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# Four group gets an eyeful

## Rock Creek task force deems cattle the main source of contamination

By M.S. Nolden/  
Times-News staff

**TWIN FALLS** - Cows in a small stream and runoffs on steep slopes were among the most obvious contributors of bacterial contamination in Rock Creek on a tour of the troubled waterway this week.

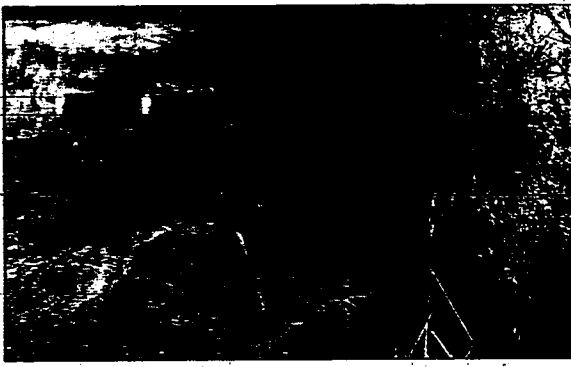
Contamination in Rock Creek became an issue this summer when health officials posted signs warning would-be swimmers of the contamination from bacteria common in the intestinal tracts of warm-blooded animals.

Officials and a volunteer advisory Rock Creek Task Force toured the lands along Rock Creek Tuesday to try to identify the problem.

"It's pretty evident that cattle are the main source," Twin Falls County Commissioner Marvin Hempleman said. From the bus windows, the group saw feedlots on sloping ground or on the edge of the canyon, some of them with small streams running through them. No one was in doubt about which way the manure would flow when it rains.

Among the less obvious sites was pasture land in the upper end of Deadman Gulch - one of the biggest contributors to the bacterial contamination of Rock Creek.

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At top, a horse grazes waterholes in a stream that runs into Rock Creek south of Twin Falls. Officials have linked bacterial contamination to livestock management on lands that drain into the creek.

### Who's who?

- A** groups and officials involved in the effort to clean up bacterial contamination in Rock Creek.
- State Division of Environmental Quality:** Lyle Adams, an agency manager, said he will help with the project.
- Health Department:** Provides technical information to test water.
- Rock Creek Task Force:** A regulatory agency group in OREEM to identify the problem and recommend an action plan or things that need to be done.
- Twin Falls County Commissioners:** Use authority to limit land use in the canyon to protect human health and safety.
- Idaho-Centennial Health Department:** Was authority to conduct swimming hazard signs when bacterial contamination exceeds state standards.
- What might happen next?** DEQ Regional Administrator Doug Howard hopes to get landowners with livestock on land that drains into Rock Creek to change their management practices to prevent waste from getting into the water.

# Batt endorses proposal

## Measure would grant minimum wages to at least some farm workers

The Associated Press and The Times-News

**BOISE** - It was good news to Dan Ramirez. Retiring Gov. Phil Batt on Wednesday endorsed a modified proposal to legally guarantee the minimum wage to at least some farm workers.

"It does send a message that they are trying to help the farm workers and trying to get them some form of benefits, better than what they have now," said Ramirez, labor commission and Hispanic Affairs director. Ramirez also is a former Rupert resident and worked on farms when he was young.

Annually, 30,000 to 50,000 migrant and seasonal farm workers toil in Idaho fields with 5,000 of those workers in the Magic Valley, the Idaho Department of Labor estimates.

Ramirez heard about Batt's endorsement at his meeting of executive directors from Hispanic affairs commissions in Idaho, Washington, Oregon and Utah. The governor said he could support a farm worker minimum wage if piecework is exempted as it is in Washington state and some others with minimum farm wages.

"I recommend that the Legislature negotiate with the Farm Bureau and others to see if that can be accomplished," Batt said in a statement issued later in

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# Recovered bones may belong to Amelia Earhart

The Associated Press

**LOS ANGELES** - Bones found on a Polynesian island may offer some insight into the mysterious disappearance of Amelia Earhart, a researcher told the Los Angeles Times Wednesday.

The bones were found on Nikumaroro Island in the Republic of Kiribati in 1980 by British soldiers. They were sent to British headquarters in Tarawa, where a physician concluded they belonged to a man.

Richard Gillespie, director of the International Group for Historic Aircraft Recovery, a nonprofit organization that has searched for evidence of Earhart's fate for 10 years, recently found records of the examination in Tarawa and England.

But two forensic anthropologists who studied the records said precise dimensions of the bones taken from the paperwork indicate the skeleton was that of a white female of northern European extraction, about 5 feet 7 inches tall.

"We have probably the most dramatic archival and scientific evidence in 61 years to indicate that we may soon know what happened to Amelia Earhart," Gillespie told the Times in an interview published Wednesday.

Earhart vanished in 1937 while attempting to become the first woman to fly around the world. Most authorities believe she and her navigator lost their bearings, ran out of fuel and crashed into the Pacific while flying between Asia and Hawaii, but some think the two were captured by the Japanese as spies.

# Stale beer helps boys survive a week in boxcar

The Associated Press

**CINCINNATI** - Two boys who hitchhiked a freight train and got locked in a boxcar say they survived for more than a week by drinking the cargo - stale beer from mostly empty bottles being returned to a brewery.

"I didn't drink that much, just a little something to get my mouth wet," John Wayne Riley, 15, said Wednesday. He said he lost about 20 pounds during the ordeal. "John said he and 12-year-old Billy Ray Gomez Jr. had jumped onto a slow-moving train in Hamilton on Nov. 23 to escape a beating from a half-dozen thugs chasing them. But authorities are suspicious of that part of the story, and Billy said they were running away from home."

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# Customs Service drug searches prompt horror tales, lawsuits

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** - Returning to Chicago from Guatemala, Gonzalez Richards was pulled from a line of air travelers by a Customs Service inspector and ordered into a bare, windowless room. Over the next few hours, she was strip-searched, handcuffed, X-rayed, and probed internally by a doctor.

The armed Customs officers who led Richards at randomity through O'Hare International Airport and drove her to a hospital, all for examining a suitcase she thought was empty. She found nothing.

"I was humiliated - a woman's believe it was humiliating," said Richards, who is black and was joined a civil rights lawsuit against Customs. "They did not reason to think I had drugs."

Richards, 37, isn't alone. Officers last year ordered parental or adult strip searches of X-rays for 2,447 airline passengers, and "body drops" are a percentage of them, according to figures compiled by the Customs Service. Customs officials say strip searches are necessary to obtain the growing number of contrabands who smuggle weapons-filled briefcases, metal packages of human arms, their body cavities, even their brains in a shadow bag or under cover of a false pregnancy. "We will have a major drug problem in this country," Customs Commissioner Raymond Kelly said in an interview Wednesday. "We have to do it."

Kelly said, once you're a doctor, there are subtle risk estimates and higher risk flights. "These things may be more popular by a Hispanic ethnic group."

Last year, the Customs Service seized 858 pounds of cocaine and 812 pounds of heroin attached to or inside international air travelers' bodies, officials said. More than 70 percent of the heroin seized at airports was smuggled that way.

Acknowledging that searches "can get pretty traumatic," Kelly said Customs is experimenting with new technology that might reduce the number of body searches. The review comes after several lawsuits and complaints from travelers who say they suffered abusive treatment and hours of confinement. For instance:

• Two Jamaican-born U.S. citizens each filed a \$500,000 claim in September over body cavity

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# THE REGION

### Carnas Prairie

High 35 Low: 20  
Good chance of rain or snow today. Chance tonight. Chance of snow Friday. High 24.

### Treasure Valley

High 43 Low: 21  
Rain likely today, breezy. Mostly cloudy tonight. Mostly cloudy Friday. Chance of snow, high 34.

### Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High 34 Low: 9  
Good chance of rain or snow today. Chance tonight. Chance of snow Friday. High 26.

### Eastern Idaho

High 44 Low: 26  
Mostly cloudy with chance of showers. Rain or snow likely tonight. Mostly cloudy Friday. Chance of snow, high 34.

### Northern Idaho

High 35 Low: 27  
Mostly cloudy today with chance of showers. Chance of snow tonight. Mostly cloudy Friday. Chance of snow, high 34.

### Northern Utah

High 52 Low: 24  
Increasing clouds with chance of sleet. Much colder on Friday with snow likely.

### Northern Nevada

High 43 Low: 18  
Cooler with a chance of rain or snow tonight. Friday with scattered snow showers.

# MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
High 46 Low: 25 Rain likely, winds 15-25 mph. Rain or snow tonight.	High 34 Low: 20 Mostly cloudy with chance of snow.	High 30s Low: 10s Cloudy with a chance of snow.	High 30s Low: 10s Cloudy with chance of snow.	High 30s Low: 10s Rain, clearing.

### Idaho weather

Thursday, Dec. 3  
Apo Weather forecast by daytime conditions: high-low temperatures.

### National weather

The Apo Weather forecast for Monday, Thursday, Dec. 3.

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### ACROSS THE NATION

Three states and snow fall across the mountainous areas. The rain has been heavy across the region. Heavy rain, snow, and ice in the north and west. Snow is falling across the Plains, Rockies and the mountains.

# YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation
Yesterday 55-33	Yesterday in Twin Falls 0.09
Last year 39-15	Normal for date 12
Normal 48-24	Water year to date 1.68
	Normal year to date 2.07

### Idaho

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Moist. High	Moist. Low
Boise	51	43	0.03	59	26
Burley	52	35	0.00	58	26
Fairfield	m	m	m	m	m
Hagerman	54	33	0.00	58	26
Kalpa Falls	47	31	0.00	58	26
Twin Falls	55	33	0.09	58	26

### The Nation

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	74	49	0.00
Atlanta	74	49	0.00
Boston	41	29	0.00
Chicago	61	49	0.00
Dallas	74	49	0.00
Denver	74	49	0.00
Detroit	61	49	0.00
Houston	74	49	0.00
Los Angeles	61	49	0.00
Memphis	74	49	0.00
Minneapolis	61	49	0.00
New York	58	45	0.00
Phoenix	74	49	0.00
Portland	61	49	0.00
San Francisco	61	49	0.00
Seattle	61	49	0.00
Washington	61	49	0.00
Yonkers	61	49	0.00

## Beer

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About two miles up the track, they switched to another train, which John said he thought was headed back to Hamilton, about 25 miles northwest of Cincinnati. Instead, it was bound for the Miller Brewing

Co. rail siding at Trenton. Somehow, the boxcar doors slammed shut and locked, leaving the boys without heat, light or water. It was eight days later when brewery employees taking inventory in the rail yard heard someone pounding on the

side of the boxcar, and the boys were freed. "Every time I heard a noise, I'd scream, holler and beat on the walls," John said. "I didn't think I would be made it another day. Those people saved our lives."

The boys, cold and hungry when they were freed Tuesday, were taken to a hospital where they were treated and hospitalized. Billy said, "We were thirsty and hungry, until we distributed nothing to drink but some beer."

## Wage

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The day. But a spokesman for Gov.-elect Dirk Kempthorne, Bart's political protégé, said Kempthorne has not changed his position that mandating the minimum 35.15-an-hour wage for all farm workers would be a "crushing blow" to Idaho agriculture.

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## Creek

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Parting during the summer. When these pastures are irrigated after livestock have been on them, the manure may be washed into the stream, which enters Rock Creek at the park. It's typical of the problem with pastured livestock that can be managed with proper irrigation, said Tim Clum of the state Division of Environmental Quality.

owners who may be contributing to the problem, Howard said. Monitoring has located some sources of bacteria, but identifying specific landowners would take more intensive monitoring, he said. Howard would rather the landowners hear about the problem through local Soil Conservation District volunteers and members of other organizations that are the landowners' peers.

More people jumping in rural areas increases the opportunity for bacteria and other pollutants to get in the waterways, Kinley said. Rock Creek is among other southern Idaho streams on a list of polluted streams under the federal Clean Water Act.

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## Customs

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searches and X-rays in Tampa, Fla. One of the women learned afterwards she was pregnant and reported that her unborn child might have been harmed, according to her attorney, Warren Hope Dawson. The baby was born healthy. Customs policy requires a pregnancy test before a woman is allowed to enter the country and the pregnant woman was not tested.

The 1,772 strip searches last year targeted people last to remove their socks to passengers like Richards who were ordered to take off their underwear and head or strip searches are performed by officers of the same gender.

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The Customs review found 19 passengers who were subjected to public contact searches and 170 while inspectors watched. Drugs were found in almost two-thirds of those cases.

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**POWERBALL**  
4 22 29 36 45  
POWERBALL NUMBER 30

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28 NUMBERS  
**WHEEL OF FORTUNE**  
1 2 10 12 32 37  
WHEEL OF FORTUNE TWO NUMBERS  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30 NUMBERS  
**FAST**  
11 25 27 30 32

NATION

# Judge allows fund-raising memos

### Ruling may upset impeachment schedule

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a victory for Republican federal judge said Wednesday that House Judiciary Committee investigators may inspect secret Justice Department memos on alleged fund-raising abuses in President Clinton's 1996 campaign.

Republicans said the ruling by U.S. District Judge Norma Holloway Johnson could upset

the tight impeachment schedule. The White House, exasperated that it does not yet know which articles of impeachment Clinton might have to defend against, urged GOP House leaders to rein in the inquiry.

"I think they need to step up and figure out a way to get this thing resolved expeditiously because everybody... wants to get this behind us," spokesman Joseph Lockhart said.

Neither party wasted any time sending their staff members to the Justice Department to read the fund-raising memos. Republican chief investigator David Schippers went for the

Republicans and staff member Kevin Simpson, a former Democrat.

Clinton's attorneys were preparing a letter that would inform the Judiciary Committee whether they plan to present a defense before the panel wraps up its work.

The committee set a tentative schedule to conclude next week with final hearings and a vote on articles of impeachment. If any articles are approved, the matter could go to the House floor the week of Dec. 14. Lawmakers then could vote to send Clinton to trial in the Senate, censure him or do nothing.

# Bad weather may stop shuttle launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Launch weather forecast on both sides of the Atlantic threatened to delay the liftoff today of NASA's first space station construction flight.

Clouds and rain were expected to move ashore. That could force NASA to scrub space shuttle Endeavour's pre-dawn launch with the first American-built piece of the international space station.

What's more, cloudy skies and fog were forecast for the emergency landing sites in Spain and Morocco. NASA will not launch unless at least one of those sites is usable.

"Basically, whether we get off the ground with respect to weather is going to be a crap shoot," shuttle weatherman Ed Priselac said Wednesday.



Space shuttle Endeavour awaits the countdown Wednesday.

# Court acquits Former Ag Secretary Espy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy was acquitted of all counts Wednesday in a corruption case involving sports tickets and travel that he accepted from companies that did business with his department. The acquittal followed a seven-week trial that focused on Espy's attendance at parties and sporting events while he was President Clinton's first agriculture chief in 1993 and 1994.



Mike Espy

# Legislative workweek plan upsets some

WASHINGTON (AP) — Too much legislating can wreck a congressman's home, says Jack Kingston, a Georgia Republican who is leading opposition to Speaker-designate Bob Livingston's plan to put the House on a five-day legislative workweek.

Kingston has gotten 65 GOP colleagues to sign a petition urging Livingston not to change the three-day-a-week schedule that was typical during Newt Gingrich's final year as speaker.

"You can't be in Washington five days a week and service your district," Kingston said in an interview. "I'm just enough of a populist to believe that the real action is on the streets of America and not in Washington."

# Report concludes park fees not impeding visits

### Increased fees to national parks and other federal recreation areas under a five-year experimental program have almost doubled revenues without discouraging the visits, a government study concludes.

The program was first tested in 1994, said Sen. Craig Thomas, R-Wyo., chairman of the Senate Energy subcommittee on national parks, recreation and preservation. He said the fee hike increased revenue without affecting visits to the parks.

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**NATION**

**Government offers advice for safe holiday**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hospital emergency rooms treat about 7,500 people each year for injuries related to holiday decorations and consumer safety officials suggest a few common-sense tips to avoid becoming a statistic.

Christmas trees alone also play a role in about 400 fires annually, resulting in 10 deaths, 80 injuries and an average of more than \$15 million in property loss and damage each year, the commission said.

