

## GOOD MORNING

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# Feds release salmon study today

## Report will outline ways to increase fish numbers

By N.S. Nohkvented Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Just over 50 years ago, federal officials were ready to sacrifice Snake River salmon runs to fully develop

water resources in the Columbia and Snake rivers.

Today federal officials are expected to release an environmental study of ways to bring those now-endangered fish back from the threat of extinction.

In 1947, the Columbia Basin Inter-Agency Committee reported the Interior Department's conclusion that "the overall benefits to the Pacific Northwest from a thorough-going development of the Snake and Columbia are



such that the present salmon run must if necessary be sacrificed."

The report shows that federal officials have known for decades the lethal potential of mainstream dams on salmon — "even

with full use of fish ladders and all protective devices." It notes that the four dams on the lower Snake River in Washington — built in the 1960s and 1970s — would be a threat to Snake River salmon.

The dams and the attitude that salmon shouldn't be allowed to

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# CASHING IN



Lacey Waymont, 6, and her sister Sara Waymont, 8, play with millennium merchandise at Big Knart in Twin Falls.

## Y2K kitsch have shoppers buying, store clerks frazzled

By John T. Huddy Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's called a Tiddie-tickle, Wiggle-wiggle doll and it squeals "Happy New Year" when you poke its furry yellow belly.

Or there's the white-haired Millennium Bear, complete with a top hat, black coat, pocket watch and the year 2000 inscribed across its foot.

"When you poke its belly, it screams 'Happy 2000' — after a countdown from 10 and a brief musical interlude.

Tickle-tickle is on front counter shelves at ShopKo in the Magic Valley Mall and the Millennium Bear is at the Big Knart on the other side of town.

And if you think they're, well, a little annoying, just talk to the people who have to work with them — or work around children who love to set off a shelf full of noisy toy bears.

"Anytime you have something that's musical, people like to see what it does and then they take off," said Roland Sorenson, store manager at the Big Snorenson, store manager at the Big Snorenson, store manager at the Big Snorenson.

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Millennium merchandise	
A sampling of some of the items at 2000 Millennium novelty items.	New market \$16.49
What? A Year 2000 rag, black background with multicolored stars and the year 2000 in silver.	How much? \$20.99
What? Price True Value Hardware and Gifts, downtown Twin Falls.	How much? \$16.99
What? A year 2000 windsock, multicolored with a happy-faced sun and the year 2000 in silver with gold trim.	How much? \$4.99
What? Big Knart of Addison Avenue in Twin Falls.	How much? \$4.99

## Governor Wage bill is unlikely

### Low crop prices make matter 'difficult issue'

The Associated Press

BOISE — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne is keeping to himself what he wants from lawmakers in 2000 just as he did before his inaugural legislative session a year ago.

But he made it clear to participants in the Leadership Boise program on Thursday that a minimum wage for farm workers is not in the cards this winter.

"I don't think you'll see that this year," Kempthorne told the group, "not at this time."

The governor later said the dire financial straits Idaho agriculture finds itself in today makes it futile to try pushing that legislation when lawmakers convene next month.

"With all of the agriculture commodities still in the tank, it's a difficult issue," he said. "You've got a lot of farmers working diligently just to keep things together."

The Democratic legislative minority, the smallest in the nation, has made a priority of extending the existing \$5.15-an-hour minimum wage to farm workers, and Republican Rep. Tom Trail of Moscow is behind the effort, which was killed in a House committee last winter.

Trail calls it a matter of fairness while the Idaho Farm Bureau Federation maintains that farm workers were paid an average of \$6.52 an hour throughout Idaho last year.

But while that may be an average, Trail countered with several studies indicating that up to 10 percent of the state's 35,000 farm workers are paid less than minimum wage, pointing out that 23 states require minimum wages for farm workers in some framework without economic disruption.



Dirk Kempthorne

## Bradley, McCain join efforts to promote campaign reform

The Associated Press

CLAREMONT, N.H. — Portraying themselves as political outsiders, Democrat Bill Bradley and Republican John McCain pledged Thursday to pursue "genuine campaign finance reform" in a rare bipartisan appearance designed to undercut

their front-running rivals.

"We believe that money is eating away at the core of our democracy, like acid eating away at cloth," Bradley told voters gathered in bone-chilling cold at a senior citizens' center.

On the same site in 1995, President Clinton and then-House Speaker Newt Gingrich

had pledged to form a commission to reform campaign laws. That panel never materialized.

McCain and Bradley are mounting increasingly strong challenges to their parties' favorites — Vice President Al Gore for the Democrats and Texas Gov. George W. Bush for the Republicans. They hoped

Thursday's event would draw valuable media attention and elevate the importance of an issue central to both their campaigns.

In connection with the town hall meeting, taped for ABC's "Nightline," the pair signed a statement that said, "We pledge that as the nominees for the United States we will not allow our political parties to spend soft money for our presidential campaigns, and we commit to working together toward genuine campaign finance reform."

"Soft money" refers to unlimited, unregulated donations that are supposed to be used for party-building activities.

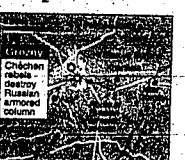
## BATTLE FOR GROZNY

### Bodies of Russian troops lie about after initial foray

By Rustan Musayev The Associated Press

GROZNY, Russia — Grim evidence of Russia's first foray into the Chechen capital lay all around Thursday: the bodies of at least 115 federal troops, many mangled and burned, strewn in a Grozny square near shattered tanks and charred personnel carriers.

Fierce rebel resistance on Wednesday handed the Russian military what appeared to be its worst defeat since it entered the breakaway republic in September. This Associated



Press reporter walked through the wreckage in Minudka Square on Thursday, counting the dead. Seven burned Russian tanks and

eight armored personnel carriers were also seen.

The assault, was the first time Russian ground forces drove so deep into the capital, and the bloody result was a reminder of the 1994-96 Chechen conflict, when rebels desperately defended Grozny and inflicted a heavy toll on the superior Russian forces.

It was not clear if the Russian armored group was the spearhead of what was to have been a major attack on Grozny or a reconnaissance mission to test

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Russian machines are caught in an ambush Thursday near Grozny, Chechnya.

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# THE REGION

### Carnas Prairie

High 38 Low 28  
Fog early today then partly cloudy. Chance of snow today and tonight. Cloudy Saturday, chance of snow, high 35.

### Treasure Valley

High 48 Low 30  
Fog early today then partly cloudy. Chance of rain tonight. Mostly cloudy Saturday, chance of rain, high 45.

### Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High 37 Low 26  
Mostly cloudy today with snow likely tonight. Windy Saturday, snow likely, high 34.

### Eastern Idaho

High 33 Low 28  
Mostly cloudy today, light winds. Breezy tonight, chance of snow. Windy Saturday, chance of snow, high 38.

### Northern Idaho

High 45 Low 38  
Fog early today then partly cloudy. Chance of rain tonight. Mostly cloudy Saturday, chance of rain, high 43.

### Northern Utah

High 42 Low 30  
Mostly sunny today, cloudy tonight. Windy Saturday, mostly cloudy, chance of snow, high 46, then 30s.

### Northern Nevada

High 49 Low 36  
Partly cloudy today. Chance of snow. Mostly cloudy Saturday, chance of rain, high 45.

# MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 48 Low 34 Partly cloudy, light winds, slight chance of rain tonight.	High 42 Low 30 Mostly cloudy, chance of rain.	High 30s Low 20s Partly cloudy and cooler.	High 30s Low 20s Partly cloudy and cooler.	High 30s Low 20s Partly cloudy and cooler.

### Idaho weather

Friday, Dec. 17  
AccuWeather forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures

**LIV INDEX**  
Burn time: 1 minute  
Irrigation: 60 minutes

**FIRE DANGER**  
The BLM has ended its fire report for the season. Citizens of public lands users to use caution.

**SKYWATCH**  
Sunset today 5:06 pm  
Sunrise tomorrow 8:03 am  
Janus phase Full Dec. 22, last quarter, Dec. 29; new Jan. 6 2000; first quarter, Jan. 14, 2000.

### National weather

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Friday, Dec. 17.

Fronts: **COLD** **STORMY**

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
Tune to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHz. The internet address for Idaho's Transportation Department road reports is: <http://www.state.id.us/tra-roads/index.html>

# YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation
Yesterday	0.36
Last year	50.20
Normal	40.22
Yesterday in Twin Falls	0.11
Month to date	0.72
Normal to date	1.29
Water year to date	1.29
Normal year to date	1.62

### Idaho Highs/Lows

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho: High	Low	51 degrees at Lewiston
Boise	44	35	.13	51	21	degrees at Lewiston
Burley	44	37	---	21	degrees at	Idaho Falls
Coeur d'Alene	52	41	---	21	degrees at	Nations High, 84 at
Conrad	51	41	---	21	degrees at	Simi Valley and 84 at
Hagerman	m	m	m	21	degrees at	South Oakes, Calif.
Idaho Falls	34	21	0.07	16	at Park	Lewisville, Minn.
Lewiston	51	45	.27	21	degrees at	Idaho Falls
Malheur	32	25	m	30	degrees at	Idaho Falls
Malta	37	28	---	21	degrees at	Idaho Falls
McCall	33	30	---	21	degrees at	Idaho Falls
Pocatello	38	31	---	21	degrees at	Idaho Falls
Salmon	30	25	---	21	degrees at	Idaho Falls
Stanley	36	25	---	21	degrees at	Idaho Falls
Sun Valley	m	m	m	21	degrees at	Idaho Falls

### The Nation

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	48	32	---
Anchorage	12	4	---
Atlanta	54	43	---
Boston	50	43	---
Chicago	28	28	.01
Dallas	54	43	---
Denver	54	30	---
Des Moines	32	10	---
Detroit	36	33	.03
Honolulu	81	66	---
Houston	66	53	---
Indianapolis	36	32	.06
Kansas City	37	23	---
Las Vegas	51	31	---
Los Angeles	76	47	---
Memphis	57	47	---
Miami Beach	75	68	---
Milwaukee	29	28	---
Minneapolis	52	34	---
New Orleans	59	44	---
New York	40	34	---
Oakland	51	31	---
Oklahoma City	44	31	---
Oxnard	70	45	---
Phoenix	54	30	---
Pittsburgh	36	32	.02
Portland	46	30	.02
Portland, Ore.	44	30	.02
Reno	46	24	---
San Diego	56	34	---
Salt Lake City	46	31	---
San Antonio	51	30	---
Seattle	51	30	---
St. Louis	50	43	---
Washington	51	30	---
Yuma	70	45	---

### Canadian Cities

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Calgary	47	0	---
Edmonton	49	34	---
Toronto	46	16	---
Vancouver	53	43	---

# The stars will shine at White House party

WASHINGTON - Tapping his long list of famous friends, President Clinton is hosting a millennium celebration so glitzy and large that it might be easier to guess who's NOT coming to dinner.

Roughly 1,000 people will descend upon the White House on New Year's Eve. The guests are not hangers-on either - they range from Muhammad Ali to Elizabeth Taylor.

"It's meant to reflect all that's best about America," said Martha Berry, the first lady's spokeswoman. "These people have been invited because they achieved greatness."

The nation's capital will begin its millennium festivities on Dec. 31 with opening ceremonies on Constitution Avenue near the White House, featuring the Marine Corps band and the 200-member New Millennium Choir, a young people's choir created especially for the occasion.

Besides Ali and Taylor, the dinner guests include opera diva Jessye Norman and Kathleen Battle, historian Arthur Schlesinger, poet Rita Dove, concert violinist Itzhak Perlman, playwright Neil Simon, and actors Robert De Niro, Jack Nicholson and Mary Tyler Moore.

After dinner, the Clintons will step out to the Lincoln Memorial gala, which is essentially a large

## News in brief

**Outdoor concert produced by Quincy Jones and George Stevens Jr.** The entertainment includes Robert Duvall, Diane Keaton, Kathy Mattea, Bobby McFerrin, Don McLean, Brian Stokes Mitchell, Kenny Rogers, Luther Vandross, Tricia Yearwood, Sam Waterston, Bebe Winans, and Luke Cresswell accompanied by the 25-member company of the Broadway production "Stumpy."

**1999 'top' science item may lead to organ growth**

WASHINGTON - Research that may lead to building new body parts from embryonic stem cells has been named the "Breakthrough of the Year" by editors of the Journal Science.

"Learning how to cause stem cells to grow into selected types of cells, tissues and organs" is the hope of dazzling medical applications," the editors say in a report appearing in the journal on Friday.

But the embryonic stem cell research also created a troubling ethical debate that was heard throughout the year in the White House, in Congress and in laboratories coast to coast.

- compiled from wire reports

# Salmon

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stand in the way of development - along with logging, mining, agricultural and irrigation practices, over-fishing and ocean conditions - together have earned Snake River salmon a place on the federal endangered species list.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is expected to release at a Portland news conference today a five-year, \$20 million draft environmental impact statement on breaching the four federal dams. The impact statement looks at three alternatives:

- Existing conditions - Migrating salmon pass the dams through turbines and some are collected and barged or trucked past the dams on the Snake and Columbia rivers.
- Major system improvements - Improve surface bypass collection systems, fish guidance, turbines, structural changes to reduce harmful levels of gases dissolved in the water below the dams and possible increased river flows and spills.
- Natural river - Removing the earthen portion of Ice Harbor, Lower Conner, Little Goose and Lower Granite dams on the Snake River in Washington state, creating a 140-mile free-flowing river.

Information already released by federal officials suggests that habitat improvements and strict limits on fishing may keep Snake River salmon from extinction.

*Federal officials ... say that if the dams are not breached, they would be looking for more water to increase flows in the lower Snake and the Columbia River estuary.*

But to recover the species enough to allow Indian, sport and commercial fishing, four federal dams on the lower Snake River would also have to be breached.

Other federal agency officials also will be on hand at today's news conference to discuss the final version of a recently released study of a range of salmon recovery alternatives.

Fisheries scientists have said that including breaching the dams in any recovery plan would give the salmon their best chance.

Federal officials also say that if the dams are not breached, they would be looking for more water to increase flows in the lower Snake and the Columbia River estuary. And even if the dams are removed, they would continue to rely on stored water from Idaho.

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# Merchandise

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Kmart

The Millennium Bear and the Tickle-tickle are not the only offerings of Y2K kitsch.

There are party favors, including millennium candles and corkcorks, perfumes and "Pokemon Millennium Calendar - 'Yes, that's right, a Pokemon Millennium Calendar."

Scared yet?

As annoying as some of the items are, people are buying them.

Sorenson said the fuzzy bears have been selling pretty well.

"We've sold about three-fourths of what we got in," he said.

There are still about 50 or 60 left on the shelf, Sorenson added.

The party favors, however, seem to have fallen from favor, he said.

"They are not lighting the world up," Sorenson said.

At Shopko, the hottest-selling millennium item, besides the Tickle-tickle doll, is the Millennium Furby doll, said Steve Gussman, store manager.

Besides the fact that it is a Furby - a little troll-like rodent with psychobabble eyes and a knack for getting children to pressure their parents into a purchase - nothing is really special about the doll, Gussman said.

Except that it is a Millennium Furby, he said.

"It's just the name," he said.

There are also towels, polo shirts and other goods celebrating the new year and the millennium, Gussman said.

However, those items have not been doing as well as the Furby or the Tickle-tickle, he added.

Dennis Heiner, a business professor at the College of Southern Idaho, says people do buy into holiday hype, especially with this year's turn of the century celebration.

"I know that when a movie comes out, the licensed movie items that that movie will approach \$1 billion," Heiner said. "The Y2K items will probably be much higher than that."

And that's not even counting the sales from preparation items, such as generators, he said.

As with most holiday shopping, people have a tough time keeping their checkbooks closed.

"There's a lot of impulse buying," Heiner said.

There will also be a secondary industry in collectibles, he added.

"Who knows what Y2K items will be worth something," Heiner said.

A whole slew of online millennium merchandise shopping sites cater to kitch consumers who don't want to leave the house.

And if people don't want to spend the full \$20 for a Millennium Bear at Big Kmart, they can always wait until after Jan. 1, when prices will be marked down.

"We still have some left," Heiner said.

(Millennium Bears) will end up reducing the price," Sorenson said.

They shouldn't expect much competition from Heiner, who isn't planning on buying Y2K merchandise. Or from Sorenson, who doesn't have much use for the Y2K party favors.

"There are going to be people like me that at 12:01 a.m. will probably be fast asleep," Heiner said.

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### Grozny

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NATION

# Sides end Mideast talks until January

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israel and Syria ended two days of inconclusive peace talks Thursday and agreed to resume the chase early in the new year. President Clinton assured the longtime foes they could count on the United States for help "every step of the way."

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa stood alongside Clinton as he described

their discussions as difficult but also said, "We are witnessing a new beginning" in the quest for peace in the Middle East.

Clinton said the two delegations would return to Washington on Jan. 3. Other officials said the talks may be held in either Maryland or Virginia.

"They agreed to take steps to ensure these negotiations will be conducted in a productive and positive atmosphere," the presi-

dent said. "... We can truly set our sights on a new and different Middle East."

Clinton stressed the peacemaking was based on U.S. Security Council resolutions that called on Israel to give up land it won in the 1967 Middle East war in exchange for secure borders.

Barak and al-Sharaa made no statements as Clinton spoke outside the West Wing entrance of the White House. Afterward, as

they walked back inside, the president had a hand on each man's back.

The likelihood that Syria would achieve its dream of regaining the strategic border high ground increased as Secretary of State Madeleine Albright supervised negotiations over an Israeli pullback and its aftermath.

"But how long this might take was problematic.

# Survey: Shelter requests rise

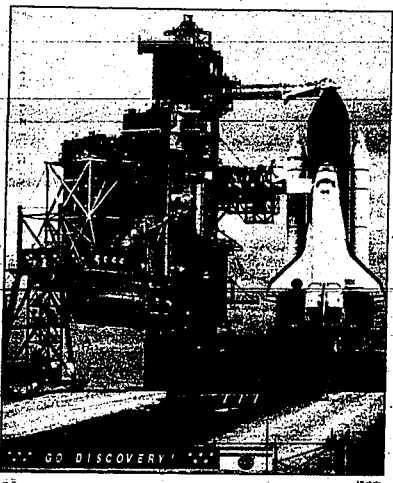
WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite a booming economy and low unemployment, demand for emergency food and shelter grew again this year, according to a U.S. Conference of Mayors survey of 20 cities.

The demand for emergency food assistance grew at its steepest pace since 1992, while the demand for emergency housing grew at its most rapid pace since 1994, the report indicated. "Unfortunately,

this nation's prosperity is not reaching all of our fellow Americans." Mayor Peter Clavelle of Burlington, Vt., chairman of the conference's Task Force on Hunger and Homelessness, told a news conference Thursday.

The conference's 15th annual report showed emergency food assistance jumped by 18 percent over last year while shelter requests increased by 12 percent.

## COUNTING DOWN



The space shuttle Discovery sits in the early morning light at Kennedy Space Center, Fla., as the rotating service structure, left, is moved away from the craft in preparation for a Thursday launch. Last-minute concerns over welds delayed the launch until today, set for 6:47 MST.

# Reno says she knows of no specific Y2K terrorist threats

WASHINGTON (AP) — There are no specific threats of terrorist attack in this country that are related to the new year, but the FBI still intends to remain on alert, Attorney General Janet Reno said Thursday.

Asked if there were any domestic threats similar to the attacks on Americans abroad allegedly planned for New Year's gatherings by 13 people arrested in Jordan recently, Reno told her weekly news conference:

"We have no specific information concerning specific attacks. We must always be concerned about the possibility of an attack and take every reasonable step that we can."

field on the fifth floor. One team will be on watch for incidents of terrorism directed at Americans at home or abroad, officials said. Another team, from the FBI's National Infrastructure Protection Center, will keep track of the nation's electronic networks for signs of computer attacks. A third team of Justice Department managers will oversee the department's own internal computers.

"We must always be concerned about the possibility of an attack and take every reasonable step that we can."

She said common sense prevented her from publicly outlining in detail the precautions taken by her department. But, she said, "We must be vigilant, and the FBI is working with colleagues around the world to make sure that we are vigilant and as prepared as we possibly could be for any eventuality."

Reno plans to stay in Washington. Aides said she will spend the New Year's weekend either at the Justice Department or at her apartment just blocks away.

All 56 FBI field offices will be staffed by a special Y2K command post around the clock from 6 a.m. on Dec. 31 through 6 p.m. on Jan. 3, according to law enforcement officials, who requested anonymity.

At FBI headquarters, three separate teams will staff the Strategic Information and Operations Center — a windowless, 35-room command post covering nearly the area of a football

# Lewinsky helps prosecute Tripp

ELLICOTT CITY, Md. (AP) — Monica Lewinsky on Thursday assisted the prosecution of the woman who thrust her into the national limelight, testifying that she felt violated to learn Linda Tripp had secretly recorded her intimate conversations about her affair with President Clinton.

"It terrified me," Ms. Lewinsky told the court. "I was concerned about the privacy of my relationship being revealed."

Taking the stand at a hearing that will determine whether Mrs. Tripp stands trial on illegal wiretapping charges brought by a Maryland grand jury, Ms. Lewinsky was confident about her memory as she helped prosecutors establish the date of the one tape recording being used as evidence to prosecute her former friend.

Although the tapes revealed

Ms. Lewinsky's relationship with Clinton and led to his impeachment, the former White House intern never mentioned the president during 90 minutes on the stand.

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## EDITORIAL

### Character values deserve a place in Idaho's schools

Some people would argue that Idaho's public schools don't teach character values, because they aren't listed in any curricula. But schools teach many things, even if they don't intend to, and character values are on that list.

Just as inaction is a form of action, failure to teach character values imparts an unmistakable lesson. If students discover they can get away with being disruptive in class, rude to teachers and disrespectful of authority, they are learning a skewed set of values.

*Rather than learn in a haphazard way, students should be taught with clarity and purpose.*

Whether than learn in a haphazard way, students should be taught with clarity and purpose. That's why we applaud a nascent effort to draft character education standards in the Idaho Legislature. Nothing is set in stone, but Reps. Max Mortensen, R-St. Anthony, and Tom Trail, R-Moscow, are already drafting a bill. House Education Chairman Fred Tilman, R-Boise, plans to hold hearings this winter.

Hmm. Teaching respect, honesty, discipline, responsibility and the value of hard work in Idaho's public schools sounds like a pretty good idea to us. These are values that should be taught at home, but too many of today's parents — along with America's virtual parent, the television — aren't doing the job.

The pendulum has swung far enough. By no means all, but certainly too many of today's young people have a tenuous grasp of the values necessary for living in a civil society. The notion that teaching these values

would offend someone is flawed. —Though the focus is on students, character education "needs to be woven into the very fabric of the school," Mortensen says. Toward that end, these values should be learned — and lived — by everyone in Idaho's public school system. That includes teachers, administrators and support staff.

Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne is fortunate to have a recognized expert in this area on his staff. Education adviser Tom Morley, a former Cassia County school superintendent, has literally written a book on

the subject. Rebecca Stallcop, principal of the Nampa Charter School, has read Morley's book. She put Morley's lessons into practice there and at her former school, the Iowa Elementary School in Nampa. Both are hailed as bright examples of what formal character education can accomplish.

Violence and vandalism are down, and attendance is up, Stallcop says. There's a reason for this, she adds, and the reason is simple. "If kids are not afraid, if they know that kids are not going to be allowed to be afraid to one another, they come to school," Stallcop says. "When teachers aren't dealing with discipline problems all day, they're happy to be there."

