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# Governor calls for school repair aid

## Kemphorne also backs sportsmen's fee hike proposal

The Associated Press

**BOISE** - Pressing his "Generation of the Child" into his second year, Gov. Dirk Kemphorne on Monday proposed state support for schools at historic levels and offered a state-based initiative to fix seriously deteriorated school buildings.

In his State of the State address, delayed a week by last Monday's sudden death of Senate President Pro Tem Jerry Twigg, the governor also gave his full support to the Fish and Game Commission's proposed \$4.4 million sportsmen's fee increase and clearly embraced last year's compromise on parental consent for abortions despite some lingering uncertainty among the parties of its content.

Seeming to take advantage of the legislative leadership's offer of a fresh start after last winter's sometimes rocky relations, Kemphorne invoked the names of Twigg and two other lawmakers who died in 1999 - senior Democratic Rep. James Stoicheff and fellow Democratic Rep. Pat Beiter.

"Let's draw from their inspiration to begin again. Because new beginnings should inspire," he said in prepared remarks. "They would want it this way, to set course for a new session and a new era."

The 71-minute address, staking out clear positions on a number of issues, reflected the remarks Kemphorne made in his first speech to the nation's most Republican Legislature. The governor was still fine-tuning his remarks less than three hours before their delivery.

But the critical issue will be the administration's follow-up with details to flesh out the concepts something that was missing in too many cases last year, leaving lawmakers frustrated.

"The feeling I have is it's pushed right up to the limit," Senate Finance Chairman Atwell Parry, R-Melba, said. "There's some very aggressive programs to look at."

As expected, the governor left financial details for his budget message on Wednesday. But he formally proposed putting Idaho's tobacco settlement payments in a trust fund with only the interest to be spent and declining the first - but not only - priority-to-be-health advocacy.

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, joined most lawmakers in agreeing that



Governor Dirk Kemphorne receives an ovation during his State of the State address before a joint session of the Legislature inside the House chambers at the Statehouse Monday. Kemphorne emphasized his plan to help Idaho school districts with funds to fix up school buildings.

Wednesday should provide at least some of the details they need to begin making decisions on the chief executive's latest program.

Kemphorne promised a proposal to resolve the running debate over electronic pull-tab machines in reservation casinos to the satisfaction of both the state and all Idaho's tribes.

He embraced elevating the Division of Environmental Quality to department status despite opposition from the state's largest business lobby, the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry.

And he indicated he would have legislation making the death penalty mandatory for murdering a law enforcement officer. The proposal is prompted by the decision not to condemn the killer of State Police Trooper Linda Huff.

### Highlights of the State of the State address

- Education**
  - State Building Authority bonding to fix deteriorated public school buildings with the state paying the interest, marking the first time the state has financially assisted school districts with buildings.
  - State authority to close school buildings because of life-threatening problems.
  - Acceptance of any legislation revising the ban on guns in schools that meets his objections to the bill he vetoed last year.
- Health**
  - Acceptance of last year's proposed compromise on parental consent for minor girls seeking abortions although the specifics of that deal remain unclear to both sides.
- Economy**
  - A cooperative program with dentists to give second-graders statewide this year a special application of protective sealant on their teeth to prevent cavities.
  - Deposit of state tobacco settlement money in a trust fund with only the interest to be spent and the first dollars going to health advocacy.
  - Resolution of the running debate over the legality of electronic pull-tab machines in reservation casinos.
  - Resumption of state support for "agriculture's Quality Assurance Laboratory in Twin Falls that was dropped from the stat budget in the mid-1990s because of internal operating problems.
- Environment**
  - Support for the Fish and Game Commission's proposed \$4.4 million sportsmen's fee increase after concluding that the commission will use the cash to "directly improve the quality of hunting and fishing opportunities for the sportsmen and women of Idaho."
- Crime**
  - A death sentence on conviction of murdering a law enforcement officer.
- Image**
  - A media campaign to make clear to the nation that Idaho is not bigoted and embraces diversity.

## Lawmakers like ideas, but await details

By Michael Journe  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** - Gov. Dirk Kemphorne's second State of the State speech outlined familiar stances on many issues.

The speech offered no surprises, Magic Valley lawmakers said, and will carry more meaning after Kemphorne's nuts-and-bolts budget speech Wednesday.

"It was basically what we thought it would be," said Senate Assistant Majority Leader John Sandy, R-Hagerman, after the 65-minute speech to a joint session of the Legislature.

"It was encouraging, but there were no real surprises," he said.

Considered the framework of the governor's stance, the State of the State's general ideas will be fleshed out in Wednesday's budget address to another joint legislative session.

Lawmakers afforded Kemphorne the longest and loudest burst of applause Monday

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What's next?

Gov. Dirk Kemphorne will follow up Monday's State of the State speech with his budget address to a joint session of the Legislature on Wednesday at 11 a.m. The speech will be aired live on Idaho Public Television, Channel 13.

# Income gap widens for American families

## Idaho disparity ranks 39th among states

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** - The boom on Wall Street is widening the income gap between the poorest and richest U.S. families, according to a report by two Washington think tanks.

The earnings for the poorest fifth of American families rose less than 1 percent between 1988 and 1998 but jumped 15 percent for the richest fifth, the Center on

Budget and Policy Priorities and the Economic Policy Institute said in their report issued Tuesday.

Income for the poorest families - defined as two or more relatives living together - rose \$110 to \$12,990 during the 10-year period. For the richest families it increased by \$17,870, to \$137,480, more than 10 times that of the poorest sector, the report found.

"The benefits of this (economic) growth have not been evenly distributed," said Elizabeth McNichol, one of the study's authors. "The incomes of the poor and middle class have fallen or stagnated."

The gap between rich and poor was widest in New York - rated No. 1 - with the poorest fifth earning \$10,770, down \$1,970, while the wealthiest group earned \$152,350, up \$19,680. Income was most evenly distributed in Utah, where the poorest families had incomes of \$18,170 and the richest \$125,930.

Idaho was rated 39, with the wealthiest group earning \$112,732, and the poorest group earning \$13,336.

The income gap narrowed in just three states - Alaska, Louisiana and Tennessee. McNichol attributed the widening

gap to Wall Street's long-running bull market, which favors wealthy investors; lower-paying service jobs replacing manufacturing jobs; and the largely stagnant minimum wage.

Stephen Moore, director of social policy for the Cato Institute, said the study contorted data to put a negative face on a "spectacular economy."

"The rich are getting richer but the poor are getting richer too in this expansion," said Moore, who nonetheless suggested cutting the tax on capital gains income to further spur investment and job creation.

# Tribes hail Dutch king

## African group identifies him as chief's reincarnation

The Associated Press

**AMSTERDAM**, Netherlands - A middle-aged, paunchy, unemployed white man plonks down on the sofa to watch TV with his kids.

Meet King Togbe Korsi Ferdinand Gakpotor II of Ghana.

In Holland, the king is Honk Otto, a Dutch construction worker on welfare. In West Africa, he rules part of the lush Volta Region, home to tens of thousands of Ewes who revere him as Togbe, or King.

Otto, 43, is as Dutch as the Dutch come, born and raised in Amsterdam like his parents. He lives in an Amsterdam housing project with his

wife and two children, and an ordinary life would have suited him just fine.

But, while visiting the hometown of his Ghanaian-born wife in 1995, he was identified as the reincarnation of the late chief, his wife's grandfather. "My two brothers were there when I was asked to become king," Otto said with a chuckle. "When I translated for them what had been said, they almost choked with laughter: 'You, king? Ha!'"

The region he rules, about 45 miles east of the capital, Accra, comprises about 40 villages populated by more than 100,000 people. It was leaderless for almost 17 years until the Dutchman was proclaimed king.

## Jerome School Board to mull plan for fifth bond issue

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - Plans for a revised and less costly bond issue proposal to build a new middle school will come before the Jerome School Board today. The School Board is scheduled to decide whether to schedule a \$10.9 million bond

election on March 2. A district citizens' committee crafted the plan.

Another election is scheduled, it will be the school district's fifth since 1996 to pass a bond issue to ease overcrowding problems at the secondary level. Past elections have failed by small margins, leaving the district short of the required two-thirds voter approval. Proposals that didn't pass ranged in cost from \$12.6 mil-

lion to \$10.9 million.

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Wearing his royal garments, Honk Otto sits beside his wife, Mama Awo Mepsey, in their Amsterdam, Netherlands, home in November. Honk Otto is a Dutch construction worker on welfare. In West Africa, he rules part of the lush Volta Region in Ghana, home to tens of thousands of Ewes who revere him as Togbe, or King.

# THE REGION

**Carnas Prairie**

High: 33 Low: 13  
Mostly sunny, variable high clouds tonight and tomorrow.

**Treasure Valley**

High: 43 Low: 31  
Mostly sunny with light winds. Increasing cloudiness tonight and tomorrow.

**Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley**

High: 33 Low: 16  
Partly cloudy today. Increasing cloudiness and chance of snow tomorrow.

**Eastern Idaho**

High: 39 Low: 20  
Mostly cloudy with chance of afternoon showers. Increasing clouds tomorrow.

**Northern Idaho**

High: 36 Low: 28  
Mostly cloudy with southeast wind. Increasing clouds tonight and tomorrow.

**Northern Utah**

High: 48 Low: 37  
Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of rain. Chance of rain decreases tonight. Partly cloudy tomorrow.

**Northern Nevada**

High: 45 Low: 30  
Partly cloudy with light winds. Same tomorrow.

# MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
High: 44 Low: 28 Partly cloudy with light winds.	High: 47 Low: 32 Partly cloudy.	High: 40s Low: 30s Chance of rain.	High: 40 Low: 25 Chance of snow.	High: 40 Low: 20s Partly cloudy.

**Idaho weather**  
Tuesday, Jan. 16

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**National weather**  
The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Tuesday, Jan. 16.

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# YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls		Precipitation	
Yesterday	38 30	Yesterday in Twin Falls	0.35
Last year	47 32	Month to date	1.67
Normal	36 18	Normal mo. to date	1.32
		Water year to date	1.32
		Normal year to date	3.72

**Idaho**

Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho: High, 47 degrees at Lewiston, 3 degrees at Stanley.
Boise	43	0.00	Nation: High, 83 at Kingsville, Texas.
Burley	40	0.00	Low, 20 at Albany, N.Y.
Coeur d'Alene	37	0.00	
Grangeville	38	0.00	
Hagerman	37	0.00	
Idaho Falls	35	0.01	
Lewiston	47	0.33	
Malad	39	0.00	
Malta	43	0.00	
McCall	35	0.15	
Pocatello	40	0.01	
Salmon	36	0.21	
Stanley	25	0.06	
Sun Valley	m	m	

**The Nation**

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	67	38	.....
Anchorage	7	-3	.....
Atlanta	52	33	.....
Boston	12	1	.....
Chicago	23	16	0.08
Dallas	75	56	.....
Denver	64	27	.....
Des Moines	28	26	.....
Honolulu	81	71	.....
Houston	79	49	.....
Indianapolis	28	21	.....
Kansas City	37	31	.....
Las Vegas	63	68	0.2
Los Angeles	66	57	0.33
Memphis	74	54	.....
Millwaukee	25	19	.....
Minneapolis	25	16	0.01
Mobile	78	60	.....
New York	19	11	.....
OKlahoma City	48	45	.....
Oraha	34	28	.....
Phoenix	70	54	.....
Pittsburgh	20	12	.....
Portland, Me.	48	35	0.02
Portland, Ore.	50	30	.....
St. Louis	52	30	0.21
Salt Lake City	50	45	.....
San Francisco	59	47	.....
Seattle	49	37	0.07
Spokane	76	52	.....
Washington	29	27	.....
Yuma	77	35	.....

**Canadian Cities**

Calgary	10	-1	cdy.
Edmonton	17	-14	cdy.
Toronto	37	8	cdy.
Vancouver	45	32	rh.

**UV INDEX**

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**ACROSS THE NATION**

**Idaho: Tropical moisture provided cloudy skies** across southern Idaho Monday afternoon. The panhandle and central mountains enjoyed mostly sunny skies. Temperatures were mild state wide and ranged from 21 degrees at Mullan Pass to 47 at Lewiston. The only precipitation in the afternoon was at Stanley with 0.02 and Mullan Pass with a trace. Winds were generally light and variable.

**Northeast and mid-Atlantic states Monday** with strong winds gusting through the region. Winds generally blew between 15 and 30 mph, producing dangerously cold wind chill readings. Strong wind chill values were minus 19 in Blue Hill, Mass., 32 below in Watertown, N.Y., and 44 below zero in Concord, N.H. Philadelphia fell like 19 below zero; New York City felt like 26 below zero.

A frontal boundary stretching from the Southeast Coast, north and west across the Tennessee Valley brought an increase in clouds to parts of the region.

Elsewhere: Bitter cold gripped much of the

# Geddes upsets Risch for top Senate post

BOISE (AP) - The Republican majority in the state Senate on Monday elected Robert Geddes as the chamber's top leader, replacing the late Jerry Twigg.

Geddes, a third term lawmaker from Soda Springs who served last year as the chairman of the GOP caucus, defeated Republican Floor Leader James Risch of Boise for Senate President Pro Tem in a race members said was decided on leadership styles.

"Senator Twigg was a consensus builder, and that's what we want to do in our caucuses," Geddes said after the closed-door election. "We need to stay the course the senator had established."

Replacing Geddes as head of the 31-member Republican caucus was Judi Danielson of Council, who is in her third-term in the House. Last year, she surprised many senators when she unseated veteran Judiciary Chairman Denton Darrington of Declo for a seat on the Legislative Council, which runs the Legislature when it is not in session.

In taking that leadership job, Danielson had to give up her seat on the House-Senate budget committee. It will likely go to third-

term Sen. John Andreason of Boise, who was director of the committee staff for two decades before retiring in 1992.

The race to replace Twigg, who died of a sudden heart attack a week ago, was to an extent a choice in the quality of relations between the Senate and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on one hand and the Senate and house on the other.

"That's the only thing that will help us," Bell said.

But Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer, said farmers cannot count on exporting their way out of the current commodity slump - which Kempthorne called the worst farm product depression in 20 years.

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"The State of the State is a nice event," Jones said. "But the budget is the real meat. That's where he proves where his heart is."

# Confederate flag draws holiday protest march

COLUMBIA, S.C. - Decrying the Confederate flag as a symbol of slavery and racism, about 46,000 people marched to South Carolina's Statehouse on Martin Luther King Day to demand the banner be taken down.

They also said the slain civil rights leader should be honored with a permanent state holiday. South Carolina state workers now can take off on the King holiday or another of their choices, including one of several tied to Confederate anniversaries.

"The flag is coming down today," marchers sang as they walked six blocks from a downtown church to the Statehouse. Some carried signs reading, "Your heritage is my slavery."

Across the country Monday, Americans remembered King with marches and speeches urging the nation to commit itself to his principles and fulfill his dream of racial harmony and equality.

This was the first year that the King holiday was observed in some form in all 50 states, and the 15th year it has been celebrated as a national holiday.

In Atlanta, Vice President Al Gore joined King's widow, Coretta Scott King, and other family members in placing two wreaths at King's grave. King, who was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn., in 1968, would have been 71 Saturday.

Today, nearly 32 years after we lost him, we still need Martin Luther King Jr. more than ever," Gore said from the pulpit of Ebenezer Baptist Church, where King served as pastor during the civil rights movement.

"We shall overcome" needs to be more than just a look into our past, but a way to find the resolve to find the true America we know we can be at last."

# Lawmakers

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for his stiff stance against the federal government's plan to set aside millions of acres of national forest as roadless areas.

"If it takes a lawsuit to get their attention, then so be it," the former U.S. senator said defiantly in front of a packed House of Representatives chambers.

House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, applauded the governor's continued reform.

Improving education and health care for Idaho's children. A large portion of his speech addressed various aspects of education.

However, Jaquet was a little more off by his outright rejection of the federal government's ideas

for Forest Service land in Idaho.

"I would've preferred it if he would've said we need a working partnership with the federal government," Jaquet said.

But Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Declo, said Kempthorne's stance was right on.

"I agree with him," Darrington said. "We need more say on how the federal lands are administered."

Jaquet also was troubled by the absence of any mention of water quality issues and livestock regulations, issues of foremost importance to the agriculture-rich Magic and Wood River valleys.

Meanwhile, Republican legislators seem to be reserving judgment until Wednesday on Kempthorne's ideas to help school districts fix dangerous school building situations.

Some legislators were a little leery about some of the programs Kempthorne mentioned - including a loan program for school districts with building safety problems. They want to know how the programs will work and how they will be funded.

"He's plugging a lot of general increases," said Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome. "This year's increase is next year's base."

However, Bell liked Kempthorne's message that increasing international trade may be the best way to boost

depressed farm commodity prices.

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# Jerome

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lion to \$13.9 million.

"The biggest problems remain overcrowding and poor facilities at the secondary level," said city attorney Jerry Williams, a member of the citizens' committee.

The new proposal includes a lower price tag plus plans to build the new school next door to the high school, on about 23 acres the district is buying for \$142,000.

Past proposals also have called for a new middle school but included improvements to other buildings. Those extras were left out this time.

"We have just addressed the issue of the middle school," said Mike Gibson, the district's business manager. "It seemed to be a concern to people that we were trying to address too many things in our efforts."

The old middle school would be converted to a school for the fourth through sixth grades. And like past proposals, the ninth grade would be moved from the high school to the new middle school to ease high school crowding.

Building a new middle school next to the high school would address transportation concerns about ninth-graders and

their teachers who would need to be at both schools, Williams said. The two schools would be within easy walking distance.

The citizens' committee meetings were well attended, Williams said. And based on comments from people who have been reluctant to support a bond issue in the past, he said alternatives proposed in this plan appear to make it more palatable.

Ten-year enrollment statistics from the Idaho Department of Education show that the district experienced steady enrollment growth between 1990 and 1996, when it rose by 17 percent from 2,697 students to 3,161 students. Since then, enrollment has dropped by 4 percent, to 3,042 in 1999.

But student numbers are easing back upwards and the district sees indications - expansion south of town and larger kindergarten classes - that growth will continue, Gibson said. District enrollment is about 40 students ahead of this time last year.

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# Anti-missile test could spur decision on strategic defense

WASHINGTON (AP) - If successful, a test Tuesday of the Pentagon's anti-missile missile could move administration officials closer to recommending that President Clinton commit to deploying a nationwide missile defense.

A system of interceptor rockets, radars and computerized command centers - a much scaled-down version of the space-based "star wars" defense envisioned by President Reagan in the 1980s - could be deployed as early as 2005, although many hurdles remain.

If Tuesday's test goes as planned, a 121-pound "smart rock" will steer itself into the path of a mock warhead about 140 miles above the central Pacific Ocean, creating a collision that would reduce both objects to space dust. At least, that's the plan.

