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Council OKs skate park money

Local skateboarders have to contribute some money, too

By John T. Hudry Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The City Council will help pay for a \$187,000 skateboard park - if a

local skateboarders' association puts in some cash too. In a six to one vote Monday, the council agreed to pay \$90,000 for a skateboard park. But the Magic Valley Skateboarders' Association Inc., which has spearheaded efforts to bring a new skatepark to town, must raise the rest of the money by September 30 or the plan will be delayed. The association needs to raise \$97,000.

That shouldn't be a problem, said Kate Lopez, an association member. "I think the community will come forward," she said. The city's share would come from money set aside in this year's budget for a new soccer complex, which would be built on property north of Falls Avenue on 2700 East. About \$100,000 was budgeted for that complex, but construc-

tion has not yet started. City Manager Tom Courtney said the complex will get built even if money is used for the skate park. The soccer complex "will just be put on next year's budget," which starts October 1. If construction on the soccer complex begins by September 30, then the \$90,000 will be taken from the city's reserve, which has several million dollars set aside. Please see PARK, Page A2

Panel kills term limits measure

By Michael Jumeo Times-News writer

BOISE - Friday's district court decision putting off Idaho's 1994 term limits initiative for one year rixed an Alibon lawmaker's bid to allow qualifications for elected office to be changed only by constitutional amendment.

Rep. Jim Kempton, R-Albion, the constitutional amendment's author, watched as a Senate panel refused to debate the measure, letting it die for lack of a motion to send it to the full Senate for consideration. The State Affairs Committee members, heavily laden with Senate leaders, sat in silence when committee chairman, Sen. Sheila Sorensen, R-Boise, asked for a recommendation.

"I would've preferred to have a motion to kill it brought forward," Kempton said. "At least that would've allowed some debate on why they wanted to kill it."

But Kempton was quick to say that he was not angry over the Senate committee's decision - just confused.

Senate Pro Temp Robert Geddes, R-Soda Springs, a member of the State Affairs panel, said after Monday's hearing that Friday's decision by 6th District Judge Randy Smith blocking implementation of the term limits law made Kempton's measure unnecessary this during, this legislative session.

"If things change it may have some merit next year," Geddes said.

Smith's ruling came just before 55 county commissioners around the state would have been denied ballot access for the May 23 primary because they had already served the six years allowed under the law. The decision will almost certainly be appealed to the Idaho Supreme Court, putting the debate over the constitutionality of the term limits law in that court's hands.

But Kempton said that he did not understand the Senate panel's rejection of his amendment. The initiative, and, in turn, Smith's Please see LIMITS, Page A2

ENGINEERING FOCUS



Jessica Archibald concentrates while using building blocks to build a bridge in a structural engineering demonstration Monday at a career fair at the College of Southern Idaho. Middle school students from all over the Magic Valley gathered on campus to hear presentations about career choices.

Career fair presents 51 options to students

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - What do electronics, banking and professional athletics have in common? Buhl ninth-grader Jacob Miller's interest.

He investigated the three diverse professions Monday at a massive career fair organized by Magic Valley School-to-Work councils at the College of Southern Idaho. Nearly 3,000 eighth- and ninth-graders from throughout the region are partici-

pating in the two-day fair, which concludes today. About 120 professionals representing 51 occupations are sharing what it's like to be a doctor, lawyer or marine biologist. Presentations include information about educational require-

ments, helpful high school courses, salary levels and career opportunities in their fields.

Marine biology, veterinary medicine, equine science, wildlife management, photography, performing arts, interior Please see OPTIONS, Page A2

THE SHOW MUST GO ON

Robert Rehme, left, president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, celebrates the return of the stolen Oscar statuette Monday with Commander Dave Kallah, of the Los Angeles Police Department. Two men who worked for the trucking company hired to deliver Academy Awards statues were charged with stealing the 55 Oscars, all but three of which were found over the weekend beside a trash bin by a man scavenging for valuables. Police said Monday the two men hoped to profit from Hollywood's most valued trophy.



Feedlot bill passes House

The Associated Press

BOISE - A solid majority of House members cast what for many were gut-wrenching votes for a plan to make the Idaho Department of Agriculture responsible for ensuring cattle feedlots meet stringent water quality standards.

"These are the kinds of bills that are driving the small, rural operator out of business. His day is now over," Republican Caucus Chairman Dan Mader, a Genesee farmer, said Monday. "It's the end of an era, and I don't know that there's much we can do about it."

Indeed, Mader was in the majority as the House voted 51-17 to give final legislative approval to the measure that

now goes to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

The bill was brought to lawmakers by the Idaho Cattle Association as a way of avoiding what they consider more onerous, multi-layered regulatory oversight by the Division of Environmental Quality and Federal Environmental Protection Agency.

"We expect the Department of Agriculture to be tough, but we also expect them to be reasonable, even-handed and fair in any enforcement," GOP Rep. Donnie Lake said.

While consolidating regulation under the Agriculture Department, the proposal leaves state and federal environmental regulators in control of pollu-

tion. Please see Page A2

Spiritual side of pope's visit might be lost in political strife

Knight Ridder News Service

MOUNT NEBO, Jordan - Pope John Paul II began his Mideast visit Monday, praying with his eyes closed tight and trying, at least for the moment, to shut out the pervasive political intrusions of the region.

It was the first day of a deeply personal pilgrimage in which the ailing 79-year-old pope hopes to retrace some of the epic events of the Bible, starting here where Moses first glimpsed the Promised Land and continuing in the footsteps of Jesus. But there is a danger

that the spiritual side of the mission will be lost in the charged political atmosphere of the Holy Land.

In an incident typical of the bickering that has preceded the journey, the Israeli police Monday removed from Palestinian offices in East Jerusalem a gigantic balloon and banner that read "Jerusalem, the eternal Palestinian capital, welcomes His Holiness, the Pope."

John Paul II, a most politically savvy pope, is clearly girded for the challenges ahead in the seven-day journey. In his opening remarks upon landing at Amman's air-

port Monday, he acknowledged it would be impossible and unwise to exclude the realm of the political from his pilgrimage.

"In this area of the world, there are grave and urgent issues of justice of the rights of people and nations, which have to be resolved," said the pontiff, in an allusion to the plight of the Palestinians.

His host here in Jordan, King Abdullah II, underscored the extent to which the pope will have to juggle the interests of various aggrieved peoples of the region hoping to enlist the Vatican for their cause.



Pope John Paul II touches a bowl of Jordanian soil held by an unidentified youth upon arrival at Queen Alia airport in the Jordanian capital of Amman Monday.

THE REGION

Camas Prairie High: 42 Low: 24 Mostly sunny. Mostly clear tonight and mostly sunny tomorrow.

Treasure Valley High: 55 Low: 33 Mostly sunny. Northwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Mostly sunny tomorrow, highs in the lower 60s.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley High: 44 Low: 22 Mostly sunny and warmer tomorrow. Highs 50 to 55.

Eastern Idaho High: 43 Low: 16 Mostly sunny and warmer. North winds 5 to 10 mph. Mostly sunny and warmer tomorrow.

Northern Idaho High: 50 Low: 32 Partly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Partly sunny in the morning. Increasing clouds later.

Northern Utah High: 45 Low: 28 Partly cloudy today and breezy. Partly cloudy tomorrow with highs in the upper 50s.

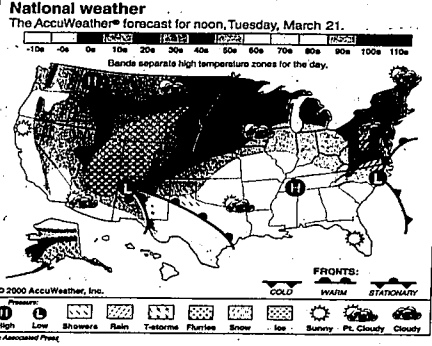
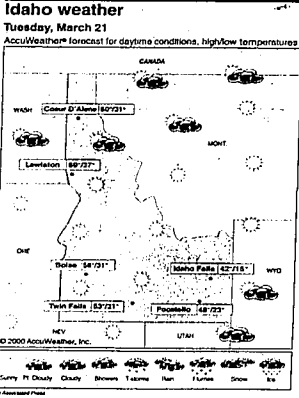
Northern Nevada High: 48 Low: 30 Partly cloudy and breezy. Mostly sunny tomorrow.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Forecast table for Today, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday with high/low temperatures and weather conditions.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Weather summary for Twin Falls and Idaho, including precipitation and high/low temperatures.



UV INDEX and ROAD INFORMATION table.

FOR MORE INFORMATION text block with website and phone details.

SKYWATCH table with sunrise/sunset times and moon phases.

ACROSS THE NATION text block with weather news from other regions.

The Nation

National weather table with Max/Min/Pcp and Comfort factors for various cities.

Administration moves to ban gasoline additive

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration moved Monday to ban the gasoline additive MTBE...

Limits

Continued from A1. Term limit advocates claim Kempthorn's measure was just an end-run around Idaho voters' clear wish for term limits.

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States using reformulated gas

Under the 1990 Clean Air Act, areas with serious air pollution are required to use reformulated gasoline with a fuel additive, such as MTBE.

Park

Continued from A1. The association to determine whether a 10,000-square-foot park at Harmon Park, as had been proposed...

Options

Continued from A1. design and architecture were among the most popular student choices, said Linda Baird, school and community relations coordinator for the Twin Falls School District.

Feedlots

Continued from A1. well-intentioned. "Needful I guess, but generally abusive as an excessive in the end," he said.

Options

Continued from A1. "I love to act. I love to sing. I love to make people moved by what I do."

LOTTERY UPDATE

Lottery update advertisement for Saturday, March 18, featuring Powerball and Wildcard numbers.

Advertisement for The Times-News Call 734-6326, featuring Ski Info Line, Lottery Numbers, and Weather Forecast.

NATION

U.S. to scrutinize drugs prescribed for children

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The White House said Monday that the federal government will intensify research on medications used to treat preschoolers for behavioral disorders, responding to growing concerns about the high number of youngsters who take prescription drugs such as Ritalin and Prozac.

The government said it will launch a \$5-million research project over five years to study children who take Ritalin to treat attention-deficit disorder; redouble efforts to study labeling and dosage of psychiatric drugs for youngsters; and convene a conference on the issue to be held in the fall.

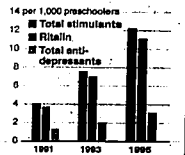
Monday's announcement was orchestrated by first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, who is running for the U.S. Senate in New York and who has crusaded on children's issues during her husband's presidency.

Some details about her initiative — such as the scope and launch date of the Ritalin studies — remained unavailable Monday. Other parts seemed to repackaging policies that are already in place.

One recent study found that the usage of stimulants or anti-depressants among certain groups of children ages 2 to 4 had more than doubled from 1991 to 1995.

Examining drug-use

Hillary Rodham Clinton has announced initiatives to address the use of psychiatric drugs, including stimulants such as Ritalin and anti-depressants such as Prozac, to treat the behavior of young children.



Source: Journal of the American Medical Association

Justices refuse to intervene in school transfer

The Baltimore Sun

WASHINGTON — Rejecting an appeal by school officials in Maryland, the Supreme Court hinted Monday at a new unwillingness to allow students to transfer to schools on the basis of race — even to prevent new tipping toward segregation.

The court's action, although not a full-scale ruling, has national implications. The case tested the authority of school officials in any community to use pupil transfer policies to ensure that schools do not shift too far toward one race in their enrollment.

In a brief order, with no explanation, the court turned aside an appeal by the Montgomery County Board of Education seeking to revive a transfer policy nullified by the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Va., last year.

Under the policy, a student's attempt to transfer could be blocked if too few students of that child's race would be left in the former school, or too many of that race would be assembled in the new school — a result that officials said threatened "racial isolation."

"The educational theory behind such policies is that students benefit academically from racial diversity in their schools, and racial isolation undermines that goal."

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Police hear shot fired inside house at Maryland hostage scene

DUNDALK, Md. (AP) — A shot was fired Monday inside the house where an alleged killer has been holding his ex-girlfriend's mother and two other people hostage since Friday, authorities said.

After the shot, police used a loudspeaker to urge the suspect, Joseph Palczynski, to let them bring in an ambulance. But authorities said later police did not believe anyone inside the house was seriously hurt.

"We are reasonably secure that no one needs medical help," Baltimore County police spokesman Bill Toohy said. "We're not rushing in there."

"His conversations with us have led us to believe we don't have to go in," Palczynski, 31, has been on the run since March 7, when police say he kidnapped his ex-girlfriend, Tracy Whitehead, and killed the couple she was staying with and a neighbor. A fourth

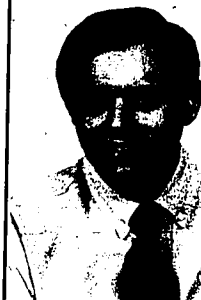
person was killed and a boy was wounded when Palczynski allegedly carjacked a vehicle.

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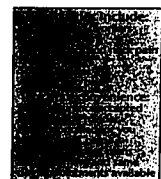
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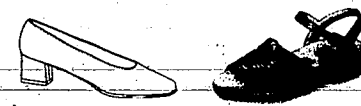
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Senate rejects school building alternatives

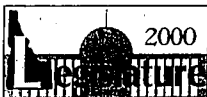
BOISE (AP) - The Senate rejected proposed alternatives for fixing deteriorated school buildings on Monday as critics warned that the House would not abandon the plan it has already passed to head off a court ordering the state to begin financing tens of millions of dollars of local district improvements.

The debate came as the trial on the suit against the state was ready to enter its third week, and Republican Sen. Jack Riggs of Coeur d'Alene said that after two weeks the state's lawyers said "we're winning some and we're losing some. I would say that if we're losing some, we've lost the case."

But the issue in the Statehouse is not whether the state should step in but how.

Riggs and others unsuccessfully tried to play on the sentiment of some senators who favor a huge election-year tax cut by emphasizing that their approach frees up \$20 million in state general tax money the House version uses for a special revolving fund - money that can finance other programs in a very tight budget.

After nearly two hours of debate, the Senate killed the proposal on a 22-13 vote as leaders continued trying to put together the combination of proposals on the knot of issues that will finally lead to eventual adjournment of one of the most disjointed and



unfocused legislative sessions in recent years.

"The leadership has been told in no uncertain terms that this particular piece of legislation isn't going to become law," Republican Floor Leader James Risch of Boise said in urging its defeat so "we don't unduly delay things."

And even with that bill's defeat, Risch admitted that "the really bad news is we're going to be here for a while."

The House-passed bills are expected to be considered by the Education Committee later this week.

The cost of trying to win the school building court case is only a piece of the complex financial puzzle lawmakers have been trying to put together for the past month.

Leaders are deal with a \$41 million tax cut that the Senate seems intent on reducing to about \$14 million so it can avoid being left with a public school aid package that is \$15 million or more below the modest increase recommended by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

Commissioners to rule on hunting for nonresidents

BOISE (AP) - Fish and Game Commissioners will decide at their May meeting how to recallibrate trophy species controlled hunts to conform to a 10 percent rule for nonresidents.

where nonresidents have been given at least one permit even in hunts with fewer than 10 permits. Nonresidents often end up having more than 10 percent overall. The commission also will decide how to handle nonresident moose hunting. Out-of-staters have been excluded from moose hunts. Commission members expect to hear a report from the Attorney General's office that will address concerns about allowing nonresident moose hunting.

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Feds refuse to give Panhandle disaster status

BOISE (AP) - Federal disaster relief officials have denied Idaho's request for an emergency declaration to help hundreds of people in the Panhandle recover from rockslides in late January and mid-February.

James Lee Witt, head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, found that the state and local governments were capable of handling the problems that he said were not severe enough to warrant federal intervention.

State Adjutant General John Kane said another application can be made if conditions change.

