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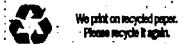
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High court halts recount

Justices grant Bush petition, schedule arguments for Monday

The Associated Press

The U.S. Supreme Court ordered a temporary halt Saturday in the Florida vote

count on which Al Gore pinned his best hopes of winning the White House. Justice Antonin Scalia said the court's 5-4 decision suggests George W. Bush

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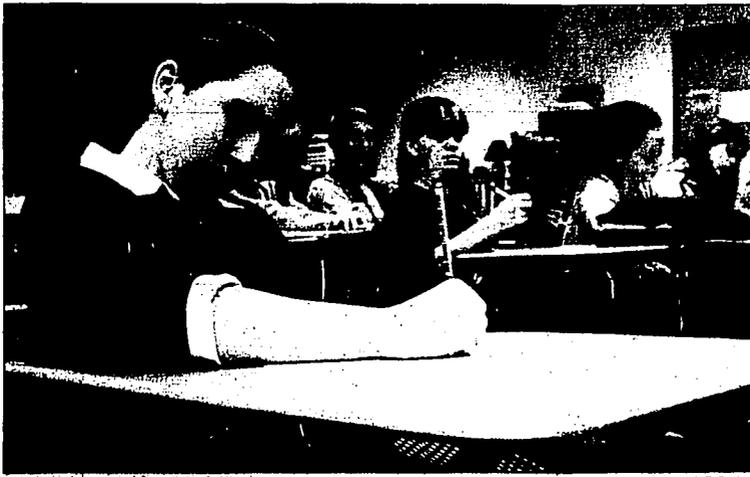
stands a "substantial probability of success" next week in a case that could settle the presidency. The court's schism was the latest and most dramatic in a long season of political division.

Justice John Paul Stevens said the majority "has acted unwisely" in cutting off the weekend Florida vote count which put Bush 177 votes ahead in an unofficial Associated Press count. Bush heard of the ruling in a telephone call to his Texas ranch and was "very pleased," an aide said. It was a sharp setback to Gore

who believed he could overtake Bush in Florida. The state's 25 electoral votes will determine the 43rd president and end the deadlock from the Nov. 7 election. Gore attorney David Boies expressed deep disappointment, speculating that if the counting were to go forward "it looks like Vice President Gore and Senator

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Studying standards



Eight-grader Courtney Stock studies pre-algebra in Melle Harris' class at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High. Idaho's class of 2005, today's eighth-graders, is targeted for the first state graduation tests.

Math requirements don't add up for some districts

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - For three large Idaho school districts, looking to delay the start of state high school graduation tests, the possible math standards don't compute.

The Boise and Meridian school districts, Idaho's two largest districts, and the Coeur d'Alene district are asking the State Board of Education to postpone the

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2005 test deadline. Math is a particular area of concern for the three districts.

The standards will require significant changes in school math programs. And teachers say that even though the standards list skills and concepts students must know, they don't explain the level of difficulty to be tested. But the Twin Falls School

District wants to see the timeline stay on track.

The disagreement over the math tests is part of a continuing debate over graduation standards. Idaho's class of 2005, today's eighth-graders, is targeted for the first state graduation tests.

Plans call for state tests in reading, writing and math, given in the students' junior year of high school. Many details remain to be worked out, including what will happen to students who

don't pass and the level of knowledge required to pass.

Students are wondering what will be expected, and teachers are unsure how to prepare them. Nonetheless, schools have been adapting their curriculums in anticipation of the looming deadline. Some are further along than others.

The math guidelines can be open to interpretation.

One standard will require, stu

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TF prosecutor requests state action against dairy

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - County officials say an odor problem at a large dairy near Filer is out of control, and they are asking for the state's legal help.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loeb has written a letter to Idaho Attorney General Alan Lance's office and the state departments of Environmental Quality, Agriculture and Water Resources, requesting an investigation into complaints surrounding Hank Hafliker's dairy.

Hafliker's dairy has been at the forefront of a contentious battle, involving residents who complain of strong odors and state officials who say they cannot enforce laws against the dairy.

Equipment failures have hindered Hafliker's efforts to control dairy odors.

"I have driven by this dairy, and can tell you from personal experience that the odor it emits is dramatically more offensive than most dairies," Loeb said in the letter, mailed Friday. "This certainly raises the question of whether or not it is in compliance with dairy regulations, permits, air quality regulations, state laws, and federal laws."

County Commissioner Gary Grindstaff said the dairy is in violation of state and federal laws, and the state should take legal action for the sake of the dairy and its neighbors.

"My thoughts are we need to get this problem solved quickly," Grindstaff said Friday.

Hafliker did not respond last week to four messages left at his dairy and at his home. But a woman working with Hafliker on

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Citizens, local officials say state environmental laws can be enforced

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Some citizen activists and county officials say state authorities haven't been aggressive enough at enforcing environmental rules against offending dairies.

"Their job is to protect the public," Twin Falls County Commissioner Gary Grindstaff said. "They aren't doing that now."

Interviews last week with Grindstaff and fellow Commissioner Bill Brockman, County Prosecutor Grant Loeb, County Planning and Zoning Director Bill Crafton and sever-

al unhappy residents of the county's west end, revealed a shared frustration, with slow progress, state officials have made in dealing with dairy odor problems.

But the state's lead environmental office in Twin Falls says the state's ability to act has been limited, and necessary enforcement procedures are only now being put into place.

State law and administrative rules deal with odor and air pollution standards, but state officials say there is no enforcement process. And it's hard to define what constitutes a bad odor.

So the Idaho Department of

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Dave Gonzalez of U.S. Fish and Wildlife shows confiscated sagebrush this past week in Richland, Wash.

Sage seed market attracts poachers

The Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash. - The need to replant federal lands scorched by the West's massive wildfires has led to a booming market for sage seed - which has inspired rustlers to illegally harvest it from other federal lands.

Government agencies are buying seed to revegetate hundreds of thousands of acres blackened by wildfires in the West last summer and the year before. The aromatic desert shrub grows mainly on federal land, where it hasn't been

cleared for farming and urban development.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife officers recently seized 40 bags of branches clipped from sage shrubs in the Hanford Reach National Monument, project manager Greg Hughes said Thursday from his Richland office.

Fish and Wildlife officials suspect the illegally harvested seeds were intended for a contractor who sells seeds to government agencies for revegetation projects.

"They're going out and harvesting the seed and going back and

selling to the agencies they stole it from," said Roper Parker, a law enforcement agent with the Fish and Wildlife Service here. "It's illegal entrepreneurship."

Poachers often use tennis rackets to smack the desert shrubs to drop their seeds onto plastic tarps. When cleaned and dried, the tiny seeds can fetch as much as \$100 a pound, Hughes said.

The extent of the problem isn't yet known, Hughes said, noting there is evidence that sage poaching has occurred at the Mid-Columbia Wildlife Refuge.

Last of the classic sheriffs

Family, friends recall former TF lawman

By Brandon Flala
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - James Munn never lost respect for human dignity after years of seeing people at their worst.

That's how family and friends remembered the longtime Twin Falls County sheriff who died Saturday at age 70.

"I remember he always treated everybody really well, and knew that everyone deserved respect," Twin Falls Police Capt. Jim Munn, James Munn's son, said Saturday.



James Munn

James Munn had a unique combination of hard-nosed experience and empathy, said Fifth District Judge Roger S. Burdick.

"He had empathy and wasn't overbearing, but was tough to the bone if you crossed the line," Burdick said. "There was a line, and if you crossed it, you could tell he was ready for anything."

Munn was sheriff from 1979 to 1993.

Munn, along with former Jerome County Sheriff Elza Hall, were the last of a different breed of sheriff, Burdick said.

"The two were such legends for decades, and were a different breed of sheriff than we have now," Burdick said. "Maybe it was a simpler time, or there were different people, but as a result they were of the old school."

Munn ran a tight ship, said Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousey, who was elected sheriff after Munn retired in 1993.

"He was the boss and ran everything," Tousey said. "It was the type that ran it with an iron fist."

But Munn was always honest, and just wanted to do a good job, Tousey said.

"He was a very honest sheriff, forthright, and consistent with his policies," he said.

"His word was absolutely gold," Burdick said.

"He was a good sheriff as far

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FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY



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Idaho Extremes
 Yesterday:
 High 43°
 Low 10°
 Salmon

Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday
 Temperature
 High/Low 47/22°
 Normal high/low 39/20°
 Highest low year 19/24°
 Record high 78°
 Record low -13° in 1972

Precipitation
 24 hours ending 6 p.m. yesterday: trace
 Month to date: 0.06"
 Normal month to date: 0.36"
 Year to date: 7.47"
 Normal year to date: 9.73"
 Humidity: 64%
 Barometric Pressure: 29.92 in.
 Yesterday at 6 p.m.
 Pollen yesterday in Twin Falls:
 Grass: Absent
 Weeds: Absent
 Trouts: Absent
 Mold: Absent
 Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.
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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
 Limited sun; a snow shower or two. ▲ 34°	 Partly cloudy and cold. ▼ 19°	 Cold with some sunshine. ▲ 28° ▼ 2°	 Chance for a little snow. ▲ 22° ▼ 5°	 Cloudy with a chance for a little snow.	 Periods of snow possible.

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Times of clouds and sunshine today with nothing more than a snow shower or two. Partly cloudy tonight. Cloudy to partly sunny tomorrow with a few snow showers possible.

Boise: Periods of clouds and sunshine today with a couple of snow showers. Partly cloudy tonight and rather cold. Partial sunshine tomorrow but very cold. It will stay cold most of this week.

Northern Nevada: Clouds and a little sunshine today with a couple of snow flurries. Partly cloudy tonight. Times of clouds and sunshine tomorrow; still on the cold side.

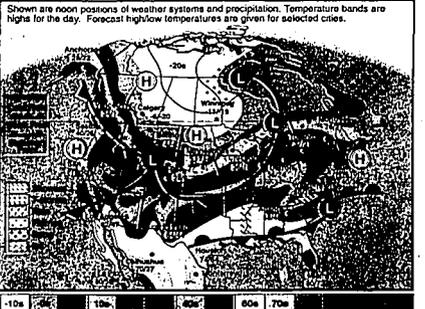
Northern Utah: Rather cloudy and windy today with periods of snow likely. Accumulations of a few inches in the valleys and several inches in the highest mountains.

Northern Idaho: On the cloudy side today with scattered snow showers. Accumulations of a few inches in the mountains. More snow showers tonight. Clouds and some sunshine tomorrow with nothing more than a snow shower.

NATIONAL EXTREMES

High 84° in Fort Myers, FL Low -16° in Berlin, NH

NATIONAL WEATHER



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CANADIAN CITIES

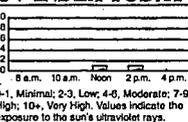
City	Today	Mon.
Calgary	-8 to -20	-8 to -17
Edmonton	-14 to -21	-14 to -20
Regina	-14 to 20	10 to 2
Saskatoon	-2 to 20	-2 to 19
Winnipeg	-11 to 19	-11 to 18

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 7:57 a.m.
 Sunset tonight: 5:05 p.m.
 Moonrise today: 4:53 p.m.
 Moonset tonight: 6:56 a.m.

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 Dec 11 Dec 17 Dec 25 Jan 2

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NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Mon.
Atlanta	59 to 45	58 to 40
Baltimore	48 to 38	49 to 41
Boston	43 to 37	48 to 40
Buffalo	42 to 32	42 to 32
Birmingham	60 to 48	62 to 44
Boston	34 to 34	40 to 38
Charlotte, NC	64 to 52	67 to 53
Charleston, WV	52 to 42	48 to 39
Chicago	38 to 18	27 to 14
Cleveland	40 to 28	40 to 29
Denver	28 to 8	28 to 8
Des Moines	25 to 5	25 to 4
Detroit	30 to 24	36 to 24
El Paso	64 to 44	64 to 44
Fairbanks	12 to 8	19 to 2
Fargo	49 to 30	49 to 30
Fort Lauderdale	79 to 66	79 to 67
Houston	74 to 64	74 to 51
Indianapolis	48 to 29	35 to 21
Jacksonville	77 to 55	74 to 55
Kansas City	34 to 10	34 to 10
Las Vegas	59 to 39	59 to 37
Los Angeles	64 to 59	64 to 47
Los Angeles	62 to 47	64 to 47

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Mon.
Boise	32 to 16	30 to 8
Bonnors Ferry	22 to 9	20 to 4
Burley	36 to 18	34 to 2
Coeur d'Alene	20 to 6	19 to 3
Elko	7 to 9	31 to 8
Eugene, OR	45 to 32	40 to 25
Hagerman	36 to 19	31 to 7
Idaho Falls	31 to 11	19 to 3
Kalispell, MT	18 to -1	-1 to 6
Lewiston	32 to 20	29 to 13
Malad	37 to 16	27 to 1
Malta	-3 to -16	1 to -19

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Remembering James Munn

"He always made it clear that you don't mess with people's dignity - everybody has dignity regardless of their social status or if they've been accused of a crime."
 - Twin Falls police Capt. Jim Munn Jr.

"He knew people made mistakes and get in jams, but weren't necessarily bad people and could work themselves out of it."
 - Fish District Judge Roger S. Buntlick

"Jim always tried to do the best job for the people who elected him and was as fair as he could be..."
 - Capt. Ike Maxson of the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office

"He was the last of the old school sheriffs. He was hands-on and do it my way or hit the street."
 - Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousley

Munn

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"As I'm concerned," said Capt. Ike Maxson of the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office, who was Munn's chief deputy. "He was a great friend and will be missed."
 Munn respected people and the law.
 "I first knew him when I was a firebrand public defender," Buntlick said. "Even though he disagreed sometimes, he respected the job I had to do. He was respectful of the system."
 The job back then didn't require as much administrative duty, and Munn liked to go on patrol, Tousley said.
 By the time Munn retired, though, he realized law enforcement was changing. The job had grown too big for one person to control, and delegation was necessary, Tousley said.

"The advice he gave me when he left was that I can't do everything myself," Tousley said. "That's the distinction between his office and mine."
 Tousley worked for Munn from 1978 to 1985, and from 1987 until his retirement.
 Munn leaves a legacy among area law enforcement, most directly with his son.
 When Jim Munn Jr. was a child, he frequently rode along with his father in his patrol car.
 "That was the neatest thing in the world," Munn said. "He inspired me to become a police officer, and showed me that it was an honorable profession. His influence was overwhelming."
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Dairy

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The odor problem said the dairy is working on a solution.
 Marsha Neibling, who is working on a new odor control system for Hagfliger, said equipment recently installed at the dairy's waste ponds has been problematic.
 "We have had a lot of equipment failures," Neibling said Friday. "We're seeing that we'll have to have a double system of some kind. It's not that it's bad equipment, it's just that things happen. When you put something new in, often it just takes a while to get things ironed out. We are in that process of ironing out the problems. But no, it's not solved."
 Hagfliger is concerned about possible litigation by the state, the county and neighboring residents, Neibling said, and he is aware that the county is asking for the state's help.
 "It's a real problem, and Hank understands that," she said. "At this point, we've just been having a lot of problems with the equipment. If we could get it all set up and running I know it would work."
 That's not good enough, Grindstaff said.
 "Excuses aren't what we need," he said. "It's time to fix the problem. It needs to be fixed now."
 Loebis outlines three possible alternatives for addressing the odor complaints:
 • Permit enforcement by the Agriculture and Water Resources departments.
 • A civil lawsuit to enforce the Idaho Environmental Protection and Health Act.
 • A criminal action, which could impose a \$10,000-per-day fine, under the state Environmental Protection and Health Act.
 "This is the first official step in the process of asking the state to clear up the problem," Loebis said Friday. "Our position is that we have an obvious problem with (Hank Hagfliger's) dairy and others in Twin Falls County, and we need to do everything we can to find out what can be done about it. I'm requesting not only information but actions."
 The attorney general's office can pursue any of the three options. But Loebis said the county's own authority is limited.
 The prosecutor's office can pursue criminal or civil litigation based on the state's public nuisance law. But only the attorney general's office can pursue civil or criminal litigation based on the state's air pollution law, Loebis said.
 A county lawsuit is a possibility, if all other measures are exhausted, Loebis said. But such a suit could cost a great deal of taxpayer money and exhaust his office's resources, he added.
 Although state laws regulate air pollution, no enforceable standards exist, DEQ officials said. The DEQ hopes newly drafted procedures for responding to odor complaints will put some teeth on the laws.
 "Up until these guidelines are adopted, there hasn't been any procedure or process set up to quantify the strength of the odor," said Doug Howard, the DEQ's Twin Falls regional administrator. "It's been a subjective process."
 But local officials and some county residents say the state and federal air pollution laws are sufficient.
 "I want to know why something hasn't been done," said Bill Chisholm, a Buhl environmental activist who ran unsuccessfully against Grindstaff in November. "These guidelines are the carrot - but where is the stick?"
 Since July, county commissioners have imposed a moratorium on animal operations, to allow the state to work on odor guidelines. Commissioners say the moratorium will be kept on indefinitely until a solution is reached.
 Loebis' office is researching state law to see if an indefinite moratorium is legal.
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Laws

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Environmental Quality recently wrote a set of procedures aiming to solve those problems.
 "We feel these guidelines will quantify what bad is," said Doug Howard, the DEQ's Twin Falls regional administrator.
 The DEQ will do a site visit, to determine whether odor complaints are valid.
 Using two trained "odor sniffers," the DEQ would rate the intensity of the smell on a scale of one to five. If a sniff is rated three or higher, then the DEQ would refer the complaints to the Department of Agriculture, which has jurisdiction over dairies.
 The Department of Agriculture will try to find a solution by creating an odor management plan, or figuring out what's wrong with an existing plan.
 If the complaints continue, the DEQ gets involved.
 The DEQ would again determine if the complaints are valid, and would then require an odor management plan. It could try to mitigate the problem if complaints persist.
 The DEQ can then take enforcement action.
 It would take time, under these guidelines, for the DEQ to take action, Howard said.
 "You can go out and say, 'We're going to shut the bad operations down,' but that is not going to help the problem," Howard said. "This is how society changes. You just don't go in there with a hammer and start whacking people on the head."
 But some citizens and county officials say state and federal laws can and should be enforced right now.
 "No person shall allow, suffer, cause or permit the emission of odorous gases, liquids or solids into the atmosphere in such quantities as to cause air pollution," according to a section of the state's administrative rules. Air pollution, according to the same section, is defined as "the presence in the outdoor atmosphere of any air pollutant or combination thereof in such quantity or such nature and duration and under such conditions as would be injurious to human health or welfare, to safety or plant life, or to property or to interfere unreasonably with the enjoyment of life or property."
 An air pollutant is defined as "any substance, including dust but not limited to dust, fume, gas, mist, odor smoke, vapor, pollen, soot, carbon or particulate matter or any combination thereof."
 Howard said he wasn't aware of that section ever being enforced. Enforcing it on this large and controversial Hank Hagfliger dairy near Filer would be a test case, he said.
 Grindstaff said the state's administrative rules should be authority enough for the DEQ to take Hagfliger to court. That viewpoint is shared by Bill Chisholm of Buhl, a longtime environmental activist who was Grindstaff's opponent in last month's election.
 "I'm glad for any kind of move, but I don't want to have the continued game of appeasement, because that's what caused the problem in the first place," Chisholm said.
 But Howard was unsure whether DEQ has the authority to enforce the state administrative rule dealing with air pollution.
 An Oct. 31 letter from state Deputy Attorney General Keith R. Donahue to the Department of Agriculture offers a different perspective.
 "In those situations where odor-based air pollution is resulting, despite compliance with generally acceptable agricultural practices, the Department (of Environmental Quality) retains authority to address the odor-based air pollution," the letter says.
 The issue can be addressed through the permit process, through enforcement under the air pollution rule, the letter says.

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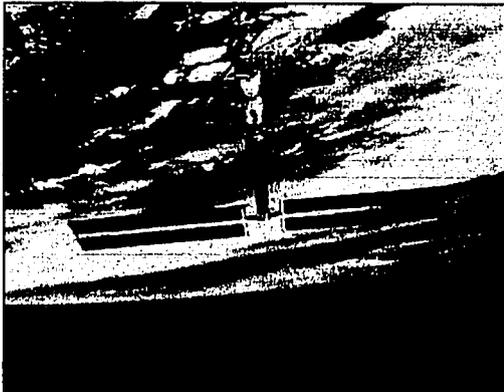
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The International Space Station is backdropped by the Earth's horizon after undocking with Space Shuttle Endeavour Saturday. The station now measures 143-feet in length by 240-feet wide by 90-feet tall.



Endeavour leaves Alpha: 'See you guys'

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Space shuttle Endeavour flew away from space station Alpha Saturday, leaving behind powerful solar wings that already have improved life on the orbiting outpost.

Alpha's three residents watched as Endeavour and its crew of five undocked more than 200 miles above central Asia. They won't have any more visitors until late next month, when another shuttle arrives.

Their farewell, after just one

day together, included hearty handshakes and hugs. The two spacecrats were linked for one week, but the hatches between them had remained sealed until Friday.

"Do svidaniya," a shuttle astronaut called out. (That's Russian for goodbye.) "See you guys," replied one of the station's Russian crewmen.

