds left. Arkansas (14-2, 4-0 Southeastern Conference) King, playing only because of a second-half injury to leading scorer Yegor Mescheriakov, scored all of his points over the final 6:13 of regulation and in overtime. King forced overtime when he hit two free throws with zeros on the clock to tie the score 68-68 after he was fouled trying to put back an offensive rebound as time expired.

# No. 1 Tennessee wins again, trounces No. 19 Georgia

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — No. 1 Tennessee remained perfect with another double-figure victory, defeating 10th-ranked Georgia 96-71 as Chamique Holdaway scored 25 points and Tamika Catchings added 23. Tennessee (18-0, 5-0 Southeastern Conference) has won every game this season by at least 10 points, a streak the Lady Bulldogs (10-5, 1-2) seemed poised to threaten when they sliced a 25-point deficit down to 73-64 with 7:23 remaining. But the Lady Vols scored the next eight straight points — six by Nancy Randall — to give them a prospect of an improbable defeat and pushed the victory back to rout proportions by outscoring Georgia 25-7 the rest of the way.

## Women's college basketball

No. 3 Connecticut 83, Pittsburgh 46. PITTSBURGH — Nykesha Sales scored 40 points as third-ranked Connecticut continued to rout league opponents by beating Pittsburgh 83-46 Wednesday night. Connecticut (16-1, 7-0), which won three conference games last week by an average of 50 points, handily triumphed (4-0, 1-6) its second straight loss. No. 5 Texas Tech 74, Oklahoma St. 48. LUBBOCK, Texas — Alicia Coleman scored 20 points as No. 5 Texas Tech rode a tenacious

defense to a 74-48 victory Wednesday night over poor-shooting Oklahoma State. The victory gave the Lady Razorbacks their 12th sole possession of first place in the conference, Oklahoma State (10-4, 3-1) ended a seven-game winning streak. South Carolina 70, No. 6 Vanderbilt 66. COLUMBIA, S.C. — Annie Lester scored 27 points and pulled down 11 rebounds as South Carolina (10-4, 5-1) defeated Vanderbilt 70-66 Wednesday night. Nikki Myers' driving layup with 1:07 left gave the Lady Gamecocks (8-4, 1-5 Southeastern Conference) a three-point lead. She hit a pair of free throws with 17.7 seconds remaining to clinch the victory, the first SEC win for rookie

each Susan Walwins. No. 12 Florida 65, No. 21 Auburn 61. AUBURN, Ala. — Marred Page had 12 points and 16 rebounds Wednesday night to lead No. 12 Auburn to a 65-61 Southeastern Conference win over No. 21 Auburn. No. 20 Nebraska 88, Texas A&M 74. LINCOLN, Neb. — Anna DeForge scored 24 points and No. 20 Nebraska took control in the second half, cruising to an 88-74 win over Texas A&M on Wednesday night. The Cornhuskers (13-5, 2-2 Big 12) hit just six of their first 17 shots and Texas A&M (+9, 0-3) took a 9-2 lead.

## SPORTS IN BRIEF

**Courier injury forces withdrawal from Open**  
PERTH, Australia — Twynette Chapman, Jim Courier withdrew Thursday from next week's Australian Open because of a shoulder injury. The former world No. 1, from the United States, played in last week's Australian hardcourt championships in Adelaide, then withdrew from this week's Sydney International.

**Commissioner sidesteps talk of Twins move**  
PHOENIX — The Minnesota Twins cannot survive without a new stadium, says acting baseball commissioner Bud Selig, who then sidestepped questions about whether that guarantees a move to North Carolina. "There's no question that North Carolina is a great area. It will be an extraordinarily attractive area someday for a big league baseball team," Selig said after a 1 1/2-hour meeting of the sport's executive council.

**Jones says he's considering hiring Seifert**  
IRVING, Texas — Pat George Seifert's name back on the candidate list in the Dallas Cowboys' coaching search. Dallas' interest in Seifert, the hottest name on the market, seemed minimal Sunday when Barry Switzer told an Oklahoma television station that the former San Francisco coach wasn't a candidate to be his successor. However, on Monday, a team source told The Associated Press, "Barry may not be cited in as he thinks he is."

**Pizza mogul lited undergoes bypass surgery**  
ROYAL OAK, Mich. — Pizza mogul and Detroit Red Wings and Detroit Tigers owner Mike Ilitch underwent bypass heart surgery Wednesday, hospital officials said. Ilitch and his wife Marian founded the family-owned Little Caesars Enterprises in 1959. He bought the Mill's-owned Lige in 1982 and baseball's Tigers in 1992.

# Minico Spartans rally for victory over Hillcrest

By Lisa Winther  
Times-News writer

RUPERT — No spectator should ever blink at a Minico wrestling meet. If anyone blinked Wednesday night, he would have missed the Spartans making the reversal that would help them conquer Hillcrest, 43-16. Knight Rob Neal won the first bout of the night, 13-0. The Spartans' first win came in a 11-8 Hillcrest ended with the win, 15-9. "It was a good match," said Spartan coach Brad Cooper. "He made a few too many mistakes that cost us." Minico was not worried that the Knights were within six points of securing their second 13 team points after that match. "We knew we'd be strong in the upper weights," Cooper said. And strong they were, starting with Spartan K.C. Uscola. He started out on the right foot, flipping his opponent over his shoulder onto his back. Uscola came away with a 5-3 lead at the end of the first. In the third, Uscola finished the bout with two sets of take-downs followed by backpoints to end the match 17-0. After an upset at the 152 division, Minico was finished playing games. Spartans Jessie Ferrel, Austin Arthur, and Brian Vail finished off the night with victories coming away victorious. Ferrel won by five in his match against Hillcrest's Zack Parker. Arthur and Vail had the only pins of the

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# Bruins shut out Senators

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TWIN FALLS — The Bruin bowling team started off the season Wednesday with a 5-0 victory over Gooding. "I think they should be really strong," coach Claudia Creek said of her Twin Falls team, which returns last year's state champion Ciellita Lopez. The Bruins won with 560 pins to Gooding's 383. Lopez led the Bruins with a 20, but the Senators' Tara Scruggs had game high with a 213. In the junior varsity match, Amber Stueder had the Bruins' high game at 188 as her team beat Gooding 4-1 (436-369). Jessica Bodenhofer led the Senators 153. Jenny Davis' 171 helped the Bruin B squad to a 5-0 shutout, falling 374 pins to Gooding's 264. The Senators' Amber Conklin had the high game at 172.

## High school bowling

Jerome scored a 5-0 shutout over Minico's B squad, getting 455 pins to the Spartans' 330. Jessica Tolman of Jerome (162) and Lindsay Haskin of Minico (150) were the high scorers. Next Wednesday, Minico meets Wendell in Jerome while the Tigers travel to Gooding. Wendell 4, Buhi 1. GOODING — The Wendell Trojans, led by Amber Anderson's 166, handily defeated Buhi's Indians 4-1 (382 pins to 331) in high school bowling Wednesday night. Dani Woodhouse had Buhi's high game at 153. In the junior varsity match, Buhi beat Wendell, 4-1 (369-310). Megan's Andrea Hope (145) and Buhi's Jadie Fritz (122) were the high scorers. The Indians defeated an incomplete Wendell B squad, 5-0.

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## Minico 5, Jerome 0

JEROME — Brandy Dennis' high game of 195 costed the Senators' 181, and helped the Spartans to a 5-0 victory over the hometown Tigers bowling squad Wednesday. Minico tallied 476 pins to Jerome's 389. Jennifer Stueder rolled a 162 for the Minico junior varsity squad, which beat Jerome 5-0 (519-482). The Tigers' Amber Conklin had the high game at 172.

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### Castleford youth earns black belt

CASTLEFORD — Megan Harr, a 14-year-old student at Castleford-Middle School, was presented her black belt in Tae Kwon Do Jan. 3 in Portland, Ore. Harr has been a student of Kim's Tae Kwon Do in Buhl for the past five years under the direction of Beth Cuthren and Sheldon Mudd.

To earn her black belt, she was required to perform nine forms or hyungs and demonstrate her skill in sparring opponents, both in a one-on-one situation and three against one.

She did this in front of the school's Grand Master, Hoek Sik Kim, an eighth-degree black belt and founder of the school in Portland.

Megan is the daughter of Tracy and Debbie Harr and is involved in National Junior Honor Society, cheerleading, basketball, volleyball, track and dance. She presently holds a 4.0 gpa.



Fourteen-year-old Megan Harr received her black belt in Tae Kwon Do earlier this month in Portland, Ore.

### TRACKING THE LOCALS

**Cameron Evans**  
WALLA, WALLA, Wash. — Cameron Evans, who played basketball for the College of

Southern Idaho, helped lead the Whitman College basketball team to an 88-84 overtime victory over Pacific University Saturday.

Evans scored 20 points and pulled down 10 rebounds. Whitman improves to 3-1 in the Northwest Conference and 6-5 overall.

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SUPER BOWL WEEKEND

### Twin Falls-area juniors bowl their way through Boise tourney

The Junior Scratch Bowlers' monthly tour stop for January was at Wasy's Garden Lanes in Boise. Nine bowlers from the Twin Falls area participated in the event.

Ian DeVries finished fourth in the classic division. DeVries averaged 188 through eight games of qualifying, losing the first game of the step-ladder finals. Ken Pelly averaged 211 through the first five games of qualifying and went out in the two-game head-to-head matches. Jeremy McJilton averaged 182 through five games and didn't make it through the two-game head-to-head competition.

Matt Olsen took first in the A division. He averaged 168 on the first five games and won his two-game head-to-head matches with 178 and 210. Olsen was sitting in fourth place for the step ladder finals. Game one he won 225-184, game two was 210-205 and the classic winning game was his by one pin, 179-178.

Cielita Lopez in the A division averaged 171 on seven games



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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Road report erroneously listed highway closure

**BOISE** - Winter weather did not close Interstate 84 from Mountain Home to Glenns Ferry Wednesday morning, despite road reports to the contrary. The Idaho Transportation Department's official Wednesday morning road report listed that stretch closed, and many radio stations dutifully reported so. "Twain" so. A mistake made when road information was entered in the ITD's computer gave January more credit for its weather than perhaps was warranted, ITD officials said. The error was closed Tuesday in western Oregon, between Portland and Mt. Hood. Idaho State Police officials said, but not in Idaho.

### Boy sniffing gasoline sets his legs on fire with lighter

**MURTAUGH** - At the least, it's a good argument for Drug Abuse Resistance Education. A 13-year-old Murtaugh boy badly burned his legs Tuesday night after flicking a lighter while sniffing gasoline, a Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department report said. "The boy and a friend were 'huffing' - sniffing gas to get high - in the boy's backyard about 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, the report said. The boys dropped something, possibly the container of gas. The boy pulled out a lighter to look for what had fallen, and set his legs on fire, the report said. "The boy put out the fire by dropping on the ground and rolling, the report said, but he received second-degree burns over most of his shins and lower legs. "Deputies learned of the accident after the boy was brought to the emergency room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center for treatment, the report said. Huffing gasoline to get high is a misdemeanor offense, but the boy was not cited.