"We will monitor the situation and continue to assist Bonner and Kootenai counties in their response to this emergency," Kane said in a statement issued on Monday.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

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The company also said it has reached an agreement with a major regional distributor, who will introduce Hydrators throughout the Southeast and into West Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky.

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"These promotion and distribution agreements complement the arrangements we recently finalized with Capital Beverage in the Mid-Atlantic area, and we are pleased with the way regional distribution is progressing into major population centers," said Thomas Gillespie, president and chief executive officer of the Ketchum-based company. "While the product is by no means everywhere we want it to be, we have made excellent strides toward critical mass with several very knowledgeable and enthusiastic distributors."

Xerox, Hewlett-Packard settle patent suits

PALO ALTO, Calif. - Major Idaho employer Hewlett-Packard and Xerox Corp. said Monday they reached an "amicable settlement" on six outstanding patent infringement lawsuits between the two giants of the copying industry.

The companies said the settlement allowed them to avoid legal costs as well as the time and distraction of a lengthy court battle. The lawsuits were filed between May 1998 and June 1999.

Xerox, based in Rochester, N.Y., had filed complaints against HP products that use inkjet, color balancing and resolution-enhancement technologies while HP, based in Palo Alto, had filed complaints against Xerox products that use TouchScan user interface, inkjet and image-enhancement technologies.

Under terms of the settlement, the companies said neither would disclose additional details.

YourBusiness deadline changes temporarily

TWIN FALLS - The Times-News this week changed its deadline for submission of news items to print in the Sunday Money section's YourBusiness column.

For the upcoming Sunday edition, the deadline for YourBusiness submissions is noon today.

Next week, the deadline will return to the customary noon on Thursday.

Compiled from staff and wire reports.

Railroad reveals possibility

Watco might make TF major office

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls could play a bigger role in the corporate structure of Eastern Idaho Railroad's parent company if an Old Towne building ends up in the railroad's hands.

"We are looking for new opportunities in changing our system a little bit," said John T. Brown of Watco Companies Inc. These changes mean Watco could need a larger facility in Twin Falls. That would create new jobs in town, but Brown said it's too early to say how many or what kind.

With operations in 20 to 30 states, Watco runs short-line railroads, repairs and leases rail cars and offers warehousing.

"Anything to do with the rail industry, we are part of," said

Brown, executive vice president of Watco's railroad division, who works from a Twin Falls office. "We obviously have to provide support services to a lot of those diverse businesses."

An option Watco is contemplating: Provide support out of Twin Falls for many Watco operations.

Watco has main corporate offices in Pittsburg, Kansas, with other central offices throughout its territory, Brown said.

"We're looking at this being an additional office of that type. We're spread out pretty far," he said Monday.

But Watco won't proceed with consideration of Twin Falls developments unless it ends up with the city Urban Renewal Agency's building that once housed the Hotsy Steam Store of Magic Valley Inc. at 156 Fourth Ave. S. in Twin Falls.

"Once the city either approves or disapproves, we'll go forward," Brown said.

Urban Renewal must act on Watco's offer to trade 1.49 acres stretching between the railroad tracks and the west end of Minidoka Avenue for the brick Hotsy building.

Watco's proposal was a reply to Urban Renewal's published request for developers willing to trade about 1.5 acres along Minidoka Avenue not owned by the agency, for the Hotsy building. Urban Renewal will accept proposals until the beginning of April, after which it can accept, reject or further negotiate any deal offered.

The agency's idea, Executive Director Dave McAlindin has said, is to provide off-street parking for current and future developments in the old warehouse district - while turning over the Hotsy property for private investment.

The railroad-owned land Watco proposes giving in return is very near where business pioneers have created a small entertainment, dining and shopping destination in the warehouse district.

The trade would give Urban Renewal much needed off-street parking and a chance to landscape a highly visible entrance to Old Towne, McAlindin has said.

Now, Watco uses the 1.49 acres for servicing trucks for storage and for transloading between trucks and rail cars, and from trucks to trucks, Brown said.

"We'll be able to do all that

elsewhere," he said. Watco can modify its operation to get along fine without the land.

And the spot would look better with parking and landscaping, Brown added, commending attractive developments that city and business people have accomplished already in Old Towne.

If Watco gets the Hotsy building, and if it decides to convert the property to office space for itself, there will be some work to do. Two old offices in the front of the building aren't satisfactory in the present condition, and the rest of the space is warehouse, Brown said.

"We would have to extensively remodel the inside of it," he said. But the building looks good on the outside, and Brown said Watco would want to maintain the redeveloping Old Towne's historic look.

"We like Twin Falls, and we've worked well with Twin Falls in the past, and we want to build on that relationship," he said.

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Banks could owe \$5M if merger falls through

Knights Riddler News Service

SALT LAKE CITY - Zions Bancorporation and First Security Corp. will owe BancWest Corp. of Honolulu a \$5 million "breakup" fee if the two Salt Lake City banking companies are unable to complete their pending merger.

BancWest, the parent company of San Francisco-based Bank of the West, in January agreed to buy 60 branches in Utah and eight in Idaho - including Zions branches in Burley and Richfield - from Zions and First Security for \$250 million. The two banks were ordered to sell the branches to address antitrust concerns and gain federal regulators' approval for their consolidation.

"We continue to hope that the Zions-First Security merger and the resulting divestiture of Utah and Idaho branches to BancWest, will proceed as planned," BancWest Chairman Walter Duds said in a statement.

The trouble began when Zions shareholders may not approve the deal given concern that surfaced last week between the once amiable partners.

The concern began when Goldman Sachs & Co., Zions' financial adviser, said the merger is no longer a good one for Zions shareholders. Goldman Sachs likely changed its opinion of the deal after First Security on March 3 announced its financial performance in the first quarter would be much worse than expected. Shares in both companies subsequently plummeted.

On Wednesday, First Security Chief Executive Officer Spencer Eccles in documents sent to shareholders suggested Zions is trying to back out of the deal. Zions CEO Harris Simmons denied Eccles' allegations in his own amended proxy statement, but offers no strong assurances he still believes the deal is a good one for Zions shareholders.

The \$5 million the companies will have to pay BancWest if their merger falls apart represents only a fraction of the costs Zions and First Security will incur if the deal crumbles. Neither company will divulge what it has spent so far on merger-related activities.

But analysts estimate costs in the millions to lay off more than 700 employees and pay severance packages, combine computer systems and administrative departments and to compensate investment bankers and consultants. Both companies also face possible litigation if the deal is not completed.

"If it (the merger) does not happen, the costs would be tremendous," said Steve Hanson of Merger Insight in New York City.

BancWest spokesman John Stafford said the company has received no word from Zions of First Security. "We only know what we read in the paper," he said.

BancWest already has begun

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Idaho catalog store plans big retail debut

The Associated Press

SANDPOINT - Upscale catalog company Coldwater Creek will open 80 retail stores across the country in the next few years, Chief Executive Officer Dennis Pence said.

At the same time, the Sandpoint company is seeking higher Internet sales with a user-friendly web site that allows customers to talk live with salespeople.

"We've tried to humanize the Internet," Pence said. "We see tremendous amount of growth by offering old-time customer service in new channels."

For example, rather than the frequently asked-questions feature, known as FAQs, that many sites offer, a Coldwater Creek customer can send messages to one of 40 customer service representatives at a call center in Coeur d'Alene.

"Maureen has arrived to help you," the instant messenger said. "Does the Seattle store sell outer items?" the potential customer asked.

"Our Seattle store is a full-line store. It isn't an outlet store," Maureen replied. "Would you like the address and telephone number?"

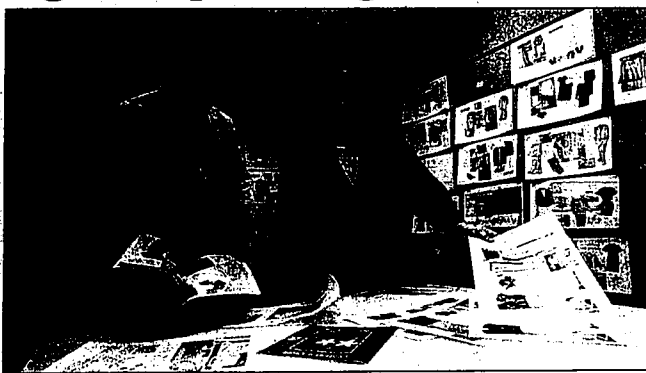
Pence said the twin strategies, boosting bricks-and-mortar stores with greater cyber sales, produces "wonderful synergy."

For instance, customers can browse in stores but later purchase the items from home, he said.

He also suggests companies that stake their entire futures on Internet sales may be in for trouble.

"In apparel, only a certain number of customers buy from a distance," Pence said. "A certain number need to try it on, feel it, touch it."

The Internet will also allow Coldwater Creek to send regular customers e-mails with advertising and news of store openings,



Graphic designers at Coldwater Creek, Dan Murrin and Barbara McDonald, discuss changes to the next issue of the company's catalog this month in Sandpoint. Coldwater Creek mails out more than 150 million catalogs each year.

he said. To boost use of the medium, Coldwater ships Internet orders the same day it receives them and sends them airmail at no extra charge, he said.

Until now, Coldwater Creek has done quite well by reaching out to distant buyers. It has a mailing list of 6.5 million names. The company had fiscal 1998 sales of \$25 million and employs 2,100 people in northern Idaho and at a distribution center in West Virginia.

The company has been on Inc. magazine's list of the 500 fastest-growing companies for five straight years.

Its various catalogs sell women's casual clothing, gifts, jewelry and items for the home, and appeal to upper middle class tastes.

Coldwater for several years has had a flagship store in Sandpoint and another in Jackson, Wyo., both major tourist areas. Last fall, the company opened stores in Seattle and Kansas City.

Sales have been strong. The company will press ahead with opening 80 stores in 29 states over the next few years, Pence said. The next store will open in the Chicago area.

The new stores will have the same prices and merchandise as the catalogs, he said.

Unlike some e-tailers, Coldwater Creek did not suffer many service breakdowns during the past Christmas season. The company filled 98 percent of its Christmas orders in 24 hours, Pence said.

Internet sales went from

almost nothing a year ago to 15 percent now, Pence said. Half the company's sales may be from the Internet in a year, he said.

The web site also has a "personal shopper" feature that allows customers to type in specific requests and then see a list of only those items. For instance, a customer can type in "petite, blue dresses, bridal shower" and see everything the company offers in that category on one screen.

Coldwater Creek began trading on the Nasdaq in early 1997. The company's stock was as high as \$29.75 in early November.

Pence said he believes the company's stock has been battered since then by a general decline in retail stocks caused by rising interest rates.

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Boeing strike ends; engineers, technical workers back at jobs

RENTON, Wash. (AP) — Boeing Co. engineers and technical workers returned to their jobs at the world's No. 1 maker of passenger jets Monday after a 40-day strike that proved surprisingly effective.

The strike was one of the biggest white-collar walkouts in U.S. history.

The Society of Professional Engineering Employees in Aerospace voted Sunday to end the strike and return to their jobs, ratifying a three-year contract that provides raises, bonuses and expanded health care coverage.

"Thanks to you, no adversary of workers will ever underestimate the staying power of women and men who just happen to work with their brains instead of their backs," AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Richard Trumka told about 2,000 workers at a rally before they filed back to their jobs.

Many of the striking workers said they were relieved to be back on the job but didn't predict a sweet reunion.

"I think upper management has some fences to mend," SPEEA spokesman Bill Dugovich said.

In a statement Sunday, Boeing chairman and chief executive Phil Condit said: "This has been an emotional time for all involved. We are confident that, with the support we will be able to best from this unfortunate situation as we strive to continue listening to each other and understanding our mutual interests." Boeing missed at least 15 air-



Boeing worker Michael Bernaman, right, gets a hug from Ron Judd of the King County Labor Council outside the Boeing Renton, Wash., plant Monday. Members of the Society of Professional Engineering Employees in Aerospace held a rally before returning to work after ending a 40-day strike.

plane deliveries, its stock price dropped and, and work on some government contracts lagged during the walkout by 15,000 to 17,000 workers that began Feb. 9. "This strike will go down in history as a turning point in labor-management relations," Trumka said. "Boeing thought you wouldn't strike, but you did. Boeing thought you wouldn't stick together, but you did.

Boeing thought you wouldn't last, but you did."

The contract guarantees wage increases of at least 3 percent each year, in addition to production-linked bonuses of up to \$2,500.

Boeing also dropped its demand that workers pay part of their health insurance premiums, and extended health coverage to domestic partners.

Micron trounces estimates in Q2 earnings, even as revenue tumbles

NAMPA (AP) — Micron Electronics Inc. is crediting Internet service business, acquisitions and computer sales for a \$2 million boost in earnings over last year for the quarter ending March 2.

The Idaho-based computer maker said Monday it earned \$6 million, or 6 cents per share for the quarter, surpassing the 4 cents a share that analysts polled by First Call expected. The same quarter last year the company earned \$4 million or 4 cents per share.

Revenue for the second quarter was \$334 million, compared with \$327 million for the second quarter of last year.

"We feel very positive about the growth of our Internet services business," chairman and chief executive officer Joel Koehler said.

An analyst with D.A. Davidson, meanwhile, said the company's PC business presents a challenge.

"The bottom line here is Micron Electronics remains something of a company in transi-

tion," Rick Owens said. "Historically this has been a PC-only company with some other subsidiaries. But it's been a challenge for them to grow the PC business. They've been going through this transition and changing the business."

Owens predicted that the company's third quarter will be stronger.

"I think you'll see a slight increase in their PC business," Micron Electronics closed at \$17.75 per share Monday.

Analysts brace for interest rate hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has bluntly signaled that the central bank will keep raising interest rates until the economy's red-hot growth slows to a more moderate pace.

Analysts are predicting that the next increase, the fifth rate boost since last June, will occur Tuesday.

"It is essentially a foregone conclusion," said William Cheney, chief economist at John Hancock

in Boston. "Greenspan has laid out the logic that demand is growing too fast, spurred by stock prices, and it is unsustainable."

The central bank's interest-rate-setting Federal Open Market Committee will announce its decision around 2:15 EST Tuesday, following one of their eight regularly scheduled meetings for the year.

Since last June, the Fed has raised its four main quarterly point steps, boosting the federal

fund rate — the interest banks charge each other — to 5.75 percent. Commercial banks in turn have increased their prime lending rate in lockstep with the Fed's moves, pushing the benchmark for millions of consumer and business loans to 9.75 percent, its highest level since late 1995.

So far, all of the Fed's efforts have done little to slow an economy that has continued to surge ahead, propped by robust consumer spending.

Sears CEO announces plans to retire by year end

Knights Rider News Service

Sears, Roebuck and Co. announced today that Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Arthur C. Martinez plans to retire from the retail giant by the end of the year, and the company has begun the process of choosing a successor. Martinez, 60, discussed his plans with the Sears board of directors earlier this year.

The nation's second-largest retailer has in the past years undergone a major management reorganization last August, which was prompted by weak sales at chairman and CEO W. Warren Batts, Sears longest-serving director, said in a statement.

"Sears' performance over time, including its financial performance in 1999, are a tribute to Arthur's leadership, and the board is certainly pleased with his record of accomplishments as chairman and CEO," Warren Batts, Sears longest-serving director, said in a statement.

In order to free himself up to spend more time on fixing the retail business, Martinez took the

unusual move of creating a shared office of the chief executive.

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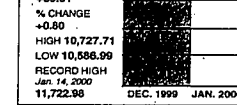
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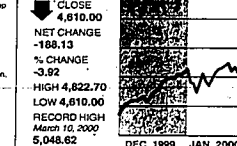


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Nasdaq drops as investors choose old tech over new

NEW YORK (AP) - The Nasdaq composite index fell sharply Monday as investors once again moved money out of newer technology stocks and into shares of more established computer makers and software companies. Hewlett-Packard, the Nasdaq bellwether, closed at 4,610.20. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 85.01 to close at 10,680.24. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 1.45 to 4,565.63, and the Russell 2000 index of smaller companies plummeted 25.59 to 849.20.