Navy Capt. Bill Shepherd, the station's skipper, and Navy Cmdr. Brent Jett Jr., the shuttle's skipper, followed the same naval

tradition that they observed when the Endeavour crew came aboard on Friday.

Jett requested permission to depart Alpha, which Shepherd granted. As Jett saluted and disappeared into a tunnel leading to the shuttle, Shepherd rang a ship's bell and called out: "Endeavour departing."

Before the shuttle astronauts left, Shepherd thanked them "for bringing us great new capability on board station Alpha."

"Job well done," he said.

Russian president to free American

The Washington Post

MOSCOW — President Vladimir Putin said Saturday he will follow the recommendation of the Russian pardons commission and free Edward Pope, the American businessman convicted of espionage, once Pope's sentence takes effect next week.

You know the decision of the commission, which includes respected people, and I cannot but have their opinion," Putin told reporters on a visit to the steel industry town of Magnitogorsk in the Ural Mountains. His comments followed a telephone conversation Friday with President Clinton, who appealed for Pope's freedom, but to no avail.

Putin appeared anxious Saturday to quickly resolve what has become an irritant in bilateral relations.

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Clinton: Prioritize education

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton sought to prod Congress to resolve the budget battle and approve billions of new federal dollars for schools, saying education is essential to continuing economic growth.

"We must not take our economic strength for granted," he said Saturday in his weekly radio address, which for the second week in a row focused on an education spending package.

Making education a priority is integral to a healthy economy, he said, along with paying down the debt, keeping inflation in check and interest rates low, and promoting trade. America also must "keep investing in our people — that's the most important thing — closing the skills gap with more training and better education."

The education package would provide money to replace and repair crumbling schools, operate after school programs, hire new teachers, reduce class size, improve teacher training, turn around failing schools and expand the Head Start program for preschoolers.

MALL HOURS THIS WEEK

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec. 10	Dec. 11	Dec. 12	Dec. 13	Dec. 14	Dec. 15	Dec. 16
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NATION

Officials find Cole security lapses

WASHINGTON - A Navy investigation has found that the captain and crew of the USS Cole failed to take some precautionary measures called for by the ship's security plan before it was attacked by suicide bombers on Oct. 12, Defense Department officials said.

The investigation has not been completed, and its initial conclusions are being considered by senior Navy officers. But officials said the Cole did not fully execute the classified "force protection plan" that its captain had filed before the Navy destroyer entered a Yemen port to refuel.

The same officials emphasized that even if the Cole had carried out the entire plan, it probably would not have prevented the attack by a small boat loaded with explosives, which killed 17 sailors.

Two Pentagon officials said a more significant question is why the Cole was ordered to sail into the port of a country known to contain terrorists, yet was operating under "Threat Condition Bravo," the second-lowest security level.

Farmers destroy 7 percent of sugar crop

WASHINGTON - Farmers destroyed 7 percent of this year's sugar crop under a federal program intended to reduce a price-depressing glut.

In return for plowing under 12,000 acres of sugar beets, the 5,000 farmers received title to some surplus sugar being held by the government, according to the Agriculture Department.

Producers are asking USDA to repeat the program in 2001, although a decision is not expected until after spring planting. "We still have a glut of sugar on this market," Jack Honey, an economist for the American Sugar Alliance, said Friday.

The destruction of sugar this year will save taxpayers \$5,000 in storage costs for the 277,349 tons of government-held sugar that was given to farmers who participated in the program, according to USDA.

Nation in brief

'Relax and accept it' - Helms is well, his staff says

WASHINGTON - In half a dozen ways, Sen. Jesse Helms is not ill, his staff is saying in response to numerous questions from reporters about the 79-year-old North Carolina Republican's health.

Helms, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, missed most meetings of the Senate in October and November with a bout of pneumonia but was back on the Senate floor this week. "In answer to your manifold inquiries: Senator Helms is not sick. Relax and accept it."

Hostage standoff involving federal police officer ends

ONTARIO, Calif. - A 13-year-old boy was rescued Saturday after a 10-hour hostage standoff with police that ended in the death of the federal officer who was suspected of kidnapping him.

The body of David Clairmont was found after shots were fired during the rescue. Clairmont, 32, was a police officer with the DVA in Los Angeles. He was due in court Monday to face charges of sex crimes related to the boy. Clairmont forced the boy into his car Friday morning at a bus stop and then eluded police during a high-speed chase, said Riverside County Sheriff's spokesman Mark Lohman.

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NATION

Election whiplash leaves Florida in limbo

Supreme Court grants Bush's request for stay

MIAMI (AP) — The monthlong vote count in Florida was on-again, off-again on Saturday.

The day began with confusion and grumbling, as election officials tried to comply with a state Supreme Court order to recount all votes passed over by machines. Then the U.S. Supreme Court told them to quit, granting Texas Gov. George W. Bush's request for a temporary stay.

"I'm frustrated with the ping-ponging around," said Highlands County Judge Olin Shihohler, a member of the canvassing board and a Republican. "It's to see some finality, one way or the other."

With the news, Republicans in Hillsborough County began hugging each other. At the Leon County Library, where more than



Duval County election workers rest after the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to stop all ballot recounting in Florida Saturday in Jacksonville, Fla.

9,000 votes from Miami-Dade County were being counted, about 50 Bush supporters broke into song: "Nah, nah, nah, nah, hey, hey, hey, goodbye."

"They are trying to crown King George," said Rep. Corrine Brown, a Florida Democrat from

Duval County. "It's a yo-yo and it just keeps going."

In Pinellas County, the board was slogging through the recount as the news scrolled across the television screen and the crowd allowed to watch the counting began shouting. Officials stopped after counting 234 ballots of the estimated 4,226 undervotes. The result at the time of the stay: 2 votes for Bush, 1 for Vice President Al Gore.

In Gulf County, the recount had just finished. "We're just now fixin' to sign the certification," sighed elections supervisor Cora Sue Robinson, a Democrat. "We've wasted a whole day." No votes changed there.

The massive recount brought on its share of chaos even without the wrenching stop brought by the U.S. Supreme Court's 5-4 decision.

Election officials had been facing a deadline today of 2 p.m. to recount some 45,000 votes. At the start of the day, Bush led Gore by 193 votes statewide out of 6 million ballots cast.

Questions, answers on high court's election decision

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Supreme Court halted Florida's recount Saturday, raising new questions about how the presidential election may end. Some questions and their answers:

Q. Why did the U.S. Supreme Court stop the recount ordered by the Florida Supreme Court?

A. Five conservative justices led by Antonin Scalia concluded that the court should hear George W. Bush's challenge to the hand recounts as illegal. Scalia said permitting the recount to proceed when it could be overturned later would undermine public faith in the election and endanger democratic stability.

"The counting of votes that are of questionable legality does in my view threaten irreparable harm to (Bush) and to the country by casting a cloud upon what he claims to be the legitimacy of his election," Scalia wrote.

Four liberal justices led by John Paul Stevens said the court majori-

ty acted "unwisely" in a ruling that "will inevitably cast a cloud on the legitimacy of the election."

Q. What is the significance of the nation's highest court splitting 5-4 along liberal-conservative lines in making this historic decision?

A. At the least, it ensures that many people will believe this decision is motivated more by politics or ideology than by an objective reading of the Constitution and the law. That threatens to perpetuate the partisan division in the country over the fairness of the presidential election. It also threatens to weaken the authority of whoever becomes the next president, and also of the Supreme Court itself.

Q. What happens next?

A. The U.S. Supreme Court will hear 90 minutes of oral argument from lawyers for Texas Gov. George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore starting at 11 a.m. Monday.

Q. Can the U.S. Supreme Court end the election?

A. Yes. It could do so by ruling

that the Florida Supreme Court had no authority to order a partial recount and by stating that Florida's certified vote count, which Bush won by 537 votes, is final. Florida's 25 electoral votes would make George W. Bush the next president with 271 electoral votes — one more than is necessary.

Q. What happens if, after hearing oral arguments Monday, the Supreme Court does not resolve the election?

A. The constitutional process will unfold. Electors will convene in their state capitals on Dec. 18. Their votes will be sent to Congress for certification on Jan. 6. For any challenge to electors from any state to prevail, each house of Congress in separate votes must approve. If the two houses of Congress fail to certify any presidential candidate as having won a majority of electoral votes, the Constitution orders the election to be decided by the House of Representatives, where each state delegation will have one vote. There are 28 states with

Republican majorities in their House delegations. If party lines hold, Bush would win.

Q. In light of these developments, is there any way Gore can win?

A. Yes. If the U.S. Supreme Court backs off after hearing oral arguments and lets the Florida recount proceed, Gore might win a majority of Florida's votes. Then the Florida Supreme Court could order a pro-Gore slate of electors to be certified.

If the Florida Legislature then backed off from its current plan to endorse the pro-Bush slate of electors, Congress could accept the pro-Gore slate as Florida's legitimate representatives to the Electoral College. Congress might do so on the basis that Gore legitimately won the last recount in Florida, although Congress so far seems more inclined to decide these questions along party lines. If Congress accepted a pro-Gore slate of electors from Florida, Al Gore would be the president-elect, with 292 electoral votes.

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Bush, Gore rake in millions for court fights

WASHINGTON (AP) - From the founder of Slim-Fast diet shakes to actress Jane Fonda, Al Gore has attracted a host of big-name donors to finance his legal challenges in Florida's contested presidential election.

Gore this past week disclosed for the first time the donors to his recount committee, and many of the names on the list are well known to the Democratic Party. Likewise, George W. Bush, who disclosed his donors earlier,

received contributions from at least 73 people who previously raised a minimum of \$100,000 for his campaign.

The vice president has raised \$3.5 million for the recount battle, less than half the \$7.4 million taken in by Bush. The Texas seceder has received at least 368 donations of \$5,000, the maximum amount he will accept; Gore has no limits, but has received 115 donations of \$5,000 or more, including \$500,000 from

Steven Kirsch, founder of the Internet company InfoSeek.com.

Many of the donors on Gore's list are frequent contributors to the Democratic Party. Slim-Fast founder S. Daniel Abraham, who has given \$1.1 million to the party and its candidates since Jan. 1, 1999, contributed \$100,000 to Gore's recount committee. Gore received \$50,000 from Peter Buttenweiser of Philadelphia, another seven-figure Democratic donor, and

\$25,000 from Fred Eyehamer of Chicago, who has put \$561,000 in Democratic coffers. And Houston trial lawyer John O'Quinn, a \$205,000 contributor to the party, gave Gore \$200,000.

Other big donors to Gore's recount committee included Fonda, who gave \$100,000, and California screenwriter Stephen Bing, who gave \$200,000. Bing was an executive producer of Sylvester Stallone's recent movie "Get Carter."

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(Joseph) Lieberman would win the popular vote in Florida just like they won it outside of Florida.

Gore was awarded a weekend recount Friday by the Florida Supreme Court, prompting a flood of Republican lawyers to press an appeal. They were unsuccessful at the state level and federal appellate levels before the U.S. Supreme Court intervened.

The court's decision froze the examination of thousands of ballots in dozens of Florida counties 150 hours after it had started.

The high court ordered both sides to present oral arguments at 11 a.m. EST Monday on the underlying legal issues in counting disputed ballots. Bush's top attorney, James A. Baker III, noted that the court hadn't ruled on any of these issues in halting the vote, but he took note of the remarks of Justice Scalia, one of the court's most conservative justices, regarding the eventual result.

"It suffices to say that the outcome of the stay suggests that majority of the court, while not deciding the issues presented, believe that the petitioner has a substantial probability of success," wrote the justice in an unusual accompanying statement. The majority order itself was contained in one brief paragraph.

Outside the court, about 100 protesters gathered Saturday night, chanting "every vote counts" and "pro-choice, pro-Gore." They were organized by a group that supports the right of women to have abortions.

The five votes to halt Florida's weekend vote count came from Chief Justice William Rehnquist and Justices Anthony Kennedy, Clarence Thomas, Sandra Day O'Connor and Scalia. Stevens, Stephen Breyer, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and David Souter dissented.

Stevens, writing for the minority, said, "To stop the counting of legal votes, the majority today departs from" the precedents of judicial restraint.

Asked about Scalia's prediction that Bush would prevail with the high court, Boies said, "Obviously we think the dissent had it better. Gore, during the campaign, had sharply faulted Scalia's positions on abortion and affirmative action."

Robert Levy, a constitutional scholar at the libertarian Cato Institute, said whatever sympathies Scalia may have, "it's not clear those sympathies are shared to the same degree (by the other justices)."

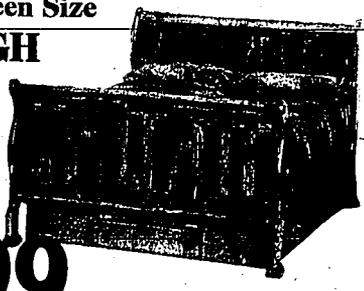
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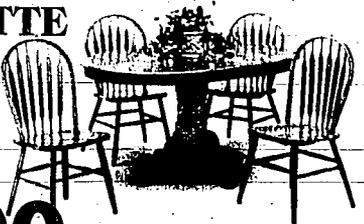
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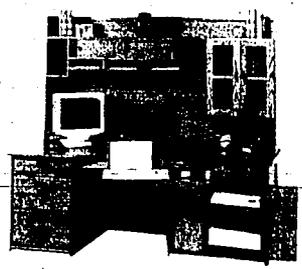
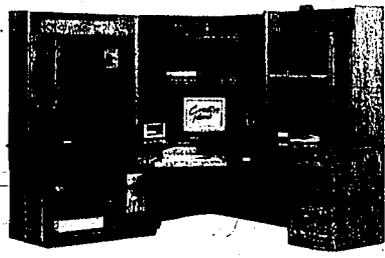
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Berlex said other side effects include breast tenderness, nausea, headaches and mood changes, which generally disappear within four months of the IUD's insertion.

In the first few months after Mirena's insertion, women may experience bleeding between menstrual cycles — but after that, many women's periods become shorter and lighter or even disappear, something the FDA listed as a side effect but that some women may call a benefit.

E-coli cases rise to 30 in few states

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The number of people sickened by an E. coli outbreak involving ground beef bought at Cub Foods has risen to 30, with cases confirmed in three states.

Cub Foods' supplier, American Foods Group Inc., has voluntarily recalled 1.1 million pounds of ground beef. American Foods said it has found no evidence the E. coli bacteria entered the ground beef in its premises. Other distributors who honored the recall include Kroger Co. and Sysco Corp.

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Math

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denis to solve a problem such as "defining the tangent, sine and cosine ratios for an acute angle in a right triangle."

Duane Slankin, chairman of the math department at Twin Falls High School, said the problem could require basic understanding or deeper knowledge, depending on how difficult the test-writer makes the question.

"As math instructors, we are wondering to what degree of difficulty they are talking," he said.

The state requires only four credits of math for graduation. Students have been able to graduate after taking pre-algebra and another type of math, such as business math. Students who want to go to college have had an incentive to take more math. Admission to Idaho's four-year schools requires six math credits that must include Algebra I and two other courses that require Algebra I as a prerequisite.

Dean Jones, who oversees instructional programs in the Boise School District, said the standards at least will require students to pass Algebra I if they are to pass the state test. At least 10 percent of Boise's class of 2000 did not take or pass the class.

Assuming the standards require students to pass Algebra II, the problem would be greater. Up to 50 percent of Boise's class of 2000 did not take or pass Algebra II, he said.

State Board member Karen McGee of Pocatello, the board's standards designate, said 2005 remains the target deadline.

"As of now, we are not going to back off that date," she said.

Local State Board of Education member Curtis Eaton, a Twin Falls banker, said the standards have been in place for two years.

"My inclination is that most districts have found that 2005 is acceptable," he said.

Boise would like a year's postponement, Jones said. And he said the way the state adopted the standards was confusing, leaving the district uncertain when students would be held accountable.

Eaton and McGee disagree that the standards have taken districts by surprise.

A commission that will develop assessments is being appointed, so pilot testing can begin by the next school year, McGee said.

Boise supports pilot testing as soon as possible, Jones said, so students and teachers have an idea of what will be expected.

Twin Falls School District Superintendent Terrell Donich said Twin Falls isn't asking for a delay in testing. He said the district hopes to have its students prepared by 2005.

The standards

Idaho's math standards for ninth through 12th-grade students are divided into seven main categories. The class of 2005 will be the first class to be held accountable for them. Categories and accompanying sample problems follow:

Basic arithmetic, estimation and accurate computations

- Use percentages when computing sales tax, tips or commissions.
- Find the largest size square tile that you could use to tile two rooms of different dimensions, using only whole tile.
- Compute compound interest from the number of compounding periods, principal, and annual interest rate.

Mathematical reasoning and problem-solving

- Determine the payment required on a loan.
- Prove a corner is a square, using the Pythagorean Theorem.

Concepts and principles of measurement

- Determine the volume of an aquarium in liters.
- Determine the amount of money a restaurant would lose if its portions are too large.

Concepts and language of algebra

- Express the formula for determining the amount of concentrate needed to make a diluted solution.
- Find trajectories for falling objects, such as baseballs or arrows.

Concepts and principles of geometry

- Determine the amount of carpet needed for an irregularly shaped room.
- Measure the height of a tree from the length of its shadow, using elementary trigonometry.

Data analysis, probability and statistics

- Analyze and interpret bar graphs and pie charts in magazines or newspapers.
- Predict population trends, using mathematical models.

Functions and mathematical models

- Identify domain and range in an income tax table.
- Model crop yield as a function of fertilizer used.

Source: Idaho Department of Education

The standards reflect public expectations of what students should know when they graduate, and the district wants to find out as quickly as possible if its students are prepared.

Schools don't have the vehicle

to require students to take the rigorous classes needed to pass, Donich said, so it will be important for students to take classes that cover the subject matter.

The State Board recently discussed whether the number of math credits required for college admission should be raised from six to eight.

"The conclusion is that it's better to leave that topic alone for now," Eaton said.

Changing a college admission requirement would have ramifications for the K-12 system, which already has a lot going on with the new achievement standards,

he said.

Another question — for the math standards and beyond — is sorting out what sanctions students will face, if they don't pass.

The State Board needs to determine whether it wants to tie graduation to the state tests, Donich said.

"I'm not sure they would be prepared for the number of students who wouldn't graduate," he said.

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World's oldest man dies in Oklahoma at 111 years of age

The Dallas Morning News

OKLAHOMA CITY — Benjamin Harrison Holcomb, heralded by the Guinness Book of World Records as the world's oldest man at 111, died Saturday in a southwestern Oklahoma nursing home where he lived the last five years. "I don't feel sad," said his daughter, Lucille Bridwell, "because he's had his life. He's tired and ready to go someplace to rest." Holcomb, a former Fort Sill, Okla., hospital cook and wheat farmer who lived in three centuries, received international attention last summer when London-based Guinness announced he would be listed as the world's oldest man in its 2001 edition.

'He is immortalized forever, as it were.'

— Neil Hayes, Guinness spokesman

Guinness bestowed the distinction after reviewing census records and Holcomb's birth certificate, showing he was born in Brown County, Kan., on July 3, 1889.

He is immortalized forever, as it were," said Guinness spokesman Neil Hayes, noting the latest edition already is on newsstands. Guinness, Hayes said, now is investigating whether a European reportedly born the same year as Holcomb can be designated as the world's oldest man.

Holcomb was raised by a pioneer Oklahoma family that staked its claim in 1893 when the Cherokee Strip Land Run opened part of the old Indian Territory to white settlement. The family settled near Tuloga, about 120 miles northwest of Oklahoma City.

He farmed hundreds of acres — including about 320 that he owned — near Apache in southwestern Oklahoma until he was his late 90s. He moved into a nursing home in nearby Carnegie about five years ago. Holcomb attributed his longevity and health to clean living and hard work.

"We got in early, and we worked real late," he told Oklahoma City television station KOKH-TV last summer, just before his 111th birthday.



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Ehud Barak

Israeli prime minister says he'll resign

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel's beleaguered Prime Minister Ehud Barak said Saturday he would resign, triggering elections that he termed "a referendum on peace" within two months.

"There are those who doubt the mandate I received from the citizens of Israel," Barak said in a televised address to the nation. "Tomorrow I will advise the president of my resignation (and) in 60 days we will go to special elections for prime minister."

Even though Barak said he would hand in his resignation today, he will remain prime minister until the special elections. In his announcement, Barak made clear that he would be a candidate for re-election.

The move appeared aimed at preventing former prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu — who currently

holds a two-digit lead over Barak in most polls — from running against him. Netanyahu is not a member of parliament, as Israel's law requires candidates to be under such circumstances.

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Protests halt Turkey's idea for prisoners

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — With hunger-striking inmates calling ill, Turkey on Saturday postponed indefinitely the transfer of prisoners from open wards to small cells, where they fear abuse by authorities.

The decision came after human rights activists and prisoners' relatives and lawyers stepped up their protests of the transfer plan. Police clashed with hundreds of demonstrators in downtown Istanbul on Saturday, detaining 200, activists and news reports said. In the capital, Ankara, about 1,000 people gathered in a peaceful protest.