The "smart rock" actually a highly sophisticated missile interceptor, is still "learning," Pentagon officials say.

This is, however, just any run-of-the-mill testing program.

North Korea, for example, is said to be developing a missile with enough range to reach American shores. Although it has not tested it in flight and agreed recently to halt missile testing for the time being.

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**POWERBALL**  
1 6 21 33 40  
POWERBALL NUMBER 28

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 15 NUMBERS**

**WILD CARD**  
6 12 21 29 30  
WILD CARD: QUEEN OF CLUBS

**MONDAY, JANUARY 17 NUMBERS**

**FAST**  
4 6 15 30

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# Administration expresses worry over Iranian nuclear program

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Clinton administration expressed new worry Monday over Iran's nuclear program and whether that country has acquired the capability to make nuclear bombs and other weapons of mass destruction.

The New York Times reported Monday that the Central Intelligence Agency has told senior Clinton administration officials that Iran might now be able

to make a nuclear weapon. CIA Director George Tenet has been briefing other U.S. policy-makers on the new assessment, the newspaper said.

"We will continue to work hard to block those efforts," White House national security spokesman David Leavy said.

U.S. officials were not pleased with reports Friday from Moscow that Iran may order from Russia an additional three nuclear reactors

for power generation.

Although Iran denies having a nuclear weapons program, and Russia insists its assistance is peaceful and legal, administration intelligence officials view the Russian-Iranian relationship with rising alarm.

National Security officials would not comment directly on the New York Times report but agreed that the possibility that Iran may be able to manufacture nuclear

weapons has been a growing worry.

"We've said all along that we are concerned about Iran's efforts to develop ballistic missiles and weapons of mass destruction," Leavy said.

Intelligence and defense experts warned that Iran may be closer than previously believed to amassing a nuclear arsenal.

A senior intelligence official said the United States is watching

closely the worrisome problem of availability of fissionable material to Iran, which could use it to make nuclear bombs.

There remains disagreement among intelligence officials on the pace of Iran's nuclear program and the degree to which Iran may be attempting to divert nuclear materials to weapons.

A reason for differing estimates, officials said, is the difficulty in monitoring Iran's acquisition of nuclear materials and technology.

As recently as last year, intelligence officials were telling congressional intelligence panels that Iran might be able to test a missile that could reach targets in the United States by 2010. Officials now suggest the timetable might have to be shortened in light of the recent developments.

## BABY, ITS COLD OUTSIDE!



Helen Ross of Inverness, Scotland, is covered with frost after cross-country skiing in Stowe, Vt., Monday. Frigid winds are combining with low temperatures to make it dangerously cold in Vermont. The National Weather Service says the wind chill could drop to 40 to 50 below zero in the northern and central parts of the state.

## Army closes investigation on fatal crash

WASHINGTON (AP) - After a months-long investigation, the Army has failed to determine what caused the fatal crash last spring of an Apache helicopter on training maneuvers in Albania, the Army said Monday.

Two soldiers killed in the accident were the only U.S. troop casualties in the NATO war against Yugoslavia.

The Apache investigation has been closed, and the cause will be listed as unknown "due to the degree of damage sustained during the crash sequence," Army spokesman Col. Edwin Veiga said.

In what he described as a highly unusual outcome, Veiga said investigators could find no definitive answer to what caused the crash.

On May 5, the Apache was leading a formation of five helicopters over mountainous terrain in northern Albania when its nose pitched up and the chopper rolled to the right. It fell 150 feet and exploded in flames on the ground, according to the Dayton Daily News, which obtained an Army report on the crash.

Chief Warrant Officer David Gibbs, 38, of Massillon, Ohio, and Chief Warrant Officer Kevin Reichert, 28, of Chetek, Wis., were killed.

Early indications pointed to mechanical failure, but Veiga said investigators were ultimately unable to determine a cause.

Apaches are the Army's best attack helicopters and were used extensively in the 1991 Gulf War against Iraq. Flown with a crew of two, they are armed with as many as 16 laser-guided Hellfire missiles designed to knock out tanks. In addition, they carry 70 mm rockets and a 30 mm cannon that can fire 625 rounds per minute.

## Supreme Court to weigh 'bubble' protection law

DENVER (AP) - The morning calm on a tree-lined residential street is pierced as sign-carrying protesters shout at women entering an abortion clinic.

"It's an office of death! Don't kill your baby! Do you know what you're doing?" they yell from eight feet away at women partially shielded by a 4-foot brick wall outside the Planned Parenthood clinic.

It is a scene dictated by Colorado's 1993 "bubble" law, which requires protesters to keep their distance from patients entering health-care facilities.

On Wednesday, the U.S. Supreme Court will hear arguments on whether the law legally protects patients from harass-

ment and intimidation or violates the protesters' right to free speech.

The decision could establish guidelines for other states and cities that have grappled with ways to maintain peace between protesters and women seeking abortions.

The state of Colorado argues that the law balances free-speech rights with the right to access to health care. The Legislature passed the law after hearing patients complain of being spat on, kicked and harassed.

"It's all right to protest. That's fine, but when it gets down to intervening with another person's recognized right, the Legislature felt obliged to step in," said Deputy Attorney General Ken Lane.

## Ex-CIA chief stabilizes

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica - Former CIA Director Adm. Stansfield Turner was in stable but critical condition Monday following the crash of a tourist plane that killed his wife and three others.

Dr. Deborah Beuchan of the Hospital Mexico said Turner suffered injuries to his head and chest in Sunday's crash.

Turner, 76, is a former admiral who served as CIA director under President Jimmy Carter between 1977 and 1981.

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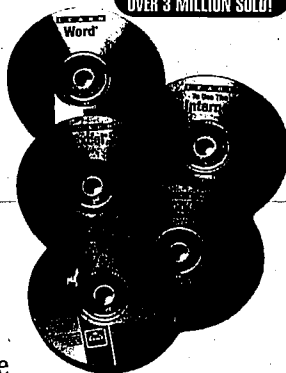
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# COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY



Andrew Fagg, a professor at the University of Massachusetts, demonstrates a prototype of his wearable computer in his office in Amherst, Mass., earlier this month.

## Technology you can wear!

Man develops device as powerful as a personal computer, wearable as a tool belt

The Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — The guy wired-up with a headset and keypad in the dairy-food aisle is not just an information-age geek with a 21st century calculator.

He's Andrew Fagg, a University of Massachusetts scientist who could be shaping the future. Fagg is working on making smarter wearable computers — and, yes, also picking out his own groceries from a computerized list.

"One person I passed ... after I got 20 or 30 feet down the row, he said, 'What some people won't do to watch television!'" Fagg said Jan. 10.

He is doing research in one of the newest fields in computing: devices that allow a personal computer to be as wearable as a tool belt. The user can wear the monitor as a headset and keypad as a wrist watch.

The commercial market for such wearable computers has expanded strongly over the past year, mainly for specialized

industrial uses. They're already used by warehouse workers to check inventory, doctors to report medical records, and transportation workers to inspect roadways.

"Before, they had the clunky old pad and noted all the signs and streets and bridges and got back to the office to write it all up from their notes," said Robin Bono, spokeswoman for wearable computer seller Xybernaut, in Fairfax, Va.

Now, inspectors using voice-recognition computer programs can fill out the forms verbally while driving. Bono said the devices save time and cut down on copying mistakes.

But her company's computers sell from about \$5,000 to \$9,000. At such prices, the market is tiny for the general public.

The prices, though, are expected to fall as demand grows. International Data Corp., an industry analyst, foresees an annual market worth over \$600 million within four years. Fagg and a team of research-

ers at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst computer science department are seeking ways to keep information more private on such computers and make them smarter about sharing it, so the wearer doesn't resent them as an electronic nag.

"The machine should present information at the appropriate time and in the appropriate way. I don't care what I need at the grocery store if I'm sitting in my office," Fagg said. "Nor do I want it to convey information visually while I'm driving my car, although it's OK for it to occasionally whisper in my ear."

Fagg has designed a prototype with off-the-shelf components as a way of testing software. It can speak in an automated voice. It has a global positioning system to pinpoint location.

Its headset is equipped with a four-inch arm dangling in front of the wearer's face; it projects a small computer screen. A small keypad has both keys and a mouse. The main unit, with batteries and a very respectable 4.3-

gigabyte hard drive, weighs six pounds — more than some commercial models.

Ultimately, Fagg said, the aim is to free the wearer of some routine tasks, allowing more time for the creative or interesting ones.

Fagg already wears his computer buddy most days at work. He takes notes, retrieves addresses and performs other everyday tasks. When better cellular data networks are set up in western Massachusetts, his device could tap into the Internet or dial into other computers via cellular networks.

Meanwhile, he wears his computer buddy around town when he needs information already loaded onto its hard disk, like his shopping list.

Although some people stop and stare at Fagg in the supermarket aisles, analyst Christine Arrington, of International Data Corp., predicts that improvements in comfort and aesthetics will eventually transcend the "geek factor."

## Software gives right formula for learning your chemistry

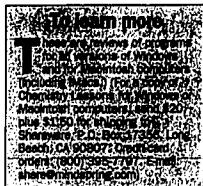
By Noah Matthews  
Knight Ridder News Service

Home schoolers, of which I almost was one (but more about that later) who are studying chemistry and are baffled by mass mole numbers and the like will find the Chemistry Lessons CD an invaluable aid. So will students who are in school, and so will teachers, both home and in school, who want to teach these difficult concepts in a visual way that allows students to go at their own pace.

Graphically, this instructive CD, part of a Home-Teachers series, is straightforward, colorful and highly forgiving. Students are given a short introduction that helps them understand the concept they're studying. Converting moles to mass (and vice versa) is explained before clicking on the next step, which is to solve an actual problem. You choose an element, enter the value of the molar mass and calculate the number of moles.

After mastering that concept, you can head for ionic compounds, combustion and decomposition, oxidation-reduction, reaction stoichiometry, gas laws and more. Forgive me if I don't write knowledgeably about the subject, but perhaps if I had had such a CD 40 years ago, when I was a chemistry student, I wouldn't have been thrown out of lab for making chicken soup in a beaker and fouling up my lab partner's project with cooked carrots.

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## Apple develops a bona fide supercomputer

The Dallas Morning News

Classified by the U.S. government as a supercomputer because it can run more than 1 billion calculations per second, the 450-megahertz G4 is more than 2.5 times faster than a 600MHz Pentium III, according to Apple, which used Intel's benchmark tests.

Apple's computer for the 21st century has just about every feature: support for up to 1.5 gigabytes of RAM, 1 megabyte of backside level 2 cache, three internal drive bays, CD or DVD drive, 15MB of video RAM, 100BASE-T Ethernet, 56Kbps modem, two or three FireWire ports, two Universal Serial Bus ports, three PCI slots, an AGP video card slot and support for optional wireless networking.

On the G4, Apple has finally incorporated some standard PC components, such as PC100 SDRAM and a standard PC VGA connector, eliminating the need for special RAM chips and monitor adapters.

The company is still shipping a small USB keyboard and round USB mouse, neither of which I like. Fortunately, larger alternatives are available from

other manufacturers.

I installed Apple's latest operating system, Mac OS 9, and found the G4 (\$2,499) blindingly fast. Compared with the earlier G3 models, this G4 was much faster at browsing the Internet and using programs such as Adobe Photoshop or QuarkXPress. Its platinum-colored case also looks better in my office than the G3's translucent blue.

If all those features still leave you wanting more, for an extra \$3,000, Apple will bundle a 22-inch flat-panel LCD Cinema Display.

For more information, go to [www.apple.com](http://www.apple.com) or call 1-800-538-9696.

—Jim Rossman

One giant step for kid kind: The Air Hogs Hydro Rocket takes a classic toy concept and

launches it to a deviously entertaining new level.

The Hydro operates on the same principle as water rockets of a generation ago: You fill a plastic launch vehicle with water, pressurize it with air, release the latch and watch it shoot toward the sky. But this is not your father's water rocket.

For starters, that one didn't have half as many levers and entertaining little gauges, such as the level indicator that prevents liftoff unless the rocket is aimed precisely heavenward and not at, say, your little brother's backside.

Your father's water rocket didn't have a launch apparatus that let you easily pump water and air in precise amounts. And your father's water rocket never flew half as high as the Hydro.

How high is that? The box promises altitudes of 150 feet, and that's probably accurate. Which points out the toy's only caveat: It needs lots of open space. Because if you stand in, say, a typical suburban lawn, pump until all the indicators say "MAX" and pull the trigger, you might end up asking your neighbor two houses down whether you can check his back yard for your missing rocket. (We never found ours, but it sure went out in style.)

Luckily, Spin Master Toys sells replacements for lost or damaged rockets. The basic Hydro Rocket setup lists for \$39.99 but should be available for much cheaper. Replacement rockets go for about \$9.99. Visit [www.spinmaster.com](http://www.spinmaster.com) or call 1-800-622-8339.

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## EDITORIAL

### Honor the concepts that King and many others espoused

Martin Luther King Day came and went Monday without much fanfare. Many people had the day off, but few probably took the time to ponder why they were enjoying a paid holiday.

The reason is that Martin Luther King Jr. was an inspiring, outspoken and charismatic leader of the civil rights movement that swept across America in the 1960s. At first, it was just a freshening breeze, but it gathered strength until it became a gale, then a hurricane that blew down many social barriers.

But it wasn't King, alone, who achieved this outcome. It was also due to the stubborn persistence of Rosa Parks, who wouldn't give up her bus seat in Birmingham, Ala. It was due to James

*There were many stars in the civil rights constellation. Martin Luther King Jr. was simply the brightest.*

Meredith, who risked his life to attend Ole Miss in Mississippi. And it was partly due to a group of black high school students who kept going to class at Central High School in Little Rock, Ark.

There were many stars in the civil rights constellation. King was simply the brightest.

Unlike 49 other states, Utah recognizes that fact. Where every other state in the union, including Idaho, observes a Martin Luther King Day, Utah has a Human Rights Day. We'd

prefer that were the case in Idaho, not because of any fault with King himself - either as a man or as a symbol.

Rather than venerate King, the man, Utah chose to honor the ideals of respect, dignity and civil rights for all Americans. Those were central tenets of King's philosophy. Honoring them pays homage to King as well.

#### And another thing ...

On a related note, the Rev. Jesse Jackson is doing a disservice to those concepts - and to King's memory - as he struggles to defend the indefensible in Decatur, Ill.

Six students were expelled from school there after a Sept. 17 brawl at a football game. The school board saw the incident for what it was: six young thugs - who happened to be black - prowling the bleachers, violently confronting spectators and terrifying everyone who watched. Unfortunately for Jackson, millions of Americans saw the incident on the evening news.

In this case, Jackson is raving about the wrong injustice. Instead of complaining about the unfairness of the school district's anti-violence policy, he should be denouncing the violent deeds of six young punks.



### Jackson turns Decatur victory into defeat

CLARENCE PAGE

It is unfortunate that the Rev. Jesse Jackson did not know when to declare victory in Decatur, Ill., and go home. Yes, "victory," although you would hardly guess that from most of the news reports and commentary that has erupted nationwide in the wake of his caper in Decatur.

You also would not guess from the rough rhetoric or the rising use of "zero tolerance" disciplinary policies in schools that school violence has been declining nationwide in recent years.

In a case that has become a national symbol of conflict over "zero tolerance," Jackson came to Decatur to defend six black male high school students who had been expelled for two years after a massive brawl during a high school football game.

Within days, he was able, with Illinois Gov. George Ryan's intervention, to get that suspension reduced to one year and offer the teens enrollment in an alternative school.

As a compromise, it was almost elegant. It erased the two-year punishment that, in hindsight, just about everyone agrees was too stiff. It satisfied the community's need to have some punishment and remove the youths from their school population. It also gave the youths an opportunity to resume their studies and graduate on time, if they wished.

But, instead of accepting that compromise, Jackson proceeded to protest the expulsions, including one incident in which he was arrested while making the youths a symbol of "zero tolerance."

Jackson insisted on immediate reinstatement for the students. When the school board refused, Jackson took them to federal court to have the expulsions rescinded.

As a result, he has snatched defeat out of the jaws of victory.

The setback came last week when federal District Judge Michael McCuskey ruled that the board acted appropriately in disciplining the youths for the Sept. 17 fight.

"The citizens and students of Decatur should be able to go to a high school football game without worrying about a violent confrontation erupting in the stands," he wrote in an opinion posted on the Internet.

No doubt about that. But the question is, how best can a safe school environment be imposed?

"Zero tolerance," the imposition of stiff penalties even for offenses as minor as playing a boom box too loud, has caught on among educators across the country since the late 1980s. They were further encouraged by President Clinton's signing the Gun-Free Schools Act in 1994, which mandated a one-year expulsion for weapons in school. "Zero tolerance" policies tightened up further in the wake of mass school shootings in rural and suburban schools in recent years.

But Jackson rightfully objected to the severity of Decatur's two-year expulsion in the wake of a bleacher fight that involved no weapons. That's one of the problems with zero-tolerance policies: If a simple one-on-one fight can result in a year-long expulsion, a bleacher-clearing brawl almost automatically triggers a knee-jerk two-year expulsion.

In two telephone conversations I had with Jackson before the ruling, Jackson

rightfully objected to the way school officials lumped all of the six cases together, as if they were all alike. They were individuals. At least a couple were chronic truants, but at least two were good students who only a few credit hours from graduation.

Jackson correctly pointed out that the consequences of zero-tolerance policies have fallen disproportionately on blacks, as evidenced by statistics that the youths' lawyers produced in court. They showed that 82 percent of students expelled from Decatur schools over the past three years have been African-American, even though blacks make up just 48 percent of the student body. A recent national study by the Applied Research Center showed black students expelled two to three times more often than whites.

Unfortunately, that study did not analyze whether the nature of white students' offenses was significantly less severe than those of black students. That's important, since many other factors beside race can lead to the disparity. Just as the Decatur youths should have been judged as individuals, not as a group, so should the individual cases that the statistics represent.

At best, Jackson has alerted school districts to the need to judge young people as individuals, whether they are imposing punishment or trying to get it lifted.

As a nation, we have shown great enthusiasm for kicking dangerous and alienated kids out of school. We need to summon up similar enthusiasm for helping troubled kids to reconnect and perform better in school.

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## LETTER

### Get someone else to be guinea pig

In response to Norman and Glenda Bodily's obvious intention of selling out their community to Ron Achs and the hog farm: Wake up and smell the roses, or should I say manure?

You were at the meeting when Ron Achs said he wasn't going to purchase our crops. He specifically stated that the feed would be brought in from Nebraska. None of his partners are from the Raft River area (unless Ron has hired you as his partner). Ron also stated none of the upper management of this hog farm would come from the Raft River area. He also stated Yale Raft was in good enough shape to handle 70 to 100 semi-truck loads of feed per day (remember, we all laughed at that one).