FOSSIL FUELS

NEW YORK (AP) - Futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday. Crude oil prices rose to 21.89 per barrel. Heating oil prices rose to 17.92 per gallon. Natural gas prices rose to 23.23 per million BTUs.

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EDITORIAL

Want to make a difference? Then file for political office

If you want to change the world, or at least a piece of it, now is a great time to get started. The filing deadline for county offices, legislative seats and both of Idaho's congressional seats is March 31, a week from Friday.

If you have the itch to be your county's sheriff, or the prosecuting attorney or a county commissioner, you must file by the end of the month. The same goes for if you want to run for Congress, the Legislature, or seats on the state Court of Appeals or the Idaho Supreme Court.

We're not expecting many late entrants in either of the court races, or even a challenger to Rep. Mike Simpson in the Republican congressional primary. But genuine candidates could emerge for any of the county or legislative offices. We hope so.

Unlike dictatorships and oligarchies, democracies thrive on political diversity. The more the merrier when election time rolls around.

It's worth noting that both of the Twin Falls County commissioners up for election - Bill Brockman and Gary Grindstaff - have been in office a relatively short time. Both were appointed

by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, rather than elected by voters. We're not dissatisfied with either man, but there were other good candidates who vied for those appointments. If those people still want to serve, now is the time to file.

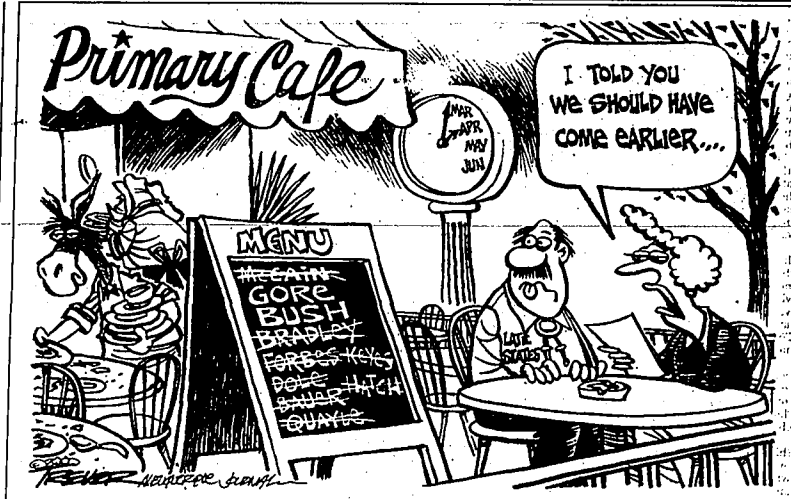
The Magic Valley is a conservative place, so the odds of success are usually better for candidates who file as Republicans. Though the political spectrum doesn't have much room for Democrats in these parts, it is broad enough to accommodate Republicans of all stripes.

It's no secret that Republican legislators Doug Jones (Filler), Leon Smith (Twin Falls), Tim Ridinger (Shoshone) and Laird Noh (Kimberly) are relatively liberal members of their party. It's also no secret that Denton Darrington (Declo), Celia Gould (Buhl), Maxine Bell (Jerome) and Dean Cameron (Rupert) are much more conservative.

Every one of them is a Republican, but there are plenty of differences to separate them. There's room in Magic Valley politics for a broad range of viewpoints. If you think you've got what it takes to be a local leader, now is the time to get involved.

For more information...

The Idaho secretary of state's web site provides daily updates on candidate filings for legislative seats, the state Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals, and both congressional seats. Information is updated shortly after 5 p.m. Go to www.idsos.state.id.us and click on "Election Information."



Dumbing down America's higher education

At the end of the spring semester, college students throughout the country will rate their instructors on how well they knew the course material, showed "concern" for students, graded "fairly," etc. Administrators will then crunch the numbers and use them - with other material - to decide whether instructors deserve pay raises, retention, tenure and promotion.

Procedures may differ from department to department and campus to campus, but evaluation scores are almost always the primary way to assess teaching.

The use of numerical forms to reward and punish instructors is supposed to improve teaching, but in reality it is doing more to dumb it down than any other policy or practice on campus.

Here's how it works. Every year I compete with my colleagues for a share of merit-pay money. The amount I get depends on how a committee of colleagues evaluates the quality of my work in three areas: service, scholarship and teaching. If I "meet expectations," I receive a bonus money, but if I "exceed expectations" in a category, I get a share. I do three, in case, if I "exceed" in all three.

In my department, to "exceed" in teaching I have to receive high scores in each class I teach, at least 3.60 on a scale of 4. To get scores this high, I have to make a lot of students happy. There is the rub.

What makes many students happy nowadays? "Understanding" and "friendly" instructors, "comfortable" courses and "fair" grades. To translate: teachers who are not demanding, workloads that are not taxing and grading standards that are not high.

Students themselves say this on evaluation forms, and research confirms it. Students give lower ratings to instructors that have high standards and requirements - two attributes usually associated with student learning. One study found that for

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every 10 percent increase in the amount of material students learned in the amount of material students learned, the professor's rating decreased by a half-point. The researcher advised professors seeking a perfect rating "to teach nothing and give at least 60 percent of the class A's."

Many college students are unprepared for the rigors of higher education. Growing numbers cannot read, write or compute proficiently and have, at best, only a weak grasp of basic historical and cultural information. Students with these handicaps (but with exalted high school GPAs and plenty of self-esteem) rarely appreciate being made to read, write and reason cogently.

Even worse, many students now coming to college have almost no desire to learn, to know and understand things outside their narrow vocational interest. According to a UCLA survey, 40 percent of each freshman class is "disengaged" from educational values and pursuits. Students are inattentive, easily bored and unwilling to work hard, especially on difficult or abstract material outside their interests. Students themselves report that many of their peers "just get by" and are more interested in meeting people than taking the academic seriously. "One of them said that about half just 'don't care.'"

Because of numerical evaluation forms, these students have a powerful say in how hard they are worked and graded. To get high scores, most instructors have to please them, or at least not upset them. Even a few students, angry about a demanding workload (or a C grade) can have a devastating effect on evaluation scores simply by giving an instructor "zeros" on every item, as some

disgruntled students do. Untenured and part-time instructors are especially vulnerable, because low evaluation scores can threaten their jobs. A few years ago, an untenured faculty member told me that after receiving low scores, he consciously made his courses easier. "I watered it down," he said. "If I weren't afraid of these teaching evaluations, I would have done it differently." Bear in mind that adjuncts now teach half of all college courses.

Tenured professors - reward-driven as anyone else outside a Trappist monastery - can also cave in to the perverse incentives of the reward system. If even Mark Edmundson, a six-figure full professor at the University of Virginia, complied with student demands for "comfortable, less challenging" classes - as he admitted doing - what sort of heroic resistance can be expected from those trying to reach a salary of \$50,000 before retirement?

No one can say precisely how many instructors have dumbed down their courses over the years. But an extrapolation from the findings of one study would suggest that a third of the 900,000 instructors in higher education may have eased their requirements and standards.

Even though there are less noxious ways than numerical evaluations to assess and improve classroom instruction, don't expect higher education to voluntarily adopt them. Too many "stakeholders" have too much invested in the present system to want to change it.

If this system is ever to be dismantled, it will have to be done by those outside the academy. It is up to taxpayers, parents, legislators, public-interest law firms and alumni to make sure that our college graduates aren't products of Foster Guido Sarducci's "five-minute university."

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LETTERS

Farmers, it's time to speak up

I am amazed and disappointed at our farmers and those dependent on the farming economy for their incomes. When were you when your future was being discussed? Do you believe that the breaching of four dams "down river" isn't going to affect you? Do you believe them when they say that if we breach the dams they won't require Idaho water? If you do, I would like to sell you some beach front property in Arizona.

The lines for this issue are drawn right down the line of who is getting the benefit. People with commercial property along the river want the breach so they can benefit. Environmentalists are using the salmon's terrible plight for their banner. Who is going to stand up for the farmers if you don't?

You cannot afford to be quiet on this issue and survive. Those of us dependent on the future of Idaho farmers need to be as active as those who support the breaching. Please make your voice heard

to your state and federal representatives.

ALLAN LLOYD
Twin Falls

Something good for a change

It has been a long time since I have written a letter to the editor - I used to often enough, I guess, but I think I got tired of being in a forum of so much whining.

However, after reading the March 12 editorial, I just had to comment.

I cannot remember ever reading a Times-News editorial of such positive comments and well-written logic on the citizens of Idaho. You have established a bar for the criticism of all succeeding editorials. What a great piece.

RONALD E. HICKS
Twin Falls

Bad-um-bum

One thing I can say about running for president: We have the best politicians that money can buy.

ROY DAVENPORT
Buhl

George W. Bush faces four hurdles on his way to the White House

At the McCain family compound in Sedona, Ariz. - yes, that's really how it was described - Sen. John McCain announced that he was "suspending" his campaign, but would continue to fight for the things he believes in, whatever they may be. It could hardly have been otherwise. Having been defeated in such bellwether states as Ohio, New York, Missouri and California, McCain's prospects in Republican primaries were not likely to improve in Florida (home of Gov. Jeb Bush) or Texas (home of Gov. George W. Bush). And every losing candidate vows to fight for the things he believes in. It's a political ritual.

So the question now is whether McCain intends to emulate his Arizona mentor, Barry Goldwater, or his hero from history, Theodore Roosevelt. In 1960, when the insurgent Goldwater failed to win the Republican nomination, he told his followers at the convention to "grow up and get to work" and lay siege to 1964. But

that fall he campaigned loyally for his rival (and favorite of the GOP establishment of the day), Richard Nixon.

The received wisdom at the moment is that McCain will not move over to the Reform Party, as some of his advisers would wish him to do. But he does expect Gov. Bush to "reach out" to him and those independents and Democrats who voted for McCain in Michigan and New Hampshire. From a Republican standpoint, that would be the wiser decision: The more harm McCain does to Bush the more likely Al Gore will be our next president. And if McCain should abandon his party for the company of Pat Buchanan and H. Ross

Perot, he will accomplish nothing except to burnish his recent reputation as a petulant, explosive, hypersensitive politician.

So if George W. Bush is smart - and having stopped the McCain insurgency in its tracks, that seems evident - he will "reach out" to John McCain and incorporate certain McCain ideas into his own campaign. This should not be too difficult. Like Bill Clinton, McCain adapted a series of Oprah themes - personal suffering and redemption, the appearance of cancer - to partisan purposes, and married the package to populist complaints: Railing against the "special interests," without explaining who they are, and promising to tell the truth, no matter what. Bush need only cross his heart, promise to do so, and in his years away from Washington, and two-thirds of McCain's votes will fall into his lap.

But winning in November will be no simple, for Bush faces four big challenges.

First, a virtual nomination eight months before Election Day is unprece-

dent, and while it should not be too hard to mollify John McCain and unite the Republicans in the next several days, it will be difficult to maintain anything like momentum for 32 long weeks.

Second, while the American people are heartily weary of Bill and Hillary Clinton, and the psychodrama of their seven years in the White House, so long as the economy remains healthy, and American troops are not imperiled in the Balkans, it will be difficult to persuade the electorate to try something new. Al Gore has been Bill Clinton's faithful sidekick, but the things that disgust Americans about Clinton - his personal behavior, chronic self-pity and indifference to truth - have not splattered (thus far) onto Gore.

Third, as Bill Bradley discovered, Al Gore may be stiff, sanctimonious and condescending, but he is also a remarkably unprincipled candidate. He does not just invent outlandish claims about himself; he lies about opponents with a startling abandon. Moreover, he has surrounded

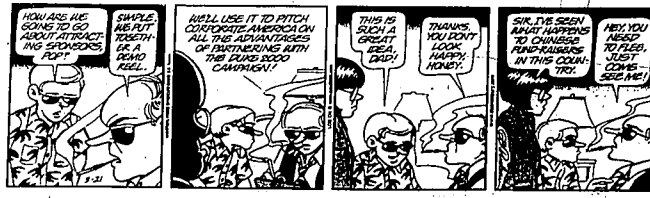
himself with a number of consultants - notably Robert Shrum and Carter Eskew - who are among the most scurrilous in the business. When Democrats talk about the politics of personal destruction, they are describing the habits of some of their favorite candidates.

And fourth, George W. Bush will face the same unfriendly press corps he has endured for several months. You need only measure the op-ed column inches, read the stories and profiles, or compare front-page photographs and headlines, to grasp the extent of media prejudice and hostility. Journalists tend to see qualities in John McCain that they wanted to find, but weren't necessarily there. The opposite applies to George W. Bush, whose faults are magnified and stature is diminished. As the primary season has shown, you can survive a media onslaught but the scars and wounds will fester till November.

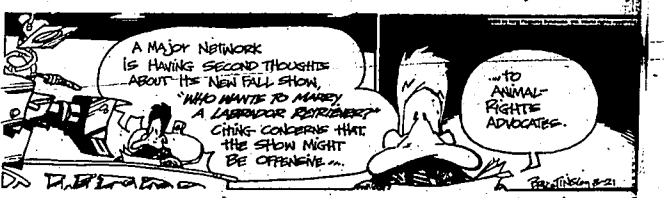
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Doonesbury



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

LETTERS

Want my guns back

I have a story that everyone in the Magic Valley should hear about and voice their opinion on.

My name is Jason Gorringe. I am 28 years old and live in Burley. I came home for lunch with my wife and son the other day to find that a United States Treasury Department agent was at my house to take my guns away from me for a domestic dispute charge that she said I was charged with on Oct. 2, 1990.

The agent said that I could either turn my guns over to my father or he was confiscating them. Either way, I was not to have a firearm in my possession and am amending for the remainder of my life.

After further investigation into this charge, it turns out that the charge that was actually given to me was a simple battery charge, which is a misdemeanor and it was not until 1993 that they even had a domestic violence charge. To make a long story short, I now have no guns and can never own a gun for the rest of my life because of a conviction that the federal government never even invented until three years after the date that I was supposedly charged with this.

I have been trying to do something to get this terrible mistake overturned, but I do not know what to do about this because I am told that there is no one that is over this to complain to. If there is anyone out there that has some advice to give, I would be willing to listen.

JASON GORRINGE
Burley

Kids ought to learn respect

It's unfortunate that the parents don't feel the importance of teaching their children responsibility and the consequences of breaking the rules. It's no wonder teenagers are disrespectful to authority and the rules. They know that there are no consequences for defying them.

The laywood merchants and management should be ashamed of themselves for not standing their ground. You deserve to have the skateboarders there. Your concern certainly isn't for the customers - therefore, I guess I won't be one.

JOYCE GLASMANN
Twin Falls

Breaching will cost lives

On the issue of dam breaching, once again the environmental community is attempting to pit two groups against each other to accomplish their goal. These two groups are the inland Port of Lewiston and the Idaho Irrigators. I feel rather than splitting farmers and shippers, we should unite to fight the environmentalist onslaught. I feel that if it continues, it will ruin our way of life on our own private property.

I reached this conclusion by knowing the track record of the environmental movement. For example, the logging industry was stopped from logging old-growth forest because of the spotted owl. Yet once the enviros accomplished that goal, did they leave the logging industry alone? No, they know the answer is no. We still read of this industry's fight to log in forests that have been logged two, three or four generations and some of this is on private property. I could continue on with mining, ranching and farming; they are always under the enviros' microscope.