Turkey's dormitory-style prison wards housed up to 100 inmates at a time, often in poor conditions. But prisoners fear the smaller cells, which would hold one to three people, would make them more vulnerable to torture and abuse at the hands of guards.

Police: Gunman who killed worshippers held grudge against sect

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) — A gunman who killed 20 worshippers in a mosque had a long-standing grudge against their Islamic sect and had threatened its members, a police chief said Saturday.

Police shot dead the gunman, Abbas al-Buger Abbas, after he walked up to the al-Sunna al-Mohammediyya Mosque in the village of Garafa on Friday evening and fired an automatic rifle through its

window.

He killed 20 people and wounded 33 others, including a policeman, police spokesman Gen. Osman Yakoub Ali said. Abbas belonged to a militant Islamic group, Takfir wal Hijra, Khartoum police Gen. Osman Gaafar said. He had formerly belonged to al-Sunna al-Mohammediyya, but had left this sect owing to religious differences, Gaafar said.

After he joined Takfir wal Hijra, Abbas repeatedly made violent threats against members of his former group. In 1998, police detained him for four months because of these threats.

He was released after saying that he repented, Gaafar said.

On Saturday, President Omar el-Bashir visited the mosque in Garafa, a village north of Omdurman, the twin city of the

capital Khartoum. He paid his condolences to relatives of the victims and said legislation would be passed to control fanatical religious groups.

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EDITORIAL

Idaho's cheap electricity needs legal protection

In case you think Idaho's cheap power is a given, consider the convergence of events that unfolded Thursday.

While Gov. Dirk Kempthorne asked Idaho legislators to close a loophole in state energy law, California officials were calling an unprecedented electricity alert - worried that a predicted cold snap would stress an already limited power supply.

Think over - If Idaho's electric industry is deregulated, the flow of power is likely to go only one way: from Idaho to more populous states with greater demand. And the bills for Idaho consumers can only go in one direction: up.

Idaho politicians for years have feared the prospect of electric deregulation, recognizing a threat to the state's cheap power rates. So state lawmakers were right to sound the alarm over a recent federal court ruling that has the effect of deregulating Idaho's electric industry.

And Kempthorne made the right call Thursday when he asked lawmakers to stick around after their post-election organization session to pass a stopgap law addressing the court ruling. The couple of hours lawmakers spent in Boise Friday qualified as cheap insurance.

Because if you don't like spending more at the gas pump, just imagine life with higher power bills.

A spike in power rates would play havoc with Idaho's economy. Just ask the farmer who uses that cheap elec-

tricity for irrigation. Or consider the food-processing plant that banks on low power rates as a key component in running at a profit.

Inexpensive power has been an ingredient - not the only factor, but a considerable one - in Idaho's economic boom. But a deregulated industry would bring Idaho nothing but a long-term increase in power bills. That's not progress.

Deregulated electricity would bring Idaho nothing but a long-term increase in power bills. That's not progress.

Applying supply-and-demand economics here is a bad equation for Idaho.

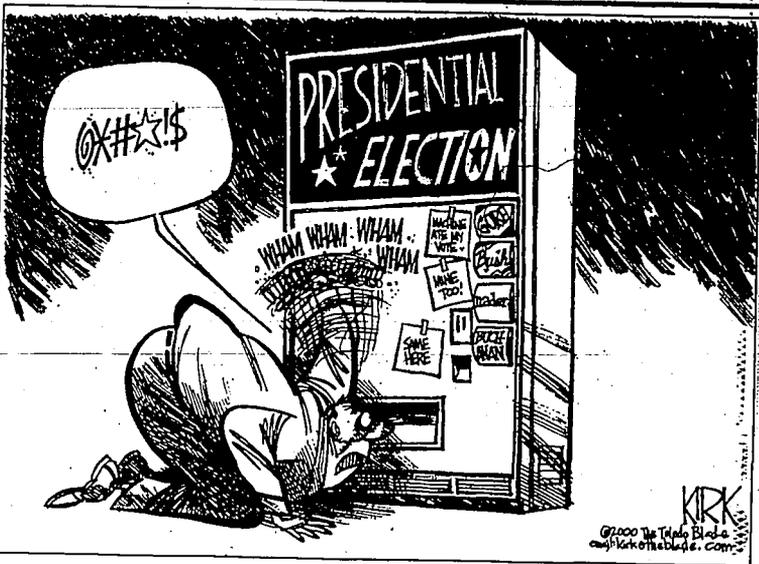
Especially when the demand is surely going to be higher in a state such as California.

California's demands came into sharp focus Thursday when officials to shut down pumps that move water to central and southern California. The move came as reserves on California's power grid dipped below 1,000 megawatts - enough juice to power 1 million homes, but too scanty a margin for comfort.

In a deregulated system, odds are California officials would not look to shut down power use. Instead, they would look for the cheapest out-of-state power they could find. Again, where is the benefit to Idaho?

The Legislature took the first step Friday to respond to the deregulation threat. And it makes sense - as Kempthorne has suggested - that lawmakers pass permanent legislation when they reconvene in January.

The state has too much to lose. Idaho needs to move with care, but with a sense of urgency.



What power sharing really means

The voters, bless 'em, sure don't make it easy for the politicians. Not only did we have a presidential election that was the first to a tossup but we also created the first 50-50 tie in the history of the Senate.

When it became clear that the Democrats, the minority party in the Senate for the past six years, had gained enough seats to achieve parity, their able leader, Sen. Tom Daschle of South Dakota, started speaking of a "power-sharing" arrangement with the Republicans. He and Sen. Trent Lott of Mississippi, the Republican leader, have begun negotiations on what that would mean.

The country has an interest in how this is worked out because the Senate is a place where procedures often determine policy outcomes. Given the situation the voters created, there are two key principles to keep in mind. First, everything possible should be done to encourage consensus and facilitate action on national priorities. Second, there should be clear political accountability for whatever happens - or does not get done.

The first principle requires that equal resources of staff and budget be made available to both parties. Typically, the minority party has fewer staff aides and a smaller budget on each of the Senate committees, which makes it difficult to do the work on legislation that takes place. That limits the minority's capacity to shape the bills in their formative stage, because the senators themselves have little time for this vital detail work.

Anything less than an equal division of staff resources will tip the scales and, even more important, create a sense of grievance among Senate Democrats that will impede the chances of bipartisan agreement.

The first principle also supports



DAVID BRODER

Daschle's argument that Democrats are entitled to "more say on how the Senate is run," including a voice in "deciding what bills are debated on the floor." Lott will have to sacrifice some of the majority's traditional control of the agenda. But the loss of power will not be that great, for the reality is that the only major bills that will pass are those that command support on both sides of the aisle. It takes 60 senators to cut off the seat of a filibuster and bring a measure to a vote, so cross-party coalitions will be essential.

Fortunately, there is broad agreement between the parties on the domestic issues that need addressing - health care, education, Social Security, Medicare and taxes. At the committee level, that agenda will keep the Senate busy for months, for there is no substantial - but not irreconcilable - differences between the parties on their preferred solutions. With equal staff resources and early agreement that both sides can call the witnesses they want to hear, the best conditions for consensus-building will exist.

But the second principle - of clear political accountability - is equally important. Although the election yielded a Senate of 50 Democrats and 50 Republicans, control will remain in Republican hands. Either Vice President Dick Cheney will be in the chair, available to break a tie, or should Joe Lieberman become vice president, his Senate seat will go the Republicans on an appointment from Connecticut's

Republican governor, making the new lineup 51-49 Republican. Since Republicans will have ultimate responsibility for the Senate either way, it is important they have sufficient authority to fulfill their obligations. That argues against Daschle's claims for co-chairmanships of all committees or a division of chairmanships between the parties. And it argues against his demand that each committee have as many Democrats as Republicans.

Sen. John Warner of Virginia, the Republican chairman of the Armed Services Committee, pointed out to me that several committees, including his own, have long traditions of minimizing partisanship. But he said he would not want the chairmanship unless he had at least a one-vote committee majority to break a stalemate and assure that legislation can reach the floor for debate. The only committee with equally divided membership is the Select Committee on Ethics. Even the Select Committee on Intelligence, with the least partisan of subject matters, has a one-seat Republican margin. Whatever power-sharing arrangements are ultimately negotiated, consensus will have to be found in the center bloc of two dozen moderate Democrats and Republicans.

Where they agree, the Senate will not need co-chairmanships or absolute mathematical equality on each committee to do its work. But where the parties disagree, as they inevitably will, it is important the public understand which side is responsible.

If the Democrats play this right, they can come out with what they deserve - "more say on how the Senate is run" - and still leave the responsibility where it belongs - with the Republicans.

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LETTERS

Centers help the mentally ill

I am writing on behalf of the chronically ill population.

Back in March, Rep. Randy Hansen sponsored House Bill 797, HB 797 reduces Medicaid funding to centers and clubhouses (out-patient treatment and mental health clinics) all over the state. Idaho is the 49th state out of 50 in funding for this population, and HB 797 dampens funding even more: Idaho also ranks fifth in the nation for the highest suicide rate. These are not statistics that Idaho should be proud of. The bill passed 36-31 in the House, passed in the Senate and was signed by the governor, therefore making it law.

Community Support Centers are places for mentally ill people to learn skills such as interpersonal social interaction, anger management, relationships skills, reduce isolation, reduce depression, GED education, case hospitalization, etc. The consumers learn daily living skills such as cooking, shopping and budgeting so they can sustain life in the community. We also teach them how to manage their medication and symptom management.

We give them love, support and acceptance. Because of their brain disorder (chemical imbalance), they suffer much more than normal functioning people. They gain dignity from learning how to stand up for themselves (advocate) and being a part of the community. They learn vocational skills, and they earn their own money to go on outings.

The Department of Health and Welfare, Mental Health, which is understaffed, is only trying to make these budget cuts because HB 797 was passed, reducing hours to the point we may have to reduce services. We are serving one-third to one-half of this population free of charge because we care. I can always get a job somewhere else, but what about those people who attend the clubs? They will probably be out on the streets, home isolating, going without medications, going without needed services and increase in suicides. They will probably get to the point where hospitalization is needed. Most incarcerations will take place, cost taxpayers more than services currently provided. Is that why the Legislature voted in more funding for a new prison? We have gone to our county commissioners for help because taxpayers will inadvertently pay more in the long run (indigent funds involved).

To the community at large: Please help

us advocate by writing to our legislators and governor to help us go forward in serving the poorest and most vulnerable population in our great state.

COLEEN MULLINIX

(Editor's note: Coleen Mullinix is a licensed social worker and director of services for the Twin Falls Community Support Center Inc.)

We should know more about game

There may be some hope the new game director will take to the task of making Idaho a great hunting state again.

My opinion is that we have little knowledge about the game. If you believe the stories of planted birds, then we should be embarrassed. There is not room for a letter to the editor to explain my position, but the game director will get a real look at game studies in this nation and around the world. I will publish a letter when I get his response.

I wrote a letter many years ago that the Hun was the bird of the future in Idaho. They can be if we quit killing them all off when we get some. I think the season should not be any longer than 30 days like the sharp-tail. The limit should be four.

Game people tell us that they cannot be raised in captivity. England must have a secret. They raise several million a year in captivity. They tell us hunting does not hurt game population. Ask the buffalo and the passenger pigeon. We have a better game department's thoughts on this matter.

We like to call it cycles, but six kill surely changes the cycle. 1981 was the last good Hun year. Last year was the best in the nation. The game department costs birds like they do votes in Florida.

This was a good year for pheasants if you wanted to hunt. It will get better if we handle our isolated tracts better.

I would like to thank all the people who help my efforts. Flock dogs, birds and guns. Let the young people have some fun to hunt, and we won't have to worry about gun control. Upland game is the best avenue.

Wal-Mart, Mr. Gas and many small businesses get my vote this year for promoting hunting and public land. The ranchers and farmers, I cannot say enough for their efforts.

NICK ROKICH
Burley

You've lost, Donkeys

The college bowl season is about to begin, and I hope they are not beset with the problems of the Blunder Bowl, er, the President's Bowl that was played on Nov. 7. I bought a ticket - uh - voted, but spent most of my time in the back country searching for a deer that the wolves hadn't munched.

The Blunder Bowl was sponsored by Tax Payers R Us and the Late Night Comedians Union. It featured the D.C. Donkeys against the Austin Tech Elephants. It seems the Donkeys took the field with a wide-open, no-holds-barred game plan. They split guys all over the field; ran a lot of double and triple reverses; and really gambled on defense. The Tech Elephants, on the other hand, played a hard-nosed, ball-control ground game (Woody Hayes would have been proud). They seldom threw the ball, and their special teams were excellent.

Late in the game, the Elephants led by a narrow margin and, as luck would have it, fumbled deep in their own territory and the Donkeys pounced on the ball. With time for only one play, the Donkeys threw into the end zone but the ball fell incomplete, thus the game ended - Elephants won!

But wait. The head Donkey appealed to the officials that some of his players didn't understand the play and should be given another chance. The officials said lack of preparation was no excuse for a replay. Then the head Donkey said the scorekeeper had failed to put up some of their points. The officials called the scorekeeper, but he had already gone home to watch some Hee-Haw reruns. Then head Donkey said the officials had missed some calls and if they would look at the game film, they could correct their mis-

takes. The officials said the game was over, rules had been followed, a game is won by the team who makes the least mistakes, human errors could not be corrected and they were not going to replay the game.

So, Donkeys, you must know that in all bowl games, there is a first place and a second place. Second-place people re-evaluate, reload and get ready for the next contest. A real class act does not permit whining and whimpering, so cut it out! By the way, there is always the Kentucky Derby next spring, but I don't know if they allow jackasses in their race. ED SIMMONS JR.
Gooding

Support your local shelter

I agree with the lady who wrote in about the front page of Monday's paper. Why don't we give the shelter more support? We have fund rallies and festivals for other charitable events, why not the shelter? Six days is not enough time for a life, be it cat or dog. They have a right for another chance.

The shelter is way too small for a town this size! Why can't the commissioners find the money to add on to this building? The shelter lives on a shoestring. It gets these animals because the budget it for once a year just doesn't cut it. Budget - that's a laugh!

I and my husband live on a fixed income, but I still get enough out of our budget to buy food for the pound once a month. It's a drop in the bucket, I know, but it helps save one life, so be it. Why can't others in this city do this once in a while? What about some of our bigger food chains giving some pet food? They can write it off better than I can.

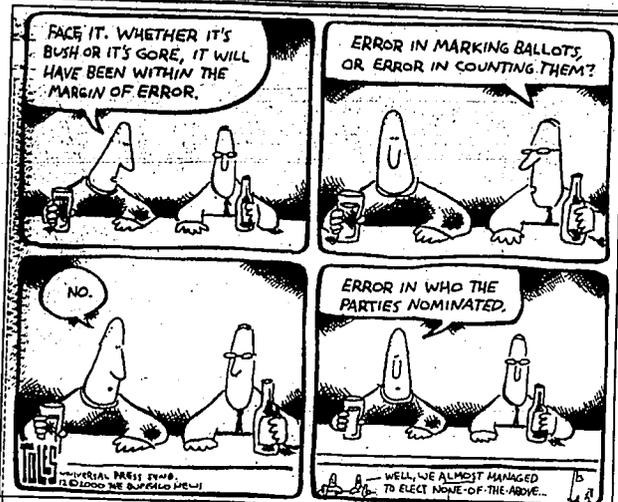
These people at the shelter work hard and need some support! And the animals need a longer than six days. These people at the shelter will take money out of their own pocket to help feed these animals.

For shame on our city! I know not every one is an animal lover, but to those who are, let's try and back our shelter and the people who work there more. Then maybe there will be no more sorry pictures to see. CAROL RAE SCOGGINS
Twin Falls

Don't edit letters, TN

The Times-News regularly publishes requirements for letters submitted to this column. However, I have never seen notice that your letter may be edited. Surely the newspaper understands the importance of sentence and paragraph structure. The letters to the editor should reflect the intent of the author, not the editorial staff. Changing words or deleting portions may leave the message unclear or tend to make the author appear a little "joopy."

If the letter meets all the requirements for publication, it should be printed without editing. LAURIEN WARREN
Editor
(Editor's note: Like other publications, we reserve the right to edit all letters. For example, we commonly shorten letters to meet our length limit, and we remove passages that violate our standards of decency, defamation or bigotry. We often correct grammar and spelling, and we remove long scriptural quotations or other quoted material. If a letter requires extensive modification, we generally ask the writer to rewrite it. In all cases, we do our best to retain the writer's spirit and intent.)



Bad religion brings bad leaders

Our cliffhanger presidential race is being compared to the 1876 contest in which Rutherford Hayes lost the general election while winning, barely, in the Electoral College.

But the campaign of 1800—the first contested presidential election—offers more important lessons about America's political culture. It was another neck-and-neck race, as Vice President Thomas Jefferson butted Aaron Burr for electoral votes. A divided House of Representatives had to pick a winner and, after some backroom politics, the federalists backed Jefferson.

The two campaigns are alike in another way: Both were awash in religion. George W. Bush cited Jesus as his favorite political philosopher. Al Gore called faith "the bedrock of my approach to any important question in my life." And Joe Lieberman, the first Jew named as a vice-presidential running mate, likened his campaign to Moses leading the Israelites out of Egypt.

During the election of 1800, Burr made no secret of the fact that he was the grandson of the revered theologian Jonathan Edwards. Churchgoing Adams had spoken favorably of government support for religion. Jefferson tried to conceal his Deism, but evangelicals warned that a vote for him was a vote for an infidel. A Boston newspaper opined that Jefferson's election would mean "the seal of death" for Christianity in America.

Behind the religious clamor, however, lies a remarkably enlightened view of church and state: the assumption that religion was essential to democratic government. In France, the revolutionaries had vowed to "strangle the last

JOSEPH LOCONTE

king with the guts of the last king." But the American Revolution produced a nation that joined religious and political liberty at the hip; any threat to one imperiled the other.

The reason goes back to the Founders' view of democracy. Freedom depends on citizens who can govern themselves, which means freedom requires virtue. But it takes more than laws to sustain morality. It requires religion—not the enfeebled variety of an established church, but the muscular faith of individual believers and congregations exercised in the public square.

This was, more or less, the view held by virtually all the Founders, even the most irreligious among them. "If men are so wicked as we now see them with religion," remarked Ben Franklin, "what would they be if without it?" Madison, champion of the separation of church and state, called belief in God "essential to the moral order." Even Jefferson, when asked as president why he was attending church, replied, "No nation has ever existed or been governed without religion. Nor can be."

True, the great temptation then was to make any political contest a referendum on Christian orthodoxy. The temptation today, however, is to neglect the bond between religion and republican virtue.

It is a bipartisan problem. Many conservatives like the idea of mixing more faith into public life, but often act in ways that misplace the strength of religious belief. Why, for example, do the religious right pour so much effort into reintroducing school prayer or slipping Nativity scenes onto

public property? These are the trappings of belief, not the core. They serve as fiery politics—symbols but do little to shape conscience or character.

Liberals, on the other hand, seem to think democracy can get along just fine without religion or virtue. When Bush speaks of restoring honor and dignity to the presidency, Democrats sneer. When Lieberman quotes Washington to tout the power of faith to show up judgment, libertarians rush to judge. When the Boy Scouts stand up for traditional values of sexuality and marriage, they are hauled into court and dismissed as bigots.

Yale law professor Stephen Carter, in his latest book, "God's Name in Vain," scolds those who treat religious zeal with disdain while ignoring the religious campaigns against slavery, child labor and segregation.

"Politics needs morality," he writes, "which means politics needs religion." Likewise, Librarian of Congress James Billington recently lamented the "surge of indifference" of elites to the historic, revitalizing power of religion.

What else is dissolving in the process? Perhaps nothing less than the deepest source of America's social stability and moral strength. However the referendum is resolved, the next president should use his bully pulpit to help restore the vital connection between faith and freedom. Sometimes the most important task of statesmen is not to promise or proclaim, but simply to remember.

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-LETTER-

Dairy Ideas aren't 'loopy'

The editor who wrote the Nov. 29 editorial should be ashamed of himself. The Times-News Nov. 28 article did not tell us what 12 actions were called for in the Filer-Chisholm plan. Reference was made to only four of the suggestions, while eight paragraphs were devoted to self-serving statements by Dairy Association representative Eilers.

Having never given us the chance to read the 12 ideas, your editor as the gall to subject us to his own distorted viewpoint of them.

We can conclude the plan recommends limiting the size of dairies, reforming the county's livestock ordinance review committee (currently overbalanced with pro-dairy people), shutting down dairies that don't comply with state and local standards and determining the number of cows already in the county.

All very sound ideas, subscribed to, I am sure, by at least those 5,000-plus people who voted for Chisholm. Your editor seems to enjoy thumbing his nose at those citizens, using pejorative adjectives like "loopy," "bizarre," "fuzzy," "socialist," "demoniac," "melodrama" and "shortsighted."

This is known as spin, using negative adjectives and questionable logic, appealing to emotions instead of to facts.

Why not print the 12 actions Chisholm called for, Mr. Editor—without a name, and let us make up our own minds as to what adjectives should apply?