What about the fish ponds? Oops! Ron

forgot fish couldn't possibly live in that muck. So now no fish ponds.

Achs said at first 400 jobs, now maybe 20 or 30. Achs' own admission, he doesn't know what impact on schools this hog farm will have. Crime rate will increase, do we get an extra sheriff to offset the criminal activity? I think not.

So, Norm and Glenn, how again could Raft River benefit from Porky and his pals?

Maybe Achs' plan is sound, but what if it isn't? Let him go test his idea in his own back yard. (Oops, I forgot he was denied there and several other counties as well.)

I don't want to be the guinea pig in this experiment, and I'm sure I speak for others.

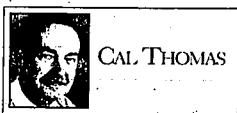
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### 'Hanoi Jane' no more: Fonda's silence on Christian conversion speaks loudest

When I first heard reports of Jane Fonda's conversion to Christ, I dismissed them as one more in a long line of erroneous rumors that begin in gossip and take on certain credence from repetition. Then I started hearing reports from people not usually given to hearsay and called people in a position to know. Yes, it appears to be true, they said. Oh me of little faith. Oh doubting Thomas.

The news will come as a bigger shock to those who have turned their denunciation of Jane Fonda into an industry than it will to many of her longtime friends, who are also on a journey of self-examination. Many of her peers are finding their lifelong beliefs have not brought the peace and fulfillment for which they are searching.

If press reports are true, Fonda's chauffeur and a woman married to a Turner Broadcasting System executive



CAL THOMAS

were instrumental in bringing her to faith. No prominent clergyman was involved. Just a chauffeur and a faithful friend. How like God.

Fonda has declined to speak with reporters. That's good. She should also decline for a while to speak publicly and to the religious establishment. One recalls Eldridge Cleaver, the late former Black Panther, who shortly after testifying to his own conversion was possessed by many whites and turned into a black trophy for their churches. Cleaver went public before his faith was properly grounded. He soon abandoned it and pur-

sued other religions and New Age philosophies.

Before God could use Moses, He sent him to wander in the desert for 40 years to cleanse him of self-reliance. After the conversion of Saul of Tarsus (and his name change to Paul), the apostle was privately instructed by his new friends, those he once persecuted, before he spoke publicly.

Religious hustlers would love to have Jane Fonda in their pulpits and on their television shows. How many would say with a straight face, "I prayed for you all the time," and it would be true? Not many, I'll wager.

There is a lesson here for those who would learn it. Right after the verse which many Christians love to quote (John 3:16) is verse 17, which says: "God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved." Most conservative Christians cannot honestly say

we are sinless when it comes to Jane Fonda. How many of our hands and hearts are clean of the stain of denunciation and criticism of her? As of now, we know two: her chauffeur and a faithful friend.

Rev. Gerald Durlley, pastor of Providence Missionary Baptist Church in Atlanta, where the chauffeur attends, said he has seen Fonda at his services and "I am extremely impressed with the genuineness and sincerity of (her) search for spirituality and wholeness. I think she has found a certain sense of peace among those who've found peace with Christianity."

Every conversion is a miracle, whether the converted is a homeless person or a well-known figure like Jane Fonda. Some like to see a celebrity transformed because it allows them to walk by sight and not by faith. And it validates a need to see their faith paraded publicly on the back of a celebrity, rather than emulate

the One whose chosen mode of transportation were his feet and a humble donkey.

No power on Earth, and certainly no power of denunciation, could have changed the life of Jane Fonda. More than seeing how her life has changed, it will be interesting to see how she changes the lives of those who have hated her and have put "Hanoi Jane" bumper stickers on their cars, referring to an ill-considered visit to North Vietnam during that divisive war. The power of love to change a life is far greater than the power of criticism and harsh judgment. Without speaking a public word, Jane Fonda may have already exuded a force more powerful than any other political idea or philosophy she may have promoted in the past.

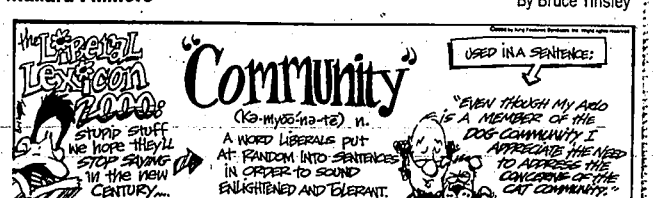
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### Doonesbury



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# U.S. might be handing future of food technology right over to China

Is it possible the First World will give China a virtual monopoly in agricultural biotechnology, destined to be one of the most valuable technologies of the 21st century?

DENNIS T. AVERY

public research institutions.

The publicly funded research labs will be even more gun-shy of agricultural biotechnology now than the private sector. The erstwhile scientists will have to lay aside their decorates and start new careers.

A lucky few may find jobs in human medical biotech, which the environmental movement has not attacked yet. This has nothing to do with risks to people or the environment. Despite media hype, no real dangers related to biotech foods have ever been documented.

But Greenpeace seems to want a smaller, poorer human population, so they're willing to frighten the world back into the scientific Dark Ages. The one thing certain is genetic engineering in food production will not disappear.

When the astronomer Galileo published his proofs in 1632 that the Earth revolved around the sun, the Catholic Church put him under house arrest. The church had declared the Earth the center of the universe.

But people could never look at the sun and see the same way again. They had new knowledge.

The First World may be so comfortable it can afford to pass up biotech foods. But the Third World is still struggling to provide adequate diets for its growing population.

For the developing world, the choices are stark. They can either use biotechnology to raise yields, grow more low-yield crops by clearing tropical forests or import food from the West. Given those choices, biotech foods look awful-

ly attractive. Most Third World countries are too small or poor to advance agricultural biotechnology on their own. Countries like Brazil and Argentina could assemble the scientific resources but they're afraid of losing their export sales to nervous European and Japanese consumers.

India might like to develop high-yielding biotech crops to ease its cropland shortage, but its own prickly activists are still arguing over hybrid seeds. They're likely to hamstring Indian biotech into the near foreseeable future.

China is the one country in the world with the scientific power to carry biotechnology forward in agriculture, the urgent need for massive amounts of additional food and feed and no need to allow unfounded food scares to be published in its newspapers.

China already has over 1 million farmers growing genetically modified cotton, corn and soybeans because of lower costs. Anyone who doubts China's ability to carry forward good science is ignoring the country's fabulous history and its recent ballistic missile tests.

"Golden rice" by itself may be enough to secure genetically engineered foods' reputation among Chinese consumers. Asian women are at high risk of birth complications because of iron deficiency due to the phytate in the rice they eat.

Golden rice counteracts the phytate and provides ample dietary iron. It also contains plenty of Vitamin A, also lacking in many rice-culture diets.

The International Rice Research Institute is already breeding golden rice genes into

popular rice varieties for the people of Asia and Africa. Is Greenpeace callous enough to try to frighten poor rice-culture consumers away from golden rice and back to childhood blindness?

Using biotechnology, China should be able to produce highly attractive foods, such as healthier fats for cooking, allergy-free nuts, more tender steaks and, at last, a tasty off-season tomato.

Every vitamin and mineral needed by the human body could be engineered into our foods, saving consumers billions of dollars in food supplements.

When First World consumers find out about such goodies, China can export them or charge farmers in other countries a fee to grow them.

The biotech crops will also feature sharply higher yields, especially on marginal farmlands where drought and acid soils currently limit production. Greenpeace should cheer this, since it will directly help save Asian tropical forests.

First World farmers will lose a significant part of their export

potential, of course, if Third World farmers can produce higher yields and more desirable specialty foods through biotechnology. At the moment, that seems to be the price they pay for farming in a rich, overfed country.

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## LETTER

### Thanks for keeping it clean

The Twin Falls Canal Co. deserves praise for taking the bull by the horns and voting to make sure its shareholders are responsible for cleaning up their field and ditch run-off before it makes its way to the Snake River. While I have criticized the agricultural community in the past for failing to apply peer pressure to recalcitrant farm operators to control polluted run-off, I applaud the canal company's new-found courage to do just that. If agricultural wants to maintain its privileged position under voluntary controls, it will need to continue to take measures to ensure that bad actors are deterred and good actors receive accolades.

Chuck Coimer is correct when he says that if they do a better job, there will be less interference from the outside. That outside includes not only the conservation and sporting community but other industries including municipalities, the aqua-culture industry and urban water owners.

With both major irrigation canal companies in the Magic Valley applying these rules, we

should expect to see a more rapid cleanup of the Mid-Snake River, a net benefit to local residents and all Idahoans.

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# Was paramilitary leader killed to protect Milosevic?

**BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP)**—The government was not behind the death of a notorious paramilitary leader, an aide to President Slobodan Milosevic said Monday, despite reports suggesting the victim may have been killed to prevent him from testifying against Yugoslav leaders.

Former Serb Police Chief Radmilo Bogdanovic, a senior official in Milosevic's Socialist Party, dismissed claims that the government was behind the gangland-style slaying of Zeljko Raznatovic, known as Arkan.

Bogdanovic told independent radio station B92 that it was "impossible to connect" Arkan's death with "state terrorism" and that "only a serious police and judicial investigation" could shed light on the killing.

Raznatovic, who had been indicted by the international war crimes tribunal for alleged atrocities committed during wars in Croatia and Bosnia, was believed to have close ties to Milosevic's security services.

That fueled widespread speculation in Serbia that Arkan was killed Saturday because he could implicate Milosevic and other Serbian leaders in atrocities committed during the bloody breakup of the former Yugoslavia.

At The Hague, Paul Riskey, spokesman for the war crimes tribunal, said two lawyers claiming to represent Arkan contacted the court separately last week and said he was interested in negotiating a deal.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Kempthorne touches on guns, food quality

By Michael Jurnee Times-News writer

BOISE - Mention of a bill dealing with guns in schools and state funding for a Twin Falls farm products quality assurance lab during Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's State of the State speech Monday piqued the interest of a few Magic Valley legislators.

Guns in school

Randy Hansen, R-Twin Falls, is not disappointed that his gun-free schools legislation was vetoed by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne last year. "It turned out to be a good thing in the long run," Hansen said.

Hansen spent all summer building consensus among educators, law enforcement organizations, corrections officials, the governor's office and legislators and then completely rewrote the bill.

And Kempthorne's reference to the gun bill during Monday's State of the State address spoke volumes to Hansen about his efforts.

Last year's bill "was a well-intentioned effort to address this problem," Kempthorne said to the joint session of the Legislature gathered for his speech. But the details of the bill caused him concern and prompted him to veto the measure. "It shocked me a little bit that

he made reference to it," Hansen said. But he said Kempthorne's call for a better bill in his speech will easily be met by the new version. Hansen expects the bill to have its initial reading in committee a week from today.

The differences this year include a stronger definition of what a gun is, what weapons will be banned from school campuses and changing language forbidding possession of any weapon at all.

"We've got everything in there," Hansen said about the weapons that would be banned by the new bill. The old bill basically included only handguns in the ban, and

said that only people with weapons "on or about their person" would be in violation. Those problems have been resolved.

"We've got a good bill," Hansen said.

Quality assurance

Kempthorne also advocated state funding of the Idaho Food Quality Assurance Laboratory at the College of Southern Idaho during his speech.

"I think that's wonderful," said Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, who sits on the committee that's overseen operations since the lab reopened after being closed for mismanagement by former Gov. Phil Batt.

"It fits really well with our efforts in trade. A lot of countries require those kinds of standards," Bell said.

Three full-time staff supervise eight student interns at the lab analyzing samples - mostly spuds - from the several commodity groups that fund the lab's budget.

Helping farmers assure consumers - and that's a state government - that Idaho food products are safe is the lab's chief purpose.

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With the snow supply dwindling, Carl Hunter and Jeremy McClure make the most of what is left in a church parking lot near their Twin Falls homes. If no new snow arrives soon to play with, the two said they will have to return to their bikes for recreation.

It's elementary

Acequia test scores show steady improvement

By Loraine Cavener Times-News writer

RUPERT - Acequia Elementary School's test results were used Monday as a model to show the Mindoka County School District's goal for results on the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills.

Over the past four years Acequia has shown steady growth in all areas, said Marlane Garner, district testing coordinator. A chart of Acequia's test results showed improvements each year.

Though the school has grown academically, it has not happened without work. The school has some of the most crowded classrooms. Teachers hold math classes in any corner where they can find space, including the teachers' lounge and the notorious "dungeon," a dark, damp room in the basement.

Superintendent Nick Hallett used the school as an example when illustrating the district's need for last fall's bond issue election. But inadequate space

has not stopped Acequia elementary from seeking ways to be academically successful.

After analyzing the curriculum about two years ago, eight district officials went to Chattanooga, Tenn., to learn from Twenty-First Century Academy, a K-12 school frequently visited by educators throughout the United States.

Test scores improved after local educators adopted techniques from the Tennessee school at East Minico Junior High School and Big Valley Elementary School as well as Acequia elementary.

Multi-age classrooms that group children by skill level rather than age, is one technique that has helped improve scores over the past four years.

Another change is in the reading curriculum, Garner said. The change has been so recent that the effect hasn't had a chance to show at secondary level. "But the impact is quite evident at the elementary level as reflected in the current longitudinal scores," she said.

Longitudinal scores are scores compared over four years.

Most of the 1999 scores show performance above the 50th percentile, Garner said.

"Considering the fact that the county has a student body reflecting low per capita income, high mobility, high numbers of English language learners and one of the largest minority populations in the state," she said, "one would expect scores to be as low as the 40th or 30th percentile."

But with the exception of only two tests, all the scores this year are above the 50th percentile, she said. A graph showed that students who have attended school in the district for four years or more are better off than those who transfer in and out.

Sixth grade scores were in the 59th percentile, 9th graders were 49th percentile and 11th graders were at the 50th percentile level.

"All elementary school students exhibited a nice increase

due to focused concentration on skills in recent years," Garner said.

Core totals for the third and fourth grades were sharply higher, she said.

In other business: Several parents spoke to the board in support of boys' basketball coach Blair Garner.

"Word's out that someone wants to get rid of coach Garner," said Daryl Scott.

Board members said they could not comment on the status of the controversy surrounding Garner, but said they would take the parents' words into consideration.

Minico High School Principal Dan Rogers said a new equine program will be added at Minico. The program will teach horse health and nutrition and horse anatomy. It will be funded and administered by the College of Southern Idaho.

"I think we will find a tremendous amount of interest for this," Randeie Martin, vice chairman of the board said.

By Dixie Thomas Reefe Times-News correspondent

JEROME - The Jerome City Council could adopt a long-awaited animal control ordinance tonight.

The council also will take testimony on proposed changes to the ordinance's fee schedule.

The proposed fee schedule for the ordinance is as follows:

- One-year license for a spayed or neutered animal: \$2.
Three-year license, neutered animal: \$3.
One-year license, unneutered animal: \$4.

Council to meet

The Jerome City Council meets tonight at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A. The public is welcome.

- Three-year license, unneutered animal: \$5.
Duplicate tag: 50 cents.
Impoundment fee: \$5 per day.
Adoption fee: \$50.
Violation of the ordinance would cost \$50 fine for the first violation, \$100 for the second violation and \$200 for a third violation within 12 months.
Picking up a dog taken to the pound: \$65.

The final draft of the ordinance requires licenses for all dogs over the age of six months. Dogs would not be allowed to run at large and only three dogs would be allowed per household. Licenses would be issued for one or three years. Impounded animals would be held for 10 days to allow the owner to claim their pet.

Jerome has been working on this ordinance since November 1998, when Mayor Dennis Moore created a citizens' committee to draft a workable animal control ordinance. An early version of the ordinance completed in August 1999 required licenses and leashes for

both cats and dogs. After public criticism the council removed all reference to cats from the ordinance in October 1999.

In other business, the council will discuss and perhaps vote on an option to purchase the Moose Lodge.

The lease option to purchase the lodge on North Lincoln Street is set to expire Jan. 31. According to the lease agreement with the Loyal Order of the Moose the city must inform the Moose of its intent to purchase the property by the end of the lease.

The city budgeted \$33,800 for the building purchase.

Fleeing justice

Shooting suspect likely fled Idaho, authorities report

By Ruth Streeter Times-News writer

BURLEY - After five months, investigators are no closer to nabbing their suspect in the August 1999 murder of a Burley man.

Cassia County law enforcement had said initially that they had strong reason to believe the suspect, Samuel Rogel, 23, of Burley, was in Utah. But now all officials can say is that he is not likely to be in Idaho.

"He could be anywhere," Cassia County Capt. Jim Hignens said Monday.

An arrest warrant on a first-degree murder charge was issued for Rogel on Aug. 2, 1999.

The same day authorities found the body of David Fuentes stuffed into the trunk of a car registered to Rogel. The car was found parked at Oriental and Main streets in Burley.

Fuentes, a 19-year-old farmworker, had apparently been shot in the chest by a 22-caliber rifle after an argument on Aug. 2, 1999. The argument took place at 743 Elba Ave., where Rogel had been living for two weeks in a room he was renting from friends of the family, according to officials.

Officials believe Fuentes was shot in Rogel's room. They say Fuentes then walked to the end of the driveway, where he died.

Rogel's name has been entered into the National Crime Information System, which will alert any law enforcement official in the country to Rogel's wanted status.

Testimony from a witness to the shooting and the argument had led officials to believe the murder may be gang-related.

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He could be anywhere. -Cassia County Capt. Jim Hignens

# MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

## Police come up empty in manhunt

**SALMON (AP)** — More than 20 law-enforcement officers combed the mountains for a man and woman considered armed and dangerous after the pair escaped from authorities.

The middle-aged man and woman, who are wanted on felony drug-related charges, gave officers the slip Saturday night and are headed north looking for a ride to Montana, said Lemhi

County Chief Deputy Sam Slavin. "Everything we have indicates they have probably left the area, so we've broadened our search," Slavin said.

Officials in neighboring counties in northern Idaho and Montana also are on the lookout for the couple.

The names of the man and woman have not been released. They are traveling with a yellow

### Labrador dog

The couple had been living at the Outpost, a bar/restaurant/RV park at the confluence of Panther Creek and the Salmon River, since last September.

When three officers approached the pair Saturday night, they refused to come out and gave false information to the officers who were trying to establish their identity, Slavin said.

## OBITUARIES

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### TWIN FALLS

#### William P. Kirkwood

William P. Kirkwood, 81, of Kemmerer, Wyoming, and recently of Twin Falls, Idaho, died early Sunday morning, January 16, 2000, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Mr. Kirkwood was born February 21, 1918, in Diamondville, Wyoming, to Peter and Frances Smith Kirkwood. He grew up and attended schools in the Diamondville and Kemmerer area, and later married Ruth Mary Whiston of Kemmerer on May 3, 1935, in Randall, Utah. He and Ruth lived and raised their family of three children in Kemmerer. William worked in the heavy construction business for many years, and he and Ruth also owned and operated a small lodge and motel, the Pine Lodge, in Encampment, Wyo., for several years. William was a member of the Eagles Lodge and the Encampment Lions Club.