I feel that no matter what we

do in these natural resource industries, it will never be enough until we are all run off our land and financially ruined. Once again, all of us in the natural resource industries must stick together to fight the many so-called environmentalists. I use this term because most of them go home to their wood frame homes on their concrete foundations, turn on their lights and sit down to a meal, all the while condemning every resource industry that supplied these necessities. This is absolute hypocrisy.

Yet the trend continues. It's true to a point that we are an affluent enough nation, that even if we shut down one of the largest irrigation projects in the world so we can save something we can all buy in a can, we could still buy food to eat. But what happens to poor nations that struggle daily for food? By taking 350,000 acres of high-yield farm ground out of production, someone goes without. You may not see their face, but they will starve to death just the same. Who's going to stand up and happily take credit for this?

In closing, I just want to say that as a fourth-generation Idahoan that loves his country and what it stands for, I will not give my water away.

ROB BLACK
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Both sides claim victory following investigators' Waco siege field test

HOUSTON (AP) — Lawyers for the government and the Branch Davidians both claimed vindication Monday, a day after a simulation designed to answer the question of whether federal agents fired on the Waco cult's burning compound in 1993.

The chief lawyer for the Davidians suing the government said the demonstration Sunday at

a Texas military base proved what his side has alleged all along: that federal operatives fired on the remote side of the Davidians' retreat, Mount Carmel, as it burned.

The government said the tests proved the exact opposite.

Davidian leader David Koresh and some 80 followers died during the fire that occurred several

hours into an FBI tear-gas operation. The government contends their deaths, whether from fire or gunshot wounds, came by their own hand. The plaintiffs argue government gunfire cut off the cult members' only avenue of escape as the inferno raged.

Michael Goddell, the chief lawyer for the Davidians, said at a Houston news conference that

the test "clearly demonstrates that there was government gunfire on the back of Mount Carmel on April 19, 1993."

But U.S. Attorney Mike Bradford said the test results bolster the government's longstanding insistence that no shots were fired that day.

"We hope that this will put to rest the notion that the FBI was shooting that day," Bradford said.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Police, family search for missing man

TWIN FALLS - Police and family members are searching for a missing 67-year-old man who disappeared last week.

William Lewis was last seen in Twin Falls on Thursday and hasn't been seen since. Twin Falls police said. Family members are worried because Lewis is disoriented and had no identification or money when he left, police said.

He was driving his red 1987 GMC pickup truck with silver stripes when he left. The license plate is 2T-9595.

Lewis is 6 feet tall and 200 pounds with no teeth and a cyst on his right cheek. He was last seen wearing a plaid black and white jacket, a black short-sleeved sweat shirt, a black cap with a gold "Clear Springs" emblem, gray sweat pants and black tennis shoes.

Anyone with information call all police dispatch at 735-1911 or Sgt. Steve Benkula at 735-7223.

Three people are hurt in car-tractor accident

TWIN FALLS - Three people were injured Monday night in an accident involving a tractor.

Erma Hollar, 30, and Randy Hollar, 38, of Kimberly were driving their Dodge sedan westbound on 274 East in Twin Falls County when they ran into the back of a Ford Tractor driven by David Church, 48, of Twin Falls.

The accident happened around 6:42 p.m. Monday, said Nancy Howell of the sheriff's department. All three people were transported to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, where they were being treated in the emergency room Monday night.

The Hollars, who were not wearing seat belts, Howell said, were going about 50 mph at the time of the accident. Church was thrown from the tractor and unconscious when sheriff's deputies arrived, Howell said.

Citations are pending, Howell said.

Judge refuses to reduce sentence in shooting case

TWIN FALLS - A district judge refused Monday to reduce the sentence of a man convicted in a 1998 drive-by shooting.

Alfredo Ortiz Jr., 19, asked District Judge Roger Burdick to reduce his minimum prison sentence from three to two years because he had been behaving and making progress in prison, but can't get into some programs, unless he is closer to parole, said Public Defender John Hansen, his lawyer. Burdick denied the request, just as he had for similar requests by Ortiz's co-defendants, 16-year-old Nicholas Garcia and 20-year-old Antonio Garcia.

The three teen-agers were sentenced to prison a year ago in the drive-by shooting death of Javier Arzuegas, who was shot in July 1998 while socializing on the basketball courts at the El Milagro housing complex.

Halley planners look at commercial plan

HAILEY - The Halley Planning and Zoning Commission will meet at 7 p.m. Monday to review proposals for the North Halley Plaza, an 82,000-square-foot commercial space. The meeting will be held in the Halley Town Center on Main Street.

Cancer support group will hold meeting

BURLEY - An American Cancer Society cancer support group will be held at 7 p.m. tonight at Parke View Care Center's Oakley dining room, 2303 Park Ave. The group meets the third Tuesday of the month.

Cancer survivors, their families or anyone else interested is invited to attend. For information, call Call Gallagos at 678-8598 or 678-2203 or Blauina Kraus at 438-5995 or 677-3073.

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Candidates file to get on ballot

The Times-News

For your information

BOISE - With congressional, state Supreme Court, legislative seats and several county offices on the line this year, candidates began filing Monday to be included on the 2000 ballot.

A March 31 filing deadline for the presidential year election gives candidates only 10 business days to toss their hat into the proverbial ring. Clerks in the secretary of state's office in Boise and county courthouses around Idaho have begun dishing out the paperwork candidates need to get in the race.

For county elections, the county clerk's office will have

The following offices will be on the ballot in the 2000 election:

- U.S. president and vice president
U.S. representative: Seats currently held by Helen Chenoweth-Hage (District 1) and Mike Simpson (District 2).
Idaho Supreme Court Justice: Seat currently held by Cathy Silak.
Idaho Court of Appeals Judge: Seat currently held by Darrel R. Pory.

the required paperwork, while candidates for state and federal offices candidates must register with the secretary of state's

Legislature: All 70 seats in the House and 25 Senate seats.
Various county offices statewide.

For more detailed information about election registration requirements log onto the Idaho Secretary of State's website at http://www.idsos.state.id.us/. Double-click on the "Elections Division" link. From there the site is self-explanatory.

office, or go by the county clerk's office.
They can call us and request a form and we will mail it to

them or they can come by the office here and pick one up themselves," said Marilyn Johnson, a clerk with the secretary of state's election division.

In addition to filling out the form, each candidate is required to present a filing fee or a nominating petition at the time of registration. The fee amounts and number of signatures depend on the office sought.

Here's a rundown of who's in the running so far:
Congress: Boise Democrat Craig Williams, the only federal candidate registered by the close of business Monday, will run for Idaho's 2nd Congressional District seat, a

spot currently held by Blackfoot Republican Mike Simpson.

Court of Appeals Judge Darrel Pary has registered to defend his seat on the Idaho Court of Appeals.

Legislature: So far, 37 candidates for the Magic Valley - have filed to run again. They include Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, Rep. Jim Kempton, R-Albion, House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, and Sen. Don Darrington, R-Declo. A fifth senior Idaho incumbent, Sen. Robbi King-Barratta, R-Clatsop Ferry, announced her plans to

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NEXT GENERATION



Will Hastings, left, questions an 'expert witness,' portrayed by Travis Leach, during a mock trial at the Twin Falls County Courthouse Monday night. Hastings, Leach, and the rest of their teammates from Wood River High School squared off against a team from Twin Falls High School in a case involving a soccer injury.

Hearing focuses on leases

By N.S. Nokkented Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls man will testify before Congress this week on the issue of fees charged for summer cabin owners on national forest lands.

Retired banker and cabin owner David Mead will represent the 182-member Sawtooth Forest Cabin Owners Association at a Senate subcommittee hearing Wednesday.

Mead, like the owners of 15,000 cabins across the country on about 4,000 acres of national forest, had in 25 states and Puerto Rico, leases the land for his cabin from the U.S. Forest Service.

The fees cabin owners pay became an issue a little more than two years ago, when new appraisals jacked the lease rates up, by as much as 40 times in some cases. Mead's lease would have gone from \$390 to \$2,510 annually for his cabin site in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

The forest cabin owners have asked Congress to fix the Forest Service's appraisal system, said Mead, president of the association.

The Forest Service won't fix it, he said. The system doesn't match federal or private real estate appraisal systems, and the cabin owners are asking that the lots be appraised in their undeveloped condition, not as part of a subdivision. Most sites have no water or electricity.

Cabin owners are asking that the lots be reappraised every 10 years. But the system doesn't adjust for inflation, but the Forest Service should use an index that more closely reflects reality, Mead said.

The cabin lease program was authorized by Congress in 1915 on a small portion of the 192 million acres of national forests. The lessees rent only the timber, not the land. The Forest Service, but they own the cabins. The lease rate is 5 percent of the appraised value, adjusted annually for inflation and reappraised every 20 years.

Until 1997, the sites had not been reappraised since 1978.

Mead will testify Wednesday afternoon to the subcommittee on forestry, conservation and rural revitalization of the Senate Agriculture Committee on a bill sponsored by U.S. Sen. Larry Craig. The bill would set up a fair appraisal system for cabin owners. Mead will testify that the cabin owners and others have to say about the bill, spokesman Mike Tracy said.

The bill would ensure that cabin site lease fees, on national forest lands reflect the value of the use of a lot to the cabin owner. It would establish appraisal requirements, annual adjustments and the right to arbitration and judicial review.

Thursday, Mead also will talk to the House Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health on a similar bill introduced in the House by Rep. George R. Nethercutt Jr., R-Wash.

Part of the problem in the SNRA is that the Forest Service has been buying scenic easements, driving the appraised rate of the leased lots unreasonably high, Mead said.

Burley adopts pet ordinance changes

By Ruth Streeter Times-News writer

BURLEY - The City Council put the debate on a proposed pet ordinance to sleep Monday.

After months of comment from an advisory committee and the public, and after several revisions, the council heard one final round of concerns Monday night before passing amendments to the city's pet ordinance.

Changes to the ordinance include:

- Only animal control has the authority to trap animals on private or public property.
People who turn in stray animals will not be charged a drop-off fee if they leave their name, address and other information requested by the shelter.

- Owners who pick up their animals will be charged \$25 each time. Owners of licensed pets will be exempt from the initial fee but will have to pay the animal shelter for the cost of maintaining the animal.
Cats may be voluntarily licensed, and licenses for dogs and cats are \$10 per year, and \$5 if the animal is spayed or neutered, or a \$65 lifetime fee for an "embedded micro chip meeting city specifications."
Animals leaving the shelter must be vaccinated for rabies and spayed or neutered by a veterinarian unless a breeding animal.

- Owners have three working days to pick up their impounded pets.
It is unlawful for an owner to allow a pet to defecate on public

property without picking it up, or on private property without consent of the owner.

It is unlawful for an owner to allow "odors or visual conditions offensive" to neighbors or passers-by.

Violations of the ordinance are misdemeanors.

Residents who testified Monday wanted tighter definitions of vicious pets, stricter requirements for rabies vaccinations, requirements that owners have liability policies for vicious pets and mandatory licensing for cats.

Those testifying Monday had not testified before the council two weeks ago, before the latest set of revisions had been made. Noting that people won't like the outcome no matter which version passes, council member

Curtis Mendenhall suggested the council abandon all amendments and enforce the ordinance's original provisions.

"You're all going to lose. You're all going to lose at this point," he told Monday's full-house.

Council member Al Thaxton said too much work had gone into the ordinance, and that it was better than what the city has.

"I believe this ordinance is a step forward than anything we've ever had," Thaxton said.

The ordinance passed 3-1, with council member Jon Anderson absent and Mendenhall voting against it.

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Cassia County Commissioners passes ordinance

By Ruth Streeter Times-News writer

BURLEY - The county moratorium on large-scale livestock operations expires today, and Cassia County commissioners Monday passed a resolution that covers the county until all related legislation in Boise is completed.

"We've got kind of a gap between when the moratorium ends and when the session ends," county attorney Stephen Bywater told the commission Monday.

The resolution enables the county to form a siding committee comprising local and state agency officials. Through a memorandum of understanding with the Department of Agriculture and Department of Health and

Welfare, Division of Environmental Quality, Department of Water Resources and state universities, the county would form a site evaluation team.

That team would evaluate a proposed livestock operation site within 30 days of receiving an application and pass its recommendation on to the county planning and zoning commission. The commission could accept or reject the recommendation.

Only operations greater than 10,000 animal units in the county's overlay, multiple-use and agricultural zones, and livestock operations larger than 1,000 animal units in the county's agricultural-residential and residential-agricultural zones, would go through the siting process. One animal unit equals 2 1/2

pigs of more than 55 pounds, 10 pigs of less than 55 pounds, or 100 chickens. An adult dairy cow equals 1.4 animal units.

The resolution has the same intent as the Local Option Swine Facility Siting Act, backed by Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Declo. Both aim to keep siting under local authority while bringing in technical expertise from the state. Bywater advised the county to do either one or the other.

Commissioners question portions of the bill, but may want to incorporate some of it into our local strategy," said commission Chairman Paul Christensen.

Though the moratorium will have expired, a decision on the Big Sky Farms 50,000-sow feeding operation proposed by Ketchum developer Ron Aches will not be immediate. The next

Planning and Zoning meeting will be largely procedural, Bywater said.

The commission will have to consider new information, Bywater said, including a request from the Cassia County Coalition, a staunch opponent of Big Sky Farms, for more public comment on the proposal. The coalition says that because new information from the application has been released since an earlier public hearing, more public comment would be appropriate.

Aches also has petitioned the commission's right to reopen the issue for public comment.

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Jerome school will discuss calendar

By Jay Howser
Times-News writer

JEROME - The Jerome School Board plans to discuss next year's academic calendar at its monthly meeting tonight.

Jr. Day for the first time as part of the new calendar. Cobble said several staff members and students requested the district observe the holiday, and they would get their wish if the new calendar is approved.

"I think it's a worthwhile holiday, and certainly Martin Luther King Jr. has been a champion of all people," Cobble said.

"The board will also hear an update on the progress of its eight-room high school addition. Cobble is expecting the addition to be ready for occupancy after spring break."

trics, but Cobble was called as a witness for the districts earlier this month, and that outcome could affect the resources it has to address crowding problems and build a new middle school.

The district has tried five times since 1996 to pass a bond issue to build a new middle school. All five attempts have failed.

"The only issue we have is that right now we would like to improve our facilities. Obviously our patrons have told us time and time again that they don't want it funded by increasing property taxes. It has to be some other way," he said.

The meeting will start at 7 p.m. in the Jerome High School Telecommunications Room.

House approves high-risk coverage

BOISE (AP) - An attempt to at least slow health-insurance cost increases by creating a separate, subsidized coverage pool for high-risk individuals was overwhelmingly approved by the House.

"It's good for society for sick people to be covered. It's good for society for the state to pay for part of that," Republican Rep. Jeff Altus, an insurance agent from Hayden, said Wednesday before the House vote. While supporters called a major move toward health insurance affordability.

Only Republican Rep. Celia Gould of Buhl and Democrat Rep. Charles Cuddy of Orofino and Jerry Stocheff of Sandpoint opposing sending the Senate to the measure backed by health-insurance industry carriers. The opponents were skeptical of assurances that the plan would not result in open-ended state liability for claims filed by people placed in the high-risk pool.

A financial risk assessment should be conducted "to assure we are not inviting the state of Idaho into some kind of indebtedness we cannot afford," Cuddy said. "If we're going to do this I want to make sure it's workable."

But sponsors, who were backed by the measure from way lawmakers about the complex 36-page bill, said premiums that would be 25 percent to 50 percent higher for high-risk individuals and financial participation by insurance carriers and companies that self-insure their employees would help guarantee the program remains in check.

The idea, they said, was to net in funds for both the sick and the healthy by getting more of them insured. Separating high-risk individuals into a subsidized pool that will guarantee their coverage, regardless of health status or claims expertise, should help encourage healthy people to get or keep coverage since they no longer will be shouldering the additional cost, supporters argued.