**Safety tips**

- ▶ The Consumer Product Safety Commission offered these suggestions:
- ▶ Look for the "Fire Resistant" label on artificial trees. When purchasing live trees, check for freshness. A fresh tree is green, and its needles do not break easily.
- ▶ Set up trees away from fireplaces and radiators, and make sure they do not block doorways.
- ▶ Keep the stands of live trees filled with water, because heated rooms dry out trees rapidly.
- ▶ Only use decorative lights that have been tested for safety by a recognized testing laboratory. Check lights for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires or loose connections. Discard damaged sets.
- ▶ Don't use more than three strand, cord-size/sets of lights per single extension cord.
- ▶ Never use electric lights on a metallic tree.
- ▶ Fasten outdoor lights securely in trees, house walls or other supports to prevent wind damage. Use only insulated staples, not nails or tacks.
- ▶ Turn off all lights when no one is home.
- ▶ For added electric shock protection, plug outdoor electric lights and decorations into circuits protected by ground fault circuit interrupters.
- ▶ Use only non-combustible or flame-resistant materials to turn a tree. Choose instead of plastic or non-rated material.

**NATION IN BRIEF**

**U.S. rejects Netanyahu's pullback terms**

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration dismissed new Israeli conditions for a pullback of the West Bank and demanded Wednesday that the Wye accord with the Palestinians "should be implemented as signed."

The pullback is an obligation, State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said in a statement: "We do not think it is appropriate to add new conditions."

At the same time, the U.S. spokesman condemned an attack on an Israeli soldier in Ramatuh, an Arab town on the West Bank, which he said "is clearly the kind of violence that has no place in the peace process."

**National Democratic chairman steps down**

WASHINGTON — Steve Grossman is stepping down as national chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Grossman told President Clinton Wednesday that he was leaving for personal and family reasons, said White House spokesman Joe Lockhart.

Koy Komer, retiring governor of Colorado, will step on as general chairman of the party, and a successor to Grossman will be named later.

Vice President Al Gore will face a crowded field in the likely bid to be the party's presidential nominee in 2000, and his allies and advisers to rivals will be watching closely to see who succeeds Grossman.

Grossman is a Newton, Mass., businessman who runs the family's multimillion-dollar Massachusetts Envelope Co.

**Government refuses to pay Nixon's estate**

WASHINGTON — Lawyers for Richard M. Nixon's estate asked a court Wednesday for \$210 million to compensate for papers, tapes and photos he left behind in 1974. The government argued that paying anything would "convert a national treasure into a national embarrassment."

"Mr. Nixon is entitled to zero compensation," declared Justice Department lawyer Neil Koslowe in the opening exchange in an anticipated six-week trial. But if something must be paid — as an appeals court has ruled — a fair value would be no more than \$2.2 million, plus compounded interest, he argued.

Both sides wheeled dozens of boxes of appraisals and document samples into the half-empty courtroom.

It is in the same courthouse where a grand jury libeled Nixon an "unindicted co-conspirator" in the Watergate scandal before his resignation on Aug. 9, 1974.

Compiled from wire reports

**Teen gets 210 years for school killings**

BETHEL, Alaska (AP) — A teenager got 210 years in prison for killing a student and principal in a high school shooting rampage he had hoped would end in his own death.

Even Ramsey, 18, received the

maximum sentence Tuesday of 99 years for each killing, plus 12 years for attempted murder and assault. He was sentenced in February.

In 1997, Ramsey's school friends in the halls of the Bethel Regional High School, firing a shotgun.

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# SURVIVING IN AN ARCTIC HUT

## Stranded filmmakers recount their battle with blizzards

The Washington Post

**TOKYO** — They survived on cold porridge and rice and endured nightly visits from polar bears howling at the foot of their tiny hut. For a month and a half, three filmmakers stranded by blizzards on a desolate Russian island above the Arctic Circle mostly sat in the darkness to conserve fuel and communicated by e-mail with would-be rescuers on three continents.

For six weeks, blizzards raged across the mountains of Wrangel Island in the East Siberian Sea. The two-room research hut was in darkness 21 hours a day, with only three hours of weak twilight. The men had three books: one in each of their native languages. By last weekend, their food was nearly exhausted with no way to get supplies in or then out.

Then Tuesday, the weather cleared just enough for a helicopter to make the trip across the frozen sea, pick the men up and carry them to safety on the Siberian mainland. Tuesday night, they were resting in a hotel in the frontier settlement of Pevek, itself an ice-locked and desolate Arctic outpost but a welcome sight for three tired men.

"Everybody is healthy and in good humor," Nikita Orsyannikov, a Russian wildlife expert on the team, told Reuters news agency by telephone from Pevek. "We were in a warm cabin with enough fuel, quite safe and everybody was healthy. The only real problem was that we were running out of food."

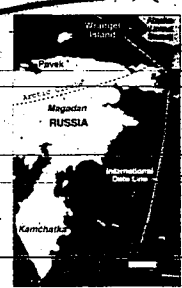
"Basically our health is good but we are thinner," Tatsuhiko Kobayashi, a Japanese television producer on the team, said. "I lost eight kilos (18 pounds). It was very cold — and we had packed just a few clothes for autumn."

Michael Siedman, managing director of Natural History New Zealand Ltd., a film company co-producing the documentary on Arctic wildlife that brought the men to the island in late September, said the three "were in pretty good condition given what they've just gone through — the meager food, rations, the weather and the psychological tensions. ... It's the end of a horrendous journey."

One of the ironies of the rescue was the key role played by technology — and its limitations. The world is now so wired to the Internet that even three people stranded in one of the most remote and difficult-to-reach places on the globe were able to send e-mail via a battery-powered satellite telephone. But while they could have ordered a thou-



Tatsuhiko Kobayashi from Japan speaks at a news conference Wednesday at Australian Royal Melbourne, Orsyannikov, and Russian Nikita Orsyannikov listen at Utkyko airport shortly after their arrival in Moscow.



Wrangel Island in the East Siberian Sea.

sand pizzas with a click of their mouse, the Internet could not bring them the food they needed to survive.

"It would have been much more horrific without that satellite phone in the polar darkness, with polar bears scratching at the door at night — it wasn't fun," said John Hyde, a producer at the New Zealand company.

There were conflicting reports about who rescued the men. The Russian Ministry of Emergency Situations claimed credit, as did a private rescue service hired by the New Zealand film company.

The confusion underscored the delicate nature of the negotiations for the rescue of a Japanese producer, an Australian cameraman and a Russian guide. Officials close to the talks said tremendous pressure was building to get them out Tuesday.

Officials from several governments involved reportedly were asking U.S. Coast Guard crews and aircraft from Alaska to perform the rescue. The thinking was that Coast Guard equipment and technology were superior to what the Russians had on hand in that remote backwater of Siberia.

The Russians reportedly were uncomfortable with having Americans rescue a Russian in Russia and wanted to get the men out quickly to keep the issue from reaching a head. Tuesday night, the Japanese television network NHK, the other co-producer of the film, was reporting that Russia arranged the rescue. But officials from the New Zealand film company and AEA International SOS, the private rescue company, said AEA organized the helicopter.

Kobayashi, Orsyannikov and cameraman Rory McGuinness had been scheduled to stay only a month but weather severe even by Arctic standards prevented them from moving. They spent their final days huddled together in their hut at Point Blisston, a spit of ice-covered tundra on the southwestern tip of the island.

Wrangel Island is one of the world's richest boxes of walrus, polar bears and snow geese, but also one of the harshest environments on Earth. About 24 people live on the island year-round, in the tiny village of Ushakovskoye, about 35 miles from the hut. In the last five weeks, villagers had tried to reach the men by snowmobile, but were forced back by heavy weather.

Orsyannikov told Reuters that the men continued working on the documentary until their film ran out in mid-November.

# NATO detains Bosnian Serb general charged in genocide

**THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP)** — U.S. troops on Wednesday arrested the highest-ranking Serb military officer seized so far in the effort to bring to trial Bosnians who are accused of war crimes.

Radišavlje Krstić, a general, is accused of taking part, both personally and through his troops, in the massacre of thousands of Muslims after Bosnian Serbs took over the U.N. safe haven of Srebrenica in eastern Bosnia in July 1995.

He was indicted in October by the Yugoslav war crimes tribunal, which charged him with genocide, crimes against humanity and grave breaches of the Geneva Conventions on the treatment of civilians during war. The indictment was secret so he wouldn't be prompted to flee.

Krstić was arrested in a section of northern Bosnia controlled by U.S. troops serving in NATO's Stabilization Force, better known as SFOR. A spokesman for the U.S. troops serving in NATO's Stabilization Force, better known as SFOR, said Krstić was arrested without incident at night.

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# IMF chief praises Russia

**MOSCOW (AP)** — IMF chief Michel Camdessus praised Russia for the "pragmatic" way it was dealing with its economic meltdown, but made no promises Wednesday to release the frozen funds that Moscow badly wants.

Six weeks after weeks of international Monetary Fund criticism of the Russian government's plans, Camdessus cautiously positive evaluation was a sign of hope for Moscow.

Camdessus said a fund team would return to Russia next month for further negotiations on the loan.

"We are hoping 1999 will be excellent, for cooperation between Russia and the IMF," Camdessus told reporters.

Russia owes billions of dollars to creditors, retirees and foreign creditors and wants the IMF to provide new installments on a \$22.6 billion bailout package, which also includes loans from the World Bank and the Japanese government.

The lenders have released only \$5 billion, putting the rest on hold after the latest economic crisis hit in August, when Russia devalued the ruble and defaulted on domestic debt. The IMF has been demanding a realistic recovery plan from the Russian government and has so far been unim-

pressed with Moscow's efforts.

During a second day of talks Wednesday with Russian Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov, Camdessus praised Moscow's "pragmatic" course and its commitment to a budget that does not overstretch the government's abilities.

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OPINION

LETTERS

**Debris is not always clear**  
 —Continued from page 2B—  
 I am a parent of a young child with autism. I have read your article with interest and sympathy. The parents of these "lucky" children are often the most knowledgeable about their child's needs. Some of these parents have been told that their child is "normal" and that they should not worry about their child's future. I am a parent of a young child with autism and I know that my child is not "normal" and that I should not worry about his future. I am a parent of a young child with autism and I know that my child is not "normal" and that I should not worry about his future. I am a parent of a young child with autism and I know that my child is not "normal" and that I should not worry about his future.

**Guns never belong at school**  
 Leave it to a mother to make up excuses for her child. Mrs. Gartner claims that the only crime her stepson committed "was being stupid." I disagree. The two boys who brought the guns to school also showed a total lack of respect for authority. The boys were told by a police officer not to take the guns to school, and they did it anyway. This is why I am so appalled by the punishment these boys received. It is almost impossible to judge a person's intent until they actually commit the crime. I do not do nor wish myself or my child to be the victim of a school shooting. Even if these two boys did not have the intent to use the gun in a violent manner, there is no guarantee that other students could not have gained access to the gun. No matter what the circumstances, a student should not bring a gun to school grounds without some punishment that these two received.  
 Mrs. Gartner should stop making excuses for her stepson and start teaching him to respect the law. Maybe the next step for parents who truly are concerned about this matter would be to look into Idaho State Code 33-205 and Public Law 103-382 Section 14601 and change that law so "mild 15-year-old boys" don't use that as an excuse to bring guns to school. Contact your state representative or senator. Filer's representative is Doug Jones (326-1817) and the senator is Leland Nori at 737-3617.  
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 Jerome

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“Family helps family. That’s what the Olympics is all about.”

— Thomas K. Welch, former head of the Salt Lake Olympic bid committee, denying that he is paid to run the International Olympic Committee’s bid to land the Games.

## CSI women look to end Dixie streak

By Damon Clow  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — After a successful two-game homestand, the College of Southern Idaho women’s basketball team will add on its road miles this weekend when it travels to southern Utah to take on conference rivals Snow and Dixie.

“It’s leggie and the games mean more now,” said CSI head coach Joel Bate. “There’s still a sense we’re going to be improving and wanting to teach, but every game counts.”

On Friday, the Golden Eagles (7-4) will take on a rugged team that is troubled



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## Men try to regroup before Utah trip

By Damon Clow  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — The athletic trainer’s room in the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium is adjacent to the media room, separated by a not-so-sound-proof door.

Moughan joked that he had to wipe up the blood that oozed from the media room where men’s basketball coach Kevin Jones was going over game film with his Golden Eagles.

A slight exaggeration, but after the straight losses in last weekend’s All-America Tournament in Salina, Kan., please see B2, Page B3

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## IN BRIEF

### Dentist fights plague to benefit Filer team

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls dentist Jim Hughes will clean teeth at his office Friday for a special cause — the Filer High School girls’ basketball team, on which his daughter plays.

Most insurance companies will cover the cost of a routine cleaning, Hughes’ office is located at 834 Falls Avenue. For more information, call 733-9181.

### Mailman will make rounds to Steelheads in Boise

**BOISE** — With extra time on his hands thanks to a protracted NBA labor dispute, Karl Malone of the Utah Jazz will be in Boise Friday for another promotion during the Idaho Steelheads game against the Colorado Rockies.

Four fans will be selected to dinner with the Mailman in install of the Snake-A-Wish Foundation between the first and second quarters. Malone will also be available for autographs from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Boise Factory Outlet Mall.



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### Former Salt Lake Olympic official defends fund use

**SALT LAKE CITY** — Former Salt Lake Olympic bid committee official Thomas S. Welch, who directed the use of the special projects this week, rejected allegations that his group made veiled bribes intended to buy the support of IOC members.

The SIOC, which won the Games in 2002, has come under scrutiny since it was revealed that it had helped pay the college tuition for the daughter of a member of the IOC. The assistance program apparently was funded with private donations.

### Big Sky names Portland St. guard 'player of the week'

**OGDEN, Utah** — The Big Sky Conference on Wednesday announced that Bryan Toner of Portland State University has been named the Big Sky men’s basketball Player of the Week. The games ending Nov. 29.

Toner, a 6-foot-3 senior guard from Kirkland, Wash., scored a game-high 25 points and grabbed a career-best eight rebounds in just 28 minutes as the Vikings won their fourth straight game in a 105-84 victory over Cal Poly on Nov. 29.

Also, Cal State-Northridge assistant coach Ron Ponciano was named the Big Sky Conference Coach of the Year on Wednesday.

Compiled from staff and wire reports.

# Bruins falter in 4th quarter

By Francis Davis  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Lady Bruins were the better basketball team for three quarters against Pocatello Wednesday, but one bad quarter was enough to cost the Bruins the game, 54-48.

Indian forward Alexis Malepezi scored 14 of her team-high 18 points in the fourth quarter, fueling a big Pocatello run after her team entered the final quarter down by seven.

The Indians started the fourth quarter playing a zone defense, and that continued the young Bruins, who turned the ball over six times in the first three minutes of the fourth.

Malepezi earned a free throw and came up with two big steals which she converted into baskets, pulling her team within two, 37-35, at the 6:59 mark.

Malepezi would go on to score 11 points in a little over three minutes. By the time she went to the bench for a quick breather at the 4:40 mark, her team led for good, 43-39.

“Malepezi is their main player and we did fine against her for three quarters,” said Bruin coach Lawrence Effertie. “But she took over the game in the fourth.”

Once behind, the Bruins could not regain the pass they showed in the first half.

“I think we got a little bit tentative,” Effertie said. “In the first half, we attacked and were looking to penetrate. We stopped doing that in the fourth.”

The Bruins fell to 0-5 with the loss. Bruin point guard Christie Paiz led Twin Falls with 15 points, including six in the third quarter when the Bruins stretched a 20-20 halftime lead into a 37-30 advantage.

The 5-foot-3 Paiz was a force throughout the game, driving the lane with authority.

In the first half, the Indians were outplayed. They didn’t notch their first field goal until the 1:57 mark of the first, but hung in the game at the foul line, where they were 24-of-42 for the night. Even shot only 10 foul shots, converting seven.

Post Keri Coors led the Bruins in the first half with eight points, but the 6-foot-3 sophomore was held scoreless in the second.

Amanda Pierce was also effective inside for the Bruins. She fouled out in the fourth quarter, but still managed 10 points and seven rebounds.

Amanda Bird worked the perimeter for Twin Falls, contributing 10 points, including two treys.

**Pocatello 54, Twin Falls 48**

Box Score: Pocatello 54, Twin Falls 48. Pocatello: 13-21-34. Twin Falls: 11-21-34. Pocatello: 13-21-34. Twin Falls: 11-21-34.



Five-foot-three Christie Paiz denies gravity and blocks the shot of Keri Coors of Pocatello with only seconds left before halftime Wednesday night at Twin Falls High School. The Indians came back in the second half and defeated the Bruins 54-48.

## New look TF trades its power for finesse

By Jeff Rogien  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — With just one day to go until showtime, the Twin Falls High School boys’ basketball team has no established leader, but fifth-year head coach Dan Vogt says that’s not such a bad thing.

His juniors have spent their pre-season dismantling varsity squads from smaller schools throughout southern Idaho in preparation for the varsity campaign, proving that even against stiffer, more experienced competition, they’ve got ample game.