That's a goal that other Idaho schools should march toward. The Idaho Legislature should do its best to help provide a map.



### Creator offers hail to the chief of comics

GARY TRUDEAU

It was an hour before George W. Bush was to make his forensics debut at a New Hampshire television station. At a nearby Holiday Inn, two well-known columnists and a visiting cartoonist were sharing pre-debate gossip over a meal of barbecued chicken. As they were finishing up, the conversation turned unexpectedly reflective. "You know," said the first scribe, "I wrote scores of columns condemning the Vietnam War, and it didn't make the slightest bit of difference. With one small exception, nothing I have ever written has remotely affected an outcome." The other columnist nodded solemnly. He, too, had no sense of ever having had any meaningful effect on the course of events. Sighing deeply, the cartoonist reached for his slice of the same humble pie. He had made a lot of noise in his life, he admitted, but he had no pretensions about leaving the world a better place than he had found it. In fact, he knew of only two people in his profession who could make such a claim — Bill Mauldin and Charles Schulz.

Schulz, of course, would have narrowed that list down to one — Mauldin. Such was Mauldin's stature in his eyes that Schulz paid him the extraordinary compliment of regularly referencing him in "Peanuts" (although as a grown-up, Mauldin could only appear off-frame). Schulz included him in full knowledge that most of his readers would have to ask their elders who Bill Mauldin was, but that was the point: If they didn't know, they should. Mauldin had chronicled the grubby, dangerous lives of World War II soldiers, and millions of ordinary grunts like Pvt. "Sparky" Schulz had loved him for providing the balm of laughter when they needed it most. Mauldin, Schulz knew first-hand, had made a difference. So has Schulz, profoundly, but you wouldn't know it by him. It's not that Schulz has been unmoved by the remarkable adulation that has come his way — he just never seemed to trust it much. For his colleagues, this has been perplexing, for they were among the first to appreciate how truly transformative his stripped-down little creation was. "Peanuts" was the first (and still the best) postmodern comic strip. Everything about it was different: The drawing was graphically austere but beautifully nuanced. It was populated with complicated, neurotic characters speaking smart, halcyon perfect dialogue. The stories were interwoven with allusions from religion, classical music, psychiatry and philosophy. And such was Schulz's quiet faith in the power of observational truth, he often passed up punch lines in favor of aphorisms and little throwaway codas — literary devices rarely seen in a gag-oriented medium. On the surface, Schulz's message was filled with a uniquely American sense of optimism — "I'll Fols" with big dreams, never giving up, always trudging out to the mound one more time. But the pain of sustaining that hope showed every-

where. Schulz subjected his clueless anti-hero, Charlie Brown, to the full range of childhood cruelties (it's worth noting that the very first "Peanuts" punch line was, "I hate Charlie Brown"). His strip vibrated with '50s alienation, making it, I always thought, the first Beat strip. Although Schulz would say the very notion is preposterous and grandiose, he completely revolutionized the art form, deepening it, filling it with possibility, giving permission to all who followed to write from the heart and intellect.

I sometimes tease Sparky that my career is all his fault, but I'm far from alone. Studly "B. C." or "Feiffer" or "Caldin and Robbe" or "Blowen-Gearty" carefully, and you'll see his influence everywhere — stylistically, narratively, rhythmically. While the public at large regards "Peanuts" as a cherished part of our shared popular culture, cartoonists also see it as an irreplaceable source of purpose and pride, our gold standard for what a comic strip should be. It is both illuminating and aesthetically sublime. We can hardly imagine its absence.

For many years, Charles Schulz has celebrated Veterans Day by sending Snoopy to the Bill Mauldin Club to "quaff a few scot beers." Next Veterans Day, Snoopy will stay home, but his beloved master should know that he will be in the thoughts of the many colleagues to whom his work was as good as a religion.

Garry Trudeau is the creator of "Doonesbury." He wrote this commentary for The Washington Post.

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## LETTERS

### Don't pave over our paradise

I attended the Forest Service's scoping meeting on roadless rules Monday evening at the College of Southern Idaho, and from what I could tell, it was a hotbed of Marxists thought. No, not Karl, but the one who sang, "Whatever it is, I'm against it."

The simple facts are (1) the U.S. Forest Service currently can maintain only 20 percent of its existing roads; (2) if approved, the proposal does not cut off access to roads that now exist; (3) federal lands already have three to four miles of road per square mile and (4) the few areas of our country that have no roads represent a very small portion of the whole. So for hunters, fishermen, hikers, horsemen, campers and other regular folks, it seems almost a no-brainer we have plenty of roads already and the Forest Service can't even afford to maintain those, so why build more? Like Buzz Chapman, who was concerned in your article, I too, am concerned that my grandchildren may never see the beauty that I have seen, but that beauty is much more likely to be lost by overgrazing, clear-cutting, muddying streams, scraping the sides off mountains for mines, and out-of-control off-road vehicle use than by protecting roadless areas.

Another song comes to mind: "You don't know what you've got 'til it's gone." They paved paradise and put up a parking lot." Don't take Idaho's scenery for granted; write the Forest Service now (USFS, Attention: Roadless, P.O. Box 221026, Salt Lake City, UT 84122) and let them know that you want that beauty protected.

DWANE REYNOLDS  
Twin Falls

### Aquifer is in danger

I am absolutely convinced that allowing these large livestock operations into our valley poses an "imminent danger" to our aquifer. Already the aquifer in Colorado is showing signs of pollution. Once these operations get a foothold here, others will certainly follow, and we will be powerless to prevent the pollution that is inevitable.

Please do not allow our present pro-economy to force us into making an irrevocable decision that will affect our children and grandchildren. What the county commissioners do on Monday will be recorded in infamy.

Please attend the meeting at 10 a.m. Monday at the county courthouse.

MARY COOK  
Twin Falls

### Craig needs to find solutions

Idaho Sen. Larry Craig — who never saw a tree that should not be cut down nor a stream that shouldn't be fouled — announces through a spokesman that he is "dumbfounded" by President Clinton's wilderness proposal because it leaves citizens without a voice.

Craig's spokesman made this bizarre statement at a public hearing in Twin Falls, even as people were offering their views on the proposal. That, it seems to me, offers citizens a voice, and as The Times-News noted in its coverage of the meeting, two of those citizens, arguably in agreement with the senator, were articulate opponents of Clinton's proposal.

Idaho and the nation would be far better served, it seems to me, if Craig and his fellow zealots in the House and Senate would abandon their blind opposition to wilderness proposals and, instead, seek solutions to the loss of future rural areas caused by wilderness creation.

Rural counties in Idaho and other states — from Pennsylvania to California — are already suffering because of the reduction of the timber harvest from

public lands, a reduction which, I suspect, will continue even if a Republican is elected to the White House. As a conservationist, I support turning nearly all of the 60 million roadless acres of federal lands in America into additional wilderness areas. But if we are to have wilderness, as I hope, we should use some federal funds to mitigate the loss of funds which currently go to counties where timber is harvested on federal lands.

How to do this fairly is, I believe, a legitimate subject for congressional debate and, eventually, legislation. Such legislation would not create a precedent in Idaho at least, where a politically connected rancher got \$1 million to move his cattle away from a bombing range which Idaho did not want and the Air Force did not need.

America should do no less for ordinary citizens without political clout whose schools and roads will lose federal funding if we tree-huggers manage to put all or a substantial portion of the roadless areas of this land beyond the reach of loggers, miners and developers.

ROBERT BARTLETT II  
Haley

### Canyon itself is a landmark

I am writing concerning the proposal of a 10-story hotel and convention center on the canyon rim. As most people, I am not against progress or having a convention center in Magic Valley. I am against the height of the proposed building. There are two reasons: (1) The most beautiful thing about Magic Valley is the Snake River Canyon. I believe it is the landmark itself, and we do not need a man-made structure as a landmark. (2) Once one high building is built on the canyon edge, there will be more.

Although the Twin Falls City Council will be deciding about the issue, I do not believe it is just a Twin Falls city issue but an issue of all of Magic Valley. The reason Twin Falls has so many retail outlets is because many people from other areas go to shop there. The council should not just think of themselves but also others in the surrounding communities.

The canyon cannot be as beautiful with buildings lining all up and down its edge. We need progress, but please leave undisturbed what people will come for: the natural beauty of the canyon.

GRADY PETERS  
Jerome

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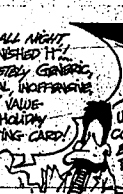
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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Crash in downtown TF injures sheriff's deputy

**TWIN FALLS** - A Twin Falls County sheriff's deputy was treated for minor injuries Wednesday morning after an accident in downtown Twin Falls.

Patty Barth, 42, was treated at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and released after her patrol car crashed with another car on Shoshone Street in front of the Falls County courthouse, the State Police said.

The other car, a 1994 Cadillac, driven by 61-year-old Raymond Sabala of Twin Falls, the said.

### Drug bust in Mini-Cassia nets 'number of arrests'

**RUPERT** - With help from a Hennepin-area drug task force, a significant drug bust was carried out in Mini-Cassia Thursday afternoon.

The Cassia and Minidoka county sheriff's departments, Rupert police and the Pocatello task force worked together on a number of controlled buys, Rick Bollor, Minidoka County prosecutor, said Thursday evening.

Bollor released few details about Thursday's bust.

"A number of arrests were made," Bollor said.

Bollor could not release the names of the suspects arrested Thursday, since the sting operation was still under way.

Law enforcement officers are hoping to have several more arrests made by noon today, Bollor said.

Significant quantities of marijuana and methamphetamine were taken in the bust, Bollor said.

"It's a fairly substantial network of narcotics," he said.

### Jerome church plans its Advent luncheon for today

**JEROME** - An Advent luncheon is planned for today at the Calvary Episcopal Church, 201 S. Adams.

The event, head, cookies and beverages will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Katie Crozier will provide musical entertainment and an inspirational message. Cost is \$3 per person, with all of the proceeds going to the Jerome Ministerial Association.

### Community to hold dance to help displaced family

**GOODING** - A fund-raising dance will be held today to help the Randy Heibert family, whose Gooding home burned down early this month.

The dance, called "A Family Christmas Dance," goes from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Gooding Middle School. Tickets are \$150 per child, \$30 per person, \$5 per couple and \$10 per family. Cash donations will also be accepted.

Donations can also be deposited in accounts at Pioneer Federal Credit Union and First Security Bank in Gooding in the name of Chris Burnett.

### Sun Valley will decorate gingerbread homes today

**SUN VALLEY** - Wax your spatula.

Sun Valley will have its annual Gingerbread Decorating Party today.

The afternoon will kick off with the "Iron Giant" at the Sun Valley Opera House at 2:30 p.m.

Then the party will move into the Lighthouse Room at the Sun Valley Inn from 3 to 5:30 p.m. where kids will be provided an array of marshmallow, cream, gum cracklers, candy canes, granular chips and other important building materials for building gingerbread homes.

Christmas music will be provided by the Boulders Brothers and others.

The party is free, with the construction materials donated by local merchants and national retailers. But kids are asked to donate \$2 for families with special needs.

For more information, call 726-3423.

Compiled from staff reports

# Shooting victim comes home

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - While investigators continued looking for leads, a man who was shot in the head last week returned home.

Zachery Klundt, 20, was released from a Boise hospital Wednesday, eight days after he was shot stand-

## Officials continue to search for leads

ing in the doorway of his house at 3237 Addison Ave. E.

Twin Falls County sheriff's investigators were continuing their investigation but had made no arrests as of Thursday, sheriff's

spokeswoman Nancy Howell said.

Klundt was shot at around 5:30 a.m. Dec. 7. He had apparently answered his door just before being shot, Howell said.

He was in critical condition when

he was flown to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, but his condition was upgraded the next day. A week later he was well enough to return home.

Anyone with information about the shooting can call sheriff's investigator Kelly Wilson at 736-4035 or 735-1911.



Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls, wants to make it official - the name of the Perrine Bridge, that is. The current structure that links Twin Falls with the north is officially known only by a number on state road maps.

# More than just a number

## Lawmakers plan bill to rename Twin Falls' beloved 'No. 17580'

By Michael Journee  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Twin Falls' most recognizable man-made landmark has long been known locally by the name of the area's best-known pioneer.

But officially the Idaho Transportation Department knows the span across the Snake River Canyon on U.S. Highway 93 simply as bridge No. 17580.

David Mead, a member of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Legislative Committee, is heading efforts to change that.

"It honors Mr. Perrine and the history of the area he started," Mead said.

And the name recognition certainly wouldn't hurt the area either, he said.

Depending on the ITD's policy at the time, signs proclaimed the Perrine Bridge to

motorists at various times since the 1920s, when the original bridge over the canyon was built. But no such sign has existed for at least 15 years, Mead said.

And since 1990, when they got caught between two groups with different ideas about what to name a bridge near Coeur d'Alene, the ITD vowed it would no longer name bridges - the Legislature would have that charge from now on.

That's where Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls, and Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, come in. They have pledged to sponsor a bill in the 2000 legislative session to officially recognize the Perrine Bridge by the name southern Idaho residents have used for generations.

"If there ever was a bridge that should be named after someone, it's this one," said Smith, who sits on the House Transportation Committee and is a former member of the Idaho Transportation Board. ("Perrine" is the father of this area.)

Perrine pioneered the area's irrigation efforts in the late 19th century.

He used the Snake River to water a 1,000-acre farm and plant a tree orchard that can still be found around the golf course fairways that lie on his home-

stead, underneath the bridge that, unofficially, carries his name. He later created the Twin Falls Land and Water Co.,

which pioneered the sale of water to farmers scratching a living from the Idaho desert.

When the time came to replace the 1920s version of the bridge, then-Gov. Cecil Andrus used his political wit to persuade John Volpe, President Nixon's transportation secretary and a former Massachusetts governor, to use emergency federal funds to completely finance the new bridge. It was completed in 1974.

"It has always been the Perrine Bridge. It was named the Perrine Bridge by the choice of the people," Andrus said. "I don't see why it can't officially be called the Perrine Bridge."

In reality, having the Legislature "officially" name the bridge would simply give ITD cause to erect signs at either end of the bridge proclaiming its identity. But that's not something to take lightly, Mead said.

"When I moved here in 1957, I remembered the name of the bridge and how it got its name from previous trips here," he said. "I learned all about Perrine. I learned about the history of Twin Falls when I asked about the name of that bridge."

Times-News writer Michael Journee can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 231, or by e-mail at mjjournee@magicalvalley.com

# Hailey's youth get place to hang out

## Planners design new coffeehouse just for by local teens

By Barb Newert  
Times-News correspondent

**HAILEY** - Vanilla lattes, mochas, and strawberry Italian sodas go over big.

So do laughter, friendship and a little playfulness.

All of these things can be found at Romancing the Bean, Hailey's newest coffeehouse just for teens.

Admission is a high school photo identification card and customers must be between 14 and 18 years old to get in.

Adults need to get their caffeine fix at one of the other local coffee bistros.

"The kids like the atmosphere here," said Kari Haugen, a senior at Wood River High School and a member of the Romancing the Bean Board of Directors.

"It's more laid back. You can do what you want - not have to do a certain thing."

Haugen is one of 10 young people and six adults who organized the teens-only coffeehouse.

The idea for a coffeehouse was spawned by the results of an assessment survey that showed the needs of youth in Blaine County. Romancing the Bean Director Heather Thompson said the assessment survey indicated many school activities were offered throughout the county for children under the age of 14, but once they reached high school age, activities were fewer and farther between.

New to the valley, Thompson thought a coffeehouse project that would provide a low-cost, safe environment for teens to congregate and would provide an "asset" that was missing from the community.

Thompson developed the idea. Please see COFFEEHOUSE, Page B3

# Even in winter, spring runoff raises concerns

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** - Federal Bureau of Reclamation and Twin Falls Canal Co. officials told Minidoka County commissioners and others concerned about Snake River flooding in the Heyburn area that they could not control spring rains.

In response to a November letter from Minidoka County Prosecutor Rick Bollor, Sen. Donia Darringer, R-Deer, Rep. Jim Kempton, R-Albion, and House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, spoke with commissioners in a special meeting Thursday.

Bollor's letter asked elected officials to pay attention to water management issues along the Snake River.

"We make these requests on behalf of numerous Minidoka County residents whose properties have been affected by recent water flows in the Snake River during spring runoff," Bollor's letter said.

"The Bureau of Reclamation's

method of water release during spring runoff has been a significant economic hardship for area residents, the letter said. Flood conditions experienced from 1937 onward were not experienced in earlier years.

Earlier this year, the Snake River threatened to flood homes in the Heyburn area. In 1997, homes in the area were flooded.

Commissioners have filed numerous requests for property tax relief because of flooding, Bollor said.

Spring rains explain most of the bureau's forecasting errors, said Mike Beus, water operation manager of the bureau's Snake River area office, who tried to show commissioners how snowpack can affect the amount of water in the dams.

Snowpack is the largest element in predicting the amount of water the dams will hold, but spring rainfall is unpredictable, he said.

Irrigation needs are also a factor, said Vince Albert, general manager of the Twin Falls Canal

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# Church presents the Christmas story from the mouths of babes

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

**HAILEY** - One of the angels forgot her lines. The sheep and cow insisted on wearing crowns. And the three wise men needed a little nudge.

Other than that, the traditional retelling of that first Christmas 2,000 years ago came off pretty much without a hitch.

Hundreds of churches across the country reenact the Christmas story through the feet and mouths of 4- and 5-year-olds each year. And that can be a risky, if usually humorous, proposition.

"That was certainly the case at Calvary Bible Church of Hailey this past Sunday as 20 children ages 2 through 6th grade took their turn at bringing the Christmas story to life.

For starters, one little girl promptly announced that the pink rubber doll picked to portray the Baby Jesus wasn't a boy

but a girl doll named Alex. The 5- and 7-year-old shepherds put their energy to work sparing, instead of watching over the flock that had assembled off-stage before the pageant in a Sunday school classroom.

And the tiny tots picked to portray a cow, sheep and dove announced they wanted crowns like the wise men, a request that

"I don't really want to be a shepherd. I want to grow up to be a wise man."

-5-year-old Parker Morris

got them crowned with Burger King-like paper crowns.

"I don't really want to be a shepherd," said 5-year-old Parker Morris. "I want to grow up to be a wise man."

Painter/carpenter Bob Williams and his wife Lori had it pretty easy compared to the kids. As the scene opened, they just had to sit there. Joseph had

presumably already asked for from the inn. They had no other lines.

But that wasn't the case with the kids, each of whom got something to say or sing.

"I get kind of a little nervous at first but it's fun at the end because you get cookies," said 8-year-old pageant veteran Esther Williams, who portrayed a Christmas star.

"I'm not portraying a Hollywood star," she added. "I'm a real star. I think it would be nice to be a star - you get to be all shiny."

God may have orchestrated that first nativity scene 2,000 years ago. But in the present, it's up to the church to make sure that the shepherds show up at the manger on time and that the wise men find their way.

It's she who keeps watch over the shepherds' staffs until the appointed time, so no one gets their eye poked out in some boy-

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# DEATH NOTICES

# HOSPITALS

**Roger Freeman**  
**TWIN FALLS**—Roger Freeman, 81, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Dec. 16, 1999, at his home in Twin Falls. Services are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

**Floyd Thurber**  
**RUPERT**—Floyd A. Thurber, 85, of Rupert, died Thursday, Dec. 16, 1999, at Mindoka Extended Care. Services are pending and will be announced by Hanson Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

**MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**  
 Some names are omitted at patients' request.  
 Dismissals  
 Linda Bolton, Ella Moyle, and Sharon Galley, all of Twin Falls.

**MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
 Some names are omitted at patients' request.  
 Eugene Price, of Heyburn; and Kevin Phelps, of Ogden, Utah, Dismissed  
 Wiona Gurney and baby boy, Leona Wilkie, and Michael Lee Ryea, Jr., all of Rupert.

# OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

## TWIN FALLS

**Donald Lee Pfefferle**  
**Donald Lee Pfefferle**, 69, of Twin Falls, Idaho, died Wednesday, December 15, 1999.  
 He was born September 16, 1930, in Yankton, South Dakota, to C. O. and Lolla Wyman Pfaff. He attended public schools, and was senior class president, graduate from Yankton High School in 1949. As a member of the South Dakota National Guard, he was called to active duty at the outbreak of the Korean War. He was stationed at Ft. Carson, Colorado, and married Mary Lee Biopflemer, of Yankton, S.D., on January 27, 1951. He was honorably discharged as a second lieutenant. The family moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, in 1954. Don especially enjoyed camping, fishing and hunting.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Lee of Twin Falls; two sons, David and Kathy Pfefferle of Boise, Idaho; and Douglas and Cindy Pfefferle of Oakhurst, California; four daughters, Diane and Brian Jay of Houston, Texas; Dawn and Craig Wolf of Arvada, Colorado; Dana and a Blackham of Johnston, Colorado; and Debra Johnson and Shane Johnson of Twin Falls. He is survived by children, Drew, Shelly, Tracy, Alicia, Joshua, Allison, and Noah; one grandson, Ryan; one sister, and two brothers.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother.  
 A memorial mass will be celebrated at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, December 18, 1999, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel with Fr. Robb Keller of St. Edward's Catholic Church as celebrant.  
 The family suggests memorials be given to the St. Vincent De Paul Center in Twin Falls. Contributions may be left with Reynolds Chapel staff at the services, or mailed to Reynolds Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to the American Red Cross. Donations may be left with funeral chapel staff at the service, or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

**Travis V. White**  
 Travis V. White, 76, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, December 15, 1999, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

He was born July 3, 1923, in Postum Valley, Arkansas, to Levi Preston White and Amy Pearl Baker. He was the youngest of eight children. He served in the Navy during WW II. He married Rose Marie Harmon in Twin Falls on February 3, 1945, and worked for Albertsons Inc. for 23 years. He loved spending time and fishing at their place at Magic Reservoir.

He is survived by his wife, Rose Marie of Twin Falls; one son, Michael White of Carbonado, Colorado; one daughter, Becky Fender, of Esccondido, California; four grandchildren; two granddaughters; one brother, Horst White; and two sisters, Louise Judkins and Vera Paschal.

She was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, one sister, and a son, Danny.  
 Burial services will be conducted Saturday, December 18, 1999, at 2:30 p.m., at Wata Mortuary in Twin Falls with the Rev. James Frisbie officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary on Friday from 4 to 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given to the First United Methodist Church of Twin Falls, 400 N. Main St., Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.

## Beverly Beth Reynolds

Beverly Beth Reynolds, a longtime resident of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, December 14, 1999, of natural causes in Twin Falls.  
 Beth was born in Oakley, Idaho, on February 15, 1920, to Stoll and Francis Marion Hatch. The family later moved to Filer, Idaho, where in 1938, Beth graduated from high school. Shortly after her high school graduation, Beth entered the School of Nursing program at the Salt Lake County General Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah. She earned her Registered Nurse degree in 1941. Both then worked as a nurse at the Salt Lake County General, until she enlisted in the US Army on February 15, 1943. She was assigned to the 51st General Hospital as a nurse at Fort Lincum, and served over half of her duty overseas in The Philippines and New Guinea nursing wounded servicemen. Beth was discharged from the US Army on February 9, 1946. In 1947, she returned to Twin Falls, and worked as a nurse at the Twin Falls Community Hospital. On March 20, 1948, she married her husband of 45 years, Morris P. Reynolds, and together, they had three children.

Both was a loving wife and mother. She stayed at home, raising her children for many years, until she resumed her nursing career in 1967, when she began working for Dean H. Allard, M.D. Throughout her nursing career, Beth touched the lives of many people. She was an intelligent, knowledgeable, and compassionate nurse who readily and unselfishly tended to the needs of others. Many people depended on her good judgment, and she readily shared her years as a medical professional in every sense of the word.