"We need to come saying that we have done something, and I feel really good about this," Democratic Floor Leader Wendy Jaquet of Ketchum said. Every next year, the plan developed over years earlier by a legislative task force would divert 25 percent of all premium tax revenue over \$45 million - estimated at about \$400 million next year - to fund that pool. Subsidized claims filed by high-risk individuals.

The pool, which also would be financed by premium payments and contributions from carriers and the self-insured, would cover 90 percent of each claim between \$5,000 and \$30,000 in a given year.

It also would expand the so-called "rate bands" above and below the median rate for each coverage class from 20 percent to 50 percent. That move is aimed at reducing the upward rate pressure that results from carriers increasing rates to the upper limit of a band until it becomes the median, shifting the band higher.

Jerome council considers taller buildings

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - City officials will discuss an amendment to city code to allow taller buildings in industrial and area business zoning districts.

If passed, the proposal would raise the height limit from 35 feet to 50 feet in the area business zone and from 35 feet to 85 feet in the industrial zone. Taller buildings would require a special-use permit.

Also on the agenda: The council will discuss whether to require a subdivision developer to build an irrigation water delivery system, and who would be responsible to maintain

When they meet

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

Other business: The council will discuss judicial confirmation as a possible way to finance water system improvements. In an attempt to upgrade the city's aging water system, the city is trying to figure out how to finance the improvements. In August city voters rejected a bond issue to finance a phase 3 of the water system.

Mayor Dennis Moore has expressed concern about the city's ability to meet fire protection demands during peak water usage to all areas of the city.

The Animal Control Committee will update the council on improvements at the animal shelter. Karen Kramer, an animal groomer, said the committee hopes to convince the council to provide the materials; the committee will volunteer the labor.

"The wire on the kennels needs replacing. The floor needs refinishing. The exhaust fans are shot and need replacing. Windows are needed on the office for security and one in the kennel area to let in some fresh air," Kramer said.

Kramer said the committee is working on getting a savings fund set up in a local bank to take donations for the shelter.

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Services

Ethel Lavina (Matson) Sparks Glenn of Twin Falls, services at 11 a.m. today at the LDS Stake Center on Main St. in Twin Falls; viewing one hour before services today at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Ward Chapel in Malta; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the Payne Mortuary in Burley, and from 10-10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Raymond E. Uptain of Buhl, services at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl; viewing from 5-7 p.m. today at the funeral chapel.

DEATH NOTICES

Charles C. Carpenter

TWIN FALLS - Charles Cide Carpenter, 43, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, March 18, 2000, at his home. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

Charles Juker

Buhl - Charles Juker, 93, of Buhl, died Monday, March 20, 2000, at his home in Buhl. Services are pending and will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Ray M. Crandall

GOODING - Ray M. Crandall, 93, Gooding, and formerly died Hagerman at Fairfield, died Saturday, March 18, 2000, at Gooding Rehabilitation and Living Center. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Friday, March 24, 2000, at the Drugs Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Robert S. Harkness

BURLEY - Robert Steven Harkness, 46, of Burley, died Saturday, March 18, 2000, at the Parke View Care Center in Burley. Graveside services at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2000, at the DeLo Cemetery. Friends and family may call from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesday at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel at 321 E. Main St. in Burley.

Curul Mac Rasmussen of Paul, services at 1 p.m. today at the Paul Second Ward building; friends may call from noon to 12:45 p.m. today at the church (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Emma Anne of Twin Falls, services at 2 p.m. today at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.

Ruth Alene Hinz Hossfeld of Burley, services at 2:30 p.m. today at the Zion Lutheran Church, 2410 Miller Ave. in Burley; friends may call one hour before the funeral today at the church (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Thomas G. Teeter of Malta, services at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Malta LDS First and Second

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Some names are omitted at patient's request.

Annie Potts, Jeanne Mangum, Doris Lafferty and Bill Hutchison, all of Burley; Monica Hutchkall of Heyburn; Leticia Avila and baby boy, of Paul; Robert Reiding of Decker; and Roland Slatyer, Kay Matsen, Kathleen Miller, Joylee McCauston and Mac Buebel, all of Rupert.

Kathleen Miller, Jay Kay Matsen, Melissa Hinton, Juan J. Juarra Vega, Leticia Avila and Harold Outley, all of Rupert; Alicia Avila and baby boy and Rachel Gill, all of Paul; Monica Hutchkiss of Heyburn; and Annie Potts and Laurie Ingram, both of Burley.

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Marley. She married Kenneth Kemp in 1943, and they had one daughter, Janet Evans. They were later divorced. She married George Jack Tilley on May 20, 1946, and they had three children: Terry (Holly) Tilley of Parowan, Utah; Jack Lee Tilley, of Boise, and Gail (David) Skelly of Ukiah, California. She enjoyed baking, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is also survived by nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased in death by her husband George "Jack" Tilley, three brothers and four sisters. Graveside services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2000, at Rostlawn Mortuary in Pocatello. Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary Kimberly Chapel.

Lucille Marley Kemp Tilley

Lucille Marley Kemp Tilley, 77, a resident of Kimberly, passed away March 20, 2000, at her home, after an extended illness. She was born August 23, 1922, in Robin, Idaho, daughter of Josiah and Maude Whiting

Kim B. Anderson

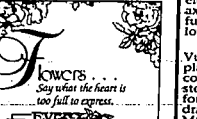
Kim Bradford Anderson, 44-year-old Burley resident, died Friday, March 17, 2000, at his home in Burley. He was born April 10, 1955, at Burley, the son of Elgie Lamar and

Lana Nichols Anderson. Kim attended schools in Burley, graduating from Burley High School. He married Lora Egbert on June 18, 1977, at Jerome. Kim served in the United States Air Force from 1977 to 1980. He attended the College of Southern Idaho, graduating with a degree in Life Entomology. He was a past member of the Izaak Walton League. He served as president in 1986. He was a member of the LDS church. Kim loved wood carving, sculpting, and most of all, he loved spending time with his children.

Survivors include his wife, Lora L. Anderson of Burley; a daughter, Brandy N. (Grop) Proff of Burley; a son, Christian L. Anderson of Burley; two brothers, K. Anderson and Larry Anderson, both of Nampa; and two sisters, Bettie Schaffner and Barbara Adams, both of Boise.

He was predeceased in death by his parents and one sister.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2000, at the funeral home, West Slope Center, at 2420 Parke Ave. in Burley, with Bishop Steven C. Pearson officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary in Burley.



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Cassia County Commission chairman decides to seek re-election

By Ruth Stroeter
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Cassia County Commission Chairman Paul Christensen announced Monday he will seek re-election, thanks to an injunction granted Friday in

6th District Court against a term limits initiative.

Though not one of the parties involved in a lawsuit challenging a 1994 initiative setting term limits, the 46-year-old farmer who has been chairman since the initiative took effect said the issue is a big

concern.

"I've really come to respect the need for tenure," he said. After five years as chairman of the commission he said he's "just starting to get my feet on the ground."

Christensen said he feels as if he's been fair with the county in

the years he's been a commissioner. Focuses for his third term, he said, are livestock operations, protecting the quality of life for residents while providing for economic growth and developing oppor-

tunities for youth.

"Those are tough balancing acts," he said. "We all have to scout over and make opportunities for future generations."

Christensen's earns \$680 every two weeks as chairman. He estimates he spends on average 20 hours a week as chairman, on top of farming and raising a family. "It's been challenging and stimulating," he said.

Three murder suspects plead innocent

TWIN FALLS - Three defendants in a Twin Falls murder case pleaded innocent at their District Court arraignments Monday.

Vicki Arlene Jensen, 30, Autumn Marie Pauls, 15, and Mathew Madison Pearson, 18, are charged with first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first-degree murder in the Sept. 9, 1999 death of Aleta Diane Ray, who was injected with lethal doses of methamphetamine and insulin.

Jensen was indicted by a grand jury March 9, and Pauls and Pearson waived their preliminary hearings under agreements with Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loeb.

Under the agreements, Loeb will not seek the death penalty against Pauls and Pearson in exchange for their guilty pleas to the charges and testimony during any hearings.

Loeb said he will file a notice to seek the death penalty against

Valley in brief

All three defendants today. The notice must be filed within 30 days of the first plea to reserve the option, and it can be withdrawn at any time.

Final Blazing Lighters defendant gets jail time

TWIN FALLS - He called himself an entrepreneur, but in the eyes of the judge, Curtis Allan Trowbridge was nothing more than a drug-paraphernalia peddler when he opened the Blazing Lighters store.

Trowbridge, 19, was sentenced Monday to spend four months in the county jail and three years on probation for his conviction on possession of drug paraphernalia. District Judge Roger Burdick also sentenced him to a suspended two-to-five-year prison term.

Trowbridge pleaded guilty to

the possession charge in a plea agreement.

In November 1998 Trowbridge and another man opened Blazing Lighters. Less than a week later Twin Falls police confiscated more than 1,500 items, including a 6-foot-tall water pipe, after an undercover investigation. Police went into the store and bought several items from Trowbridge so they could "smoke dope."

"You mean tobacco," Trowbridge responded. "But that defense was just a facade, Burdick said."

"This is not a tobacco shop. ... It had nothing to do with tobacco," Burdick said. "It has to do with the illegal drug trade in this community."

A co-defendant in the case, 22-year-old Joel T. Campos, pleaded guilty to the same charge earlier this year and was sentenced to one year in jail, which runs concurrent with a prison sentence on another drug conviction.

- compiled from staff reports

Minidoka student to go to history nationals

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Ninety-seven hours of work has paid off for each student in three groups in Minidoka County School District schools.

The students will be attending National History Day 2000 State Competition.

From a total of 52 entries, one of the three took first place and the two others took second place in the regional history competition at Big Valley Elementary School March 11, said Claudia Garner, a Mini-Cassia Opportunity Center teacher.

Garner worked with the students on the history presentations and praised the competing students Monday in a report to the Minidoka County school board.

Ten competing students were Opportunity Center students and three were Minico High School students, she said. Two of competing students are married and mothers of two-year-olds and work full time, Garner said.

"And two of our young men

hold full-time jobs, and one young man holds a position in the National Guard," she said. "We are very proud of all thirteen students who competed in the regional competition."

Marisal Ortiz, one of the students, told the board about her experience of bit-teaching at elementary schools in preparation for the competition.

"We did some teaching," Ortiz said. "It was really fun."

Ortiz, who is a full-time Opportunity Center student, held a full-time job throughout the preparation and competition and has a child, Garner said.

"It was a lot of work for her," Garner said. "She comes every day, brings her child to school and leaves him in the day care at the school."

She recently quit her job because she wants to spend more time with her son, Ortiz said. Being in the competition helped reinforce her desire to go to college. She plans to enroll soon at the College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center, she said.

Ortiz competed in a presenta-

tion on juvenile justice. She hopes to go into law enforcement, Garner said.

"Since I've been a little girl that has been my dream," Ortiz said.

In other business: The district's Renaissance program promotes academic excellence, Minico High School vice principal and Renaissance committee member Laurie Copmann told the board.

Students who do a good job are recognized during assemblies, she said.

"We're proud of the students and the work they do," Copmann said. The board approved a supplemental levy resolution, which is held every two years, for May as well as the board member elections. Two board member seats are up for election.

The board approved a survey for bond issue concerns, to be conducted by students. Times-News staff writer Lorraine Cavener can be reached at the Mini-Cassia Bureau in Burley at 677-4042 or e-mailed at lcavener@magicvalley.com.

INEEL develops human barcode identification

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - The Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory and biotechnology company Miragen have developed a barcode that may prove a powerful tool for law enforcement. The barcode consists of antibodies unique to each

person. The Department of Energy, which runs the INEEL, considers national security one of its key missions. The technique, called the Antibody Profile Essay, can identify an individual by a subset of normally occurring antibodies present in the body called

Individual Specific Antibodies. INEEL researcher Vicki Thompson wants to see the new technology become a tool for law enforcement. An important feature of the test is that it does not require DNA material, only bodily fluids.

Ballot

Continued from B1 run again.

No challengers have registered to run against the Magic Valley incumbents yet.

* Twin Falls County prosecutor Mark Murphy filed as a Republican candidate to challenge incumbent Grant Loeb in

the May 23 primary.

Murphy was a Bannock County deputy prosecutor for nine years before moving to Twin Falls last year. During that time, Murphy prosecuted the highly-publicized Ligertown case, dozens of drug cases and other cases.

Loeb has yet to officially file for re-election, but he said he intends to do so today.

* Gooding County: Shaun Gough has filed for re-election as sheriff. Mitch Arkoosh has also filed for re-election as county commissioner, district 1. Both are Republicans.

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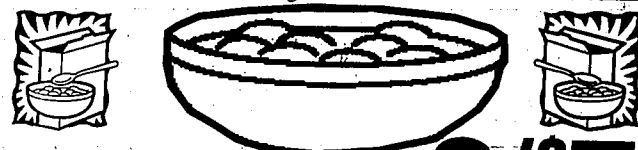
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Ageless Senior Center celebrates new bus

By Betty Taylor
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY - "We did it, it's ours" was the call of the day as the Kimberly Ageless Senior Center members celebrated the ribbon cutting for their new bus.

It all started when Dorothy Porter, the former center manager and board member, donated her time and energy to fill out the paper work to apply for a Federation Transportation Administration grant from Idaho Transportation Department that deals with the elderly and disabled. Steve O'Neil with the TD said the purpose of the grant was to help provide money for buses or for the purchase of transportation services.

The grants are funded 60 percent with federal dollars, 20 percent by a new state vehicle investment program and 20 percent from local match. When the grant was approved, the center started a campaign in August 1998 to raise the money needed for the match. By June 1999, \$10,000 had been donated by the community. On June 3, 1999, the center purchased a used bus and took it to Idaho

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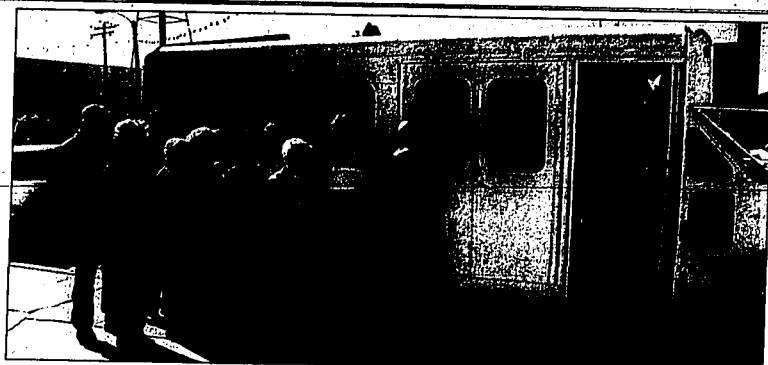
If any seniors are interested in participating in the shopping tours or anyone needs a ride to the Ageless Senior Center, call 423-4338.

Bus Sales to be completely refurbished inside, outside and underside, center representatives said. The total cost of the 14-passenger bus was \$25,347, said Diana Juliano, site manager.

Finally, the bus was put to use in December 1999. But the bus didn't get its official welcome until Feb. 25. The celebration was attended by several senior citizens, community members, board members and special guests. Juliano introduced representative O'Neil who was helpful in pushing the grant through, center officials said.

Also attending was Lynn Hughes from the Office of Aging and Twin Falls County Commissioners Gary Grindstaff, Bill Brockman and Marvin Hempleman.

Pastor Steelman Borden of the Christian Church, who is also a center board member, thanked everyone responsible for the completion of the bus



Lloyd Shewmaker, Ageless Senior Center board chairman, cuts the ribbon on the new center bus in Kimberly.

project. Borden also added that when the bus was delivered, it was too big for the bus garage and so, once again, community members came to the center's aid.

He said he spread the word to local churches that they needed help to "Raise the Roof" on the bus barn.