He was preceded in death by his wife Ruth, in June of 1995.

Survivors include three children, a daughter, Frances (Gene) Malone of Twin Falls, Idaho; two sons, Gary (Dorothy) Kirkwood of Mammoth Lake, Calif., and Dennis (Josie) Kirkwood of Walport, Ore.; one brother, Jim Kirkwood of Pittsburgh, Calif.; and one sister, Alison Curtis of Green River, Wyo.; 13 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and 21 great-great-grandchildren.

Private family inurnment services will be held at a later date. Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls, Idaho.

he played the fiddle and she accompanied him on the piano. She was constantly busy at some task, never idle.

A daughter, Loy Ann Bell of Jerome, Idaho; a son, Jay Lorne (Cherie) Overman of Sibley, Texas; a sister, Vera E. Marshall of Yerington, Nevada; seven grandchildren and several great-grandchildren were her pride and joy.

Her husband, both parents, three brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

Runeal services will be held at noon Wednesday, January 19, 2000, in the Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho, where friends and family may call beginning at 11 a.m. the day of the services. Internment will follow in the Jerome Cemetery.

### JEROME



#### Wilma Ellen Taylor

Wilma Ellen Taylor, 63, of Jerome, passed away January 14, 2000, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital.

She was born April 26, 1936, to Thomas and Pansy Moore Smith in Sparks, Oklahoma. She was a homemaker, a devoted and wonderful mother. Her husband and sons were her life, and she worshipped them. She also worshipped her grandchildren... they were her joy and her life. She will be terribly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Wilma is survived by her beloved husband, Paul D. Taylor of Jerome; beloved sons, Paul Taylor, Jr., of Jerome, Brandon Taylor of Jerome, and Gary Cherry of Shelton, Wash.; father, Thomas Smith of Duncan, Okla.; mother, Pansy Shipley of Mountain Home, Ark.; step-father, Woodard Shipley of Mountain Home, Ark.; and Janel Spaulding of Sacramento, Calif. She is also survived by her pride and joy, her grandchildren, Anthony and McKenzie, both of Eden, Idaho, Devin of Jerome, Idaho, Katie and J.T., both of Shelton, Wash., and Paul of Coeur d'Alene, and a great-grandchild, Cole of Shelton, Wash., and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Thomas W. Smith.

Funeral services for Wilma will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, January 20, 2000, at the Park Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2000, at the funeral home. Arrangements are under the direction of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

### OAKLEY



#### Longino Loza Orozco

Longino Loza Orozco, 80-year-old Oakley resident, died Monday, January 17, 2000, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

He was born March 15, 1919, in Mexico, the son of Ventura and Lucilla Loza Orozco. He married Juilita Perez on January 19, 1939,

in San Miguel, Mexico. He was a loving father, husband, grandfather and great-grandfather.

He is survived by his wife, Juanita of Oakley; his children, Luisa (George) Rodriguez and Ramon Orozco, all of Oakley, Julie (Lynn) Anderson of Rupert, Lupa (Leo) Olivas and Congina (Gilbert) Rodriguez, all of Burley, Ramona (Tony) Diaz of Twin Falls, and Maria (Vince) Anderson of Kimberly. He is also survived by 20 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, four brothers and six sisters.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, two sons and one daughter.

A rosary will be recited by Father Juan Garatea at 7 p.m. Thursday, January 20, 2000, at the Little Flower Catholic Church in Burley, Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 p.m. Friday, January 21, 2000, at the Little Flower Catholic Church in Burley, with Father Juan Garatea as celebrant. Burial will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call Thursday evening from 6-7 p.m. at the church, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Friday at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

### HAGERMAN



#### Mary Arlene Kirtland (Mother Mary)

Mary Arlene Kirtland, 60, passed away at her new home in Hagerman, on Jan. 15, 2000. She had battled emphysema for years.

Mother Mary was born in Hagerman, Idaho, on Nov. 3, 1939, the daughter of Orval and Eva Erwin. She grew up in Hagerman, and married her high school sweetheart, Jim Kirtland, on her birthday, Nov. 3, 1957.

Mother Mary gave birth to four very special children, Tori, Ron, John and Donny, and became the greatest mother ever. She worked hard and achieved her LPN degree in nursing in 1966. The family lived in Blackfoot, Idaho, for 12 years, where she worked at Blackfoot Memorial Hospital. The Kirtlands then moved to Fairfield, Idaho, their home in 1974. Mary had various jobs in Fairfield to stay close to her family, but always had that nursing compassion to help people. She returned to nursing when they moved to Gooding in 1980. She worked for Green Acres Care Center and thoroughly loved working with the elderly. She then began working with the special needs children at the Idaho Deaf and Blind School. The Kirtlands divorced in 1993, and with her health problems, Mary moved to Kimberly to live by her son and daughter-in-law. She had always wanted to come back home to Hagerman, and had just moved here at the time of her death. She had that special knack of helping and caring for people, and everyone looked to her for guidance. She enjoyed many sports, especially golf, creating wonderful floral arrangements, and her Papa! Nothing made her happier than visiting with friends, and the big family get-togethers.

She is survived by her four children, Tori Livi of Priest River, Ron Kirtland of Boise, John Kirtland of Colorado Springs, 10 grandchildren, four sisters, Siella Stock of Roy, UT, Velma Owsley of Hagerman, Doris Griley of Hagerman, and Nadine Loney of Boise; a brother, Paul, and Brown of Hagerman; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, 2000, at the Hagerman Christian Center, with Father John Webster officiating. Friends may call Thursday from 11 p.m. at Demaray's Gooding Chapel. Internment will follow at the Hagerman Cemetery.

## SERVICES

**Kelly J. Rasmussen**, of Heyburn, services at 11 a.m. today at the Rupert LDS West Stake Center, 100 W. 36 S.; friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church.

**Earl O. White**, of Rupert, services at 2 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel; friends may call one hour before the funeral today at the mortuary.

**Velma B. Usery**, of Buhl, services at 2 p.m. today at the Buhl Free Will Baptist Church (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

**Gerald T. "Bud" Newcomb**, of Hagerman; memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Hagerman Valley Baptist Church (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

**Pauline E. Alastra**, of Prescott, Ariz., and formerly of Twin Falls; services at 2 p.m. Wednesday at

Sunset-Memorial Park in Twin Falls; viewing from 11 a.m. to 1

p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

## DEATH NOTICES

**Twinn Rose Patterson** — **Twinn Rose Patterson**, 79, of Hubbard, Ore., and formerly of Twin Falls and Fler, died Sunday, Jan. 16, 2000, at her home. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

Thursday, Jan. 20, 2000, at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls. Internment will follow at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 21, 2000, at Falls View Cemetery at American Falls. A viewing will take place from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, 2000, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

**Laura I. Alan Darrington Milliron** — **BLISS** — **Laura I. Alan Darrington Milliron**, 77, of Bliss, and formerly of Twin Falls, died Monday, Jan. 17, 2000, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. Funeral services will be at 6 p.m.

**Ersula Anne Shinderling** — **Ersula Anne Shinderling**, 89, of Twin Falls, formerly of Mackay, died Saturday, Jan. 15, 2000, at the Sunbridge Care Center in Twin Falls. Funeral services are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

## Researchers work on brucellosis vaccine

**BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP)** — Researchers in at least seven laboratories are working on a vaccine to protect Yellowstone National Park bison from brucellosis, but there is no silver bullet yet.

And even if a safe and effective vaccine is developed, that in itself may not be enough to rid the park's bison herds of the disease, even after years of application, scientists say. Inoculations can begin within four years.

About 20 percent of the park's bison plus thousands of elk are infected with the disease, which officials, especially in Montana, fear could spread to cattle as the bison wander out of the park. Brucellosis causes cows to abort their calves.

Montana and Yellowstone officials have shot or shipped to slaughter more than 3,000 bison over the past 15 years to help that off, generating a bitter controversy while spurring the search for another solution.

Federal, state and university researchers in the park and institutions in Montana, Texas, Louisiana, Washington, Wyoming

and Iowa are all working on various aspects of the disease.

Federal officials hope to begin bison vaccinations the winter of 2003-2004 though scientists caution that a vaccine is not a cure-all.

"It looks very promising," said Steve Olsen, the lead brucellosis scientist at the National Animal Disease Center in Ames, Iowa. "But we want to have more numbers before we get very exuberant."

The major research problems are making sure a vaccine is safe for all kinds of animals and finding a way to deliver it safely and effectively to wild, free-ranging animals.

About 20 percent of Yellowstone's grizzlies already test positive for exposure to the disease, probably from eating infected bison or elk, officials said. No one knows what the effect has been on the bears.

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HANDS THAT HELP, NOT HURT



Hayburn Elementary School students, such as these in Pam Webb's Kindergarten class, created posters of their purple hands on Civil Rights Day, to symbolize unity without violence. The poster-making was accompanied by pre-day assemblies for each grade, and is part of a longer-term 'Hands Are Not for Hurting' project. Students will make daily pledges following the Pledge of Allegiance, in which they vow to 'not use my hands or my words for hurting myself or others.'

Idaho stresses obedience to the rules

BOISE (AP) - The state cited more environmental violations during Republican Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's first year in office than were alleged during seven of the eight previous years.

The Idaho Division of Environmental Quality filed 36 notices of violation last year, compared to eight in GOP Gov. Phil Batt's initial year in 1995. The agency issued 45 notices during the last year of Batt's tenure.

The largest number of notices during Democratic Gov. Cecil Andrus' final four years was 30 in 1994.

"What I want is compliance," Environmental Quality administrator Steve Allred said. "We aren't out there to catch you."

"However, Allred said, "If I am forced to go to an enforcement action as a last resort, they better know I mean business."

Allred, with previous experience both in state government and private industry, is credited

with bringing more of an edge to enforcement than his predecessor, former Boise Cascade Corp. executive Wally Cory.

"He is a pro-business guy philosophically," said Rick Johnson, executive director of the Idaho Conservation League. But Allred also is "making more phone calls" to in-house industry into compliance with environmental rules.

Mike Gregory, Environmental Quality's hazardous waste enforcement coordinator, said Allred has issued no particular directive for change.

"It is basically doing whatever we are doing better and more efficiently,"

Environmentally filed six notices of hazardous waste violations during each of the past four years, compared to 15 in Andrus' final year and three in Batt's first year. Gregory said fewer charges are being filed because the agency's technical assistance program helps companies comply.

The state also issued six notices of air quality violations last year, seven in 1998, nine in 1996 and 11 in 1994.

The Environmental Protection Agency in 1998 said the state was allowing air pollutants to violate federal law for unreasonable lengths of time and imposing small fines that let violators benefit from delayed enforcement. That led to a new penalty policy factor in any financial benefit violators had realized.

But Brent Olmstead, vice president of the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry, said generally he sees little change in enforcement under Allred.

Advisory groups gauge watersheds

MOSCOW (AP) - Over the past four years, scores of people have worked to develop reports on the health of four north-central Idaho watersheds, but one member of the Clearwater Basin Advisory Group says the issue is putting the findings into practice.

"That becomes a problem because we're dealing with non-point source issues on most of these watersheds that don't get as much attention as they well to being understood by numbers," Mark Solomon of the Idaho Conservation League said.

Water treatment plants are considered point sources, meaning they have a direct impact on nearby watersheds. Non-point sources include farming, land development, livestock feedlots and road building.

Farmers and people in the

watersheds continue to express concern with targets, or the maximum amount of pollutants streams can absorb without violating water quality standards. Reaching those targets will require changes in the way lands are used.

Many land use agencies have developed guidelines, called best management practices, that address everything from how to kill weeds on farm ground to how many animals can graze a hillside.

"We're going through a steep learning curve in understanding that best management practices may be how we get there," Solomon said. "But we have to understand where we're trying to go and that's difficult."

Already, the city of Moscow has filed an appeal with the

Environmental Protection Agency over Paradise Creek. The project will require the city to spend million of dollars more on top of the \$12 million it cost to upgrade the water treatment plant to deal with temperature and nutrient pollutants.

Analysis of the Paradise Creek watershed was the first completed in the Clearwater Basin and the advisory group recently received a \$1.2 million grant to begin clean-up projects.

Clean up will focus on agricultural runoff by promoting farm practices like minimum tillage, as well as re-establishing riparian areas by planting trees and shrubs. The University of Idaho's dairy farm will be involved in finding ways to keep animal wastes from draining into the stream.

Superintendent Peter Bolz's contract for two years. Bolz has worked for the district for one year. He earns \$58,000.

Dietrich School had its state accreditation renewed; the board accepted a bid of \$58,000 bid from Idaho Bus Sales of Jerome for a new school bus to be delivered in the summer; and board members expressed concern over ATVs and snowmobiles on school property because of potential liability.

process and improving the fairness of the current system," said Dan Chadwick, executive director of the Idaho Association of Counties.

Timberland owners and counties reached the agreement through a series of meetings over the past several months.

Dietrich School Board approves new calendar

The Times-News

DIETRICH - Dietrich School Board reports it has approved a three-year common calendar that school boards throughout the region are considering.

School districts are considering adopting the same calendars to make it simpler to share programs.

Under the three-year plan, the school year would begin the last Monday of August and end at the beginning of June.

Spring break would be the last week in March and districts would share common Christmas vacations.

The district's board summary also reported.

The School Board tabled a decision about whether to stay involved in the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition, a group of school districts and businesses pooling resources to offer more options to high school students.

The School Board renewed

Land owners, officials reach new agreement

BOISE (AP) - Representatives of forestland owners and county commissioners and assessors have agreed to seek legislation that will give immediate property tax relief to forestland owners.

The agreement, reached last Thursday, establishes the market value of forestland for the

next six years and calls for a special committee to meet in 2004 to evaluate and implement a fair valuation process by 2006.

"This agreement will ensure continued stability in the property tax system in timber counties while at the same time providing a method for reviewing the

and have demanded the immediate resignation of tribal Treasurer Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs and all 17 members of the tribal council. They also have asked the FBI to seize tribal records dealing with law enforcement, housing and other programs.

"The bottom line is, we want accountability and responsibility by our elected officials," said group spokesman Dale Looks Twice.

The takeover resulted from months of disagreement over financial issues. Salway suspended Jacobs in October for allegedly mismanaging tribal funds, but a tribal judge later reinstated the treasurer.

Governor's proposals perplex Newcomb; other legislators

BOISE (AP) - House Speaker Bruce Newcomb was a little puzzled by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's proposal that the state pay the interest on loans made to school districts to address safety problems in Idaho public schools.

The Burley Republican thought the governor had adopted the idea of creating a \$25 million interest-free revolving loan account - perhaps funded by this year's big cash surplus - from which schools could borrow money that would be paid back entirely from their discretionary funds such as the allocation they get from Idaho Lottery proceeds.

What Kempthorne unveiled on Monday was a program of loans on which the state would pay the interest to the tune of \$40 million to \$50 million over 20 years - money that Newcomb said the state apparently would borrow, perhaps by issuing bonds.

"Why else would you pay the interest?" he asked.

Newcomb's reaction was indicative of legislators who generally liked the tone of Kempthorne's second State of the State address but were wary of embracing some of its initiatives without details that might be land mines, such as the idea of the state for the first time turning general tax revenue to cover even a portion of the cost of school facilities.

On some points Kempthorne's hazy positions may have been intentional - on having his office take over principal responsibility for endangered species policy, on resolving disputes over the legality of Indian gambling and the specifics of giving the Division of Environmental Quality full departmental status.

"He was purposely vague in those areas so we can work out solutions," Newcomb said.

On other points, such as his lukewarm reference to existing standards for high school graduation, the governor's vagueness may have been a reflection of his own uncertainty or lack of commitment to an issue.

Overall, Monday's speech followed the pattern - set by Kempthorne's first State of the State address last year. That one also was long on initiatives - most in one way or another to his "Generation of the Child" campaign - but short on specifics.

The test for many lawmakers will be whether the gaps that went unfilled or were filled too late last year will be followed relatively quickly during the 2000 session by detailed plans of action.

Newly elected Senate President Pro Tem Robert Geddes of Soda Springs praised Kempthorne's state and gave him the benefit of the doubt on the

speech's substance.

"It was consistent with what he started last year," Geddes said. "I like somebody who's predictable in government."

Others were less sanguine. What they did not hear in some cases was at least as important as what the governor said about such issues as how to best use Idaho's revenue from the nationwide tobacco settlement.

"What's wrong with a tax cut? I heard not one reference to a tax cut," said conservative GOP Rep. Lenore Hardy Barrett of Chubbuck, who questioned Kempthorne's willingness to consider new programs for health advocacy with the interest earned on tobacco money that he wants tucked away in a trust fund.

That would only politically encumber future Legislatures to maintain programs that money establishes, Barrett said.

"I would die happy tonight if we never instituted another program in the state of Idaho," she said.

Even Kempthorne's decisive endorsement of a \$4.4 million plan to boost sportsmen's fees at the Department of Fish and Game was not seen as enough to guarantee the proposal's approval by a Legislature skeptical of any new financial burden on the public.

Activists press for minimum wage

BOISE (AP) - Vocal requests to create a minimum wage in Idaho for migrant farm workers were largely ignored by Republican Gov. Dirk Kempthorne during events recognizing Martin Luther King Jr. Idaho Human Rights Day.

Kempthorne responded briefly Monday during his speech to about 100 migrant wage concerns were addressed.

"You know, it's ironic to me that when we gather for the principles of Martin Luther King the last thing he would do is interrupt another speaker," Kempthorne said.

Prior to that, community activists, students and farm workers gathered on the steps of the Capitol after a march from Boise State University to decry the conditions migrant workers face.

"It is an injustice to see my parents working every day in the field, 10 or 13 hours a day, while they try to provide for their family," farm worker and Boise State University student Leo Morales said. "It isn't fair that they work so hard and yet get so little."

Others said the work King started will continue while those conditions exist.

"As long as we live in a place where children are not being fed, where people are not making wages to sustain themselves and their families and where people are still being judged by the color of their skin, Dr. King and his dream will still exist," Boise State University student Tobin Steiskal told the crowd.

gathered on the Capitol steps.

And community activist Maria Gonzalez Mabbutt urged the crowd to support farm workers and efforts to include them in the state's minimum wage.

"There are one in five farm workers in this state, and we have data and statistics to support this, who do not receive at least \$5.15 for the work they do," Mabbutt said. "This, as many of you know, will be our third round to go before Idaho's Legislature to make the exclusion of farm workers end."

But Kempthorne has said a mandatory minimum wage for workers is not likely this year; because of the dire financial straits Idaho agriculture is in and the struggle farmers are having just to make ends meet now.