She was preceded in death by her husband Morris; her mother and father; her sister, Maxine White; and her brother, Scott Hatch.  
 Beth is survived by her three children, Marilyn (Doug) Kennings of Boise, Idaho; Larry (Kathy) Reynolds, of Twin Falls; and Barbara (Kenneth) Reynolds of Columbus, Ohio. Ryan Reynolds, and Collin Reynolds (both of Boise, Idaho); Kaitlan Reynolds (Twin Falls); and Alyssa Reynolds (Twin Falls) of Boise. She is also survived by her sister, Cheryl Graves, and her brother, Charlie Hatch, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 18, 1999, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

also, though, Jane loved Jesus Christ, her family, and the people of her community. She felt comforted by blessed that her four sisters and two brothers, and their families, either lived nearby, called, or often visited Idaho. She had a smile and words of encouragement for everyone she met. She was the family's greatest cheerleader for her children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, brothers, sisters, and her friends.

In the past few years, Jane has been dedicated to her duties as a chaplain at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, where she shared her love for Jesus and her love for others, to help encourage, reassure, and heal.

Jane is survived by her sons and daughters, Dr. Wayne (Joanne) Wright of Twin Falls, Brigadier General USAF, Bruce (Karen) Wright of Arlington, Va., and Steve (Sherry) Wright of Buhl; one brother, Jack of Los Angeles, Calif.; three sisters, Margaret, Gloria and Emily. Also surviving him are four grandchildren, in Gunnison, Utah, to John and Helen (Jaysne) Mickelson. He moved to Idaho in 1936. Ralph served an LDS mission to the western states, and also served his country in the US Navy. He married Emma Ellen Green, and they had four daughters together. He later married Norma Duke in 1970. Ralph was a fantastic father, grandfather, husband and brother. He was a lifelong active member of the LDS Church, and the loved it. He will be deeply missed.

Ralph is survived by his wife Norma, and his daughters, Darlene, Margaret, Gloria and Emily. Also surviving him are four grandchildren, two brothers, and two sisters.  
 He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and three sisters.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 18, 1999, at 11 a.m., in the Jerome Seventh Ward, 420 N. Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho. A visitation will be held at the Church, 420 N. Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho, one hour prior to the services. Interment will follow in the Pleasant View Cemetery, in Burley, under the direction of Farnsworth Mortuary, Jerome.

Survivors include one daughter, Marilyn Young of Jerome; one son, Carlyle (Lenora) Moeller of Twin Falls; one sister, Don Onda of Shoshone; two grandchildren, Shelly (Tracy) Harris of Kimberly, and Scott Iverson of Carson City, Nev.; and three great-grandchildren, Bob, Matthew, and Rebekah of Kimberly, and Hannah Iverson of Carson City.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1996, and by two brothers, and one sister.  
 General services for Dutch Moeller will be conducted at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 17, 1999, at the Rev. Protestant Church, with the Rev. Robert Staker, Pastor. Burial will follow at 11:00 a.m. at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call at the Jerome, on Thursday from 6-8 p.m.; no other viewing will be held.

## HAZELTON

**Clara Brunne**  
 Clara Brunne, 88, of Hazelton, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1999, at Mountain View Care Center after a lengthy illness.

Clara was born in Conant, Illinois, on October 21, 1911, to Edward M. and Clara Schrader Bruno. She was two years old, she moved with her family to Idaho, and they settled in the Eden area. She took her first year in the fact that she was a member, and the last known survivor of the original Trinity Lutheran Church congregation in Eden. In 1922, she accompanied her family to California, where she and her family completed elementary school and high school in Orange and Oakland. Since 1930, she has lived in Hazelton. She was a bookkeeper for many years, and worked in a senior companion in her later years. She excelled in vocal music, and played and organ music. Clara was a lifelong Lutheran, and a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Twin Falls.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and a brother, Albert (Edna). She is survived by her brother, Edwin (Margaret) Brunne, and by several beloved nieces and nephews.  
 Memorial services will be held Monday, December 20, 1999, at 11 a.m., at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls. Services are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.  
 In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be sent to: KFI Sunday Morning, 121351 US Hwy. 30, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

## JEROME

Angela Martinez of Alaska. He is also survived by many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.  
 He was preceded in death by his parents, eight brothers, one sister, his wife, and one son. May he rest in everlasting peace.  
 Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, December 20, 1999, at Hanson Mortuary, Rupert Chapel. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery, with military rites by the Paul American Legion. Friends may call Sunday at Hanson Mortuary, Rupert Chapel from 6 to 8 p.m., and one hour prior to the services at the Mortuary on Monday.

## Ralph L. Mickelson

Ralph Leo Mickelson, 71, died Dec. 15, 1999, in Jerome, Idaho.  
 He was born March 25, 1928, in Gunnison, Utah, to John and Helen (Jaysne) Mickelson. He moved to Idaho in 1936. Ralph served an LDS mission to the western states, and also served his country in the US Navy. He married Emma Ellen Green, and they had four daughters together. He later married Norma Duke in 1970. Ralph was a fantastic father, grandfather, husband and brother. He was a lifelong active member of the LDS Church, and the loved it. He will be deeply missed.

Ralph is survived by his wife Norma, and his daughters, Darlene, Margaret, Gloria and Emily. Also surviving him are four grandchildren, two brothers, and two sisters.  
 He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and three sisters.

## RUPERT

**Bobby J. Staker**  
 On this day, Thursday, December 16, 1999, our Father, Brother, Grandfather, and Friend, Bobby J. Staker, was taken into the hands of our Lord and Savior.  
 Bobby Staker was born in Wilson, Idaho, on May 12, 1927, to George Henry Staker and Hannah May Cooke. He came from a family of 14 children, including 10 brothers and three sisters. When Bobby was six-years-old, his parents moved to a farm they called the "Minkoka Irrigation District" at the age of 66.  
 He is survived by five children; many (Bronie) Staker of Burley, Don and Shirley Staker of Burley, and Tom and Betty Staker of Simons, both of Rupert; Theresa K. (Luis) Rodriguez of Heyburn, Idaho, and Daniel W. Staker of Burley. He is survived by four stepchildren; (Loana) Gilford, of Washington, and (Tate) Dockstader of Heyburn; Barbette Wilson of Heyburn, and

## POCATELLO

**Loola Parkinson Tuckett**  
 Loola Parkinson Tuckett, 78, of Pocatello, died Monday afternoon, December 13, 1999, at a local medical center.  
 She was born August 5, 1921, at Plano, Idaho, to James Ezra and Elizabeth Arvilla Orr Parkinson. She attended schools in the Rexburg, Idaho area. She married Kenneth LaVoy Tuckett on Falls LDS Temple, in the Idaho Territory, on October 1, 1946. She co-operated a large farm and dairy operation with her husband and children. She also owned and operated a craft shop, a farm supply, and a mobile home dealership. She loved her family and her grandchildren were very special to her. She loved to sing, sew, read cook books, and was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, where she held primary and mutual. She was a member of the National Farmers Organization.

## POCATELLO

She is survived by three sons, Leo (Cindy) of Burley, Terry (Loann) of Rigby, and Stacy (Shannon) of Idaho Falls; two daughters, Karlene (Darwin) Coon of Filer, and Cindy (Mark) Killion of Ammon, Idaho; 15 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; five brothers and five sisters; and two stepdaughters, Luia Marlineau, and Elan Romoff; and a good friend, John Hawes Jr.  
 She was preceded in death by her husband, and one brother, Merrill Parkinson.  
 Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Saturday, December 18, 1999, at the Sunset Memorial LDS Ward Chapel, Montevideo, Idaho, with Bishop John Smith officiating. The family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, 1999, at the Henderson-Sullivan Funeral Home, 431 N. 10th Ave., Pocatello, Idaho, from 11:30 a.m. to 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Church. Interment will follow in the West Jefferson Memorial Cemetery.

## G. Willis Miller

G. Willis Miller, 85-year-old Burley resident, died Wednesday, December 15, 1999, at his home in Burley.  
 He was born June 27, 1914, in Moridan, Mississippi, the son of John Claudio and Dora Elizabeth Willis Miller. He moved with his family to Burley in 1923, where he attended schools. Willis married Mildred Howard on October 2, 1938, in Burley. He worked as an electrical lineman for the City of Burley for two years, for Ferry Light and Power for six years, and for 16 years as an electrician with the Amalgamated Sugar Company until his retirement. Willis loved to fish and spend time with his family. He was loved and will be missed by all that knew him.  
 Survivors include his wife, Mildred of Pocatello; two sons, Michael Miller of Pocatello, Washington, and Patrick Miller of Burley; two sisters, Betty Kayne of Burley, and Ruth Walker of Surprise, Arizona; and four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.  
 He was preceded in death by his

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# Fire engine debate keeps burning

By Ruth Streever  
Times-News writer

HEYBURN - The Minidoka County Fire Protection District defended itself Thursday night against recent criticism over the purchase of a fire truck for Heyburn's fire department.

The debate didn't center on the tinted windows and chrome snow hooks on the truck, proposed for purchase for the Heyburn Fire Department - after district chairman Sylvia Tracy said these are safety features or standard features.

At the crux of the debate is a difference in price tags - from \$20,000 to perhaps as much as \$30,000 - between trucks that serve rural or more urban areas. The district has received a \$255,000 bid for the controversial truck purchase.

East End Fire Department assistant chief Gary Hightley commented that he may have overlooked certain issues in a Dec. 1 letter to The Times-News signed by the East End Fire Department, that said the proposed truck has too many bells and whistles. But he still emphasized the importance of having a fire truck that could serve the

entire fire district, not just Heyburn.

But a "custom" cab would allow for the better city access, a shorter turning radius, and transport five firefighters instead of three, Tracy said.

In response to arguments that Heyburn is looking to purchase a big city truck, Tracy acknowledged the truck is geared more toward an urban area. But the group of Heyburn is, she said, and the proposed truck would be appropriate for the area Heyburn is to serve.

But because of its low clearance, a custom cab would not serve rural areas outside city limits, which are within the Minidoka County Fire Protection District. A hydraulic ladder rack and a five-person cab would not be essential either.

The Heyburn Fire Department, East End Fire Department and North Side Fire District make up the fire protection district.

And although Heyburn must serve the city, it also must serve the other districts as it is located, he said. So critics say a custom chassis would not best serve the most taxpayers.

"We've won (Heyburn Fire Chief Mike Brown) to have a good

truck, but an all-around truck," Hightley said.

Dean Corr of the Minidoka County district said a truck that serves mainly Heyburn would not serve most district taxpayers.

But with 40 percent of the fire district's income coming from Heyburn, it's warranted to have a truck that serves an area where a "high dollar loss and potential for loss is great," Rupert Fire Chief Tracey Taylor said.

Tracy pointed out that although the Heyburn Fire Department fights a significant number of rural fires, it handles more structural fires than East End Fire Department. In 1998, 28 of Heyburn's fires were structural fires, while about 10 percent of the East End department's fires were structural.

Tracy reminded the audience that Heyburn's new fire truck would not "belong" to Heyburn because it serves the entire district. Heyburn has two other trucks that can handle rural fires, Tracy said.

Concern was also raised that such an expensive truck should not be purchased while the North Side Fire District needs replace a 1970 tanker.

# M-C cops buckle down on seat belts

By Ruth Streever  
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Drivers and their passengers can expect a crackdown on seat belt use in the coming year, and rewards for being law-abiding citizens.

Money from a recent Idaho Transportation Department grant will allow Mini-Cassia law enforcement agencies to enforce seat belt use, and emphasize usage as a life-or-death option.

"I have never investigated an accident where someone has been killed when they've worn their seat belt," said Cassia County Sgt. Robert Nay, a 17-year police veteran who is leading the seat belt campaign.

Like an award granted to Twin Falls, it was based on low seat-belt usage in the Mini-Cassia area, with Cassia County claiming only a 31 percent usage, and Minidoka County coming in at 29

## Safety Classes

What: City seat safety class  
When: Saturday, 6:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Where: Rupert Fire Hall  
Cost: Free

percent, said Cassia County Lt. Cary Bristol.

In a joint campaign among Minidoka and Cassia county sheriff's departments and the Heyburn Police Department, they will try to boost usage up to 40 or 50 percent by next year.

The campaign slogan will be "The greatest gift you can give is your seat belt buckle up," said Minidoka County resource officer James Wardle.

The \$48,000 awarded to Cassia County, \$20,000 to Heyburn, and \$20,000 to Minidoka County will go toward equipment such as radars and video cameras, pro-

motional events and overtime pay for the participating officers making extra patrols at peak hours.

To encourage compliance, rewards will be given to people who are wearing their seat belts. Rewards will include T-shirts or movie passes, Bristol said.

Through education at Minico and Burley high schools and local radio stations, law enforcement officials hope to emphasize what a crucial decision it is to buckle up.

"We want to go a little further. We don't want to just be the bad guy," Bristol said.

Minico is already on the right track, Bristol said, with its new traffic safety program. That program was implemented this fall with the help of ITD money.

Times-News writer Ruth Streever can be reached at the Mini-Cassia Bureau at 677-4642 or by e-mail at rstreetr@magicvalley.com

# Council issues report on waste treatment

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - A federal advisory panel is recommending an unspecified alternative to processing the remaining 1.4 million gallons of liquid radioactive waste now stored at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

The National Research Council Board of Radioactive Waste Management, in its report on Thursday to the Department of Energy on treating highly radioactive waste now stored at INEEL, also recommended an improved method of characterizing the properties of the liquid before picking a way to process it.

The board recommended solidifying sodium contaminated liquid radioactive waste as soon as possible using a process other than calcining - a process that turn liquid waste into a dry, ceramic powder.

The liquid is stored in single-wall stainless steel tanks inside underground concrete vaults not suitable for long-term storage. The vaults are not adequate secondary containment and may not withstand an earthquake.

But the panel said the existing storage facilities for the already processed material - dry granules that are easier to handle and take up less space - does

not present any significant hazard to public health and the environment. It recommended

maintaining that storage plan until a permanent disposal site is available.

# Animals will benefit from gingerbread house raffle

The Times-News

KETCHUM - Can't afford the mortgage on a new home? Try donating your money on one of the Wood Bread holiday homes. The Ketchum Bakery is raff-

ling three gingerbread houses for the animal shelter during the holiday season. The houses, larger than typical gingerbread houses, feature artistic masterpieces complete with rein-

deer and grizzly bears. The tickets are \$1 and are available at the bakery's locations on Northwood Way and Leadville Avenue where the houses are on view. The drawing will be held on Christmas Eve.

# Water

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Co., which, along with Northside Canal Co., is co-owner of Milner Dam. "I pledge to you that whenever that happens we will lower as far as we can as long as we can get our negotiation water out," he said. There were questions about

why flooding was not a problem before 1997. "We've been there since 1964 and never had a problem until 1997," said Nick Coskoski, a river-side resident. Changes upstream, such as more home and bridge construction, could contribute to river

flooding, Alberdi said. Coskoski asked why some river water could not be diverted into the aquifer when the Snake River near flood stage. Federal regulations would not allow water to be diverted to the aquifer, said Newcomb, citing the Clean Water Act.

# Nativity

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ish roushounding. She who makes sure "the shoelaces" on the animals' feet have replaced fashionable Bethlehem sandals are tied. And she whose heart aches a few beats when one of the shepherds gets tangled up in his robe, trying to bring an abrupt end to his journey toward the manger.

"It's no big deal. I'm an educator so I'm used to shepherding kids around," she said shrugging her shoulders.

But it's up on stage amidst a nativity made of logs and straw bales flanked by a Christmas tree, poinsettias and wreaths

where the story really begins to deviate from the biblical script. "Right off the bat, one of the animals refuses to 'moo' or 'baa' or 'coo' or whatever he's supposed to do. Instead, he puts his thumb in his mouth and bolts from the stage right into Dad's arms."

"And, suddenly, there appears a multitude of the heavenly host marching down the aisle in plaid skirts, patent leather pumps and bobble socks. Frolic is by this time, one of the angels obviously has to go to the bathroom pretty bad. Still, she adjusts her hair made of lavender-tinted tinsel on

her head, puts on a brave smile and wiggles her way through her announcements and pronouncements. Another incites a laugh from Mom and Dad as she shouts her line in sing-song fashion.

The first cast of characters was probably too awestruck by all the glory shining around them to make a move or even mumble a word. But tonight's cast is a visual cacophony of movement from angels doing hip-hop and tugging on hair caught in their collared wings to shepherds and wise men sitting yawns, picking noses and scratching itches.

# Coffeehouse

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through the Blaine County Youth Partnership with financial support from the Wood River Medical Center Foundation and found a location at The Alternative School.

"This is a safe alternative to drug parties that are so prevalent in this area," Thompson said. "The youth who participate couldn't agree more."

"After Java closes at 9 p.m., teenagers don't have anything to do. They just cruise around town," said Leslie DeLeon, a 15-year-old from the Valley Christian Academy. And besides, DeLeon said, the other coffee shops in the area have adult atmospheres that don't suit

teenagers, she said. "Some people know go to parties just because they're pressured into it. They want to be cool," said 15-year-old Sarah Kremer. "Well, Romancing the Bean is cool."

And while adults remain in the background, they are present to stop any fights or alcohol/drug use that should arise. But so far that hasn't been a problem.

"It's kinda' understood that if you come here you're gonna' come here straight and not messed up," Haugen said.

Organizers said they would deem the project - now in its fifth week - a success if they drew 20 teenagers on a Friday night. They have well exceeded

that goal, having counted up nearly 80 young people in attendance one recent evening.

Thompson said the coffeehouse has already reaped numerous rewards for both the organizers and those who frequent the coffee shop. The youth themselves are the primary business planners, marketers, volunteer laborers and fund-raisers. They learn responsibility and how to use their minds creatively. In short, it gives them ownership in the effort, Thompson said, which in turn gives them a positive outlet for their energies.

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# Bliss council gets audit report

By Dore Jensen  
Times-News correspondent

**BLISS** — The City Council on Wednesday accepted the 1998-99 audit report prepared by accountant R. Michael Burr.

Burr said the city is in good financial shape with an adequate surplus in the general fund.

Also Wednesday, Sean Harding of J-U-B Engineers discussed plans for the service and distribution of the water lines in the city's new water project. The council will review the plans and make corrections as needed.

The council also discussed a

### Meeting on water rates

The city council will hold a special meeting to discuss city water rates from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Jan. 14 at City Hall. The meeting is open to the public.

new ordinance that would make the payment for domestic water delivered to a given property the responsibility of the property owner. The proposed ordinance would make the payment for domestic water delivered to a given property the responsibility of the property owner. The council

agreed the ordinance needed some rewording before it could be published.

In other action Wednesday, the council scheduled a water rate and budget meeting Jan. 14. The class will be conducted by the Rural Community Assistance Corporation.

The council also renewed liquor licenses. The Don't Ask Bar is under new ownership. Its license was approved under the name of Skinny Pig.

Times-News correspondent Dore Jensen can be reached in Bliss at 837-6211.

# School districts consider calendar change

By Mickey Brown  
Times-News correspondent

**FILER** — A common calendar involving the region's 21 school districts is a distinct possibility, superintendent William Feusuhrens told the School Board on Wednesday.

"Twelve school superintendents met on Tuesday and we came up with a common calendar for the next three years, and then we came before the regional superintendents meeting with all 22 school districts and with the exception of Blaine County, whose teachers have to approve the calendar, all the rest of the districts felt they could live with this common calendar," Feusuhrens said.

He explained that for the next few years, all schools would open their doors the last Monday of August and wrap up the school year on June 1.

"Everyone would have the same spring break set for the last week in March and everyone would have the same Christmas vacation — December 22 and come back on January 3," he said.

Feusuhrens said having all schools following the same calendar would benefit teachers and students.

"That way they can have the same vacation as their kids. It will help us in sharing technical classes with other schools and in telecommunication with other schools," he said.

Board members agreed that the prospect of a three-year common calendar would not only benefit the Filer School District, but the region as well.

Also Wednesday, Vicki Leach, a Filer elementary teacher and coordinator for gifted and talented students, discussed a national conference she recently attended.

"It was a wonderful experience and quite enlightening," she said. "I found out that, yes, there are some things we can do differently and things we can do better, but we are on the right track. I found out that cooperative learning, which is real popular, is not best for gifted students. Using the cooperative learning strategy will not allow gifted kids to expand their minds, abilities or aptitudes."

One of the most affective learning strategies for gifted students is the acceleration method, Leach said.

"Acceleration is allowing students to go across grade levels," she said. "Just because a student is age level fifth grade doesn't necessarily mean that he or she should be age level fifth grade in every area of the curriculum."

That child can do accelerated math, then that child should be in a learning environment where they can do their best."

Leach said 23 Filer students have been identified as gifted, with three additional students now being tested for the program. Leach told the board: The five areas used to identify those students include academic, intellectual, performing arts, leadership and creativity.

In other action Wednesday, drama instructor Jon Albertson asked the board to consider funding for a light system in the middle school auditorium. He

presented a system he described as budget-minded and expandable. The cost of the system, which includes eight lights, a dimmer box, microphone cable and a 16-channel control panel, is \$3,295. Added to the basic system would be clamps, pipe, two 100-foot cables, miscellaneous jail screens and assorted hardware, bringing the total to about \$4,000, Albertson said.

In other business, the board approved the resignation of middle school teacher Barbara Firth and hired Jana Walker for the Hollister food service department.

Times-News correspondent Mickey Brown can be reached in Bliss at 543-6562.

# Police charge fake fire chief

**REPUBLIC, Wash. (AP)** — Dave Pace has been charged with impersonating a fire chief to trick a Pennsylvania fire department into giving him a 100-foot hook-and-ladder truck.

Ferry County Prosecutor Steve Graham said Pace, who lives near Curlew, will be arraigned next week. Sheriff Peter Warner has taken custody of the 1980 American LaFrance fire truck, which came

from Cornwall Borough, about 20 miles east of Harrisburg, Pa.

Pace, 51, allegedly invented the Kettle River Fire Department and claimed to be its chief when he responded to the Pennsylvania department's ad to sell its truck last spring.

Pace is not associated with any fire department, and there isn't any building taller than two stories in rural Ferry County,

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# SERVICES

William Jay "Bill" Patton, of Filer, funeral services at 11 a.m. at the LDS Fire Stone Center, graveside services at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Ashton Pine View Cemetery.

Sara M. Fowler, of Boise, formerly of Buhl and Twin Falls, services at 1 p.m. Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, in Twin Falls.

Launa Mae Mallinson, of Buhl, services at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Buhl First Christian Church, viewing from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Robert R. Ross, of Perris, Calif.,

formerly of Richfield, memorial services at 10 a.m. Dec. 21, at the Mission Baptist Church in Perris, Calif.

Doretta Astle Hoskin, of Filer, services at 11 a.m., Saturday at the Filer LDS Stake Center; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls, with family greeting friends from 7-8 p.m., and at the church from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday.

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Ages 13-17	\$30.00/\$33.00	\$45.00/\$55.00	50%/67%
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Dated this 14th day of December, 1999.

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List may have been for party, not violence

PARMA (AP) — Investigators now believe the threat of violence in someone thought to be targeting 60 Parma High School students may have been added to a list of names someone was putting together for an entirely different reason.

Parma School District Superintendent Val Bush said on Thursday that handwriting analysis of the note found Dec. 9 by

students on a classroom floor indicates the list and the threat were written by different people. "We've determined with a high probability that this was a list written up by somebody else and the threat placed on top of it," Bush said. "It could very well have been a list for a party."