In response, at least one dozen volunteers donated their time and muscle to

do just that.

"It's great. I'm so pleased," senior citizen Ola Cannon said.

The bus picks up people who could not otherwise drive to the center. Bus driver Floyd Jones also stops at the grocery store if passengers need to buy anything before returning home.

The bus also carries people three times

a week to the dinner and also delivers meals on wheels to shut-ins.

"We had been needing a new bus for quite a while since the old one was worn out," said Noah Oliver, relief driver for the bus.

Juliano is planning on starting up "shopping tours" for seniors needing to go shopping.



Melissa Quilantin, course instructor, shows her students how to make a dozen roses look like a million in a basic floral design course.

The enrichment course is one of dozens regularly offered to Mini-Cassia residents by the College of Southern Idaho.

Flower class shares secrets of pros

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY - In 10 minutes, Melissa Quilantin took a dozen roses and created an arrangement that would impress even Martha Stewart.

The recent demonstration was part of basic floral design, one of the College of Southern Idaho's enrichment courses.

The course offered design strategies, tips on extending flower life and some insider techniques that dazzle even the pros.

Quilantin has an associate of arts degree in design management from Ricks College. She also earned a two-year certificate in landscape design and has her own shop, Grandma's Crafty Cupboard Floral and Gifts on 16th Street in Burley.

While her personal tastes run to luxurious bouquets, Quilantin is often asked to make a large arrangement out of a few flowers. She said it is a different economy in Mini-Cassia than in Salt Lake City where she worked.

As she deftly assembled a bouquet of a dozen fire and ice roses, Quilantin fielded questions from students, who learned new information about working with

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flowers.

"You could use tape for that? I never thought of that," said Marita Mai, who works in a floral shop.

Flower designers don't always know the reasons why people send bouquets, the instructor said.

"Sometimes you kind of guess," Quilantin said. "Are these make-up flowers after a quarrel? Is he just being sweet? Is she buying these for a daughter? A friend?"

One student asked about keeping the confidentiality of those sending flowers when they don't want their identities revealed.

"That's a tough one," Quilantin replied. "You don't want to get in the middle of something potentially painful. You just have to have a store policy of not giving out that information."

Gooding debate team fares well at contest

By Jeni Garcin
Times-News correspondent

GOODING - Should juvenile offenders be treated as adults in the criminal justice system?

This was the debate topic for the District 4 and District 5 high school debate tournament Feb. 25 at Wood River High School in Hailley.

Competing against six other schools, the Gooding High School debate team, under the direction of Gooding High School teacher Kyle Woods, sent two debate members to state competition March 10 at Eagle High School in Eagle.

"We got to play with the big boys and show them we could hold our own," Woods says.

The top one-third of all competitors earned positions for state: Gooding High School debate team members Sarah Starr, fourth place, and Miranda Miles, ninth place, both qualified.

"We're all rookies and we've all done really well as first time debaters competing against varsity," Starr says.

The debaters use the Lincoln-Douglas debate style, with topics changing every two months. Students debate each other in a one-on-one format. Both the affirmative and the negative have chances to lay a constructive argument and cross-examine



Left to right, Miranda Miles and Sarah Starr, Gooding High School debate team members, qualified for state competition.

their opponent. "You have to argue both sides and that is tough to stay removed from," Miles says.

Other members of debate team include Carly Norris, Dani Cannon, John Woolf, Mark Hiller and Sarah Faulkner.

Brazilian student enjoys life in small town

By Dare Jensen
Times-News correspondent

BLISS - As a student in Brazil, Thiago Rocha became interested in the foreign exchange program by observing the exchange students at his school and decided he wanted to participate.

Rocha, 17, followed through and is now an exchange student at Bliss Schools.

In his home town of Rio de Janeiro, he attended a private school of 300 students in grades 10 through 12. Brazilian educators feel the same as their American counterparts; smaller classes mean better student education, he says.

Rocha just smiled when asked if attending a school with a total of 169 students at Bliss was the ultimate toward that end.

"Our school at home offered a better variety," Rocha comments, "but the Bliss teachers are just as interested in the students."

At home, his school day began at 7 a.m. and continued until 2:30 p.m.

"This was full-time study. We were required to take 12 subjects plus art and P.E. in just one year," he says.

The student says he took two classes each of chemistry, biology, physics, math, geography and liberal arts.

But there are other differences outside of school.

Shopping is different here, Rocha says. Instead of driving 40 miles to a shopping center, he just stepped into the mall, took the elevator to the ground floor and walked 150 yards to almost any store he wanted.

One of the biggest differences is the size of cities. Rio is a city of more than 8 million people, while Bliss is a rural town of 205.

But Rocha says small town life has been agreeable.

"A student exchange program should be fun," he says, "and I have had fun. I had a chance to talk to the sixth-grader. They were interesting and asked very good questions. I enjoyed the homecoming festivities and being a member of the INEEL team."

"The Bliss teachers and staff are very friendly and the student body is very friendly," Rocha adds. "A special part of the experience has been the host family where I am treated as a family member. They have kept me from being homesick."

However, Rocha does miss rowing. "Dad was a champion schuller (rower) and Bliss lacks the water for that sport," he says.



Thiago Rocha is an exchange student from Brazil attending Bliss Schools. Among the big differences he faces is coming from a city of 8 million people to one of less than 300.

Grant is sweet music to Magic Valley Symphony

By Heather Abel
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - A foundation's generosity has made music for the Magic Valley Symphony.

The symphony received a \$1,000 grant from the Idaho Community Foundation for the third year in a row. Justice Forbes, a member of the symphony league, wrote the grant. The money is used to support the operating needs of the symphony.

"They have been so generous," Forbes says of the foundation. "We look forward to helping fund this form of fine arts," says Karen Robolt of Twin Falls, regional advisory panelist for the Idaho Community Foundation Southwestern Region.

As a member of the symphony league, Forbes joins with other men and women who support the symphony and answer to its needs. The league raises funds, runs the season ticket sales, provides receptions and guest artist luncheons as well as ushering at the concerts.

The Magic Valley Symphony performs four scheduled con-

certs a year with about 60 volunteers.

"For a smaller metropolitan area, it's amazing how good they are," Forbes says.

The symphony was formed in 1959. Their most recent concert was March 3 with guest trombonist Larry Zalkind of the Utah Symphony.

The foundation is a publicly supported, tax-exempt organization designed to foster and encourage philanthropy and charitable giving in Idaho. The foundation distributes money throughout the state. In 1999, it awarded \$446,021 for 111 different grants in the Southwestern Region, the foundation says. Grant applications will be taken from May 1 to Aug. 1.

Robolt says the foundation welcomes the support of all the people in the Magic Valley and in the state.

The Magic Valley Symphony practices with guest trombonist Larry Zalkind. The symphony recently received \$1,000 from the Idaho Community Foundation for its operating needs.



HEATHER ABEL/The Times-News

TWIN FALLS COMMUNITY

MAKING THE GRADE



O'Leary Junior High School recognized Students of the Month for February. The students were photoed in one of these areas: technology, fine arts, athletics or community and were honored at a celebration on March 9. The students are: left to right, back row: Manuelita Gonzalez, James Gorham, Branko Trocan, Mitch Smith, Kyle Rhodes, Jared Adams, Ethan Stone and Erin Harper; second row: Whitney Field, Sarah Jensen, Shakira Bandolin, Kyla Robinetta, Tony Navarrete, Bill Love, Grant Hanchey, Stephanie Osborne and Haley Jones; seated: Shannon Heasley, Kristin Graham, Allison Lang, Paul Scofield, Amanda Blackwood and Sondra Picklesmier.

SERVICE NEWS

Twin Falls resident graduates from training

Air Force Airman William O. Parrish IV, son of William A. and Sandra K. Parrish, graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations. Airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an

associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Parrish is a 1999 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

Hancock completes carpentry, masonry training

Army Reserve Pvt. Carl B. Hancock has graduated from the carpentry and masonry specialist advanced individual training course at the Naval Construction Training Center, Gulfport, Miss. The soldier, assigned to Echo

Company, 169th Engineer Battalion, learned to employ basic carpentry and masonry skills, which included assisting in building layout, foundation, erecting, framing, sheathing, fabricating, roofing and repairing and renovating and maintaining trusses, structures, prefabricated buildings and rigging devices. He also learned to assist in performance of basic combat engineering and construction missions.

Hancock is the son of Allen R. Hancock of Moline, Ill. and Mary Lyn LL. Lambert of Twin Falls.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

U of I Vandal Boosters plans dinner Thursday

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Chapter of the University of Idaho Vandal Boosters is planning a dinner and social event at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Turf Club on Falls Avenue in Twin Falls.

Social hour begins at 6 p.m. with a no-host bar. Dinner is at 7 p.m. Mike Bohn, athletic director, and Tom Idaho head football coach Tom Cable will attend.

Cost is \$25 per person and \$40 a couple. All proceeds benefit Vandal athletics. Vandal alumni and supporters are encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Jeff Blietz at 733-7653, Benny Blietz at 537-6787 or Gary Garnand at 734-5744.

Twin Falls resident celebrates 100th birthday

TWIN FALLS - Mary E. Moreland of Twin Falls will celebrate her 100th birthday with an open house from 2-4 p.m. Sunday at Alterra Wynwood Wellness Center at 1367 Locust St. N. in Twin Falls.

Mary E. Metz was born March 26, 1900, in Corning, Iowa. She married Earl Moreland on Nov. 26, 1919. Moreland has been a Filer resident since 1925. She is a member of Eastern Star, the PEO, the Methodist church and the American Legion.

Moreland's daughters, Eloise Perrin of Green Valley, Ariz. and Shirley Hall Ridgeway of Twin Falls, and Alterra Wynwood are hosting the open house. She has two step-grandchildren, six grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, two step-great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

St. Benedict's hosts Happy Feast Day of St. Benedict

JEROME - Sister Claudia Rae Braun will host a Happy Feast Day from 1:15-3:45 p.m. today to honor St. Benedict and to celebrate the employee as a gift to St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome.

St. Benedict was abbot and confessor, born in 480 in Nursia, Italy. He wrote the Rule of Benedict: A way of life for women and men who want to live a vowed, communal life.

Gooding hospital sponsors supermarket tours

GOODING - The Gooding County Memorial Hospital will sponsor supermarket tours as part of National Nutrition Month at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Ridley's in Gooding; 10 a.m. March 27 at Sawtooth Food Town in Shoshone; and at 2 p.m. March 30 at Simerly's in Wendell.

Sue Ormond, registered dietitian, will lead the tours, which are free.

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Twin Falls Optimist Club holds 'Lost Wages' night

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Optimist Club will hold its 20th annual "Lost Wages" casino night at 7 p.m. Friday at the Turf Club on Falls Avenue in Twin Falls.

The evening includes games, drawings and food. Door prizes at "Lost Wages" feature a pre-owned automobile from Lathrop Motors, valued at over \$2,000; a futon from Everton Mattress Factory, valued at \$700; and a 32-inch television, donated by Larry Victor, Orton Stearns and Ron Everton of the Twin Falls Optimist Club.

Participants who purchase tickets before Friday will receive

Twin Falls Extension Office offers gardener phone tips

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley gardeners may call in home gardening questions to the Magic Valley Master Gardener's Clinic from 10 a.m. to noon starting today.

Trained Master Gardeners answer questions and make suggestions from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays until April 11, when the hot line will be open both Tuesdays and Thursdays. The service will be provided throughout the summer months.

For more information or to ask a gardening question, call the Twin Falls County Extension Office at 734-9550 and ask for the clinic.

NASW holds social work brown bag lunch today

TWIN FALLS - The National Association of Social Workers will hold a social work brown bag lunch at noon today in the conference room at Lincoln Elementary School at 238 Seventh St. N. in Twin Falls.

Meeting events include information about Region V elementary school's Community Resource Workers program and legislative issues. The public is invited to attend.

The next meeting is at noon April 25 in the conference room at Lincoln Elementary.

Participants are encouraged to bring a brown bag lunch. Meeting events include a discus-

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SENIOR CALENDAR

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: Turkey chow mein over rice.
Thursday: Birthday day, fried chicken.
Friday: Ham loaf, creamed potatoes.

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: Chicken with noodles, coleslaw, biscuits, fruit, cookie.
Wednesday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, California mixed veggies, tossed salad, roll, cheese-cake.
Thursday: Barbecue chicken wings, fried rice, peach salad, muffin, bread pudding.
Friday: Fish or cube steak, fried potatoes with gravy, vegetable cottage cheese, bread, dessert.
Monday: Cabbage rolls, corn, cottage cheese with fruit, bread, pudding.

Buhl Library adds new books

BUHL - The Buhl Public Library announced the arrival of new non-fiction adult titles.

They include:

- "Claude Monet, 1840-1926" by Charles F. Stuckey
- "The Trained Mind, Total Concentration" by Heinrich Von Beitne
- "Rachel Carson, Voice for the Earth" by Ginger Wadsworth
- "The West: An Illustrated History" by Geoffrey C. Ward "Washington, D.C."
- "A Necessary Evil" by Gary Mills
- "D.G. Books Worldwide - Creating Web Pages with HTML Simplified"
- "Turin Shroud - In Whose Image?" by Lynn Pickett
- "Ordinary People, Extraordinary Wealth" by Ric Edelman
- "Privacy in the Information Age" by Harry Henderson
- "The Ultimate Book of Monster Trucks" by Jill Holder
- "The Official Guide to Starting a Business" by Jason Rich
- "Fantastic Planets" by Jean-Claude Surot
- "More Fingers-tyle Guitar" by Ken Ferdinand
- "Auguste Rodin, Sculptures and Drawings" by Giles Nest
- "Essential Pre-Ekphrastic" by Lucinda Hawksley
- "The Shortest Age on Western Waters" by Leland Dowitt Baldwin
- "The North American Indians in Early Photography" by Paula Richardson Fleming
- "Shipwrecker" by Philip S. Jennings
- "A History of the Azores Islands" by James H. Gullit.

Elks card club.
Thursday: Pinochle at 1 p.m.
Friday: Quilting 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Blood pressure check 10 a.m. to noon.
Tax assistance.
Lunch bingo.
Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Foot clinic, make appointment.

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 \$2.50, Sundays \$3.50, non-seniors \$4.25 and children under 12-years-old \$2.50. 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 at noon and Thursday noon and evening. Please call 543-4577 by 10 a.m. to arrange a ride.
Tuesday: Sweet and sour pork, rice, vegetable salad, corn muffins, V-8 juice, tuna puffs.
Wednesday: Tuna noodle casserole, salad, corn, juice, bread, fruit.
Thursday: Turkey roll, potatoes with gravy, dressing, yams, broccoli, salad, roll, apple crisp; smorgasbord at 5:30 p.m.
Friday: Turkey ala king, biscuits, veggies, salad, fruit.
Sunday: All-you-can-eat buffet, roast beef, at 1 p.m.
Monday: Liver and onions, fried potatoes and gravy, veggies, Jell-O salad, bread, fruit, V-8 juice; smorgasbord at 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday Exercises, 7 to 8 a.m.
Tax preparation 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., make appointment.
Crafts, 2-4 p.m.
Bingo 7-9 p.m.
Wednesday Exercises 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.
Thursday Exercises 7-8 a.m.
Bingo 1-3 p.m.
Evening meal, 5:30 p.m.
Cards at 6 p.m.
Friday Exercises 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.
Sunday All-you-can-eat buffet, roast beef, at 1 p.m.
Monday Exercises from 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.
Evening meal at 5:30 p.m.
Cards at 6 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St., Kimberly
Wednesday: Hamburger steak, potatoes, gravy, buttered carrots, tossed salad, orange juice, cinnamon roll, coffee and milk.
Friday: Pizza, creamed peas, tossed salad, strawberry short-cake, coffee and milk.
Monday: Franks, scalloped potatoes, spinach, fruit salad, bread and butter, cookie, coffee and milk.