“We’re going to be pretty balanced,” Vogt said. “Being that no one’s really established himself so far on the top dog, we’ll have options.”

“It’s one of those the glass is half empty, half full kind of things. Hopefully, it’ll be a good thing.”

The varsity Bruins — a Vogt’s optimism — will be playing this year, as Twin Falls opens 1998 on the road in Boise Friday night, then returns home to host Timberline on Saturday.

The real measuring stick arrives Wednesday, however, in Pocatello — the Bruins’ first conference foe of the season, and last year’s state No. 3. The Indians were edged 53-49 by Borah in the semifinals.

“Our region’s tough,” Vogt said. “Pocatello should have played in the championship game.”

Though Twin Falls spent much of last season pegged No. 3 in the state Associated Press poll, the vast majority of the team that earned that ranking is gone this year. Vogt started four seniors on last year’s squad, and then-junior Jake Robertson — the lone projected returnee — elected not to turn out this year as a senior.

“We could have used him if he wanted to play,” Vogt said. “He could have been one of the best players in the state.”

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# Lady Bobcats’ inside power sinks Minico, 55-43

By David Lee  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — Inside power went against outside accuracy as the first Minico-Casper winter sports battle took place Wednesday night.

It was the Lady Bobcats of Burley against the Lady Spartans of Minico, and Burley’s dominance near the basket — otherwise known as Ashley Toner — gave them the 53-43 win.

“She had her way inside,” Bobcat coach Gordy Kerbs said. “We got the ball to her at the right time.”

Toner scored 30 points, almost all of them from inside the paint, as the Bobcats led throughout the game except for an early 7-6 Minico lead.

“We had a hard time stopping Toner, but we knew that coming in,” said Minico coach Jackie Mills.

However, the Bobcats never could blow the Spartans out thanks to seven three-pointers from Shalet Crystal, who set a new school record. She went 7-of-11 from three-point land and made all her field goals from beyond the arc.

“Our offense got her open,” Mills said.

“Basically, if you have the shot you have the green light to take it.”

Crystal nailed three of them in the first quarter to keep Minico in the game; otherwise Burley would have been up 17-3. Toner scored six field goals, with Heidi Gioicochea adding two of her own in the quarter.

In the second quarter, Burley built an eight-point lead until five straight Minico points drove them from a 16-10 lead to Crystal put the Spartans in the game again.

It wasn’t until the third quarter that the Bobcat defense began to dominate, springing six offense. They scored nine points to start things off before allowing a Minico point, ending the quarter with a double-digit lead. It also was the only quarter in which Crystal did not get a three-pointer.

Things played the same in the fourth quarter, when the Bobcats scored four of the five first baskets. They built up an 18-point lead before letting the Spartans get back into the game with several turnovers.

However, the clock ran down Bobcat Ashley Beck hit four straight free throws to keep Burley comfortably ahead. Crystal’s last shot was a three-point shot.

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Burley Bobcat Ashley Toner gets a breakaway layup past Minico Spartan Jennifer Clark during the third quarter of the Bobcats’ 55-43 win over the Spartans Wednesday.

SPORTS

Buhl's boys' basketball team rallies past Aberdeen for home win, 60-46

The Times News
BUHL - Buhl's Brad Ross drained a trio of first-quarter pointers Wednesday to finish with four, then helped his Indians play past-foul trouble in the third quarter and Buhl rolled past Aberdeen to its first win of the year, 60-46.

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ever, to seal the win. Buhl bombs Middleton Saturday.
Buhl 60, Aberdeen 46
Aberdeen: 14-18 13-17
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points, and the Bruins juniors continued to roll Wednesday.
The Community School, which went to state last year in its class, was outscored 2-1 on the night. The Curtrouths' big inside presence, Graham-Smyser, fouled out, making the road tough for the hosts.
Twin Falls led 46-16 at the half.

Jerome Juniors 43, Hageman 40
JEROME - Brad Pettigall led the Tigers with 12 points, and Jerome High School beat Hageman High School and its two double-digit scorers by three Wednesday, 43-40.
Jerome shot 13-of-16 from the free-throw line, and Hageman fell to 1-1.



Washington Wizards forward Chris Webber takes a shot during the team's short season at Chicago's United Center in an April 7 game against the Bulls. The NBA star faces charges of drug possession and violating team rules.

Preview

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...supporting cast from Vogt's 1998 squad knows what it's like to win, but there's much rebuilding work to be done in 1998-99.

The A-1 Picture
The A-1 boys' basketball teams in the Magic Valley share one thing in common - a yen for more "big men." From there, Twin Falls, Jerome, Minico and Burley are as diverse a grouping as any in the state.

5-6 guard, John Ringle (6-1, forward), Eric Hoskins (6-4, forward), Tony Holland (6-4, post), Brock Dreyer (5-4, forward), Adam Harper (5-10, guard).
Outlook: Burley already knows one of its returning starters won't play. Plets was injured during football, and will be unable to help Burley and Adams lead the team as a returner.

Jerome 43, Hageman 40
Jerome shot 13-of-16 from the free-throw line, and Hageman fell to 1-1.

Jury clears Webber of most serious charge

UPPER MERIBORO, Md. (AP) - Sacramento Kings forward Chris Webber was cleared of the most serious charges against him Wednesday but will have to pay \$560 in fines for a traffic stop that could have led to a jail sentence.

\$30 for failure to display a car registration on an Arizona road trip. Judge Johnson ruled that code suggests a range of \$270 to \$330 in fines as appropriate for willful disobedience of a police officer's lawful request. Johnson assessed a \$500 fine on this charge.

Early projections have senior Casey Eldridge (6-foot-3) and senior Allen Wilson (6-1) starting on the wings, junior Jonas Brady (5-10) running the point, and junior Jeremiah Shaddy (6-1) and senior Dane DeBoer, back from a bench last year, manning the post.

Twin Falls Bruins
Coach Dan Vogt, fifth year
1997-98 record: 11-13
Returning starters: None
Others who will help: Sr. Adam Wilson (6-0, guard), Sr. Casey Eldridge (6-2, forward), Sr. Dane DeBoer (6-5, center), Sr. Josh Ehlers (6-4, guard), Sr. Taylor Schwerman (5-11, forward), Jr. Jonas Brady (5-10, guard), Jr. Jeremiah Shaddy (6-1, forward), Jr. Alan Thomas (6-2, forward), Jr. Ben Thompson (6-1, forward), Jr. Jared Burks (6-1, center), Jr. Jeremy Sudek (6-3, forward), Sophr. Brandon Atkinson (5-11, guard).

Jerome Tigers
Coach Brent Clark, sixth year
1997-98 record: 11-15
Returning starters: Sr. Mike Williams (6-1, wing), Sr. Donovan Williams (6-1, wing), Sr. Colin Swain (5-0, post/wing), Sr. Brandon Nauman (5-7, post), Sr. Ryan Garrard (5-2, post), Sr. Ryan Bowden (6-2, wing), Jr. Sam Bowden (6-3, post), Jr. Todd Capps (6-3, post), Jr. D.J. Perry (5-8, post), Jr. Brad Pettigall (6-2, wing), Soph. Brad Stokes (5-10, wing).

Minico Spartans
Coach Blair Garner, first year
1997-98 season: 1-21
Returning starters: Sr. Tony Anderson (6-3, forward), Jr. Derick Kunz (6-3, forward), Jr. Buck Fife (5-6, guard).

Bobcats

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...with four sophomores and one freshman on the varsity team's roster.

Barley 55, Minico 43
Barley: 12-18 14-19
Minico: 12-18 14-19

Barley Bobcats
Coach Matt Harr, third year
1997-98 record: 11-13
Returning starters: David Plotts, Aaron Bradley (6-5, guard/forward), Micah Adams (6-0, guard).

Others who will help: Brandon Allen (5-10, guard), Brent Dwyer

Outlook: In their first year, the A-1 ranks, the Tigers

SCORES AND STATS

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# Triple threat

## 3 contenders fight for top BCS ranking

By Richard Rosenblatt  
The Associated Press

Who now, worry later.  
That will be the thinking Saturday when the nation's top three teams — No. 1 Tennessee, No. 2 Kansas State and No. 3 UCLA — try to complete perfect weeks and get into the Fiesta Bowl for a chance at the national title.

Victories by all three, though, won't instantly determine who will qualify to show up at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe Jan. 4. That decision comes Sunday, when the final Bowl Championship Series standings are released.

### Here's the lineup

• At Atlanta, the Volunteers (11-0) play No. 23 Mississippi State (8-3) for the SEC championship. The Vols are first in the standings and win should get them into the Fiesta.

• At the Orange Bowl, the Bruins (10-0) play Miami (7-3) in the "Hurricane Bowl" makeup of a 3-2-2 game postponed by a hurricane. The Bruins are second in the BCS standings, but their title status is more precarious than the Vols.  
• At St. Louis, the Wildcats (11-0) meet No. 10 Texas A&M (10-2) for the Big 12 championship. K-State is the wild card in a semifinal title chase since it needs an impressive win and a boost in strength-of-schedule for a chance to overtake UCLA or Tennessee.

### The picks

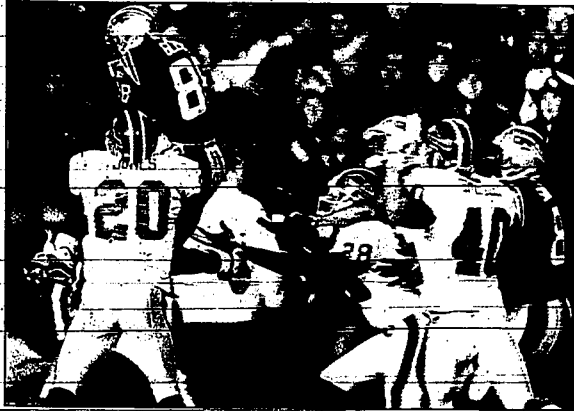
- No. 1 Tennessee (minus 13 1/2) vs. No. 23 Miss. State, at Atlanta
- Vols running game should wear down Bulldogs' defense. **TENNESSEE, 27-10.**
- Season: Kansas State (minus 14 1/2) vs. No. 10 Texas A&M (at St. Louis)
- Wildcats simply too fast for Kansas, especially on artificial turf. **KANSAS STATE, 42-17.**
- No. 3 UCLA (minus 10) at Miami
- Bombs away for Bruins (QB Cook) and Hurricanes (QB Brown). **UCLA 38-21.**
- No. 17 Air Force (no line) vs. BYU (at Las Vegas)
- Falcons run for 280.9 yards per game, pass game on fire — and pass. **BYU, 24-21.**
- Toledo (plus 12) at Marshall (Friday)
- Chad Pennington passes Thurler Elmer. **MARSHALL, 34-14.**
- Army (minus 6) vs. Navy (at Philadelphia)
- Cadeis have top rushing attack. **NAVY, 24-21.**
- Army (minus 6) vs. Navy (at Philadelphia)
- Cadeis have top rushing attack. **NAVY, 24-21.**

Las week: 11-2 (straight up); 47 (as spread).  
This week: 19-42 (straight up); 115-111-4 (spread).

# No. 4 Duke edges past Michigan St.

CHICAGO (AP) — Duke had a great start. Trajan Langdon had a perfect first half and the fourth-ranked Blue Devils had enough to hold off a comeback by No. 9 Michigan State for a 72-57 victory in the Great Eight on Wednesday night.

Duke (6-1) had lost the No. 1 ranking it held since the preseason poll when it fell to No. 6 Cincinnati 77-75 in the championship game of the Great Eight on Saturday night.  
Michigan State (4-2) had the tough task of trying to make it a two-game losing streak for the Blue Devils and it was the start that did it in the Spartans, who did get as close as three points in the second half.  
Langdon finished with 23 points while William Avery had 14 and Chris Carrawell and Elton Brand added 12 each for Duke.  
Junior forward Morris Peterson had a career-high 18 points for the second straight game, finishing with 24.



Buffalo Bills safety Henry Jones (20) hits New England Patriots wide receiver Terry Glenn (88) as he goes up for a Drew Bledsoe pass in the end zone as time runs out during their AFC East NFL game Sunday in Foxboro, Mass. Jones was called for pass interference, setting up the game-winning play for the Patriots.

# Steelers hope officials don't hand another crucial game to Patriots

By Dave Goldberg  
The Associated Press

The New England Patriots were one of the beneficiaries of last weekend's officiating follies. The Pittsburgh Steelers were one of the victims.

So which way will the zebras lean when they meet the Patriots and the Steelers next Sunday at Three Rivers Stadium? Neutral, says the NFL.

This game is critical for both teams, who are in a pack of teams at 7-5 maneuvering for the three wild-card spots in the AFC. The Steelers trail Jacksonville by two games in the AFC Central, the Patriots are tied with Buffalo, a game behind the Jets and Dolphins in the AFC East.

The oddsmakers have made Pittsburgh a 4-point favorite, which the Steelers should be — they are 5-1 at home this year.

But they had problems with the Patriots last season in the playoffs, winning 7-6 at Three Rivers in one of the most memorable playoff games in recent years.

Then, there's the Drew Bledsoe factor. Playing with a broken finger the past two weeks, he's won games in the final second — albeit with help from the zebras last week. Those games were at Foxboro.

This isn't. **STEELERS, 20-13.**

### The picks

Detroit (plus 7) at Jacksonville

Thanks to a crazy call from the zebras, the Bills are still in the NFC playoff picture. They have a chance of closing well. Still, Jacksonville outdoors means... **JAGUARS, 26-20.**

Seattle (plus 7) at New York Jets

The Seahawks are in the cusp of contention for an AFC wild card. This game should knock them out. **JETS, 27-10.**

Green Bay (minus 5 1/2) at Tampa Bay (Monday night)

Like the Lions, the Bucs will have a shot — and Antonio Freeman won't be there. **BUCS, 24-23.**

Miami (minus 2 1/2) at Oakland

Will last season, the Dolphins were 6-7 on the road against the Raiders. The Raiders are 0-2 in their last two. **DOLPHINS, 35-30.**

Buffalo (minus 4 1/2) at Cincinnati

The Bills are angry at the zebras. They take it out on the guys with stripes on their helmets. **BILLS, 31-14.**

Kansas City (plus 13 1/2) at Denver

When was the last time there was this big a spread on Chiefs-Broncos? **BRONCOS, 30-7.**

New York Giants (plus 4 1/2) at Arizona

In their last six games, the Cardinals have given up an average of 32 points, including 34 in a

loss to the offense-less Giants. **CARDINALS, 57-14-7.**

San Francisco (minus 10) at Carolina

Bryant Young's injury doesn't hurt the Niners — yet. **SEASONS, 20-10.**

Minis (minus 6 1/2) at New Orleans

Since starting 3-0, the Saints have found their way. **SAINTS, 24-10.**

Indianapolis (off) at Atlanta

The "off" is for Chris Chandler's status. It doesn't matter — Jamal Anderson can control this game. **PELICANS, 24-16.**

Chicago (plus 16) at Minnesota

A lot of punts. Chicago tries every week and Minnesota is missing Robert Smith and Jake Reed. **VIKINGS, 24-17.**

Baltimore (plus 6) at Tennessee

The Oilers have to win the rest to have a chance. **TITANS, 27-20.**

San Diego (plus 3) at Washington

The Redskins have won three in a row. **GIANTS, 24-21.**

St. Louis (plus 8) at Philadelphia (Thursday night)

The only players who will watch this are the ones who bet on it. **EAGLES, 7-5.**

Las Vegas (7) (spread), 9-6 straight up.  
Seattle (7) (spread), 116-67 straight up.

# SPORTS IN BRIEF

## Iowa chooses Baltimore Ravens assistant

BES MOINES, Iowa — Baltimore Ravens assistant coach Kirk Ferentz, a former assistant at Iowa under Hayden Fry, was named Wednesday to succeed his mentor.  
Ferentz, 43, will replace Fry, who retired Nov. 23 after 20 years with the Hawkeyes. The Ravens' offensive line coach was an assistant under Fry from 1984 to 1989 before leaving to become head coach at Maine.

## NBA owners, players go back to square one

NEW YORK — Even though this is the first week of December, the opposing sides in the NBA lockout may try to get somewhere by acting like it's June.  
The owners and players have given themselves the opportunity to go back to square one in their stalemated labor mess by wiping any previous progress off the table when formal collective bargaining talks resume at 9 a.m. today.  
"We may have to go a totally different path," deputy commissioner Russ Granik said. "Maybe there will be something on Thursday that will surprise me."