Based on analyses by Canyon County sheriff's detectives, he said officials were asking the

school's 300 students whether they were working on such a list that might have been lost or left behind.

"Nothing has made sense for anything but this. As we have looked at the handwriting and so forth it's obvious that there are some differences," Bush said. "It's actually more consoling in some ways, but we're still taking things seriously."

U of I receives credit for retaining students

BOISE (AP) — An accrediting agency has given the University of Idaho a good review for improving its retention of undergraduate students and for other advances, but advised the school it needs to recruit more students if

it is to become the residential university "of choice" in the West.

The comments came in an interim five-year review of the school's accreditation by the Northwest Association of

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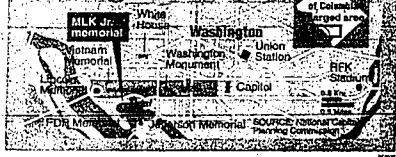
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The new King memorial

The Martin Luther King Jr. memorial will be located in West Potomac Park.



MLK Jr. memorial will sit between Jefferson, Lincoln

WASHINGTON - A memorial to Martin Luther King Jr. has a pool formed by the Tidal Basin, a pool formed by the nearby Potomac River, near the new memorial to President Franklin Roosevelt. The blooming cherry trees around the Tidal Basin draw hundreds of thousands of tourists every spring.

The commission, which is working with the foundation handling the project, expects to announce more guidelines in January. King delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech in 1963 at the Lincoln Memorial.

The monument will sit on the shore of the Tidal Basin, a pool formed by the nearby Potomac River, near the new memorial to President Franklin Roosevelt. The blooming cherry trees around the Tidal Basin draw hundreds of thousands of tourists every spring.

Adam's Mark hotels face charges of racial bias

WASHINGTON - The Justice Department Thursday charged that the Adam's Mark hotel chain discriminated against blacks by charging them more than whites, offering them less desirable rooms and requiring more security from them.

The St. Louis-based chain owns 21 large, full-service hotels around the country. The chain was sued earlier this year by blacks who said the Adam's Mark's Daytona Beach, Fla., hotel singled them out as security risks. That private case has become a class-action lawsuit joined by the NAACP.

"It is hard to believe that 35 years after the Civil Rights Act was passed by Congress, this type of discrimination still exists," Attorney General Janet Reno told a Justice Department news conference. "This isn't fair. It isn't right. And it's against the law."

Joining Reno here, Florida Attorney General Bob Butterworth said the Adam's Mark hotel in Daytona Beach treated blacks in a "degrading, dehumanizing and despicable" way. "The fact that it was part of an overall corporate strategy should shock the conscience of us all."

In St. Louis, Fred S. Kummer, president and chief executive of the privately held chain, declined to comment on the government lawsuit until he had an opportunity to read it.

People believe banks loan money based on nationality

WASHINGTON - By large margins, people believe that banks favor white men over black and Hispanic men and white women in making loans, according to a new national poll commissioned by a liberal group.

The National Community Reinvestment Coalition today released the nationwide poll of 800 voters of different races conducted by Frank Lantz, a

Nation in brief

Republican pollster, and Jennifer Lacio, a Democratic one.

The poll found that, by a 5-1 margin, people believe banks favor white men over black and Hispanic men in deciding on loan applications. The margin was 6-1 for respondents who said they believed banks favor white men over white women.

People also believe Hispanics are nearly twice as likely as whites to have had a loan application rejected, according to the survey, while they believe blacks are four times as likely as whites to have been turned down.

Wall Street policies prohibit flaunting of wealth

NEW YORK - Wall Street's wheelers and dealers will receive a record \$13 billion in bonuses this year. But most of them won't be bragging too loudly about that new Rolex or their African safari.

Apparently trying to live down their "greed is good" reputation from the swabbling 1990s, brokers and traders seem to be much more discreet these days.

The younger bankers and brokers are clearly making more money than they've ever earned before, so they're spending freely. But they're not bragging about it," said Alan Ackerman, senior vice president at Falmesstock & Co. and a 40-year Wall Street veteran.

Some Wall Street firms have specific policies prohibiting the flaunting of wealth. Two years ago, Philip Potter, a 25-year-old Morgan Stanley analyst, found out the hard way. He was fired a day after being quoted in The New York Times bragging about his new 50-inch TV and \$3,500 Rolex.

- compiled from wire reports

State benefits programs last on list

WASHINGTON (AP) - Eight states and the District of Columbia remain at risk for Y2K computer glitches in welfare, health care and other federally funded programs, possibly jeopardizing assistance for millions of needy Americans, federal officials say.

Some haven't fixed computer problems, and others rectified problems just days ago. The problems could complicate the states' ability to write welfare and child-support checks; pay bills and enroll new applicants in January. "Clearly some of them have cut it far too close," said John Koskinen, the White House Y2K coordinator.

State benefit programs were among the last to begin fixing their computers to handle the Y2K computer problem, scrambling through 1999 to reprogram computers and test them.

Most have certified that their systems are in good shape, but federal officials are concerned about stragglers: The report found problems in Alabama, California, Connecticut, Illinois, Kentucky, Minnesota, North Dakota, Oklahoma and the District of Columbia. The U.S. territories also aren't ready, it said. "We're not interested in getting 95 percent of the work done or having 45 out of 50 states in

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good shape. We need to have every state prepared," he said. Even states that just fixed problems are still at risk in correcting the computer glitch in which older machines that read only the last two digits of a date might mistake 2000 for 1900, experts warn.

"When you're doing it this late and you're doing it with the kind of pressure they're under, the probability of errors goes up," said Margaret Anderson, a technology expert with the Center for Y2K and Society.

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WORLD

# Shell fire in Lebanon strikes school, wounds 20

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Israel apologized for the casualties.

One of the three shells struck a wall around the school, shattering windows and littering classrooms with debris and broken glass. Small pieces of human flesh were scattered on a desk and blood-stained the walls. Desks and chairs were overturned by fleeing pupils.

While Hezbollah officials in the south threatened to retaliate - they have in the past fired rockets on northern Israel - their leader said he will hold his fire this time but warned patience has run out.

## Torrential rains leave at least 50 dead in Venezuela

**CARACAS, Venezuela** - The streets of Caracas became raging rivers Thursday after torrential rains paralyzed much of Venezuela, triggering floods and landslides that killed at least 50 people and forced

### World in brief

120,000 to flee their homes.

"The river came like waves," said Marina de la Malave, 55, whose house, perched on a mountainside, was swept away. At least 15,000 people lost their homes throughout northern Venezuela, many crushed by avalanches.

**Egypt cancels plan to cap Great Pyramid in gold**

**CAIRO, Egypt** - In an apparent nod to public opinion, the government of Hosni Mubarak canceled its plan to cap the Great Pyramid in gold for the millennium celebrations. Egypt had planned to usher in the New Year by affixing capstone on the pyramid, built as a tomb for King Cheops about 4,500 years ago.

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### What's going on

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#### 17/Tonight

T.G. Sheppard will perform two shows, at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m., at Cactus Petes Resort Casino, Jackpot. The dinner show prices start at \$10.95; there's a \$7.50 cover charge for the cocktail show. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

The Wood River Community Chorale will present Handel's "Messiah" at 7 p.m. at St. Charles Catholic Church in Hailey. Free.

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The Moritz Hospital Auxiliary will hold its annual Christmas Ball to raise \$150,000 to fund the Wood River Valley's first-paramedic training program. Le Bal de Noel will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Sun Valley Inn at the Sun Valley Resort. The black-tie event will feature Bordeaux wine and dinner, such as crepe de saumon fume and roast duck, and dancing to the music of the Riverside Jazz Orchestra. Silent auction items include a private dinner party for eight entered by Cristina's restaurant; vacation packages, including two nights in a yurt near the Wolf Education and Research Center wolf preserve on the Nez Perce reservation at Winchester and an etched glass mural of Bald Mountain by Jacques Bordeleau. Auxiliary members hope to raise \$150,000 to train a dozen nationally certified paramedics for Wood River Fire and Rescue, the Ketchum Fire Department, the Sun Valley Ski Patrol and other emergency medical organizations. For information, call 622-5968.

Twin Falls' Magic Valley Mall has planned several activities for this weekend in Center Court. Santa Claus will be available from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Flanigan Sue Miller will perform from 7 to 9 p.m. The December Kids Club activity includes visiting a real Christmas camel and watching a movie for free. The camel will be at the mall from 1 to 4 p.m. at the ShopKo courtyard. "Prince of Egypt" will begin at 2:30 p.m. at the Reel Theater. Kids Club members are admitted free to the movie. Free movie for children 8 years old and younger only at the Reel Theater. Seating is limited, arrive early.

The Shoshone Chamber of Commerce will present a free movie for kids at 2 p.m. at the Showhouse Showhouse, followed by an appearance by Santa Claus. The movie is "Muppets in Space."

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# Idaho's Wild Rosalie



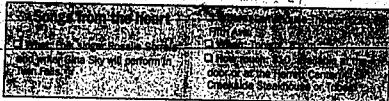
Through her 66 years, Rosalie Sorrels has become an Idaho folksinging legend.

## Legendary folk singer Sorrels her music to Twin Falls tonight

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Idaho doesn't exactly produce folk singers by the sackful.

This, after all, is Nashville country — three chords and an alibi. Maybe that's why Rosalie Sorrels harkens more to blank verse than to LeAnn Rimes: Folk,



After all, is just country with the bark left on. "When I listen to music, it's usually jazz," said Sorrels in a telephone interview from her cabin at Grimes Creek, north of Boise. "And, of course, to other folk singers."

Boise. "And, of course, to other folk singers."

Sorrels — who'll perform in concert here tonight with Boise writer Gino Sky — is one of three Idaho musicians (Gene Harris and Paul Revere are the other two) who can genuinely claim to be legends.

But Sorrels earned her reputation by word of mouth.

The 66-year-old divorced mother of five never had a hit record and never earned a comfortable living with her music, but you'll hear her name in songs by Nanci Griffith and Guy Clark.

They're ballads about a single mother who travels the thrifty shore side of America, her children in tow, trying to make a liv-

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## Michael McLean brings his 'Carols' back home

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — For 11 months a year, Michael McLean may be the most famous ex-Twin Falls resident that you never heard of.

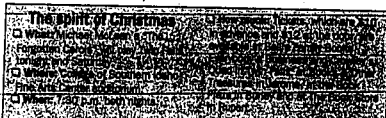
But the producer-writer-composer-impresario pretty much owns Christmas west of the Rockies. His "Forgotten Carols" show, scheduled for the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium tonight and Saturday, plays to sold-out houses throughout the West every December.

McLean, who started grade school in Twin Falls and lived

here through the third grade, owns two Emmy nominations and a holiday bestseller. He's also done highly rated syndicated Yulet-themed TV dramas with James Stewart and Celeste Holm.

"The Forgotten Carols," which also played here in 1995 and again last year, is a musical story of a young nurse who comes to find the spirit of Christmas in an extraordinary way.

McLean, who now lives in Utah, grew up in many different parts of the country because of his father's job as an executive of a major oil company. He



Notes in his biography that he "started high school in Chicago and finished in New Jersey," but it gave him the opportunity to attend as many of the late-'60s Broadway musicals as he could afford.

That experience has paid off

in many different ways. It sparked a creative fire in McLean, which used in his years working for Bonneville Communications, a Salt Lake City advertising agency and television production company.

Some of McLean's most

notable production through Bonneville has been "Mr. Krueger's Christmas," which starred Stewart. McLean originated that story which has become one of the most successful holiday programs ever.

McLean also produced and directed another holiday special based on another of his own stories. "Nora's Christmas Gift" starred Academy Award winner Holm, who also did the book-on-tape narration for McLean's, "Distant Serenade."

His Twin Falls shows are being sponsored by Jerome radio station MDX 103.

## David Lynch offers up an amazing, sweet 'Straight Story'

By Matt Wolf  
Associated Press Writer

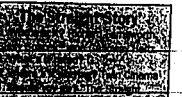
The camera pans over the fields of a seemingly sleepy rural American Midwest populated only — or so it first appears — by scampering dogs.

Zooming in one particular house, it proceeds to introduce Dorothy (Jane Galloway Heitz), a rather lumpen woman with an eye patch who is wedding in and out with food. The woman suggests a true eccentric at best, trouble — or more than that — at worst.

So far, so "Blue Velvet," the defining David Lynch film from 1986 that, located, she hell that lies beneath America.

But the real shock of Lynch's lovely new film, "The Straight Story," is how direct it is.

Virtually every other Lynch tale, from "Eraserhead" and "The Elephant Man" through "to the overripe "Wild at Heart" occupies a vaguely hallucinatory world where nothing is what it seems and human behavior is more often than



not, well, horrific. This time, he's entered the realm of the Great, where G could stand for gentle, in addition to the notable absence of two Lynch mainstays — sex and violence.

Has the new movie been offered up in a token gesture? Whatever Lynch's reasons for making it, one fact is clear: This portrait of a 73-year-old man who has embarked upon the odyssey of his life represents the kind of poignantly reflective journey you never expected this filmmaker to undertake.

In other Lynch scenarios, Dorothy might well emerge as an

incipient psychopath. In "The Straight Story," she merely anticipates our introduction to Alvin — Straight (Richard Farnsworth), a man possessed of a mission — and the lawnmower to achieve it.

Not that Alvin is in any condition to drive a used John Deere mower 300 miles across state lines in order to visit his estranged elder brother, Lyle, who is suffering from a stroke.

Troubled with emphysema, his hips so bad he can barely stand, Alvin won't submit to medical tests, an operation or the use of a walker. Two canes mark his only concession to age.

"I'm not dead yet," he tells daughter Rose (Sissy Spacek), with whom he lives, before setting off on the five-week trek from Laurens, Iowa, to Mt. Zion, Wis.

Is Alvin's decision mad or gallant? A mixture, reader, of both — though John Rosch and Mary Sweeney's screenplay is too graceful to pass judgment on a character who exerts his own unexplained fascination.

Indeed, it's a measure of the

film's method that Alvin's actions are never questioned except by the viewer. In the world of "The Straight Story," a man's gotta do what a man's gotta do.

The bulk of the film consists of the journey itself, though anyone expecting conventional road-movie theatrics should think again. (A septuagenarian driving a cantankerous garden implement isn't exactly "Thelma and Louise.")

At times, the mower won't start; at other times, it moves all too hurtlingly well — the result of a faulty drive belt. Keeping his hat in place, too, proves a constant challenge for Alvin, since passing trucks tend to whip it from his head.

Then come the people Alvin encounters, who turn out to be a most un-Lynchian collective of what one might call good, decent folk.

Some are decidedly quirky — a set of bickering twins, a woman with an unfortunate habit of driving into trees.

More often, however, Alvin is met with unforced compassion,

not least when a priest waltz across the land on which Alvin has trespassed in order to deliver up mashed potatoes and meat loaf.

In tone, the film somewhat recalls — Paul Mazursky's picaresque "Harry and Tonto" of several decades ago, which won a deserved Academy Award for the late Art Carney. There's more than a trace of the earlier film's aging wanderer in Alvin's remark that "the worst part about being old is remembering when you was young."

The role of Alvin is an absolute glory, and veteran character actor Farnsworth (a 1977 Oscar nominee for "Comes a Horseman") inhabits it gloriously in what amounts to a one-man show studded with vivid cameos.

Only Spacek seems wasted in a teary supporting role she may have accepted because the movie's able production designer is her husband, Jack Fisk. At times, the film is a little too "straight" for its own good, with one or two scenes making overly explicit themes or emotions better left unamplified.



# ENGAGEMENTS

## PETERSEN-BREWER

**BURLEY** — Walter and Eileen Petersen of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Eileen Petersen, to Jerry Dewayne Brewer, son of Sue Brewer of Vernal, Utah, and the late Philip Brewer.

Petersen graduated from Burley High School in 1992 and moved to Provo, Utah, to attend Brigham Young University. She served a Guatemala City North Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Following her mission, she returned to BYU and graduated magna cum laude in dietetics with a family science minor in April 1999. She is currently working on a dietetics internship she will complete in June 2000.

Brewer graduated from high school in Vernal, Utah, and attended BYU for one year before his mission call. He served a Brazil Curitiba Mission for the LDS Church. Following his mission, he continued his education in zoology and chemical engineering at BYU. He took a break from his curriculum to study in Jerusalem during the summer of



Jennifer Petersen and Jerry Brewer

1998. He will graduate with a human biology major and minors in chemistry and music in April 2000.

The wedding is planned for Saturday in the Salt Lake LDS Temple in Salt Lake City, Utah. A reception to honor the couple will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Burley West Stone Center, 2400 Park Ave. Open houses will be held in Vernal and Provo.

The couple will reside in Provo finishing college there before entering medical school in the fall.

## TAYLOR-WARDELL

**KIMBERLY** — Gordon and Susan Taylor of Aurora, Colo., announce the engagement of their daughter, Karla Bernice Taylor, to Benjamin Daniel Wardell, son of Dan and Cherie Wardell of Kimberly.

Taylor is a graduate of Overland High School in Aurora and Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, in exercise physiology. She served an LDS mission in the California San Fernando Mission. She is employed at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center in Provo.

Wardell is a graduate of Murtaugh High School and is attending engineering school at BYU in Provo. He served an LDS mission to the Texas Houston East Mission. He is employed by the Engineering Department at BYU.



Benjamin Wardell and Karla Taylor

The wedding is planned for Saturday in the Denver LDS Temple. A reception will be held that evening in Denver. An open house will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Jan. 1, 2000, at 307 Garnet St. in Kimberly.

The couple will honeymoon at Keystone Resort in Colorado and will reside in Provo.

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ing from her songs. "Making music is still the way I earn my living, and I still love it," said Sorrels, who says it's been "a while" since she's done a concert in the Magic Valley.

The proximate cause of her current tour is a new Christmas CD, entitled "An Imaginary Christmas in Idaho," that Sorrels did with Sky and some other friends. It's a cornucopia of story and song, with material ranging from Irish jigs to Basque melodies.

Eight of the 20 cuts on the album are Sorrels' songs, and she plans to do some of them tonight. "Idaho's gotten a lot of bad press lately," said Sorrels of the album, which was produced and released by Boise bookseller Rick Ardinger. "I used to be when I said I was from Idaho, people would say, 'Oh, yeah — potatoes, Frank Church, Ernest Hemingway, Vardis Fisher.' Now

they say, 'Do you live anywhere near Ruby Ridge?' ... or 'Aren't you afraid of the neo-Nazis?' This album is intended to demonstrate that we are just a regular bunch of ordinary people with extraordinary lives: respectable, hard-working, just like everybody, everywhere."

The Boise-born Sorrels, who survived a brain aneurysm and is recovering from breast cancer, still writes, still plans jigs with friends like Bonnie Raitt, and still sings in a steely, clarion voice songs that are unreconstructed Pete Seeger.

"I don't try to be anybody other than who I am," she said. "And for a 66-year-old woman, I'm doin' OK."

Sorrels' CD, "An Imaginary Christmas in Idaho," sells for \$16.95 and is available at most larger Idaho music stores, or from Limberlost Press, 17 Canyon Trail, Boise, Idaho 83716, or by calling (208) 344-2120.

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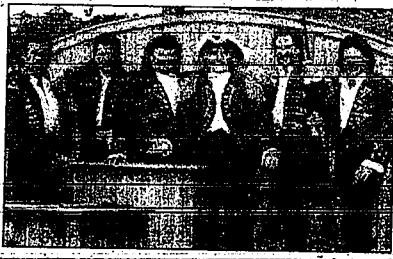
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• The Utah Symphony will perform with the Dallas Brass at 8 p.m. at the Abravanel Hall in Salt Lake City. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.



Paul Revere and the Raiders will play at Kool New Year's Eve 2000 on Dec. 31 at the Boise Center on the Grove.

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• The Boise Philharmonic will perform Handel's "Messiah" at 8 p.m. in the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University. Tickets, which are \$15 and \$18, can be reserved by phoning the Boise Philharmonic (208) 344-7849.

## Next week

• Sunday: "The Nutcracker" will be presented at 2 p.m. at the Capitol Theater in Salt Lake City. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

## Upcoming

• Dec. 27-30: "The Nutcracker" will be presented at 7 p.m. at the Capitol Theater in Salt Lake City. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

• Dec. 28: Megadeath will perform at Saltair resort in Magna, Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$2, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDCC. Saltair is located off Exit 104 of Interstate 80 West, 20 miles west of Salt Lake City.

• Dec. 31: A Millennium Meltdown, featuring the music of Soul Purpose, Orgasmatron and Stranger Neighbor, will play the Bank of America Center in Boise at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which

include drinks, champagne and buffet, are \$99 and can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

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• Dec. 31: Utah Symphony will perform New Year's Eve at 10 p.m. at the Abravanel Hall in Salt Lake City. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

## Next month

• Jan. 7: U.S. Hot Rod Monster Jam will play the Idaho Center in Nampa at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, \$16 and \$18, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. on the east end of Nampa.

• Jan. 7-9: Monster Truck Nationals will play the E Center in West Valley City, Utah. Tickets, which are \$5, \$15 and \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDCC. The E Center is located at 3200 Decker Lake Drive.

• Jan. 7-8: Violinist Axel Strauss will play with the Utah Symphony in a performance of Igor Stravinsky's "Firebird," 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Jan. 7 and at 8 p.m. on Jan. 8 in Abravanel Hall, Salt Lake City. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

• Jan. 13: Salt Lake City's Rite-Woodbury Dance Company

will perform at Jewett Auditorium on the campus of Albertson College of Idaho in Caldwell at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8, \$10 and \$12, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

• Jan. 13-14: The Utah Symphony will present "Symphonic Portraits" at 7:30 p.m. in Abravanel Hall, featuring the music of Respighi, Faure and Paulus. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

• Jan. 14: Mickey Rooney will perform in "Two for the Show" at 7:30 p.m. in the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University. Tickets, which are \$29.50 and \$36.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

• Jan. 15: The Utah Symphony will present Igor Stravinsky's "Firebird," featuring the Underground Railway Theater's shadow puppets, 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. in Abravanel Hall, Salt Lake City. For ticket information, call (888) 451-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

• Jan. 18: Target Stars on Ice will perform at the E Center in West Valley City, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31, \$41 and \$54, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TDCC. The E Center is located at 3200 Decker Lake Drive.

• Jan. 21: Megadeath will play the Bank of America Center in Boise at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$21.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

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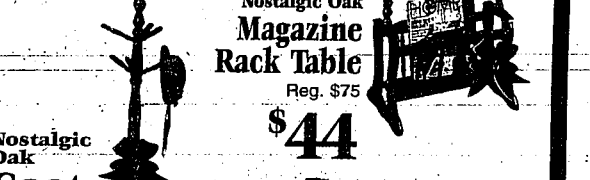
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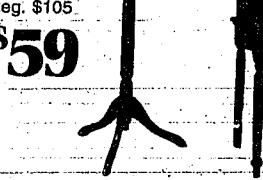
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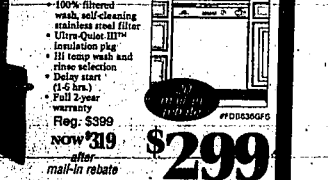
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## ENGAGEMENT



Zach Anderson and Holly Duff

## DUFF-ANDERSON

PAUL - Lorn and Ardith Duff of Paul announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Duff, to Zach Anderson, son of Kevin and Johanna Anderson of Hazelton. Duff graduated from Minico High School in 1998 and attended Ricks College in Rexburg for one year. Anderson graduated from Valley High School in 1995. He served a two-year Chile Santiago North mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The wedding is planned for 9 a.m. today at the Mount Timpanogos LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday at the Emerson 1st Ward building, 350 W. 125 S. The couple will live in Fossilville and continue their education at Idaho State University, where he is majoring in accounting.