Activities

Wednesday Blood pressure check.
Thursday Crafts at 1 p.m.
Friday Bingo at 11:55 a.m.
Pinochle at 1 p.m.
Monday Board meeting at 1:30 p.m.
Volunteer tax preparation starting Tuesday, Feb. 8, for seniors and low income families. For more information, or to make an appointment, call Ageless Senior Citizens at 423-4338.

SCOUT REPRESENTATIVES



Boys from Twin Falls Troop 100 representing about 6,000 Scouts in the Snake River Council, Boy Scouts of America, met Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne Feb 9. They are, left to right, back row: Scoutmaster Wade Pettigill and Falls District Commissioner Richard Crowley; middle row: Evan Crowley, representing Boy Scouts and James Pettigill, representing Varley Scouts; and front: Cameron War, representing Cub Scouts. Each council reported the status of Scouting in their region to the governor.

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Universal Studios unveils new high-tech ride

Knight Ridder News Service
ORLANDO, Fla.—Men in Black the theme park ride, aims its passengers with shiny metallic "zap-pers" to shoot animatronic aliens living among us, stars rapper-come actor Will Smith and reportedly cost more than \$70-million. That's only \$20-million less than the 1997 hit film it mimics.
 But the new ride at Universal Studios Florida is really a high-tech shooting gallery merging the technology of laser tag with the interactivity of a video game.

"Video games were the inspiration," said David Cobb, creative director of Men in Black Alien Attack. "We're literally putting you inside that video screen on a grand scale."
 Universal Orlando officials won't confirm how much they spent. But they are betting heavily that the next so-called blockbuster attraction will pull their attendance decline that began last year, after it slipped behind the show of their newer Islands of Adventure

next door.
 This one is not an attraction for the squeamish. When the Men in Black ride opens to the public next month, riders in six-passenger cars will find themselves feverishly shooting at targets, 127 hidden aliens and each other before enduring a fake explosion inside the gullet of a cocoon 30 feet tall. When the insect, known as Big Bug, explodes amid a fury of strobe lights and steam, riders are sprayed in the dark with a mist of warm water and told it's bug juice.

Marketers will turn up the volume in Universal ads through the summer featuring a six-armed alien brandishing six pieces of heavy artillery. The resort's ad budget was increased by \$50-million last year for Islands of Adventure's debut, and it will remain at that higher level this year.

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Pros and cons of doing taxes by computer

There are clear advantages to doing your taxes electronically. But there are some disadvantages as well, and while they are not so severe as to make you fish your pencil and paper out of the trash can, you should be aware of them.
 There are two basic avenues to filing online: you can do it yourself on a personal computer, or you can go to a professional preparer who can complete the return and transmit it electronically.
 The professional route, for many years the only option, remains the choice of many people who file electronically. Including many low- and moderate-income taxpayers, who typically get refunds but don't feel comfortable trying to do their own returns. Of course, many high-income taxpayers also use professionals, though those pros often prepare the return, print it out, and give it to the taxpayer to review, sign and mail. People who want to do their own returns can buy a commercial software

package, either at a store or by downloading it. There are online sites that allow them to submit their information and have the return prepared and filed for them.
 The advantages of using a computer to do the return include:
 • Elimination of math errors, and ease of complex computations, such as depreciation and the alternative minimum tax.
 • Easy corrections, such as adding a deduction you forgot.
 • Hints and prompts that make it less likely you will overlook something or to take a deduction or credit that you don't qualify for.
 • Creation of year-to-year records.
 The disadvantages include:
 • Most programs cost at least \$15 or \$20 (after rebates, which are common), and many cost more. Also, you need access to a computer.
 • Data entry.
 • Technical problems. There are fewer of these every year, but in the past some programs have suffered glitches, and "help" services have not always been that helpful.
 • Difficulty with complex returns. Tax software seems best suited for simple

and midlevel returns.
 • State taxes. Some programs don't do state tax returns, and others charge extra.
 Online filing has additional advantages:
 • Speed. If you are expecting a refund, you can get it in 10 to 14 days if you have it deposited directly into your bank account, compared with six to eight weeks for a mailed check.
 • Accuracy. The IRS computers run their eye over e-filed returns and let you know immediately if you have a processable return. It doesn't mean the return is error-free, but it means you've got the basics right.
 • Acknowledgment. The IRS notification that you've filed a processable return also serves as evidence that you filed.
 Disadvantages of e-filing:
 • The cost. Though it's possible to obtain free filing from some Web sites and typically, many still charge \$10 to \$12.
 • Another shortcoming is that it is impossible to include an explanatory note to the IRS, something that is often recommended to head off questions in unusual situations.

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Today's Caldera Linux IPO should make splash

By Scott Reeves
Bridge News
NEW YORK. Caldera Systems Inc. (CALD) of Orem, Utah, a provider of Linux commercial software services provider, plans to offer 5 million shares at \$8 to \$10 each through underwriters led by Robertson Stephens, up from the originally filed range of \$7 to \$9.
 Opinion: This one's coming a little late in the Linux wave, but the magic combination of "software" and "e-commerce" will make it a hot deal.
 Caldera provides products and services specifically designed for commerce.
 The company's product line includes OpenLinux, an operating system that includes about 30 third-party software components that can be used either on a single desktop computer or a computer network.
 Caldera plans to release its e-commerce framework product, eBuilder, in the first half of calendar year 2000. EBuilder is written in Java for the Linux environment and can be used to develop e-commerce components, packages and processes.

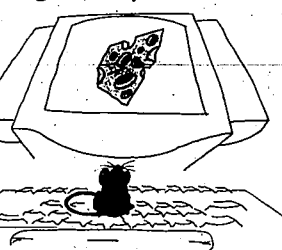
The company also offers training through its centers in Orem, Utah, and through 24 independent centers, in the US and abroad, offering Linux training and administration.
 Customers include Cendant, IBM, Ingram Micro, MIT Technology Corp., Navarre Corp., Support Set and Tech Data.
 For the quarter ended Jan 31, Caldera reported a net loss of \$5.5 million, or a net loss of \$553,000 compared to a net loss

of \$992,000 on revenues of \$538,000 for the same period in 1999.
 Competitors include Berkeley Software Design, Microsoft, a joint venture between Compaq and The Santa Cruz Operations, Cygnus Solutions, VA Linux, Wind River, Corel, MacMillan, Red Hat, SuSE and TurboLinux. Sun Microsystems has also announced plans to make Solaris Unix an open source operating system.

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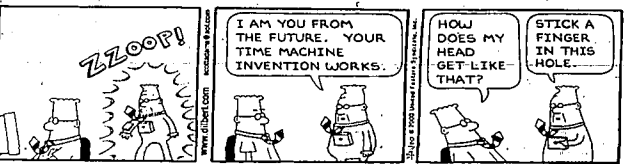
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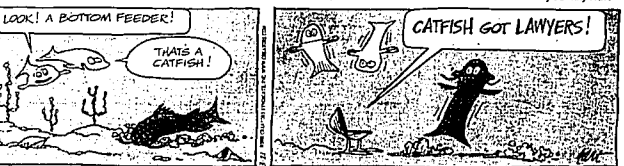
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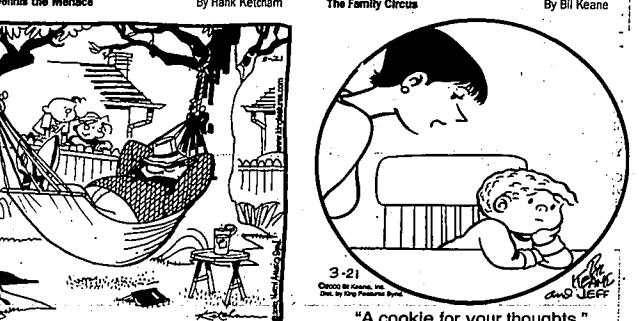
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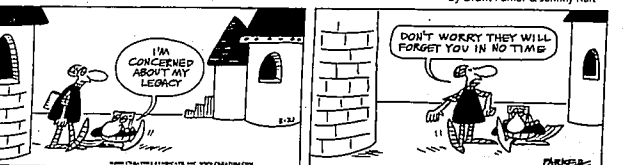
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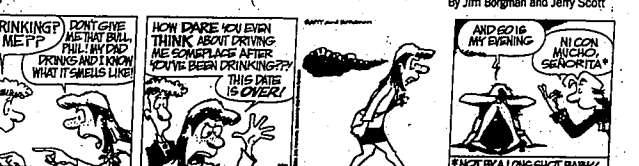
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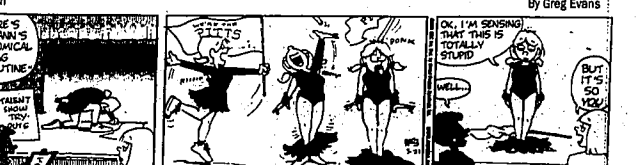
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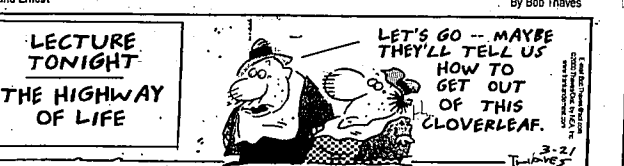
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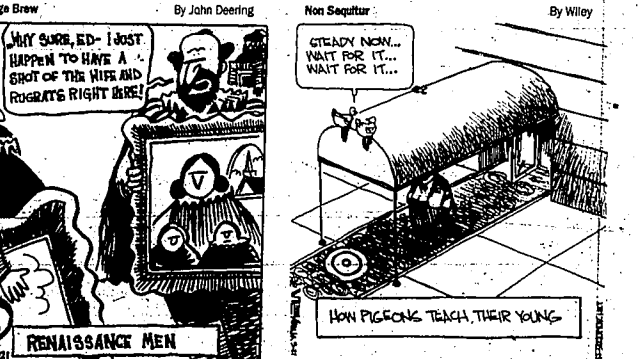
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RENAISSANCE MEN

MORNING BREAK

Handy trick for disposing of unwanted guests



DEAR ABBY Abigail VarBuron

DEAR ABBY: We have a problem with relatives not knowing when a visit should end. They call on weekend afternoons to say they'll be stopping over for an hour or so. Well, the couple of hours stretch into five or six, and then it's dinner time. How does one "push" these unwanted guests out the door so that we can proceed with our dinner? I'm not prepared for four, five or six dinner "guests" - nor do I feel I should be. It has become very stressful, since these are my husband's relatives and I must watch what I say, and I don't even want these

people visiting. Don't people realize how rude it is to overstay their visit? STEAMED IN MINNESOTA DEAR STEAMED: I'm sure that most people realize it's rude to overstay their welcome - but when it comes to "family," they

suspend the formalities. The next time it happens, do what many other families do. Say, "Let's order out for a pizza and split the bill!" DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have a dilemma and hope you can provide an answer. We will soon celebrate our 40th anniversary. We want to have a small dinner for those people who were in our wedding party. (There are only a few left.) We would also like to invite some close friends. We would like to include something in our invitations that would relay a "sincere message"

that we do not want any gifts. The presence of our friends and family to help us celebrate this occasion is the best gift we could receive. Please do not reveal my name. We have not completed our guest list, and I would not like to slight anyone. - WANTS TO OFFEND NO ONE DEAR WANTS: Yours is a question I receive at least once a year. The message can be worded as follows: "No gifts, please. Your presence will be our cherished gift, and we respectfully request no other."

CROSSWORD puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Monday's Puzzle Solvers section with solutions for 37-52.

Life, liberty, and the pursuit of good hay

Q. Why do Easter lilies bloom in Spring when all my other flowers don't bloom until August or September? A. Because Easter lilies are forced in greenhouse conditions. Plant that same lily in your garden and it'll bloom in mid-summer. Greenland schools teach fur-sewing. Q. When a pursued person is cornered, why is that unfortunate said to be "backed into a bay"? A. Bays of hunters out loose with a long throaty howl called a "bay" when they see a raccoon or whatever. India has another thing no other nation has: A Bill of Rights for Cows.

Libra runs in slow motion through a field toward their beloved, while violins sing

IF MARCH 21 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are intelligent, possess intellectual curiosity, at times you scatter your forces. Gemini, Sagittarius persons play major roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names - C, L, U. During this year you engage in important financial transactions. Social activities accelerate in April. You will be engaged in romantic episode in June. ARIES (March 21-April 19): You gain overall view, will be concerned about cooperative efforts, public relations, partnership and marriage. Don't be too quick to condemn or accept. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Insist on quality, accent originality, don't be too concerned about whether it is just love that you feel. If fortunate, it is a combination of both. Leo invades. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You are asked to prove major point. Do so with aplomb, not hastiness. Cancer native will play important role. Food will be prime subject of concern.

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Diversify, show that you are not a one-dimensional person. Ask questions, display ability at come-along, laugh at your own foibles. Sagittarius is in picture. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): At first you will feel as if trapped. Later, you are free, creative. Member of opposite sex confides true love. Maintain emotional equilibrium. Scorpio plays role. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): There will be a shuffle in priorities, this will ultimately prove beneficial financially. What began as interesting flirtation is becoming more serious. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Cycle high, attention revolves around family, home, insurance. You will be at right place almost effortlessly. People are drawn to you, music involved. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Maintain aura of mystery, intrigue. Individual behind scenes attempts to control your destiny. Pisces, Virgo persons play dominant roles. Stick with number 7. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Wishes come true, request what you need, don't ask for more than you can handle. People fall in love with you, don't break too many hearts. Capricorn featured. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): People talk and write about you. Give attention to possibility of travel overseas. Obtain valid representation for your talent, product or service. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Let go of preconceived notions. Emphasize inventiveness, daring. A new kind of love is on horizon. If single, you encounter future mate. Leo plays top role. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Family member confides, "You might meet at times. Focus on cooperative efforts, marital status. Cancer native will play fascinating role. Check property value.

Trainer visits Lewinsky at home NEW YORK (AP) - Monica Lewinsky has a new plan for getting fit without hitting the gym: She has hired a personal trainer to visit her at home, the New York Post reported Monday. Lewinsky and a trainer from a Crunch Fitness gym will work out vigorously for an hour several times each week at her \$3,000-a-month apartment in the West Village, the health club said. Crunch trainers usually don't make house calls. But the health club made an exception for the former White House intern. "It's a special circumstance," said Chris Dell'Armo, sales manager of Lewinsky's local Crunch branch. "She doesn't want a lot of onlookers. She's high profile right now."

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ACURA, '92 Integra, blue color... GMC '94 Suburban, 4X4...

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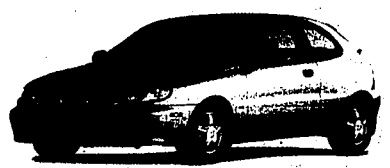


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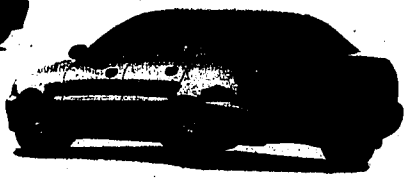


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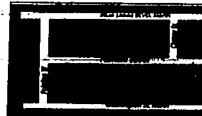
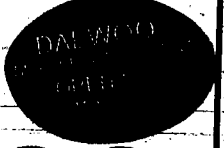
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Section D

Belliston blazes on the track

Most of us probably did a double-take when we opened Saturday's paper and read that Burley's Chris Belliston had blazed to a 10.59 in the 100 and 22.58 in the 200.

Despite the brisk southwesterly wind that blew across the four tracks that hosted meets last Friday, Belliston's marks are credible. I admit, I had my doubts



ON THE RUN
Vin Cappelletto

that these times were wind-aided, but our reporter on the scene, Matt Peterson, assured all of us in the sports department that Belliston recorded these times against a cross-wind.