### Former Wendell employee to appeal job termination

**WENDELL** - Former city crewman Ken Davis, 45, today will appeal a City Council decision that terminated his job. "The public is invited. In October the council eliminated Davis' full-time job as irrigator and street maintainer. Mayor Gwen Ross, at that time, said the city's irrigation budget was in the red and the city would like a part-time irrigator for the next season. Davis, also in October, questioned how part-time help could do the weed spraying, tree planting and street mending that he had done in addition to irrigating. Officials have said that an executive session might be held in addition to the public hearing.

### Blackfoot representative to speak at Buhl banquet

**BUHL** - Blackfoot Republican Mike Simpson, Speaker of the Idaho House of Representatives, will be featured speaker at the annual Buhl Chamber of Commerce banquet. The banquet will be held Jan. 23 at the Catholic church reception hall, 1601 Poplar St. A no-hostess dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m., and the dinner kicks off at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person. For more information, call Barbara Phillips at 543-6682.

### Sun Valley City Council addresses varied agenda

**SUN VALLEY** - The Sun Valley City Council will meet at 3 p.m. today in council chambers. "Comments from the public are first on the agenda. Administering the oath of office to Councilwoman Linda O'Shea follows. Public hearings include proposed application-fee changes for subdivisions, development review, zone changes, conditional-use permits, variances, text amendments to the city's zoning ordinance, plan amendments, appeals, amendments and sign permits; a proposed Idaho Parks and Recreation grant application to build a bike/pedestrian path on Old Dollar Road; and setting a public hearing regarding proposed building permit fees. "In new business, the council will discuss an amendment to the Healthcare Partnership Agreement; CH2MHill's final payment application from Idaho Sand & Gravel in the amount of \$555,500; a review of the Capital Five-Year Plan; the Robbins and Hume 1/2-acre plot application for a lot-line shift; a moratorium for multifamily development; and sale of surplus property by the street department.

Compiled from staff reports

# Jerome recall still on, says backer

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - Mickey Gore of Jerome said he wasn't drawing a lot of attention lately. "People have come up to me and said, 'I know you, you're Mickey Gore. Where's the petition?'" she said. Gore last month went to City Hall for the paperwork to start a recall petition against newly-elected Mayor Dennis Moore - even though an official must be in office at least 90 days before a recall petition can be circulated. "Moore stirred up controversy with an aborted attempt to move three Jerome police detectives under Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver's jurisdiction, and a decision, later abandoned, to replace Police Chief Jim Dahb. "But some Jerome residents said the

## But others say opposition to mayor may fizzle

controversy over Moore's decisions will be long gone by the time a recall can begin. "Even so, Gore said she's still ready to circulate the petition once the deadline passes, and expects plenty of support. "I don't think (Moore) reversed his decision because he all of a sudden got a big heart and decided to start juggling along with the chief. I think he reversed it because of all the outside pressure," she said. "Moore said Wednesday it's been business as usual for him since he took office last week. "I don't know anything about (a recall effort). Nobody's told me about it," he said. Resti Plaz, who owns the El Sombrero

Restaurant and Banquet Hall in downtown Jerome, said the possible recall hasn't been frequently discussed in her business. "A Twin Falls resident, Plaz would not comment on how she felt about Moore, but said many of her customers say they are upset with the mayor. "Chris Cobble of Jerome said she was upset by Moore's actions last month, but is willing to give him another chance. "He could settle down and be a good mayor," she said. "Jerome City Councilman Joe Staug said he's heard rumblings of discontent, but time could play out in Moore's favor. "Staug garnered a significant write-in

vote for mayor during the 1997 election in which Moore was officially unopposed. "I have never heard of (a recall vote) in this community before, but I am aware of a degree of strong feelings out there," Staug said. "Robin Kinsey, a Jerome County resident and longtime friend of Moore, said he still supports consolidating the sheriff's and police departments. "Moore's actions may have angered some, Kinsey said, but it was all part of Moore's deep dedication to efficiency. "(Moore) certainly is a tightwad with the public's money," Kinsey said. Times-News staff writer Mark Heinz can be reached in Jerome at 324-0912.

# CBS interception of NFL helps local TV player

By Pat Marcantonio  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The CBS network's interception of NFL football has the local affiliate cheering. "It's exciting," said Lee Wagner, KMYT-TV's general manager. "Everyone is pleased and pleasantly surprised." "It's exciting because NBC, which previously held the contract, had right of first refusal of the league's proposal, he said. "The local NBC affiliate says the network may have fumbled, but the game is far from over. "We enjoyed it for a long time," said Jim Boyd of KTFT in Twin Falls. "It is something that is really good to have, but not a corestone to our finances." This week, CBS spent a whopping \$4 billion on an eight-year deal to televise a package formerly held by NBC. The Fox network had wrestled the football away from CBS in 1993. "The deal means that starting next fall, KMYT can again sell local advertisers time within the games. But that also means only a limited number of commercials in a limited number of games, Wagner said. "It's going to change the destiny of any particular station one way or the other," he said. "One reason the network tried so hard to restructure the games is the prestige and glamour of it all, Wagner said. "If you will, of being associated with a national sport," he said. "The commercial time also is popular with local and national advertisers because it captures a large number of hard-to-reach male viewers, station managers say. "Car dealers love it," Boyd said. "It's a great place to advertise trucks. From our standpoint, we'll counter with women's programming. KMYT survived without it for four years." "But Boyd admits it's a football fan, in and out of work. "When selling TV for 13 years and this will be the time I never had an NFL game to sell," he said. "I'm sad to see it go." "He should be consoled - NBC is No. 1 in prime time programming. The sales manager of the Twin Falls



Even though local stations such as KTFT in Twin Falls never made a lot of money off NFL football, Jim Boyd said he is sorry the NBC network is losing broadcasting rights beginning in September.

ABC affiliate, KSAW, was happy to keep Monday Night Football. The show is not only popular nationally, but highly rated locally, said Ken Ritchie. "It definitely makes a difference," he said. "No other sporting comes close in the ratings." "With Fox still on the field, Ted Meairs also is smiling. "But the general manager of the Fox affiliate in Twin Falls, KTFT, says not every advertiser is interested in buying time during a football game.

"I don't think I'd even say sports is easy to sell," he said. "Yet stations can charge more for commercials because more people are watching the games. Within a three-hour game, there will be almost one dozen second-sponsorial stations can pitch to advertisers. Times-News staff writer Pat Marcantonio can be reached at 733-9231, Ext. 242. The Associated Press contributed to this story.

### TV scorecard

- CBS wins AFC broadcast package.
- Fox settled on a \$4.4 billion, eight-year contract on a Sunday afternoon NFL package.
- ESPN will carry Sunday night cable broadcasts.
- ABC keeps "Monday Night Football," which it held since its inception in 1970.

# Residents decry proposed housing laws

By Susan Bailey  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM** - Many of the same homeowners who objected to Sawtooth Development's proposal for an affordable housing complex on Warm Springs Road spoke out Wednesday against ordinance changes aimed at making construction of employee housing more feasible. "After hearing public comments, the planning and zoning commission withheld recommendations on proposed changes to the city's planned-unit development rules until a Jan. 26 meeting. "Planning and zoning Chairman Ronly said he invited the public back to the head from a small meeting. He said he expects the commission to decide

whether to alter, accept or reject a proposal on community housing ordinances captured by the Ketchum Housing Commission. "Drafting of ordinance changes was undertaken in November, with a minimum of public comment. But with a proposed loom from Seattle-based Sawtooth Development for a 54-unit affordable apartment complex on Warm Springs Road, public interest heightened. "Sawtooth Development plans to appear before the City Council at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday to officially request \$300,000 from the city's land-acquisition fund. "Much public comment Wednesday centered on objections to allowing planned-unit developments with high density to be placed within most zones in

the city, including Limited Residential. "Ketchum attorney Ed Lawson, representing several Warm Springs homeowners, said the LR zone was meant to prevent crowding. "You're straddling the LR zone on its head to accommodate affordable housing," Lawson said. He said planned-unit developments were included in city ordinances to allow flexibility for large developments. "Two acres is just too small to qualify for PUD status." Lawson said changes to the PUD were being "rushed" to fit a proposal by Sawtooth Development. "Ketchum resident Bill Glenn called "exclusionary" the language in the ordinance that let the City Council grant density to any project that constructs

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# Lab indicates drugs present in Sanchez's blood

The Times-News

**RUPERT** - Lab reports show the presence of marijuana and amphetamines in the blood of 17-year-old shooting victim LeMar Sanchez, says a report issued Wednesday by the Mindoka County coroner's office. The report, signed by Chief Deputy Coroner Randall White, confirms Sanchez died from a gunshot wound to the head from a small-caliber handgun. White's report does not pinpoint how much drugs were in Sanchez's blood stream.

"White's cities Rupert Police Department reports that say Sanchez was at a gathering of young adults at 302 S. Fourth St. in Rupert Friday night when the incident took place. "Statements from persons at the scene stated that (Sanchez) was playing Russian roulette when the gun was fired," the report states. "The revolver has been missing since the shooting, and a Rupert police spokesman said it had not been recovered Wednesday evening. The exact caliber of the weapon used was still under investigation, the spokesman said.

Mindoka County Prosecutor Rick Bollar has called a coroner's inquest, scheduled for Wednesday. "Six jurors pulled from the 5th Judicial District pool will determine what caused Sanchez's death, closing any criminal investigation if the verdict is that the wound was self-inflicted. "Along with the results of a paraffin test, which will show whether Sanchez had recently fired a gun, further analysis of the bullet's trajectory should help determine if Sanchez fired the weapon, Bollar said.

# 2 face drug charges after traffic stop

By Kent McCreary  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - A Ketchum man and a Kimberly girl face charges of trafficking in methamphetamine after Twin Falls County sheriff's deputies say they found 164 grams of the drug in their car. "Julio C. Rodriguez, 28, faces a preliminary hearing on the charge Friday in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County. "Nichole Lynn Jones, 17, was released from juvenile detention in her parents' Tuesday while awaiting further court action on the charges. "Rodriguez's blue Corvette was stopped at about 2 a.m. New Year's Day after Rodriguez failed to signal a turn, the reports said. "When deputies searched Jones, two more plastic bags of crack fell from her pants; more crack was found in a knit bag around the girl's neck. "When a sheriff's deputy went to the car to get information from Jones, she spotted a bag of crack sitting on Jones' lap, the reports said. "When deputies searched Jones, two more plastic bags of crack fell from her pants; more crack was found in a knit bag around the girl's neck. "Jones later told deputies that

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OBITUARIES

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TWIN FALLS

Delia Lavon Williams

Delia Lavon Williams, 89, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Jan. 12, 1998, at Northern Lights Residential Care Home.