Kidney failure claims jazz pianist

BOISE (AP) - Gene Harris, internationally acclaimed jazz pianist and a beloved cultural figure in the Treasure Valley, has died of complications from kidney failure a month before he would have received a kidney from one of his daughters. He was 66.

Harris died at home Sunday afternoon, after suffering a seizure. He had endured a series of health problems for the past six years, including high blood pressure and diabetes, which led to the kidney failure.

"Gene was the kindest, most giving, most generous man," said his wife of 21 years, Janie, surrounded by family and friends at their home. "He loved life. He loved his music."

Close friends were shocked by his sudden death.

"Idaho has lost one of its very best people," said former Gov. Phil Batt, an amateur clarinet player who had performed with Harris at only one concert. "Gene had immense talent, he was a genuinely wonderful person."

Harris was a luminous figure in jazz and blues, a Grammy Award-nominated pianist who had performed in the world's most famous clubs and festivals. He played on more than 80 recordings and had shared the stage or recording studio with artists such as Joe Williams, Dizzy Gillespie, Ray Brown, Oscar



Jazz pianist Gene Harris, of Boise, entertains a large crowd at an outdoor summer concert in Moscow in the July 1995 file photo. Harris died of kidney failure Sunday. He was 66 years old.

Peterston and Nancy Wilson.

His career spanned musical styles and trends for 40 years. He oversaw the debut in 1998 of a Boise jazz festival that bears his name.

At the time of his death,

Harris' daughter Beth Haire, who lives in Benton Harbor, Mich., was approved by doctors to donate a kidney to her father. Doctors at Swedish Hospital in Seattle cleared him for the transplant.

Indians take control of tribal office

PINE RIDGE, S.D. (AP) - About 100 Oglala Sioux who accuse the tribe of financial mismanagement have taken over the tribal council. They demanded that the governing council step down.

The protesters said Monday they will remain there until they are satisfied authorities will investigate their allegations.

The group, which is allied with tribal President Harold Dean Salway, took control of the tribal building at the Pine Ridge Reservation on Sunday. About 100 people stayed there Sunday night and Monday.

Members of the unarmed group are calling for an audit

and have demanded the immediate resignation of tribal Treasurer Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs and all 17 members of the tribal council. They also have asked the FBI to seize tribal records dealing with law enforcement, housing and other programs.

"The bottom line is, we want accountability and responsibility by our elected officials," said group spokesman Dale Looks Twice.

The takeover resulted from months of disagreement over financial issues. Salway suspended Jacobs in October for allegedly mismanaging tribal funds, but a tribal judge later reinstated the treasurer.

Eileen Janis, a spokeswoman for Salway, said the president and others have become frustrated with Jacobs and the council majority that always supports the treasurer. "We want a complete audit of everything," she said.

Jacobs was not home Monday. His wife said he was at a tribal meeting.

Mark Ukeliich, senior supervisory agent with the FBI in Rapid City, said Monday afternoon that the protesters have not provided specific allegations.

Most of the tribe's 38,000 members live on the reservation, which consistently ranks as one of the poorest areas of the nation.

MORNING BREAK

Detecting abuse: Follow these warning signs

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- 9 Can-lik
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- 14 Published hostess
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- 23 Wife's names
- 24 Young women's org.
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- 26 Yacht cruises
- 27 California hot
- 28 Finnish bath
- 29 Food scam
- 30 Telephone
- 31 Loupans
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- 34 Wine sediment
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- 38 Sawdust

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- 29 Sea and land endings
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- 32 Acquire

**Monday's Puzzle Solved**

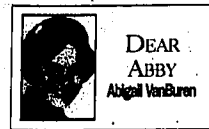
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**DEAR ABBY:** Last month you printed a letter from "Hawkeye Gal," San Francisco. In it she talks about clipping a column of yours containing "15 Reasons to Leave Your Lover." It listed the warning signs of an abusive mate. Please, Abby, read it again.

My college-age daughter is unable to recognize the signs of abuse in her relationship with a boyfriend she's been dating. For two years I have watched her give up her interests and her fun-loving, outgoing personality, and accept being controlled by manipulation and jealousy. Help!

**- AT MY WIFE'S END IN WISCONSIN**



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abby Cadabby

**DEAR WIFE'S END:** I'm pleased to help. Yours is only one of a stack of more than 100 similar requests on my desk. This was adapted from "Signs to Look for in a Battering Personality," with permission from the Project for Victims of Family Violence, Fayetteville, Ark.

15 reasons to leave your lover: Warning signs of an abusive personality

Something's just not right in your relationship, and you can't put your finger on it. So here's some help. If your mate is displaying a combination of these behaviors, then you may have a potential batterer on your hands.

1. A push for quick involvement: Comes on very strong, claiming, "I've never felt loved like this by anyone." An abuser

pressures the woman for an exclusive commitment almost immediately.

2. Jealousy: Excessively possessive; calls constantly or visits unexpectedly; prevents you from going to work because "you might meet someone"; checks the mileage on your car.

3. Controlling: Interrogates you intensely (especially if you're late) about whom you talked to, and where you were; keeps all the money; insists you ask permission to go anywhere or do anything.

4. Unrealistic expectations: Expects you to be the perfect woman and meet his every need.

5. Isolation: Tries to cut you off from family and friends; accuses people who are your supporters of "causing trouble." The abuser may deprive you of a phone or car or try to prevent you from holding a job.

6. Blames others for problems and mistakes: The boss, you - it's always someone else's fault if anything goes wrong.

7. Makes everyone else responsible for his feelings: The abuser says, "You make me angry" instead of, "I am angry" or,

"You're hurting me by not doing what I tell you." The obvious is the claim: "You make me happy."

8. Hypersensitivity: Is easily insulted, claiming that his feelings are hurt when he is really mad. He'll rant about the injustice of things that are just part of life.

9. Cruelty to animals and to children: Kills or punishes animals brutally. Also may expect children to do things that are far beyond their ability (whips a 3-year-old for wetting a diaper) or may tease them until they cry. Sixty-five percent of abusers who beat their partner will also abuse children.

10. "Playful" use of force during sex: Enjoys throwing you down or holding you down against your will during sex; says he finds the idea of rape exciting.

11. Verbal abuse: Constantly criticizes you, or says blatantly cruel, hurtful things; degrades, curses, calls you ugly names. This may also involve sleep deprivation, waking you up with relentless verbal abuse.

12. Rigid sex roles: Expects you to serve, obey and remain at home.

13. Sudden mood swings: Switches from sweetly loving to explosively violent in a matter of minutes.

14. Past battering: Admits hitting women in the past, but says he finds the idea of it or the situation brought it on.

15. Threats of violence: Makes

statements like, "I'll break your neck" or "I'll kill you," and then dismisses them with, "Everybody talks that way," or "I didn't really mean it." If he has come this far, it is time to get help, or get out!

Veggies with big dreams should head to the islands

Quebec is 22 years older than Boston.

Q. Who was the first woman executed in this country?

A. A Quaker lady named Mary Dyer. In 1660, the local powers in Massachusetts told her to get out of their colony. She said, "In obedience to the will of God, I came, and in His will I abide until death." They hanged her.

Q. Are there mosquitoes in Tahiti?

A. Are now. Fanciful locals blame them on a Nanuetuck whaling captain, one Nathan Coleman, who got into an argument with some natives. They say he vindictively towed ashore a rotten old water cask and stashed it in a tar patch, and mosquitoes therein thrived. Folk lore, not fact, this.

Both celer and cabbage turn into trees - when transported to the Juan Fernandez Islands west of Chile's Santiago. That's right, soft-bodied plants, when removed to oceanic islands, grow woody then huge in a process known as "arborescence."

There was a time when the most discussed invention in the



**WHAT'S WHAT**  
L.M. Boyd

western world was the stem-winding watch.

Breast reduction is reported to be the fourth most popular cosmetic surgery requested by men.

At least one scholar contends our distant ancestors stopped hunting to take up farming only after they figured out how to make beer.

Traumatized persons seem to feel better after writing detailed accounts of whatever traumatized them. But psychiatrists say they still don't know why.

Icelanders drink more milk per capita than otherlanders.

Sir Thomas More, executed in 1535, said these last words as he walked toward the scaffold steps: "Give me a hand going up. I shall fend for myself coming down."

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Replace moodiness with introspection, Cancer

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Breakthrough: You have private cheering section, this helps build morale. Scorpio involved.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** You are getting closer to ultimate goal, which includes more money. Read, write, disseminate information. A very important person will seek your services.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Cycle high, Moon in your sign. You'll exude personal magnetism, sex appeal. Libra member of opposite sex confides, "I can hardly keep my hands off you."

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Transform tendency to be moody into positive meditation. You

HOROSCOPE  
Sydney Omarr

exude aura of glamour, mystery, intrigue. Some people insist, "Tell us your secret." Maintain aplomb.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** You are carrying more of a burden than is healthy. Stop pretending altruism, let go and be free. A different kind of love relationship is on the way.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Maintain universal view, avoid being narrow-minded. You will be in position to have fame, fortune. Aries, Libra persons become true allies. Stand tall.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Check Virgo message, make fresh start in new direction. Wear colorful clothes, make personal appearances. Develop your voice, you'll soon be entertaining.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** As much as you might like to be out of the limelight, it is not to be. Focus on offers of partnership, cooperative efforts, marital status.

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**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Maintain sense of humor, emotional equilibrium. You will be asked to be steady, stalwart. Make decisions but do not give up principle.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Revise, review, rewrite - individuals you thought could will warm up to you. Mathematical puzzle will be solved, you'll get credit. Architecture is involved.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** What you have been seeking is close at hand - open bottom bureau drawer. You could come to a decision. Literature containing solution to dilemma.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Get used to being called "homebody." Attention revolves around home, family member who makes startling announcement.

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Tapping through the years

Kimberly resident soft-shoes at 85

By Kellee Gaston
Times-News writer



Peg Drake, left, opens gifts during her birthday party with fellow Tap Hat, Tapper Liz Remer in Twin Falls. Drake is a founding member of the Tappers.

from 15 to 40 feline friends roaming her 80 acres in Kimberly. Drake is also a former member of a motorcycle club and was an active skier. She remembers sliding at Magic Mountain when it first opened.

"The rope-tow went to the top of the mountain," Drake says. "You grabbed on and rode as far as you could. We would ski anywhere they had snow and a rope-tow."

Lots of activity, a positive outlook and healthy habits seem to be the secret to Drake's long, full life.

Even a heart-valve operation in June 1999 couldn't stop her from rejoining the Tappers, tending to her animals and getting on with life.

"She's so active, she just bounced right

TWIN FALLS - Peg Drake, one of six remaining original members of the Top Hat Tappers, eyed her fellow dancers as she opened birthday gifts of candy-filled tins.

"I'm not going to pass these around," Drake says. "I don't trust you guys." Having celebrated her 85th birthday, she is the eldest tapper in the tap dance group and also among the most active. She feeds her horses daily, mows her lawn and tap dances twice a week.

"She bought a riding mower just last year," fellow Tapper Liz Remer says. "She had a push mower before that. She's just so active, she gets around so well."

The Top Hat Tappers were created in 1981 in Twin Falls. The troupe has danced all over the West at numerous Oktoberfests, senior citizen's centers, churches, veteran's homes and with Larry Christensen's German ompah band.

"We danced in Lake Tahoe once and the stage had a rubber surface," Remer adds. "You couldn't hear our tap shoes."

"The dance part was a disaster, but the rest of the trip was great," Drake says with a laugh.

Drake and her late husband, Frank have three children. She is an avid lover of animals, including cats. Depending on the time of year, she may have anywhere



The Top Hat Tappers, left to right, ArLeo Teagan, Alma Barry, Phyllis Patrick, previous instructor; Liz Remer, Dottie L'Harrison, Margie Ashenbrenner, Peg Drake and Donna Kilenkopf say they always have a good time performing and in each other's company.

back from (the operation)," Remer says. The Tappers practice with area dance teacher Lori Head on Mondays and as a group with their piano player, Jane Ellen Shew on Thursdays.

The next performances for the group will be at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls and at a Latin-themed program at O'Leary Junior High School. The Tappers are a close-knit group.

having experienced many life passages together.

"We're just like family," Drake says. "We've been through births, deaths, marriages, everything, together."



Lucille Griffith poses with a cache of toys that will be given by the East End Providers to needy people. Griffith has headed the organization for several years. When she grew up in Murtaugh, she says she learned the more you have, the more you give to others.

Providing for the needy
Woman takes charity work to heart

By Julie Pence
Times-News correspondence

TWIN FALLS - Christmas is a year-round project for Lucille Griffith.

In October, she starts setting up eight Christmas trees and 100 nativity scenes that more than 400 guests will see when they visit her home in December. But far more important to her is the Christmas spirit of giving.

"Everything I spend on decorations, I match penny for penny for charity," she says.

Her main focus is the East End Providers, an organization helping the needy on the east end of Jerome and Twin Falls counties at Christmas. She has been working with the organization for 20 years and became its driving force 15 years ago.

"I got involved when I started doing the hair of the baby dolls that they gave away," Griffith says. "I took over (the organization) when nobody else wanted to do it. And now it's my baby."

When she's not with her husband or working at her Kimberly haircutting business, she donates most of her free time to East End Providers.

Through the years, Griffith has become good at obtaining donations to buy clothing, toys and food for needy families. This past Christmas, 167 families received gifts and food baskets. She says children and the elderly are her

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main cause. Cindy Perkins with Cummins Farms Inc. of Murtaugh says the company owners were amazed at the quantity and quality of coats Griffith purchased with their donation.

"She's the most amazing volunteer I've ever seen," says Ed Hudson, former East End Providers chairman.

Griffith and five helpers meet regularly to organize and wrap gifts from the cache of items she buys through the year with donations from churches, businesses, groups and area residents.

"Unless you have been involved in this," Griffith says, "you have no idea how much work this is."

She estimates she puts in about 600 hours a year working for the East End Providers, but that is not her only charity work. She is involved in the Wishing Star Foundation and fixes the hair of women in two nursing homes.

"This year, my husband had to work on Christmas," Griffith says. "I didn't want to sit around by myself, so I went to a nursing home and fixed hair. Busy hands, busy heart, I always say."

'She's the most amazing volunteer I've ever seen'

-Ed Hudson, on Lucille Griffith's work with East End Providers

Shoshone resident receives Bronze Star

By Betty Taylor
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE - After more than 50 years, Claude Chess received the Bronze Star for his meritorious service during World War II.

One year ago, he had registered with the U.S. Veterans Administration and was told by an administration worker that he was eligible for the Bronze Star for his World War II service, says his wife, Ruth. They didn't think anything more about it, but then the medal arrived in September.

Her husband was surprised and happy, Ruth Chess says.

Claude Chess was born in Picabo on Feb. 23, 1916. The family moved to Shoshone when he was a child and he has lived there ever since.

He was inducted into the Army on Oct. 23, 1941 at Fort Douglas, Utah, and trained with the armored infantry at Fort Knox, Ky. He then served overseas with the 1st Armored Division from May 21, 1942 to July 5, 1945. He also spent time training in Ireland, Scotland and England.

Chess saw plenty of action in World War II.

He says he participated in the invasion of North Africa in the Tunisian and Casserine Pass campaigns and battles, and later in the landing at the Anzio beachhead and in the Naples Foggin, Rome Arno, North Apennines and Po Valley campaigns.

He was wounded on July 9, 1944 while in Italy and later suffered another minor shrapnel wound to the wrist, Chess says. He was hospitalized with yellow fever on Feb. 23, 1942 and with typhus on Sept. 18, 1942.

Chess also was awarded the American Defense Service Medal, two Purple Hearts, the Good Conduct Medal and the European African Eastern Service Medal.

Military man: Resident retires after 29 years

RUPERT - After 29 years of service, Senior Chief Master-at-Arms Randall W. White of Rupert retired from the Navy and Marine Corps on Jan. 7 and at the same time, was awarded one of the highest non-combat medals available.

The Navy and Marine Corps awarded White the Commendation Medal for his "distinctive accomplishments, unrelenting perseverance and steadfast devotion to duty (which) reflected credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service," the certificate of award stated. White is also a lieutenant in the Minidoka County Sheriff's department.

He graduated from the U.S. Army Military Police School in McClellan, Ala. in 1977.

White says his 10 years of active duty included two years in Vietnam. In 1978, he advanced to the boiler technician first-class officer. In 1979 aboard the USS Nassau, he served as the main propulsion division supervisor, the ship's oil and water



Claude Chess holds the Bronze Star and one of the Purple Heart medals he earned from World War II service. However, he recently received the Bronze Star.

Stateside, he married Ruth Kelley on June 13, 1947 and they have three sons living in Illinois, New Hampshire and Meridian. He worked at the Gooding Seed Company for 20 years and the U.S.

Bureau of Land Management for 23 years. Since retiring in 1983, Chess says he spends most of his time fishing and putting with odds and ends around the house.

Burley schools honor employee for efficiency

BURLEY - Kathy Eklund and attended school in Heyburn before moving to Declo where she graduated from high school. She began working for the district for the efficient way she handles the difficult task of changing health insurance carriers for the district. She helps people, employees and retirees with problems incurred with insurance, the district says.

Eklund was born in the Burley area



Randall White



Kathy Eklund

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Eklund was born in the Burley area

test lab supervisor and the liquid load coordinator. He was honorably discharged from active duty in the Navy in December 1980.

While in the reserves, White says he was advanced to boiler technician chief in September 1981. In 1984, he became master-at-arms chief petty officer at the Naval Reserve Facility in Pocatello and was again advanced in 1985 to master-at-arms senior chief petty officer.

He also served as security supervisor at the Naval Submarine Base Bangor in Bangor, Wash. and was the only reservist to qualify as a command duty officer for the base, White says. He served at Bangor for several months between the years of 1984-89. He has received 20 medals and awards in his 29 years of service, White says.

Her hobbies include yard work and flower gardening, sewing and crafts, volleyball, church activities and supporting her children's activities. She lives in the Declo area with her husband, Val and son, Dirk, a sophomore at Declo High School. Her oldest son, Dewayne, lives in Logan, Utah.

She received a gift certificate for dinner at George K's Restaurant compliments of the district and the restaurant.

# TWIN FALLS AREA COMMUNITY



The Twin Falls High School Cheerleaders will host a Bruin Mini-Cheer Camp on Saturday for youngsters.

## Cheerleaders lead youngsters at camp

**TWIN FALLS** - A Bruin Mini-Cheer Camp for children ages 4-12 will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls High School Gym at 1615 Filer Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Participants will learn a dance, along with a couple of cheers instructed by the Twin Falls High School Cheerleaders.

The youngsters will also perform at half-time at 7:40 p.m. that night at the Bruin basketball game.

Participants are asked to bring a sack lunch to the camp.