But what about wind-aided performances?

There's a simple rule of thumb in Idaho track and field: A state record can't be set unless it is done at the state meet. Officials are situated around the track to judge various things, one of which is wind. If it blows more than two meters per second, the performance is considered wind-aided, and if a record appears to be set, it is negated by this rule.

This applies to the short sprints, high hurdles and the long and triple jumps.

How much does the wind actually aid a runner, though? This is a legitimate question, considering the wind never stops blowing in Idaho, and usually, it's at the backs of runners as they make their way down the main straight-way.

Consider the following: When Michael Johnson set the world record at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, he covered 200 meters in 19.32 seconds. Roughly figured, that's better than 25 miles per hour.

I guess if I had to go out on a fragile limb, I would say the whole wind-aided thing isn't worth worrying about unless it's really blowing hard.

Michael on the prowl

Johnson's name resurfaced over the weekend when he was clocked in 19.71 for the 200 in a meet in South Africa. Faithful readers know I criticized Michael and company for not competing in the indoor season because they were "saving themselves" for the Sydney Olympics.

What a joy it was to see Johnson's time — which was run outdoors in Falls — last week. I think the 200-400 double is a real possibility again. Nothing against Maurice Greene — he's the new king of global track and field, not Johnson is a veteran who knows how to run the rounds required to reach two Olympic finals. I fully expect to see him win the 200 and 400, as well as the 4x400 relay, which he is sure to anchor.

Top 5 in the works

Since *The Times-News* has only seen results of four or five meets, we're holding off for a week on the Top 5 list. Also, while athletes have been competitive in their efforts, there haven't been any eye-popping performances, other than Belliston's dashes last week and Jerome girls, who appear poised for yet another title run.

Two for one

Self-confessed track and field junkie, I posed this question to some of my students last Friday: What's the only thing better than going to one track meet in one day? After they all looked at me like I had a lump of coal coming out of the middle of my forehead, I clueed them in to the answer: Two track meets in one day.

After working the Twin Falls tri-meet, which the Bruins swept, I ventured to Jerome to catch the last hour of the Tigers' quad meet, which both teams swept as well.

It was a great day. A little piece of my heaven, if you will.

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IN THE SWING OF THINGS



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Travis Holfand of Filer High School tees off from the eighth hole Monday at the 93 Golf Ranch. Holfand earned a fourth-place tie, but the Wildcats won the three-school tournament with a five-man score of 168 over Valley (177) and Shoshone (180). The Lady Vikings were winners with a 238 total, followed by the Lady Indians (267) and Lady Wildcats (278). More results are in Scores and Stats on Page D3.

Bennett's Badgers in round of 16

The Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — Dick Bennett is smiling this week, and his players say it's about time.

"He's been here for 35 years in Wisconsin, trying to prove his system works at a major-college level," said Mike Kelley, the junior guard who led the defensive charge in Wisconsin's 66-59 second-round upset of top-seeded Arizona.

"This is the clincher. This should prove it to everybody who said it couldn't be done. ... He's got the right to have a little fun with this." Wisconsin, which was 13-12 just four weeks ago and quietly hoping at least to host a first-round NIT game, might be the most unlikely team in the round of 16.

The Badgers say they owe it all to Bennett and his system, which has been both praised and reviled this season.

"Our success is a product of our system," guard Jon Bryant said. "You look around our locker room, and we don't have any really incredible players. But as a team, when we're doing what (Bennett) wants us to do, we're tough to beat."

Bennett has been coaching for too long to worry about validation. Still, he can't suppress a little self-satisfaction as the Badgers prepare for their trip to the West Regional semifinals in Albuquerque to face LSU on Thursday night.

"The top did not to enjoy this a little bit," Bennett said. "You never know which team will be



Dick Bennett

your last one, so it's nice to see these guys getting close to maximizing their potential."

Bennett has heard the criticism, and unlike some coaches, he admits the listeners to it.

Bennett's style of basketball — which he taught for nearly two decades at Wisconsin-Stevens Point and Wisconsin-Green Bay before moving to Madison five years ago — is only slightly more fun than dental surgery, and just about as complicated.

He stresses defense above all else, using multiple sets and frequent adjustments. The offense is supremely deliberate and half-court-oriented. Fast breaks happen only by accident.

The system both hides the flaws and muffles the strengths of Bennett's players in favor of a complete team effort. None of the Badgers even made honorable mention on the all-conference teams chosen both by the media and the coaches.

"We're really the first recruiting class that was his own choice," said junior forward Mark Versiaw, the team's leading scorer. "We knew that we were recruited to play his style. We're the ones that had to make it work."

But that's the funny thing about

success, Bennett said. It took just two wins in the NCAA tournament for Bennett's robotic, unimaginative, offensively inept, dull team to become a brainy, disciplined, defensive-oriented, hard-working team. Bennett can only laugh.

"There's only one job that's bigger than being a critic, and that's being a Maytag repairman," Bennett said.

Wisconsin's late-season run is most remarkable for the suddenness with which it occurred. The Badgers started the 2000 conference season slowly, and after a 51-48 loss at Ohio State on Feb. 2, Wisconsin was 11-10 and fans were grumbling.

No one claims to know exactly when or why, but somewhere in February, the team's hard work in Bennett's system began to pay off. Since then, the Badgers are 9-3, with all three losses coming against No. 5 Michigan State. They beat Indiana in the regular season finale and won two games in the Big Ten tournament to clinch an NCAA bid.

After beating Fresno State in the first round, Wisconsin took on an injury-depleted but confident Arizona team. Several Badgers heard that the Wildcats were already talking about playing LSU in the next round just moments before facing Wisconsin.

"I think we might have snuck up on Arizona," Bennett said. "I don't think coach (Lute) Olson was unprepared, but players have a way of minimizing their competition."

Shaq dominates Lakers' victory

The Associated Press

MIAMI — Shaquille O'Neal dominated during a pivotal stretch early in the second half Monday night and the Los Angeles Lakers rallied from a 13-point halftime deficit to beat the Miami Heat 100-89.

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The loss ended Miami's franchise-record 13-game home winning streak.

O'Neal had eight points, three blocks and a dazzling assist during a 22-2 run that put Los Angeles ahead to stay in the matchup of division leaders. He finished with 28 points and 12 rebounds for the Lakers, who have won 22 of their past 23 games.

Miami played shorthanded up front because of injuries to forward P.J. Brown (sprained ankle) and Gus Thorpe (foot).

Alonzo Mourning more than held his own in the matchup of All-Star centers, scoring 33 points and grabbing 13 rebounds. But Mourning missed his first seven shots in the second half and had three straight attempts blocked by O'Neal during the Lakers' big spurt.

The Lakers, playing their fourth game in five nights, took charge after falling behind 57-47 early in the third period. O'Neal threw a one-handed alley-op pass to Kobe Bryant for a dunk made the score 59-all, then sank consecutive jumpshots to put Los Angeles ahead.

Miami was never closer than three points in the final minutes, and 3-pointers by Robert Horry and Glen Rice helped seal the victory. Rice finished with 28 points, and Bryant added 23.



L.A. Lakers' Kobe Bryant, left, goes up and scores Monday as Miami Heat's Alonzo Mourning tries to block during the first quarter at the American Airlines Arena.

Foul trouble limited O'Neal to 17 minutes and 12 points in the first half, and Miami shot 46 percent to lead 55-42 at halftime.

Notes: VIPs in the crowd included Venus and Serena Williams and Gary Sheffield. ... Los Angeles' Rick Fox received a double technical with 10:48 left and was ejected. ... The Lakers improved to 19-1 when playing the second game of back-to-back nights. ... The game was the Lakers' first in Miami since Nov. 25, 1997. ... Heat coach Pat Riley on his rivalry with Lakers coach Phil Jackson: "Phil and I have one thing in common — we've both been blessed with the opportunity to coach great players. Period."

Woods just won't leave

The Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Start counting.

Tiger Woods' winning streak on the PGA Tour is only at one after a powerful performance in the Bay Hill Invitational. He never trailed during the final 36 holes, didn't make a bogey for the last 34 holes and breezed to a fourth-straight victory over Davis Love III.

Whether he gets as high as six straight victories — or beyond — is unlikely. But that's not the streak that best defines his dominance.



Tiger Woods

week and win. But he's been doing it week after week after week after week. I think that's the difference."

In his last 16 tournaments, Woods has won 10 times. The reason behind such a staggering statistical is the number of times he puts himself into position.

Consider what Woods has done the past year, which covers 18 stroke-play events on the PGA Tour:

- He has finished out of the top 10 only twice.
- He has not finished lower than 18th.
- He has had at least a share of the 54-hole lead in half those tournaments.
- His worst deficit going into the final round was eight strokes back in the Nelson Classic. Even there, he was tied for the lead on the back nine Saturday before dropping a couple of shots and then taking quadruple-bogey on the 17th hole at Las Colinas.

Tour stats — D3

The depth on the PGA Tour is such that any number of 140 players are capable of winning every week. So why is it Woods seems to be the only player in the hunt every Sunday?

"He's playing everybody's 'A' game every week," Love said Sunday after his third loss to Woods in as many head-to-head showdowns since November.

"Ernie Els could have just as easily shot 18 under here if he'd had played well," Love added. "I might go and shoot 15 under next

Oklahoma knocks off defending champions

The Associated Press

Deana Nolan helped take Georgia one step closer to her er shot at that elusive national championship.

But defending champion Purdue will have to wait another year to try for a second title.

Nolan scored 20 points and Shala Crawford provided strong play off the bench as top-seeded Georgia advanced to the West Regional semifinals with an 83-64 victory over Stanford on Monday night.

Oklahoma ended Purdue's hopes of repeating as national champion with a 76-74 victory on the Boilermakers' floor in the East Regional.

Georgia (31-3) set a school record for victories and needs two more for another Final Four trip. The Lady Bulldogs have

NCAA Women's Tournament

made five appearances in the Final Four, including last year, but have yet to win the national title.

A 17-2 first-half run put Georgia in control and the Lady Bulldogs responded quickly when Stanford (21-9) cut the lead to 40-34 early in the second half. Tawana McDonald scored inside, Nolan hit a pull-up jumper and Coco Miller made a jump shot after Angie Ball's steal.

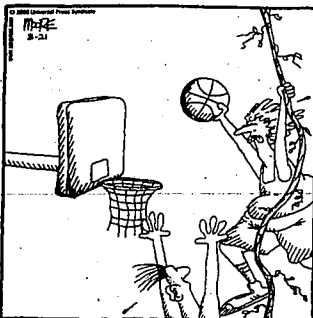
All that took a little more than a minute, the lead was 46-34 and ninth-seeded Stanford never got closer than nine the rest of the way.

Miller scored 19 points for Georgia. Crawford and McDonald had 14 apiece and

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No real surprise: Another pitcher goes on the DL at Cubs' camp

The Associated Press

The news out of the Chicago Cubs' training camp wasn't exactly shocking: Another pitcher went on the disabled list.

That seemed to happen one or two times a week last season.

Ismael Valdes, scheduled to start the season opener against the New York Mets in Tokyo on March 29, was put on the DL Monday because of tendinitis in his right shoulder. He'll be eligible to come off April 5.

"I'm angry," Valdes said. "I'm not happy with the decision, but there's nothing I can do. I have to go with it. I don't want to make an issue out of it. It's what it is."

Valdes has had a sore shoulder the past few days, and manager Don Baylor said Saturday that Valdes might be done for the spring. Valdes started taking anti-inflammatory drugs Sunday and the shoulder felt better by Monday morning.

"We just want to make sure we take care of it now and it's not an issue that moves into

Spring training

April and May and June," general manager Ed Lynch said.

With Valdes out, Jon Lieber will likely pitch the opener and Kyle Farnsworth the second game.

Cubs pitcher Kerry Wood, the 1998 NL Rookie of the Year, also figures to start the season on the DL as he recovers from reconstructive elbow surgery. Wood, who pitched for the first time last weekend, is expected back later in April.

Outfielder Glennallen Hill also appears headed for the disabled list after pulling his left hamstring Sunday. Doctors have said it could be two to three weeks before Hill is ready to play, manager Don Baylor said.

Sammy Sosa, meanwhile, sat out Monday's game and will skip Tuesday's because of a banged-up knee he got in a home-plate collision with Colorado Rockies catcher Scott Servais.

"It's swollen a little bit, but it's nothing we need to worry

about," Sosa said. "Nothing big."

At Kissimmee, Fla., the Atlanta Braves said reliever Kerry Ligtenberg is expected to pitch as scheduled Tuesday despite getting hit in the face by a batted ball in Venezuela last weekend.

Ligtenberg, struck by a Quinton McCracken shot in Saturday night's game at Caracas, sustained a cut on his cheekbone and a bruise under his right eye.

"I honestly thought I had it," said the right-hander, coming off ligament replacement surgery in his right elbow. "I don't know if it hit the ground and hopped, but I put my glove up. I thought I had it judged. It got on me a lot faster than I thought. ... I'm lucky it didn't hit me in the eye or nose."

At Jupiter, Fla., Mark McGwire hit a three-run homer but the Philadelphia Phillies overcame a seven-run deficit, beating the St. Louis Cardinals 6-7 on Tomas Perez's RBI single in the 10th inning. McGwire made it 5-0 in the

third inning with a three-run homer off Andy Ashby. McGwire's second of the spring and first since March 10. Ashby also allowed a two-run homer in the fourth to Ray Lankford and another two-run homer in the sixth to Shawn Dunston. In all, Ashby gave up seven runs and 11 hits in 5 1-3 innings. His ERA rose to 8.84.

In other games:

Marlins 7, Dodgers 6.
At Melbourne, Fla., Cliff Floyd and Derek Lee hit three-run homers to overcome a Shawn Green home run. Los Angeles dropped to a major league-worst 4-15 this spring.

Royals 9, Tigers 4.
At Haines City, Fla., Brian Moehler, scheduled to start the opener of Comerica Park in Detroit next month, gave up seven runs and 11 hits in four innings.

Twins 7, Red Sox 4.
At Fort Myers, Fla., Ramon

Martinez was roughed up for seven runs, five of them earned, on eight hits and a walk in 2-23 innings. Nomar Garciaparra, Mike Stanley and Carl Everett homered for Boston.

Mets 4, Indians 2.
At Port St. Lucie, Fla., Glendon Rusch, fighting for the fifth spot in the Mets' rotation, allowed one run and five hits in 5 2-3 innings. New York released third baseman Charlie Hayes.

Athletics 16, Padres 6.
At Phoenix, Olmedo Saenz hit a grand slam and David McCarty hit two home runs and drove in six runs. Ramon Hernandez also hit two homers and drove in three runs for the A's, who have the best record in the majors this spring at 14-3.

White Sox 5, Mariners 1.
At Peoria, Ariz., White Sox starter Jon Garland, who spent last season at Double-A Birmingham and Class A Winston-Salem, allowed three

hits in five shutout innings. Chicago's Greg Norton hit a two-run home run to center off Arthur Rhodes in the sixth.

Angels 9, Giants 8.
At Scottsdale, Ariz., Garrett Anderson hit a pair of two-run homers and Troy Glaus had a go-ahead, two-run single in the eighth inning as Anaheim rallied from a 6-0 deficit.

Cubs 12, Brewers (ss) 7.
At Mesa, Henry Rodriguez hit two home runs and drove in four runs. Julio Zaita, Damon Buford and Ricky Gutierrez also homered for the Cubs.

Diamondbacks 8, Brewers 3 (ss).

At Tucson, Ariz., Turner Ward had a pair of home runs and four RBIs. Randy Johnson allowed three runs and six hits in 5 1-2 inning with six strikeouts. In his previous start, he was pounded for 11 runs and 12 hits in three-plus innings against Anaheim.

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