Here's an appropriate adjective: Your out and out misstatements of the law are ridiculous. It would certainly not be a "flat illegal" to freeze large dairy operations at their present size. In the interest of public health and safety, the county does have that power.

Why would it be "loopy" to demand someone count the number of animals in place at large dairies? Since county authorities are the ones who've been responsible for granting these permits for more than 1,000, someone somewhere should be responsible to make sure these dairies are not exceeding their permitted number of animals.

Again, the county has the right to do this if the commissioners so choose, if the commissioners have the courage to take on the powerful Dairyman's Association.

Naturally, they back your advocacy of bumping the political heat up to the state level. You, Mr. Editor, are the one who is "loopy!"

PAT HANSING
Buhl

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Idaho DEQ offers hope

Tuesday's Idaho Department of Environmental Quality meeting was well-attended, mostly by people from Filer and Hollister. These people were gratified to hear DEQ Chief Steve Allred tell of the new odor standards.

Although the procedure is somewhat vague, it is beginning to look like a good start to resolve some of the mess our county commissioners and planning and zoning board have made of the confined animal feeding operation problem in Idaho.

I realize this problem was inherited by Commissioners Gary Grindstaff and Bill Brockman, who I noticed were the only commissioners to attend the meeting. I was encouraged to hear Grindstaff say no more CAFOs would be allowed until the odor problem is solved.

Kewis Eilers, lobbyist for the Idaho Dairy Association, said the industry is also trying to resolve the issue internally. This was good to hear because it shows a willingness within the industry to work on the problem. The biggest problem I see with the dairy industry (next to their odor prob-

lems) is their attitude. It was stated in effect how lucky we are to have dairies and what boon they are to our local economy. Who would you farmers sell your crops to, was asked. Well I'll tell you, in 1972 when I moved to Twin Falls County, I was greeted by what I thought was the prettiest valley in the world. Cattle were grazing on most every farm. Farmers were growing mostly the same crops they do now and had been for 60 years. People survived just fine, so if propping up our economy is your claim to fame, your argument has a real hollow ring to it.

The other dairy argument in defense of the odor problem is, "Well, next to your septic tanks which pollute," which is true, however, to equal the odor or volume of the CAFOs south of Filer, every septic tank in the county would have to be moved to one location and the inspection doors removed. There is no comparison. I think the dairy industry view that "We're here so you just have to live with it" is a poor attitude. I think for the most part, the people in attendance are not against dairies but only the factors within the dairy industry. Let's

hope the new procedures in effect will provide some relief for everyone involved. Who knows, maybe we will even be able to take a deep breath again!

CRAIG SLANE
Filer

Puppet master pulls strings

Election—puppet show. I humbly write this letter. A Democrat or Republican I am not. I vote for the man. Are they not supposed to work for us, the American people, regardless of the party? I don't like primaries as I have to cross over for the better man I think will do the job.

The better man was John McCain. I believe the reason he was not chosen was because he refused to be a puppet for the big, big money, not for temper tantrums; we don't know the meaning of that yet.

Now, as it seems to be over, let's sit back comfortably and watch the biggest, most expensive puppet show.

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How do you know the fridge light goes off?

This morning's topic is the bachelor's refrigerator, one of the most tragic symbols of social alienation in post-modern America.

It's a vast, empty wasteland guarded only by Kosher pickles and mayonnaise jugs with a spoon left inside and jars of capers and those little packages of Tostitos hot sauce.

It's a half-empty can of beer and an utterly empty carton of milk, left to ponder the mysteries of life lived on the brink of its self-by-dare.

It's well, pathetic. Pathetic is bad when it comes to bachelorhood—or bachelorettehood—in all of its various forms. Pathetic snacks of shawls and hats eaten

cans of tuna fish and stamp collections and "Jeopardy" and way, way too many cats.

Pathetic reeks of fustiness and Vicks Vapo Rub and Howard Hughes. It is an Arby's coupon, still magnetted to the refrigerator door, that could not be redeemed after 1994.

Pathetic is one of your grown children saying to the other, "If you don't throw out Dad's pizza-box collection, I'm going."

I was divorced last summer after 23 years, and the thing I discovered about becoming suddenly single is that you lose your sense of irony pretty quickly about your situation.

So much so that a man in his extremely late forties sharing a can of cream of asparagus soup with his dog no longer comprehends that such behavior borders on the Just-Too-Weird.

Especially when he places the bowl on the floor for the dog and himself eats what's left in the saucepan.

Truth be told, Penina—that's the dog—pretty much runs the house nowadays. I'm just there to scratch her belly.

This is not a good thing, but I've found that it's not that uncommon.

Cast your mind back to those particularly misshapen branches on your own family tree. I'll bet you the contents of my refrigerator that they were single.

Uncle Dave, perhaps, who thought aliens had planted genetically engineered corn in his ears? This was a man who didn't get out much.

Now I know perfectly reasonable single people who've been that way for awhile, but I suspect there's a continuum here. Everybody, to one degree or another, gets colorful when they get alone.

—Question is, can the process be reversed?

I tend to think not. My Uncle Myron, widowed in his 40s, got remarried in his 50s. He carried a little, um, baggage into his second union.

Myron had taken up the hobby of playing handbells after his first wife died, and by the time he married my Aunt Cloris, that hobby had become an obsession.

Handbell players wear white cotton gloves, and Myron wore his everywhere. You'd go to his house on Thanksgiving, and he'd carve the turkey wearing them.

Handbell players are also convinced that temperature affects the pitch and timbre of the bells, so they sat on the top of the piano, precisely equidistant from the radiator and the refrigerator.

After one particular family gathering, one of the prized bells came up missing. I would not say that Myron had a conviction, but I've never seen the veins on anybody's temples stand out quite that far.

He tore that house upside down; Myron was abet on the brink of prying up the floorboards in the living room when Cloris found the missing bell. It had tumbled off the top of the piano and landed in a hot bowl of candied yams, which were sitting on the sideboard.

Myron swore that incident forever impaired his ability to play "Angels We Have Heard on High" properly (Hot sweet-potato residue evidently transforms a "C" into a C-sharp on a handbell). So forever after, he kept his handbells in the fridge.

Oddly enough, I can relate to that.

Times-News features editor Steve Crump wonders if you'd come over to his house and look in the green stuff in the Tupperware bowl. Should he throw it out or use it as flu vaccine?

Steve Crump

Up on the mountain top

Couple reveal Santa's secrets at ski resort

By Brandon Flala
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A holiday mystery was revealed on a ski mountain.

Santa Claus and his five brothers skied at Magic Mountain ski area Saturday. The brothers Claus came at the request of close friends Gary and Bev Stone.

The Stones, local artists, and Marty Jacobs, owner of Magic Mountain, sponsored a free day of skiing for children 12 and under.

The Stones produce children's books about Santa Claus, and during the day they told stories to children describing the life of Santa Claus.

"I tell everyone that Santa tells me his story because Christmas is becoming too commercial, and people are too greedy," Bev Stone said. "My part of the deal is that I have to get as many people aware of the story as possible. That's the reason we're up here today."

Bev Stone writes the books, and Gary Stone illustrates them.

Over 50 youngsters skied free, and many heard Bev Stone describe Santa Claus. One of their books, "The Secret of Santa Claus," answers the tough questions children ask — "How do reindeer fly?" "How does Santa enter homes without chimneys?" and others.

"My job is to reveal the secrets of Santa Claus," Bev Stone said.

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Santa Claus took a little break from the busiest time of the year in the North Pole to make a visit to the Magic Mountain ski area Saturday afternoon.

Historian: We can learn from past fires

By N.S. Nokkentved
Times-News writer

BOISE — Fire is a tool — the flame on a candle is like an ax head on a handle.

Fire has been domesticated, trained like an animal. It also exists on its own, apart from us — wild at times beyond our control. But fire can best be controlled in the wild with fire, says fire historian Steve Pyne.

The need to let small fires burn to prevent large, uncontrollable infernos has been a raging topic of debate for a century. It was hotly debated in 1910, again in 1924 and it was the topic last week at "The Fires Next Time," a forum on how to respond to this year's fire season.

"I'd like to see more fire. We have to have it," said Pyne, a University of Arizona professor and keynote speaker at Thursday's forum attended by about 450 people.

"But I don't think it's going to happen," he said.

In the 1880s the United States looked a lot like Brazil in the 1980s. Huge fires were used to clear vast tracts of land for agriculture as part of the industrialization of the country.

At that time, large tracts of the public domain were set aside, protected from the process of industrialization and the extravagant use of fire, Pyne said.

But in the West, much of the landscape is characterized by distinct wet and dry cycles and prevalent dry lightning storms — a recipe for frequent natural wildfires.

In the West, nature will burn things if people don't, he said.

Before the arrival of white settlers, American Indians set frequent fires in forests and grasslands — a process that stopped when they were wiped out or moved onto reservations.

With the white settlers came domestic cows that were moved into the woods and cropped the grasses that once helped carry low-intensity fires. Commercial timber harvest changed the nature of the forest, replacing large, fire-resistant trees with smaller fire-prone species.

And perhaps most significant was the dominant fire policy that put out all fires and led to a buildup of down and dead wood that has led to at least 39 million acres of national forest at risk of large, uncontrollable fires.

Though the years, fire policy has been fundamentally political, Pyne said.

The 1910 fires that burned about 3 million acres were a test of competing political ideas of what to do with public lands.

Before 1910, the argument for using light burning to prevent big blazes was fought by the Forest Service, which held that any evidence of fire should be fought and put out.

After the 1910 fires, the next three Forest Service chiefs vowed not to allow 1910 to be repeated. Fighting fire became the moral equivalent of war — people united against the forces of nature.

When large fires broke out again in 1934, the debate was reignited — one side held to the idea that all fires must be put out and the other wanted to leave them alone to burn.

The Forest Service opted to fight every fire with what became known as the 10 a.m. edict — every fire would be put out by 10 a.m. the following day.

But where fire has been excluded, as time passes, the fuel has built up, and though the number of fires has not risen, the cost to fight fires has escalated, Pyne said. And the number of large, uncontrollable fires has grown.

The 1988 Yellowstone fires continued to burn despite the best efforts firefighters could muster and only went out when it started to snow. Firefighters were able to save three towns, structures, but they were powerless against the juggernaut of fire.

"It's a problem of poetry," Pyne said.

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Bringing a hot meal and a smile

Volunteers give homebound link to outside world

By Ramona Seltzinger
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — After years of cooking for herself and her family, Kathleen Wyatt found herself living alone in an apartment in Twin Falls.

She had always been active — the kind of person who made care for friends and relatives at Christmas and loved to cook until her eyesight began to fail her.

After an extended illness, she found herself needing dialysis for a kidney problem. The treatments drained her energy and she found it difficult to cook for herself. Not wanting to give up her independence, she called the Senior Citizens Center and signed up for its home-delivered meals program.

Wyatt has been receiving the meals for six months now. She said she enjoys the homemade

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Larry Justesen, Helen Justesen, Loretta Weekes, Betty Kandick, and Gari Hernandez prepare meals at the Senior Citizens Center Friday to deliver to homebound seniors in Twin Falls. The center cooks and delivers 130 meals a day which are delivered by volunteers.

'Tis the season for shoplifting

Stealing is more prevalent during holidays

By Ruth Stroetter
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A middle-aged man became belligerent with Corral West Ranchwear employees last weekend when they wouldn't let him exchange a pair of pants without a receipt.

It had started out as a simple exchange, according to a Cassia County sheriff's report. But when the cashier checked the inventory and found out the pants had never been sold, the man got offensive and accused her of stealing what was his. He said the pants were a gift and

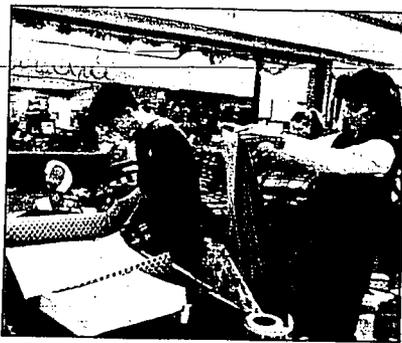
then threatened to call the police and the newspaper.

The man eventually left, and he reportedly tried a similar ploy in a department store. After his identity was discovered, police obtained a warrant for his arrest.

He wasn't just a pushy customer. He was a practiced shoplifter, preying on the "customer is always right" motto by which merchants abide.

"That's why he was such a con," said Steve Thompson, manager of the Snake River Plaza in Burley. "Once he knew he was cornered, he tried to turn it around."

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Tim Veselka, left, and Kathy Silvers are busy with Christmas wrapping at Corral West Ranchwear in the Snake River Plaza in Burley. Shops may be more susceptible to shoplifting and fraud during the holiday season, due to busy clerks and dense crowds.

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OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-9331, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS



James R. Munn

James Raymond Munn, 70, retired Sheriff of Twin Falls County, and a loving husband, father, and grandfather, died Saturday, December 9, 2000, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital after a courageous battle with lung cancer.

He was born October 1, 1930, in Twin Falls, the son of Duncan Ross Munn and Georgia May Pierce Munn. Jim was raised in the Twin Falls area and graduated from the Twin Falls High School in 1948. He attended Idaho State College. In 1951, Jim enlisted in the United States Air Force and served as an air policeman until honorably discharged in 1955. His primary assignment was with the 517th Air Police Squadron in Wiesbaden, West Germany. Upon his discharge from the Air Force, he returned to the Twin Falls area. On May 14, 1955, he married Janet M. Church in Twin Falls, a union that lasted over 45 years. He was a member of the Rock Creek Community Church in November 1969. Jim joined the Twin Falls Sheriff's Department and worked as a patrol deputy, sergeant, and in 1976 was appointed by Sheriff Paul Corder as chief deputy. Upon Sheriff Corder's death in 1979, he was appointed as Sheriff of Twin Falls County. Jim had a long and distinguished career as sheriff, and retired from the position in January 1993.

During his career, he was a

member of the Idaho Sheriff's Association and Idaho Peace Officer's Association, which included serving as president of the Idaho Sheriff's Association in 1980-81. Prior to accepting a position with the Twin Falls Sheriff's Department - Jim farmed near Kimberly and Twin Falls, and later he was assistant airport manager and then worked for Twin Falls Wells Stages bus company.

Survivors include his wife, Janet; brother, David R. Munn; son and daughter, Jim (Lisa) Munn Jr. and Julie (Jim) Mason; granddaughters, Jennifer (Zach) Martin, Madison Mason and Stephanie Munn; and grandson, Duncan Munn. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Jim's great love was being surrounded by his children and grandchildren. He had many friends who he cared deeply about, and loved spending time traveling, reading and fishing.

Funeral services for Jim will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, December 13, 2000, at Rock Creek Community Church with Rev. Dale Metzger officiating. Interment will follow at Filer Cemetery. Friends may call at White Mortuary on Tuesday, December 12, from 4-8 p.m. The family suggests memorials be given in the name of James R. Munn to the Rock Creek Community Church, 131 Grandview Drive North, Twin Falls, ID.

RUPERT



Verli Blacker

Verli Blacker, a 77-year-old

Burley resident, passed away Saturday, December 9, 2000, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Verli was born in Rupert, Idaho, on July 17, 1923, to Thomas and Hettie Blacker. Verli and his twin brother Earl were born into a large family of 12 children. He was raised and schooled in Rupert. His family was very close and shared great times playing together. At age 20, he served in the U.S. Army. When inducted, he was by occupation a farmer and after discharge his many careers included railroad, sugar factory, and his greatest love was gardening for himself and others. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and was endowed in the Logan Temple.

In 1961, he married Doris Evans Moon and from this marriage came his pride and joy, his son Verli William Blacker. Verli also had five stepchildren, Jim Moon of Burley, Diana Janick of Twin Falls, Danny Moon of Long Beach, Mississippi, Phyllis Perotto and Lundy Moon, both of Rupert. Later in 1966, he married Connie Eagle and they were later divorced. His loving family will miss him.

He is survived by his son, Verli Blacker; one granddaughter, Erin; Anetta Blacker; and six step grandchildren, Andrew, Ryan, Josh Perotto, Matthew, Jen and Stephanie Moon; three brothers, Fred Blacker of Willard, Utah, George Blacker of Idaho Falls, Idaho, and Earl (RUBY) Blacker of Burley; and two sisters, Merintha Garner of Rupert and Marie (Dorothy) Strout of Burley. He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, Leroy, Theodore, Loyal and Alma; and one sister, Alton Hatch.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 12, 2000, at the Rupert LDS 2nd Ward with Bishop Dean Condie officiating. A viewing for friends and family will be held Monday evening from 6-8 p.m. at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at the church.

Students get help finding college niche

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Higher education in northern Idaho got less confusing this week.

Four schools - North Idaho College, the University of Idaho, Lewis-Clark State College and Idaho State University - celebrated the opening of a center that will help students navigate their combined offerings to find the program that is right for them.

The four schools offer programs ranging from master's degrees to certificates of completion for professional technical programs.

"I'd like to offer the citizens of North Idaho an early Christmas present," said Michael Burke, president of North Idaho College. "That would be the Northern Idaho Center of Higher Education. The Idaho Legislature appropriated \$200,000 to create the center in a remodeled video store.



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Guests at this year's service include Pastor Jerry Kester, Pam Bolton, Joan Dalton Boyd MA, and special musical guest artist Jaime Thietten.

This non-denominational service will be held at 3:00 pm on Sunday, December 10, 2000 at Reynolds Funeral Chapel located at 2466 Addison Ave. E in Twin Falls.

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Marcia Foust

BURLEY - Marcia Foust, 61, of Burley, died Saturday, Dec. 9, 2000, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

before the service at the funeral chapel.

Phoebe Kathleen Henderson "Kathy" McCool of Phoenix, Ariz., and formerly of Twin Falls, a gathering to celebrate her life will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at Rock Creek Community Church, 131 Grandview Drive in Twin Falls.

SERVICES

Gwynn F. Rice of Hill City, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the new Cloverdale Funeral Home, 1200 N. Cloverdale Road in Boise.

John J. Röllheiser of Rupert, Mass., of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. Monday at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert; rosary at 10:30 a.m. Monday at St.

Nicholas Catholic Church. Family and friends may call one hour before the service on Monday at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Donna Faye Goodwin of Kimberly, service-at-1 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour

Prisoners weren't wearing seatbelts

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A prison guard remains in critical condition and on life support after being injured when a van carrying inmates rolled over on Interstate 15.

Barry Sanns, 34, underwent surgery at the University of Utah Hospital for an open skull fracture he suffered in Thursday's

accident near American Fork.

Three of the nine prisoners on board were also critically injured and are in serious condition but improving, said Department of Corrections spokesman Jack Ford. The van was taking the inmates from Draper Prison south to the Beaver County Jail. Utah Highway Patrol investiga-

tors have found that of the 11 people in the van, only the driver was wearing a seat belt.

Corrections policy requires inmates and officers to wear seat belts.

The high-voltage patrol and the Department of Corrections are continuing their investigations of the accident.

Judge sentences man for causing son's death

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A father who pumped Freon gas into his son's bath killing the 4-year-old was sentenced Friday to up to 15 years in prison.

In October, Michael Jeffrey Bunting, 31, of Draper, pleaded guilty to second-degree child-abuse homicide.

On Friday, defense attorney Ed Montgomery told 3rd District Judge Timothy Hanson that Bunting was only trying to entertain the boy by creating bubbles of Freon gas in his bath water.

"There's no question that Michael

would never do anything intentional to harm his child. They had a special relationship. He adored that child," Montgomery said.

Prosecutors had charged the father with murder because he was an "air conditioning" installer licensed to carry Freon, a refrigerant, and was expected to know the dangers posed by the gas.

When Bunting pumped Freon into his son's bath the night of Nov. 6, 1999, it displaced the air above the water and suffocated the child.

Bunting initially told sheriff's officers he had left the bathroom

to talk on the telephone. He said he returned to find his son face down in the bath.

But an autopsy showed the boy did not drown.

When detectives confronted Bunting two months later, he mentioned using a pressurized Freon canister and a hose to make bubbles.

"Most people that came to the scene knew he was a grieving father, but I think that he knew he had something to do with the child's death and avoided taking responsibility," said prosecutor James Cope.

Texas man jailed after seven-hour police standoff

LAVA HOT SPRINGS (AP) - A Texas fugitive is charged with four counts of attempted police murder after a seven-hour standoff at a motel.

Officers from the Pocatello Police Department, Bannock County Sheriff's Office and Idaho State Police ended Thursday's standoff at the Lava Ranch Inn when they fired pepper spray into the room where Stephen

Dean Hoch had locked himself. Hoch, 35, is wanted on a felony warrant out of Texas for failure to register as a sex offender. He traveled to eastern Idaho with his wife, Janet, and their six children, all between the ages of 2 and 10 years old, about a month ago.

An anonymous tip from San Marcos, Texas alerted police to Hoch's presence in Idaho.