She was born April 20, 1908, in Klamath, Calif. Her parents were David and Johanna (Jenny) Johnson. She married Carl Smith in 1929. They had two children: Carl and Carl had four children. Carl died in January 1936.

She is survived by one son, Otto "Steve" (Margaret) Evans of Opekela, Ala.; two daughters, Paula (George A.) Sart of Woodbury and Shirley (George A.) Sart of Okla. She has 12 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, six step-great-grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, and one step-great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, 1998, at the Jerome Cemetery under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Frances Susan Eskridge

Frances Eskridge, 82, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1998, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

She was born Jan. 29, 1915, in Whitlow, Tenn., to John and Fannie Lee. She married Roy D. Eskridge on Jan. 30, 1947. She worked alongside of her husband in the Yucca County sheriff's office in California. After many years of service to her community, they retired in 1981. Frances and Roy moved to Twin Falls to be near family.

Surviving are her husband and one sister, Bessie M. Williams, and a niece, Carol Williams. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Paul G. Williams.

HAGERMAN

Vay-M-Cook

Vay M. Cook, 86, a Hagerman resident, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1998, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. She was born on Aug. 12, 1911, the son of Elmer and Lydia Ann Schueller. She worked as a typewriter operator at the Hagerman High School in 1931, where she set a state track record for the 100-yard dash and still holds that honor. He grew up

with his uncle, Frank, who was one year older than him. They hunted, fished and rode horses together and were great companions. Vay and her father were part hunting and rodeo, and she and her father were avid anglers. Vay and her father were avid anglers. Vay and her father were avid anglers.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Joan Cook of Hagerman; his daughter, Vyvienne (All) Fountain of Kootenai, Wash.; his son, Art Cook of Buhl, live grandchildren, Michael, Diana, Pam, Ross and Andy, and two great-grandchildren, Eric and Hunter. He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Laure.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, 1998, at the Jerome Cemetery. Family and friends may call from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Friday at Donnelly's Funeral Home.



Mildred L. Roberts Houts

Mildred L. Roberts Houts, 88, of Boise, died Thursday, Jan. 9, 1998, at her residence.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, 1998, at the First Church of the Nazarene, 1200 Liberty Road in Boise. Dr. Gray Cantrell, the Rev. Donald Peterson and the Rev. Jory Cordell will officiate. Private family arrangements are under the direction of the Alderbrook Funeral Chapel.

may be due to the Mildred-Bouts Memorial Trust Fund. In care of the Boise First Nazarene Church, which will provide further fundraising for her church property adjacent to the freeway.

Stanfield O. (Boze) Thompson

Stanfield O. (Boze) Thompson, 87, of Buhl, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1998. He was born July 7, 1910, in Buhl, to John and Nancy Lewis Thompson. Stan went to grade school at House Creek in the Three Creek area, and he graduated from Castleford High School in 1931. As a young man, he cowboied in the Diamond A and Three Creek country, and worked at the Rio Tinto Mine in Mountain City, Nev. During the Depression, he sheared sheep every spring in Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Nevada. Later he had trucks hauling rock for the Soap Lake Co. and also gravel. Stan was superintendent for the Buhl Highway District and retired from there in 1976. He enjoyed life and loved people. Stan joined the Clear Lake County Club in 1948.

He is survived by his wife of Buhl, a son, Larry Thompson of Pocatello; a granddaughter, Bobette (Shano) Jackson, and a great-granddaughter, Shayla of Panguitch, two brothers, Jim of Buhl and Ted of Spokane, Wash., and a 52 degree Scottish Rite of Rono. Nov. Bossie of Rio Lida, Calif., and Geneva of Sacramento, Calif. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Norman. The funeral will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the First Christian Church in Buhl. Burial will follow at the West End Cemetery. Friends may call from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the James Funeral Home. Memorials are suggested to the Clear Lake County Club.

Eden

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Alta Schow McDonald

Alta Schow McDonald, 78, of Eden, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1998, at Bridgeway Estates.

Alta was the third of seven children born to Floyd and Golda Schow. After her high school graduation from Rupert High School, she moved to Twin Falls, where she was a receptionist for her brother, Dr. Wayne Schow. In Dec. 1947, she married Don McDonald and moved to the farm west of Eden. As the widow of Don, she has had many such as Cub Scout leader, Sunday school teacher, Harmony Club number, as well as crocheting with Don in community projects. After the children were in school, Alta worked several years for Henry Jones. She was active in the Eden Area Local Auxiliary at the local level and as a state department chairman. Alta and Don enjoyed their many friends - joking, laughing, playing or dancing - also traveling to Buhl Valley, across the United States, to Idaho and New Zealand.

Survivors include three sons: Greg (Dorothy) Brad (Marilyn) and Frank (Dorothy) McDonald, all of Eden; a daughter, Holly Kay (Bruce) Schramm of Genesee; 11 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren; one brother, Dr. Douglas Schow, and three sisters, Marie (Stanley) Erna Wilson and Ruby Cooper. She was preceded in death by her husband, Don A. McDonald; and two brothers, Dr. Wayne Schow and Richard Schow. Alta will be deeply missed by all her family, friends and the caring staff at Bridgeway Estates.

A funeral will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, 1998, at the Twin Falls Episcopal Church in Twin Falls. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the Valley Presbyterian Church Building Fund, 103 Park, Hazelton, ID 83335, or the Don McDonald Family M.V. Athletic Scholarship Trust, in care of the University of Idaho, P.O. Box 83844, at the University of Idaho's direction. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mountain and Crematory.

Cheney Trudy Abo

Cheney Trudy Abo, 87-year-old Pocatello, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1998, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

She was born May 6, 1930, in Thornton, the daughter of Samuosa and Tori Shighara. She was a graduate of the University of Idaho, graduating from Rexburg High School. After high school, she

Opal Faye Copenhaver

Opal Faye Copenhaver, 93, of Logan, Utah, and formerly of Twin Falls and Jerome, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1998, at Sunshine Terrace in Logan, Utah. She was born Oct. 12, 1904, at Montrose, Mo., the oldest of 11 children to John Joseph and Grace Lowell Barker. She attended grade school in a country school near Apollonia, Mo. Her father was a teacher's aide in high school and taught grades one through eight at Polts and Lewiston Country School in Logan. Her hobbies have been crocheting, reading, gardening and working with flowers. She also had a great love for dogs. She was preceded in death by her husband, a daughter, a granddaughter, four sisters and two brothers.

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Focus on Missions' program set for Women's Breakfast in Buhl

The Times-News BUHL - A Women's Breakfast will be held at 7:30 a.m. Saturday at the Buhl United Methodist Church, at the corner of Ninth and Maple streets. Barbara Wilson will present a program titled "Focus on Missions" at the breakfast. For more information, call Penny at 543-6117.

SERVICES

Rev. Bishop of Buhl, memorial service at 1 p.m. today at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls. Iva Lorene (Smith) Hatcher of Wendell, 11 a.m. Friday at White Mortuary Chapel; friends may call from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

DEATH NOTICES

Arthur Edward Widman of Burley, 11 a.m. Friday at the Burley LDS Stake Center, 2050 Normal Ave. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main in Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. before the funeral Friday at the church. Dorothy R. Dohse of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Saturday at White Mortuary Chapel; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Wanda Say OGDEN, Utah - Wanda Say, 89, of Buhl, and formerly of Kimberly, died Friday, Jan. 9, 1998. A private graveside service for the family will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Park. Clyde C. Briggs Clyde "Mickey" C. Briggs, 72, Boise, call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER Some names omitted at patients' request. Admitted Lyle Casper of Twin Falls. Released Lloyd Almond of Twin Falls. CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER Some names omitted at patients' request. Admitted Andrea Cardona, Janice Hawkins, Albertano Martinez and Jenette Garner, all of Burley; and Patricia Webb of American Falls. Released Lois Hansen, Doris Johnson, Miguel Leon, Joyce Orton, Ralph Rasmussen, Lauria Spurgeon and William Sullivan, all of Burley; Chad Fenstermaker and Donna Riedinger, both of Paul; Kathryn Miller of Declo; Monica Resendez and Linda Textor, both of Healyburn; and Crescenciano Villanueva of Malta. Birth A baby was born to Burke and Jenette Garner of Burley. MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL Some names omitted at patients' request. Admitted Carol Elquist and Carl McKeown, both of Rupert; and Frieda Vaughan of Osburn, Calif. Released Vaughn Freda of Osburn, Calif.; and Margarita Orozco and baby boy of Rupert.

IDAHO ROAD REPORT

BOISE (AP) - Wednesday afternoon road conditions from the Idaho Department of Transportation: Interstate 84 - Oregon line: Mountain Home, wet, rain; Mountain Home-Glenn Ferry, snow floor; Glenns Ferry-Burley-Idaho line, dry. Interstate 86 - Dry. Interstate 15 - Utah line-Duhob, dry; Duhob-Manna Pass, broken snow floor; drifting. Idaho 5 - Boise-Horseshoe Bend, rain, icy spots; Horseshoe Bend-Donnelly, snowing, icy, broken snow floor; Donnelly-Caldwell, snowing, broken snow floor. U.S. 95 - Parma-Payette, wet, rain; Payette-Idaho Falls, snowing, snowing; Cambridge-New Meadows-Riggins, snow floor; snowing; Riggins-Whitebird Hill, wet; Whitebird Hill, icy spots; Grangeville-Lewisville, wet; Moscow-Benevise County line, slush. Idaho 21 - Boise to City, slush, broken snow floor, rain, snowing, icy spots; Idaho City-Lowman, snow floor; Lowman-Banner Summit, closed; Banner Summit-Stanley, wet, snowing, drifting. U.S. 20 - Mountain Home-Crest Creek Summit, broken snow floor, snowing, drifting; Crest Creek Summit-Junction 75-Carey, dry; Carey-Arco, snowing; Arco-Ashton-Montana line, icy spots. Idaho 75 - Shoshone-Junction U.S. 20, dry; Junction U.S. 20-Craig, wet, snowing, drifting; Clayton-Charliss, wet, icy spots. U.S. 93 - Nevada line-Craters of the Moon, dry; Craters of the Moon-Arco-Challis, wet, icy, broken snow floor; Arco-Craig, wet, icy, broken snow floor, snowing. Idaho 30 - McCammon-Georgetown, dry; Georgetown-Montpelier-Wyoming, wet, icy spots. U.S. 26 - Junction U.S. 20-Ririe, dry; Ririe-Montpelier, icy spots. Idaho 51 - Wet.

E.S.y Lube advertisement featuring a truck, a person, and text: 'E.S.y Lube. Save Time & Money!!!' (808) 735-1829. Includes details about oil changes and services.