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WEEKEND

# Standards keep impressing folks on 'Destination Stardom' program

The TimesNews

TWIN FALLS — The Standards, a Twin Falls-based doo-wop and a capella group, has returned to a second round on the television show "Destination Stardom" and will return Saturday for a third appearance.

"Destination Stardom" is a competition among acts at the Hawaii Convention Center, judged by the audience.

The feature five different entertainment categories in which performers vie for \$2,000 per week. The artists who eventually win each other \$25,000.

"This is one of the most exciting things we have done in our singing career," said Standards member, Quinn Williams. The group consists of Quinn and his brothers Jordan, Morgan, Nicholas and Nathan.

Saturday's show is scheduled for 7 p.m. on KIDD-TV, Channel 55 in Twin Falls. It will be repeated at 5 p.m. on Sunday.



The Standards Making waves in TV Land.

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moving effects unique to the planetarium environment.

Show times will be 7 p.m. today and 2, 3, 4 and 7 p.m. on Saturday. On Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, showings are planned at 1, 2 and 3 p.m. On Dec. 28, they're scheduled for 8 and 8 p.m. and on Dec. 29-30 at 1, 2 and 3 p.m.

Adult admission is \$4, students \$2, seniors \$3 and families get in for \$9. Children under 4 are not admitted.

Platters head to Jackpot

JACKPOT — From the Golden Era of Rock 'n Roll, the Buck Ram Platters are traveling to Cactus Petes Resort Casino for a week of shows.

The group has sold more than 120 million records, with hits such as "The Great Pretender," "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes," "My Prayer" and "Only You."

In Jackpot, the Platters will perform two shows a night, Tuesday through Dec. 26. The 8 p.m. show is a dinner show, and the 11 p.m. show is a cocktail show. For reservations, call 1-800-821-1103.

Hospital ball to raise funds

KETCHUM — The Moritz Hospital Auxiliary will hold its annual Christmas Ball Saturday to raise funds for the valley's first paramedic training program.

Le Bal de Noel will begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the Limelight Room of the Sun Valley Inn. The black-tie event will feature Bordeaux wine and French cuisine, such as croque-daumon fume and roast duck, and dancing to the music of the RiverSide Jazz Orchestra. Silent auction items include a private dinner party for eight catered by Cristina's restaurant; vacation packages, including two nights in a yurt near the Wolf Education and Research Center; wolf preserve on the Nez Perce reservation at Winchester; and an etched glass mural of Bald Mountain by Jacques Bordeaux.

Auxiliary members hope to raise \$150,000 to train a dozen nationally certified paramedics for Wood River Fire and Rescue, the Ketchum Volunteer Fire Department, the Sun Valley Ski

Patrol and other emergency medical organizations.

Animals benefit from raffie

KETCHUM — Can't afford the mortgage on a new home? Try putting your money on one of the Wood Bread's holiday homes.

The Ketchum bakery is raffling three gingerbread houses to raise money for the Animal Shelter during the holiday season. The houses, larger than typical gingerbread homes, feature artistic masterpieces replete with reindeer and grizzly bears.

Raffle tickets are \$1, on sale at the bakery's locations on Northwood Way and Leadville Avenue where the houses are on view. The drawing will be held on Christmas Eve.

Local author to sign books

TWIN FALLS — Local author Hazel Johnson will sign copies of her book, "In Times Past," Saturday from 2-4 p.m. at Barnes & Noble Booksellers.

"In Times Past" is a history of the Lower Jordan communities, a corner of southeastern Oregon which was once part of Idaho. Barnes and Noble is located at 1239-A Pole Line Road East.

Mail slates court activities

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Mall has planned several activities for this weekend in Center Court.

Santa Claus will be available from 2 to 8 p.m. today, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Florian Sue Miller will perform from 7 to 9 p.m. today through Sunday.

The December Kids Club activity includes visiting a real Christmas camel and watching a movie for free. The camel will be at the mall from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Shopko courtyard.

"Prince of Egypt" will begin at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the Reel Theater. Kids Club members are admitted free to the movie. Free movie for children 8 years old and younger only at the Reel Theater. Seating is limited, arrive early.

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Local artist earns honors

KIMBERLY — Raku artist David LaMure recently earned two of-show honors at the Weem's Artist in Albuquerque, N.M.

LaMure was among 200 artists in the best-of-show competition. A panel of seven judges picked the five finalists, and actress Sophia Loren chose LaMure's work as the best.

LaMure's pieces have also been featured in Sunset and Teen Home magazines and Log Home Design Ideas. He'll be the featured artist for the grand opening of Sagebrush Galleries, 100 Main Street in Ketchum on Dec. 29.

Art school prepares concert

TWIN FALLS — Melissa's Tavaid School of Performing Arts will present its Christmas concert, "Our Favorite Time of Year," at 7 p.m. Monday in the Fine Arts Center auditorium at the College of Southern Idaho.

Children, ages 4 through 12, will perform a variety of Christmas songs. Melanie Cook is the director and Teresa Berry is assistant director.

Admission is free and the public is invited.

Choral slings 'Messiah'

HAILEY — The Wood River Community Choral will present Handel's "Messiah" at 7 p.m. tonight at St. Charles Catholic Church in Hailey and at 8:30 p.m. Sunday at Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church on Sun Valley Road in Ketchum. The choir will be directed by Paty Parsons.

Soloists are Sue Noel and Ellen Campion, soprano; Kathy Gaillard, contralto; David Noland, tenor; and Lynn Berg, bass.

CSI steamrolls this season

TWIN FALLS — "Steamrolling Through the Holidays," a new Christmas-themed show at the Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrert Center for Arts and Science on the College of Southern Idaho campus, will be continue through the holiday season.

The name of the show reflects the fact that the entire soundtrack of the presentation comes from Christmas music by Mannheim Steamroller. Faulkner Planetarium director Rick Greenwald and production specialist Chris Anderson have isolated 120 selections from various Mannheim Steamroller Christmas collections for this program.

The show contains many seasonal images to go with the music. It also features special-effects from the Digistar projector, a device that creates 3-D and

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**FEATURES**

**Local comedy, music given up the weekend**

The Times-News

**Today**  
 • The Twin Falls Jazz Sextet will perform at Java, 228 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, 7-10 p.m. Free.

• Dr. Gravy, a band from Boveaman, Mont., will play at Whiskey Jacques on Main Street in Ketchum. The 7-piece band, named for a favorite Montana breakfast dish of biscuits and gravy, plays classic rock tunes with a twist utilizing sounds made on the digeridoo, mandolin, kazoo and bongos. The band will play at 9:30 p.m. Cover charge is \$5.

• The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a public dance at 8:30 p.m. at the DAV Hall at Harrison Street and Shoup Avenue in Twin Falls. Archie Turner will provide the music.

• Trippin' Billies will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.

• Wilson Robert will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at Muggers Brewhub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

• All D.J. might will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Boot Scooters, 1539 Fillmore St. N., Twin Falls. Doors open at 7 p.m. Cover charge is \$3.

• Ralston Cain will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

• Cobalt Blue will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Hot Rocks, 170 S. Park Ave., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$1.

• Bermuda Cowboys will play 8 p.m. at Trout Saloon, 113 Broadway Ave. N., Buhl.

• Dance to the big band sounds of the 50s from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. at the Sunset School building, 401 W. 21st St., Burley. Admission is \$2. Participants must be at least 16 years old. For more information, call 978-8033.

• Desert Rain, also known as Kid Prozak and the Neurologic Cowboys, will play classic and contemporary country, rock and soul from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. at Charlie's Place in Mountain Home.

• Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Old Town Tavern, 127 S. Park Ave., Twin Falls.

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• Cobalt Blue will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Hot Rocks, 170 S. Park Ave., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$1.

• Hagerman Effect will play blended old blues music at 7 p.m. at the New Wooden Nickel, 220 S. State St., Hagerman. Cover charge is \$3. Non-smoking, non-alcohol music entertainment center. All ages are welcome.

• Renegade will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Mr. Bill's, 101 N. Alder, Jerome. Cover charge is \$2.

• Dusty and the Nomads will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at Spambrewer's Barn on U.S. Highway 33, east of Jerome. Cover charge is \$5. Call 324-7366.

• Derek Trucks Band slide guitar quartet will perform at 10:30 p.m. at the Roosevelt Tavern, 280 N. Main St., in Ketchum. Tickets are \$10 at the door. For more information, call 726-0651.

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• "Buena Vista Social Club" (G) - In this charming documentary, German director Wim Wenders chronicles his friend Ry Cooder's successful attempt to persuade a lost generation of legendary musicians to make a comeback album called "Buena Vista Social Club." It sold more than a million copies. Between the beats of this so-called "son" music, you can feel a touching camaraderie among the musicians, including 80-year-old pianist Ruben Blades (they are Ibrahim Ferrer, a la "The Not King Cole of Cuba," whose soft, 70-year-old voice will slay anyone with an appreciation of fine music. When the band makes its final appearance on the Carnegie Hall stage, you realize you're hooked on these musicians for life. In Spanish and English with subtitles.

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2. "Notting Hill," Universal Studios Home Video.
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6. "Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery," New Line Home Video.
7. "Madonna: The Video Collection," Warner Video.
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• "Annie" - Kathy Bates, Alicia Morton, Victor Garber, Kristin Chenoweth. Disney version of the musical about the orphan who finds a home with a big-hearted millionaire. G.

• "New York" - Directed by Ric Burns. Narrated by David Ogden Stiers. Five-volume boxed set of the PBS documentary about the history of New York City. G.

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• "Dick" (PG-13) - In writer-director Andrew Fleming and co-writer Sheryl Long's comically revised version of the 1970s Watergate scandal, teen-age friends Arlene (Michelle Williams) and Betsy (Kirsten Dunst) accidentally find themselves at the vortex of it all. Turns out they were the confidential source known as "Deep Throat" who helped Washington Post reporters Bob Woodward (an exquisitely pedant Will Ferrell) and Carl Bernstein (Bruce McCulloch) crack the story of President Nixon (Dan Hedaya) and all his Machiavellian maneuverings. You'll snort at the caricatures, but the material is less suitable to a feature film than to a sketch comedy. Since sitcom poepry is difficult to sustain over the course of an hour and half. Contains naughty words and sexual double entendres.

• "Drop Dead Gorgeous" (PG-13) - This mockumentary about the lip-glossy politics of a small-town beauty pageant is a heavy-handed and forced-for-subtle satire. It's about the lengths to which a pageant organizer (Kirstie Alley) and her contestant (Becky) (Denise Richards) will go to ensure Becky's victory. Their toughest challenge comes from a bright gal (Kirstie Dunst) who lives in her trailer park Mom (Ellen Barkin). The scheming scenario, the tiredly drawn smalltown eccentricities and an obsession with grotesquerie add up to an over-the-top zero. Contains hardcore slapstick gore and sexually sleazy material.

• "The Red Violin" (R) - In a story spanning centuries and many locales, 17th-century violin maker Nicolo Bussotti (Carlo Cecchi) creates the greatest violin of his life for his unborn son. But when his wife dies, the violin becomes a symbol for Nicolo's grief. The bad vibes remain with the violin, as it changes hands over the next 300 years. The story culminates with a contemporary auction in Montreal, where several characters - including musical instrument douch Charles Morris (Samuel L. Jackson) - are bidding for the instrument. Unfolding in the hands of director Francis Girard and co-writer Don McKellar, who also appears in the movie, "Red Violin" is an overblown, interminable epic that never really hits the high note. Contains nudity and sexual scenes.

• "Teaching Mrs. Tingle" (PG-13) - Helen Mirren's presence in "Teaching Mrs. Tingle" makes a terrible movie more terrible. At The History Teacher From Hell, her classy talents are completely squandered in Kevin Williamson's uninspired black comedy. When Mrs. Tingle erroneously accuses model student Leigh Ann (Kate Hines) of cheating, the student and two classmates (Barry Watson and Marisa Coughlan) try to reason with the teacher. When that fails, the three students take her hostage. It goes downhill from there. Williamson has clearly aimed for

the audiences he earned with such hits as "Scream" and TV's "Dawson's Creek." But he offers no reward for their support. Contains violence, profanity and sexual situations.

• "The Harmonists" - Ben Becker, Helino Ferch, Ulrich Noethen, Heinrich Schafmeister, Max Tiedof, Kai Wiesinger, Marek Becker. The true story of the Comedian Harmonists, a hugely popular vocal sextet that ran afoul of the Nazis because of its three Jewish members. Joseph Vilsmaier's film makes their fate a microcosm of the chaos and barbarity descending on their world. In German with English subtitles. R (nudity, adult themes).

• "Deja Vu" - Stephen Dillane, Victoria Foyt, Vanessa Redgrave, Glynn Barber, Michael Brandon, Noel Harrison. A young American businessman traveling in Europe undergoes seismic upheavals in her relationships. PG-13 (adult themes).

• "A Knight in Camelot" - Whoopi Goldberg, Michael York, Amanda Donohoe. Goldberg plays a modern computer researcher who is transported to the court of King Arthur. (CC)

• "The Very Thought of You" - Monica Potter, Joseph Fiennes, Roy Winston. A young woman leaves America to lead a new life in London free of romance, but meets three men who instantly fall in love with her. PG-13. DVD available. (CC)

• "Wicked Ways" - Rebecca DeMornay, Michael Rooker, Peter Dinklage. A man with two wives finds trouble when his double life begins to unravel. R



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WEEKEND

# 'Bicentennial Man,' 'Stuart Little' arrive in theaters

Combined Wire services

Movies playing in south-central Idaho this weekend. Ratings are by Los Angeles Times reviewers. Ratings by the Motion Picture Association of America are: (G) for general audiences; (PG) parental guidance urged because of material possibly unsuitable for children; (PG-13) parents are strongly cautioned to give guidance for attendance of children younger than 13; (R) restricted, younger than 17 admitted only with parent or adult guardian; (NC-17) no one younger than 17 admitted.

• "Anna and the King" - Jodie Foster as governess, Anna Corrows spins with Chow Yun-fat's King of Siam in this epic-scale production.

• "Anywhere But Here" - Anna Simon's accomplished novel about a painful mother-daughter relationship has been turned into a standard issue Hollywood production of compliance with a soft rock soundtrack. (R) (PG-13 for sexual-related material.)

• "Being John Malkovich" - A clever and outrageous piece of whimsical fantasy about how the discovery of a passage into the

title actor's brain changes the lives of a puppeteer (John Cusack), his wife (Cameron Diaz) and a sexy coworker (Catherine Keener). Directed by Spike Jonze. (15-R for language and sexuality.)

• "Bicentennial Man" - Robin Williams as an android with increasingly strong human impulses. Chris Columbus directs, from Isaac Asimov's novel.

• "Douce Bigelow: Male Gigolo" - Rob Schneider is the latest "Saturday Night Live" veteran to get a "dofus feature" of his very own. (12-R for sexual content, language and crude humor.)

• "Dogma" - A raucous, profane but surprisingly endearing and high energy combination of a fantasy and a world fantasy with a sense of humor and a sincere exploration of questions of faith. (20S. R for strong language including sexual-related dialogue, violence, crude humor and some drug content.)

• "Double Jeopardy" - A predictable but entertaining "wrongfully accused" woman (Anastasia Judd) thriller. With Tommy Lee Jones. (12-R for language, a scene of sexuality and some violence.)

• "End of Days" - Arnold Schwarzenegger vs. Satan on the

streets of New York. (15-R for intense violence and gore, a strong sex scene and language.)

• "The Green Mile" - Though its Stephen King story is a good one, this Frank Darabont written and directed version is hampered by excessive length. (3-08. R for violence, language and some sex-related material.)

• "The Omega Code" - The belief that mathematical equations applied to the Bible can predict the future is at the heart of a slapdash conspiracy thriller about a media mogul-turned-politician (Michael York) who uses the code to establish himself as God. Rated PG-13; violence. 1 hour, 39 minutes.

• "Pokémon: The First Movie" - Great Japanese animation "Pokémon" set. But for kids the movie will be an appealing diversion, though by no means an exhilarating one. (15. G.)

• "The Sixth Sense" - A startling and nervy film about a child psychologist (Bruce Willis) who tries to help a boy with a disturbing secret (Haley Joel Osment). (14-7. PG-13 for intense thematic material and violent images.)

• "Sleepy Hollow" - An exquisitely mounted retelling of the Washington Irving short story (with Johnny Depp as Ichabod Crane and Christina Ricci as Katrina Van Tassel). (1-40. R for graphic horror violence and gore, and for a scene of sexuality.)

• "The Straight Story" - This heartfelt, eloquent account of a

73-year-old man who made a 370-mile trip across America's heartland on a riding lawnmower to visit a sick brother would be a sweet surprise coming from any major American filmmaker. Rated G; nothing objectionable. 1 hour, 51 minutes.

• "Superstar" - Another "Saturday Night Live" sketch blown up for the big screen finds Molly Shannon's Catholic School geek determined to win a talent contest and the affections of a football player hunk (Will Ferrell). Rated PG-13; bad taste, mild profanity. 1-hour, 27 minutes. Reviewed by Jim Monaghan.

• "Stuart Little" - Photo-real digital character creation fuels this production, based on E.B. White's book about a mouse (the voice of Michael J. Fox) raised by a human family.

• "Toy Story 2" - Behind an inevitable cliche is a pleasingly clever and fiendishly inventive sequel to the original "Toy Story," they belong. Voices by Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, Joan Cusack, Kelsey Grammer, Dan Ricketts, Wallace Shawn, John Rutenberger and Wayne Knight. (13S. G.)

• "The World Is Not Enough" - James Bond is back for the 19th time, with Pierce Brosnan effortlessly reprising his splendid take on Agent 007. (2-09. PG-13 for intense sequences of action violence, some sexuality and innuendo.)

## What's Playing

- "Anna and the King," Twin Cinema
- "Anywhere But Here," Reel Theater
- "Bicentennial Man," Twin Cinema
- "The Bone Collector," Reel Theater
- "Douce Bigelow: Male Gigolo," Reel Theater
- "Dogma," Twin Cinema
- "End of Days," The Orpheum
- "The Green Mile," Twin Cinema
- "John Giant," Twin Cinema
- "Miracle on 34th Street," Reel Theater
- "The Omega Code," Twin Cinema
- "Pokémon: The First Movie," Reel Theater
- "The Sixth Sense," Twin Cinema
- "Sleepy Hollow," Reel Theater
- "The Straight Story," Twin Cinema
- "Stuart Little," Twin Cinema
- "Superstar," Twin Cinema
- "The World Is Not Enough," Twin Cinema

- "Dogma," Liberty Theater, Magic Lantern
- "End of Days," SkiffTime Cinemas
- "The Green Mile," Sun Valley Opera House
- "Toy Story 2," Magic Lantern
- "The World Is Not Enough," SkiffTime Cinemas
- "Bicentennial Man," Century Cinema
- "Douce Bigelow: Male Gigolo," Century Cinema
- "The Green Mile," Century Cinema
- "Stuart Little," Century Cinema
- "The Sixth Sense," Burley Theater
- "Toy Story 2," Century Cinema

- "Galaxy Quest," Jerome Cinema (opens Monday)
- "The Green Mile," Jerome Cinema
- "Stuart Little," Jerome Cinema
- "Toy Story 2," Jerome Cinema
- "The World Is Not Enough," Jerome Cinema

- "Anna and the King," Magic Lantern
- "Being John Malkovich," SkiffTime Cinemas
- "Bicentennial Man," Magic Lantern

- "Muppets in Space," Shoshone Showhouse (Saturday afternoon only)

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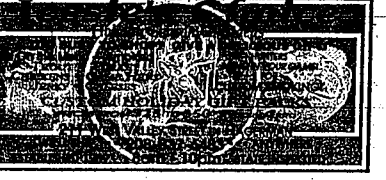
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## UP CLOSE

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By Kevin Hall  
 Times-News writer

### TWIN FALLS — "The Bronx is Up."

A favorite saying of one of New York City's most historic boroughs, and home to the New York Yankees, Bronx Zoo and New York Botanical Gardens — the Bronx is also the address of College of Southern Idaho freshman power forward Dean Browne.

### Focus on

Dean Browne

Men's basketball

Used to the everyday rat race and street mentality of the metropolis, the 6-9 Browne is still getting accustomed to the pleasantries and hum-drum paces of idyllic southern Idaho.

"Everything's fast in New York City," said the 6-9 Browne. "If you're just (standing) along the street, somebody will knock you down. And you always hear somebody arguing. You never know when you come back, you might see the police there, identifying a dead body. You just don't know what it's going to turn into."

"Out here, there's hardly anybody on the streets — they're all in their cars. It's more calm, and you can think about what you want to do."

Browne has been doing a lot of that lately. Thinking.

Arriving at CSI this past summer, the tall, slender Browne brought with him a load of potential and raw talent, along with an attitude.

But one thing was missing — a high school diploma.

"Dean just needs to find some self-discipline," said CSI head coach Derek Zeck.

"I messed up in high school," he said. "But when CSI recruited me, they've given me a second chance to go to school and get my act together. I'm still having trouble, but I'm learning what it takes to be a student-athlete, not just an athlete."

Averaging four rebounds and 4.7 points a game in a little over five minutes, Browne, who's been working toward his GED during the summer and fall, admitted life in Twin Falls has hardly been easy.

"I came out here with a one-way ticket," he said. "And I've been made to feel at home. That's something I like about this place. No matter how hard you make it, (CSI coaches, teammates and professors) don't think it's going to be that bad thing (skipping class for one) and they don't send me home. I'm grateful for it."

The rapid roller followed another New York City playground phenom to the Magic Valley in backup point guard William "Smooch" Parker, and the opportunity he's been given at CSI as a new lease on life. Whether he makes it to the ultimate playground — the NBA — or not, Browne plans on becoming a business man when his playing days are over.

"I love video games, so that would be my first business, opening up a business out of the street, and then opening up my own gym, 24 hours a day."

Browne said the lessons and discipline he's gaining from Zeck and his professors will lead to good use.

"Once you put your mind to it, you can do anything you want," he said. "I didn't even think I'd be in college right now. If I had given up, I'd be going nowhere. And you know, I made it."

By Dex Dutton  
 Times-News correspondent

**RUPERT** — Minutes before Thursday night's game against Twin Falls, Minico coach Blair Garner said he hoped his team could bounce back from consecutive overtime losses to Burley and Piler, and post an upset win over the Bruins.

"We can't let these close games affect our intensity and focus," Garner said. Contributing big in the final period, Bruin Leigh Castillo and Jeremy Sudik combined for 36 points to lead the visiting Bruins to a 63-60 win over Minico.

"We just lost our intensity on defense there in the fourth quarter and they did a good job executing and hit a lot of inside shots," Garner said. "They attacked on defense and we just kind of stalled offensively."

Minico opened the game with a 3-point shot and a bucket from Derek Kunz but a stifling Bruin defense denied the Spartans, holding them scoreless for the remainder of the first period where the Bruins enjoyed a 13-5 lead.

The Bruins continued strong inside, allowing Minico few second looks at the

basket while stretching their lead to as many as 11. But Minico senior Buck Hife found the hot hand, as he scored six of his 15 points in the second quarter, including a coast-to-coast bucket to tie the game at 19 with 90 ticks remaining in the half. Minico would take the lead at the break on a dazzling three-point buzzer beater by John Fennell.