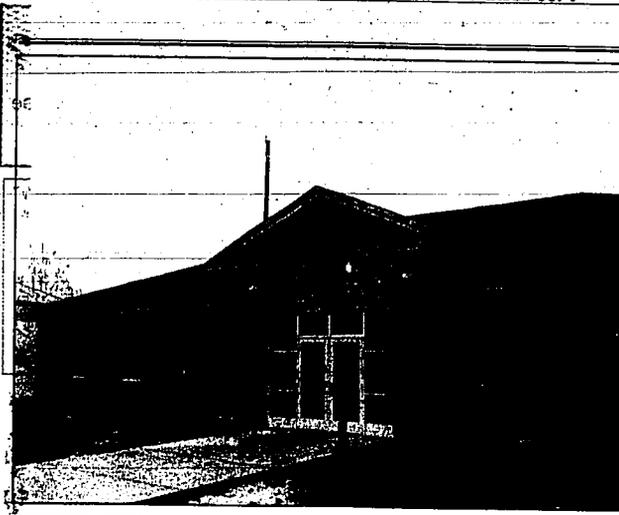
Police and Hoch exchanged gun-

fire once when officers tried to enter the rooms adjoining the fugitive's.

Janet Hoch said her husband carried a Glock and had two clips of ammunition.

The Hoch family was staying at the Lava Ranch Inn while Stephen Hoch worked as a handyman in return for a room.

No injuries were reported from the standoff.



Heyburn city officials moved into the new City Hall building in the middle of November, but the ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place Wednesday. City Council members and city employees will offer tours of the facility.

Heyburn to open new city hall

HEYBURN - The Heyburn city officials will be officially inaugurated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Wednesday.

"We are looking forward to the new city hall," Mayor Cleo Cheney said. "We think that it will do well and very functionally."

Actually, city officials have been in the building for several weeks now, said City Clerk Ruth Davis. The moving process began on 9, she said.

"We're in pretty good working order right now," she said.

The facility, built at a cost of \$443,600, represents a major upgrade from the old building, which is right next door, Davis said.

"This building is such an improvement," she said.

Ground was broken for the

Ribbon cutting

What: Heyburn City Hall ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Why: To celebrate the move of city offices into the new building.

When: The ribbon will be cut at 2 p.m. Wednesday, and tours will be given from 2 to 5 p.m.

Where: Heyburn City Hall, 941 18th St.

Who: The public is invited. City council members and city employees will give tours of the facility.

building on June 2, said City Superintendent Roger Denker. And the project to provide an alternative to the original City Hall, which Denker said was constructed in the late 1960s, went as planned.

"It was right on schedule," he said.

After the ribbon cutting, which is scheduled for 2 p.m., city employees and City Council members will give tours of the facility to the public until 5 p.m. Refreshments will be served, Davis said.

"We are going to close the office for business between two and five," she said. "We are just going to look pretty for those three hours."

A drop box will be available so people wishing to pay bills can still drop off their payments, Davis said.

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Farmers sue USDA over discrimination

HARLEM, Mont. (AP) - Five farmers, including two from Montana, are suing the U.S. Department of Agriculture, saying the agency discriminated against female and elderly farmers in loan programs and other assistance.

"They allege the department's lending arm, the Farm Service Agency, required more collateral for loans from elderly or female farmers, and that the FSA approved smaller loans for them than they did young, white, male farmers."

The class-action federal lawsuit, which seeks \$3 billion in damages, is similar to claims filed against the USDA on behalf of black and American Indian farmers in other states.

USDA settled the lawsuit by black farmers for more than \$2.2 billion.

Rosemary Love of Harlem is the lead plaintiff in the latest lawsuit.

She contends she wasn't offered the same federal help to sell out her Hi-Line sheep ranch during the farm crisis in the

1980s as male farmers in similar financial straits.

She said the FSA's actions drove her family into bankruptcy.

Susan McAvoy, a USDA spokesman, told the Great Falls Tribune the agency would not comment on specific cases.

"Any type of discrimination cases would be a concern," she said, adding that Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman "has made several attempts within the agency to try to remedy this."

"He's made it a priority in the agency to educate employees and remind employees of the importance of civil rights," McAvoy added.

Roger Meredith, director of the Montana FSA's loan program, denied a discrimination problem, saying he believes wholeheartedly in its practices.

Three other female farmers from Georgia, California and Florida are named plaintiffs, along with 73-year-old James Murnion, who farms near Shawmut, south east of Harlowtown.

He alleges he was denied refinancing for his farm debt because of his age.

The farmers are represented by Washington, D.C., attorney Phillip Frates, who helped win the lawsuit brought by black farmers.

He said female and elderly farmers have run into the same type of discrimination problem in the FSA.

"It seems there is a pervasive problem at the (Agriculture Department) with minority or vulnerable groups generally," he said. "We think that since they settled with black farmers, to the extent that women farmers have the same complaint, they should settle with the women, also. It has been a severe problem. It's been allowed to really get out of hand."

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman has until Dec. 19 to respond to the lawsuit, which was filed in U.S. District Court in the District of Columbia in October.

Frates said he expects at least a dozen other farmers will join in the class-action lawsuit.

Landlords put out by proposed ordinance

BOISE (AP) - A landlord organization is buying radio ads criticizing the Boise mayor and City Council over a proposed anti-methamphetamine ordinance.

The ordinance holds landlords responsible for repeated instances of drug activity on their properties if they refuse to cooperate with the city in ending the illegal conduct.

The radio ads, airing on several stations, sparked a flurry of calls on Boise's KIDO-AM Friday morning and led Mayor Brent Coles.

"They're false. They're false, period," Coles said. "They have misrepresented the facts when it comes to my administration."

The advertisements, on the air since Wednesday, are paid for by Ada County property owners.

Jim Auld, who manages about 300 rentals and is spokesman for the Ada County Property Owners Association, said his group and several others are responsible for the ads.

They portray a landlord bursting in on a woman while she is singing in the shower.

"Don't worry. It's just me, your landlord," the voice says. "I have to be sure you don't have a meth lab in here."

The commercial goes on to say that Coles and City Council mem-

bers want to force landlords to constantly watch tenants to make sure they are not producing methamphetamine.

The ordinance would allow the city to declare as a nuisance those properties used for meth labs or other illegal activity involving meth, cocaine and heroin.

That declaration would allow

the city attorney - in some cases - to order a cleanup of the property and, in extreme instances, direct the city police department to close the property.

Boise Area Metro Chamber of Commerce endorsed the ordinance - which excludes owners of hotels, motels, warehouses and storage units - this week.

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Stone said. "He's not a mystical being, but a person like we are."

And even Santa has to make changes to keep up with modern society.

"It's not a one man operation anymore. He has his brothers helping him," Stone said.

The Stones travel to schools throughout the northwest talking about Santa Claus. Their presentation at Magic Mountain made children smile.

"It was exciting," said 8-year-old Harley Trout of Twin Falls.

"The turnout was great for the first time. This is very encouraging," Jacobs said. The ski mountain had a higher number of skiers than normal, he said.

The Stones said they will hold the event again next year.

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Fyne said. "We need a better story." One that tells what we are doing and why it matters.

Other historic fires have their stories that move people and provide a cultural connection to the fires and the efforts to control them.

From the 1910 fires emerged the story of forest ranger Ed Pulaski who held the 40 men in his crew at gunpoint in an abandoned mine tunnel, saving all but five from the raging fire outside.

The quintessential tool that identifies firefighters was designed by Pulaski and named for him. It is the straight-handled

combination ax and adz.

In August of 1949, 15 smoke jumpers parachuted into Maud Gulch, near Helena, Mont., to fight a lightning sparked fire. Within 90 minutes, 12 of them, plus a forest ranger on the ground, were dead, killed when they were overtaken by a wall of flame.

That was the most firefighters killed in a single fire until a July 1994 fire on Storm King mountain near Glenwood Springs, Colo., killed 14 firefighters.

The Storm King fire was a realtor Maud Gulch. In both historic fires, the firefighters died when a fire blew up and trapped them on a steep slope.

There is no such cultural connection to the 2000 fires, Pyne said.

The growing mix of urban and wildland occurred the worst fire damage occurred is easy to fix, but the debate over how to approach the problem of fires continues and it may go on without resolution, he said.

"Fire takes its character from its context; if you have messed up landscapes, you're going to have messed up fires," Pyne said.

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Meals

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touch and visiting with the volunteers who deliver the meals.

"They're always so gracious," Wyatt said. "If I'm not at home, they'll put it in the refrigerator. They're really helpful."

Home-delivered meals programs deliver meals daily to homebound senior citizens age 60 and over who might not otherwise get a hot cooked meal. The first program to deliver meals to the homebound in the United States began back in 1954 in Philadelphia, Pa. and was modeled after a program in England. In 1972, the Older American Act was passed by Congress to provide government grants to help address the nutritional needs of the nation's elderly.

In 2001, volunteers will deliver about 80,000 meals to the homebound from senior centers in Twin Falls, Buhl, Burley, Eden, Fairfield, Filer, Gooding, Hagerman, Halsey, Jerome, Kimberly, Oakley, Rupert and Shoshone, according to Lynn Hughes, contracts manager for area agencies at the Office on Aging.

Karen Lewis has been the coordinator for the home-delivered meals program at the Senior Citizen Center in Twin Falls for three years. She said the center cooks and delivers 130 meals a day but there are probably many more homebound elderly people in the city who could benefit from the meals but are unable to afford the \$3 donation per meal.

There are 36 volunteers who help deliver the meals and Lewis said new volunteers are always welcome.

For many homebound seniors, the volunteers are their only link to the outside world. They deliver more than meals, they deliver a friendly smile which can be just as nourishing for homebound persons as the meals are.

"My volunteers are seeing somebody each day and they're getting a nutritious meal," Lewis said. "Some of these people don't see anybody for days on end except for these drivers."

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Stealing

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Petit theft is no small problem for shopkeepers. Businesses lose an estimated \$16 billion a year to shoplifting, according to Better Business Bureau statistics for 1998. And each American family spends \$300 a year to subsidize what shoplifters steal.

It's 30 percent of all reported crime, the Better Business Bureau said, and the figure doesn't come as a surprise to police.

"It's rampant all year long, but it's especially hard during the holiday season," Cassia County sheriff's Sgt. Peggy Marizza said.

Last weekend's incidents were the most blatant, Thompson has seen in his 18 months at the Snake River Plaza. Some shopkeepers hope such incidents are a lesson to other store managers on just how much merchandise walks out the door.

"The other management in the mall had a good chance to see what's going on," said Lianne-Fullmer, the store manager for Coral West, and the cashier in the above-mentioned incident. "We're going to have to balance good customer service" with keeping a watchful eye, she said.

Some say stores are more sus-

ceptible to shoplifting during the holidays because dense crowds provide a cover, and demanding customers provide a distraction. Seasonal workers may lack the discerning eye and the confidence to confront customers.

"Because you have increased crowds and inexperienced help, it's just a real vulnerable time of year for merchants," Thompson said.

But creating a theft-proof environment creates a delicate situation when customer service is your top priority, said Keith Krupnick, general store manager for J.C. Penney in Burley.

Because the vast majority of shoppers are honest, they should all be treated that way, Krupnick said. But "hopefully, as experienced clerks will be able to recognize the small percentage of dishonest customers, he said.

In the meantime, J.C. Penney tries to staff every cashier area and every department each hour the store is open. Krupnick said. Employees conduct periodic tests to increase their awareness, and most of the store's merchandise is protected with ink tags that permanently stain clothing if not removed correctly.

But Fullmer has come to

believe the solution needs to be a change of mind set. It's the benefit of the doubt afforded customers that lets dishonest people challenge and intimidate clerks, she said.

Spotting a con is easy for Fullmer, who has worked in the Utah prison system. And she's teaching her workers to catch on. She tells them to stick to company policy, no matter how persuasive or hostile a customer may get.

And as much as she hates to do it, she has told them to take note of what every customer wears as he or she comes in the door.

"We don't like to, but we have to," Fullmer said.

Twin Falls police detective Scott Smith said he would agree with Fullmer's approach of creating awareness among her staff and regarding everyone as a potential shoplifter. He has seen some unlikely thieves.

"We have arrested 80-year-old women for shoplifting," Smith said.

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Jerome County

Jerome: Recent activity in Fifth District Court in Jerome County included the following:

Arraignments and appearances

Jose Valdes-Aguirre, 31, 1015 N. Fir, No. 3, domestic battery; possession of drug paraphernalia; failure to appear; arraigned Dec. 10; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borras.
Heppy Omar Alvarado-Munoz, 29, 2808 Robinson Lane, Boise; driving under the influence; possession of drug paraphernalia; arraigned Dec. 10; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borras.

battery (two charges); arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borras.

Lionel Jim Tamayo, 45, 2523 E. 426th N., domestic battery; possession of drug paraphernalia; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borras.

Timothy Ray Thompson, 44, 439 S. 1000 E., Jerome; assault; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borras.

Kristina J. McAllister, 25, 3796 N. 2700 E., Jerome; possession of drug paraphernalia; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borras.

Edward Mario Joe Pacheco, 38, 541 S. 100 W., Jerome; possession of drug paraphernalia; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borras.

Julian B. Zerkas, 21, 657 Second W., Twin Falls; driving under the influence; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borras.

Janet Valencio-Balones, 24, 236 Washington St., Gooding; driving under the influence; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

James L. Baker, 31, 500 W. Ave. D, Jerome; delinquent in open violation; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Julie E. Ehl, 39, 546 S. Lane, Hazelton; battery; delinquent in open violation; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Samuel Manias Espinoza, 43, 210 W. Ave. I, Jerome; driving under the influence; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Robert J. Sack, 21, 319 W. 325 S., Jerome; possession of controlled substance; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Dale L. Trowbridge and Barbara L. Trowbridge; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Paul H. Antzbar; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

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Josephine L. DeWitt, 42, 11th Avenue F, Gooding; driving under the influence; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Robert E. Davis, 26, 18 S. 33rd Road, Lane No. C, Federal Way, Wash.; driving without proper license; arraigned Dec. 15; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Kathleen A. Gentry, 33, P.O. Box 2, Gooding; driving under the influence; arraigned Dec. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

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New contract gives teachers raise

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — The school district and its teachers have signed a new contract that will raise educators' salaries by 2.5 percent and give each a 2.5 percent one-time bonus.

Teachers approved the contract on Thursday on a record vote of 44-1. Trustees voted unanimously to accept the deal.

"We're going to be able to go to work tomorrow and know we're still working together," said Molly Barker, a Longfellow teacher.

"It's a pretty good contract. I think we made some real gains," said District officials said they were pleased with the outcome of the negotiations and were relieved to reach an agreement.

"There's some things we wanted that we got, and the teachers got some things they wanted," said Alan Remy, school board chairman. "I'm glad we got it done. We needed to settle so could get on with the business of educating kids."

The new contract goes into effect immediately. The pay raise was retroactive to July 1, which is when the previous contract expired. The bonus and retroac-

tive pay will be paid in two parts, the first in December and the other in January.

The district will pay about \$3.5 million to provide the raise and bonus and cover a 12 percent health insurance hike for its 1,300-plus employees. Officials plan to cover the cost by dipping into the district's savings account.

While money was a contentious issue during negotiations, the new contract addresses far more than pay. It extends teachers' due-process rights to extra-duty assignments such as coaching. Now, coaches and others with extra duties cannot be fired or demoted without reason or just cause.

Teachers also will have more say over curriculum and other programs in the district.

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Police arrest six in counterfeiting case

BLACKFOOT (AP) - Police have arrested four men, one woman and one juvenile suspected of counterfeiting \$100 bills in Bingham and Banrock counties. County prosecutors on Friday charged Garth R. Rowe, 33; Ernest D. Lowe Jr., 28; Troy L. Wellard, 30; Jason G. Atwood, 21; Tammy A. Palmer, 28; and a 15-year-old boy with felony forgery. All are from Blackfoot. Only Rowe has appeared before a judge for a warrant relating to the counterfeiting, and he will be formally charged in Magistrate

Court on Dec. 21. The others will be formally charged at the same time. Rowe turned himself in and told police about the other suspects, Detective Kurt Asmus said. Officers, with assistance from the U.S. Secret Service, found eight bills the suspects passed at stores in Blackfoot and around Banrock County. The suspects reported they destroyed two other counterfeit bills, Asmus said. Each of the counterfeiting suspects has past criminal histories including speeding tickets, petty theft and assault.

Hispanic center to be built in Nampa in April

NAMPA (AP) - Groundbreaking for the Hispanic Cultural Center will come in April, Executive Board director Ana Maria Schachtell said. Designed to highlight the arts and culture of Mexico, the center will house cultural exhibition, performance and education spaces. Schachtell said that an aggressive capital campaign is set to begin in January, but that the groundbreaking cannot wait until all the funds are in place. "It's always nice to have the

money in hand," she said. "But the longer you wait in construction, the higher the price goes for each square foot." A grant from the Idaho Commission on the Arts helped the Hispanic Commission develop a feasibility study for the center in early 1997. Consultants examined the region's demographics, cultural centers in other communities and the opinions of some of Idaho's 59,000 Hispanics. The 22,000-square-foot structure will cost about \$1.5 million to build.

Ketchum mayor recuperates

BOISE - Ketchum Mayor Guy Coles was out of critical care and recuperating Saturday after being treated for heart problems. Coles was given a temporary pacemaker and transported to St. Luke's Regional Medical Center by ambulance Tuesday. Life Flight was unable to transport him by helicopter because of foggy conditions in Boise that day. Coles' son Kelly said his father was trying to regain energy. He did not require a permanent pacemaker.

Expert urges rural Idahoans to collaborate

BOISE (AP) - A University of Missouri rural policy expert told more than 100 people interested in revitalizing rural Idaho that collaboration is the key. Chuck Fluharty of the Rural Policy Research Institute at the University of Missouri told members of the Idaho Rural Partnership at its 10th annual meeting that one of the biggest challenges rural areas face is residents' unwillingness to sacrifice their independence. "Our strong individualism is our greatest weakness today," Fluharty said Friday. If people are unable to cooperate on a local and state level, then there is little

chance of developing a rural policy that works, he said. Tom Hudson, Idaho Rural Partnership chairman, said that like the rest of the country, Idaho has trouble finding common ground between its rural and urban areas. "There are at least two economies in Idaho," Hudson said. "While parts of Idaho are growing fast, many of our communities are in crisis." The daylong meeting brought people from across the state to hear Fluharty. He cited unemployment and underemployment as two driving

forces behind the continuing poverty in rural America today. Gary Mahn spoke at the conference representing the Idaho Department of Commerce. "A pretty chunk of the estimated \$300 million state surplus should be spent on fixing rural issues, he said.

Commission addresses wolves, turkeys

OROFINO (AP) - The Idaho Fish and Game Commission wrung its hands over growing wolf packs and also moved to increase fall turkey hunting opportunities. Commissioners on Friday reacted with alarm over the potential for the growing number of wolf packs in the state to affect elk herds. "Pretty soon we are going to run out of an ungulate source for the elk to eat," said Marcus Gibbs of Grace. Curt Mack, the Nez Perce Tribe's wolf recovery leader, said wolves will not wipe out elk herds, but did say the canine predators could affect the number of elk available to hunters. "That is a legitimate concern that deserves some attention," he said. Mack gave an update of gray wolf recovery to the Fish and Game commissioners.

The Nez-Perce-Tribe handles the day-to-day management of wolf recovery in Idaho for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Commissioners were also concerned that although the packs are increasing in number, recovery standards are not being met. There are 17 to 20 wolf packs in Idaho and 15 of them produced litters this year, Mack said. But the state will still fall short of the delisting criteria of 10 breeding pairs of wolves this year. In order to qualify as a breeding pair, two adult wolves must produce two pups and both the pups and the parents must survive until Dec. 31. At least four of the 15 packs that produced litters this year had their alpha pairs disrupted and some of the packs did not have their pups survive. Because of that, only nine breeding pairs of wolves will be counted toward the delisting goal.

The Fish and Wildlife Service has set a goal of 10 breeding pairs of wolves for three consecutive years in each of the recovery areas - Idaho, northwestern Montana and Yellowstone National Park - before they can be removed from the Endangered Species List. But the service recently said it may change the delisting criteria to 30 breeding pairs in all three recovery areas. Meanwhile on Friday, the commission also approved general fall turkey hunts in the Clearwater, panhandle and southeastern regions. The Clearwater Region experimented with fall controlled hunt this year but many sportsmen balked at the \$30 permit tag. Going to a general hunt reduces the price of a tag to \$18. Biologists said the population of wild turkeys is expanding and can endure additional hunting pressure.

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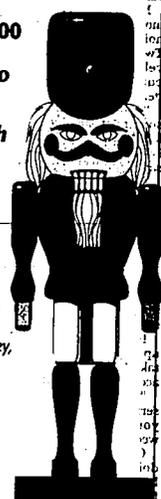
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U.S. Bank gives ISU grant for arts

POCATELLO (AP) - U.S. Bank announced a \$20,000 gift to Idaho State University that will create the Connie Smith Bowen Art Series, a southeast Idaho arts outreach program. The series is named after Connie Smith Bowen, wife of university President Richard L. Bowen. As part of the outreach program, the university's music, art, theater and dance departments will offer university students, area children and members of surrounding rural areas the opportunity to meet and work with well-known artists. Areas served by the outreach efforts include Aberdeen, Firth, Shelley, Ririe, American Falls, Bear Lake, Marsh Valley, Blackfoot, Soda Springs and Madras. Profits from public performances will help sustain the series which will begin in spring 2001.