## Vermeil returns to Philadelphia as visitor

PHILADELPHIA — Sixteen years after he last coached a game there, Dick Vermeil knows the memories will rush into his mind as soon as he steps onto the turf at Veterans Stadium tonight.  
"Being as emotional as I am, it'll probably hit me pretty strong," said Vermeil, who visits the Vet for the first time as a visiting coach when the St. Louis Rams face the Eagles.  
The Eagles are on coach No. 6 going on No. 6 since Vermeil left them in 1982. For Philly, (2-10), little is at stake tonight besides draft position and a respectable farewell for current coach Ray Rhodes.  
The Rams (3-9) are trying to snap their second three-game losing streak, are hurtling toward a second straight losing season under Vermeil.

## Padres' catcher agrees to \$6.5-million deal

SAN DIEGO — Catcher Carlos Hernandez returned to the San Diego Padres Wednesday, agreeing to a \$6.5 million, three-year contract.  
Last season was Hernandez's first as a starter. He spent his first seven big league seasons as a backup with the Dodgers and 1997 as a backup with the Padres.  
Hernandez gets a \$750,000 signing bonus, \$1 million next season, \$1.5 million in 2000 and \$3.25 million in 2001.

# Utah continues slide in loss to Rhode Island

CHICAGO (AP) — Antonio Reynolds-Dean scored 22 points and Lamar Odum added 15 as Rhode Island upped No. 21 Utah 70-63 Wednesday night in the Great Eight.

Preston Murphy, who briefly left the game limping, came back to hit two huge 3-pointers as the Rams (4-5) pulled away late in the second half.

## No. 17 New Mexico 97, Arkansas-Pine Bluff 77

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — New Mexico, playing without injured leading scorer Lamont Long, still had plenty of punch against winless Arkansas-Pine Bluff.  
Freshman John Robinson III led the Lobos (5-0) with 25 points. Damian Walker added 23 points and Greg Davis had a career-high 12 points for Arkansas-Pine Bluff (0-5), with no one in the lineup bigger than 6-foot-7, was led by Terrance Duncan

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with 15 points.

## No. 23 Xavier 64,

No. 22 Miami, Ohio 56  
CINCINNATI — Gary Lampkin hit a clutch 3-pointer and James Posey clamped down on Wally Szerbiak in the second half as Xavier beat Miami of Ohio 64-56.  
Xavier (5-2) overcame a 16-point deficit in the second half.

## No. 25 St. John's 70,

Hofstra 59  
NEW YORK — Freshman Eric Perkins scored a season-high 25 points, including five 3-pointers, as St. John's defeated Hofstra, 70-59.  
Ron Artest added 15 points for the Red Storm (5-2), who are off to their best start since opening the 1994-95 season 7-0.

# Men

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practice at the CSI gym was anything but a foreteller.

"We're trying to get our intensity level up," said Jones, who has been more vocal with his team in three days than he has the whole season, which began with a 6-0 homestand. "It has to be elevated once we start league."

Jones watched Dixie College play two games at the same Kansas tournament. The Rebels, ranked seventh in this week's NJCAA poll, lost the All-America championship to Barton County (Kan.), ranked second.

CSI will take on Dixie this Saturday, after opening the scenic West Athletic Conference season Friday against Snow.

Last season, the Rebels came to Twin Falls and humbled the Golden Eagles, then 9-0, with a full-court press. This year, CSI is already facing a similar press — in a five-point loss to Barton County last weekend.

To beat Dixie, you have to be able to handle their press and force them into a half-court game," Jones said.

The Rebels return three starters from last year's squad, which finished second in CSI in the regular season and lost to Ricks in the Region 18 tournament championship in Rexburg.

Vance Lawhorn leads the conference in shooting at 46 percent, and returning point guard Khalid Coursey leads the league with 29 steals.

The Badgers return just three players from last year's team, but have nine sophomores, many

# College of Southern Idaho basketball statistics

(Through Nov. 30)

Player	Men				
	PTS	FG	FTA	REB	AST
Bobby	9	62	115	554	24
Buell	8	17	41	23	21
Hood	9	11	26	43	24
Horebroke	6	9	23	35	23
McCullough	9	31	79	456	24
Miler	9	23	68	45	11
Moore	9	26	50	330	21
Wisme	9	9	15	47	4
Santos	9	9	15	50	27
Strawser	9	16	36	236	8
Thomas	9	7	22	25	3
Totals	9	283	576	281	85

# Women

Player	Women				
	PTS	FG	FTA	REB	AST
Barton	11	26	52	330	11
Blaylock	11	45	92	498	24
Donnan	11	23	48	202	14
Dickman	11	10	48	41	10
Gasparowicz	11	24	46	211	11
Geiss	11	45	92	498	24
Nelson	11	65	121	653	31
Peterson	7	6	16	333	13
Wiegner	11	18	32	242	13
Whitaker	6	9	20	249	7
Yost	9	7	22	25	3
Totals	11	304	632	482	36

of whom are returning from a two-year leave.

Snow is 7-0 and averaging 57 points scored and 61 points allowed. Mitch Montgomery is second in the conference with 51 percent 3-point shooting accuracy, and Hala Kaufus (78 percent) is second in overall field goal accuracy.

"They have good balance," Jones said. "They have balance in their shooting — six different shots, inside, double figures, and balance in where the scoring's coming from — inside, outside, left, right."

The only statistics Jones seemed concerned about this week were the turnovers and rebounds of his own squad.

# Women

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with injuries and hasn't played in over a week. Snow is 5-2 leading up seven points per game more than the Eagles (62.3 to 53.5), while scoring roughly the same as CSI (71.6 to CSI's 60.0 ppG).

"With the kids that I've heard are out, those are pivotal players in the conference," Bate said.

Grove's Nicole Peadar leads Region 18 with 22.6 points per game in her five games, while teammate Alicia Southard is the league's hottest 3-point shooter at 59 percent.

Late Friday night, the Golden Eagles will head to St. George for Saturday's game with the Rebels (9-0), who have averaged more than 90 points per game so far this season.

"At Dixie, you'd better win by a bunch, because it's one of the greatest home court advantages in the league," Bate said.

Dixie's Caroline Heaton and Janelle Romney top the region in field goal percentage, and Romney ranks third at 15.6 points per game.

As for CSI, the team has a few things it didn't have during this conference-opening weekend last year — a league leader in blocked shots (Katarina Gantova has 29) and all-around depth.

"We've got internal competition in practice, which is good," Bate said. "We have interchangeable parts in some positions, which is good."

# Women

"We've got internal competition in practice, which is good," Bate said. "We have interchangeable parts in some positions, which is good."

"Our weak point still is our youth, and to be able to sustain that for 40 minutes and not have the four-minute blackouts."

## Jerome karate, kung fu students excel

### Entrants combine for 11 awards at Caldwell event

CALDWELL - Students from the Jerome Martial Art Academy attended the Paz 34th Annual Karate and Kung Fu Tournament held in Caldwell on Nov. 7th, and logged home numerous honors.

Competing from the Jerome school were Grey Chadwick, Kyle and Robin Jessup, Keith Blanc, Ryan Hillier, Jarrod Walter and Teresa Carter.

All seven of the students placed for a combined total of eleven awards.

In the Forms Competition, Grey Chadwick won first place in the Mini 7-8 Colored Division, Keith Blanc first place in the Pee Wee 9-12 Colored Division, Teresa Carter was third place in the Women's Colored Division,



Students from the Jerome Martial Art Academy attended the Paz 34th Annual Karate and Kung Fu Tournament in Caldwell last month. Pictured are (left to right) Jarrod Walter, Teresa Carter, Keith Blanc, Ryan Hillier, Kyle Jessup and Robin Jessup.

Robin Jessup won first place in Women's Brown and Black Division and Ryan Hillier placed

third in the Men's Colored Division in the 15 and Under Weapons

Division. Keith Blanc took third place with Kyle Jessup finishing in fourth. Ryan Hillier was third place in Adult Colored Weapons, and Robin Jessup won first place in the Adult Brown and Black Weapons Division.

In Fighting Competition, Jarrod Walter finished second in the Men's Colored Middle Weight Division, and Ryan Hillier placed fourth in the Men's Colored Light Weight Division.

This was the third straight "Open to All Styles" tournament this year in which all of the students earned from the Jerome Martial Art Academy placed with top awards finishes.

In these three 1998 tournaments, the Jerome Academy brought home a combined total of 23 awards - 11 for first place, eight for second place, eight for third place and two for fourth.

For more information about the Jerome Martial Art Academy, call chief instructor Dale Sproshire at 324-6194.



Six Mini-Casala residents traveled to Caldwell Oct. 20 for the Paz 34th Open Karate and Kung Fu Tournament. Jerry Kuwana of Declo instructs the students. They are, pictured left to right (front row): Jake Kuwana, Dillon Harris and Shaylon Fenstermaker; and (back row): Jeff Stearns, Justin Wood and Jerry Kuwana.

## Declo martial arts students rage at Paz

DECLO - Declo Karate Club members traveled to Caldwell Oct. 20 to participate in the Paz 34th Open Karate and Kung Fu Tournament.

Justin Wood and Jeff Stearns of Burley competed in the tournament's grand championship. To compete in the event a participant must be fifteen or older and at least a first-degree black belt.

The fighters placed well in the tournament, bringing back the following trophies:

Shaylon Fenstermaker placed

first in fighting and third in forms 7-8 year old division, Dillon Harris took third place in forms 9-12 year old colored belt division. Jake Kuwana nailed second place in fighting and forms 10-12 year old brown and black belt division. Justin Wood swept first place in fighting and forms in 13-15 year old brown and black belt division; and Jeff Stearns placed first in first in the adult heavy-weight colored belt division.

The five competitors are students of Jerry Kuwana.

Let us know  
Do you know of a local sporting event that ought to be in the paper? Tell us about it. Call Jeff Rosen at The Times-News, 733-0931, Ext. 229, or drop it in our office at 1332 3rd St. W. Copy also can be mailed to P.O. Box 548.

## Close finishes highlight 1st event of Triple Crown

TWIN FALLS - Event No. 1 of the Bowldome Triple Crown Tournament was an Adult/Junior No. Tap.

Adult bowlers 10 and younger rolled 8 pin, while 11 and over bowled 9 pin - as did all the adults.

In Division I, 15 and older, it was a close race for the top three positions. Mike and Neil Sabook at 1,499 were first, Ken Peil and Sam Wonnobetter were second at 1,438, and third with 1,495 was Matt Olson and Jim Boehm.

In Division II, 12 through 14 years, Corey Austley and Cory Lucero were first with 1,608, second went to Bryce Morrison and Terry Ford with 1,445, and Mike and Dave Floke took third with 1,427.

In Division III, nine through 11 years, Shane Rockman and April Leeson were the leaders with 1,448, Melissa Garten and Dennis Highfill were second with 1,413, and third went to Matt Sherman and Becky Smith at 1,427.

In Division IV, eight years and under, Zach and Dale Black swept first with 1,351, followed by "Rop" and Fil Miranda (Fil is the Dad) with 1,265 and Alyssa and Guy Matsuyaka with 1,143.

Event No. 2 is this coming Saturday. This tournament will be mixed 4's with two men and two women per team. The bowling will be handicap and fun Game 1 is 9 pin no tap, Game 2 is 3-6-9 and Game 3 will be 5-0-3. (Should O'Been).

Event No. 3 will be Dec. 19 in the form of a Baker Twosome, rolling 6 games. Each bowler rolls every other frame. Entry fee for each event is \$10 per bowler.

Averages are based on 37-93 book. Without one, a bowler may use current. Points are awarded



for participation and placing in the prize list. The overall winner(s) after all three events will receive the Triple Crown Jacket.

Notes: The Bowldome will host a New Year's Eve party against this year. It will be limited to pre-paid entries, so get down and fill out your reservation form.

On Dec. 20 there will be a Santa 9 Pin Tournament at the Magic Bowl. This is a singles event, using last year's average 80% of 10 handicap and bowling 4 games. Entry fee is \$9.99. Prizes will be awarded for numerous feats of skill. In one, if number between one and 10 will be drawn each game; and if you get 3 strike in that frame win a prize. Prizes, to name a few, will include 16C dinners, free bowling and plants.

The Magic Bowl will be hosting a New Year's Eve party, too. Pre-registration is preferred, so get down and sign up today.

The 9-pin Benefit Tournament for the Buhl Quick Response Unit this past weekend was a grand success: It was reported that Hazel Couder received a 300 game. Congrats, Hazel!

Thelma Tucker writes a weekly bowling column for the Times-News. You can contact her at 733-4357 or by email at tucker@magick.com.

## Twin Falls resident drives NASCAR for a day at North Carolina racetrack

GREENSBORO, N.C. - Twin Falls resident Robert Myrland became a NASCAR driver for a day, courtesy of Oakwood Homes Corp., the nation's largest retailer of manufactured housing.

Myrland, 38, was one of eight people nationwide to win a trip to the famous Richard Petty Driving Experience by visiting an Oakwood sales center during the company's recent "Racin' Celebration" promotion.

The 15th annual event, as participants took the reins of racing around the Charlotte Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C., was a NASCAR Winston Cup stock car.

Racing driver Ken Schrader, Kenny Wallace and team owner Andy Hirsch were on hand to greet the first-time racers. Oakwood's sponsor, Andy Hirsch,

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Jerome sheriff seeks 'Buhl' woman

**JEROME** - A woman whose last known address was in Buhl is wanted by the Jerome County Sheriff's Department on a charge of possession of a handgun.

Suzanne Edith Morgan is described as 5 feet 11 inches tall, about 190 pounds — with short, black hair and green eyes. Morgan has tattoos on her left arm and hand. She has used the aliases Suzanne Morgan, Suzanne Hurtado and Suzanne Callen, the sheriff's department said.

People with information about a case should call Lt. Detective Dan Chatterton or Detective Dan Kennedy at the sheriff's department, 324-8845 or 324-1911.

### Lincoln school among 1st to receive grant

**TWIN FALLS** - Lincoln Elementary School is one of eight schools in the state to receive a \$50,000 school improvement grant, the state Department of Education announced Wednesday.

Lincoln will use the grant to help kindergarten through third-grade students who are struggling in reading and math. Principal Kay Jones said. The money will pay for three assistants to work intensively with students.

Lincoln started the intensive assistance last year, but saw a cut in the funding source, Jones said.

The Department of Education received a \$478,000 grant in November to help eight schools implement reform efforts. Lincoln and Pioneer Elementary School in Weiser are the first recipients to be announced.

The recipients may be eligible for an additional \$50,000 in each of the next two years if they can demonstrate progress in reaching their goals. Recipients will receive help from the Department of Education, state universities and the Northwest Education Laboratory in Portland, Ore. The group also will conduct research to see whether the reform efforts succeed.

### Lights parade to be held Friday at 6:30

**TWIN FALLS** - This year's Historic Downtown Twin Falls Christmas Lights Parade is scheduled for Friday.

The sixth annual parade will start at the corner of Fifth Street West and Second Avenue West at 6:30 p.m. and wind its way through the downtown area.

Entries still are open for the parade. For more information, call 734-2113.

### Public TV offers info on college financial aid

**TWIN FALLS** - Magic Valley's college students and their parents can tune in to a financial aid informational program Saturday on Idaho Public Television.

Informational programming on college begins at 7:30 a.m., with the centerline on college financial aid at 9 a.m.

Host Marcia Franklin will be joined by financial aid and admission officers to discuss sources of financial aid for college, different types of aid and common mistakes made when applying for financial assistance.

Viewers can call during the show with questions. The toll-free number is 1-800-973-9800. An off-air line - 1-800-980-4788 - will be available for callers who have more general questions.

### Blaine County planners to hold public hearings

**HAILEY** - Blaine County planners will hold public hearings tonight on two components of St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center's plans for a hospital.

One hearing will center on St. Luke's plans for a new, 106,600-square-foot hospital building. A second hearing will center on building signs on and around the site.

The hearings will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the old county courthouse, 206 First Ave. S.

Compiled from staff reports.

# The anticipation builds

## Possible Jerome retail development comes up for hearing this month

**By Mark Heinz Times-News writer**

**JEROME** - An Arizona-based development company is still saying next month about its plans along South Lincoln Street in Jerome, but the company's annexation request could be approved by Christmas.

Retail Property Acquisition of Scottsdale, Ariz., wants several acres near 700 South and South Lincoln annexed. The company has expressed interest in developing the land for a sizable retail outlet, but has not said which store or stores might open there.

Company spokesman Jay Schneider

Wednesday said the company probably won't go public with its plans until all the paperwork is done.

No building permit application for the property had been filed as of Wednesday, and it isn't likely one would be filed until the property annexation is official.

The proposed annexation will come before the Jerome City Council Dec. 15 for a public hearing, starting at 7 p.m. The hearing will be in the council chamber on Lincoln Street and East Avenue A.