C.S.I. Wealth Creation Class advertisement: 'C.S.I. WEALTH CREATION CLASS "Master Plan to Wealth"'. Financial Planning Strategies from a Certified Financial Planner. Dates: Thursdays, January 22nd to February 12th. Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Place: C.S.I. Aspen Building, Room 144. Contact: (808) 733-9554 Ext. 2287 or 2288. Includes a list of questions and a testimonial from James R. Love.

# City of Rocks reserve seeks volunteers

By Kurt Friedemann  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — The City of Rocks National Reserve is looking for volunteers. The reserve has formalized its Volunteer-in-Parks program and is searching for people to serve as campground hosts who can stay at the park for extended periods or help out in other areas.



For more information on the City of Rocks National Reserve... Go to <http://www.magicvalley.com> and click on the NewsLink icon

for those helping out. "We want to solicit on a very open and broad basis," he said. "That way we can have a good march for those who want to help." Almo resident Sara Jane Ward is a volunteer in the reserve and said she got started helping because she liked to cook. "I like to Dutch-oven cook," she said. "The park holds a cook-off and I volunteered to help them do it." She said the program is important because it helps bring surrounding communities and the national reserve closer together.

"There needs to be a connection to the community," Ward said. "The way to do it is by volunteering." Volunteers are not compensated financially for their service, Scherff said, but they receive help from the ranger station while they stay at the park. "Campground hosts are allowed to camp for free, get supervisor guidance, training and other support services," he said. *Times-News staff writer. Friedemann can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.*

# Hailey man pleads guilty to lesser drug charge

By Kristan Kennedy  
Times-News correspondent

**HAILEY** — A Hailey man arrested with 11 pounds of marijuana last year and charged with felony trafficking, pleaded guilty to lesser charges last week. Anthony B. Taylor, 60, pleaded guilty to one count of possession of marijuana to deliver, a felony. Blaine County deputy prosecutor Jim Thomas said Wednesday. The amended charge carries a lesser sentence than the original felony charge of possession of a controlled substance. Hailey police scooped out Taylor's house last April after a neighbor reported suspicious activity at his Fourth Avenue home. Taylor is spotted at a plant he believed to be marijuana. When an official search was executed, however, a tomato plant was found, but no growing marijuana plants. However, police found in Taylor's garage two large plastic bags filled with 11 pounds of marijuana. Taylor, a longtime Hailey resident, denied the marijuana was being distributed and argued the bags of drugs belonged to another person. Taylor will be sentenced in March, following a presentence investigation and a drug evaluation.

work with public health. Sharon Gebhardt was approved to teach a teen tobacco class. She will help students who want to quit smoking. Early Thompson was voted in as her replacement. Thompson's salary will be adjusted to compensate her for years of experience and education, officials said. Also, the board approved a leave of absence for Gooding Elementary teacher Cathy Reinke. In other news, one district leader has resigned. Gooding High School Principal Dennis Olson received the Idaho Outstanding Principal of the Year award. Superintendent Henry Kilmer announced. In other Gooding School Board business: Ten former students have applied to intern in the district. Chris Constock applied to student teach for one semester, and his wife, Shelly Constock, wants to

# 'Renaissance for Rupert': Town plans for rebirth

By Penelope Reedy  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** — More than 100 people turned out for a town meeting Wednesday night in support of what a community development steering committee is calling "Renaissance for Rupert." "We've all come here out of frustration and perceived problems," said Charlie Creason, chairman of the steering committee. "There are no magic wands. We're here to engage in a community process to solve our problems from within."



Michael Kipp leads Rupert residents through part of the planning process for a "Renaissance for Rupert" at Wednesday night's town meeting.

Creason and Project Mutual Telephone Co. sponsored the planning sessions and hired Michael Kipp of Kipp and Associates in Nashville, Tenn., to facilitate the sessions. Kipp spent the day interviewing locals about what they want Rupert to be. "They were very candid about talking about the problems," he said during a break. After watching a video about how citizens of Chattanooga, Tenn., turned their own town around, Kipp instructed people to spend 20 minutes talking to each other. "You can do anything you want, but you have to decide what to do," Kipp said. Session attendees discussed parking problems if the city square should be revived and lamented the demise of the family farm.

Wally Studer wanted to see businesses start up that pay people good living wages. Others were concerned there weren't more members of the

Hispanic community present. "This meeting could be the stepping stone that moves us forward for the next 50 years," Sunderland said. Other suggestions included valet parking on the square, train service between Rupert and larger towns, and racial harmony.

The steering committee will publish a newsletter and plans to conduct more focused town meetings. "You're articulating your needs' desires," Kipp said. *Times-News staff writer Penelope Reedy can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.*

# Gooding schools clerk resigns

By Laura Savage  
Times-News correspondent

**GOODING** — The Gooding School District will see a few faces change. School Board members voted unanimously this week to accept Sherry Constock's resignation. Constock has been with the district for more than eight years. Early Thompson was voted in as her replacement. Thompson's salary will be adjusted to compensate her for years of experience and education, officials said. Also, the board approved a leave of absence for Gooding Elementary teacher Cathy Reinke. In other news, one district leader has resigned. Gooding High School Principal Dennis Olson received the Idaho Outstanding Principal of the Year award. Superintendent Henry Kilmer announced. In other Gooding School Board business: Ten former students have applied to intern in the district. Chris Constock applied to student teach for one semester, and his wife, Shelly Constock, wants to

# School board meeting

The next regular Gooding School Board meeting will be held Feb. 10. The meeting is scheduled on the board's normal schedule. The board voted unanimously to hire an elementary mentor and a second grade reading aide. The drama class received permission to travel to Salt Lake City Feb. 17 at its own expense. *Times-News correspondent Laura Savage can be reached in Gooding at 944-2624.*

# Kempthorne backs governor's environmental agency proposal

**OROFINO** (AP) — As Gov. Phil Batt's first appointee, U.S. Sen. Dirk Kempthorne is already defending his fellow Republican's state government proposals for the coming year. "The day after" Batt proposed a list of environmental priorities including an upgrade of the state Division of Environmental Quality to cabinet level, Kempthorne answered questions from vary

residents at an Orofino Chamber of Commerce gathering. Locals in a community hit hard to efforts to save ocean-going fish runs said they were concerned about the potential impact of any new environmental initiatives. But Kempthorne, the prohibitive favorite to succeed the retiring Batt as governor, said raising the status of the Division of Environmental Quality makes

sense to him in the context of shifting more power over such issues away from the federal government. "I think the authority is coming back to the states. I want to help make it happen," he said. Local issues, from timber harvest to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers plans for the recreation program at Dorrshank Reservoir, dominated the hour-long discussion with chamber members Tuesday. Dave Daniels sought Kemp-

thorne's help in trying to improve conditions at local schools. The Welpe elementary and Junior high schools and Orofino Junior High have been ranked by some as among the state's public schools most in need of repairs, Daniels said. But the senator said for now he is inclined to keep his focus on the federal level. Of particular concern, he said, is efforts to pass sweeping Endangered Species Act returns in the coming session of Congress.

# Deputies search for missing snowmobilers

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls County Sheriff's deputies began a search for a pair of overdue snowmobilers Wednesday night. The two men were due back at the Alan Mountain Ski Area judge-at-5 p.m. Wednesday and due back in Twin Falls at 8 p.m., according to it Sheriff's department report. The men had not

been located by 10:30 p.m., and range deputies began looking for them, the report said. However, the county, sheriff, and Rescueteam had not yet been called out. The men were last seen going into Whiting Canyon south and west of Diamondhead Jack, parking areas, the report said. Names of the men and more information on the search was unavailable Wednesday night.

# Housing

Continued from C1  
employee or low-cost housing. "You're creating a two-tiered system," Glenn said, "one set of rules for them, and another for everybody else." Karl Fulmer, city housing coordinator, said the housing commission felt developers needed more encouragement from city laws before they would start constructing community housing. He said the Apartment Housing Overlay — adopted in 1992 to promote construction of rental units within Ketchum by giving developments density

bonuses — had not borne fruit. "To that end, proposed community-housing PUD regulations allow additional densities in the city and provide fee reductions for applications. The suggested ordinance allows the City Council to waive all fees for sewer improvement, water hookup, building permits and design review. The maximum density under the proposed PUD is one bedroom per 500 square feet of land. No more than 75 percent of the lot could be covered by buildings and parking spaces.

# Charges

Continued from C1  
Rodriguez put a clear baggie of powder in her lap when they were stopped. Jones said she did not want it and tossed it back, the reports said. Jones told deputies Rodriguez put the baggie back on her lap as the deputy walked up to the car. Jones was charged in juvenile court with trafficking in methamphetamine; possession of a controlled substance; and use of a controlled substance. Juvenile

prosecutors have filed a motion to have the cases moved to adult court, court records say. Rodriguez was charged Jan. 6 with trafficking in methamphetamine and failure to affix a tax stamp to the drugs, both felonies. He was being held in Twin Falls County Jail on \$10,000 bail. *Times-News staff writer Kent McClary can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 238.*

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# MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

# El Niño drenches Idaho with precipitation

## East-end volunteer group seeks permanent home

By Margaret Jones  
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY East End Providers representatives told the Kimberly City Council about their plans to apply for a grant to purchase or build a permanent structure for the group.

Members Ed Hudson and Joyce Scott outlined the provisions needed for a building large enough to hold the group's boxes at Christmas time, and for year-round storage of food and clothing for families, needing emergency help throughout the year.

Also this week, Mayor Jim Stenseth gave the oath of office to Ted Wasiko as he starts his sixth term as a councilman. Stenseth announced council members' appointments for the coming year: Wanda K. Jones, David Overacre, police; George Plew, water, sewer and fire; and Mike McKinlay, parks and library.

John Andrew remains as clerk/treasurer; Kim Martin is clerk and zoning administrator; Pat Berningham is police chief; Ruth Wright is public works supervisor; Burl Duncanson is fire chief; Bill Baker is building inspector; Hollifield & Bevan will be attorney; and accountant Michael Burr is auditor.

Members of the planning and zoning board are Nancy Taylor, Randy Moody, Candy Welch, John Clark, Bill Claborn, Derald Glicker, and Bill Robinson.

In other Kimberly city business: Duncanson told council the Rock Creek Fire District purchased extrication equipment that the Rock Creek and Kimberly fire departments will use. He announced that they will send seven people to a training session at Rupert, and the Rock Creek department will send one person to the Governor's Conference on Emergency Management.

William Palmer and Stacy Buck are new members of the volunteer force.

McKinlay announced a collection of area women's quilts is on display in the chambers' meeting hall during library hours 1 to 6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A quilt will be raffled at the end of the month.

The council discussed drawing up an agreement for use of the newly remodeled meeting room. It agreed to have a public hearing for action at the next meeting.