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Officer reconstructs accidents to determine how they happened

POCATELLO (AP) - When you come upon a mess of twisted metal and broken glass, it may not be easy to figure out what happened. But chances are Corp. Don Hazekamp can.

A police officer with a 23-year career, Hazekamp has been untangling the events behind serious and fatal collisions for more than six years. He is one of six officers with the Pocatello Police Department trained in accident reconstruction.

"I like trying to sort out what happened and seeing how an accident occurred. I enjoy the technical aspect," Hazekamp says.

The biggest goal for accident reconstruction officers is often to determine the primary contributing factor to an accident. Although some causes are obvious, investigation turns up a few surprises.

Hazekamp remembers a motorcycle accident where alcohol seemed the primary factor. Two days later, he discovered a vehicle defect that offered an equal contribution to the accident.

"There are occasions where something else develops that kicks into play and that is equally as important," Hazekamp says.

Accident reconstruction officers undergo a minimum of five weeks of training, learning how to interview witnesses, examine an accident scene and gather evidence.

"They spend a great deal of time measuring, calculating and there's an awful lot of follow up, an awful lot of leg work," he says.

Investigating an accident eats up a large chunk of time, easily taking 40 hours of work for one accident.

"A lot of it depends on the seriousness. If someone is killed, you can spend a whole work week," Hazekamp says.

Other officers assist those doing accident reconstruction by managing crowds and traffic control, identifying witnesses and helping collect evidence.

Hazekamp says he has a seri-



Pocatello Police Department. Cpl. Don Hazekamp gets a closer look at a police car that ran into a light pole while responding to a call Friday, Nov. 30 in Pocatello. Hazekamp has been investigating the events behind serious and fatal collisions for more than six years.

ous accident to investigate anywhere from once to four or five times a year.

"It can be rather trying at times, especially because you are handling a variety of things at the same time," Hazekamp says.

Working with serious accidents can take its toll on an officer. Hazekamp says he notices accident-prone driving even more when he is off-duty.

"When I'm just driving around with my family, I'm probably more cautious because I've seen the nasty end of a wreck. I don't want to put my wife, my kids or my grandkids in that situation," he says.

Even when he sees bad driving behavior, Hazekamp says he knows he can't be a cop all of the time.

He keeps a cell phone with him and plays the part of an informed witness, though.

Overall, Hazekamp says the best thing you can do is watch out for yourself.

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Nevada regulators consider ways to quiet noisy Tahoe boats

ROUND HILL, Nev. (AP) — Loud-gripping about noisy boats on Lake Tahoe last summer has prompted two government agencies to consider stricter boat noise rules.

Jeff Rieger, who lives on Tahoe's north shore, started a petition in September seeking stricter decibel thresholds because of an increase in loud, high-powered racing boats at the mountain lake.

"There are all these people with all this money and they buy these big boats. And it's loud. It's insanely loud," Fred Messmann of the Nevada Division of Wildlife drafted new regulations in July, which are being considered by the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners. The panel is expected to act on the proposed rules once public hearings are completed early next year.

The Bistate Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Division of Wildlife have noise ordinances, but Messmann said they're hard to enforce because of difficulties in testing a vessel's decibel level.

Current regulations call for testing at a certain distance from the shoreline and a certain distance away from the offending boat. The new approach being considered by Nevada simply measures the noise received onshore from a vessel, no matter

what the distance from shore. If a boat's engine exceeds recommended noise limits, its owner could be cited.

"We don't want to mess up boater's fun, but at the same time we don't want shoreline people or fishermen not to be able to hear themselves think."

— Fred Messmann, Nevada Division of Wildlife

Messmann said problem boats typically have modified exhaust systems or don't have a muffling system at all, like "cigarette" or offshore racing boats. He said the regulations being considered have worked in other states and could be enforced by any Nevada peace officer.

"There's not very many boats that violate the thresholds, but it only takes one," Messmann said. "We don't want to mess up boater's fun, but at the same time we don't want shoreline people or fishermen not to be able to hear themselves think."

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“It's more money than Mike will spend in his lifetime.”

—Mike Hampton's baseball agent, Mark Rodgers, after the star lefty signed a \$121 million deal with the Rockies

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Who holds the NFL record for most field goals of 50 yards or more in a game?

Answer below

IN BRIEF

Four Bruins make All-Region team

TWIN FALLS — Four Twin Falls high football players earned spots on this season's A-1, Div. I All-Region football team, announced Friday by area coaches.

Scott Rogers was selected as an offensive lineman, Colt Jones as a tight end and Orlin Clements as a running back and return specialist. Named to the defensive team was linebacker Tyler White. All four are seniors.

Highland's Parker Kemp was offensive most valuable player; the same honor for defense went to Pocatello's Sterling Mennear. Highland coach Brent Koetter earned coach of the year.

Twin Falls fruit sale extended through today

TWIN FALLS — People who ordered fruit from the Twin Falls High baseball and softball teams can pick up their boxes today at First Federal Bank on the corner of Blue Lakes and Falls Avenue from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Also, the sale has been extended through today. Those who have not pre-ordered boxes may do so between those hours as well. Boxes of oranges or grapefruit are \$15 each or two for \$26. Call Nick Baumert at 733-4978 or 420-4978 for more information.

Reindeer Ramble event races through town

TWIN FALLS — With the weather a little warmer than expected, the Reindeer Ramble run and walk looped around the College of Southern Idaho campus Saturday.

Tyler Law won the men's 2-mile run in a time of 12:19 and Jolyn Walker topped the ladies' race at 15:19. Second for the men was William Stevens, while Rachel Hunt was runner-up among the women. Scott Scholes took the men's 4-mile title over runner-up Mike Neilson in a time of 23:47 and Candice Roderick was the top women's finisher at 29:15, beating out Wendy Tegan.

In the 2-mile walk, Ross Kirchnerwitz was first at 21:44 and Lindsay McMurry was second among the men. Liz Rojas won the women's race with a 24:12 and Julie Zampedri was second.

S.V. Paralympian takes third in Colorado

BRECKENRIDGE, Colo. — Sun Valley Paralympian Muffy Davis placed to third place, and fellow southern Idahoan Kelly Carpenter finished seventh at the Hartford Ski Spectacular giant slalom Thursday at Breckenridge Resort.

Vail, Colo.'s Sarah Will won the event in a time of 2:12.95. Davis was close behind at 2:15.04 and Carpenter finished in 2:26.03.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Morten Andersen of Atlanta, three against New Orleans on Dec. 10, 1995.

Weinke's a winner

'Old Man' collects Heisman in one of closest races ever

NEW YORK — Chris Weinke capped a remarkable back-to-school story Saturday night when the 28-year-old Florida State quarterback won the Heisman Trophy in one of the closest votes in the history of the award.

Weinke, who spent six years playing minor league baseball before returning to school in 1997, finished off a record-setting season by leading the Seminoles into an Orange Bowl matchup against No. 1 Oklahoma with a chance for a second straight national championship.

"With apologies to Lou Gehrig, I feel like I'm the luckiest man in the world," Weinke said. "I got to pursue two dreams. The first one, baseball, didn't work out the way

No passing fad

Chris Weinke's career passing statistics at Florida State:

Year	Cmp	Att	Yds	TD	Int
1997	7	13	53.8	2	1
1998	145	286	50.7	2,487	19
1999	232	377	61.5	3,103	25
2000	266	431	63.9	4,167	33
Totals	650	1107	58.7	9,839	79

Past winners, this year's voting — Page C3

I would have liked. But the second one, football, did."

When his name was called, Weinke, wearing a blue suit and silver tie and sitting next to Heupel, smiled, stood up and walked to the podium to accept

the 25-pound bronze trophy.

The 6-foot-5, 229-pounder from St. Paul, Minn., led the nation with a school-record 4,167 yards passing, threw 33 touchdown passes and had only 11 interceptions. He recovered from a serious neck injury late in the '98 season to become the Atlantic Coast Conference's career passing leader with 9,839 yards.

Weinke edged Oklahoma quarterback See **HEISMAN**, Page C4



Heisman Trophy winner Chris Weinke, of Florida State, smiles while posing with his trophy Saturday at New York's Downtown Athletic Club.

GRABBING THAT SECOND WIN



Southern Idaho's Uche Okafor grabs a rebound during Saturday night's 80-77 win over Utah Valley State College.

Eagles hang on, down UVSC 80-77

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — If Saturday night's game is any indication, the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team is in for a challenging Scenic West Athletic Conference season.

Pressed to the limit by an upset-minded Utah Valley State College, the No. 3 Golden Eagles used some big defense and some timely offensive rebounds down the stretch to hold off the Wolverines 80-77.

The win lifts Southern Idaho to 2-0 in the conference, 12-1 overall. Utah Valley State falls to 1-1, 8-3.

CSI coach Derek Zeck said a 14-1 second-half advantage on the offensive glass by the Eagles made the difference.

"That was huge," he said. "But looking at the stats, they shoot 56 percent and we shoot 40 percent — right there is where the game is won — on the offensive rebounding."

Blandon Ferguson scored 15 leading the Eagles in the win. Jason Brazier poured in 14 second-half points off the bench and Cardell Butler and Ricky Clements chipped in with 11 apiece.

Tim Ellis, who grabbed some clutch rebounds to keep the ball in CSI hands late, finishing with a total of 12, also came up with a timely block of UVSC's Jordan Mulford on a 3-point attempt to keep CSI's lead at 78-74 safe with 20 seconds left.

Ellis said he was just doing what he needed to get the win. "I just saw the open man (Mulford)," he said. "I just said I have to block it because he's a good shooter."

John Hill led the Wolverines with 15 points on five 3-pointers. Kenan Joyce and Donnie Jackson poured in 12 points apiece while Seth Scott chipped in 10 points. After scoring nine in the first half, however, Jackson scored only three in the final 20 minutes.

UVSC coach Jeff Reinert said he'd shoulder the blame for Jackson's disappearance.

"That's my fault," he said. "He played a ton of minutes and he's our leader. Reinert was disappointed with the loss."

"We gave up too many offensive rebounds," he said. "We're coming together, but we don't feel good about (the loss)."

The emotional, tight game went back-and-forth the entire way with several lead changes. Utah Valley held a six-point, 43-37 lead at the break as it spread the floor and controlled the tempo. The strategy worked through most of the second half as UVSC held a 69-68 with 5:19 left. But a Benjamin Eze basket and free throw lifted CSI to a 71-69 advantage and CSI never looked back.

Eventually, Brazier drained a 3-pointer for a 74-70 advantage. And following a five-second call on Morgan Smith, the Eagles retook the ball. But CSI couldn't score as the battle continued.

A Scott drive through the lane drew UVSC within a bucket at 76-74 under a minute and the game stayed close until the final seconds. Butler hit a pair of free throws to give CSI an 80-74 lead with 11.5 seconds left but a Hille 26-foot bomb brought the Wolverines within a 3-pointer with four seconds showing.

After a CSI timeout, Butler was fouled, but bricked both shots and with one last chance, Joyce tried to pass-off, but Butler deflected the attempt and the buzzer sounded.

"We just got lucky," Zeck said. "They're a very good team and we were lucky to get the win."



Lady Eagles fall short

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team lost its second straight game Saturday, falling 76-71 to visiting Utah Valley State College.

The defeat dropped the Golden Eagles to 0-2 in the Scenic West Athletic Conference and 8-2 overall, but coach Kendall Grant isn't sweating just yet.

"This was a breakout game," he said. "The girls did a good job of fighting back. Now we just have to start the climb."

Bekka Carlson scored a game-high 23 points with five 3-pointers to lead the Wolverines (2-0, 9-1). Kristen Salby added a double-double with 16 points and 13 rebounds. Mickey Folsom chipped in with 11 and Hillary Wallace added 10 for Utah Valley.

The Wolverines again exploited CSI's weakness on the glass, grabbing 38 rebounds to CSI's 27. UVSC ripped down 13 offensive rebounds as well.

Jinga Goschalk led CSI with 19 points before fouling out with under a minute left. Elisha Booth tallied 14 points and 10 rebounds and Trisha Gardiner scored 10 points. Gardiner played most of

the way in foul trouble, sitting at 14:41 in the first half after picking up her third foul.

Playing from behind the entire game, Southern Idaho dug its way back from a 20-point deficit late in the first half to pull within 13 with just under seven minutes left.

From there, the Golden Eagles ripped off an 11-2 run capped by an Aubrey Guastalli 3-pointer to pull within four at 66-62 with 2:50 left on the clock.

The rally swayed the crowd and re-energized the hoops.

"I thought we did well coming back," Grant said.

But Southern Idaho could pull no closer as first Salby then teammate Folsom each hit along the baseline, pushing the advantage back to eight at 70-62 with 3:50 left. The Golden Eagles then foolishly burned valuable seconds trying to set up a shot.

Grant attributed the confusion to not having more offense in place.

"We've got some more offensive plays to put in," he said. "It hurt us tonight."

Booth was able to nail a pair of free throws and the Eagles flew into foul mode. Two UVSC free-

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CSI adds six to Athletic Hall of Fame

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Just call them the New Kids on the Wall.

No, it's not some new pop music super group. They are the six newest members of the College of Southern Idaho's Athletic Hall of Fame.

And Tuesday, Eddie Sutton, Tim Basset, Jeff Schow, Katiane Blesker, Ricky Sobers and a mysterious sixth selection will be enshrined alongside the school's inaugural eight of a year ago.

Each member of the Class of 2000 made a considerable impression, both on the Southern Idaho campus and after leaving Twin Falls. Now the school that helped launch their careers is recognizing

Eagle Inauguration

Star Eagles

Six people will be inducted into the College of Southern Idaho's Athletic Hall of Fame Tuesday, joining the eight who were enshrined last year — Boyd Grant, Fred Trenkle, Dr. James Taylor, Stan Snow, Bill Koch, Larry Hovey, Tom Bush and "Papa" Eddie Howe. When: Tuesday, 5 p.m. Where: Uptstairs in the Taylor Building

If you go: The reception, which precedes the CSI-Idaho Stampedo men's basketball game, is free and open to the public. But the college requests that anyone planning to attend RSVP by calling the CSI athletic office at 733-9554, Ext. 2488.

Meet the Class of 2000 on Page C2.



Ricky Sobers drives to the basket during his days as a Seattle Superstar. Sobers and five others will be inducted into the CSI Athletic Hall of Fame Tuesday. ed six really outstanding people to class see **INAUGURATION**, Page C2

their achievements.

President Gerald Meyerhofer said the eight-member CSI Hall of Fame selection committee is proud of this year's choices.

"The committee feels we select

SPORTS

Rodeo finals hit frenzied pitch Sakic leads Avalanche past Florida Panthers

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Deb Greenough won the eighth round of bareback last Friday night in the National Finals Rodeo to move into contention for his second world championship.

Greenough, of Red Lodge, Mont., had an 89-point ride for his first victory in the \$4.5 million rodeo. World leader Jeff Collins of Redfield, Kan., was second with an 86.

Greenough earned \$13,133 to increase his eight-round total to \$48,650 and push his season total to \$86,854. He is fourth in the season standings, \$42,216 behind Collins with two rounds left.

"I knew I had to win rounds and let the average take care of itself," said Greenough, the 1993 champion. "I need to keep it out of my head and just keep going for rounds. It looks like it'll come down to the wire."

"Earlier in the summer, I was wondering if I still had the desire to be in rodeo. I was thinking 'about all of the fun I've had with



family and ranching, and it came from rodeo. Without rodeo, I wouldn't have that. I found a new spirit."

In saddle bronc, Tom Reeves of Eagle Butte, S.D., scored an 85 to win the round.

Scott Johnston of Gustine, Texas, had 84, and Steve Dollardh of Wickenburg, Ariz., followed at 83.

Jesse Bail of Camp Crook, S.D., and Dan Wolfe of Redmond, Ore., tied for first in bull riding with 91s. Rob Bell of Canada was third with an 86. In calf roping, Fred Whitfield of Hockley, Texas, was first with a 7.5-second run.

Brent Lewis of Pinon, N.M., was second at 7.6 seconds, and Herbert Theriot of Poplarville, Miss., and Cody Ohl of Orchard, Texas, tied for third at 8.4 seconds.

Rod Lyman of Victor, Mont., had a 3.9-second run to win steer wrestling. Byron Walker of Bannock, Texas, finished in 4.0 seconds, and J.D. Crouse of Canon City, Colo., had a 4.3-second run.

Jason Stewart of Royal City, Wash., and Bucky Campbell of Benton, Wash., won the team roping with a 4.3-second run. Beaver and Bret Good of Pollock, Texas, tied for second at 4.4 seconds.

In barrel racing, Ruth Haislip of Acampo, Calif., was first in 12.93 seconds. Kappy Allen of Austin, Texas, was second in 13.99 seconds.

Sakic leads Avalanche past Florida Panthers

MIAMI (AP) — Joe Sakic had a goal and two assists as the Colorado Avalanche beat Florida 4-2 on Saturday night, winning for the seventh time in their last eight games.

The Panthers, last in the Eastern Conference and tied with Columbus for the fewest points (20) in the league, are winless in their last seven games.

Capitals 3 Devils 2
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Peter Bondra scored the unassisted to spark a three-goal outburst in the first period as Washington dealt New Jersey its second straight loss.

Chris Simon and Jeff Halpern also scored for the Caps, 7-3 in their last 12 games. Olaf Kolzig finished with 33 saves.

Thrashers 5 Islanders 2
UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Donald Audette had three goals and an assist for his third career four-point game and fourth career hat trick as Atlanta won for the fifth time in six games.

Andrew Brunette and Tomi Kallio scored for the Thrashers. Goalie Milan Hrnica stopped 31

NHL

shots.

Bruins 6, Rangers 4
BOSTON — Bill Guerin scored two goals to tie the New York's Theo Fleury for the league lead with 20, as Boston won by two or more goals for the first time since Oct. 26.

Mike Knuble, Brian Rolston, Jonathan Girard and Jason Allison scored for Boston.

Maple Leafs 5 Penguins 1
TORONTO — Darcy Tucker scored twice for Toronto, which extended its unbeaten streak to five games.

Mats Sundin, Gary Roberts and Yanic Perreault also scored for the Maple Leafs.

Senators 4, Canadiens 2
MONTREAL — Marian Hossa scored two goals as Ottawa completed a sweep of the home-and-home series.

Rob Zamuner and Petr Sedlitzky also scored for Ottawa.

Eagles

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throws and a Gosschalk 3-pointer with 1:02 left had the game at five, 72-67. Wallace rimmed a free throw but Gosschalk couldn't capitalize, throwing the ball right back to Wallace. As the seconds ticked

away, UVSC connected on two of four foul shots amid a Natalia Kortisova putback and two Gardner free throws, which pulled CSI within three at 74-71.

Wallace, however, hammered the nail in the coffin draining two free

throws for the win. Grant said the team will have to refocus on its trip to Arizona over the New Year's holiday.

"It's a battle cry," he said.

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SPORTS

OVERTIME THRILLER

Griz squeaks into I-AA title tilt

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) - Drew Miller threw for 271 yards, including a 14-yard touchdown pass to Jimmy Farris in overtime, to lift top-ranked Montana to a 19-16 victory over Appalachian State in an NCAA Division I-AA semifinal game.

Mark Wright kicked a 27-yard field goal with no time left in regulation to tie it at 13-gave Appalachian State (10-4) its only lead on a 36-yard field goal on the Mountaineers' first possession in overtime.

Montana (13-1) meets Georgia Southern (12-2) in the national championship game next Saturday in Chattanooga, Tenn. Georgia Southern beat Delaware 27-18 in the other semifinal.

Montana led 13-3 after a 2-yard touchdown run by Yohance Humphrey with 10:49 remaining. Appalachian State, seeded 13th, quickly answered with a 40-yard scoring pass from Joe Burchette to Troy Albea to pull to 13-10 with 8:28 remaining.

The Mountaineers had one last shot to tie the game, with Burchette driving the team to Montana's 8 after a 38-yard pass to Albea with 40 seconds remaining.

Montana's Matt Steinau broke up Burchette's first pass. Tony



Montana wide receiver Tanner Hancock races by Appalachian State defensive back Romil Awolowo as Montana's T.J. Oelkers blocks in the second half of the NCAA Division I-AA semifinals Saturday in Missoula, Mont.

Brown tackled Albea for a 2-yard loss - on second down - and Burchette spiked the ball on third down to stop the clock with two seconds to play.

Wright's field-goal sent the game into overtime. Montana led 6-0 at halftime on field goals of 20 and 22 yards by Chris Snyder.

Wright kicked an 18-yard field goal to pull the Mountaineers to 6-3 in the third quarter.

Burchette completed 23 of 49 passes for 318 yards, including 11 passes for 177 yards to Albea. Farris caught seven passes for 110 yards to lead Montana.

Georgia S. 27, Delaware 18 At Newark, Del., Adrian Peterson ran for 198 yards and a

touchdown and Georgia Southern blocked two field goals. Andre Weathers added 122 yards and a score for the Eagles (12-2), who earned a chance to defend their national title despite losing a season-high four fumbles.