If everything goes as planned, the annexation should be completed by Dec. 24, according to a City Council schedule.

City Administrator Jon Cecil said there have been no formal talks between the acquisition company and the city about what might be built if the property is annexed.

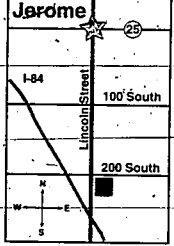
"I have no idea what could be going on out there," he said.

The Jerome Chamber of Commerce is also in the dark, said chamber executive board member and local auto dealer Con Gaudin.

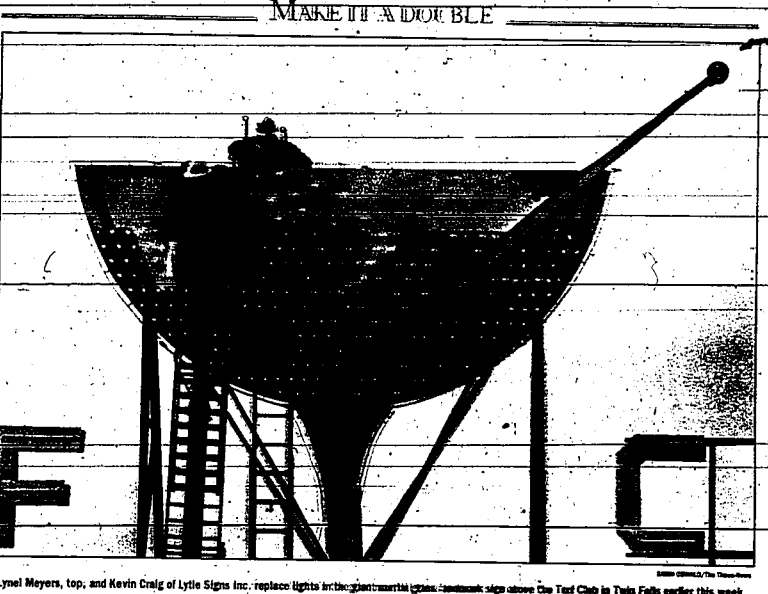
The latest talk is that it could be more than a month before the word is out, he said.

Times-News staff writer Mark Heinz can be reached at 324-6962.

### Mystery retailer



Site of mystery retailer



## When lawyers do bad things

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - Most lawyers do their jobs by the book, but when a few break their clients' trust, the profession's image takes a hit.

That's why the Idaho State Bar routinely accepts and investigates complaints against lawyers.

The bar accepts more than 1,600 phoned-in and written complaints a year. About 25 end with sanctions such as a public reprimand or suspension against the lawyer, and about 10 result in criminal charges.

To file a complaint, call the Idaho State Bar at 334-4500 or write to P.O. Box 895, Boise, ID 83701.

Some complaints are valid, but many are reactions by people

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### Council accepts applications to replace TF water judge

**The Times-News**

**TWIN FALLS** - The Idaho Judicial Council is accepting applications to replace District Judge Daniel C. Hurlbutt, who presided over the Snake River Basin Adjudication.

Whoever replaces Hurlbutt will sit in Twin Falls, make \$85,095 a year and probably take over his duties as presiding district judge of the Snake River Basin Adjudication to sort out more than 180,000 water rights.

Applications can be picked up from the clerk of the District Court in each county. For more information call Robert C. Humlin, executive director of the Judicial Council, at (208) 344-8474. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Dec. 21.

After applications are collected, the Judicial Council will send questionnaires about the candidates to the Idaho State Bar and the public. Candidate interviews will follow and three nominees' names will be sent to Gov. Alec Dick Kempthorne, who will choose the next 5th district judge.

Hurlbutt will leave the bench Dec. 31, more than 11 years after being appointed to oversee the adjudication.

## ITD planner says criticism of route project is just sign of growing pains

**By Paul W. Carmona Times-News writer**

**TWIN FALLS** - The sounds you hear are growing pains. Chuck Carmona said.

The Idaho Transportation Department project planner's referral to criticism of the proposed U.S. Highway 22 alternate route.

"Neither of the two proposed directions on talking appears to be the state to delay that project until the state completes a feasibility study of another crossing across the Snake River."

But, Carmona says, many are off while the problems that will be

solved by the alternate route are immediate, Carmona told the Twin Falls Rotary Club Wednesday.

"Time is of the essence here," he said.

The purpose of the alternate route project is to relieve traffic along Blue Lakes Boulevard and improve safety. The ITD reported that more than 100 accidents take place each year on the boulevard, which is used by 20,000 vehicles per day. The department also estimates the traffic will speed up to 43,000 vehicles a day in 25 years.

"Some 57 percent of the Addison Avenue through traffic will use that route," he said.

The projected cost of an alternate

route is \$26 million, of which \$13 million will arrive from a federal highway bill.

"So that \$13 million is dedicated specifically to this project," he told the Rotarians.

An alternate route has been discussed for 20 years, Carmona said. A delay of six months - at least in bureaucratic terms - can translate into five years or maybe never, he added.

"This is a project the people of Twin Falls County and city have asked for," Carmona said.

Rotary member Jack Stalley, who doesn't reside near the proposed routes, said the state should wait

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# New lawmakers get intensive orientation

## Hansen can't wait to start

**By Gregory Hahn Times-News writer**

**BOISE** - This morning, Rep. Randy Hansen will be sworn into the Idaho House of Representatives.

He's ready.

After two days of intensive orientation, half of a third day discussing tax issues and a couple of hours securing a new computer, Hansen - with the 10 other new legislators - is prepared to make his first decisions as a lawmaker.

Thanks to the staff of Legislative Services and dozens of helpful incumbents.

Their willingness to help Hansen said, ensured the rookie class of 1998 will hit the ground running.

"I had been warned to keep my eyes open and my mouth

shut," he said. "But my constituents don't benefit if I keep my eyes open and my mouth shut."

Hansen already has ideas for a few bills in mind, and he can't wait to start the process.

When outgoing Speaker Mike Simpson addressed the Associated Speakers of Idaho Wednesday, he quoted a motto line that rang true to him as he readied for his new role as a congressman.

"Beginnings are difficult, endings are painful. It's the time in between that counts."

He is leaving the institution that Hansen, Rep. Leon Smith and the others are just entering.

"You come to love the process," and the people involved in the process," Simpson said, adding, "I never, never met a man on either side of the aisle that I wouldn't be proud to stand next to."

Monday, as he addressed the rookie lawmakers, Simpson told them how the state's legislators

should treat respect. It was a refrain, Hansen said, that has been repeated all week.

"The only credibility you have in this world is your word," Simpson said. "Use it wisely."

"Over and over again," Hansen said, "the key to everything you hear here is to be honest and straightforward."

"It's a steep process," he said Wednesday. "It's then taught. It's been accomplished in the past, we can do it."

Hansen also stressed the importance of staying abreast of the legislative staff promise to have every message from constituents on the legislative desk within five minutes.

"The legislature is the most responsible branch of government. The new links I earned, I hope, will be honored for the rest of my life and the times my constituents' constructive input will be received by me."

"Remember the first time I did anything," he said. "I was scared to death and over-

## Republicans to select new speaker in secret vote today

When Tom Boyd performed his last act as speaker of the Idaho House, he could hardly talk about it after work.

Eight years ago, Boyd served in Mike Simpson to replace him. Simpson remembers what Boyd told reporters who left the chamber that morning. "This is a lot harder than I thought it would be."

Today's Simpson's turn.

Speaker hopefuls Reps. Burke Newcomb and Thomas Loertscher spoke to the Republican caucus over dinner Wednesday night. This morning, after officially convening at the 104th Legislature at 9 a.m., GOP

# MAGIC VALLEY WEST

## Murder suspects plead innocent in Wyoming

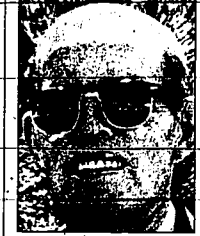
**LARAMIE, Wyo. (AP)** — Russell Arthur Henderson and Aaron James McKinney both pleaded innocent today in the murder of gay-college student Matthew Shepard.

Henderson and McKinney, both 21, are charged with first-degree murder, aggravated robbery and kidnapping with intent to inflict bodily injury or to terrorize the victim.

# OBITUARIES

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## TWIN FALLS



was located in Monterey, Mexico. Dr. Williamson began his career with PPD in 1981 in Hualayville as the assistant chief staff officer of Survey and Detection staff. Before Williamson worked with the agency, Dr. Williamson worked as a research assistant with the Agricultural Research Service.

He was a member of the Rio Grande Valley Harley Owners Group in his spare time, and his wife, Susan, enjoyed touring through their motorcycles and spending quality time with their family and fellow HOG members.

He is survived by his wife, Susan Williamson, his brother, Jim Williamson, his sister, Joan Hayes, his daughter, Nikki McCaddo, and two adult children, granddaughters, Amanda and Megan McCaddo.

The funeral took place on Dec. 2, 1998, at the Mortuary Chapel, 11 S. Main St., Twin Falls, Idaho, at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 5, 1998, at the Elmer C. Cemetery with the Rev. Rhynda F. Fisher officiating. Burial arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, with Father Henry Carmena as co-officiant. Some willuities are at the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 p.m. until time for the rosary Sunday at the Hansen Mortuary Chapel and one hour before the funeral Monday at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Chapel.

## ALMO

**Glen W. Jones**  
Glen W. Jones, 73, was born July 19, 1925, in Almo, Idaho. He was the son of Jesse David Jones and Florence Emma. He was married Aug. 17, 1947, to Doris Jewel Redington at the home of her parents in Gooding, Idaho. The marriage was dissolved in the St. George, Utah, court and raised a family on their ranch in Almo.

Glen died Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1998, in Moses Lake, Wash. He is survived by his wife, Doris, his children, son Brent and Tammy, Jones of Almo; daughter, Vickie Jones of Boise, Idaho; and son, Joseph and daughter, Corinna and Doug East of Moses Lake, Wash.; one brother, Keith and Jane Jones of Sparks, Nev.; two sisters, Effie and Rex Olney and Betty and Jerry Barner, all of Burley, Idaho; and two sisters-in-law, Charlene Jones of Boise, Idaho, and Echo Jones of Pendleton, Ore. He was preceded in death by a sister, June Jones; and brothers, Milton L. Jones, John C. (Jay) Jones, and his brother, Guy H. Jones; together with one grandchild, Zachary Michael Jones.

Glen has a 14 grandchild and had been married 51 years on his anniversary on July 17, 1998. He went to Moses Lake, Wash., in 1997 and lived with his wife, Doris, at his daughter, Connie Erie, in the Naylorville World War II home. Glen served his country in the Navy during World War II, along with his brothers, Keith (Army Air, Guy (Army) and Jesse (Navy). She was a member of the Elmer C. Jones Church of Latter-day Saints. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, 1998, at the Almo Ward building of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Almo. Burial will follow at the Almo Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday evening, Dec. 4, 1998, and one hour before the funeral Saturday at 11 a.m. at the church building. Arrangements are under the direction of Kayser's Chapel of Memories in Moses Lake, Wash., and funeral arrangements at the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

## HOLLISER

John Holliser was born on June 7, 1924, in Berger, Idaho; owned a family farm to Leonard and Mary Hudelson. His education was at Haggard and Berger and graduated from Holliser High School. He spent his life farming on the Salmon River. On Sept. 1, 1958, he married Arvas Skinner in Elko, Nev. She passed away June 19, 1976. He married Arvas Finn on Feb. 15, 1986, in Las Vegas, Nev. They lived in Twin Falls and spent the winter months in Yuma, Ariz.

He is survived by his two granddaughters, a daughter, (John) Holliger and his wife, Avinda, and his two grandchildren, Jamie and Vanessa, all of Jerome, a sister, Lenora Eckford of Twin Falls, two daughters, Peggy (Frank) Erwin of Hagerman and Dotie (Frank) Gales of Boise; and eight step grandchildren. His death was preceded in death by his first wife, his parents, and one brother, Earle.

The funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, 1998, at White Mortuary Chapel, with Pastor Randall Davis of Jerome officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Jerome officiating, 4096 Overland Road, No. 482, Elko, ID 83205, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

## William N. Bradshaw

Whom Nathaniel Bradshaw was born to his parents, brothers and sisters on Nov. 30, 1908. He was born Oct. 16, 1908, in North Ogden, Utah; the 10th of 11 children born to Thomas and Alice Bradshaw.

Surviving him are his wife, Laura Bradshaw, and his daughter, Lone Bishop, both of Holliser, along with several nephews and nieces.

## Paul BUHL

**Steve Dallolio**  
Steve Dallolio, 63-year-old Paul resident, died Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1998, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital from an extended illness. He was born Oct. 12, 1935, in Bunnell, the son of Aldo and Mary Dallolio. He graduated from Minico High School and attended Idaho State University for one year. He married Lois Cole in June 1964. They later divorced. He married Sharon Horley on Dec. 10, 1982. Steve started farming at an early age with his father and continued farming for many years. Steve was a member of United Co-Op and the Minidoka area. He was a member of the Catholic Church. Steve is survived by his wife, Susan P. Dallolio, his mother, Mary Cole of Rupert, three sons, Bryan (Angie) Dallolio of Rupert, Katrina Dallolio of Boise and Chris (Kathalina) Dallolio of Clarkston, Wash.; one daughter, Stephanie (Travis) Crystal of Rupert, two sisters, Anita Paul of Boise and Ganna (Jenny) Paul of Rupert, one brother, Charles (Doris) Dallolio, three granddaughters, and two grandchildren, Renae Wilson of Clarkston, Idaho, and Jason Wisp of Oregon. He was preceded in death by his father, Aldo.

Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 5, 1998, at the Hansen Mortuary Chapel. Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, Dec. 7, 1998.

## MAmie Belle Stuart

Mamie Belle Stuart, 85, of Twin Falls, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1998, at her home following a long illness.

She was born July 7, 1913, in Rock Creek, Idaho, to Theo and Susie Miller. She grew up in the village, Idaho, and married Alvin Dallolio all her life. On March 13, 1933, she married Thomas Edward Stuart.

Mamie is survived by two daughters, Wilma (Francis) McDonald of Twin Falls and Eileen (Gerard) Williams of Bellingham, Wash.; a son, Gene (Patricia) Stuart of Twin Falls; a sister, Hilda McCaigster of Twin Falls; seven grandchildren, all 17 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband and a brother, Bernard Miller.

## Dr. Robert Williamson

Dr. Robert Williamson, 61, of Harlingen, Texas, was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident on Sunday, Dec. 2, 1998.

Dr. Williamson was born on April 3, 1937, in Twin Falls, Idaho, to Les and Esther Williamson. He was a graduate of Twin Falls High School and attended the University of Idaho, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in orthodontics in 1961. After the completion of his orthodontic residency with the United States Army, he was granted a research assistantship at the University of California at Riverside, where, as a Fulbright Scholar, he earned his Ph.D. in 1967. Dr. Williamson transferred to the regional director of PPD (Professional and Paramedical) for the United States Department of Agriculture from June of 1990.

During his assignment in Brownsville, Texas, he worked closely with his regional support staff to provide health care to the troops. Recently, he had been assigned to oversee the Western regional office in Sacramento, Calif. Dr. Williamson transferred to Brownsville, Texas, from Hualayville, Mo., where he had served as director of Operational Support since 1982. Previously, he had served as chief of staff of the Environmental Evaluation staff in Hualayville. He served as assistant regional director in Mexico for approximately 15 months while the Plant Protection and Quarantine Regional Office

# Filer well doesn't measure up

By Kelly J. Seitz  
Times-News correspondent

**FILER** — A new test well proved unproductive in the Golden Spur subdivision in Filer. The city drilled the well in hopes of increasing its water supply, but it produced only 330 gallons per minute, and the temperature was too warm for public use. Councilman Bob Templeman is looking for alternatives to the drill and has contacted the Filer School District about the possibility of drilling on the Filer High

School property.

Other council members approved a special meeting dealing with bicyclists was tabled until the next City Council meeting. Filer's Jay Fort expressed some concern about the wording of the bicycle ordinance and asked that the council wait on comment at this time and needed to do further research before proposing changes at the next meeting. Council members drafted

changes to the ordinance and read it for the first time in November. The council approved updating the annual non-resident library fee from \$10 to \$25 at Filer City Library. The council also hired a new police officer, Robert Bugbee. Resigning: Larry Maxson, who lives near the junction of U.S. Highway 93 and U.S. Highway 30, in Filer's area of impact, discussed the possibility of securing his property from agricultural commercial.