The Bruin snack stand will be offering Domino's

### To register

Registrations and payment may also be mailed to Twin Falls High School at 1615 Filer Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

pizza and a beverage for \$3, which can be pre-paid Saturday morning between 8-9 a.m.

Parents may pre-register children from Wednesday to Friday at the Twin Falls High School front office. Cost is \$20 per person and includes cheer instruction, a T-shirt, and pom-poms.

## Hansen Library hosts reading program

**HANSEN** - The Hansen Community Library will host a Let's Talk About It reading program, entitled, "Not For Children Only," beginning at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 26 at the library at 120 W. Maple and Main streets in Hansen.

The reading program will continue every other Wednesday for five sessions through March 22.

"Not for Children Only" revisits childhood classics through an adult perspective.

Adults discover classics they missed when they were young or rediscover books they loved as children.

Participants also explore contemporary books that these books convey to today's young readers and strive to better understand children's literature, so they can share with their own children.

Books in the program include, "The Classic Fairy Tales" by Iona Opie and Peter Opie; "Tatterhood and Other Tales" edited by Ethel Johnston Phelps; "Little Women" by Louisa May Alcott; "The Wind in the Willows" by Kenneth Grahame; "Charlotte's Web" by E.G. White; "Bridges to Terabithia" by Katherine Paterson; "Roll of

### Want more information?

For more information, call the Hansen Library at 423-4122.

"Thunder, Hear My Cry" by Mildred Taylor; and "I am the Cheese" by Robert Cormier.

Books that will be discussed in the program are available for checkout at this time.

The "Not For Children Only" series is part of a statewide Idaho Let's Talk About It Project and is sponsored by the Idaho State Library, Idaho Humanities Council and US Bank.

## Board seat opens on Filer Public Library

**FILER** - The Filer Public Library is taking applications to fill an opening on its board of trustees.

People interested in filling the vacant seat may submit an application to the Filer city office or the Filer City Library.

Board members must reside within Filer city limits, be willing to serve different positions on the board and attend monthly meetings.

The term is for five years, with the new board member serving

### Interested in board?

For more information about the board position or pre-school story time, call the Filer Public Library at 326-4143.

as chairman for the last year of the term.

Other duties may include one year as treasurer, secretary or filling in as chairman in the event of absence.

Computer knowledge is a plus, the library says.

The next regular board meeting is at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 7 at the Filer Library at 219 Main St. in Filer.

All meetings are open to the public and any person considering a seat on the board is encouraged to attend.

The Filer Public Library is open from 3-6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, from 10:30 a.m. to noon Thursday, and from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Saturdays.

Pre-school story time is at 11:30 a.m. every Thursday.

## SERVICE NEWS

### Gledowski graduates from specialist training

Army National Guard Pfc. Angie L. Gledowski, daughter of Gerald H. and Peggy A. Hanson of Twin Falls, has graduated from the petroleum supply specialist advanced individual training course at Fort Lee, Petersburg, Va.

Gledowski received instruction in receipt, storage, issue, shipping and distribution of petroleum, oil and lubricant products used by the Army. The course included training in petroleum and water accounting, operating equipment associated with fuels and water distribution, and fueling and defueling operations and procedures on vehicles, aircraft and stationary equipment.

Gledowski is a 1991 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

### Leir arrives for Army duty in South Korea

Army Sgt. Kevin J. Leir, son of Kerm J. and Joan Leir of Twin Falls, has arrived for duty at Camp Humphreys, Pyongtaek-Gun, South Korea.

Leir, a heavy-wheeled vehicle mechanic, is assigned to the 348th Quartermaster Company. His wife, Sara, is the daughter of Jimmie and Sharran Bannister of Fort Worth, Texas.

Leir graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1981 and received an associate's degree from Idaho State University in 1996.

### Twin Falls resident completes Marine basic

Marine Pfc. Forrest E. Alfred, son of Gayle C. and Alta M. Alfred of Twin Falls, has completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif.

### Elko resident takes part in Navy exercise

Navy Petty Officer Second Class Joshua S. Parsons, son of Niel H. Parsons of Elko, Nev., has been deployed to Latvia in support of the naval engineering exercise "Cornerstone '99," while assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 3, homeported in Port Heunene, Calif.

Parsons was one of more than 80 active duty and reserve Navy Seabees and U.S. Army National Guardsman who operated in the Baltic Sea coastal city as part of Construction '99. Cornerstone '99 was a construction project in which U.S. military personnel worked with Latvian counterparts, improving selected schools and orphanages by performing plumbing, electrical and carpentry work.

### Elko resident participates in Navy anniversary

Navy Seaman Tara L. Garlinghouse, daughter of Barbara L. Bennett of Elko, Nev., is one of more than 370,000 active-duty sailors that celebrated the Navy's 224th birthday.

Garlinghouse is forward deployed to Yokosuka, Japan, aboard the guided-missile cruiser USS Chancellorsville.

The Navy was created by the Continental Congress on Oct. 13, 1775 after George Washington appealed for its formation.

Every Oct. 13, sailors mark the date as a time for ceremony and reflect on the deeds of the men and women who previously served, the Navy says.

The USS Chancellorsville features a computer-based AEGIS weapons system, centered around a powerful radar that enables the crew to detect, track and fire on more than 100 targets at a time, the Navy says.

Garlinghouse also spent the holidays aboard the guided-missile cruiser USS Chancellorsville.

Garlinghouse was one of more than 63,000 sailors, families and Coast Guardsmen separated from their families and loved ones during the holidays, the Navy says.

### Mountain Home resident graduates from training

Air Force Airman Christina M. Gataletto, daughter of Dave Gataletto of Mountain Home and Diane E. Clark of Nampa, has graduated from basic military Air Force training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, she studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

Christina Gataletto

# SENIOR CALENDAR

### Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center

616 Eastland Drive  
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors. The cost is \$4 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.

**Tuesday:** Meat loaf, potatoes and gravy, California mixed veggies, beet salad, bread, fruit dessert.

**Wednesday:** Pork chops with dressing and gravy, mixed veggies, fruit salad, rolls, cherry cheesecake.

**Thursday:** Chef's salad, soup; hot home delivery.

**Friday:** Cube steak with onions, potatoes and gravy, country mix veggies, coleslaw, rolls, strawberry.

**Monday:** Beef stroganoff, corn bread, fruit.

**Activities**  
Library, Pool, Room, and Baragall center with cards, games, color television, puzzles and movies. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
Blood pressure check 10 a.m.

**Wednesday**  
Board meeting at 1 p.m.  
Elks card club.

**Thursday**  
Pinocle at 1 p.m.

**Friday**  
Blood pressure check, 10 a.m. to noon.

**Lunch bingo.**

**Saturday**  
Super bingo.

**Sunday**  
Dance.

**Monday**  
Foot clinic.

### West End Senior Citizens, Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl  
Noon meals served Monday through Friday. Buffet meal at 1 p.m. on Sunday. Evening meals served at 5:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday. Suggested donations for meals is weekdays \$4.25, Sundays \$3.50, non-seniors \$4.50 and children under 12-years-old \$3.

Meals can be delivered Monday through Friday. Call 543-4577 for more information. Free bus service to and from meals is available Monday evening, Tuesday noon and Thursday noon and evening. Please call 543-4577 by 10 a.m. to arrange a ride.

**Tuesday:** Baked chicken, creamed potatoes and peas, Jell-O salad, rolls, cherry crunch.

**Wednesday:** Pork chops, sauerkraut, buttered potatoes, mixed vegetables, bread, fruit.

**Thursday:** Corned beef and cabbage, steamed red potatoes, Jell-O salad, roll, fruit, soup; smorgasbord at 5:30 p.m.

**Friday:** Reuben sandwich, potato salad, relish dish, fruit.

**Sunday:** All-you-can-eat buffet, roast beef, at 1 p.m.

**Monday:** Hot beef sandwich, potatoes, gravy, spinach, cottage cheese, fruit; smorgasbord at 5:30 p.m.

**Activities**  
Thrift shop open every day.

**Tuesday**  
Exercises, 7 to 8 a.m.  
Friday 7-9 p.m., the public is invited.

**Wednesday**  
Exercises 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.

**Thursday**  
Outing 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Energy assistance, by appointment. Call senior center.

Exercises 7-8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.

**Bingo 1-3 p.m.**

**Friday**  
Card game, 5:30 p.m.  
Cards at 6 p.m.

**Friday**  
Exercises 7-8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.

### Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St., Filer  
Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday and at 6 p.m. on Friday. Suggested donation is \$2 for seniors. Home delivered meals available each meal time.

**Tuesday:** Salisbury steak.  
**Thursday:** Roast beef.  
**Friday:** Hot turkey sandwich.

**Activities**  
**Tuesday**  
Exercises at 10:30 a.m.

**Thursday**  
Exercise at 1 p.m.

### Ageless Senior Citizens, Inc.

310 Main N., Kimberly  
**Wednesday:** Beef stroganoff over noodles, broccoli and cheddar, pineapple salad, bread and butter, peas, coffee, milk.

**Friday:** Birthday dinner - pork chops, mashed potatoes and gravy, coffee cake and ice cream, coffee, milk.

**Monday:** Cook's choice.

**Activities**  
**Wednesday**  
Blood pressure check.

**Thursday**  
Crafts at 1 p.m.

**Friday**  
Bingo at 11:55 a.m.  
Birthday dinner at noon, with B.J. and friends.

**Pinocle at 1 p.m.**

**Monday**  
Board meeting at 1:30 p.m.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### BYU 'Living Legends' takes the stage Feb. 4.

**BURLEY** - The "Living Legends" International Music and Dance Festival from Brigham Young University will perform at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 4 in the King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Parke Ave.

The event is the first stop in a nationwide tour for the group, organizers say. The group has performed in Europe, China, the Pacific Islands, Australia, Canada and South America.

The performers celebrate a cultural extravaganza in colorful, authentic presentations of Latin American, European and Native American music and dance.

Tickets for the 90-minute presentation are \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door. Tickets may be purchased at the Burley, Welch Music and Crowley Books in Twin Falls; the Book Plaza, Welch Music and Kitchen Kneds in Burley; the Book Store in Rupert; and Books and Treasures in Jerome.

### ADHD presentation focuses on information

**TWIN FALLS** - A community presentation, entitled "Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder: Fact and Fiction," will be held from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday at the Obchain Building on Main Avenue in Twin Falls.

The presentation will provide information about Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder; diagnosis; and medical, academic and behavioral treatments. Leading the presentation will be Dr. Cory Alexander, a local child psychiatrist; Duane Reynolds, Twin Falls School District psychologist; and Virginia Alberdi from CHADD, a local support group.

"Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder - Fact and Fiction," is sponsored by a grant from the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

For more information, call the Southern Idaho Learning Center at 734-3914.

### Art Guild of Magic Valley will learn to paint feathers

**TWIN FALLS** - The Art Guild of Magic Valley will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Magic Valley Arts Council Office, 308 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.

Social time will be held at 7 p.m. with a regular business meeting at 7:30 p.m. and a program by Iris Boyd at 8 p.m. Boyd will give a workshop on how to paint on feathers. Participants will need to bring two paint brushes, red sable in sizes 00 and 8. The cost is \$10 per person for the workshop.

For more information, call Diana Cummins at 736-8090.

### Spring Mini-Cassia Craft Fair set for March 4

**BURLEY** - The Spring Mini-Cassia Craft Fair will be held March 4 at Minico High School in Burley.

Crafters are encouraged to participate. Booth space will be available and spaces can be reserved by contacting craft fair organizers.

For more information or to reserve space, call Jean Phillips at 436-3229 or e-mail at boyd@lvf.com, or call Liz Stephenson at 356-5239 or e-mail at lizstephenson@juno.com.

### High Desert group plans annual chili feed, auction

**JEROME** - The High Desert Back Country-horsemen will have its annual chili feed and white elephant auction at 7 p.m.

### Salvation Army offers Open Gym program to teens

**TWIN FALLS** - The Salvation Army will offer an Open Gym program to students ages 14-19 from 6-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, beginning this Friday at the Salvation Army facility at 348 Fourth Ave. N., in Twin Falls.

The Open Gym program will offer a safe atmosphere to enjoy sports and other activities, organizers say.

Cost is \$1 per person per visit or a \$25 one-time payment may be made for the year.


For more information, call Kay or Heather Ramirez at 733-8720.

### NNU invites prospective students for campus visit


**NAMPA** - Coordinators at Northwest Nazarene University are expecting more than 100 prospective students from Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Utah and Alaska during Explore NNU weekend from Jan. 28-30 on the NNU campus in Nampa.

For more information on Explore NNU or how to attend, call Celena Smith at 467-8499.

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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Nursing home wins recognition award

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls nursing facility won recognition this month for a practice that improves certain residents' lives.

BridgeView Estates said it was honored with a first-place award for its "Silent Voices" entry at the 4th Annual Best Practices Conference in Boise. The Idaho Bureau of Facility Standards and the Idaho Health Care Association sponsored the competition. Seventeen "Best Practice" entries were submitted by 15 of the state's skilled nursing facilities, BridgeView said.

BridgeView's winning entry highlighted "an innovative communication tool designed to improve communication between staff and the residents who are unable to clearly verbalize their wants and needs," a company statement said.

BridgeView staff decided residents needed something more personalized than generic communication books available on the market. Each book, instead, is personalized for the resident's specific likes and dislikes. Any resident admitted who cannot communicate verbally will be provided a personal communication book.

The business received a plaque and trophy.

### Firm introduces new homes especially for baby boomers

TWIN FALLS - Michigan-based Champion Enterprises Inc. introduced its Target 2000 Developer Series of homes designed to fit the needs and desires of one of the fastest-growing segments of the housing market - aging baby boomers.

Many features of the factory-built homes were incorporated based on findings from a recent survey of consumers by Professional Builders magazine and National Family Opinion, Champion said. They include: main-floor master bedrooms, open entertainment areas and adaptable spaces that can be used as home offices, recreation rooms, play areas for children or grandchildren or guest rooms for live-in parents.

Unveiled at the 2000 National Association of Home Builders' International Builders Show in Dallas, the six Developer Series plans "are reminiscent of charming cottages and arts and crafts bungalows," the company said. Plans range from 1,246 to 2,624 square feet, and homes arrive on site in two or three sections.

"We focused on the top three factors influencing home selection for consumers age 43 to 53 - crafts, floor plan and quality," said Walter R. Young Jr., Champion chairman and chief executive. "We packaged our innovative leading-home designs with innovative hand-planning concepts to appeal to conventional builders and developers."

Champion (NYSE: CHB) owns retailers Factory Homes Outlets in Twin Falls and Burley and Westwind Homes in Filer.

Compiled from staff reports

# Chamber honors bank's leadership

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls sees the First Federal Saving Bank name and its employees behind projects in the arts, in education, in community celebrations, on city-appointed boards and in job development.

That's something Curtis T. Eaton would have appreciated, the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce said Monday night,

### Winners' list

- Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce award winners**
- Curtis T. Eaton Award - First Federal Savings Bank.
  - President's Award - Ken Becker of Solo Cup-Clear Shield Division.
  - Charter Member Awards - Wagner

when it gave the Curtis T. Eaton Award to First Federal. The chamber's 80th Annual

### Transportation Co. and Hudson's Shoe Store.

- Volunteers of the Year - Julie Mahler of Treasure Cove Golf-H-Games, and Marcy Asher of First Federal Savings Bank.
- Special Member Award - Bill Nichols of Bill Printers.

Banquet Monday was a cocktail-and-dinner event highlighting 1999's good deeds for Twin Falls

and its business community.

The evening's top award commemorates the standard for business and community leadership set by the late Eaton of Twin Falls Bank & Trust. Criteria include business practices, support for unique community activities, encouragement of employees' community involvement, leadership on important issues and at least 10 years in business.

First Federal began in 1916 as the Twin Falls Building and Loan Association, making its first loan

of \$700 on June 16 of that year. For 84 years, the mutual cooperative financial institution's members have worked together to save money, acquire homes and help build up the community.

The Curtis T. Eaton Award was first given in 1990 to Universal Frozen Foods. Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital won the award last year.

The Twin Falls chamber's president each year also honors someone who took on a task and

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## WESTERN BUSINESS

# High-country sheep ranchers hit hard times



Nick Theos unloads sheep in a pasture on the west slope of his ranch in Meeker, Colo. Asian economic troubles, rigid European quotas and the ever-changing tastes of the American consumer have taken their toll on Colorado's once vibrant sheep industry.

The Associated Press

MEEKER, Colo. - Second-generation sheep rancher Nick Theos bounced his gear-grinding 4x4 over rocky, rutted trails to herds watched over by Basque shepherds and border collies.

Trailside sheep gave quizzical glances, evergreens in the gold sunlight looked like an impressionist painting and economic problems in the European Union and Pacific Rim seemed far away.

"They're not. I can remember a time when we had more than 500,000 head of sheep in northwest Colorado alone," said Theos, 75. "Today, I don't think there are that many in the whole state."

Trouble in the Asian economy, rigid quotas in Europe, not to mention the ever-changing tastes of the American consumer, have taken their toll on Colorado's once vibrant sheep industry.

Colorado remains the largest sheep-feeding state in the nation, with sheep brought here from Utah and elsewhere for grazing. But the 440,000 head of lamb and sheep in the state Jan. 1, 1999, were down 23 percent from the year before.

Many of those herds are looked after by Basque herders like the one who work for Theos and his nephew, Butch Theos. Their herds are on 6,000 acres over a ridge from Nick's place.

Natwidge, the Agriculture Department shows the number of sheep being raised in the United

States at less than 8 million head compared with more than 50 million during the 1950s.

"Years ago, there were lots more Colorado shepherds," Theos said. "Today, we can practically hold our meetings in a phone booth."

Lamb prices fell 40 percent between 1997 and 1999 - a drop that Peter Orwick, executive director of the Englewood-based American Sheep Industry Association, blames on imports. While Orwick is hopeful the tide has turned a little, sheep ranchers such as Theos still struggle.

"It costs me \$2.50 to shear a sheep, from which you get an average 10 pounds of wool," he said. "At 38 cents a pound for wool, I'm making \$1.30 per sheep. Two years ago, we were getting \$1 per pound for lamb. Last year, it was 85 cents; and this year it's 75 cents."

"So we're all making big money at a time when expenses keep going up, from gasoline to interest on loans," he said.

It's a precarious business that many are leaving - often by selling off land to developers that's been in the family for generations.

As the lure of selling out to developers gets harder to resist, the sheep industry - once a key part of Colorado's economy - faces an uncertain future.

In 1998, there were 1,700 sheep operations in Colorado compared with 2,200 in 1990.

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## IRS softens its approach

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Driven by dwindling staff and employee confusion about reform laws that gave taxpayers new rights, audits and other enforcement actions have dropped markedly at the Internal Revenue Service.

But IRS Commissioner Charles Rossotti says taxpayers should not expect that trend to continue, nor should they believe it's easy to get away with cheating.