*Times-News correspondent Margaret Jones can be reached in Kimberly at 423-5430.*

BOISE (AP) - The El Niño weather pattern is in the air, but storms since Jan. 1 have brought Idaho much closer to adequate streamflows for the summer.

"You can pick up a month of precipitation in a week," John Jannuzzi, area manager of the National Weather Service, told the Idaho Water Supply Committee on Wednesday.

"But we still have 60 percent of the water year left. If I was a gambling person, I would guess it would be below normal in precipitation."

The committee includes representatives from government agencies measuring weather and precipitation, as well as agricultural departments.

The wet weather since New Year's Day has made a great difference in the snowpack in most areas of the state, said Ron Abramovich, water supply scientist for the U.S. National Re-

sources Conservation Service.

For example, the amount of water falling in the farm of seven in southeastern Idaho increased - up to 31 percent between Jan. 1 and Tuesday, to reach about 90 percent of normal. For the water year since Oct. 1, the area is 82.85 percent of average.

The snow-water level increased 30 percent in the Bear River basin to reach 87 percent of the norm; the Idaho Falls area rose 21 percent to 90 percent of normal; the Wood River area increased 26 percent to 76 percent; Boise River basin rose 32 percent to 83 percent; the Salmon Falls region increased 10 percent to 83 percent; the

Owyhee Mountains added 30 percent to 74 percent; the Payette River basin received 17 percent more, to hit 79 percent; the Salmon River drainage increased 16 percent to 84 percent; and the Panhandle took on 9 percent more to hit 72 percent of the norm.

The Clearwater River basin is very susceptible to a dry El Niño pattern and only gained 1 percent to rest at 72 percent.

The storms bode well for Idaho's reservoirs and farmers. On Jan. 9, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation reported the three dams on the Boise River were at 68 percent capacity; the Upper Snake River Basin was at 77 per-

cent of full.

Jannuzzi said an El Niño pattern can bring very wet or dry weather to Idaho. The outlook into the spring still entails below-average precipitation and above-average temperatures.

"It takes a long time for it to change," he said. "I think it has peaked."

Idaho Power Co. still expects a lot less water for its hydroelectric dams in Hells Canyon. Last year, inflows into Brownlee Reservoir during the April through June period were 9.9 million acre-feet. This year, Idaho Power forecasts the inflow at 3.3 million acre-feet. The average is 4.8 million.

## FOR THE RECORD

The Times-News

### U.S. Bankruptcy Court

BOISE - Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included the following: **Valley, Idaho:** Rebecca Gunnerson, 723 E. 200 S., Barley, individual, non-business, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000-499,000, liabilities \$500,000-999,000. Case No. 98-00094. **Rocky Jenkins, 413 N. Broadway, Boise, individual, non-business, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case No. 98-00092. **Howard H. Phillips d/d Ginger L. Phillips, 327 N. College Road W., Twin Falls, joint, non-business, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000-499,000, liabilities \$100,000-499,000. Case No. 98-00081. **Kerli Symons, Patter, 180 W. Fifth St., Ketchum, individual, non-business, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors,******

assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case No. 98-00073. **Julianne Rose Short, 1873 E. Narrow Road, Miltid, individual, non-business, assets \$50,000-99,000, liabilities \$100,000-499,000. Case No. 98-00063. **Paul Brent Williams and Joann Renee Williams, 708 E. Ninth Ave., Jerome, joint, non-business, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000. Case No. 98-00055. **Craig Hulse and Merilee Hulse, 105 Creek Drive, Buhl, joint, non-business, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000-99,000, liabilities \$100,000-499,000. Case No. 98-00056. **Darren Todd Nelson and Anne Kamlyn Nelson, 275 N. 600 W., Paul, joint, non-business, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case No. 98-00055.********

## IDAHO LEGISLATIVE LOG

The Associated Press

For Wednesday, Jan. 14:

### Introduced in House

HB474 (Gagner) - Makes it clear that Executive Data Technical College is authorized to issue associate of applied science degrees and changes name of school's administrator from superintendent to president.

HB475 (Gagner) - Simplifies application of occupancy tax code by county assessors.

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# ENGAGEMENTS

## BURKS-GARCIA

**TWIN FALLS** — Mr. and Mrs. Douglas P. Burks Jr. of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacey D. Torina Burks, to Thomas A. Garcia of Camp Lejeune, Ore. The bride-to-be is completing her last semester at Hamline School of Law in St. Paul, Minn. She is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and Pacific University in Forest Grove, Ore. Mr. Garcia is a first lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps stationed in North Carolina. He is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and Boise State University, and is doing graduate work at Boston



Thomas A. Garcia and Stacey D. Torina Burks

## WYNGAARD-DEBBAN

**FILER** — Jack Wyngaard and Anita Durand, both of Mountain Home, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dawn Marie Wyngaard to Wade D. Debban, son of Sharon Egbert of Caldwell and the late Glenn Debban.



Wade D. Debban and Dawn Marie Wyngaard

Wyngaard is a 1992 graduate of Mountain Home High School. She is employed at US Bank. Mr. Debban is a 1989 graduate of Filer High School. He is employed by farms south of Filer.

The wedding is planned Saturday.

# Choosing sides in gym classes shouldn't be any student's loss

**"DEAR ABBY:** I have taught physical education in the elementary grades and middle school, and I'm presently teaching grades 9 through 12 at La Quinta High School in La Quinta, Calif. I was both saddened and curious when I read the letter by the 10-year-old student who hates going to P.E. because he or she is always chosen last.

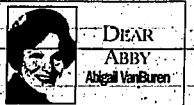
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One of the most important organizations we as professional physical educators need to be members of is COPEC (Council on Physical Education for Children).

In 1992, COPEC listed examples of inappropriate activities in physical education classes: "Forming teams: Teams are formed by designated 'captains' who publicly select one child at a time, thereby exposing lower-skilled students to peer ridicule. It is a process that can either expedite the activity process, or belittle students and become a risk factor for future involvement."

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4. Alphabetical (first or last names)
5. Sizes of tennis shoes
6. Squads or roll groups
7. Freeze game (position on the floor)
8. Draw cards from a deck (odd and even, or suits)

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because there is no accountability in our programs, and this shouldn't be happening in physical education or within the school system. People need to know there are other ways to divide students into teams that leave everyone feeling good about themselves and about physical activity. It is our duty as physical educators to provide a safe and positive environment for the lives we touch daily. Our students are our future.

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IDAHO

# State revenue projection makes budget leaders wary

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Phil Batt's budget drew general support from legislative leaders Wednesday, but the leaders of the spending committee say they're a little wary of the government's prediction that state revenue will go up 3 percent in the 12 months starting next July 1.

"Right off the top of my head, it seems a little high," said Sen. Atwood Perry, R-Melba, co-chairman of the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee. "We'd rather be low than high."

Batt, for his fourth and final state budget proposal, estimated general state revenue at \$1.53 billion, an increase of 5 percent

from about \$74 million over current income. The overall state budget is projected to go up about 7 percent, counting money from a modest surplus and intensified tax collections.

Perry, House counterpart, Rep. Bob Geddes, R-Eagle, agreed with a cautious approach.

"Seven percent is a little higher than most people expected," he said.

The Legislature's economic assessment committee members, after two days of hearings last

week, were slightly more optimistic than Batt about tax collections for the current budget year, which adds to the likely surplus.

But they were also substantially more pessimistic about the outlook for the year that begins July 1. The assessments of the 12 House and Senate members averaged 4.3 percent growth compared to Batt's 5 percent.

The difference in actual dollars, however, was only \$7 million, and the panel advised legislative leaders that the governor's projections "are reasonable for the purpose of the Legislature making general fund appropriations."



## Baby Photo Album

Sabryna Dawn Schmidt  
June 26, 1995  
Courtney & Jim Schmidt

The Times-News will publish its Baby Photo Album on Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. All babies and children 10 or under are eligible. To place your baby or grandbaby's picture in this special section please submit the permission form below and child's photograph by January 21<sup>st</sup> to The Times-News, Classified Department, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303, or The Times-News, 325 1/2 E. 5th North, Burley, ID 83318. The cost is \$15 for one child (please no more than 1 child per picture). Payment must accompany your order. If you would like your photograph returned, please include a self-addressed envelope with your order, or indicate your desire to pick up your photograph at The Times-News Classified Department. Wallet size photos are preferred. Keepsake laminated copy of child included in price.

# State budget proposal highlights

- **EDUCATION**
  - \$2.9 percent increase in state and federal funding to \$747.17 million.
  - A 7.2 percent increase in higher education support to \$191.5 million.
  - A call for consolidation of some of Idaho's smaller school districts, something that has typically been fought tooth and nail by local parents wanting to preserve their individual high schools. Just for suggesting it, Batt quipped, "I won't be able to go into Wilder. They'll run me out."
  - An inventory of all early childhood education initiatives in preparation for a decision on how to effectively expand that effort.
  - \$465,000 to make on-line access to 3,000 magazines available at every public library in the state.
- **PUBLIC SAFETY**
  - \$5.8 million in emergency money in the current budget to pay for housing juvenile delinquents.
  - A computer system to track juvenile offenders statewide.
  - A sex offender program for juveniles detained at St. Anthony facility.
  - \$5.5 million in emergency money in the current budget to pay for housing adult inmates outside overcrowded state prisons.
  - A transition program to help inmates being paroled without the resources to have a viable parole plan.
  - Expansion of the electronic monitoring house-arrest program to three more districts, opening the sentencing alternative to

- another 135 convicts.
- Four additional counselors and extra caseworkers to expand the substance abuse program for parolees and probationers.
- A 120-bed Public Violation Center at a yet-to-be-selected site.
- A 76-bed privately-run pre-release center in northern Idaho.
- 20 new State Police cars equipped with video cameras.
- A \$1 million general tax subsidy for the State Police payroll to offset insufficient fuel tax revenue.
- **HEALTH CARE**
  - Elimination of automatic cost escalation for Medicaid health services, something that immediately drew criticism.
  - \$2 million more to cover unpaid catastrophic health care bills for poor people.
- **NATURAL RESOURCES**
  - Another \$1.75 million for restoration of the Triumph Mine near Sun Valley.
  - \$1 million to acquire property to expand Ponderosa State Park in McCall.
  - Shifting support for hazardous materials programs to general tax revenues because the special tax can no longer support them.
  - Another \$750,000 in general tax and other funds to comply with a federal order to clean up Idaho streams.
  - \$100,000 to recharge groundwater in eastern Idaho.
- **TAXES**
  - Support for a modest increase in the beer and wine taxes.
  - A \$30 million reduction in employers' unemployment compensation.
  - Two dozen more tax collectors and auditors to generate \$12.5 mil-

- lion from the underground economy.
- An \$8.5 million deposit in the Budget Reserve Account to bring its balance to \$36 million.
- Revision of the way the state manages its \$250 million endowment fund and 25 million acres of public lands.
- **STATE WORKERS**
  - \$20.6 million, about 5 percent of the state payroll, for state employee pay raises to be primarily made on the basis of merit.
  - Unspecified pay increase for the judiciary, statewide-elected officials, and boards like the Industrial Commission, Public Utilities Commission and Tax Commission.
  - Retention of 29 jobs in the Transportation Department now targeted for elimination by the Legislature.
- **PUBLIC BUILDINGS**
  - \$1 million less for public building maintenance.
  - \$1 million to complete the state's share of the University of Idaho Hinrich Building.
  - \$1 million for the Idaho State University Physical Science Building.
  - \$500,000 to plan a new Lewis-Clark State College Physical Education Building.
  - \$1.7 million for a Microwave and Communications Building.