# Filer looks for parents' response to graduation policy

By Kelly J. Seitz  
Times-News correspondent

**FILER** — Parents of Filer students can expect letters in the mail regarding graduation requirements and early graduation procedures. Changes to the current policy have been drafted, but they have been tabled until more parents respond to those changes. "The Filer School Board is reluctant to approve the new

policies without more input from parents," Superintendent William Fitch said.

In another meeting, the board approved a special meeting room to 3 p.m. Friday for a quality-school workshop. Bill Thornton from Idaho State University will be in Filer to help draft a "mission vision statement." Also approved was a district system for Hillcrest Elementary School and the assign-

ment of Donna Kovar, secretary of Filer Middle School. Kovar has been with the school district for 23 years and will retire Dec. 31.

"Donna has been an asset to our schools, and we will sorely miss her. We reluctantly approved her resignation," Fitch said. Times-News correspondent Kelly J. Seitz can be reached in Filer at 323-0714.

# FOR THE RECORD

## The Times-News

**U.S. Bankruptcy Court**  
BOISE — Recent Magic Valley filings in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included:

- Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000. Robert L. Hanzel and Christy C. Lutz, 1629 Schode Ave., Burley, joint, nonbusiness, chapter 7, 1649 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 98-0932.
- Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000. William Louie Schuchart, 2551 Battersby Drive, Hatley, individual, nonbusiness, chapter 7, 1544 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 98-0936.
- Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000. Case no. 98-0844. Robert H. Hunt, 1400 S. 10th St., Boise, 500 W. 283 S. Paul, joint, nonbusiness, chapter 7, 1649 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 98-0842.

## Chapter 13, nonbusiness, under \$50,000.

- James Virgo Lutz and Kathy Lutz Lutz, 3111 North Main and Kathy Lutz Lutz, assets \$100,000-\$500,000, liabilities \$100,000-\$500,000. Case no. 98-0934.
- Chapter 13, nonbusiness, \$50,000-\$100,000. James Virgo Lutz and Kathy Lutz Lutz, 3111 North Main and Kathy Lutz Lutz, assets \$100,000-\$500,000, liabilities \$100,000-\$500,000. Case no. 98-0935.
- Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$100,000-\$500,000. Geraldine R. Carver and Larry L. Carver, 1514 Main Ave., Burley, joint, nonbusiness, chapter 7, 1649 creditors, assets \$100,000-\$500,000, liabilities \$100,000-\$500,000. Case no. 98-0842.

## Federal District Court

**BOISE** — Hazon Magic Valley, an Illinois-based unit of American Van, Therma Services, FLSM, STPL, liabilities \$100,000-\$500,000. Case no. 98-1009.

## W.L. Bill Reiber of Phoenix, Ariz., 10:30 a.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

**Kate Walker of Rupert, 11 a.m. today at the United Methodist Church; family and friends may call one hour before the funeral (Hansen Mortuary).**

**Dana E. Gammon, newborn daughter of Erin Baumgardner and Robert Gammon of Twin Falls, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. today at St. Edward's Catholic Church (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).**

**Frank Henry Cutright of Gooding, memorial service at 11:30 a.m. today at the First Christian Church (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).**

**Frank Eugene Grist of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 440**

## Madison St. (White Mortuary), 8:30 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. The family will be present to greet friends from 6 to 7 p.m.

**Patricia L. Thompson of Salmon of Malama, Bahrman, and remembrance of Jerome, 12:30 a.m. Friday at the Jerome LDS Ward Church; friends may call from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Friday at the church (Hansen Funeral Chapel) in Jerome.**

**Betty Marie Nielsen Harper of Kimberly, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Hansen Cemetery; friends may call from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today at White Mortuary.**

**Dr. Donald E. Sumas of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.**

# DEATH NOTICES

## Jason L. Amhart

**JEROME** — Jason L. Amhart, 26, of Jerome, died Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1998, at his home. Arrangements are pending until will be announced by Elverson Funeral Home Chapel in Jerome.

## Black Kruse

**BOISE** — Black Kruse, 49, of Elmer died Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1998, at the Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Farmer Funeral-Home in Buhl.

## Victor Gonzalez of Wendell.

## CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Some names omitted at patients' request. Admitted: Phillip Reeves of Kimberly; and William Minor of Hagerman.

## Marvin Hunt, Albert Bura, Evelyn Casle and Richard Caverly, all of Burley; Patricia Eiler, Darlene Harper and Gertrude Spelman, all of Oakley; Jennifer Likness, Donna Clifford and Gene Simmons, all of Paul; and Clifford Brown of Rupert.

## Released

## MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names omitted at patients' request. Admitted: Inebur Climer and Steven Climer, both of Rupert; and Suzanne Reed of Burley.

## Released

Eileen Hallinger of Burley; Shirley Anderson of Burley; and Michelle Baur and baby girl and Sherrin Smith, all of Rupert.

## Bathes were born to Sheldun and Teresa Williamson of Burley; Jason and Patricia Eiler of Oakley; and Jennifer Climer of Paul.

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# Newcomer Center students perform at festival

## Leaders call for Hispanics to assert themselves

### Breaking barriers

By Lorraine Caverer  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — A group of students who could speak no English three months ago will sing songs in English at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Festival of Trees.

About 40 children from kindergarten through sixth grade, students at the Newcomer Center in Burley, have been rehearsing for the event.

Teachers thought the festival would be a good way to teach, and expose the children to American culture.

"Songs are a wonderful way to teach children through the use of melodic repetition," said Zulama Macias, one of the teachers. "It is also a wonderful way to involve their parents. ... Otherwise they may never go to something like the Festival of Trees."



Children who didn't speak English three months ago are singing English songs. This group from the Newcomer Center in Burley will perform at the Festival of Trees Friday.

Newcomer Center officials called and expressed an interest in performing at the festival, said Glenna Turner, chairwoman for the festival.

Singing in English is special for the students, because as recently as August they didn't know the English words for their nose, their shirt, their shoes or their eyes.

Now they are speaking English, and translating for their parents, playing with neighborhood children in English and reading to each other in English, said Dolores Marlowe, a Newcomer Center teacher.

"These kids are actually succeeding. We've seen a lot of progress," said Lorraine Caverer, the center's director. "They are not just sitting around not knowing what's going on as they would be in the regular school."

Students have been so successful that some are ready to move

on to regular school. Children are expected to attend the program for three to nine months, Bushman said.

The students learned English by using pictures, comic objects and other learning devices, Marlowe said.

"We point and touch objects such as their shirt or shoes," she said.

English as a Second Language techniques are used, as are computer programs for reading, math and reading readiness.

Handwriting, math and phonics are part of the curriculum.

The English language is taught in a positive, relaxed environment.

"Being positive makes them feel they can express them-

selves," Marlowe said.

The teachers use what they call sheltered English — adapted so the children can grasp meanings.

Just enough Spanish is used to convey what is necessary. About 95 percent of what is spoken in the classrooms is English, Macias said.

"We speak at a level they can understand. Nothing goes over

their heads," Macias said.

The teachers were impressed with students and their parents.

"At parents and teachers' conferences and parent nights, almost every parent showed up," Macias said.

Times-News staff writer Lorraine Caverer can be reached in Burley at 577-4042.

**BOISE (AP)** — Hispanic leaders say their growing community has been reluctant to flex its political muscle.

Marcos Romero, executive director of the Washington Commission on Hispanic Affairs, said in his state both blacks and Asians — including Gov. Carey L. Lujan — are better represented in government than the larger Hispanic population. In many state meetings, he and his staff are "the only brown faces in the room."

"I am the highest-ranking Latino official in the state. I think there's a problem there," Romero said. "We need to take a lesson from Jesse Jackson, and the message is if you don't run, you can't win."

He spoke Wednesday during a meeting with his counterparts from Idaho, Oregon and Utah to exchange strategies for being more effective advocates for their Hispanic communities.

The nation's fastest-growing minority has yet to claim political positions in proportion to its numbers in the Northwest, and the state agency leaders said discrimination is not the only reason.

Some Hispanics are reluctant to get involved in government or the political process, either because of a cultural preference for privacy or because they lack individual courage.

Lydia Guerra, a former director of the Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs now coordinating efforts to help Hispanic high school graduation standards for Idaho, said she has had trouble getting fellow Hispanics to participate despite the potential benefits.

# Co-op lights hopes

## Malta company donates supplies

By Heidi Tuttle  
Times-News correspondent

**MALTA** — The wonder of electricity is sometimes taken for granted.

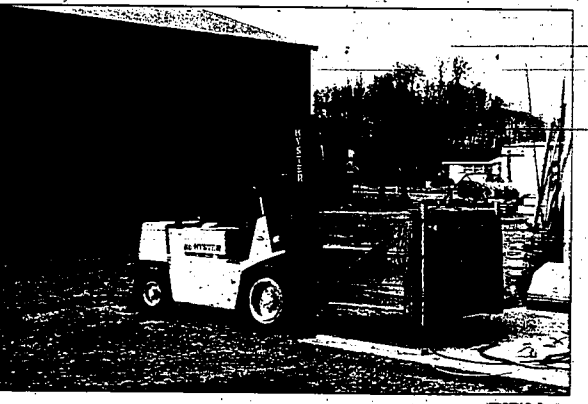
While Hurricane Mitch ravaged Central America, Raft River Electric employees were busy keeping Raft River homes and businesses supplied with electricity. Now local employees are helping rebuild basic electrical services thousands of miles away.

Last Wednesday, the Raft River fax line rang and General Manager Bud Tracy received a cry for help.

The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association of Arlington, Va., was asking for assistance across the country for assistance.

Tracy learned that Mitch had caused the most severe hurricane damage ever seen in the Americas, and the people of Nicaragua, Honduras and Guatemala are in desperate need of electrical utility equipment.

Association representatives surveyed the damage and devel-



Raft River Electric employee Gary Ward uses the company's forklift to prepare a freight box for Hurricane Mitch relief efforts. Raft River Electric of Malta donated the insulators and other electrical materials to help restore basic service in Nicaragua, Honduras and Guatemala.

oped action plans with local utilities and governments.

They identified equipment badly needed to restore basic service.

After Tracy read the memo, he knew it was time to take action.

"Bud asked me if we had any 7,200-volt equipment, and how much we would be able to send," Raft River operations manager Kim Smith said.

The utility has been phasing out its 7,200-volt system. Smith analyzed the equipment and found an excess of needed materials.

Insulators, braces, bolts and clamps were donated.

"It's not something we will miss, and I'm just glad we had it to give," Smith said.

Raft River Electric employees have rallied together, building freight boxes, gathering materials and loading boxes for freight.

"It's a worthy cause and Raft River Electric is excited to be a part of it," staff assistant Jim Powers said.

Trucks are scheduled to pick up the donated items.

Because of the weight involved, air freight expenses would have been unbelievable, said Ellen Hunt, the association's international foundation program logistics coordinator.

"We are sending exceptionally heavy items. Hardware that weighs 5,000 pounds only fills one-fourth of a 20-foot container, and shipping is the only feasible option," Hunt said. "After we collect all the materials donated, they are going by sea in a week to 10 days."

During this season of giving, the electrical supplies that once energized the Raft River utility are headed south.

"In our valley we are all blessed with families and a warm roof over our heads," Secretary Rudy Tracy said. "I just hope this donation will help the hurricane victims and make their holidays brighter."

# Environmental groups blame fouled water on stock farms

**PEORIA, Ill. (AP)** — Two national environmental groups say a lack of waste regulation has drained manure from factory-scale livestock farms to pollute the amount of manure containing the health of humans and wildlife across the country.

The funders of the Natural Resources Defense Council and the Clean Water Network, contained in a report obtained by The Associated Press, were to be made public Thursday.

At issue in the report is how state governments regulate livestock production and whether changes in state laws have kept up with changes in the industry.

While the report cites examples of pollution by manure runoff from cattle, poultry and hog farms, most of the recent concern has focused on large hog farms in the Midwest. According to the report, the number of hog farms has fallen from 500,000 to 157,000 during the last 15 years, while the number of hogs produced has stayed about the same.

As the number of hogs raised on a single farm has gone up, so has the amount of manure contained in one site. In some instances, manure has contaminated groundwater either by a leak from a storage tank or lagoon, or when rainfall has swept the manure off farm fields where it was spread as fertilizer.

Officials with the Natural Resources Defense Council and the Clean Water Network refused to comment Wednesday beyond what was in the report.

"Today's large livestock operations look more like animal factories than animal farms," the report says. "This trend toward industrial-scale farming has created an enormous increase in the concentration and quantity of manure that is generated at a single site."

# Anti-Nazi protester fears warning to stay out of Coeur d'Alene

**MOSCOW, AP** — The firing of a warning shot by a pro-Nazi protester in front of a burning cross planted in her front yard were part of a message warning her to stay out of Coeur d'Alene.

A threatening note also warned Lori Graves, 23, to stay out of the city, where she was arrested last summer while protesting the Arvon Nazis parade.

"She wrote Tuesday to find her porch on fire and a burning cross leaning against a tree in her yard," Graves said. "You are a disgrace to your race." Graves and the note reads: "It warns her that 'We are watching you. Your days are numbered.'"

The note also makes a disparaging remark about homosexuals. It ends by saying Graves and her "sidekick better stay out of Coeur d'Alene."

"I'm scared to death right now," said Graves, a Washington State University graduate student. "I walked home just a little while ago and looked over my shoulder three times. And I've never been afraid in Moscow."

While the note is not addressed to anyone, the "sidekick" is assumed to be Jonny Cornwall, 23, another Moscow resident arrested while protesting the parade in July, she said.

# Route

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see what the river crossing study says.

"The solution is a bridge. Anything else is just bidding time or spending money," Stanley said.

The state expects the crossing review to be completed by next year. It will focus on an area between Hansen Bridge and Clear Lakes Grade.

"It is a feasibility study only," Carmohan said. "It doesn't make it happen."

In answer to other questions, Carmohan said a cross-country route is expected to cost 13 percent more than one that follows 2400 East and Pole Line Road because of buying access across

farmland. But not as much right of way will be needed for the cross-country route at the Pole Line to 2400 East proposal.

He invited Rotary members to comment on the project.

"Those projects most supported by the public are built," he added.

"Roads projects do affect people," Carmohan said. But they are needed because the area is growing.

"We're going to see more projects coming at us in the next years," he said.

Times-News staff writer For Marcantonio can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 242.

### U.S. Highway 93 Twin Falls Alternate proposed routes:

- Pole Line Road to 2400 East, four to six lanes.
- Down Pole Line Road, past Grandview Drive, then cross country. Four lanes.

Both end up at the U.S. Highway 93/U.S. Highway 30 interchange near File.

State also is considering a roundabout option.

high-profile cases such as the O.J. Simpson murder trial, Ochs said.

Lawyers often are targets of complaints because "people see lawyers as an extension of the people they don't like in the first place," he said.

The majority of complaints, about 65 percent, are filed by the lawyer's client. Another 30 percent are filed by someone else involved with the case, and judges or lawyers file the rest.

The bar investigates complaints and educates its members on the pitfalls that led to the disbarment of other lawyers. Despite three efforts, lawyers' images often suffer from

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who didn't like the outcome of a case, bar counsel Michael Ochs said.

high-profile cases such as the O.J. Simpson murder trial, Ochs said.

"We get hurt by national threats out of our control," he said.

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# MAGIC VALLEY/THE NORTH SIDE



Chrif Musselman, a recent resident of Twin Falls, does a little Christmas shopping at the Magic Mud pottery show.

## Magic Mud show offers unique gifts

By Rachel Denry  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS**—From traditional to contemporary, the Magic Mud Christmas Sale offers a diverse range of Christmas gifts.

The show, now in its 12th year, began as a Renaissance fair in the early 1980s and has evolved into a show featuring just pottery.

"Almost all of the potters are homegrown," organizer Bill West said. "The quality of the work has improved yearly."

Though it began as an invitation, the past two years it has been open to any potter. But West said, that doesn't diminish the quality.

"It juries itself by the weight of its tradition," he said.

Most of the potters showing at the Harrett Center for Arts and Science at the College of Southern Idaho, are potters by trade or use pottery to supplement their incomes.

Whether traditional vases, coffee mugs with no handles, or tea sets, most of the pottery is accessible to everyone.

**Magic Mud**  
**Christmas Sale**  
While: Harrett Center at CSI  
Hours: Runs through Saturday  
9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday  
9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday  
to 9 p.m. Saturday.