Trading leads with nearly every basket, the game remained close with the third quarter ending as the half did with a clock-beating bucket by Nate Christiansen, lifting Minico to a one-point advantage. But the Bruin inside

game made the difference when it materialized most in the fourth period.

"Leigh and Jeremy were so big in the second half, especially Jeremy with a big rebound at the end," said Twin Falls coach Dan Vogt. "We said in the locker room that we needed somebody to take the ball by the horns and (Castillo) came out and did it. I can't say enough about his effort."

Times-News Staff Writer  
 Photo by Jeff Ruzic

# Twin Falls boys steal win from Minico

## Open Arctic Circle Classic with blowout

By Matt Peterson  
 Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — If it's proven any thing this season, the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team has shown it can play with a lead.

Never trailing in the game, the Golden Eagles coasted to a 102-44 victory over a vastly over-matched Gogebic Community College team from Ironwood, Mich., in the opening day of play

Arctic Circle Classic

Arctic Circle Classic basketball tournament Thursday in the CSI gymnasium.

"We're starting to come together," said Southern Idaho coach Derek Zeck whose team shot 50 percent from the field Thursday.

Leading 43-9 at the break, Southern Idaho opened the second half with a 22-4 run to take a 63-23 lead with over 12 minutes remaining in the game. At one point during the stretch, Southern Idaho scored 19 unanswered points.

Kendall Minor caught fire midway through the half, hitting three 3-pointers in less than two minutes, beginning at the 13-minute mark.

Shortly thereafter, freshman Cardell Butler made his season debut — duplicated the feat, then upped the ante, adding two dunks and a lay-up after his three, three-point effort. During



College of Southern Idaho's forward, Brandon Ferguson, shoots during the first half of the game against Gogebic Community College. The Eagles beat Gogebic 102-44.

that three-and-a-half minute stretch, Butler scored 15 straight points for Southern Idaho. In his first game back, Butler collected a game-high 19 points in just 17 minutes of play.

"I was happy for our guys," Zeck said. "I was happy for Cardell getting into the game. He's a good one."

After Butler's spurt, the Golden Eagles enjoyed an 87-33 lead, after which they outscored

the Samsons 15-11 to end the game and secure the lopsided win.

"I thought everybody played unusually tonight," Zeck said. "Everybody was making the extra pass. I was just proud of our effort."

In breaking the game open in the second half, the Golden Eagles shot a blistering 50 percent from the three-point line and an impressive 55 percent

from the field. They outbounded the Samsons 49-37 in the game and committed 22 fewer turnovers than their opponents, 32-10.

Southern Idaho opened the game with a 15-2 run, eventually taking a 24-5 lead midway through the first half. Five of the Golden Eagles' first 12 field goals were dunks. Forward Jerry Dupree accounted for

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## Bear-Cat kicks off fifth year

By Lisa Withner  
 Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls and Jerome High Schools are once again hosting the 16-team Bear-Cat Invitational wrestling tournament today and Saturday, opening tournament competition in the Magic Valley.

It's the fifth year the two schools have held the two-combined tournament. Varsity competition begins today at 3 p.m. at Twin Falls, with junior varsity matches being held at the Jerome High School.

Tigers coach Des Case says it's too early in the year to say who will lead the tournament, but he added the matches should be competitive all around. On Wednesday night, Pocatello defeated perennial power Minico 38-24 in a dual match.

Bruins coach Dave Slotten foresees a tough matchup at the 119-pound weight class between Spartan Jesus Tamayo and Pocatello's Shilo Armstrong. Slotten said the teams to beat will be American Falls, Minico and Pocatello.

During the 1998-99 season, Tamayo was Minico's undefeated state champion at the 112 pound weight class, while Armstrong took second in the 103 class.

"That will be one of the toughest match-ups," said Slotten. "As far as brackets are concerned, we have a lot of people, the 135-pound class will be the toughest."

Case said he's looking for his Tigers to make a good showing. "There's a couple of people we're hoping to get some places out of," Case said. "Troy Egbert and James Whitechurch will be the ones to watch. Other people to watch are K.C. USCola from Minico and Armstrong."

At the 1999 state wrestling tournament, Egbert placed fourth in Jerome's entrance to the A-1 division. USCola also placed at the state tournament, finishing second at the 152-pound class.

Slotten also has Bruin hopefuls for places in four divisions. Jason Hamilton wrestles in the competitive 135 class. Myrle

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## Question and Answer

1. Being a 29th fan, what's your track of his?  
 "Dad. Mama."
2. Who's your favorite current NBA player?  
 "I like a lot of the young players — Kevin Garnett, Stephen Marbury and Lamar Odom, because he's 6'10 and scores the most points in the league."
3. An avid video gamer, what's your favorite video game?  
 "NBA Showtime."
4. What do you like for breakfast?  
 "Cereal. Doesn't matter what kind as long as it's sweet and doesn't get soggy."
5. What's your favorite basketball move?  
 "Above the Rim."

The Associated Press

**JACKSON, Tenn.** — Wearing leg irons and handcuffs, Rae Carruth told a judge Thursday he would return to North Carolina to face a murder charge in the shooting of his pregnant girlfriend.

Prosecutors said they intend to seek the death penalty against the Carolina Panthers wide receiver and the three other men charged in the killing of Cherice Adams.

Carruth was captured by the FBI on Wednesday evening, hiding in the trunk of a car on a rural, paved lot in Wildersville, about 100 miles northeast of Memphis. An affidavit filed with the arrest warrant said Adams learned of his whereabouts from the bonding company responsible for Carruth's \$3 million bail.

Wearing a gray-and-black jacket and blue jeans, Carruth was brought into U.S. District Court for a brief hearing before Judge James Todd.

"I'm going to voluntarily go back," Carruth said softly.

Todd turned him over to U.S. marshals, but it was not immediately clear when Carruth would be returned to North Carolina.



Rae Carruth

is listed in fair condition. When Adams died Tuesday, a first-degree murder warrant was issued against Carruth.

According to the affidavit by FBI Special Agent David Drew, a source with the bonding company told authorities a gray Toyota Camry was seen parked outside Carruth's Charlotte, N.C., home on Tuesday, and the same car was seen in the parking lot at a Wildersville motel on Wednesday.

FBI agents stalked out the motel for about two hours, then located the woman to whom the car belonged. After questioning her and searching her room, authorities asked her to let them look in her car. She told them Carruth was in the trunk, and he surrendered peacefully.

The woman, who has not been identified, has not been charged, according to Assistant U.S. Attorney Len Register in Jackson.

## Rookie Dolphin faces charge

**Miami Dolphins** rookie running back Cecil Collins was arrested on a burglary charge Thursday after neighbors accused him of climbing through their bedroom window.

The couple told police for the first time after the arrest that the player had been snoring in the woman's bed. The crime report mirrors charges that placed Collins on probation in Louisiana.

"I'm very disappointed in Cecil's actions," coach Jimmy Johnson said in a statement. "I want to make it clear that the Miami Dolphins organization does not condone the behavior that was reported to us."

Collins was charged with two counts of burglary and suspended indefinitely from the rest of the season of Ronald and The Note, the arrest report said. Lt. Gary Wilton said additional charges were possible.

Collins hasn't been practicing. Players while recovering from a broken left leg sustained in the Buffalo game Nov. 14.

Ronald told police that he chased Collins around the apartment before Collins dove out the window he entered, landing in wet grass and ran away. Police were checking fingerprints on the window. No weapons were involved, and Collins was not asked to submit to any alcohol or drug testing, Klam said.

## Source: Irish will face major NCAA sanctions

The Associated Press

**SOUTH BEND, Ind.** — The NCAA will announce Notre Dame's first major rules infraction in school history today, ending a two-year investigation into the relationship between players and a former booster who lavished them with gifts, money and trips, an NCAA source said.

The source, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said the penalties decided by the Committee on Infractions would not be harsh.

The NCAA scheduled a teleconference for today to announce the decision.

The Chicago Tribune reported Thursday that the discipline likely would include probation and a host of a small number of scholarships. The paper also reported that the current coaching staff, including head coach Bob Davie, was not implicated.

Today's announcement could end one of the most embarrassing periods

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All are charged with first-degree murder.



SPORTS

Top-ranked Melba slips past Glenns Ferry

Hot Hands

Leading area high school boys' basketball players - scoring, rebounds, assists, steals, blocks and points - through games Dec. 13 (player, number of games played and average points per game) appear every Thursday. Only stats appear Friday.

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MELBA - The Glenns Ferry Pilots fell to the No. 1 ranked Melba Mustangs in non-conference A-2 action Thursday night 65-58.

"We had the lead toward the end of the game," said Glenns Ferry coach John Tucker. "They just had much more experience than us and out executed us down the stretch."

Alex Crane led all scorers with 16 including two 3-pointers. The Pilots host Hagerman tonight.

Jerome 69, Century 57

JEROME - The Tigers, hungry for their first win, looked to Brad Stokes, who nailed three 3-pointers near the end of the first quarter to take the lead at 11-9, and the Tigers outscored the Diamondbacks in every quarter of the game to pull away with the win.

"We went to a zone," said Jerome coach Larry Walter. "It took them a couple of quarters to figure that out."

Walter cited an improved free-throw percentage another key to the game, especially in the fourth quarter. Todd Capps hit five of six from the line, while Brad Pettung hit six of eight.

Stokes led the scoring with 25 points, sinking seven of nine two-pointers and three of eight 3's.

The Tigers (1-3) play at Rivier Saturday.

Richfield 62, Oakley 48

RICHFIELD - The Richfield Tigers remained undefeated Thursday night, beating Oakley and improving to 7-0 on the season.

"We jumped out on them, but they came storming back," said Richfield coach Garr Ward. "They controlled the third quarter, but we dominated the fourth quarter by executing well and playing tough defense."

The Tigers play at Rivier Saturday.

Carey JV 69, ISDB 41

CAREY - The Carey Panthers junior varsity broke open a close game in the second half as they topped the Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind in non-conference action Thursday night.

Chad Robbels lit up the nets for the Raptors as he had a game high 26 points. Shawn Hennefer paced the Carey attack with 20 points.

Nittany Lions advance to volleyball championship

HONOLULU (AP) - Lauren Caccianulli had 26 kills as top-ranked Penn State beat Pacific in five games Thursday night to advance to the final of the NCAA women's volleyball tournament.

CSI

three of those 11s as CSI dominated early offensively. Dupree finished with 15 points, 12 coming on dunks.

Local sports

Wood River 46, Wendell 42

WENDELL - The Wendell Trojans led after three periods, but the Wood River Wolverines rallied for the victory as both teams opened A-2 District IV basketball action Thursday night.

The Wolverines led early only to see the Trojans come back in the third period to take the lead.

Down by four points late in the game, Wood River put on a press and Wendell could not handle the pressure. The Wolverines forced several turnovers and turned them into easy baskets.

Wendell falls to 0-1 in conference and 2-2 overall. They travel to Gooding on Tuesday.

TECA 57, Murtaugh JV 54

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Christian Academy improved to 5-1 on the year as they edged the Murtaugh JV 57-54.

"We hit some big free throws toward the end of the game," said TECA coach Brent Walker.

TECA had three players score in double figures.

The Trojans travel to Murtaugh to face the JV in a rematch Monday.

Shoshone 40, Camas County 37

FAIRFIELD - The Mubbers had the ball down one with eight seconds left, but couldn't get a call to go their way as Shoshone stole the win 40-37.

"Shoshone came out strong," said Camas County coach Jon Boz. "We had to play catch up all game."

Camas County falls to 1-4 on the season, and travels to Hansen Saturday.

Highland 59, Burley 42

POCATELLO - Highland put four players in double digits to defeat Burley Thursday night in a non-conference game.

Poor defense on the Bobcats' side aided Highland in the win.

"We didn't play very good, especially defensively," said Burley coach Matt Harr. Burley (2-3) hosts Jerome Saturday.

Hansen 58, Murtaugh 51

HANSEN - Nine players scored to lead the Hansen Huskies to a win Thursday night over Murtaugh in a close game.

The Red Jaws began to outpace the fourth and stepped ahead early in the fourth but couldn't overcome the Huskies' offense.

Chipola 92, Northern Oklahoma 66

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Will Campbell led the Indians with a double-double performance, scoring 23 points and pulling down 15 rebounds.

Teammate Junior Spurlock added a game-high 25 points and seven rebounds as Chipola improved to 13-1 on the sea-

Bliss 52, Dietrich 90

DIETRICH - Dietrich's great teamwork and unstoppable offense led to victory over Bliss for their fourth season win.

"We had a total team effort. Everyone goes to play and everybody scores," said Dietrich coach Sean Thompson.

Dietrich (4-2) travels to play the Minico JV team on Monday.

Twin Falls JV 58, Carlin, NV 36

JACKPOT - The Twin Falls junior varsity beat a variety team from Carlin, NV in the "Junior Challenge." Tuesday night.

The Bruins advanced to the championship game tonight.

Rockland 73, Raft River 55

Not details reported.

Girls' basketball Wood River 44, Gooding 31

HAYLEIGH - The Lady Wolverines come out big early, leading 28-14 at the half, maintaining their lead to beat the Gooding Senators 44-31 Thursday.

"Our girls had a great first half," said Wood River coach Tommie Anderson. "We rebounded the ball well and maintained our lead in the second."

Joanne Anderson led all scorers with 14 in leading effort for the Senators, while Laurel Williams and Casey Mountrich had 12 a piece for the Wolverines.

Wood River (2-2, 6-4 overall) travel to McCall for the Mide High Classic Dec. 27-28.

Valley 58, Hagerman 36

HAZELTON - The Valley Vikings began the season strong as they defeated the Hagerman Pirates in girls non-conference basketball Thursday night.

The Pirates jumped out to an eight-point advantage. Valley picked up the defensive intensity and outscored Hagerman 18-10 in the second half.

Kyla Boem, who finished with 20 points, and Summer Callen, who added 14, drew the defense out with outside shooting and the Vikings began to pull away.

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They made a pretty good run in the third quarter to tie the score," said Hansen coach Rick Abel.

Hansen (5-6) hosts Camas County on Saturday.

Dietrich JV 39, Bliss 35

DIETRICH - Although the score was tied 20-20 at halftime, the Bliss Bears only scored three points in the third quarter, allowing the Blue Devils the chance they needed to seal the win.

"Dietrich is a good team; Brynna Southwick hurt us," said Bliss coach Lamar Dutschel. "But we are starting to run plays a little better and our defense is improving."

Southwick led Dietrich with 21 points, while Britt Samdri Brzemdineled all scorers with 22.

The Bears (1-10) travel to Shoshone Tuesday.

Other scores Carey JV 26, ISDB 44

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Wrangling Gooding 68, Minico 12

OAKLEY - The Gooding Senators won their majority of matches Wednesday night, beating the Minico JV squad 68-12 at the Oakley high school wrestling gymnasium.

"We just stayed focused," said Gooding coach Mark Smulfer. "It helps to get some wins under our belts. Minico is a big program around here, and whether its their varsity or their JV, it feels really good to beat them."

Gooding next wrestles Dec. 30 at the Oakley tournament.

Burley 45, Century 30

POCATELLO - Burley got its first wrestling victory of the season on Thursday night in Century 45-30.

"Eric Pierce came out and took control," said Burley coach Clint Milliron. "He had a good match."

The Bobcats (1-3) are competing in this weekend's Bear-cat Invitational today and tomorrow.

Valley 66, Glenns Ferry 15

Not details reported.

Bear-Cat

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McMillen and Adam Paxton follow at 140 and 152 respectively and Clint Kaydeland finishes off at heavyweight.

"Right now it's too early to tell who's where in each weight class," he said. "The 130 to 160 classes always have tough competition. It'll be a good tournament, there will be some good matches and tough competition all around."

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In addition to Butler and Dupree, three other Southern Idaho players scored in double figures. Blanton Ferguson and Minor finished with 11, while Mike Hood tossed in 10.

Along with the scoring, the Golden Eagles got the job done defensively. Hitting Gogebic to just seven of 27 shooting in the first half. From behind the arc, the visitors weren't much

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Veteran wide receiver Irving Fryar said Thursday that he is considering postponing his retirement for another year and playing next season for the Washington Redskins.

Senior coach Norv Turner said Fryar's decision to play another season is a "big plus" for the Redskins.

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Southern Idaho improved to 11-3 with the win and will take on Northern Oklahoma tonight.

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SPORTS

NBC farms out 273 hours of Sydney Olympics to cable

NEW YORK (AP) - NBC will use its CNBC and MSNBC cable networks to help beam Sydney Olympics coverage virtually round-the-clock to a U.S. television audience next September. The network said Thursday it will farm out 273 hours of Olympics programming on the two cable networks, the first time Summer Games coverage will be available on cable. Add NBC's coverage and late-night sports repeats, and a staggering 435 hours of Olympics will be available on TV - with 170 hours of original programming on the cable channels. Jim Lampley and Pat O'Brien will be hosts of the cable telecasts. Beginning Sunday, Sept. 17, at least one gold medal event each day will be seen on cable. MSNBC will show Olympics coverage from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. MDT on weekdays, then CNBC will pick up the games from 3 p.m.-7 p.m. MSNBC will replay its daytime coverage from 10 p.m.-5 a.m. NBC, meanwhile, plans to show the Olympics each weekday from 8 a.m.-10 a.m. and 5 p.m.-10 p.m. Despite all the time on the air, NBC does not plan to show any events live because the time difference: Sydney is 15 hours ahead of New York time, and 18 hours ahead of Los Angeles.

Philadelphia's comeback defeats feisty Phoenix 5-3

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Mark Recchi scored a power-play goal with 65 seconds left as the Philadelphia Flyers came back with three goals in the final 2:19 to beat Phoenix 5-3 on Thursday night. Recchi took a pass from John Leclair and rifled the puck past Bob Escharr for the Flyers forward's 15th goal. It came 1:43 after Leclair tied it with his 16th goal on a play set up by Recchi. Philadelphia, playing without injured captain Eric Lindros, extended the league's best current home winning streak to 10 games (9-0-1). The Flyers won for the first time in three games since coach Roger Neilson announced he has been named coach. Jody Hull added an empty-net goal with 29 seconds left, and Dan McGillis and Keith Jones also scored. Keith Tkachuk had his fourth two-

NHL

goal game of the season for the Coyotes, who lost their season-high of six. Dallas Drake also scored. Devils 2, Canadiens 1 MONTREAL - Randy McKay scored on a deflection with 20.9 seconds remaining as New Jersey beat Montreal to improve to 4-1-1 in its last five games. Montreal's Craig Darby opened the scoring with a shorthanded goal at 9:38 of the first period, and New Jersey's Jay Pandolfo tied it 47 seconds into the second. Devils goalie Martin Brodeur made 17 saves.



Phoenix Coyote Jeremy Roenick (97) watches teammate Keith Tkachuk's goal against Philadelphia as Flyers' goalie John Vanbiesbrouck and defender Chris TOTHAN during NHL action Thursday night.

SCORES AND STATS

IN THE BLEACHERS By Steve Moore



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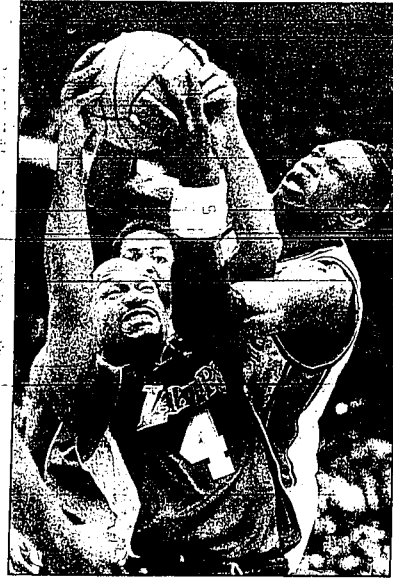
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SPORTS



Los Angeles Lakers' Ron Harper, front, and Atlanta Hawks' Dikembe Mutombo battle for a rebound during first-half action Thursday in Atlanta.

## Howard's magic leads Wizards beyond Nets

WASHINGTON (AP) — Juwan Howard scored 28 points and helped the Washington Wizards rally from a nine-point fourth-quarter deficit to defeat the New Jersey Nets 108-104 Thursday night.

Howard scored Washington's first seven points of the game and two clutch baskets and two key free throws in the final three minutes.

Howard made a jumper to give the Wizards the lead for good at 100-98. He added another jumper for a 102-98 lead with 1:14 remaining. Jahid White then made a three-point play with 52.8 seconds left for a 105-99 Washington lead.

New Jersey's Stephen Marbury got a three-point play to slice the lead to 105-104 with 15.6 seconds left.

Rod Strickland made one of two free throws with 13.8 seconds left before Kerry Kittles missed a driving shot with about 10 seconds left for New Jersey.

Howard then made two free throws with 8.7 seconds left to ice it.

Marbury had 20 points and 11 assists, and Keith Van Horn added 23 for the Nets.

### Bucks 96, Heat 95

MIAMI — Ray Allen scored 28 points and hit an 18-foot running jumper with 1.7 seconds to play to lift the Milwaukee Bucks to a 96-95 win over the Miami Heat on Thursday night.

Sam Cassell had 20 points and seven assists, and Vinny Del Negro added 15 points for the Bucks.

Voshon Lenard came off the bench to hit 7 of 10 3-pointers and score 29 points for the Heat, who dropped their third straight game, Alton Mourning had 21 points, 18 rebounds, and four blocked shots.

The Bucks, who beat Orlando on Wednesday, shot 19-of-20 from the line, completing a two-game, two-night swing through Florida connecting on 37 of 39 free throws.

### Lakers 95, Hawks 88

ATLANTA — Kobe Bryant scored 30 points to make up for an off night from Shaquille O'Neal to give the Los Angeles Lakers a 95-88 win over the Atlanta Hawks on Thursday night.

It was the fourth straight win and 11th in 12 games for the Lakers (15-5), who have the best record in the league.

Isiah Rider led the Hawks with

# Test time for the Redskins, Colts

By Dave Goldberg  
Associated Press writer

The Indianapolis Colts have lost only one home game this season and need one more win to clinch the tough AFC East crown. The Washington Redskins have lost three straight road games and a loss could knock them back into a tie for the lead in the mediocre NFC East.

Easy pick? Maybe — although the Colts opened as 8-point favorites and enough money has come in to drop the spread down to 6.5.

This is a test for both teams, particularly the defenses.

The Redskins won't shut down Peyton Manning, Edgerrin James and Marvin Harrison, nor at home in an indoor stadium where the weather will be no factor.

But the Colts' strength is not defense, particularly against as good an offense as Washington's. Still, Indianapolis' goals are rising.

If the Colts win this week and once more, they will set a record for the best turnaround in a season — 10 games better than last

year. Suddenly the banned words "Super-Bowl" have become a stated goal.