"We got hit with an avalanche and just had to do the best we could. I'm not going to sugarcoat it," Rossotti said in an interview. "We've had fewer audits, fewer

collections. We're trying to level it off."

Agency statistics show that collection actions such as liens, levies and property seizures brought in just \$6.5 billion in fiscal 1999, down from \$7.8 billion the year before and \$8.7 billion in 1997.

There were just 161 property seizures, compared with 10,000 as recently as 1997, and only 504,403 levies on bank accounts and wages, down from 2.5 million in 1998. IRS liens in 1999 totaled only 167,867, half of the 383,000 from the year before.

Tax professionals like Jay Sattler, a certified public accountant in Hartford, Conn., have

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## Blue Cross urges customers to shun Hospital

The Associated Press

IDAHO FALLS - Blue Cross of Idaho is urging its policyholders to shun Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center, claiming the hospital's prices are out of control.

Blue Cross officials say the hospital charges up to double the amount similarly sized Idaho hospitals charge for common procedures.

"How could we ask our customers in Idaho Falls to pay this?" Senior Vice President Tracy Andrus said. "Salt Lake City hospitals don't even charge at the level EIRM does."

Hospital Chief Executive Doug Crabtree said that while the facility may charge more for some procedures, the costs are not as

high as Blue Cross officials claim.

Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center's charges could be 15 percent higher than similarly sized Idaho hospitals, but it is a first-rate, quality hospital doing complicated and life-saving procedures, he said.

"We're saving lives and touching lives in this community because of the institution we are," he said. "We have a great hospital given the size of the community."

The Blue Cross allegations follow the breakdown of contract negotiations between Idaho's largest insurance company and the hospital. The two were trying to hammer out a new agreement covering Blue Cross' 8,300 eastern Idaho customers with traditional insurance plans. Insurance

companies negotiate contracts with hospitals and doctors to get better prices for their policyholders.

Blue Cross is encouraging patients to go to other hospitals and will pay more for their bill if they do. The insurance company also is trying to get doctors to operate at other surgical centers or hospitals in the area, like Bingham Memorial in Blackfoot and Madison Memorial in Rexburg, by offering to pay physicians' travel expenses.

Hospital officials say they are willing to go back to the bargaining table. Blue Cross officials say they also are willing to resume negotiations but only if Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center reduces its costs and changes the way it charges for its services.

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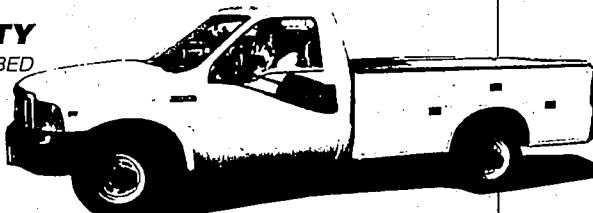
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# Stupid card tricks: How to avoid a plastic catastrophe

**Knight Ridder News Service**

More stupid card tricks. Marianne Miller used her American Express card to make a down payment to a contractor. The Southlake, Texas, woman withheld final payment when the work didn't meet her expectations. The contractor charged her card for the balance due anyway.

David Taylor used a convenience check to transfer a card balance from Provident to GE Select. His GE card was debited for the amount of the transfer, but the amount failed to turn up at Provident in the form of a credit.

Following Provident's instructions, Taylor called the number on his GE card to ask for a copy of the check. That was in late July.

"When I called them on Oct. 12, it was either the fifth or sixth time they promised me I would have it in two weeks," he said. The moral of this column: Credit-card payment systems are more slipshod than you and I would like to believe. Slip plastic defensively.

"If they have your card number on record, they can put a payment through without your permission," Miller said she learned. Be wary of convenience checks, added Taylor, who's from Arlington, Texas.

"If something goes wrong, you don't have a copy of that check," he said. GE Capital Corp. promised recently to solve Taylor's dilemma after dragging its feet for 10 days. American Express solved Miller's problem promptly and courteously.

American Express apologized profusely for misinforming her when she called to complain. She said the issuer's customer service representatives told her initially that the stealth payment was her problem.

Wrong. Under the federal Fair Credit Billing Act, §50 is the most an issuer can bill cardholders for unauthorized charges. You must dispute the charge in writing within 60 days of receiving

the statement containing the error. Search the fine print on the back of statement for directions and a mailing address. Use certified mail. Stick in copies of supporting documents and hold on to the originals.

The law covers every kind of billing error. Cardholders can demand answers if the issuer gets dates and amounts wrong, or if it bills for goods that were declined or weren't delivered. They can demand satisfaction, if issuers fail to post payments, returns or other credits accurately.

If banks don't acknowledge complaints within 30 days, and explain themselves within two billing cycles, sue them for \$50, even if the charge was legitimate after all. American Express credited Miller for \$500 of the \$519 charge put on her card. Miller says she's happy and impressed.

There's more. Even if she authorized the payment, she could appeal to American Express under a part of the fair billing act that makes card issuers liable for shoddy goods and services along with sellers.

Consumers must jump through two extra hoops. The merchant can't be in a different state or more than 100 miles away, and consumers must make a genuine effort to resolve the complaint directly.

Of course, disputing a charge isn't the same as winning a credit. Inevitably, these things come down to a judgment call by card issuers - in Miller's case, parsing accounts of how the card was presented in the first place.

Spend a minute deciding on whether it's safer to use cash or plastic. There has been a better choice for Miller, but it's not always superior. When quality issues surface after the fact, as they often do in auto repairs for example, plastic keeps you in the game.

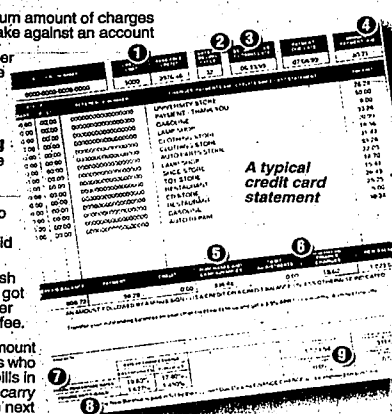
Cardholders can decline to pay the charge until the dispute is settled. Consumers can go to court if they aren't satisfied, and they can ask issuers to pay their attorney's fees.

Finally, they can complain to the Federal Reserve Board. The regulators won't intervene directly on behalf of consumers. But they can raise serious welts during bank examinations if they see a pattern of noncompliance.

## Understanding a credit card bill

Credit card companies use standardized terms on their monthly statements. Here's what they mean:

- 1 Credit limit:** Maximum amount of charges a cardholder can make against an account
- 2 Billing cycle:** Number of days between the last statement date and the current statement date
- 3 Billing cycle closing date:** Last date of the billing cycle
- 4 Minimum payment due:** Typically, 2% to 3% of outstanding balance must be paid each month
- 5 Cash advances:** Cash that the card holder got using the card. Issuer can charge an extra fee.
- 6 Finance charges:** Amount charged to customers who do not pay off their bills in full each month and carry balances over to the next billing cycle



A typical credit card statement

SOURCES: Citibank, Bank Rate Monitor, National Foundation for Consumer Credit

7/10/99

of snarls left over from the sale, GE Capital said. The companies met recently to divide them into two piles.

Taylor says there's plenty of blame to go around. "Provident is the guilty party," he said. "They credited us for \$23 instead of \$728. Where did the \$23 come from?"

Two lessons here: Make copies of convenience checks before sticking them in the mail. Use the federal law to turn snarls into a problem for the banks. Unfortunately, the 60-day

clock ran out on Taylor. For the price of two certified letters, he could have tagged First USA for a charge that didn't complete its appointed mission, as well as Provident for a payment posted in error, leaving the banks to hash it out - or else.

As it is, the Fed might wonder why someone somewhere didn't make an effort to help Taylor even if he didn't invoke the law officially.

You can write to the Fed at this address: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Division of Consumer and

Community Affairs; 20th and C Streets, N.W., Stop 801; Washington, D.C. 20551.

You can call the Federal Trade Commission for a brochure describing the billing act at (877) 382-4357. The Web savvy will find detailed information and links at <http://www.ftb.frb.fed.us>

By the way, Taylor received a fresh batch of convenience checks from First USA last week and an invitation to transfer more balances. "I'll never, ever do that again," he said.

**7 Annual percentage rate (APR):** Amount of interest charged each year; can be fixed or variable

**8 Grace period:** Amount of time a lender allows before charging interest on the balance due

**9 Average daily balance:** Average amount of the purchases made during the billing cycle

### CREDIT CARD FACTS:

- The average American family has nine credit cards
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- Solicitations for credit cards mailed to consumers in 1998: More than 3 billion
- Credit cards in use in the U.S.: More than 1 billion

Detroit Free Press, KRT

## Pension choices leave workers with many options, questions

**By Pamela Yip**  
The Dallas Morning News

The tough choices surrounding cash-balance pension plans aren't just limited to the employees of IBM who openly revolted, when the giant company switched last year to a traditional pension plan from its traditional pension plan.

Twenty-two percent of Fortune 100 companies offer the so-called "hybrid pension plans," according to Watson Wyatt Worldwide, an employee benefits consulting firm.

Pummeled by critics and its employees, International Business Machines Corp. reluctantly agreed to allow any worker 40 years old or older with at least 10 years of service to choose whether to remain in the company's traditional pension plan or switch to the cash-balance plan.

Steve Barber, an IBM services marketing representative in Fort Worth, said he still hopes IBM will eventually give workers an option on pension plans.

"I haven't given up hope that we're going to get it fixed," said Barber, 40, who missed the com-

pany's age cutoff by 13 days. He has worked for IBM for 18 years and is the Dallas-area leader of an IBM's cash-balance plan.

"In the event that I don't get it fixed," he said, "I will probably adjust my lifestyle to live a little less frugally. I'll probably be taking less expensive vacations."

Employees at firms offering a choice of pension plans must consider myriad factors, including their age, how long they plan to remain with their employer and how comfortable they are managing a large sum of money. And it's not a simple task. Not only are cash-balance plans a relatively new phenomenon, but also no two plans are exactly alike.

Cash-balance plans are like a staircase. Credits in a cash-balance account accrue at the rate of a fixed percentage of active rate each year. With every year that workers remain with their employer, their pension benefit goes up another step.

In contrast, a traditional pension plan is like an elevator. In that type of plan, workers accrue the bulk of their benefits in the

last five to 10 years of service with their employer. Although workers must wait some time for a significant benefit to build up when it reaches that point, it can whisk them up to a high pension level overnight.

When faced with a choice between pension plans, workers need to break down the decision-making process into two areas: quantitative factors and qualitative factors.

The quantitative issues have to do with the hard-core numbers, with the bottom-line question being: Which of the two plans will give workers the most value when they retire?

Qualitative factors include how well a worker can manage a large amount of money, as well as age, which is one of the most significant factors.

"The older you are, the harder it is to get an adequate pension in a cash-balance plan," said Michelle Quinlan, a consulting actuary at Watson Wyatt in Dallas.

Cash-balance plans tend to favor younger employees because they have more time over which their money can compound.

Asher of First Federal Savings Bank - co-chairwoman of the organization's picnic and auction last year - beat the street to find what the event needed, encouraged (or bribed) others to donate and kept communication going, all to put on a picnic in the rain.

The chamber thanked Blip Printers' Bill Nichols with a Special Member Award for providing state-of-the-art equipment at below cost or no cost to the chamber. The work of Nichols and his staff is evident in the chamber membership poster, a chamber calendar, maps and prints of historic Twin Falls photos.

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## Web site helps with college choice

**Knight Ridder News Service**

You start with a decision-making process so confusing that it makes car shopping look like a breeze. Add a sticker price close to the cost of the median U.S. home - with the pressure to pay all \$120,000 in just four years. Then throw in the discomfort of negotiating financial aid and the longing to give your child the best college education possible - even if you can't afford it.

No wonder it would come to this: Tedd Kelly, a Falls Church, Va.-based college-admissions consultant has developed a Web site designed to turn choosing a college into the equivalent of buying a Saturn or using Priceline.com.

Instead of getting emotionally involved with a college that may be financially out of reach, college choice turns the process around. At the outset of a student's college search, the Web site allows parents and the student to choose their price for a college education - rather than a

specific institution.

If a family can only afford \$7,000 a year, it can rest the bid along with the student's SAT scores, grades, and educational interests. If a college wants the student at that price, the family will be notified. The student is under no obligation to take the deal, and pays nothing for the service.

Since the site opened this fall, Kelly says, 700 students have made an online bid for their education. Colleges, however, have been hesitant about participating. Only six have signed one-year contracts. Colleges pay \$2,000 a year to cull through the bids.

But Kelly expects colleges to start reaching for [collegebid.org](http://collegebid.org) in desperation after May 1. That's the deadline for students to notify colleges if they plan to attend during the upcoming fall. Every year, lesser-known colleges struggle to fill classrooms and dorm rooms. They sweeten financial aid packages at the last minute so they don't have to report an enrollment drop and hurt their

public image.

Kelly says the period is called "admissions counselors' hell" because about 500 colleges had vacancies. "This is my market," he says.

Meanwhile, [collegebid.org](http://collegebid.org) has caused an uproar among college admissions counselors. They warned Kelly that colleges that make deals with students minus the normal application process could be censured by their peers in the National Association of College Admissions Counselors. Jerry Pope, vice president for the association, says colleges that skirt the typical process could be stopped from entering college fairs - a key tool for recruiting new students.

Collegebid.org threatens to turn the college admissions process topsy turvy, with a focus on price rather than quality. Admissions counselors prefer to have discussions about the price for last - the final decision a family makes after both a college and a student have decided that they are a match.

## IRS

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noticed the downward trend. "I have not had near the amount of IRS audits with corporations or individuals that I had three or four years ago," he said.

Although enforcement actions only bring in about 2 percent of the \$1.7 trillion in taxes the IRS collects, a decline is cause for concern beyond the dollars involved because it can erode taxpayer confidence in the system, Rossetti said.

"What we want to achieve is maximum compliance," he said. "Everybody should want that, if they're an honest taxpayer, because it means nobody is getting away with something."

One big reason for the drop, Rossetti said, is a series of staff reductions that has cut 15,000 employees from the IRS, many of them from the compliance branch. Some of those on the job have been temporarily shifted over to other duties, such as answering telephone tax queries.

To send somebody out to do an audit, that takes time," Rossetti said. "If you have fewer

people, you're going to do fewer of them."

But the massive tax reform law passed in 1998 by Congress had an equally huge impact. It gave taxpayers many new rights in enforcement actions, requiring thousands of agents to be retrained, and made serious violations of those rights - especially harassment or retaliation - punishable by immediate dismissal.

This law, known as Section 1203, triggered widespread confusion among agents and fear that they would be fired for simple mistakes or unfairly targeted for investigation, said Colleen Kelley, president of the National Treasury Employees Union.

"On its face, there was a lot of alarm among employees," Kelley said. "Employees did need clarity about the new rules and what was expected of them."

To allay concern, Rossetti has periodically sent memos to all IRS employees detailing all Section 1203 allegations and the outcome of the investigations. Employee anxiety has eased somewhat as the first round of

Section 1203 allegations in August turned up only one probable violation out of 14 investigations - and for nonpayment of taxes by an IRS worker.

"What we have seen is that the investigations are done fairly," Kelley said.

In addition, the IRS has begun measuring employee performance based more on taxpayer satisfaction and casework quality than on number of dollars collected, liens imposed and referrals for criminal investigation.

Kelley and Rossetti agreed Congress must approve substantial budget increases for additional IRS staff if the decline in enforcement actions is to be reversed.

Ultimately, Rossetti said the goal is to reduce the time it takes to begin an audit - now some times two years or more after a return is filed - by using new formulas and better technology to target those most likely to be in violation.

"What we want to do is get to you right away, in a matter of weeks instead of years," he said.

## Chamber

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met or exceeded expectations. This year, the President's Award went to Ken Becker, Solo Cup Clear Shield Division plant manager, who did more than he was asked as the organization's business retention chairman.

Becker's committee developed and produced a survey of business plans. He lined up meetings with two companies planning expansions that might not have happened in the Magic Valley - but did.

At the same time, the chamber said, Becker is making Solo Cup one of those companies that takes advantage of a diverse employment base, employing Eastern Europeans and helping them get acclimated to Twin Falls by cooperating with the College of Southern Idaho to teach them English.

Two long-time businesses were honored Monday with the chamber's Charter Member Award - Wagner Tire Corporation Co. and Hudson's Shoe Store.

Started in 1936, Wagner Transportation said it is the nation's oldest independent dealer of Wilson Trailers. It was once one of the largest cattle carriers in the West, and it still has a fleet of trucks operating in the West.

Hudson's, a 69-year-old retailer of name-brand shoes, said it has been a Twin Falls chamber member for more than 48 years and plans to grow with Twin Falls for years to come.

Two women who made things happen in 1999 were honored as the chamber's Volunteers of the Year. Treasure Cove Golf-N-Games owner Julie Mahler and Marcy



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Case No. SP-OT-00-3  
**NOTICE HEARING ON PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

The Honorable Judge: **BEAU ANTHONY DECK**, Petitioner.

T. C. CLERK OF THE COURT

A Petition by BEAU ANTHONY DECK, Clerk of the Court at Morton, Washington, and now residing at Jerome, ID, in the County of Jerome, Idaho, for a change of name to BEAU ANTHONY ANCIEN, has been filed in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Jerome, Idaho, and the same is returnable to the Court on the 10th day of February, 2000, at 4:00 o'clock p.m., at the Jerome County Courthouse in the City of Jerome, County of Jerome, Idaho. Any person who claims to be injured by the granting of the petition, or who has any objections, may file by any person who can, in writing, objections, show to the Court a good reason against such name change.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court this 23rd day of December, 1999.