"Our stuff is cheap," West said. "The prices are beneath most things you'd find in commercial galleries. The commission is low enough that the artists keep their prices low. It's not going to be a competition to see who can sell the most expensive piece."  
The goal of potters, he said, is to create something that is usable and enjoyable and occasionally breaks but is not too expensive to replace.  
Ten sets range from \$56 to \$65, and vases and cups range from \$10 to \$50.  
One woman who has been shopping Magic Mud since its birth, Marilyn Blackburn, said the quality and cost of the work is good.  
"The variety of things, the quality and the uniqueness" make good Christmas presents, she said.

And she added, LaVar Steel's work is a "collector's item" for her.

Although the roster changes a bit from year to year, the quality remains consistent, and every year each potter's work changes so there is something new to see, West said.

"These are successful potters, or people wouldn't come back and buy more of the same each year," he said.

"The opportunity to give somebody a unique, handmade gift is great," said David Babk, business manager for the Harrett Center. "Something handmade seems to mean a little more."

Artists participating this year are: LaVar Steel, David Crossfield, Chris Bohm, Bill and Sheryl West, Liz James and George and Marianna Kraushorn.

Times-News correspondent Rachel Denry can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3730.

## Pet limit proposal hearing draws a standing-room-only crowd

### Jerome measure goes back to commission

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME**—A proposal to limit pet numbers drew a good deal of objection Tuesday evening, and a rebuke from the city Council.

A proposed ordinance would limit to three the cats or dogs a household is allowed. There was a standing-room-only crowd as people lined up to address the council at a public hearing on the ordinance.

The ill-fated measure was an attempt to control unwanted and stray animals in Jerome.

Councilman Ralph Petets objected to the ordinance, and Councilwoman Doreen Schaefer also objected to the crowd that the measure came to the council. In the end, the council sent the ordinance back to the planning and zoning commission for rethinking.

Richard Allen, a Jerome Animal Hospital veterinarian, said a search of his business database turned up 879 residences which would be affected by the proposed ordinance. There are two other veterinary clinics in Jerome that would have a comparable number of households, he said, so the total is much higher.

The city currently is concerned only with licensing and impounding dogs, but the proposed ordinance deals with cats, as well. Governing cats' numbers without licensing them — and having nowhere to put cats — places the animal control officer in a bad position, Allen said.

Allen suggested the city needs to incorporate spaying and neutering into animal adoption.

"If the city adopts out unneutered animals the city is part of the problem," he said. "Don't make more punitive rules that will only affect responsible pet owners."

Dean Klatsberg said responsible owners should be able to be inspected to get a permit on these more animals — such as hunting dogs.

"I lament the number of animals that are dumped on the responsible owners," Klatsberg said.

Judice Tate, a crossing guard for Jerome schools, said she felt the issue is not the number of pets a person has but whether the owner is responsible. She has pets and built a chain-link fence to control them, she said. But even to three cats a week, she said, she has to call for someone to come and get pets on school grounds.

Both the council and Allen suggested creating a citizens' committee to look into ways to work on long-term solutions of the unwanted-animal problem in the city and county.

Times-News correspondent Dixie Thomas Reale can be reached in Jerome at 324-3670.

## ISP charges man with reckless driving

By Karma M. Fitzgerald  
Times-News correspondent

**SHOSHONE**—Extreme speed caused the accident that knocked power out to 200 Lincoln County residents Tuesday.

A car, driven by Steven Dean Fields, 45, of Shoshone, was out of control at the intersection of Idaho Highway 75 and Four Mile Road in Lincoln County about 2:15 a.m. Tuesday, the Idaho State Police said. The car clipped a power pole and crashed through the front of Johnny's Country Store.

ISP officer Scott Earle said Fields admitted in a taped interview that he was driving in excess of 90 mph. However, Fields' written statement said he was driving only more than 60 mph, Earle said. The speed limit on the road is 55.

Earle charged Fields with reckless driving. Fields will be arraigned on the charge later this month.

Earle said he was investigating the reason Fields was speeding but said Fields and passenger Caleb Roberts, also of Shoshone, are lucky to be alive.

"I'm amazed they weren't killed," Earle said.

The trooper said the car apparently was spinning when it hit the pole, which may have saved them. Earle said Fields suffered a substantial bruise from the air bag, but he and Roberts were wearing seat belts at the time of the crash.

"They hit the pole in two places and even with seat belts I'm amazed they survived," Earle said. "They hit the building with incredible violence."

Lois Peterson, who owns Johnny's, was sleeping in her home above the store when the accident happened. Damage is estimated at \$15,000, but she said that number could rise.

Wednesday, carpenters and plumbers began investigating the extent of damage to the small store and gas station.

"We haven't even seen the beginning of it," Peterson said Wednesday. "It will be a while. (A worker is) going through a brick by brick."

Peterson said the front of her store is covered in plastic, and she and her employees spent the day covering shelves to protect inventory from the dust.

She said they're lining cracks in walls and floors but weren't there before the vehicle.

Fields was arrested the night of the accident on an unrelated ticket, law-enforcement reports said. He appeared in Lincoln County court Wednesday to be arraigned on a failure-to-appear warrant on charges that he left the scene of an accident and failed to report an accident. His present record shows on those charges are set Jan. 20.

Times-News correspondent Karma M. Fitzgerald can be reached in Shoshone at 888-7824.

## Darigold considers site in Jerome

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME**—Darigold Inc. is looking at 22 acres on the east side of South Lincoln in the industrial park as a possible site for a 19,200-square-foot milk drying facility which could generate dozens of jobs in the area.

John Underwood, vice president of manufactured products for Darigold, outlined plans for the proposed plant to the Jerome City Council Tuesday evening.

The proposed plant would employ 15 to 18 people per shift, and run 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It would include three receiving bays, a silo, a processing room where milk is separated into cream and milk then dried. It will also include a utility area, a shop, control room, and office space.

"Darigold wants to build in Magic Valley because of the rapid growth in the dairy industry," Underwood said. "Idaho will soon be number four in milk production in the nation."

Darigold is looking at Jerome because of the infrastructure in the industrial park area. The company has looked at waste water treatment plant capacity, hookup fees for city services and canal easements.

Currently Darigold ships all its Magic Valley produced milk to its Caldwell plant.

The proposed Jerome plant would receive whole milk. Liquid would be removed at the plant.

"If the milk is reduced to a powder it could then be shipped more efficiently to other plants around the country, Underwood said.

Underwood said Darigold wants the plant to be in operation by Aug. 1, 1999.

In other business:  
• The council set a deadline to place items on the agenda for City Council meetings. The deadline will be noon on Thursday, five days before the council's Tuesday night meetings.

The council said the deadline was needed because city staff spends a good deal of time preparing agenda items for the council and media. Council members need time, to consider information to make informed decisions, and say they were occasionally felt lost about last-minute requests.

Since the Christmas season is one of the busiest times of the year for alcohol-impaired driving, Mayor Dennis Moore proclaimed December as Drugged and Drunk Driving Prevention month.

Police Chief Bill Reid said his department will have "zero tolerance" for drunken driving this holiday season.

"The recreational vehicle dump station has been improved. Old fenders have been removed and replaced by frost-free hydrants with hoses so water will be available year-round."

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## THANK YOU LETTERS

**Church dinner was successful!**  
The Kimberly United Methodist Church, wishes to thank the community for a very successful 5th annual turkey dinner. This year was the best one ever. We thank you for your support. We also would like to thank the following individuals who helped make this dinner a success: ...

**BONNIE PETER**  
Administrative Assistant  
United Methodist Church  
Kimberly

**Groups help with turkey dinner**  
We would like to give thanks to the following businesses and organizations for helping the Twin Falls Economic Club with the annual Wayne Kenney Memorial Turkey Shoot. The Twin Falls Car Club, the Senior Center, the Chamber of Commerce, the ...

**JOHN HEAD**  
Co-Chairman  
Twin Falls

**Family appreciates support**  
We would like to give our thanks to all of our friends, neighbors and the Twin Falls Fire Department for their support and help in making this year's annual ...

and employees of Fred Meyer, J.B. Washburn, Sears, the Royal and Amertel, and not to forget the spiritual assistance from our church.

We also have to give our heartfelt gratitude to our family, Sandy and Doug Hemminger, for assisting responsibilities that went far beyond what simple appreciation could show.

If we have forgotten anyone, please know that we do remember you but are still in a time of confusion.  
**BILE AND ADELAIDE HEMMINGWAY**  
**DON HEMMINGWAY**  
**GAIL PILKINGTON**  
Twin Falls

**Benefit organizers say thanks**  
We would like to express our appreciation to the community and the following local businesses for your support with this year's Benefit Turkey Shoot.

Blue Lakes Sporting Goods, Twin Falls Gun Club, Smith's Food and Drug, ...

We are proud to announce that \$2,100 was raised to benefit the Wishing Star Foundation. In addition, Fred Schiffer was the winner of the raffle for the 1187 Mustang.

We thank you again for making this such a success!  
**HEATHER SCHULTZ**  
Publicity Chairman  
Junior Club  
Twin Falls

## FESTIVAL WILL FEATURE LOTS OF FUN



Cassia Regional Medical Center volunteers are busy preparing for the Country Store which will be open during the hospital's annual Festival of Trees Dec. 24-25. Some of the many volunteers are pictured from left to right: Amy Barbara Lindford, president; Cindy Hansen, secretary; Deann Cook, president elect; Ann Reiman, past president; and Janell Russell, corresponding secretary.

## Cassia Festival of Trees features store

**BURLEY** - Cassia Regional Medical Center volunteers sponsor the Country Store at the annual Festival of Trees December 3 to 5 at the Burley Inn Convention Center.

The "Mini-Cassia Throw" will be available at the store. The throw features local landmarks and events that represent the Mini-Cassia area.

Quilt tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The Santa and Sleigh tickets are fifty cents each or three for \$1.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Doil lovers plan show, sale**  
**JEROME** - The Magic Valley Doll Club is hosting an open house, doll show and sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday at 130 W. Main.

**Local channels airing the program are:** TCI, Channel 4-in-Twin Falls and Channel 10 in Burley; Channel 13 on Teton Wireless; Channel 10 on Surf Valley Cable; and Channel 13 with no cable hookup.

The public is invited. Admission is free. For more information, call 324-3398.

**American Mothers meet Friday**  
**TWIN FALLS** - Local members of American Mothers Inc. will meet for a local potluck luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Friday at the home of Lorraine Smith, 916-216-2165.

**St. Jerome's schedules bazaar**  
**JEROME** - The St. Jerome's Catholic Church bazaar will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the church parish hall.

**LDS singles dinner, dance**  
**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley Multi-Singles will hold their Christmas Dinner, Dance Saturday at the LDS Church on Elizabeth Street.

**Bulliders will gather for party**  
**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley Bulliders Association has planned its 1995 Christmas and Membership and Recognition Party for 6 p.m. Friday at Cavanaugh's Canyon Springs Inn.

**Flea market heads to Filer**  
**FILER** - An indoor flea market will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds.

**Barnes & Noble sets calendar**  
**TWIN FALLS** - Barnes & Noble Booksellers has planned several holiday events for this month.

**Jews for Jesus will perform**  
**KIMBERLY** - The Liberated Wailing Wall of Jews for Jesus will perform at 7 p.m. Friday at the Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 3831 N. 5300 E.

**Sorority meets at festival**  
**BURLEY** - Delta Kappa Gamma will hold its monthly meeting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the Festival of Trees in the Burley Inn Convention Center.

**Stary Winter's Night** is the theme of a poetry reading set for 7 p.m. Friday. Local poets Jim Irons, Patricia Ball, David West, Michael Johnson and Beverly VanderBoom will read from their latest works. An open mike session follows.

**Paperboys fill ISU with music**  
**POCATELLO** - The Paperboys will perform their version of "Celtic bluegrass stamp" pop at 8 p.m. Friday in the ballroom of the Pond Student Union building at Idaho State University.

**Zoo offers free admission**  
**IDAHO FALLS** - Tauphus Park Zoo will celebrate Christmas at the Zoo from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday with free admission for all visitors.

**Rev and Gary Stone** will do a reading of their book, "Stone by Stone: on the Oregon Trail" at 2 p.m. Dec. 12.

**Standard First Aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation** is scheduled for Dec. 17. The course is geared for medical and non-medical participants. Call the office for time and location.

**Declo FFA seeks food donations**  
**DECLO** - The Declo Future Farmers of America are sponsoring a charity drive for needy families.

A book signing with David N. Meyer is scheduled for 2 p.m. Dec. 19. Meyer will sign copies of his latest book, "A Guide to the Complete Reader's Guide to Film Noir" as well as "The 100 Best Films to Rent You've Never Heard Of," a guide featuring lists of underappreciated film classics.

**For more information**, call 436-7339 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**Guests will be treated to free hot chocolate and cookies.** For a small fee, children and adults can have their pictures taken with safari Santa.

**First Book and Barnes & Noble** are collecting books for children through a Holiday Book Drive. Ornaments on trees at the book store describe a child for whom a book may be purchased at a special 10 percent discount.

**Admission is \$5 for adults**, with children under 12 admitted free. ISU students, faculty and staff are free. Tickets are available at the door.

**Jerome schedules holiday tea**  
**JEROME** - The Annual Jerome Community Christmas Tea will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday in the fellowship hall at the United Methodist Church, 211 S. Buchanan.

**School, club or community organizations** are encouraged to participate in the holiday gift-wrapping program to help them earn money. Barnes & Noble offers free gift-wrapping and allows the nonprofit organization to raise funds by collecting donations for their services.

**PBS show covers financial aid**  
**TWIN FALLS** - An Idaho Public Television program sponsored by the Idaho Association of Financial Aid Administrators will be shown from 9 to 10 a.m. Saturday P.S.

**The African penguin chick** which has hatched at the zoo in October will be on display via a camera and video monitor system.

**Shar, friends plan craft show**  
**TWIN FALLS** - Shar & Friends will host their Second Annual Holiday Craft Show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Dec. 24 and 25 at the Idaho State Fairgrounds.

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## SUPPORT 'KISS A REINDEER'

The Idaho Environmental and Resource Conservation Association is sponsoring "Kiss a Reindeer" on Saturday, Dec. 9, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Idaho State Fairgrounds. The event is free and open to all ages.



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Districts offer Envirothon info**  
**BURLEY** - The East and West Cassia Soil and Water Conservation Districts have information on the 1995 Envirothon Competition.

The Jerome County Historical Society is looking for a picture of the Canyonside church building now located at the Idaho Farm and Ranch Museum site.

**Society seeks old Jerome photo**  
**JEROME** - A search is being conducted to find a photo of an antique telephone building.

**Anyone who can help in the photo** search is asked to call Virginia Ricketts at 23-2317.

**Red Cross offers new classes**  
**RUPERT** - The Magic Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross is offering two courses that start in December.

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IDAHO WEST

A DAY WITHOUT ART



Sidney Strong studies for her English class Tuesday in front of a painting covered with black paper at the University of Idaho in Moscow. The school covered the painting as part of 'A Day Without Art' to honor artists who have died of AIDS-related illnesses.

Educator blames inadequate spending for sub-par scores

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Utah education official has suggested Utah's low level of spending for education may be a reason why the 1998 statewide public-school testing program showed a drop in reading and language arts.

"This is cause for alarm. As a state, we should be doing better," said Barbara Lawrence, state director of testing assessment.

Utah's fifth-graders scored in the 44th percentile in language and in the 37th percentile in reading, down 2 and 3 percentage points, respectively, from 1997.

The 1998 scores are below the norm of 50 among students in 13 states who took the Stanford Achievement Test this fall, and were the lowest scores Utah students earned.

In discussing the scores with the state Board of Education on Tuesday, Lawrence suggested that Utah's low financial investment in schools may be to blame.

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County clerk faces embezzlement charge

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Clark County's newly elected clerk has been arrested for embezzling money from a Dubois hardware store.

Yukie Ker, who is scheduled to be sworn in as clerk of the district court in January, was arrested in Bonneville County on one count of grand theft Tuesday.

The felony charge carries a

sentence of one to 14 years in prison. She is currently free on her own recognizance pending trial.

The Clark County Sheriff's Office and the Tri-county Sheriff's Association had investigated Ker for about a week for embezzling money from the Clark County True Value Hardware Store, Deputy Bart May said.