"This team is still very hungry," Manning says. "We still have some football to be played, and a lot of things to play for."  
COLTS, 34-24

Green Bay (plus 4.5) at Minnesota (Monday night)  
The loser probably doesn't make the playoffs.  
VIKINGS, 31-24

New York Giants (plus 10.5) at St. Louis  
This is the toughest game left for the Rams, who could clinch home field throughout the playoffs with a win. The Giants are playing well and need it more, but won't get it with a depleted secondary at the Trans World Dome.  
RAMS, 27-17

Tampa Bay (minus 1.5) at Oakland  
The Bucs have won six in a row.  
Law of averages.  
RAIDERS, 15-10

Buffalo (minus 3) at Arizona  
Plummer vs. Flutie should entertain the prime-time audience.  
BILLS, 24-20

Pittsburgh (plus 8.5) at Kansas City (Saturday)  
Even Dan Rooney, the Steelers' owner, thinks some of his players have mailed in the season.  
CHIEFS, 24-10

New York Jets (plus 6) at Dallas  
The Cowboys are magic in Texas.  
COWBOYS, 10-6

Seattle (plus 1.5) at Denver  
The Seahawks' free fall has to end some time.  
SEAHAWKS, 17-13

San Francisco (plus 7.5) at Carolina (Saturday)  
Seifer's revenge (again).  
PANTHERS, 34-14

Jacksonville (minus 14.5) at Cleveland  
The Jaguars are good, but the schedule also helps.  
JAGUARS, 41-3

San Diego (plus 7.5) at Miami  
The Dolphins' skid ends.  
DOLPHINS, 16-10

Detroit (minus 3.5) at Chicago  
Not that easy for the Lions, who need this badly.  
LIONS 20-19

New England (minus 3.5) at Philadelphia  
Even if New England wins, its playoff hopes are questionable.  
PATRIOTS, 22-20

New Orleans (plus 8) at Baltimore  
Too bad for the Ravens the season didn't start a month ago.  
RAVENS, 27-10

Atlanta (off) at Tennessee  
The Titans clinch a playoff spot.  
TITANS, 24-12

Last week: 6-9 (spread); 8-7 (straight up)  
Season: 93-103-7 (spread); 124-79 (straight up)

Dave Goldberg is an NFL writer for The Associated Press.

## Faulk chases Sanders' total yards mark

Soft-spoken Ram has three games to gain about 450 yards

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Marshall Faulk seems to have filled the gap for the NFL created by Barry Sanders' retirement.

The St. Louis Rams' running back leads the league with 1,900 total yards, and has a chance in the final three weeks to surpass the rushing-receiving total of 2,358 by Sanders in 1997. He's undoubtedly the league's acquisition of the year, costing the Rams only second- and fifth-round draft picks to pry him loose from the Indianapolis Colts.

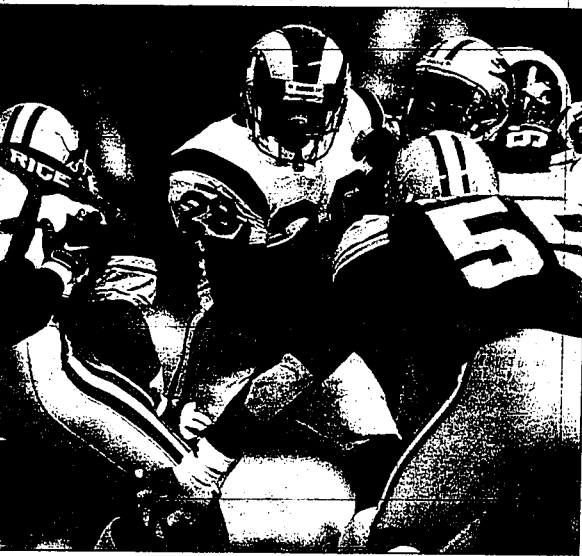
Coach Dick Vermeil said the Colts desire two days before the draft to clear the way for first-rounder Edgerrin James, plus his longtime friendship with Colts coach Jim Mora gave the Rams an MVP candidate on the cheap.

"Sometimes the other organization is pressured to do what they want to do, and they did not make a mistake," Vermeil said. "Edgerrin James is a fine, fine player. They were right in doing what they were doing in the approach they wanted to take."

Just don't ask Faulk about the Colts or James, the player he overtook two games ago. James is second in the league with 1,787 yards.

Faulk's unspoken reasoning is there's nothing to be gained from a war of words with the team that jilted him. So his stock answer is "next question."

Faulk would rather let his actions, like six consecutive 100-yard rushing days for the first



St. Louis running back Marshall Faulk eyes the Detroit defense during their game Nov. 7 in Pontiac, Mich. time in his career, speak in most other cases as well. "I'm no superstar," he said. "I don't look at myself as that. I'm just one of the players in this league who's seizing an opportunity. When I'm finished, I'm gone."

## No. 1 Cincinnati downs Saint Louis 79-64; Kansas wins

ST. LOUIS (AP) — For the first time this season, Cincinnati built a big lead and didn't put its game on cruise control.

Kenyon Martin had 19 points and 17 rebounds and the top-ranked Bearcats put away Saint Louis with a 19-4 run that started near the end of the first half in a 79-64 victory Thursday night.

"They felt the effects of the Bearcats," said Pete Mickel, who had 13 points and 10 rebounds.

**Top 25 college basketball**  
Freshman DerMarr Johnson added 23 points for Cincinnati (8-0), which had a 38-21 advantage on the boards in the Conference USA opener for both schools.

### No. 8 Kansas 80, No. 12 Ohio State 67

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Kenny Gregory, a Columbus, Ohio native who took plenty of grief for not attending Ohio State, scored 17 points Thursday night and led No. 8 Kansas to a spirited 80-67 victory over the 12th-ranked Buckeyes.

Gregory, a 6-foot-5 junior end-Kansas' leading scorer this season, still did not match his old buddy from high school days. Michael Redd had 20 points and 10 rebounds for the Buckeyes (4-2) in their first road game of the season.

Eric Chenoweth had 12 points and 12 rebounds for Kansas (8-1), which avenged a 66-54 loss last week to then-No. 4 Michigan State, one of four Big Ten teams the Jayhawks will play this season. Kansas guard Jeff Boesche had 15 points in the matchup between Big 10 and Big 12 powers.

**Women's basketball**  
No. 3 Louisiana Tech 90, La.-Lafayette 45  
LAFAYETTE, La. — Ayana Walker and



Ohio State guard Michael Redd, left, and Kansas center Eric Chenoweth battle for the ball during the first half of Thursday's game in Lawrence, Kan.

Brooke Lassiter each scored 16 points Thursday night and No. 3 Louisiana Tech beat Louisiana-Lafayette, 90-45, its 34th victory over the Lady Cajuns in as many meetings.

Tech (7-1), which also got 11 rebounds from Cheryl Ford, scored 28 of the game's first 31 points and had 45 points before Louisiana-Lafayette (4-4) reached double figures. It was 68-15 at halftime in the Sun Belt Conference for both teams.

The Lady Techsters shot 55.6 percent in the first half and held Louisiana-Lafayette to 50-

28 shooting (17.9 percent).

The Lady Techsters opened the second half with a 19-7 run and eventually got the lead up to 60 points late in the game. After committing 20 turnovers in the first half, the Cajuns finished with 29.

Kerry King had 10 points to lead Louisiana-Lafayette.

### No. 8 Auburn 86, N.C.-Asheville 30

AUBURN, Ala. — Shana Askew scored 16 points and No. 8 Auburn dominated defensively and on the boards to beat winless North Carolina-Asheville 86-30 Thursday night.

The Tigers (7-1) outbounded the Bulldogs (0-5) 50-27, holding them to 23 percent shooting. Auburn forced 30 turnovers and committed 18.

The Tigers had more players score (3) than UNC-Asheville had field goals (12).

Reserve Joy Marshall led the Bulldogs with nine points. Center Tonisha Jackson had 12 rebounds, three blocked shots and two steals, but was limited to three points.

### No. 25 Texas 83, Fordham 57

NEW YORK — Edwina Brown scored 23 points and Texas celebrated its return to the Top 25 with an 83-57 victory over Fordham on Thursday night.

The 25th-ranked Longhorns (7-2) had not been ranked for 39 consecutive polls, a run dating to Nov. 18, 1997.

Jorhuth Woods added 21 points for Texas, which won its fourth straight, while Lindsey Ryan had 10.

The Longhorns, who finished with a 46-20 rebound advantage, visits No. 16 Rutgers on Saturday to complete their two-game trip to the New York City area. Texas had a 6-2 edge in the series against Scarlet Knights.

## Woman files grievance against female coach

HICKORY, N.C. (AP) — A female basketball player at Lenoir-Rhyne has filed a sexual harassment grievance with the school against an assistant coach.

Shannon Reid accused assistant coach Amy Dellinger of initiating sexual activity and asking Reid not to swear about their relationship, according to a document the Hickory Daily Record obtained from the school.

"I was to swear that I would never say anything and told to understand the difference in being treated this way (sexually)

and then how I was treated by her on the (basketball) floor," Reid said in the document turned into the school on Monday.

Shelby Reid said the school asked her daughter to leave school until further notice.

Dellinger, in her second year at Lenoir-Rhyne and a former head coach at South Caldwell High School, declined comment.

Reid said in the document her relationship with Dellinger started at South Caldwell, but at that time it did not involve sex.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

**Filer to host second annual alumni games**

FILER — Filer High School's second annual alumni basketball games will be held Tuesday.  
The women's game will tip off at 6 p.m., followed by the men's game at 7:30 p.m. Both games will be odd-year players against even-year players. Admission is \$2, with all proceeds benefiting Wildcat basketball.

**Sundance Stables host weekend roping**

TWIN FALLS — Team roping will take place on Saturday and Sunday beginning at 1 p.m. at the Sundance Stables located three miles south and one mile east of the city on Eastland Avenue.  
All roping is capped at A-No. 5 and all three steers for \$15.  
For more information, call 436-3669 or 678-3663.

**Bengals plan boys' basketball tour**

POCAHONTO — The Idaho State University men's basketball program will host a holiday skills camp on Thursday, Dec. 30 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Reed Gym.  
The camp, designed for boys in grades one through six, costs \$39. Lunch will be provided, and campers will receive a free shirt and free ticket to the Bengals Jan. 3 home game against Wyoming. Call Jay McMillan in the basketball office — (208) 236-3361.

**Four football players commit to Cougars**

FULLMAN, Wash. — Three junior college transfers and one recent high school graduate have signed letters of intent to play football at Washington State next season, coach Mike Price says.  
All four are expected to enroll next month.  
The three transfers are Mark Baldwin, a tight end from Hinds Junior College in Mississippi; Alan Cox, a punter from Snow College in Utah; and Derrick Dillon, a wide receiver from Oakland Community College in Michigan.  
The other recruit is D.D. Acholonu, a linebacker who graduated from Bothell's Inglemoor High School last spring.

"With Cox we are fulfilling specific needs for next year," Price said Wednesday. "In the case of two fine athletes, Acholonu and Dillon, we are following up on previous commitments made when they were in high school."

**Grizzlies dump Hill; Hollins assumes helm**

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — The Vancouver Grizzlies, the worst team in the NBA's Western Conference, fired coach Brian Hill on Wednesday.

Assistant Lionel Hollins will replace Hill on an interim basis. The announcement was made prior to the team's morning practice, where Hollins and president and general manager Stan Jackson addressed the team.  
The Grizzlies (41-18) lost their fourth straight game — 109-106 to the Sacramento Kings Wednesday night. The team is 1-15 in its last 16 games and has lost six straight at home.  
Hill was in his third season with the Grizzlies. He was hired after being dismissed in the middle of the 1996-97 season by the Orlando Magic, whom he led to the NBA Finals in 1995.

**Ousted umpire chief gets labor board say**

NEW YORK — Richie Phillips will get a chance to overturn the decision that ousted him from head of an umpires union.  
The National Labor Relations Board, responding to objections from Phillips' union, called a hearing for next Wednesday on last month's election.  
Phillips' union, according to the NLRB, accused baseball owners of withholding bonus money last month and threatening to withhold administrative pay if the union sided with Phillips' side, or else while umpires were voting whether to keep Phillips' union or replace it with an insurgent group.  
In addition, Phillips' union claims umpires were told the insurgents already had the support of the owners and had agreed with many terms of a new deal to replace the one that expires Dec. 31.

**Ex-Giant makes killing from Wall Street**

NEWARK, N.J. — A jury awarded more than \$10 million to former New York Giant Phil McNeece on Thursday after finding that the head of the Nasdaq Stock Market's parent company lied to him about whether an insurance brokerage the Wall Street veteran a chair was going to be sold.  
McConkey, who caught a touchdown pass for the Giants in the 1987 Super Bowl, had sued Frank C. Zarb and the brokerage, Alexander & Cordell, for \$10 million. Zarb was dismissed as a defendant before the trial started.

**Triples Crown winner is top-pacing colt**

COLTS NECK, N.J. — Triple Crown winner Blisful Hill is the champion 3-year-old pacing colt of 1999.  
Other pacing divisional winners announced Thursday were Odes Fane, 3-year-old filly; Tyebrowed, 2-year-old colt; Eternal Carnation, 2-year-old filly; Red Bow Tie, older male, and Galleria, older female.  
The selections were made by harness racing writers in a poll conducted by the U.S. Trotting Association.  
In winning the Cane Pace, Lidle Brown Jug and Messenger, Blisful Hill became the ninth winner of the Triple Crown of Pacing. The colt, owned by Daniel Plouffe of Canada, trained by Ben Wallace and driven by Ron Pierce, won 15 of 23 starts and earned \$1,326,819.

**Florida A&M players maintain boycott**

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Florida A&M's women's basketball team skipped practice for a third straight day Thursday, reportedly in a boycott of coach Claudette Farmer, although players and school officials weren't saying publicly just what the dispute was about.  
Athletic director Ken Kelly wouldn't say what the players' complaints were, saying only that school officials were still talking to the players in an effort to resolve the situation.  
Citing anonymous team sources, the Tallahassee Democrat reported the players were upset with Farmer's coaching style, which includes 5 a.m. practices.

**Correction**

The Filer boys' JV team defeated Buhl 68-36 on Wednesday.  
Compiled from wire reports

Indians, Finley ink pact; Brewers nab infielder

NEW YORK (AP) — Chuck Finley became the first of the front-line free-agent pitchers to sign, agreeing Thursday with the Cleveland Indians on a \$27 million, three-year contract that includes \$7 million in money guaranteed without interest.

Finley, Cleveland's first left-handed starter since 1991, went 12-11 with a 4.43 ERA and one complete game in 33 starts last season for Anaheim, and for the eighth time in 14 years pitched more than 200 innings.  
"I dream every night about pitching in the playoffs and getting a chance to go to the World Series," Finley said. "I couldn't have found a better situation than here in Cleveland. It's a perfect fit for me."

Also Thursday, infielder Jose Hernandez agreed to a \$10 million, three-year contract with the Milwaukee Brewers, and backup



Chuck Finley

agreed to a \$5.5 million, two-year contract with the Kansas City Royals.

Finley, 37, gets an \$11 million signing bonus, of which \$2 million is payable now, \$2 million on Jan. 15, 2002 and the rest in equal installments of \$2,333,333 on Jan. 15, 2003, 2004 and 2005.  
He gets annual salaries of \$5 million, \$6 million and \$5 million and — in a sign of hope — a

catcher Mike Mather agreed to an \$800,000, one-year contract with the St. Louis Cardinals.

Among players eligible for salary arbitration, left-hander Jose Rosado agreed to a \$5.5 million, two-year contract with the Kansas City Royals.

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\$500,000 bonus if he's MVP of the World Series.

"I think the match with the Indians and Chuck Finley is at the absolute right time," Indians general manager John Hart said.

"This ballclub offers what Chuck Finley is looking for, and that's the ability to pitch in the postseason. It's a mature club and we're adding a mature, quality pitcher."

With Finley off the market, teams will focus more on Aaron Sele, Andy Benes, Darren Oliver, Omar Olivares and Steve Trachsel.

Hernandez, 30, hit 266 with 19 homers and 62 RBIs in 508 at-bats last season. Milwaukee signed him after trading third baseman Jeff Cirillo, who batted 326 with 15 homers and 88 RBIs in 607 at-bats.

"We certainly feel he has the power to play the position and we

feel his athleticism and work ethic will fit very well into Davey's style of play," Brewers general manager Dean Taylor said, referring to manager Davey Lopes.

Hernandez, who made \$2.4 million last season, gets a \$1 million signing bonus and \$3 million in each of the next three seasons.

Matheny, 29, hit .215 for Toronto last season with three homers and 17 RBIs in 57 games. He had spent the previous five seasons with Milwaukee.

Matheny, who made \$600,000 last season, gets \$750,000 next year. St. Louis has an \$850,000 option for 2001 with a \$50,000 buyout.

"We feel that Matheny gives us solid depth behind the plate," Cardinals general manager Walt Jocketty said. "He is very good defensively, and he knows how to handle a pitching staff well."

Top-ranked Americans lead Davis Cup squad

NEW YORK (AP) — Top-ranked Andre Agassi and Wimbledon champion Pete Sampras will help John McEnroe begin his reign as Davis Cup captain when the United States travels to Zimbabwe for a first-round match in February.

With Todd Martin also on the four-man team announced Thursday, the American squad will be the best of the world's top seven singles players. The fourth member, Alex O'Brien, is ranked seventh in the world in doubles.

"I don't see them beating us, but having said that, we have got to go down and play the match," McEnroe, who as a player led the United States to five titles and two other Davis Cup finals, said in a telephone conference call.

Zimbabwe's top players are brothers Byron and Wayne Black, both All-Americans while at USC. In 1998, Zimbabwe shocked Australia in a first-round series, a result that was reversed this year as Australia went on to win its 27th Davis Cup title.  
"If Pete and Andre play well, I can pretty much just sit there with my hands underneath my pants and watch them win the Davis Cup," McEnroe said.

Agassi, who refused to play Davis Cup since April 1998 in a feud with the U.S. Tennis Association, said he would play again when the USTA selected McEnroe as captain.

Sampras hadn't played in the international team competition since 1997 until he showed up in Boston in July to play doubles in a losing effort against Australia.  
Asked why he decided to play Davis Cup this year, Sampras joked: "Pretty much had a gun to my head from Mac."  
Sampras said he will play the Davis Cup for a seventh year, said being sidelined by a back injury "definitely gave me a lot of time to really think about these next couple of years and what I want to be a part of. I feel



Andre Agassi, left, and Pete Sampras confer Nov. 20 at the ATP world championship in Hanover, Germany.

like I have achieved some goals over these last couple of years and Davis Cup is going to be much more of a priority for me at least for next year."

Sampras holds a 13-6 career Davis Cup record in singles and is 4-1 in doubles. After finishing as the most men's Grand Slam tournament singles titles with 12.

The Zimbabwe series will be the first time Agassi and Sampras have played on the same U.S. Davis Cup team since the 1995 semifinal against Sweden.

The top-ranked Agassi will be playing his first Davis Cup match since helping the United States defeat Belgium in the 1998 quarterfinals. Agassi, who has a 26-5 Davis Cup singles record, is two singles victories shy of surpassing Arthur Ashe (27-5) for second place on the U.S. Davis Cup victory list. McEnroe was 41-8.

Martin played the best tennis of his life this year, losing a five-setter to Agassi in the U.S. Open final and qualifying for the season-ending ATP World Championships for the first time. He is ranked seventh in the world in singles.

Skiing events begin today

ST. MORITZ, Switzerland (AP) — With World Cup skiing's newest star sidelined by a knee injury, Inai's Isabelle Kostner heads into this weekend's speed races intent on regaining the overall lead.

A speed-specialist who already has won in the downhill and super-G this season, Kostner hopes to take advantage of the weekend's downhill doubleheader and super-G and replace 17-year-old Croatian sensation Tina Maze, who has won the overall standings.  
"Some girls race in all four disciplines," Kostner said. "So it leaves me at a disadvantage. I have to do well in the speed events if I want to get ahead."

Fellow countryman Kristian Ghedina hopes to stop Austria's domination of the men's downhill.

"There are so many fast Austrians," Ghedina said after finishing with the fastest training time Thursday. "But they are not unbeatable."

Ghedina crushed the field by nearly half a second Thursday. But a victory in training does not always translate into a win on race day.

"I have to really attack and make the least possible number of errors," Ghedina said. "The trick is to avoid a single mistake that can cost you the race."

Ghedina is a two-time winner in Val Gardena: 1997 and then again last season.

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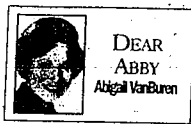
67 Long-standing

People continue to drink themselves to death

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a medical student near graduation. In my admittedly brief experience in the local hospitals, I have already seen the damage alcohol and drugs can wreak on a life and the many relationships it poisons. Too often it takes a dramatic, life-threatening and socially costly event to provide a patient "insight" into his problem.

In June 2000, I will receive my medical license. I wrote the following in the selfish hope that it will keep me from having to deliver this bitter news, even for just one night. The words in quotes are my spoken words. The words in parentheses are what I'm really thinking.

**-HEALER IN SAN DIEGO**



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abigail VanBuren

"I am calling to inform you of your son's admission to the hospital." (Where we still haven't figured out why people do this to themselves.)

"As I understand it, the paramedics were called" (to a party where no one was sober enough to explain what happened) "and were required to administer CPR in order to revive your son's

heart." (While his friends continued their drunken reveling, undisturbed.)

"He is currently on a machine to assist in his ventilation." (Because he drank so much he stopped breathing.)

"His brain suffered a significant period of anoxia." (And if he ever wakes up, he can never have his life back.)

"His condition is serious, but he is receiving expert care." (I wish I could tell you just how worried you should be!)

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a strict Catholic who does not believe in "kinky" activities. It was my second date with a seemingly conservative gentleman. Everything

was going well, so I felt comfortable holding hands with him—until he proceeded to stick my pointer-finger in his mouth. We had just come from dinner, so he couldn't possibly have been hungry!

What are your thoughts on this situation?

**-SHOCKED IN PITTSBURGH**

**DEAR SHOCKED:** It could have been worse. At least he wasn't a thumb-sucker.

Never do anything you're not comfortable doing. There are men out there who will respect you just the way you are. If he's not for you, fix him up with a nail-biter. They'll think they died and went to heaven.

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**IF DECEMBER 17 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You have instinct for organization, you know how best to utilize priorities. When pressure is on, you are up to it. Capricorn. Cancer-born persons play monumental roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names: H, Q, Z. Throughout much of the year social life accelerated. April will be your most significant month in the year 2000. Be ready.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Circumstances turn in your favor. Be selective, imprint style. Take initiative, let others know you mean business when you say, "I demand the best and nothing less."

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Make inquiries, ask questions no matter how embarrassing they might be. Secret meeting has been held. Concerns you although you were not invited. Virgo involved.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Elements of timing, luck ride with you — this could be the start of a winning streak. Your fortunate number today is 6. Domestic issues dominate.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** If you don't know what to do, do nothing! Be sensitive to travails of family member who confides "doom and gloom." Most answers can be found behind scenes.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Look beyond the immediate, visualize production, promotion, intense emotional relationship. What actually occurs could get too hot.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Refuse to be satisfied "sitting on the bench." Grasp travel opportunity, reach beyond the immediate. People are drawn to you, confide intimate problems.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Shake off preconceived notions; be open to fresh ideas, original concepts. Moon position high-

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lights partnership, publicity, marriage. In debating with Aries, give your all.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Slow pace, review facts and figures. Emphasis on cooperative effort. A dramatic reunion with loved one, marital status. Cancer, Capricorn persons play integral roles.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Investigate, explore, discover. People are drawn to you because they say you have remarkable sense of humor. Give full play to intellectual curiosity. Laugh heartily.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** You could be talk of the town. Proofread, review and rewrite. Tear down in order to rebuild. Scorpio is mightily impressed, becomes valuable ally. Taurus also in picture.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Keep plans flexible, be ready for change, travel, unusual experiences. Member of opposite sex confides "I can hardly keep my hands off you." Write your story.