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## Surfing it up with snakes last summer

I had a camera that day. It was a throwaway, waterproof Kodak clipped to my life vest. However, I didn't think of using it. It just dangled at the end of its rubber band while I sat in the eddy.

I didn't get a picture, so there's no proof other than my word. You'll just have to believe it, but remember this - I was there and that counts for something.

First off, you've got to understand that whitewater boaters - kayakers, canoeists and their ilk - like to surf. We turn our boats around and face upstream to hunt for the perfect wave. If gravity works and there's a steady motion, we can ride the upstream side of a wave like an eagle riding a thermal updraft.

It's like ocean surfing, but we don't go anywhere because the wave never peters out or crashes onto a beach. It's just an endless stream of glassy green water.



**DOG-EARED  
TALES**  
Bill Studebaker

Anyway, there's an etiquette to surfing. Don't be a wave hog. Don't crowd anyone. Stay in line. Wait your turn.

The rules are basic stuff, but it all boils down to this - share the wave and let everyone have fun.

Not all rules apply in every situation, so I never know what to do when surfing with snakes. I don't mean bad paddlers or paddlers with bad attitudes. I mean actual snakes.

For snakes to be precise.

If you think rattlers are shy and don't like water, then you probably won't believe that I've been surfing with rattlers.

No, I don't have a picture to prove it - but I swear it's true.

Truth is, the Brunneau River is a haven for rattlesnakes.

The Brunneau is famous for a lot of things: The worst road to a launch site in the Lower 48; the steepest canyon walls outside of Hells Canyon; the raspiest rocks this side of Craters of the Moon; and the greenest, most inviting poison ivy in the world.

And rattlesnakes. You'll see them when they swim out and try to surf.

My first time was with Chris, an older man he dropped onto a wave last summer. The wave was a little skewed, so he had to angle, surf and it took a couple of seconds for him to adjust. He was thinking "waaa," not "snake."

After he settled onto it, he glanced to his right and beheld a rattler that was settling onto the wave, too.

I guess the snake was having trouble, so when it saw Chris make an adjustment, it dipped a scale or two and made the same adjustment. In fact, it adjusted its way right up to my buddy's boat.

Now Chris is a friendly guy, but one of the cardinal rules of surfing is, "Don't crowd the wave."

The rattler was surfing too close, so Chris bumped it with his paddle and sent the snake squirming downstream.

It caught the first eddy and turned upstream, as if to return to the wave. I was waiting for my turn, but the rattler alighted past me and slid back onto the wave, settling in near the boat.

I thought about saying something, but bed-mannered snakes are deaf to complaints. Against the roar of the river, I figured I'd be wasting my breath.

Meanwhile, competition on the wave was getting poisonous.

Chris was carving back and forth - and the snake was following him zig for zag. Chris drifted back to the wave's crest, then dove into the trough. The rattler followed without missing a beat.

I was waiting for one thing to blow off the wave when I felt something bump into my boat. I looked over my shoulder and, sure enough, the snake clipped off the wave. It was clearly impatient for a turn on the wave.

I motioned to Chris and pointed at the snake in line behind me. Chris nodded, then made a quick 180 and clipped off the wave.

I sculled my out of line and forfeited my turn. My reasoning was simple: "Let the locals have it."

Sometimes that's a rule, too.

Like I said earlier, I didn't get a picture. Nope, not a single shot of the surfing rattlers. But I did get a photo of two others basking on the beach.

I can get you a copy if you want to see it. Just a little something to remind you of summer.

Bill Studebaker usually concocts wildly improbable stories about hunting dogs, but this yarn might be true. When he isn't surfing with snakes, he can be found teaching English at the College of Southern Idaho.

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Refusing to bow on one knee, Twin Falls anesthetologist Al Tress eschews telemark technique as he swoops through the trees en route to Lake Cleveland in the Albion Mountains.

# Steep, deep & cheap

## Backcountry skiing in Albion Range puts life's cares on hold

**T**ime almost stands still for backcountry skiers at Lake Cleveland.

The slopes have a plentiful supply of powder snow and a paucity of people. With no one hustling to get "first turns," there's time to carve elegant, swooping paths down to the lake.

There's also time to slog back uphill and do it again. And again.

And again.

Finally, there's time to stop and savor the sights of nature in its most austere season.

There's the sound of the wind whistling through the trees, and the air is redolent with smells of the forest.

Startled by the silent approach of skiers, high-country animals scamper to safety - dimpling the snow with evidence of their passing.

Some friends and I were there the other day, "skinning" our way uphill and slicing back down through perfect, knee-deep snow.

The adventure began in the parking lot of the Pomerelle Mountain Resort, at an elevation of about 7,700 feet. My pals and I packed extra clothes, food and water into our rucksacks, then lashed avalanche shovels to the exteriors.

We tucked compasses in our pockets and strapped electronic avalanche "beepers" to our torsos beneath our clothes. Then we forked over \$5 apiece for a ride on the chairlift.

The wind was roaring with hateful vengeance when we arrived at the top. Visibility was down to a few feet and the horizontally driven snow stung like needles.

We climbed a few feet beyond the terminus of the lift, then skied down in the lee of the ridge. At one

point, we spooked a snowshoe hare - the size of a small dog - that bounded from a copse of trees.

After a few hundred yards, we passed out of the ski area. It was the beginning of the backcountry, but roving bands of snowmobilers were a constant reminder that solitude was still a long ways off.

The terrain was wide open, but our path angled slightly uphill - so we stopped and affixed mohair skins to the bottoms of our skis.

Just like the hair on a dog, skins are smooth when stroked in one direction and coarse when rubbed the other way.

Attached to our skis, they enabled us to move uphill without sliding backwards.

We trudged across the flats, eventually cutting the road that leads to Lake Cleveland. We swung onto it and began to climb.

By degrees, we left the snowmobilers behind.

Through the gloom, we sensed we were entering a vast mountain bowl.

It was snowing furiously, perhaps an inch or two per hour, and the wind was incessant - so avalanche danger was an omnipresent concern. As we ascended the road, we peered over the edge to inspect the slopes below. We rejected several that looked to be more than 30 degrees, then came to an open slope with an angle of about 25 degrees.

It was steep enough to ski, but not steep enough to slide. We climbed to the top, stripped off our skins and prepared to squander hard-won elevation in one fell swoop.

The snow was perfect: Creamy, shin-deep and devoid of any crust. It wasn't the lightest powder, but it

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### Story and photos by William Brock



No chairlifts here - so Scott Williams, a fish biologist from Buhl, slogs uphill under his own steam. To prevent backsliding, he attached adhesive 'skins' to the bottom of his skis before embarking on the climb.

flowed around our legs like sugar from a split sack.

The descent was a fluid exercise in motion, equal parts skiing and floating. Swoying with a distinct rhythm, we rose to make ourselves light when linking turns, then weighted our skis to assert every change in direction.

It was a sublime, almost out-of-body experience.

I paused momentarily, marveling at the peace and stillness of my surroundings. Suddenly, a grouse fluttered up from the snow and lit in a nearby tree.

To my ears, the rumbling flutter of its wings sounded like an avalanche - and my heart swelled

with fright. Safe, doomed and saved again in a matter of seconds, I collected my wits and got moving. I picked my way through a narrow band of trees, then arrived at the top of another glade. One of my buddies flashed past and I gave chase.

All good thing come to an end, so we eventually ferched up at the shore of Lake Cleveland. At 8,230 feet, the lake was frozen over and covered with snow - but there was no mistaking its undeniably level presence.

We spoke briefly among ourselves, corroborating the fact that we'd stumbled onto something rare. Then we slapped on our skins and did a 20-minute head-on shuffle back to the top.

Then we did it again. And again.

Each run blurred into the one that came before, and the one that followed. By day's end, they had fused into a single, seamless collage.

With dusk approaching, we skied back down the road and crossed the open flats where the wind once again, tore at us like a pack of hounds. Visibility was fading fast, but the lights at Pomerelle were discernible as a faint, rosy glow in the distance.

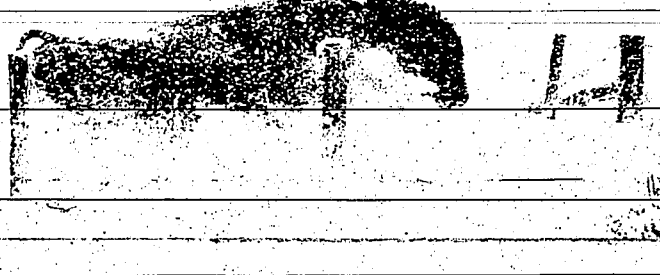
We lowered our heads and pressed on, secure in the knowledge that we would live to ski another day.



Surrounded by the splendor of winter, Tress takes a moment to soak in the sights.

OUTDOORS

BUFFALO IN THE MIST



A bull bison from Yellowstone National Park crashes through chest deep snow near West Yellowstone, Mont., Jan. 6, while being hazed back into a 'Bison Safe Zone' by volunteers for a group called Buffalo Nations. The bull was foraging for food in a subdivision north of West Yellowstone. Buffalo Nations volunteers patrol outside the Park to haze bison away from Department of Livestock shooters. Last year, nearly 1,100 bison were shot or captured outside Yellowstone Park.

Seniors find serenity slicing through snow

SUN CITY, Ariz. (AP) — Janet Crane, 67, of Sun City West, is leery of snowboarding. But her granddaughter wants her to get into the balancing act.

"She's tried to get me into it," Crane said. "She's always talking about snowboarding."

Crane doubts she'll ever strap a plank to her boots, but that doesn't mean she'll never hit the slopes. Even if she's not into snowboarding, she is a member of the Sun Cities Ski Club.

She's not alone. Nearly 300 local folks call themselves members, and regularly fill up buses headed for peaks across the Southwest.

To Crane, who picked up the sport in her late 30s with her husband, Charlie, the club's president, downhill skiing offers more than active retirement.

For one thing, the trips are a kick, she says.