Matt Nagy passed for 189 yards for the Blue Hens (12-2). Georgia Southern is seeking its sixth I-AA title.

Let's make a baseball deal

With Hampton deal, the focus shifts elsewhere

DALLAS (AP) - Now that Mike Hampton has signed with the Colorado Rockies, Alex Rodriguez and Manny Ramirez became the focus of baseball's winter meetings.

Hampton's record \$121 million, eight-year contract was formally announced Saturday, a deal that left other teams scrambling for second-tier pitchers such as Darren Dreifort and Kevin Appier.

As the meetings neared the completion of their second day, there still hadn't been a single trade. And as of early evening, Hampton was the only free agent to sign Saturday.

So his contract - the longest for a pitcher since Cleveland gave Wayne Garland a 10-year deal in 1977 - was the focus of an industry still trying to figure out how high salaries will go this offseason.

"It's more money than Mike will spend in his lifetime," said the pitcher's agent, Mark Rodgers.

Rodriguez and Ramirez, the top two position players in this year's free-agent class, figure to get even more, possibly breaking the \$200 million barrier.

Rodriguez's agent, Scott Boras, kept up his meetings with teams, but the winnowing down process had not yet begun. Ramirez's agent, Jeff Moorad, was in California meetings with the Red Sox. While Boston offered \$100 million-plus, Ramirez wasn't ready to make a decision

at Abilene, Texas. Tom Linemann threw for 205 yards and two touchdowns and Chris Moore ran for 113 yards and two more scores as St. John's (13-1) beat Hardin-Simmons (12-1).

Linemann had five catches for 133 yards and two touchdowns, including one for 67 yards.



Free agent shortstop Alex Rodriguez, front, talks to reporters at a news conference Nov. 27 in Arlington, Texas.

Rodgers maintained all the final offers were equivalent. "The New York media wants to rake him over the coals," the agent said. "His fine, but it's not justified."

Hampton's deal breaks the record for total package set in February by Ken Griffey Jr.'s \$116.5 million, nine-year contract with Cincinnati. It gives him baseball's third-highest average salary, trailing Toronto first baseman Carlos Delgado (\$17 million) and New York Yankees pitcher Roger Clemens (\$15.45 million).

But it also means he will pitch about half his starts in Coors Field, a pitcher's graveyard.

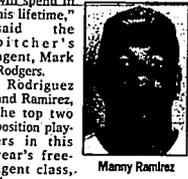
"There's no doubt it's the toughest place to pitch," he said. "It's a test I look forward to and something that I think will make me a better pitcher in the long run."

The field for Rodriguez appears wide, with Seattle trying to keep him and as many as seven teams trying to lure him away, a group that includes Texas, Los Angeles and possibly the Chicago White Sox, among others.

Boston has been the most aggressive team in its pursuit of Ramirez, who asked Cleveland for \$200 million over 10 years and rejected a \$117 million, seven-year contract offered by Cleveland. Phillips said the Mets had only slight interest.

"We're not going to get crazy on the Manny Ramirez chase," he said. "We feel that mortgage on our future for an outfielder is not in the best interest of the club."

Dreifort has attracted much interest at the meetings and it appears he will get a contract for five years or more averaging \$10 million or higher.



Manny Ramirez

Delta State takes Div. II title

The Associated Press

Josh Bright ran for 175 yards and three touchdowns as Delta State won its first NCAA Division II title with a 53-34 victory over Bloomsburg on Saturday in Florence, Ala.

With Bright operating the triple-option attack to perfection, the Statesmen (14-1) amassed a championship game record 524 rushing yards. They didn't have a punt and scored TDs on eight of their first nine possessions, and that one ended with the first half.

The Huskies (12-3) saw their 12-game winning streak end when they finally ran into their offensive match.

The Statesmen gained 649 total yards, another championship record, and had six players rush

NCAA playoffs

for TDs. Eric Miller was 23-of-39 passing for 261 yards and three TDs, and scored on a 1-yard run. Tierrell Johnson caught five passes for 101 yards.

In the Division I-AA semifinals, Georgia Southern beat Delaware 27-18, and Montana edged Appalachian State 19-16 in overtime. The championship game is next Saturday in Chattanooga, Tenn.

In the Division III semifinals, Mount Union of Ohio beat Widener of Pennsylvania 70-30, and St. John's of Minnesota defeated Hardin-Simmons of Texas 38-14. The championship

game is next Saturday in Salem, Va.

Division III

Mount Union 70, Widener 30

At Alliance, Ohio, Adam Marino had 17 catches to tie a Division III playoff record and Chuck Moore ran for four touchdowns as Mount Union (13-0) beat Widener (12-2).

The Purple Raiders, who set a school playoff record for points, are seeking their fifth national championship in eight years. Marino had 239 yards receiving to tie the mark set by Jeff Clay of Catholic College in 1997. Marino caught three of Gary

Smeek's four touchdown passes - a 14-yarder in the first quarter and 8- and 14-yarders in the third. Marino has 102 catches on the season, tying the school record set by Ed Bubonics in 1993.

St. John's 38, Hardin-Simmons 14

At Abilene, Texas, Tom Linemann threw for 205 yards and two touchdowns and Chris Moore ran for 113 yards and two more scores as St. John's (13-1) beat Hardin-Simmons (12-1).

Linemann had five catches for 133 yards and two touchdowns, including one for 67 yards.

Bowl confusion series

New format did everything but simplify the equation

The Associated Press

How lucky we all are to have the Bowl Championship Series, launched a few years ago to end all the confusion over a college football champion.

Why if it weren't for the BCS computer with all its bits and bytes, we'd have to use humans and you know how unreliable they can be.

The coaches and writers polls put Oklahoma No. 1 and Miami No. 2, which would seem to make the championship game in the Orange Bowl a simple matter.

Not so fast. All that high-priced circuitry in BCS headquarters decided that Florida State is the second best team in America and slipped the Seminoles ahead of the Hurricanes even though Miami beat Florida State this season.

Florida State's margin was 0.32 points, hard to figure since Miami beat the Seminoles by three. Maybe it was FSU's impressive march through the Atlantic Coast Conference and heavyweight opponents like Duke and North Carolina - the Seminoles scored 63 in each of those games - or the 59 they managed against Miami and the 58 they had against North Carolina State.

The BCS conclusion left Miami on the outside looking in for the Jan. 3 championship game being played in its own back yard. If the Hurricanes want a part of the Orange Bowl showdown, they'll have to buy a



Florida State coach Bobby Bowden, left, and Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops pose with the Sears National Champion Football trophy after a news conference Wednesday at Pro Player Stadium in Miami. Undefeated Oklahoma will meet No. 2 Florida State in the 2001 FedEx Orange Bowl on Jan. 3 at Pro Player Stadium.

ticket. To Miami coach Butch Davis' credit, he didn't hack his way into the BCS hardware and rearrange a few of the wires. Instead, he took the high road.

"Regardless of how it turned out, it can't take anything away from our great season," he said. "We won nine in a row and did everything we think we could have."

Well, almost everything. Miami made the mistake of losing to Washington early in the season. If the Hurricanes feel snubbed, they ought to check out the Huskies, who were totally ignored in the title talk and left to fend for themselves in the Rose Bowl against Purdue. Washington, though, has no beef. It lost to Oregon,

which lost to Wisconsin, and so forth and so on. All of this is part of a strange set of circumstances that links teams with common opponents. Follow the dotted lines the way Sports Illustrated did a couple of weeks ago and it could lead to a championship game between Portland State and Army.

Despite the best efforts of the BCS, college football's postseason remains a convoluted mess. Bowl games used to be reserved for regular-season achievement. Now the landscape is cluttered with mediocre teams in a fistful of why-bother bowls.

Under the rules, teams must win more games than they lose to qualify for a bowl. So we

have teams with 6-5 records running around - three of them in Hawaii.

The Aloha Bowl invited Boston College and Arizona State, both 6-5. That kind of mediocre season ought to be an invitation to go home, not spend a week in the sun at Waikiki.

The Oahu Bowl has Virginia (6-5) against Georgia (7-4). Of the four teams heading to Hawaii, Georgia has the best record. The university was so impressed, it fired coach Jim Donnan last week.

Want a few more candidates to ignore? Try the Las Vegas Bowl, which spared no expense by inviting at-home UNLV (7-5) to play Arkansas (6-5).

Then there's the Motor City Bowl with Marshall (7-5) against Cincinnati (7-4). And the Gallery Furniture.com Bowl with Texas Tech (7-5) against East Carolina (7-4).

West Virginia went 6-5 and earned a trip to the Music City Bowl to play Mississippi (7-4). The Micronp.com Bowl proudly offers Minnesota (6-5) against North Carolina State (7-4).

UCLA (6-5) is in the Sun Bowl (7-4) in the Peach Bowl and Pittsburgh (7-4) is in the Insight.com Bowl. Fresno State (7-4) is in the Silicon Valley Classic and the Independence Bowl has two 7-4 teams, Texas A&M vs. Mississippi State.

All of this plays right into the come-one-come-all state of mind that permeates college sports these days. They'll invite 65 teams to the NCAA basketball tournament this season when perhaps 12 of them have a legitimate chance of winning. The others are so much window dressing, like most of the why-bother bowl games.

Heisman

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terback Josh Heupel for college football's most coveted individual prize by 76 points in the seventh-toughest Heisman race. The closest Heisman vote was Bo Jackson's 45-point victory over Chuck Long in 1985.

Weinke had 369 first-place votes and 1,628 points. Heupel, who led the Sooners to the title game against the Seminoles by passing for 3,392 yards and 20 touchdowns, had 286 first-place votes and 1,522 points.

Purdue quarterback Drew Brees was third, TCU running back LaDainian Tomlinson was fourth and Northwestern senior back Damien Anderson was fifth in balloting by the 922 Heisman voters.

A breakdown of the voting says Weinke won four of the six regions - the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, the South and the Midwest. Heupel won the Southwest and the West.

Over the past six weeks, Weinke's age became a Heisman issue even though voters are simply asked to cast their ballot for the "Outstanding Football Player of the United States." Some voters indicated they would leave Weinke's name off the ballot because the quarterback's age gave him an unfair advantage over his younger rivals. Voters list their top three choices, with a first-

place vote worth 3 points; second place, 2 points; and third place, 1 point.

"It would be a travesty if age kept him out," Florida State coach Bobby Bowden said in the final days leading up to Saturday night's announcement at the Downtown Athletic Club.

The "travesty" was avoided when Weinke finished with 83 more first-place votes than Heupel. In the final voting, only 796 of the 922 Heisman voters cast ballots.

"Success in college football is not about age but about experience," Weinke said. "I had it. I stayed at Florida State when I was first recruited in 1990 - I might not have played a down."

"People in this area know about Charlie Ward. Who would have thought that seven years apart two guys who were recruited together would both win the Heisman Trophy?"

Ward, now a point guard for the New York Knicks, won the award in 1993. Weinke twice this season threw for more than 500 yards to help boost his record as the Seminoles' starter to 32-2. Wick was sixth, followed by Miami wide receiver Santana Moss, Washington quarterback Marques Tuiasosopo, Oregon State running back Ken Simonton and Auburn running back Rudy Johnson.

NFL SUNDAY BLITZ

Week 15 matchups

11 a.m.
Patriots (4-9)
 at
Bears (3-10)

In an interview with the Chicago Sun-Times, the Bears' coach McDown likened his brief and rocky NFL career to "that movie, 'The Man Who Would Be King.'" Sean Connery and Michael Caine were the two who were to be king, and one of them was his destination. Then there's a girl, and one of them is getting close to her, and then somebody says, "Come, let us seek safety in battle." Or in the Playboy mansion, whichever comes first.

The L.A. Times Pick: Chicago. But if the Patriots don't win this one, they might not win another game.
Harm's Line: Bears by 2

11 a.m.
Steelers (7-6)
 at
Giants (9-4)

How excited were the Steelers by Koredd Stewart's turnover-free performance against Oakland last week? "He took a major hurt," Pittsburgh coach Bill Cowher said of Stewart.

The L.A. Times Pick: Giants. Overrated then underrated. Might not matter if Giants win two more games because they win the tiebreaker against Philadelphia.
Harm's Line: Giants by 3.5

11 a.m.
Eagles (9-5)
 at
Browns (3-11)

Last week, while the Browns were losing, 48-0, to Jacksonville, Graham was the Spengro Wynn by nine yards through the air. Final game against Graham, 9 yards passing; Wynn, minus-nine yards passing.

The L.A. Times Pick: Philadelphia. Eagles should finish 11-5 with final games against Cleveland, Cincinnati.
Harm's Line: Eagles by 14

11 a.m.
Panthers (6-7)
 at
Chiefs (5-8)

Two weeks ago, CBS pulled the plug on the Chiefs, blanking out the final 90 seconds of Kansas City's 17-16 loss to San Diego. Eight days later, ABC drew a 9.9 national rating for the Chiefs-Panthers contest, the second-smallest audience in the history of "Monday Night Football." If Chiefs were a TV sitcom, they'd have been cancelled weeks ago.

The L.A. Times Pick: Carolina. Tough to pick against Kansas City at Arrowhead, but Chiefs have been awful.
Harm's Line: Chiefs by 2.5

11 a.m.
Lions (8-5)
 at
Packers (6-7)

To an outsider, the Lions' proposed move out of Pontiac sounds like a good deal for Pontiac. But a 3-1 run under Greg Mullen has clouded the thinking there and the city is using the Lions to keep them from breaking their lease, which runs through 2005.

The L.A. Times Pick: Green Bay. Detroit has injury trouble, and home teams have dominated this series.
Harm's Line: Packers by 3

11 a.m.
Chargers (1-12)
 at
Ravens (9-4)

Oregon State's Dennis Erickson said no. Oregon's Mike Bellotti said no. Having limited his search exclusively to wide receivers like Johnson, the highest-paid draftee in NFL history, has decided to go along with the program. "Tell 'em they can go to South Beach and hang out, because we don't throw," Johnson deadpanned, referring to the Chargers' defensive backs. Some of them are already there, waiting for Shaun King's first down-out.

The L.A. Times Pick: Baltimore. Ravens are second in NFL in turnover margin; Chargers are dead last. Easy to see how this is likely to go.
Harm's Line: Ravens by 14

11 a.m. (FOX)
Bucs (8-5)
 at
Dolphins (10-3)

Now that the Buccaneers have turned the forward pass into a catch-you-breath break for running back Warrick Dunn, wide receiver Tim Johnson, the highest-paid draftee in NFL history, has decided to go along with the program. "Tell 'em they can go to South Beach and hang out, because we don't throw," Johnson deadpanned, referring to the Chargers' defensive backs. Some of them are already there, waiting for Shaun King's first down-out.

The L.A. Times Pick: Miami. One of Dolphins' best qualities is they don't make many mistakes, as indicated by their NFL-best turnover margin.
Harm's Line: Dolphins by 2.5

11 a.m.
Bengals (3-10)
 at
Titans (10-3)

Scott Mitchell and Dick LeBeau don't have it that hard. The Bengals only play for a very short time, then they move, Sydney. But what about the Bengal family of greater Cincinnati, folks who were born with the name and will always be Bengals? "I'm not going to let it ruin my day or my life," Stephen Bengel told the Cincinnati Enquirer. "But Chris Bengel said and his mother, Mary Lou Bengel, joked about phoning a TV sport show and threatening a lawsuit because 'they were really cracking on the Bengals.'" Next, the Enquirer talks to everyone in Cleveland named Brown.

The L.A. Times Pick: Tennessee. Steve McNair's injuries don't make a difference in this matchup.
Harm's Line: Titans by 13

11 a.m.
Cardinals (3-10)
 at
Jaguars (6-7)

"The quickest way to a head-coaching job at a major college football program? Lose as many games as you can in the NFL. Mike Riley and Norv Turner are hot prospects at USC and now Arizona's Dave McNair is being rumored as a leading candidate for the vacancy at TCU, his alma mater. McNair told reporters that he is interested, saying, "I have other things I want to do with my career." Among them: Winning a second game with the Cardinals.

The L.A. Times Pick: Jacksonville. Fred Taylor will run all over the Cardinals.
Harm's Line: Jaguars by 16.5

Need the latest odds? Check The Times-News.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE											
Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Home	Away	OT	FC	OT	FC
MI	11	4	0	382	239	246	210	520	870	210	420
NYJ	9	6	0	320	290	180	180	420	510	180	330
Ind	9	6	0	320	290	180	180	420	510	180	330
Buf	8	7	0	280	320	180	180	420	510	180	330
New England	8	7	0	300	222	277	240	160	440	330	150

NATIONAL CONFERENCE											
Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Home	Away	OT	FC	OT	FC
Tennessee	11	3	0	378	258	188	150	520	750	300	650
Pittsburgh	9	6	0	360	282	202	180	420	520	180	820
San Diego	9	6	0	330	290	201	180	420	510	180	330
Jacksonville	8	7	0	320	290	180	180	420	510	180	330
Cleveland	8	7	0	290	310	180	180	420	510	180	330

NATIONAL CONFERENCE											
Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Home	Away	OT	FC	OT	FC
Oakland	10	4	0	378	277	224	180	420	520	180	510
Carolina	9	6	0	360	282	202	180	420	520	180	820
San Diego	9	6	0	330	290	201	180	420	510	180	330
Seattle	8	7	0	320	290	180	180	420	510	180	330
Chicago	8	7	0	277	320	180	180	420	510	180	330

NATIONAL CONFERENCE											
Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Home	Away	OT	FC	OT	FC
N.Y. Giants	11	4	0	382	239	246	210	520	870	210	420
Philadelphia	9	6	0	320	290	180	180	420	510	180	330
Washington	9	6	0	320	290	180	180	420	510	180	330
Arizona	8	7	0	280	320	180	180	420	510	180	330

NATIONAL CONFERENCE											
Team	W	L	T	PF	PA	Home	Away	OT	FC	OT	FC
Minnesota	11	2	0	346	220	257	170	420	520	350	520
St. Louis	10	3	0	315	250	254	250	520	640	210	450
Denver	9	6	0	300	280	220	220	420	520	180	330
Green Bay	8	7	0	277	298	180	180	420	510	180	330
Chicago	8	7	0	277	298	180	180	420	510	180	330

TODAY'S GAMES											
Game	Time	TV	Location								
Denver @ Chicago	11 a.m.	ESPN	Denver, Colo.								
San Diego @ Miami	11 a.m.	ESPN	San Diego, Calif.								
Atlanta @ New Orleans	11 a.m.	ESPN	Atlanta, Ga.								
San Diego @ Dallas	11 a.m.	ESPN	San Diego, Calif.								
Philadelphia @ Tennessee	11 a.m.	ESPN	Philadelphia, Pa.								
Philadelphia @ Tennessee	11 a.m.	ESPN	Philadelphia, Pa.								
San Diego @ Dallas	11 a.m.	ESPN	San Diego, Calif.								
Washington @ Dallas	11 a.m.	ESPN	Washington, D.C.								
New Orleans @ San Francisco	12:05 p.m.	ESPN	New Orleans, La.								
NY Giants @ Minnesota	12:05 p.m.	ESPN	NY Giants, N.J.								
Dallas @ Indianapolis	12:05 p.m.	ESPN	Dallas, Texas								

2:05 p.m. (CBS)
Seahawks (5-8)
 at
Broncos (9-4)

Seahawks burned a fourth-round choice on Harvard linebacker named Isaiah Kacyvenski, only to find out this by Leaguer is a raging WWF fan with designs on a pro wrestling career after football. OK, Isaiah, let's get you started on the basics right now: This Sunday, you will lose to the Broncos. Understand?

The L.A. Times Pick: Denver. The Broncos have scored 38 points for three consecutive weeks.
Harm's Line: Broncos by 10

2:15 p.m. (FOX)
Vikings (11-2)
 at
Rams (8-5)

At 60 back in October, the Rams were thinking about another move - en masse, to Canton. Now, desperate coach Mike Martz is thinking about using crown jewel Marshall Faulk on kick returns. "If the game's on the line, I'll do that," Martz said. "If I need him back there to win it, we'll do that." OK, now Daunte Culpepper, Randy Moss, Chris Carter and Robert Smith vs. Robert Griffin. On second thought, Marshall, no need to culpepper.

The L.A. Times Pick: Minnesota. The Rams have been making two many errors in so many areas.
Harm's Line: Rams by 3.5

2:15 p.m.
Saints (8-5)
 at
49ers (5-8)

Jerry Rice said he felt like a rock star last Sunday when he wore the 49ers' No. 8 jersey. "I'll be the playoff MVP," San Diego's Qualcomm Stadium and being welcomed by the name of "Jerry Jerry!" and fans wearing replicas of Rice's No. 80 jersey. "I don't know, man," an appreciative Rice said, "but I like the kind of rock star coming into an opponent's stadium and getting all that adulation." Pete Tomshend could have told him: That's what happens when you don't die before you get old.