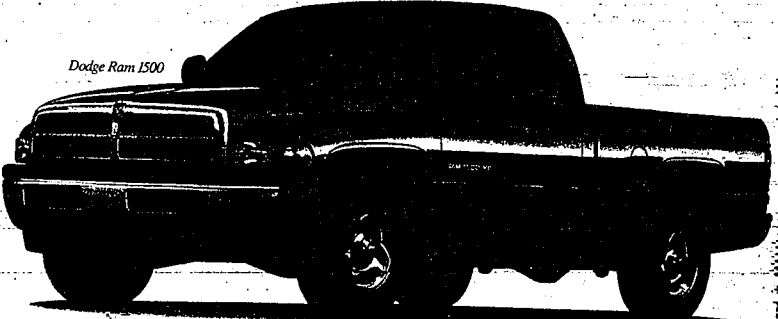
**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You could be dealing in world of illusion. You can make fantasies become realities. Know it, proceed accordingly. Libra is intrigued, wants to be part of our team.

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FUMBLE.

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NO, IT'S NOT, AND I SUPPOSE THAT'S BOTH GOOD AND BAD.

WELL, GOOD IN THE SENSE THAT PETS DON'T GROW UP AND MOVE AWAY.

AND BAD IN THE SENSE THAT PETS DON'T GROW UP AND MOVE AWAY.

**Barfield** By Jim Davis

HI GRANDMA? IT'S JOE, CALLING TO WISH YOU HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

GRANDMA? GRANDMA? CAN YOU HEAR ME... O.K., I'LL WAIT!

TURNING UP HER HEARING AID?

TURNING DOWN THE HEAVY METAL OF HER STEREO.

**Dennis the Menace** By Hank Ketcham

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**Hi and Lois** By Chance Browne

WE'RE STANDING IN LINE FOR THE HOT TOY OF THE SEASON.

WHAT IS IT?

NO CLUE.

ALL WE KNOW IS THAT OUR KIDS WILL WANT IT!

"Billy sure likes to be in the limeshine."

"SINCE YOU'RE GONNA BE BUSY THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS, IT'S OKAY TO BRING MY STUFF EARLY."

**The Wizard of Id** By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

THE BARN BURNED, THE COW DIED, THE CROSS FAILED...

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**Rose is Rose** By Pat Brady

I'VE GOT TO GET THE CAR, ROSE. BY THE WAY, YOU WERE THE LIFE OF THE PARTY!

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP.

NO GREAT.

**Hagar the Horrible** By Chris Browne

AHEAD LIES OUR BATTLE WITH ATILIA THE HUN AND HIS THOUSANDS OF BLOODTHIRSTY TROOPS!

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WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ON NEW YEAR'S EVE?

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MY MOM HAS IT ALL PLANNED OUT.

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MY SYMPATHIES.

YEP, WE'RE GOING TO LIVE LIKE IT'S 1999.

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OH... YOU WERE SAVING THIS FOR SOMETHING?

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...AND I CAN'T THINK OF A SINGLE PROFOUND THING TO SAY ABOUT THAT.

(PHILOSOPHICAL OR EVEN GAY?)

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I KNOW YOU CAN'T HELP THE THINNING ON TOP, BUT THE THICKENING ON THE BOTTOM IS A DIFFERENT STORY.

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NO ONE KNOWS HER REAL AGE - SHE insists on knowing IT IN HUMAN YEARS.

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**Non Sequitur** By Wiley

CAPITALIZING ON ILLITERACY...

**The Born Loser** By Art Sansom & Chip

SIGH

WHEN I WAS A GIRL, I USED TO SAY I'LL WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS MY THO. FRONT TEETH.

NON, I COULD USE A FULL SET OF UPPEERS!

**Strange Brew** By John Deering

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MORNING BREAK

# Barbie would never wear loafers

Hindus speak of six not just four seasons: spring, summer, the rains, autumn, winter and the dew.

A coat looks a little like a skinny raccoon but with a longer tail and a flexible snout. It'll eat just about anything it can find in Mexico and Central America, but it prefers fruit, so it spends a lot of time climbing trees. The item here is it can reverse its ankles to move easily scramble down trees head first.

Cockroaches hate catnip. And that's the rest of the story.

A language scholar says every known tongue has a word for "hangover."

The feet of all Barbie dolls are made in such manner they can wear only high heels.

You know how the medical examiners go immediately to the teeth to identify the body? First such identification was made by none other than Paul Revere. He proved an exhumed body was



WHAT'S WHAT L.M. Boyd

that of Joseph Warren, a Boston doctor, because Revere himself had made two silver teeth for that physician.

Q. How many artificial objects are circling the earth these days?  
A. About 110,000, at last report.

It's oftentimes the case that women addicted to gambling using betting as a substitute for sex. So writes a scholar who has studied the matter. This is new knowledge to our Love and War man. He was aware that sex is frequently a gamble, but not vice versa. Sporting folk who hunt with

dogs say they can use dogs also to find lost dogs.

Q. When doctors go on strike, the death rate always falls. Is that not true?

A. Not really. The recorded death rate appears to go down, because absent doctors can't authorize the recording of such paperwork as death certificates. The death rate appears to go up suddenly when doctors return, because they then sign those death certificates that have accumulated during their absence.

Stipohobia is the fear of eating. Curious Coincidence: Alphabetize a list of the names of all the men-who-ever-played-major-league baseball, and the player who hit more home runs than any other would be first on the list—Hank Aaron.

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# Garth Brooks announces retirement plans

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Garth Brooks, the biggest-selling act in country music history, said Wednesday he "probably" will retire next year to spend more time with his three young daughters.

The surprise announcement, made during an interview on The Nashville Network's "Crock & Chase" show.

"I never, ever thought in my life I'd say this, but music is not the first thing in my life any more," Brooks said. "Those girls, somehow come along and they just take your energy and all of a sudden all you want to do is you want to do things that make them smile."

Brooks, whose daughters with wife, Sandy, are 3, 5 and 7, said

he will "lay low" for nine or 10 months, plan a big party and "probably" announce our retirement at the end of next year.

Brooks, 37, did not elaborate on what "retirement" means. He indicated he no longer would tour but still would write songs and, perhaps, movie scripts.

"Writing seems to be what my bag is," he said.

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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Aqua Vie gets OK for Wal-Mart sales

KETCHUM, Idaho - Aqua Vie Beverage Corp. (OTC Bulletin Board: AVBC) said Thursday it has received approval for its produce to be carried in all of its retailing giant, Wal-Mart's stores and supercenters in the United States, beginning in January.

"Aqua Vie's retail presence with Wal-Mart will allow us to achieve rapid penetration among a widespread and diverse population domestically, with the potential to establish an excellent benchmark presence on four continents," said Thomas Gillespie, Ketchum-based Aqua Vie's president and chief executive officer.

Aqua Vie develops and markets lightly flavored, non-carbonated, bottled spring water.

### Hecla Mining sets preferred stock dividend for January

COEUR PALERNE - Shareholders of Hecla Mining Co. will receive a dividend of 87.5 cents per share.

The dividend is payable Jan. 1. Hecla's preferred shares were issued in 1993, and quarterly dividends have been declared each quarter since then. The shares pay out \$3.50 annually in dividends, said Hecla (NYSE: HL, HL-PB), which maintains the now-closed Grouse Creek mine near Stanley.

Hecla Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Arthur Brown said: "Our mines are returning cash flow to the company, and the operations are performing well as we continue efforts to cut costs to be bottom-line profitable in this current environment of low precious metals prices."

Even so, there has been tremor in the mining sector as a whole recently, and I am concerned about the low price of our stock. I believe Hecla has excellent mining assets and feel that our company is being undervalued by the investing market."

### AOL confirms service alliance with Wal-Mart

SAN FRANCISCO - America Online Inc. the biggest online service provider, confirmed Thursday it has entered an alliance with retail giant Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. that will give Wal-Mart customers low-cost access to the World Wide Web.

The news follows an announcement Wednesday by Internet portal operator Yahoo! Inc. of a partnership with retailer Kmart Corp. to offer a co-branded free Internet service. AOL's deal with Arkansas-based Wal-Mart, however, will be a paid service described as a "customized version of the CompuServe service" priced for value-conscious consumers.

"The price of the service, however, has not been determined. In the past six months the rapid proliferation of free Internet services caused investors to grow concerned that Virginia-based AOL would be forced by competition to drop its service fees."

Compiled from staff and wire reports



Marj Mason, director of the emergency department, urgent care and surgery for St. Benedict's Family Medical Center, prepares surgery kits to be sterilized. Thursday. This is the second year the small Jerome hospital won the honor of being named among the top 100 hospitals in the nation.

# A place among the best

## Jerome hospital scores top honor for medicine and good business

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

JEROME - It's small, but it's an industry leader.

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center this week made a list of 100 hospitals nationwide cited for cost-efficient and high-quality medical care. It was the only Idaho hospital to make the list this year, and the only one in 1998.

The 7th annual "100 Top Hospitals: Benchmark for Success" study was compiled by Baltimore-based HCIA Inc., a health care information company, and The Health Network, a consumer-health destination on television and the Internet.

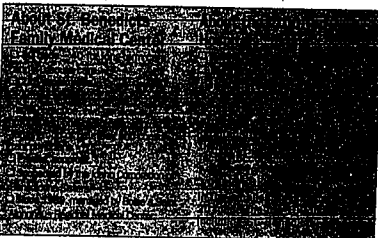
Ranking high on measures of medical and business quality practices, St. Benedict's received the honor in the category of hospitals with 25 to 99 beds.

"If all U.S. hospitals were to operate like the 100 Top Hospitals, savings to the industry would exceed \$31 billion annually, resulting in lower costs and savings for U.S. taxpayers," the study said.

In a small hospital and a small community, the news has reverberated.

"I think the staff has been surprised - really, really proud," said Janice Larsen, who works in St. Benedict's billing department.

The firms compiling the list start with every hospital filing a public Medicare cost report, eliminating specialty hospitals and those not making a profit, HCIA spokeswoman Jean



Chenoweth said when Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital was the only Idaho hospital to make the 1997 list. They also review public reports to measure mortality, length of stay, outcomes and complications.

The firms look for benchmark performance among peer hospitals, she said. In many instances, it's the top 1 percent. They also determine how hospitals are doing in a competitive environment.

Chenoweth said they want not only survivors, but "thrivers."

"All small hospitals are having a hard go of it financially because government and private insurers are reducing the amounts they pay for health care," St. Benedict's interim administrator Lynne Mattison said.

But the secret to the Jerome facility's success, its leaders say, is its size.

She hasn't seen any specifics yet about how her facility snatched up against others, but Mattison has a pretty good idea of its strong points.

About two-thirds of St. Benedict's business is outpatient - less costly than hospitalization while nationally the average is 35 to 40 percent, Mattison said.

The medical staff is primarily family-practice physicians who offer holistic family care and have lower hospitalization rates than specialists.

The average length of stay is short at the Jerome hospital, she added. "Sure, St. Benedict's doesn't take the most complex medical cases, but the people it does hospitalize are handled efficiently, she said.

"In the small facility, communication is so much better than in the larger one. Nobody gets lost

in the shuffle," said Vickie Ellis-Dry, supervisor of respiratory therapy and discharge-planner for the Jerome hospital.

If a patient needs a test, such as a post-heart-attack procedure, the test gets done right away, said Ellis-Dry, who has experience in much larger facilities.

The Jerome physicians all know each other and readily pass information about patients, Mattison said.

The listing also takes into account rates of mortality and complications, adjusted for the risk involved in the cases. "It is the stuff that's not expected," Mattison said.

Again, St. Benedict's scores well and Mattison credits its small size, along with its staff's ability to work as a team and communicate thoroughly and quickly. For instance, if a patient seems to be developing a problem, the nurse can get to the doctor quickly.

The St. Benedict's staff gathered for cake and congratulations Thursday afternoon and probably will hold more celebrations later in a public event following last year's listing, the mayor proclaimed St. Benedict's day.

In Orlando, Fla. in February, the 100 top hospitals will hold a summit.

"We'll probably all be arm wrestling to see who gets to go," Mattison said.

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# Pizza's here

## Domino's opens new restaurant for Hailey area

By Karen Bosack  
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - Domino's delivers. In Hailey now.

The national pizza firm has joined McDonald's, Baskin-Robbins, Subway and Starbucks in a valley that's increasingly saturated with national franchise names.

New owner Jim Meers' move into the Wood River Valley was easy compared with McDonald's, which had a big fight on its hands to plant its golden arches in Hailey, several years ago. McDonald's finally succeeded, but it had to design its building on Hailey's terms - without the arches.

Domino's is tucked away in Alturas Plaza, just west of Atkinson's, with its front door facing the inner square, not the outer street.

And Meers vows to make Domino's community-oriented, despite its national fame.

The father of a 6-year-old girl, he plans to donate 2 1/2 percent of his gross sales to the Education Foundation of the Blaine County School District and to feed some 30 kids every

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## Please let us entertain you

### Hastings concentrates on the small-town market

Knight Ridder News Service

WAXAHACHIE, Texas - Saturday afternoon customers stream into the Hastings Entertainment superstore on the main shopping drag in Waxahachie, Texas.

One family headed for the video rental department is waylaid at a large Pokemon display by a begging son. Teen-age boys wearing beanies preview CDs, while adults sit in a small group and sip complimentary Sumatra coffee as they peruse books on depression from the self-help section.

The number of people builds as evening sets in, creating the communal feel of a social gathering more than that of commercial arena.

But by the end of the night, the 17,000-square-foot book, music, software and video store will score nearly 1,000 transactions to the tune of \$12,000 in sales and rentals. Not bad for a town of about 20,000 folks.

Such activity is routine in urban centers where megabookstores and sound warehouses abound, but it's a shopping page

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Another record trade deficit; gap with Japan, China widens

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. trade deficit widened to another record of \$25.9 billion in October as rising crude oil prices pushed the petroleum deficit to an all-time high.

The Commerce Department reported Thursday that the deficit in trade in goods and services was up 7.4 percent from the September imbalance of \$24.2 billion.

Commerce Secretary William Daley said the record deficit shows the U.S. economy continues to grow at a much faster rate than most of the rest of the world. But he said deficits at such high levels present political problems. Many in Congress are clamoring to raise U.S. barriers as a way to shrink the deficit.

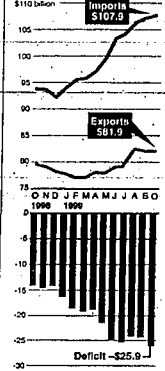
"We have carried much of the burden" in terms of providing an export market for crisis-stricken Asian countries, Daley said. "Politically, that gets very difficult over a long period and other countries have to understand that."

The trade deficit has set a new monthly record seven out of 10 months this year as America's performance on trade has continued to suffer from the lingering effects of a global financial crisis that depressed U.S. exports and contributed to a flood of cheaply priced imports into the country.

The trade deficit is the one major blot on an otherwise stellar economic performance. Even though manufacturing has been

U.S. trade

Here is a look at the U.S. trade report, which includes total imports, exports and deficit.



Source: Department of Commerce

forced to cut one-half million jobs in the past two years as export sales have fallen, the overall unemployment rate has fallen to a 30-year low of 4.1 percent.

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Tech stocks soar, driving market higher

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Stocks rose Thursday as a fresh round of optimism about Internet shares drove the technology sector higher and ultimately lifted the broad market out of an early slump.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 19.57 at 11,244.89. The blue-chip index spent most of the day in negative territory, falling as much as 100 points early in the session.

Broader stock indicators closed higher. The Nasdaq composite index rose 93.11 to 3,715.06, setting its 24th new closing record since Oct. 29. The Nasdaq is now up 65 percent for the year.

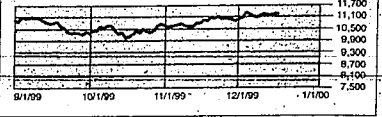
The standard & Poor's 500 rose 5.46 to 1,418.78. Internet stocks sharply a 2-for-4 stock split and reported fiscal first-quarter results that

easily exceeded analysts' expectations. The company, which provides venture capital to young Internet businesses, lost \$1.7 million, or \$1.08 a share, in the quarter.

But analysts had expected CMGI to report a \$1.76 loss. The better-than-expected results combined with the stock split and aggressive projections for future acquisitions, sent its shares soaring 21 1/16 to 221 3/16 as of 5:45 p.m.

Trading activity was stimulated by the latest alliances between old-line retailers and high-flying technology companies. America Online and Wal-Mart announced a long-rumored deal that will create a new Internet service provider aimed at customers who don't currently have Internet access. The announcement came a day after Knart disclosed a similar ven-

Dow Jones table showing High 11,244.89, Low 11,244.89, Net change +19.57, Dec. 16, 1999.



ture with Yahoo! AOL shares fell 3.75 to 85.875 and Wal-Mart rose 2 39/64 to 68.625. Microsoft and the electronics giant of their own, which will allow Microsoft to sell its Internet service and products in Best Buy stores. Microsoft rose 5.25 to 113.1176 and Best Buy

rose 3.25 to 50.5. "Technology has taken the lead and left everything else behind," said Joe Sunderman, research analyst with Testamont Research Inc. "Individual investors are following the lead of money managers who've seen all year that tech is the best-performing sector."

Who will be the Internet's jolliest merchants?

Los Angeles Times It is an open secret this holiday shopping season that many of the retailers poised to do well on the Web didn't start out with dot-com in their names.

Sears, Roebuck & Co. and J.C. Penney Co., which both do business in the Magic Valley, plus Gap Inc. and other shopping mall stalwarts are successfully carving out territory in cyberspace using traditional retail tools: exclusive products, strong customer service and trusted brands.

They aren't yet considered dominant Internet players, in the way Amazon.com rules the

online book business. But as the Internet begins to grow, and more so-called click-and-mortars do online, more companies are realizing that e-commerce is not that different from old-fashioned retailing.

Success in cyberspace, as in the real world, belongs to merchants who master the basics. And for all the sexiness of the Internet, click-and-mortar stores are finding that their real-world retail estate can be an advantage.

Circuit City and Penney's allow customers to pick up and return e-merchandise at stores. Disney Stores and Gap are installing Internet terminals to let holiday shoppers find items

they can't find on the shelves. And traditional retailers are making use of every inch of space they've got — from shopping bags and customer receipts to in-store signs and advertising — to plug their Web sites.

The principles we apply to our Internet sites are the same principles we apply to our stores," said Jeanne Jackson, chief executive of Gap Inc.'s Banana Republic stores and the new leader of Gap's online business.

It's certainly too soon to predict the eventual winners, retail analysts say. But they add that click-and-mortars will capture a healthy chunk of the \$6 billion

to \$12 billion to be spent on the Web this holiday season.

Indeed, the Internet is breathing new life into those department stores long regarded as dinosaurs. Penney's, suffering dismal sales at its stores, is the largest apparel seller in cyberspace with sales of \$90 million online this year.

The online picture for the 1999 holiday season is much different from last year's, when few click-and-mortars have even gotten their virtual toes wet and pure online retailers, Amazon.com most prominently among them, captured most of the buzz. Holiday e-commerce sales totaled \$3 billion.

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# Hastings

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"This ranks a big difference in the quality of life for people in a small town," said John Marmaduke, president and chief executive officer of Hastings Entertainment, as he surveys the year-old store. "They no longer have to drive 30 miles north to have a first-class selection of entertainment products."

Similar scenes are being played out at Hastings stores in another 145 small to midsize towns around the country — places such as Twin Falls.

Once a chain of music stores in big-city shopping centers, Hastings is playing the flip side with big multimedia stores in smaller communities, where rents are cheaper and competition is easier.

"There is competition in Small-Town America, but it's generally mom-and-pop," said Marmaduke, who scopes out the country for locations before he acquiesces his stores. "There are some Blockbusters and Hollywoods in those markets, but they're not as ubiquitous as they are in urban areas."

Hastings is trying to make its way back into Wall Street's good graces after a costly detour in strategy — taking its stores into larger locations of 120,000-plus where book and video giants had significant footholds. The company paid the price with increased marketing costs, depressed earnings and a stock price that halved its value since September.

Marmaduke said even the slow-to-jell markets are now on track. Systemwide sales should reach \$425 million this year, up from \$300 million on Oct. 1, 1996, Hastings hired itself with a well-defined concept and 102 stores to prove it.

Hastings Entertainment Inc. went public two years later to finance its national rollout, looking at 700 markets that seem to fit its profile.

said, scanning the store again like a closed-circuit camera. "If you don't like what we do, you better not tell me," he said.

Hastings Books and Music was formed in 1968 as an offshoot of the Marmaduke family's record-supply business, Western Music, which then the largest music and books distributor in the Southwest and Rocky Mountain areas.

"Hastings was going to be an R&D lab for Western to experiment with new merchandising concepts and products," said Marmaduke, who took over as president and chief executive officer at age 29 after getting his degree in finance at the University of Texas. "It was a book and music store with periodicals — really the first multimedia store. It developed a life of its own."

In the early '80s, the young president launched a major offensive.

Music stores incubated in the piping-hot '60s found rough going 20 years later as pricing, Woodstock generation became more interested in family and career than buying records and tapes.

Marmaduke decided ailing chains such as Record Town and Disc Records for a song, expanded the offerings, put business disciplines to work and turned red ink to black.

But when retail rents cut into earnings, Hastings sold shares to Cantor Music in 1993 and 1994 for a handsome profit. Cantor went bust two years later.

"It was a good time to sell," he said, not prone to hyperbole.

Hastings' showdown with Y2K came off without a glitch nearly four years ahead of the century's end, on Feb. 1, 1996, Hastings hired itself with a well-defined concept and 102 stores to prove it.

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# Pizza

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day in Halley's alternative school.

"I want to be among the top five in the community when it comes to that sort of thing," said Meers, who moved here from Washington, D.C., where he worked in Domino's corporate offices managing nine company-owned outlets. "I feel like that I'm able to live here — I've

been wanting to live here ever since I first visited the Wood River Valley 25 years ago. And I feel like I have a lot of things to give back."

Halley's Domino's is the 23rd in Idaho, said Mike Iohn, franchisee for southwest Idaho.

*Times-News correspondent Karen Bossick can be reached in Halley at 578-2111.*

# The Valley's best community forums. The OPINION pages.

## CLOSING FUTURES

Commodity	High	Low	Close	Change
Dec Soybean	107 1/4	107 1/4	107 1/4	0
Dec Corn	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	0
Dec Wheat	10 1/4	10 1/4	10 1/4	0
Dec Gold	382 1/2	382 1/2	382 1/2	0
Dec Silver	10 1/4	10 1/4	10 1/4	0
Dec Copper	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	0
Dec Aluminum	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	0
Dec Nickel	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	0
Dec Zinc	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	0
Dec Lead	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	0
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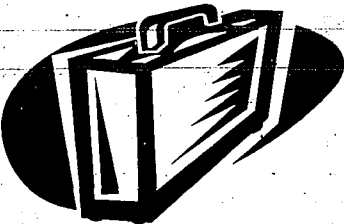
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Seeing only one chance, he ran all but one trump, hoping to create problems for West. If West had  $\heartsuit$  in spades, together with his announced minor suits, he might unguard his diamonds. However, even if West had that holding, South's injudicious comments at trick one would have alerted West that South was void in spades. As it was, West had no problems discarding, and South had to concede four minor-suit losers for six declarer tricks.

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 ♦ 8 7 3  
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**EAST**  
 ♠ K J 10 9 2  
 ♥ A Q 7 5 3  
 ♦ 4  
 ♣ 9 8

**WEST**  
 ♠ 7 4  
 ♥ A J 10 9 6  
 ♦ K J 10 8  
 ♣ A K J 10 3

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

Vulnerable: North-South  
 Dealer: South

The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 1 ♠ 2 NT Pass 3 ♠  
 3 ♠ Pass Pass

Opening lead: Club king

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South holds:  
 ♠ K J 10 9 2  
 ♥ A Q 7 5 3  
 ♦ 4  
 ♣ 9 8

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