THE ROARK LAW FIRM  
By K. E. Ron Baker  
Attorney for Petitioner

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT  
By: Deputy Clerk

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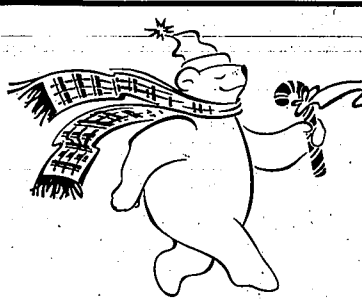
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1997 DODGE 1500 C/C 4x4 Stock #895T, S10, Auto, AM/FM Cassette, Tow Package	WAS \$23895	\$18888
1997 DODGE 1500 C/C 4x4 Stock #951T, CD & Cassette, Power, Cruise, Auto	WAS \$23895	\$20765
1997 GMC YUKON Stock #8993, Loaded, All Power & Seats, Tow Package	WAS \$24895	\$21764
1998 FORD EXPEDITION 4x4 Stock #9605, Air, 22,000 Miles, 5.4L V-8, Auto, Power	WAS \$28895	SOLD
2000 CHEVY 1500 C/C Stock #995A, 2711 Miles, LS, Power, CD, 3 Door, V-6	WAS \$30895	\$27655
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2000 GMC 2500 C/C 4x4 Stock #9413, 6.0L V-8, Auto, Air, Cruise, Tilt, CD	WAS \$30895	\$27970
2000 GMC 1500 C/C 4x4 Stock #9111, Bucket Seats, Auto, Cruise, Air, Power	WAS \$31895	\$28680
2000 CHEVY 1500 C/C Stock #9597	WAS \$31895	SOLD
1999 CHEVY SUBURBAN Stock #9301	WAS \$31895	\$28870
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- Wrestling**  
Kuna/Am. Falls at Jerome, 6:30 p.m.  
Burley at Minix, 7 p.m.
- Girls' basketball**  
Bliss at Richfield  
Gooding at Buhl  
Carnas County at Carey, 6 p.m.  
Daclo at Kiriherby, JV at 4:30 p.m.  
Ketchum at Idierich  
Filler at Wood River, JV at 4:30 p.m.  
Hansen at Murrumbidgee  
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Sho-Ban at Magic Valley Christian  
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Rimrock at Glenns Ferry  
Hagerman at Raft River  
Hansen at Murrumbidgee  
Shoshone JV at ISD/B  
Wendell at Valley  
Jackpot at W. Wendover
- Junior varsity basketball games typically start at 6 p.m., with the varsity following around 7:30.*

### IN BRIEF

#### Oakley boosters plan Donation Dinner

OAKLEY — The Oakley High School Booster Club is sponsoring a “Donation Dinner” beginning at 5 p.m. on Thursday at the Oakley Elementary School.

The dinner will be followed by the Oakley and Raft River junior varsity and varsity games at 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

#### Turks split Redskins after botched punt

ASHBURN, Va. — The NFL's first brother-to-brother, agent-to-agent, long snapper-punter combination is history — at least in Washington.

Two days after his bad snap cost the Redskins a chance to kick a winning field goal in a playoff loss at Tampa Bay, long snapper Dan Turk was a no-show at the end-of-season players' meeting Monday. His brother, three-time Pro Bowl punter Matt Turk, left early and said he wanted to be cut.

#### Dokic plays well, but loses to Hungarian

MELBOURNE, Australia — Australian star Jelena Dokic beat her opponent in almost every statistical category Monday — aces, double faults, winners, errors. What she didn't have were more points.

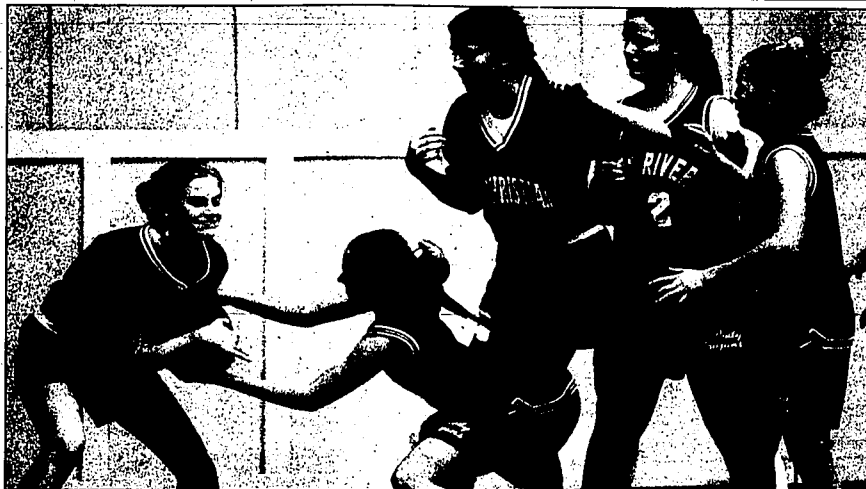
The 16-year-old, who splashed onto the tennis scene by knocking off Martina Hingis en route to the quarterfinals at Wimbledon last year, lost to Hungary's Rita Kuti Kis 6-1, 2-6, 6-3 in the first round of the Australian Open.

#### Ex-U.S. soccer captain to coach national team

NEW YORK — April Heinrichs, captain of the American team that won the first Women's World Cup in 1991, will be introduced Tuesday as the new coach of the U.S. women's soccer team.

The U.S. Soccer Federation scheduled a Tuesday news conference in New York to announce that Heinrichs agreed to a four-year contract last week.

Compiled from staff and wire reports



Magic Valley Christian's Katie Wierama, left, and Tana Hutchison of Raft River tug for possession as Jenna Cugno, Lael Thomas and Tara Hutchison await the outcome.

## Raft River prevails over Conquerors

By Holly Keyt  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Steal, turnover, steal, turnover. Possession sea-sawed throughout the first-half of play Monday night, as the Trojan junior varsity girls' basketball team defeated the Magic Valley Christian School Conquerors 37-20.

“We turned over the ball a lot more than I would've liked,” said Raft River coach Jeremy Qualls.

“We are fortunate it didn't cost us more than it did.”

The Trojans ended the first quarter with eight turnovers while MVCS had 13.

“We were pushing the fast break,” said MVCS coach Clay Davis, whose team failed to collect its second win of the season but shot an impressive 82 percent from the free-throw line.

“We just needed to settle down.”

Neither the Trojans nor the Conquerors scored until well into

the first quarter. MVCS Senior Darlene Galsiwyk finally got the first basket a little over a minute into the game.

Raft River quickly answered back with a steal and a basket off a fast break. Then both teams went scoreless until Trojan Kari Ward grabbed a loose ball and scored an easy lay-in with three minutes left in the quarter.

“We didn't play as well in the first quarter,” said Lael Thomas of Raft River. “Then we came

out in the last three and played like we know how to play basketball.”

The Trojans then went on a 12-0 run in the second quarter with Thomas grabbing five of her game-high nine points.

The Conquerors went scoreless in the second until Sarah Lincoln ended the point drought with a free throw to bring the score at the half to 16-7.

After the break, Raft River

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## Ski museum boasts an eclectic collection of posters

By Barb Nelwert  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM** — An eclectic collection of classic European ski posters can be viewed — and purchased for the right price — at the Ketchum/Sun Valley Historical Society's “Heritage and Ski Museum.”

Posters from as early as 1906 through a donation by part-time resident and Seattle art gallery owner Kelly Allen.

Posters from as early as 1906 through the 1950s depict scenes from Chamonix and Mont Blanc in France: Several of the two dozen posters express a German influence, and a few are from Sun Valley's glamour days.

Proceeds from the donation kicks off an effort to raise money for an expansion project which would provide more space for the Heritage and Ski Museum.

“We need at least \$250,000,” said museum director Pat



Betty Murphy of the Ketchum Sun Valley Heritage and Ski Museum stands next to a colorful exhibition of vintage ski posters dated from the turn of the century through the 1980s.

Butterfield.

If the fundraising campaign is successful, a building on the

Forest Service Park will be leased from the city of Ketchum. Once restored, it would provide

### See ski history

The vintage ski posters and ski equipment on display at the Ketchum/Sun Valley Historical Society's Heritage and Ski Museum in the Forest Service Park at 280 First Street East in Ketchum. The collection will remain on display through January. Winter hours are 1-4 p.m. daily, and there is no charge for admission.

enlarged space for the museum exhibits. The building which currently houses the museum could then provide room for offices, meeting and special exhibitions in the Butterfield building.

The Heritage and Ski Museum has been open since June of 1995. Operated by the Ketchum/Sun Valley Historical Society, the museum is funded through a large membership, grants and individual donations.

Exhibits are changed every six months and have grown over the years to include several permanent displays along with seasonal and just-in-time resources at Forest Service; in an effort to remind the public of the role it has played in the history of the Sun Valley area, also provides a visual display of Sun Valley and its skiing, natural resources and native Americans who originally inhabited the area.

One corner of the museum houses a large display dedicated to Gretchen Fraser, the first American to win a gold medal in the Winter Olympics. Her husband, Don Fraser, is remembered as well for his contributions to local history.

New this year is a display of Olympic champion Picabo Street's race suit, helmet and ski boots, equipment she wore when she won the women's Super Giant Slalom in the 1998 Winter

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## Cincinnati digs in atop AP poll Sampras serves notice

The Associated Press

With Cincinnati on top for the second week in a row, the Top Ten in The Associated Press' college basketball poll did little changing Monday, but there was plenty of movement in the rest of the rankings.

The Bearcats (16-1), who beat Tulane and Ohio last week, again were the runaway choice for No. 1, receiving 61 first-place votes and 1,738 points from the national media panel.

Arizona, Stanford and Auburn remained second through fourth in the balloting, while Duke, Syracuse and Kansas each moved up one place to be fifth, sixth and seventh, respectively. Connecticut dropped from No. 5 to No. 8 and Florida moved up 18th in the preseason poll and 15th in the first one of the regular season before falling out after a loss to Samford. The Red Storm have won six straight, the last an impressive 82-77 victory at Connecticut.

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### NCAA Top 25 Women's poll - D2

Arizona (15-2) had four first-place votes and 1,657 points, 133 more than Stanford (14-1), which had one No. 1 vote. Auburn (15-1) was No. 1 on three ballots and Syracuse (14-0), the only unbeat team in Division I, had one first-place vote.

Indiana dropped from No. 9 to lead the Second Ten and was followed by Oklahoma State, Ohio State, Texas, Tulsa, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Kentucky, St. John's and Vanderbilt.

North Carolina, Utah, DePaul, Maryland and UCLA rounded out the Top 25.

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Utah (13-3) was ranked for the first four polls of the season, then was out for three polls after a loss to Weber State, back in for two and then out for one after a blowout loss at Louisville. The Utes are back in following Mountain West Conference wins over San Diego State and BYU.

UCLA (10-4) fell out of the rankings after losing two of its first three Pac-10 games to Washington and Southern California. The Bruins were out for only one week, however, after winning 71-68 at North Carolina on Saturday.

The four teams that dropped out of the Top 25 lost a total of seven games.

Illinois (9-6), which had been ranked in every poll and gotten as high as No. 15, lost to Purdue and Michigan. Temple (9-4), which had returned to the Top 25 after a one-week absence, split its two road games last week, beating Fordham and losing to St. Bonaventure.

LSU (13-3), which broke into the Top 25 three weeks ago, saw its losing streak extend to three with losses to Florida and Vanderbilt. Louisville (10-5), which was ranked for only one week, lost to UAB and Marquette.

The Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — In three sets without a single baseline rally, Pete Sampras proved to give an hyper-fast Australian Open center court as if he were back on the grass he loves at Wimbledon.

For those who like power tennis, it was beautiful as well as brutal. For those who prefer a bit of finesse and touch, it was utterly boring.

Sampras began his pursuit of a record 13th Grand Slam title Monday with a 6-4, 7-5, 6-4 victory over Australian Wayne Arthurs in a match that featured the best and worst of high-speed tennis.

They served, they volleyed, then they served and volleyed again. Except for the few passing shots on returns, and the 25 aces and 11 double faults between them, that was it.

Australian Open officials wanted a faster surface this year to give an advantage to Patrick Rafter and Mark Philippoussis, so they gave the go-ahead for a paint job that quickened the rubberized Rebound Ace courts to the speed of grass — or glass.

Sampras, who said he has never played on such a fast outdoor hard court, certainly wasn't complaining.

“I'm not going to be rallying too

much this next week or so,” said Sampras, who won six of his 12 major titles on the fast Wimbledon center court.

“Some players like it, some players don't,” Sampras said of the courts. Andrei Medvedev likened the court to an ice rink, but Andre Agassi seemed happy with it. Though a baseliner, Agassi has the reflexes to handle the speed.

“There's no question it is going to be good for his game,” Sampras said.

Sampras cranked up his hardest serve on the first point of the match against Arthurs, sending an intimidating 130 mph message. Sampras loves to instill a little fear in his opponent right from the start, so he invariably drills his opening serve straight up the middle with all the power he can muster. It hardly matters that his opponents know it's coming. Especially on a surface like this.

Arthurs, a left-hander whose own menacing serve carried him to the fourth round at Wimbledon last year before Agassi beat him in four sets, simply didn't have the volleying prowess that Sampras possesses. That and an 8-3 disadvantage in double faults made the difference in a match where not one groundstroke was struck.

## Declo hits fourth in wrestling

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** — Declo was on the move again this week, placing six wrestlers in the Class A-3 statewide rankings compiled periodically by local wrestling authority Rocky Bartlett.

Lance Orestout and Ty Cahoon kept their stranglehold on the Complete rankings No. 1 and No. 2 positions in the 275-pound division. Daniel Gil remained No. 2 at 112 pounds and John Clark (103), Tyler Dechnak (119) and Jason Webb (171) all occupied six of the top spots in their respective weight classes.

Accordingly, Declo jumped from sixth to fourth place in the team rankings.

In Class A-2, meanwhile, Minico ranked No. 10, with Jesus Tamayo ranked second at 119 pounds, K.C. Uscola second at 160 pounds and Mike Berenger listed fourth at 140.

But the Spawans weren't the only Class A-1 team with ranked valley wrestlers: Twin Falls was at home: Jason Hamilton (sixth at 130), Miller McMillan (sixth at 140) and Adam Paxton (sixth at 145).

Finally, at Class A-2, the region still boasts two top-ranked wrestlers in Casey Gumbrel at 140 and Cory Goicoechea at 171. Both are defending state champions.

Casey's brother Kaid was ranked second at 152 pounds. Kimberly was the only area wrestler to advance to the state tournament.

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SPORTS

SuperSonics get their revenge in L.A. with 82-81 win

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gary Payton's three-pointer with 15.9 seconds remaining capped a 36-point performance and lifted Seattle to an 82-81 victory over Los Angeles Monday.

The Lakers had a chance to win with less than three seconds left, but a jumper by Kobe Bryant and slam dunk attempt by Robert Horry both missed their mark.

The victory was the fifth straight for the SuperSonics since they blew a 19-point third-quarter lead in a 110-100 home loss to the Lakers on Jan. 8. The Lakers, whose 32-7 record is the NBA's best, have lost just three of 27 games since Nov. 21.

Shaquille O'Neal led the Lakers with 30 points, 10 rebounds and six assists, while Bryant added 15 points and a career-high 14 rebounds.

Hornets 115, Raptors 94

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Five days after the crash that killed Hornets Bobby Phillips, Charlotte rode a 25-0 surge to victory over the Toronto Raptors.

The run was one point short of the club record for most consecutive points scored and it helped the Hornets end a seven-game losing skid. But their numbers were secondary on an emotional night when the team continued to focus on its recovery from the shock of losing Phillips.

"This is a major boost," coach Paul Silas said. "We have quality people on this team. There's no reason we can't pick it up and go forward."

Charlotte, improving to 14-2 at home, got 25 points and five steals from Eddie Jones, 24 points and 11 rebounds from Derrick Coleman and 23 points from Eden Campbell.

Knicks 105, Pistons 94

NEW YORK — Latrell Sprewell shut down Grant Hill and scored 23 points, and Marcus Camby added 22 points and

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15 rebounds Monday, as the Knicks snapped the Pistons' three-game winning streak.

Sprewell was the primary defender on Hill, who shot just 5-for-21 and scored 16 points — more than 12 by his average. Hill came in averaging 36.1 points in his previous seven games.

Patrick Ewing added 14 points and 10 rebounds for New York, Larry Johnson scored 14, and Allan Houston had 13.

Timberwolves 101, Pacers 100

MINNEAPOLIS — Malik Sealy banked in a three-pointer as time expired to lift the Minnesota Timberwolves over the Indiana Pacers on Monday night.

Mark Jackson had put Indiana ahead with a short jump shot with 1.7 seconds to play, but Sealy took an inbound pass from Steve Mitchell and released the winning shot with Jalen Rose running at him. It banked off the glass and through the net as the buzzer sounded.

Rockets 121, Mavericks 111

DALLAS — Rookie Steve Francis scored a career-high 31 points and had 11 assists as the Houston Rockets beat Dallas on Monday night.

Kenny Thomas, also a rookie, added a career-high 20 points and matched his career-high with 12 rebounds for the Rockets, who won their third straight to match their longest streak of the season. Curtino Mobley and Walt Williams had 17 points each.

Warriors 113, Magic 100

OAKLAND, Calif. — Antawn Jamison

had a career-high 32 points as Golden State snapped its 12-game losing streak with a victory over Orlando, which has lost seven straight.

Donyell Marshall added 20 points, 13 rebounds and seven assists. The Warriors, who took control with a 16-0 run early in the fourth period, got their first win since general manager Gary S. Jean replaced P.J. Carlesimo as coach on Dec. 27.

76ers 101, Nets 96

PHILADELPHIA — Allen Iverson scored 34 points, hitting 30 for the 11th time in 12 games, as Philadelphia beat New Jersey.

The Sixers won their third straight and improved to 14-5 when Iverson, the NBA's leading scorer, hits for 30 or more. New Jersey's Stephen Marbury scored only five of his 31 points in the fourth quarter, when he and Iverson started guarding each other. The Nets lost their second straight and are 13-7 since a 2-15 start.

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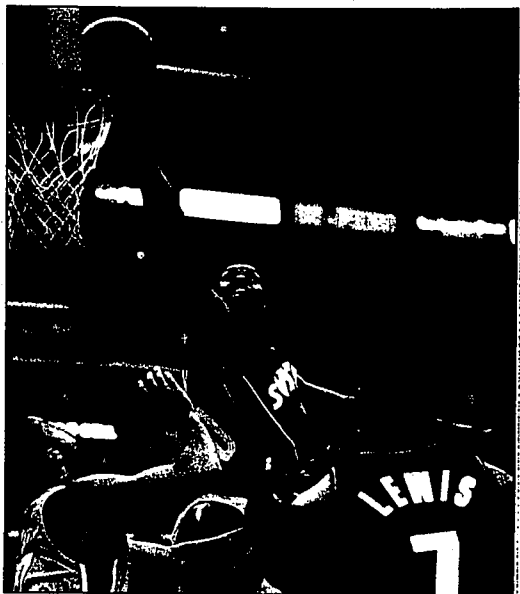
WASHINGTON — Paul Pierce scored 18 of his 34 points in the fourth quarter and Antoine Walker had 31 points and 11 rebounds in Boston's victory over Washington.

Juwan Howard had a season-high 31 points for Washington, and Rod Strickland added 24.

Bucks 107, Hawks 101

ATLANTA — Sam Cassell had 31 points and 11 assists and hit a crucial baseline jumper with 12.6 seconds remaining as Milwaukee beat struggling Atlanta.

Ray Allen added 23 points for Milwaukee; Alan Henderson had 20 points and 11 rebounds for Atlanta, which has won only three of 15 games and four of its last 18.



Gary Payton of the Seattle SuperSonics lays one in against Rick Fox. Payton's three-pointers in the closing seconds Monday gave Seattle an 82-81 win in Los Angeles.

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