But there's more. To members of the group, skiing is a way of life that keeps them fit and provides an opportunity for sporting camaraderie.

The club boasts members not only from the Sun City retirement community, but from all over the Phoenix area.

Most members of the club are in their 50s and 80s. But a few older skiers belong as well, some of whom are in their 80s.

"Eighty-four seems to be the apogee range," said Rusty Richardson, a Sun City resident and former club president.

"Though I've skied with a lot older than that," Richardson, in fact, has skied with downhillers of every sort. A former racer and instructor at Colorado's Keystone Ski Resort, the 65-year-old has helped scores down the slopes, including many seniors.

While some see downhill skiing as too rigorous for retirees, Richardson begs to differ. For those who are "athletic, coordinated and who enjoy the outdoors, there's no better way," he said.

The typical group lesson, however, with squads snowplowing down the mountain, won't work for older beginners, he said.

"Seniors need private lessons," Richardson said. And while he feared teaching skiers in their 80s — "It always scared the hell out of me. I don't want to break anyone," he said — he never had a real problem.

For seniors thinking of taking up the sport, there are things to keep in mind, said Don Willes, an exercise physiologist with Sun Health.

For beginners, the most important thing is to get a physician's clearance. A conditioning program

is also vital before strapping on skis, he said.

"You have to train your body for what you're going to experience," he said. A good program covers several areas, including muscle strength, particularly in the legs, muscle endurance and the cardiovascular system, Willes said.

Weights and any cardiovascular activity, from walking to jogging, will hit those points. Training doesn't stop there, however.

Beginning skiers need to take time adjusting to mountain altitudes, and must remember to drink plenty of fluids — and no, not apple Schnapps, Willes added.

"Make your first ski day a little easier," Willes said. "And take in plenty of water."

For those who make the sport a habit, few exercises compare, he said.

"If people have been skiing all their lives, it's great." This is serious recreation, but serious fun as well, Crane said. And the itinerary is packed with trips to some of the Southwest's most popular resorts.

A yearly membership costs \$5. Skiers benefit from booking group accommodations and cheaper bus rides. They also get occasional group discounts on lift tickets.

Now, younger Sun City residents are joining the club, infusing it with energy. "They're breathing new life into things," Crane said.

But the veterans will take to the slopes for years to come. "There are a lot of really good skiers in the ski club," she said.

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Exercise physiologist Don Willes advising beginning skiers

Skunked  
Wildlife photographers find trade a challenge, frustration

The Dallas Morning News

ATHENS, Texas — Marshall Stouffer was working with an unusual bug. Not that insects are an odd focus for the award-winning nature photographer, but most of the bugs Stouffer films are not Volkswagen Beetles.

Stouffer and his brothers were the subject of a feature-length movie called "Wild America" that was released last summer, but Stouffer labored in anonymity at the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center at Lake Athens.

Stouffer's oldest brother, Marty, might have been more recognizable. Marty Stouffer did the narrations and appeared on camera for 120 segments of the "Wild America" television series on PBS.

His original proposal was to have actors like Robert Redford, Will Geer and Henry Fonda do the narrations. But Stouffer liked the series idea, but they couldn't afford the big-name narrators, so Marty did the narration. That turned out lucky for us. Otherwise, nobody would have heard of the Stouffer brothers. Most people who watch nature films don't read the credits."

Marshall Stouffer was washing down the Volkswagen shell so he could temporarily place it in the reservoir exhibit at TFFC. The exhibit houses a huge blue catfish, and Stouffer was hoping the fish would swim into the car body and Stouffer could drop a wet bait, slip into the 55-degree water and shoot about three minutes of underwater video.

The footage was planned for an upcoming PBS production called "Living Legends," Stouffer said nearly every sizable lake has some variation of a legend involving a giant catfish that lives in a submerged car body.

"The Freshwater Fisheries Center is a fabulous facility for doing underwater footage of fish, and the staff here has been very helpful," Stouffer said.

"Still, I wouldn't be surprised if I did get any footage at all. It doesn't work. I've spent five days and a lot of money for nothing."

That's the frustrating nature of wildlife photography, even when the wildlife is more or less under the photographer's control.

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# Resources for avalanche study dwindle

Slide danger becomes apparent this winter

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — Twelve deaths in Northwest mountains over the weekend underscore the need for more understanding of avalanches — how they are triggered and what back-country travelers need to watch for in winter.

But the deadly snow slides, which killed eight skiers and snowmobilers in Montana, Idaho and British Columbia, come as funding for such study is dwindling.

"The reason you have to call me in Canada is because of the low level of funding in the United States," said David McClung, a geology professor and member of an avalanche research group at the University of British Columbia.

"We've struggled terribly to survive here," even with generous support from private industry, McClung said. "It's even worse in the United States."

Washington state — spared during the weekend tragedies but hit by a major avalanche Tuesday in the Olympic and the Cascade mountains — leads the nation in avalanche deaths, according to McClung. More than 180. The numbers are somewhat skewed by the so-called Wellington Disaster of the

early 1980s, in which 96 people died when a train was buried with snow in Stevens Pass.

In fact, Colorado has the nation's highest annual avalanche death rate, with Washington and Utah close behind, said avalanche forecaster Kenney Kramer, with the Northwest Weather and Avalanche Center. There were five avalanche deaths in Washington last year, he said.

"The federal avalanche center, administered by the Forest Service, is the only agency that provides regular forecasts of avalanche risk in Washington."

And it was heading for closure this month until Gov. Gary Locke provided \$40,000 in emergency funding a few weeks ago, said his director, Mark Moore.

The center is funded by several state and federal agencies and the Pacific Northwest-Ski Area Association. The shortfall occurred because the state department of transportation decided its share of the agency's budget was too large and reduced it by half.

The emergency money addressed the current crisis, but "funding will still up in the air for next year," Moore said.

The center's avalanche forecasts — its records daily in season — are based on data from its weather stations, perched in mountains throughout the state,

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The Northwest Weather and Avalanche Center hotline number is (206) 526-6877.

Kramer said. About 30,000 people call its hot line each year to check conditions, and there were about 100,000 visits to its Web site.

"We're filling a particular but important niche," Moore said. "We're able to put out a detailed mountain weather forecast, but only if we have the instrumentation."

Despite funding difficulties, researchers are learning more about the forces that trigger the deadly slides, McClung said.

UIC researchers have developed computer-assisted avalanche forecasting that is quite accurate, he said. When conditions such as snow depth, temperature, the degree of slope, types of precipitation and wind velocity are fed into the computer, it provides the likelihood of an avalanche. It also can sift through stored information to find the most similar set of circumstances and indicate what happened then.

The program so far has been used for only one site because of funding problems, McClung said. And avalanches remain extremely hard to predict,

experts say.

When general conditions are known, risks still are posed by what mountain-climbing guide Eric Simonson calls "micro-environmental" effects of different, often undetected conditions.

Many slides are triggered by skiers or snowmobilers, Simonson said.

"If I were to devise the most effective avalanche-triggering device, you couldn't do much better than a 5,000-pound weight-metal," he said.

Moore worries that many of the people among the growing throngs heading for the back country in winter need information the center can provide.

"We've had a significant increase in the number of people using the back country, most notably snowboarders and snowmobilers," he said.

"From what I've heard and seen, they're not really aware of the avalanche dangers."

David Spring, 46, an outdoor safety instructor, was brushed by an avalanche in Snoqualmie Pass 21 years ago. He was lucky and escaped with a few bruises and respect for the phenomenon.

"An avalanche can move at up to 60 miles an hour and hit with a force that can crush a million pounds, and you may get one or two seconds warning," Spring said.

"You don't want to be in one."

# Bike enthusiast makes treads in the tire market

Los Angeles Times

Garage tinkerer and ardent climber — "I'm my No. 1 crash-test dummy" —

Tom Ritchey had scored big by becoming one of the first builders of mountain bike frames, tenting up for a while with mountain bike pioneers Gary Fisher and Charlie Kelly in a company that

tried unsuccessfully to copyright the mountain bike name.

On his own, in 1985, Ritchey pondered the question of tire tread. Tires then were just tires: tread for mountain bikes came in basic black patterns stamped out by waffle irons, as it were.

Ritchey saw that as less than ideal. He thought about the need for traction from the rear tire,

control from the front; that it should be possible to tailor the grip to the path of the bike.

"Just by riding so much, I was paying attention to things that the guys behind the desks weren't able to see," he says. He designed his own tread, different patterns for downhill racing, cross-country racing, those sand, clay — whatever you needed to excel.

Thousands clamored for Ritchey tires. Although he also sells helmets, pedals and cranks, tires will forever be Ritchey's staple. Two or five people may work at his headquarters in Redwood City, Calif., and a dozen more at his warehouse in Switzerland, directing the flow of 2 million to 3 million tires a year.

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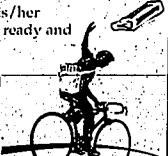
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# Stranded outdoorsman survives 4 days of snow

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — An experienced outdoorsman was rescued in rugged terrain in northwestern Colorado Wednesday after surviving nearly four days in chest-deep snow with a king-sized Snickers bar and two lighters.

Christian George, 41, was spotted by rescuers in a helicopter Tuesday night who were using a hand-held, heat-seeking device. He was flown out Wednesday morning.

George said he got caught in an avalanche Saturday after he got separated from friends and his snowmobile ran down a chute in North Drainage Fish Creek, fed by a picturesque waterfall.

He was forced to hike six miles, sometimes moving only two feet an hour in the heavy snow and thin air at 8,400 feet.

"I almost approached the sought out trees, dug a hole and built a fire to survive."

"I was giving myself a real honest estimate of my chances, and the lower they got, the harder I pushed," he said.

"I gave my self 20 percent today," he said after being taken to a Washington State Hospital, where he was treated for chapped hands.

George, who wore a winter coat, said he got scared when his



Christian George of Wellington, Colo., gets hugs from his parents, Pam and Ernest George Wednesday after surviving an avalanche and four days trapped in a backcountry canyon.

cigarette lighters started running low on fuel from trying to light glossy pieces of wood he scavenged.

"I knew that was my life. If I couldn't get a fire started, I wasn't going to make it," he said.

George said he got little sleep, forcing himself to get up during the night to find more wood.

"You just have to scream at yourself to get up and get more wood," he said.

snow fell and temperatures plummeted during the search; about 200 rescuers used snowshoes, skis and snowmobiles, while helicopters swooped overhead.

George said he's thinking about becoming a dive instructor, but if he ever goes snowmobiling again, he'll take two bags of lighters.

His mother, Pam, said she was confident throughout the search.

"One of the things we were all very confident about was his ability. He's very self-reliant," she said. "He knew if no one else found him, he'd be able to get out."

Garner said George won't be billed for the costs of the rescue because his snowmobile was registered, and part of the fees go for search and rescue insurance.