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December 3 12 pm, Auction & Holiday Celebration	December 5 11 am - 7 pm, Festival of Trees Santa & Wagon Rides
December 4 11:30 am - 2 pm, Luncheon	December 6 12:5 pm, Festival of Trees

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# OUTDOORS

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Outdoors Editor: William Brock - 783-4631; Ext. 264

The Times-News

Thursday, December 3, 1998

Section D

## When an animal is too beautiful to kill or wound

A deer hunter, now in his mid-60s, remembers a chance he had to shoot a buck.  
Sitting on his stand, he saw the buck coming in.  
"I got to watch it for a few minutes, and by then I figured it was too beautiful to shoot," he said. "I never told anybody about it."  
Hunters usually don't tell those stories. But a thousand other hunters must have had similar experiences.  
Hunting is an intensely personal matter. How we hunt, how we choose to pursue an animal, whether we take the shot or not, these are almost always decisions that hunters must wrestle with entirely on their own.  
Certainly, the framework for those decisions has been shaped by those who taught us to hunt, by those we have hunted with,



THE OLD TRACKER  
Sam Cook

by what we have read and learned of hunting.  
But ultimately, it's our own call. The pheasant is up. The white-tailed buck walks in. The mallard presents itself over our decoys.  
And in parts of seconds, we make decisions about the taking of lives.  
For some hunters, it might be difficult to understand why a deer hunter would pass up a beautiful buck. A lot of hunters who decide to pull the trigger, to complete the act of hunting, also see the beauty in the animal before they shoot. Their feeling about that creature is no less real than that of the hunter who decided to pass up the buck.  
Some days a hunter is ready to shoot. Some days he or she is not. The one who shoots is not the shooter is no less a hunter than the one who puts meat in the freezer.  
That hunters would not talk about those decisions is not surprising. They know that some hunters might not understand. A hunter might never be able to articulate exactly what it was that did not allow him to make a kill on any given day. And so, the day - the moment - becomes a memory, perhaps stronger than memories of some days when the trigger was squeezed.  
Most of us, when we were young hunters, wanted to shoot. We ached for the opportunity to take game. We had waited so long. We had watched mom or dad do it. We had heard the stories. We wanted to be like mom or dad. We wanted to take our place in the stories.  
Usually, as hunters grow older, that changes. We have had our opportunities. We have been the stories. The dogs, the guns, the days - all of it begins to flow together and become like the blood in our veins. It is part of us. We are part of it.  
The hunting is not always the way we want it. Much as we dislike it, not all our kills are clean. We wound animals. They die later. It doesn't happen often if we're serious about how we hunt. But sometimes. We think about that before we shoot again. Sometimes, we can't shoot again for a while.  
And sometimes we simply don't need to shoot. For reasons only we need to know.  
I was hunting ducks with a good friend this fall. We were in a place where we have hunted many mornings. We love the place.  
It was not a morning the ducks were likely to fly, and we both knew it. The weather was not pleasant. The wind was light. Few ducks had moved down from the north. But we both had risen in the dark and driven a few miles to the spot and walked to the slough. We just wanted to be there.  
A few ducks flew. Not many.  
When we got back together for the walk out, my friend said he had had a great morning. Lying against a grassy bank, he had listened to pheasants calling, cowbirds mooring, farmers doing chores and wind passing through ducks' wings.  
Yes, he said, a few had come over him. He could have shot at one.  
"But I wasn't convinced it would have improved my morning," he said.  
I really liked the way he put that.  
Later, we went out and shot a few pheasants.

Sam Cook is a thoughtful old tracker and columnist for the Duluth News-Tribune.

## Prep your gear

### Get ready for next spring by repairing fishing equipment in the off-season

By Roger Golden  
Times-News correspondent

Although the long days of summer are past, there's still plenty of opportunity to be involved with fly fishing. In fact, there's always some work to be done to ensure a smooth return to angling when the weather warms again.  
The off season, as some call winter, is a fine time to check, clean and refurbish your equipment. Start by examining your fly lines, reels, rods, vest, waders, landing net, fly boxes and float tube.  
All of these items fall prey to the everyday wear and tear of outdoor life. Fortunately, many of the problems only take a few minutes to correct.  
Leaky waders always deserve attention. If you're tempted to let the problem slide, remember this: If they leaked in the fall, they'll leak in the spring.  
Do yourself a favor and dig out the patch kit that came with the waders when they were new. If you don't have a patch kit, take the waders to a reputable sporting goods shop and buy a patch kit.  
Other routine maintenance includes careful examination of your fly line. Does it have cracks or splits from years of use? Does it need to be replaced?  
What kind of condition is the backing in? Some day, the elusive "big one" may take your fly only to break off because of rotted backing. Whose fault would that be?  
For anglers who do a lot of wading, replacing felt boot bottoms or worn laces is an important consideration.  
What about your net? Did it collect a new hole on the way through that last tangle of willow? What better time to fix it than now?  
Another basic task that gets put off during the season is cleaning and sorting your vast array of gadgets.  
Do you have a fly box that spilled its pointy contents in your vest? This is a good time to clean out the pockets, throw away the junk, and organize the



Fishing shop owner Ward Harshman says stripping the line off a fly reel is the best way to store it for the winter.  
Photo Courtesy: Ward Harshman

stuff for keeping. While you're at it, you can reminisce about the flies that you bought or tied, but never used - and

can't find in the tangled collection in your vest pocket.  
As for the vest, give it a good inspec-

tion for tears. This could be your chance to affix another gismo - toenail clippers.  
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## SURF'S UP



A lone kayaker surfs it up at the 'Idaho Connection' rapid, on the Snake River about a mile upstream of the Twin Falls, on Thanksgiving Day. The weather was perfect, the river was up and the Connection was good to the last drop.  
Photo Courtesy: Idaho Department of Fish and Game

## Whitetail hunters find rutting bucks lose caution

By Ray Sasser  
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS - Thank goodness for the rut, the whitetail breeding season. The rut is the hormonal equivalent of whiskey. It makes otherwise wary bucks think they're bulletproof. In Shackelford County near Abilene and some of North Texas, the rut is at its

peak right now.  
Over in East Texas and through much of the Hill Country, the rut is pretty much over and mature bucks have once again donned their bushy cloaks of invisibility. In the legendary brush country below San Antonio, mid-December is the premier time to catch monster bucks acting as goofy as junior high boys at their first dance.

Rutting bucks may stand in the middle of a road at high noon and watch while excited hunters jump out of a truck, Keystone Kops style, and empty their guns, until somebody's shot hits the mark.  
Several hunters over the years have told me about shooting an estrus doe and then having a problem chasing her suitor away. One guy loaded such a doe

into the bed of his pickup and headed for camp. When he looked in the rearview mirror, a buck was following his truck.  
High on testosterone, whitetail bucks can pull some bonehead moves. Take, for instance, the wired old eight-pointer that my young son shot in Shackelford County last weekend. We

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COMICS

**Present** By Charles M. Schulz

GO BACK TO SLEEP. THERE'S A BUZZARD OUTSIDE AND ALL THE SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED.

POETRY!

**For Better or For Worse** By Lynn Johnston

ARE YOU OK THIS MORNING, ELLY?

I'LL SURVIVE.

YOU SHOULD SEE YOUR DOCTOR ABOUT THE FAT FLABIES AND INSOMNIA!

BUT YOU'VE BEEN SO DEPRESSED AND IRRITABLE LATELY.

LIKE I SAID, I'LL SURVIVE.

OTHER WOMEN GET THROUGH THIS WITHOUT MEDICATION. I'LL SURVIVE.

IN FACT, I'M WORRIED ABOUT YOUR SURVIVAL. I'M WORRIED ABOUT MINE!

**What's Bugging You?** By Scott Adams

WHAT THE...? I'VE BEEN SABOTAGED!

NO, I AM NOT PART OF A GLOBAL CONSPIRACY TO PLANT A MISPELLED WORD IN YOUR "WELL CHECKER."

CASP! THEY GOT TO WEBSTER TOO!!!

**Booze** By Dean Young & Stan Drake

HOW ABOUT IF WE SPONSOR A BURGER EATING CONTEST, MATT? I'LL BE THE ONLY ONE TO WIN!

WHA. THAT COULD GET US SOME PUBLICITY.

BUT TELL YOUR FATHER THAT BECAUSE HE'S A RETIRED OFFICER HE WON'T BE ELIGIBLE.

LIKE I SAID, I'LL SURVIVE.

SORRY, DAD, HE SAID NO DAD.

**B.C.** By Brent Hart

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, QUEEN IDA. WAREY ARE.

THANK YOU. I'D SAY YOU LOVE ME WITH ME?

NO. I JUST WANT TO BE YOUR KING.

I'LL BE HERE ONLY IN YOUR MINDS FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFETIME.

**Philly** By Brian Crane

ARE YOU EVER GOING TO SET A FIRM DATE FOR THE WEDDING, SYLVIA?

MOTHER.

THAT WOMAN ON THE RADIO, DR. DALE, SAID IF YOU DON'T HAVE A RING AND A DATE YOU'RE NOT REALLY ENGAGED.

YOU ONLY HAVE A RING.

ANYONE CARE FOR A SWEET, JUICY DATE?

OVER HERE!

**Garfield** By Jim Davis

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.

**Denise the Matron** By Hank Ketchum

CAN YA HURRY UP? IT'S JUST FIVE MINUTES TILL THE CARTONS COME ON.

**The Family Circus** By Bil Keane

"Don't even THINK about callin' in all the king's horses and all the king's men for THIS one!"

**Hi and Lois** By Chance Browne

WHAT'S WRONG?

DITTO WAS AMONG TEN OF ME! HE'S LOVING MY SELF-ESTEEM! I'M TOTALLY PARANOID!

HAVE YOU BEEN COMING INTO MY ROOM AND WATCHING ME TAKE SHOWER AGAIN?

**The Wizard of Id** By Brian Panter & Johnny Hart

WHY DID YOU TURN ME INTO A FROG?

BECAUSE YOU INSULTED MY WIFE!

HOME.

I'M REVIEWING THAT PART.

**Major the Marmale** By Chris Browne

ARE YOU JUST GOING TO SIT THERE ALL DAY AND DO NOTHING?

I'M SERIOUSLY THINKING OF SUICIDE AND POISONING MYSELF AND THE BEER.

**Beetle Bailey** By Mort Walker

TYPICAL! THE MINUTE I TURN MY BACK BEETLE DISAPPEARS!

HOW DOES HE DO THAT?

IT'S NOT EASY!

MOE WALKER

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

HE DOESN'T CHEAT CARDS. HE JUST REPORTS THEM TO THE POLICE.

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HUH.

HE'S AN INTERESTINGLY SPELLED WORD!

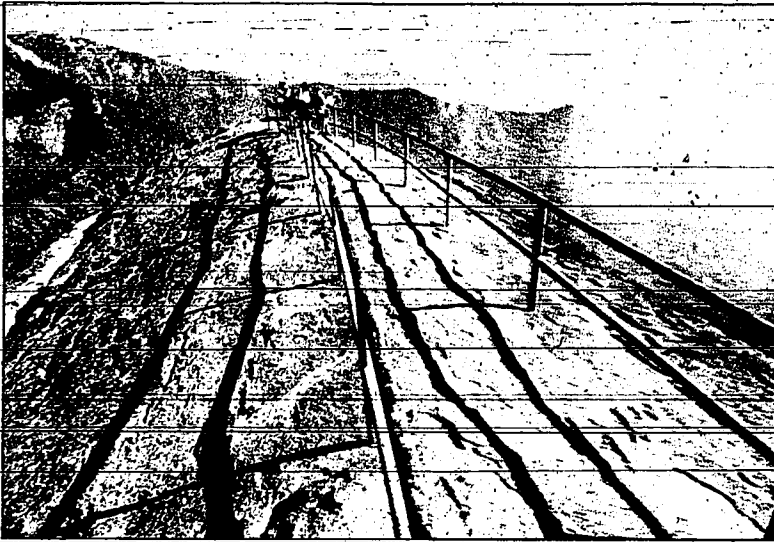
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Prepare your brain

(Coming Monday)

Looking for crossword, horoscopes and L.M. Boyd? They moved to C5.

**OUTDOORS**



Sequoia National Park visitors linger at the top of Moro Rock to compare maps with a panoramic view of mountains along with the valley, a gift.

**Moro Rock takes your breath away**

**SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP)**— The circular parking lot that surrounds the steep stairway to Moro Rock is full of cars with license plates from as far away as Minnesota and Indiana.

Visitors mill about the lot, limbering up for the quarter-mile climb to the top of the gigantic granite dome.

Moro Rock stands out as one of Sequoia National Park's best-known landmarks. Like the General Sherman tree or the spring wildflowers in Grosvent Meadows, Moro Rock attracts thousands of visitors every day. It's no wonder.

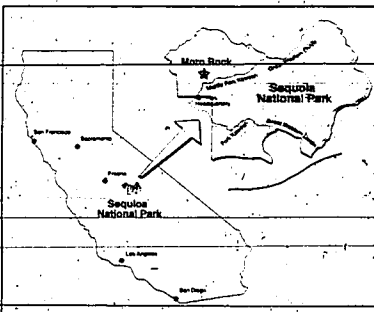
At an elevation of 6,725 feet, Moro Rock offers a spectacular view of the Great Western Divide to the east and the Kaweah River Canyon and San Joaquin Valley to the west. At sunset, visitors find the panoramic view breathtaking.

Almost nearly as exciting as the bird's eye view from the top of the dome is the adventure of climbing it. A winding stone staircase of 400 steps leads visitors in 30 minutes, moderate vertical journey. Small landings are placed at every few flights, giving hikers a chance to rest and catch their breath.

Christina Espinosa, 24, paused for a few minutes to catch her breath and take in a view of the towering pine and sequoia trees. "I love camping and climbing," said Espinosa, who lives in Oakland. "I have climbed Half Dome and I'm here because I feel like I should do this one, too. I am from the city so we don't see much of this."

The stairway is narrow and climbers must often wait for others to pass. Groups of friends, lone visitors and families often exchange smiles or words of encouragement. "You're halfway there," one man said. "Just don't look down."

Some of the landings feature signs that provide a bit of background about the rock. Maps point out peaks such as Sawtooth and Alta and the Castle Rocks. One sign tells the story of Hale Tharp, who in 1855 was the first white man to see the rock. He



THEODORE BERRY AND DAVID OWENS/The Times-News

was led by Native Americans to the site. Three years later, Tharp and his stepsons, John and George climbed it.

The first woman to climb Moro Rock was Mrs. Bernard Mehrtens, Hale Tharp's daughter. She made the ascent as a teenager in the early 1870s.

A wooden stairway built in 1917 was replaced by stone steps in 1931 by the National Park Service. These steps are included in the National Register of Historical Places.

It's this variety that excites Ryan Christensen, a Humboldt State University student who's working as a park ranger for the second summer in a row. "I love the diversity here," he said. "We get visitors from all over the world and I'm finding that California is very diverse in itself."

Geologically, granite domes are common in the Sierra Nevada. Other domes include Half Dome in Yosemite and Tehipte Dome in Kings Canyon National Park.

Moro Rock was formed by

exfoliation, or a process in which sheets of rock are cast off in layers. Signs along the stairway provide greater detail of the geological formation of the dome.

At the top, visitors are treated to spectacular sights as well as sounds. The rushing Kaweah River can be heard below, as well as the cries of hawks and the scampering feet of squirrels.

At any point along the trail, the clear view of the snow-capped peaks of the Great Western Divide are worthy of several frames of film. Many pose for photographs to record their achievement.

"It's spectacular and breathtaking," said Ron Brogna, 51. The New Jersey man was vacationing with his wife and three children. "Words just don't describe it," he said.

The Vaillant family of Paris, France, said the climb up is easy. "We hike a lot in the Alps so we know this landscape," said Romain Vaillant. "The view is great and we like the smell of the trees."



FRANK SHAWBY/SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE/gently while climbing Moro Rock in Sequoia National Park earlier this year.

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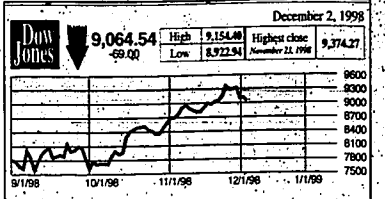
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NEW YORK (AP) - Blue-chips posted only modest losses today, recovering from a third straight day of profit-taking from the market's recent setting rebound.

Gates says 'Java' posed threat

WASHINGTON (AP) - Microsoft's top executive, Bill Gates, acknowledged in videotaped testimony shown Wednesday that he believed a rival computer language, called 'Java,' could threaten his lucrative Windows franchise.

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305 DON'T BE FOOLED: Meridian Partners: 4 year old home w/ jacuzzi...

306 DRACO INVESTMENT CORP: Mortgage Partners: Deals of Trust, Mortgage Notes...

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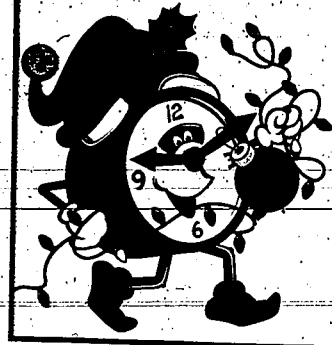
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