"We don't know how much the search cost," Garner said. "We're going to be tallying up the cost all afternoon."

Just over a year ago, another tale of survival gained national attention.

Karen Nelson, 52, was stranded in her small pickup truck for nearly 40 hours when a massive blizzard slammed South Dakota. She was rescued Jan. 10, 1997, after passing the hours alone singing and talking to God.

# Wildlife Service plans March caribou transplant

LEWISTON, Idaho (AP) — Plans are shaping up for a sixth woodland caribou transplant in March to rebuild the dwindling herd along the U.S.-Canada border.

But unlike the other five transplants to Idaho and Washington since 1986, this year's plan calls for the caribou to hoof it across the border themselves.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has overseen the recovery project for the last free-ranging herd of woodland caribou in the lower states, with help from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and the Washington Fish and

Wildlife Department.

The new wrinkle of releasing the caribou a few miles north of the border reflects a growing recognition that the herd migrates between the Canada and the United States anyway. Don Almick, a Washington fish and wildlife researcher at Sullivan Lake, said the animals winter on the high ridges north of the border, then head south during the summer.

The original recovery plan called for establishing separate caribou herds on the Idaho and Washington sides of the southern Selkirk Mountains to reinforce the remaining herd north of the border.

"In reality, if you look at the telemetry, there aren't three discrete groups at all," Almick said.

In addition, biologists say keeping the transplant within British Columbia would eliminate the need for a half-dozen separate federal permits, and might eliminate requirements that the caribou be tested for tuberculosis and brucellosis.

Less time in captivity also could reduce stress on the animals and the chances for injury. One theory for the loss of so many of the caribou previously transplanted to the area involves habitat changes in the Selkirks from logging and forest fires that have favored the

growth of white-tailed deer herds. As the number of deer increased, so did their range and their primary predator, mountain lions.

Caribou evolved in old growth forests and sought out the highest ridges, he said, because the trees there hung thick with old man's beard lichen, a favorite winter forage, and because predators found little to eat there.

Now deer range from the valleys to the ridges in the Selkirks as mountain lions have followed. Every once in a while, the cats pick off a caribou. And when there are only a few caribou, any loss is a setback.

# Idaho hunters enjoy safe 1997 hunting season

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Idaho hunters had a safe season in 1997. The Fish and Game Department says the five hunting accidents, which included one fatality, gave the state a rate about half the national average.

The agency said Friday the accident rate, about four per 100,000 hunters, was not impressive because none of the victims were mistaken for game, which usually is the reason for

serious accidents. All of 1997's accidents were caused by careless gun handling.

Fish and Game said one hunter was self-inflicted, when a injury placed the muzzle of his .22-cal-

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# Annual census traces recovery of bald eagles in U.S.

HELICHOPTERS, Mass. (AP) — As a thick, cold winter fog lifted over the wild islands of the Quabbin Reservoir, a young bald eagle rose from the soggy pines. Within minutes, three bald eagles — two young birds and a white-headed adult — were turning large circles over the reservoir. Telescopes were unwrapped. Watches hurried deep in the sleeves of down-filled parkas, and rubber slickers were consulted. And state ornithologist Brad Blodgett's walkie-talkie began rattling with other sightings along the banks of the sprawling reservoir that has become one of the main wintering grounds for bald eagles in New England.

Since 1975, groups of state and

federal biologists, with hundreds of volunteers, have stalked out rivers, lakes and streams in the lower 48 states each January to count bald eagles in systems that has traced the recovery of the country's still threatened national symbol.

It is not easy. The small group of biologists and volunteers at a roadside pull-off overlooking the Quabbin Reservoir, stood in the icy rain for more than three hours before spotting three bald eagles. Then the fog swept back in obscuring the reservoir.

"It was not until the skies cleared the next morning that a helicopter survey of the Quabbin was able to tally 31 bald eagles and boost the preliminary

Massachusetts count, which has never exceeded 70, to 65 statewide.

"It's a surprisingly good number given the conditions," said Bill Davis, director of the state's eagle restoration project. Most of the bald eagles wintering here are from Maine and Eastern Canada, who drift south as lakes and rivers freeze, he said.

Last year, 16,642 eagles were tallied across the country, according to Karen Steinhof at the federal raptor research center in Boise, Idaho, which has been coordinating the bald eagle census since 1992. The largest totals usually come from Missouri, Illinois and Iowa, where the fish-eating birds gather by the hun-

dreds along open stretches of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

Despite the chance of bad weather, the census is taken in mid-January, Steinhof said, because by then most eagles have reached their wintering grounds, where they are easiest to count.

Among other things, the numbers, which have hovered around 16,000 for the past five years, provide clues as to where and how the eagles are expanding as the population recovers from the use of DDT and other now-banned pesticides.

"One of the trends we have been looking at is that we are seeing them more and more in more urban locations," Steinhof said. That is of particular interest in

heavily populated states, such as Massachusetts, where, as the number of birds rises they increasingly have to share their waterfront habitats with human boaters and vacationers.

Their tolerance of humans seems to vary widely, said Davis.

Three of the state's nine nesting pairs of eagles have settled along heavily used sections of the Connecticut River, including one pair that has been adding to their nest across from a busy boat yard in Gill for eight years. The massive structure, high in a white pine, now weighs more than 800 pounds. Another pair is nesting among summer vacationers at Asswampset Pond in southeastern Massachusetts.

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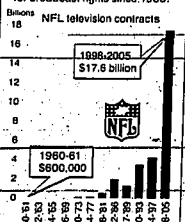


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NFL TV contract

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Source: AP Research. Advertisers — in order to justify the huge network expense. CBS will pay \$500 million a year over the next eight seasons — more than the \$217 million that NBC paid in the current contract.

...the next eight years. Walt Disney Co.'s ABC and ESPN will pay a total of \$9.2 billion for eight seasons under the new contract arrangement.

For starters, advertisers, who recognize that sports — and NFL in particular — are unrivaled in reaching a large, regularly scheduled TV audience. Cable subscribers will feel the pinch because their bills will surely go up as a result of the expected doubling of costs for broadcast rights for games currently carried by ESPN and TNT.

Advertisers and cable subscribers will shoulder only part of the cost hike. The networks are at the greatest risk, especially if they fail to deliver the promised audience for the games.

Fourth quarter report

Intel Corp reported that price competition and weaker results in Asia took a toll on earnings.

Table with Intel Corp earnings data for 1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999. Includes metrics like Earnings per share and Analyst estimate.

Asian turmoil begins to hit U.S. companies

American businesses are beginning to feel the pinch of Asia's financial crisis. High-tech giants Intel and Motorola and automakers General Motors and Ford are seeing slower sales in the once-booming region because of the turmoil in the currency and stock markets since last summer.

Because of the financial crisis, Asian countries have high inflation, foreign government accounts, companies and consumers will have less money to spend. Moreover, the strong dollar — soaring as Asian currencies are plummeting — has made American-made goods far more expensive in Asian markets.

Albertson's tests east market

BOJNE — Albertson's Inc. announced Tuesday that it has agreed to buy all the outstanding shares of Seessell Holdings Inc., which operates 10 supermarkets in the Memphis, Tenn., area.

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Table listing prices for various bean types such as Pinto, Kidney, and Navy beans, including their current prices and changes.

GRAINS

Table listing prices for different grain varieties like Hard Red Winter Wheat, Soft Red Winter Wheat, and others.

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Table listing prices for various potato grades and types, including Idaho and other regional varieties.

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MONEY IN BRIEF

MCI, H-P plan service center in Boise
BOISE — MCI Telecommunications Corp. has signed a contract to run a large customer call center for Hewlett-Packard Co.

Retail sales growth slows in 1997

WASHINGTON — Growth in retail spending slowed in 1997 to the slowest pace since the recession. It seems a contradiction when the economy's so robust. But it's not a contradiction. Retail sales — representing about a third of economic output — were padded by inflation in past years. Now, inflation for goods is nearly nonexistent and, in many cases, retail prices are falling.

That's created, according to economists, a paradise for shoppers but a tough environment for retailers. They had to sell more goods than ever to keep their receipts from slipping. And with cheap imports about to restrict them from selling as much as they want, retailers are looking for ways to survive. American retailers finished 1997 on a relatively strong note after an up-and-down performance through the year. Sales rose 0.7 percent in December, the strongest in five months, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

Intel profit report helps buoy stocks

NEW YORK — Stocks ended this week's rebound Wednesday after a profit report from Intel beat Wall Street's deflated expectations, but reinforced worries about how much and how long the Asian crisis will hurt U.S. companies. The Dow Jones industrial average ended in a tight range most of the day before pushing higher in the final 90 minutes, closing 52.56 higher at 7,784.69. The blue-chip measure has now gained 204 points this week, pairing back an early 1998 loss that reached 4.2 percent after Friday's 2.22-point slide, down to about 1.5 percent.

Asian

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From Asia, are finding stocks slowing. It's not collapsing. Anyone who exports anything to Asia will feel the bite," said Greg Mastel of the Economic Strategy Group, citing the rise and raise interest rates and taxes to gain multibillion-dollar rescue packages. For any company exporting to Korea, Thailand and Indonesia, for the foreseeable future, sales will be very low or even zero," said Sung Won Sohn of Norwest Corp., a Minneapolis-based bank. For American consumers, the Asian crisis may bring benefits through lower prices for imported goods. But the Asian crisis has meant lower interest rates in this country. That's good news for people eager to buy a house or refinance a mortgage.

But the Asian crisis worsens, American consumers could get hurt, too. "Later on this year, there is a risk that a company that is doing enough, American companies will start to lay off people in order to save money," Sinal said. Sinal calculates that 153 of the giant companies listed in the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index are vulnerable. Since the companies have extensive global operations, "the Asian effects will not be devastating, but they will be significant," he said. Companies in industries as varied as high tech, autos, financial services, defense, iron and steel, and paper could be clipped. The evidence is beginning to

show that the world's largest maker of computer chips, reported Tuesday its profit fell 9 percent in the fourth quarter and profit level off. It cited slower demand for computers in South Korea and other Asian countries, offset somewhat by strength in China. Motorola, a telecommunications equipment maker with heavy interests in Asia, said sales and profits were hurt by Asia at the end of last year. It expects the turmoil to continue for at least the first half of 1998.

Ford and GM are re-evaluating their plans for Thailand, and GM intends to postpone the opening of a car assembly plant in Thailand. J.P. Morgan, one of the nation's largest banks, reported lower earnings because of unsettling conditions in global markets: Asia, Russia and Latin America. Sinal calculates that 153 of the

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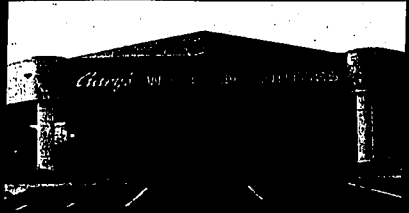


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