The L.A. Times Pick: New Orleans. Saints are banged up, but New Orleans won first meeting, 31-15.
Harm's Line: Niners by 3

2:15 p.m.
Redskins (7-6)
 at
Cowboys (4-9)

Four days on the job and Interim Redskins Coach Terry Rodden is learning fast. "Mr. Snyder owns this football team. I know that," Robiskie says. "I promise you there's very few things in the building I'm going to say I want to change without calling him to say I'm going to it... I'm going to change quarterbacks. I'm going to call him and say, 'What do you think of the changing quarterback?' It's his football team." Translation: Snyder has decided to change quarterbacks.

The L.A. Times Pick: Coaching move ought to appear to get results, anyway.
Harm's Line: Redskins by 6

6:20 p.m. (ESPN)
Jets (9-4)
 at
Raiders (10-3)

Last Sunday, the Raiders lost to Pittsburgh, 21-20, after losing track of downs on their final drive to the Steeler 41. The Raiders complained that they had been misled by the Three Rivers Stadium scoreboard, which showed third down instead of fourth, which, if intentional, sounds like a play lifted straight from the Al Davis Home-Field Advantage play-book.

The L.A. Times Pick: Oakland. Raiders need this for more than the race for home-field advantage.
Harm's Line: Raiders by 3.5

Monday 7 p.m. (ABC)
Bills (7-6)
 at
Colts (7-6)

Another less-than-we-bargained-for matchup for ABC, assuming the Colts and the Bills agree to show their face in public.

The L.A. Times Pick: Indianapolis. Bills' 27-point loss to Miami at home last week says team was done in by injury to Sam Cowart.
Harm's Line: Colts by 6



Jacksonville's Fred Taylor dives into the end zone to score despite the effort of Cleveland's Raymond Jackson, left, in the third quarter in Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 3. Taylor broke the Jaguars' career rushing record, running for 181 yards and three touchdowns in a 48-0 victory.

Running Wild

NFL 2000 is breakout year for backs

From Robert Smith to Lamar Smith to Emmitt Smith, NFL backs are running wild this season.

In these days of empty backfields and wide-open passing attacks made fashionable by the Rams and Colts, it's the rushers who are having the biggest offensive impact.

With a good 21 runners have a good chance to break 1,000 yards, and most of them have a shot at 1,200 yards, considered more of a measuring stick nowadays. The NFL record for 1,000-yard rushers is 20, in 1998.

Many of this season's crop are rookies or near-three are in the NFL's top 10 for total catches. Minnesota's Smith, having a career year, leads the league with 1,391 yards. Edgerin James, who won the rushing crown as a rookie in 1999, is second with 1,259.

Not far behind are the likes of Corey Dillon (1,278) and Charlie Garner (1,046), who play for losing teams.

But crucial to the success of playoff-caliber teams have been rookies Mike Anderson of Denver (1,222) and Jamal Lewis of Baltimore (1,095), workhorse Eddie George of Tennessee (1,169), and Curtis Martin (1,094) of the Jets. Another rookie, Ron Dayne, has 728 yards while split-

ting time with Tiki Barber in the Giants' backfield.

Last Sunday, for the first time in NFL history, four runners - Dillon, Anderson, Martin and Warrick Dunn of Tampa Bay - had more than 200 yards rushing.

It doesn't hurt to have so many runners who are simply very good. James and this year's rookies have been immediate sensations. Ricky Williams was headed toward a huge season before breaking his ankle on the carry that got him to 1,000 yards.

Of course, comparing Dillon to Payton or Jim Brown, who held the rookie record before Dillon surpassed it in 1997, is ridiculous. Even Dillon admits as much.

"It's funny that my name is even mentioned when I'm clearly not the caliber of player they were," he says. "I mean, I hope to be. But as far as right now, I'm not even in their league. That's something I want to work on. I want to be there with them when my career's said and done."

Of the current crop of superior runners, Emmitt Smith is the dean. He needs 50 yards for 15,000, a level only Payton and Sanders reached, and 13 yards to join Sanders as the only players to gain at least 1,000 in 10 consecutive seasons.

But Smith, now in his 11th season, and Seattle's Ricky Waters (10th) have big-time seniority over the other 1,000-yarders of 2000.

And with such youngsters as James, Dillon, Anderson, Lewis, Williams, Dunn, Fred Taylor and James Stewart piling up the yards, there's no reason to believe the rush to rush won't last.

Note to Dan the fan: Hire Robiskie permanently

The Associated Press

With all the negative things written and said about Daniel Snyder, there is one overwhelming positive about the Redskins owner: He's color blind, hiring and firing (emphasis on firing) without regard to religion or any other irrelevant factor.

That being said, everything about Terry Robiskie screams that he be given a chance to be full-time coach of the Redskins, whether or not they win their last three games or not. He's the play-offs. If the Lions did it with Gary Moeller, the Redskins can do it with Robiskie.

He has the credentials: offensive coordinator for the Raiders under Art Shell and de facto offensive coordinator in Washington under Norv Turner, who called his own plays.

In the early '90s, his name would come up at the bottom of potential head coaching lists, but he never got a job - perhaps because he's black, perhaps because some owners thought he'd been considered and rejected by other teams.

"That's very common," says Tampa Bay coach Tony Dungy, who was considered at 33, but not hired until he was 43. "After a while, if you're not hired, some one thinks there's something wrong with you."

Off his first week as Washington's head man, Robiskie has the presence of a head coach.

Too often, the Peter Principle applies in the NFL: Guys who are good at Xs and Os get promoted, while that skill is handled by assistants. Bud Carson and Jim Hanftan belong in the assistant's Hall of Fame, but failed as head coaches. The same might be said of Turner (459-511 for his career)

STATISTICAL LEADERS

Team Statistics

TOTAL YARDAGE			
AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE			
Team	Yards	Rank	Pass
Denver	5061	16th	933
San Francisco	4814	14th	844
Oakland	4675	15th	770
Atlanta	4618	15th	764
Kansas City	4118	24th	664
New York Jets	4090	24th	724
San Diego	4031	25th	777
Buffalo	4029	24th	703
Tennessee	4028	24th	762
New England	3912	27th	743
Philadelphia	3843	28th	776
New York Giants	3842	28th	762
San Diego	3643	30th	776
New England	3642	30th	776
Atlanta	3625	31st	733
Cincinnati	3599	32nd	709
Carolina	3596	32nd	747

DEFENSE			
Team	Yards	Rank	Pass
San Francisco	2716	34th	272
Tennessee	2684	34th	246
Buffalo	2648	37th	247
Atlanta	2647	37th	247
Pittsburgh	2617	38th	254
Jacksonville	2522	41st	247
New York Jets	2502	41st	247
Carolina	2428	45th	247
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Kansas City	2417	46th	247
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Minnesota	5013	17th	1072
San Francisco	4944	18th	1072
Washington	4944	18th	1072
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Team	Yards	Rank	Pass
Denver	462	16th	77
San Francisco	438	17th	74
Oakland	425	18th	71

SPORTS

Jazz work Warriors in final minutes

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Karl Malone scored 25 points and Bryon Russell 23 as the Utah Jazz beat the Golden State Warriors for the 17th straight time, 125-114 Saturday night.

NBA
John Stockton added 11 points, putting him over 17,000 for his career, as Utah scored its most points of the season. Larry Hughes led the Warriors with 27 points, and Antawn Jamison had 26. Utah trailed 99-98 with 8:30 left in the game, but outscored Golden State 15-6 over the next five minutes.

Stockton and Malone scored baskets to get the Jazz going, and DaShawn Manning followed with a dunk to give Utah a 104-103 lead with six minutes remaining. Former Warriors player Donyell Marshall followed with a bucket and Russell had a three-point play to help Utah open up a 109-103 lead with 5:20 left.

After a pair of free throws from Hughes, Marshall put his old team away with a 3-pointer.

Knicks 96, Nuggets 88

NEW YORK — Latrell Sprewell scored a season-high 29 points, Allan Houston added 21 and Larry Johnson hit two 3-pointers in the fourth quarter.



Utah Jazz guard John Stockton keeps the ball away from Golden State guard Mookie Blaylock during the fourth quarter Saturday in Salt Lake City. The Jazz beat the Warriors 125-114.

Sprewell scored 15 of his points in the third quarter but didn't do that much in the fourth. That task fell to Johnson, whose final 3-pointer gave New York a 92-88 lead with 49.5 seconds left.

Pacers 99, Hornets 96, OT

INDIANAPOLIS — Jalen Rose scored seven of his season-high

36 points in overtime for Indiana. Rose hit 10 straight field goals from late in the third quarter through the first three minutes of overtime. His drive to the basket gave Indiana a 94-86 lead, its biggest of the game.

Cavaliers 97, Hawks 90

CLEVELAND — Lamond

Murray scored nine of his 18 points in the fourth quarter and made a key defensive play in the final minute as Cleveland won its third straight game. Murray stole the ball from Hawks center Dikembe Mutombo with 27 seconds to play and was fouled. Murray made one free throw to give the Cavaliers a 93-88 lead.

Timberwolves 85, Clippers 73

MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Garnett had 23 points and nine rebounds in Minnesota's first game since its owner and vice president both agreed to stay away from the team until next summer.

Wally Szczerbiak had 19 points and 12 rebounds as Minnesota won its third straight game.

Spurs 105, Bulls 81

SAN ANTONIO — Tim Duncan had 17 points and 10 rebounds, while Sean Elliott and Derek Anderson each added 16 points.

The Spurs, who ended a two-game losing streak, held their biggest lead at 72-39 about three minutes into the third quarter. With 10 3-pointers in 18 attempts, the Spurs set season highs in each category.



Los Angeles Lakers center Shaquille O'Neal attempts a free throw during a game against the Dallas Mavericks in Dallas April 18. Free throws remain a mystery of monumental proportions to some players.

From hero to zero

Shaq shatters record for free-throw futility

LOS ANGELES (AP) — There were his usual clunkers off the rim, and several other tries actually were close to the mark but spun in and out of the hoop.

When it was over, Shaquille O'Neal had replaced Wilt Chamberlain for free throw futility in a single game.

Eleven times, O'Neal furrowed his brow, remembered to bend his knees and tried to arc the ball into basket. None made it.

That gave the Los Angeles Lakers big center, the game's most dominant player, the dubious distinction of shooting the most free throws ever in an NBA game without making a single one. Chamberlain, who also dominated the court during his day and also was notoriously bad from the line, went 0-for-10 against Detroit on Nov. 4, 1960.

"I was probably trying too hard," O'Neal said Friday night after his zero free throws was a key factor as Seattle beat the Lakers 103-95.

A 53 percent career free throw shooter who has slipped to 38 percent this season, O'Neal recently turned to a former player from Louisiana State, his former school, for help. Ed Palubinskas, who set an LSU career free throw record of 87.5 percent more than 25 years ago, has devised a program to

change O'Neal's approach.

"I just have to concentrate a little bit more. I always make them in practice, so I just have to make them in a game," said O'Neal, whose free throw woes overshadowed his 26-point, 17-rebound performance against the SuperSonics.

"Obviously his free throw shooting really hurt us," Los Angeles coach Phil Jackson said. "Shaq slipped back into a position where he was shooting well for a couple of games and now fell back again."

"It's unfortunate for him; I know that's a big blow to him."

O'Neal, who doesn't like to talk about his free throw shooting, has often said that he can make them when he has to. As the Lakers rolled to the NBA title last year, he seemed to do just that at most critical times.

"Shaq's free throw shooting is not a new topic," Lakers teammate Rick Fox said. "It's something that he's worked his way through each year of the time the playoffs come — and I thought he did a great job in the playoffs."

"At times it's been inconsistent, but this is nothing new. We've won with that as an Achilles heel before, and it doesn't mean it'll stay that way."

Seattle's Gary Payton, who scored 25 points and hit the 14,000-point career plateau in the win over the Lakers, also believes O'Neal will work out his problem from the foul line.

"I think Shaq can do anything he really sets his mind to do," Payton said. "If Shaq really gets determined, he can make free throws."

Boise State hammers hapless Bulldogs

BOISE (AP) — Forwards Abe Jackson and Kejuan Woods both scored career-highs and Boise State University posted one of its most impressive wins in several seasons as the Broncos crushed heavily regarded Gonzaga 94-69 Saturday night.

College basketball

Jackson, coming off the bench, scored a school-record nine 3-point field goals, hitting 9-of-14 from long range to score 29 points while Woods led a second-half surge with his career-high 22 as Boise State (6-2) won its fifth straight game.

Center Trevor Tillman scored 13 points for Boise State, while Delvin Armstrong and Richard Morgan added 10 each. Boise State shot 53 percent from the field, and held Gonzaga to 40 percent shooting.

Men's Top 25

No. 1 Duke 104, Mich. 61

DURHAM, N.C. — No. 1 Duke (9-0) started with a mind-numbing 34-2 run en route to a thumping of Michigan — a team off to its worst start in 19 seasons.

It was the fourth-worst loss in school history for the Wolverines (2-5), who also lost to Duke by 44 in 1998. Shane Battier, battling a mini slump the last three games, had 10 of Duke's first 21 points against a Michigan team that had trouble making it over half-court, let alone shooting.

N.C. 82, Texas A&M 60

HOUSTON — Joseph Forte scored 17 of his 23 points in the second half, and Jason Capel had 11 points and career highs with seven assists, three blocks and four steals to help North Carolina beat Texas A&M.

North Carolina (5-2) led 33-26 at the half and used an 8-0 run to start the second half to take charge.



Boise State's Kejuan Woods finishes off a dunk in front of two Gonzaga defenders Saturday in Boise.

Maryland 87, Penn 81

PHILADELPHIA — Juan Dixon scored 23 points and Byron Mouton had 19 of his 20 in the first half as Maryland beat Penn. Maryland (5-3) has won four straight after getting off to its worst start in 32 years. Penn (0-9) is off to its worst start in 16 years.

Oklahoma 100, N. Texas 72

NORMAN, Okla. — Aaron McGhee scored 28 points and No. 20 Oklahoma used a 30-2 first-half run to beat North Texas. The Sooners (6-1) had 59 points by halftime, four more than they scored a week earlier in their only loss of the season — at Mississippi.

Oklahoma St. 74, Ark. 73

TULSA, Okla. — Dixie State College product Maurice Baker

scored 25 points and sank crucial free throws in the last seconds to lead former Southern Idaho coach Eddie Sutton and his Oklahoma State Cowboys over Arkansas.

Webster St. 79, Utah 77

SALT LAKE CITY — Jermaine Boyette scored 27 points as Webster State beat Utah and snapped the nation's longest homecourt winning streak at 54 games. Utah (4-4) has lost three straight non-conference games for the first time since 1989. Utah lost its previous two to Southern California and Utah State.

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Was there ever any doubt? Nelsons lead Father-Son Challenge

Woods, Duval finally lead at World Cup

BELLA VISTA, Argentina (AP) Tiger Woods and David Duval took full advantage of the best-ball format in the third round of the World Cup of Golf.

With Duval making up for Woods' sluggish start and Woods closing strong, the U.S. duo combined for eagle and 10 birdies Saturday to take a three-stroke

"We kind of bailed each other out. And that's what you need to do in this type of format," Woods said.

"With the wind blowing as hard as it was today, you really had to hit the ball solid. And I felt I was able to make some good, solid shots."

Woods eagled the par-5 14th hole to give the team the lead in the 24-team tournament at the Buenos Aires Golf Club. Woods and Duval finished with a 12-under 60 for a 30 under 186 total. "I think that the format lends itself to really feeling like you can make up for errors on the other half of the team," Duval said.

New Zealand's Frank Nobilo and Greg Turner and Argentina's Angel Cabrera and Eduardo Romero were second after 65.

The winning team will earn \$1 million in the \$3 million event that closes today with an alternate-shot round.

Woods hit into a lake on the



United States golfers Tiger Woods, left, jokes with teammate David Duval on the fourth hole during the third round of the World Cup Saturday at Buenos Aires Golf Club in the outskirts of Argentina's capital.

209-yard eighth hole. He and his caddy scoured the lakeside reeds, but couldn't find the ball. Duval parred the hole.

Woods found the water again on the 456-yard 10th hole. His approach shot seemed to be sailing smoothly to the green but fell short, bouncing back into the lake at the green's edge. Duval birdied the hole after hitting his approach shot within 7 inches.

The large gallery following the Americans shouted "Let's Go Tiger!" after his eagle. He went on to finish with two more birdies, on the 16th and 17th holes.

At one point on the 11th hole, Woods had missed such an easy putt that he threw his putter to the ground.

Turner had four birdies and

Nobilo added three for New Zealand. Cabrera eagled the 17th hole to move Argentina into the second-place tie.

"Today we were not very lucky," Romero said. "We had many putts that should have gone in but went out, and we can change that tomorrow."

Canada's Mike Weir and Glen Hnatik were fourth at 195 after a 62, and Ireland's Pdraig Harrington and Paul McGinley shot a 66 for a 196 total.

Last year, Woods and Mark O'Meara teamed for a five-stroke victory over Spain in Malaysia.

Woods won the individual title by nine strokes with a 21-under 263 total, but tournament records. The individual portion of the tournament has been eliminated.

PARADISE ISLAND, Bahamas (AP) - Larry and Drew Nelson combined for a 13-under-par 59 on Saturday to take a two-stroke lead after the first round of the Office Depot Father-Son Challenge.

"It's good to see Drew playing well," said Nelson, who won six times this year and topped the senior money list. "It certainly adds to whatever I can do."

Dave Stockton hit the pin with approach shots three times as he and son Ron birdied three of the last four holes en route to a 61 in the scramble round on the Ocean Club at Atlantis Resort.

Hubert and Myatt Green also shot a 61, while Raymond and Robert Floyd were another stroke back along with Jerry and Wesley Pate.

Drew Nelson, 25, an aspiring professional who competes on the mini-tours, holed birdie putts ranging from 6-to-10 feet on the first six holes as the Nelsons opened with seven straight birdies.

Larry finally made a 12-footer at the seventh, and holed a 15-foot eagle putt at the par-5 13th hole following a 6-iron approach by his son.

"Drew played solidly and putted so well. When he missed one I got nervous because I wasn't used to having a turn," Larry Nelson said.

The younger Nelson credited a fitter-putter he had built in his garage two weeks ago.

"I've been struggling with my putting and I was just messing around with some clubs," Drew Nelson said. "A piece here and a piece there and I got something that just feels good in my hands."

Craig and Kevin Stadler were among a group of four teams at 63, including Jack and Jack II Nicklaus.

The Stadlers originally signed for a 65 after incurring a two-stroke penalty for playing the wrong ball, but the penalty later was rescinded. After Craig missed a 30-foot birdie putt, his son tapped it in from four inches.

"We got a brain cramp," Stadler said. "I knew right away that didn't look right."

Stadler replaced his ball and holed out, but rules officials didn't find out until well after the round that he had corrected

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Spaniards close in on Davis dream

BARCELONA, Spain (AP) - Spain's 75-year wait for the Davis Cup could be over.

The best tennis country never to have won the silver, double-headed trophy took a 2-1 lead Saturday over defending and 27-time champion

Australia as Alex Corretja and Joan Balcells manhandled Sinden Stolle and Mark Woodforde 6-4, 6-4.

Like the defending sellout crowd of 14,000 at Palau Sant Jordi, history is on Spain's side in the best-of-five-matches competition. In the last 22 Davis Cup finals, the team that won the doubles has claimed the 101-year-old cup. The last time it didn't happen was 1977 when Italy won the doubles but lost the tie to Australia.

On Friday, Leyton Hewitt defeated Albert Costa 3-6, 6-1, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4 in a 4-hour, 10-minute marathon before Juan Carlos Ferrero leveled the competition by leading Pat Rafter 5-7 (4), 7-6 (2), 6-2, 3-1 when the Australian retired with cramps in his forearm, thigh and hip. He was expected to be ready for today's reverse singles.

Spain always had the upper hand against the defending and 27-time champions in the doubles. When Stolle netted a forehand return to end the 2-hour, 10-minute match, Balcells grabbed Corretja, lifted him off the red clay and kissed him as the crowd cheered "Es-pa-ña, Es-pa-ña."

Balcells, the least known member of the Spanish team who teamed with Corretja for a bronze medal in doubles at the Sydney Olympics, won his first tournament on the ATP Tour only this year in Bucharest. He isn't even listed in its media guide and plays mostly second-level events.

The lanky 6-foot-3, 25-year-old with the 1970s sideburns is now 1-1 in Davis doubles and repeatedly came up with quick-reflex volleys, return winners and passing shots from both sides to steady a not-quite-as-solid Ferrer - Spain's top player this season.

"We played up to a very high level," Balcells said. "We took advantage of all the chances we had, and we were very motivated. The dream is about to come true. Having won today, we've got the edge."

McEnroe reaches goal, Borg falls short

LONDON - Three-time champion John McEnroe beat Henri Leconte 6-3, 7-5 Saturday to reach his fourth World Challenge seniors final in a row.

The left-hander, who is easily the top player on the seniors tour, will face Pat Cash in today's final. Cash beat Bjorn Borg 7-6 (4), 7-6 (5) in the other semifinal.



Spain's Alex Corretja, left, and Joan Balcells, celebrating after beating Australia's Mark Woodforde and Sandon Stolle 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 in the Davis Cup final doubles tennis match at Barcelona's Palau Sant Jordi, Saturday.

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Charlotte trip could pay off for Huskies

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) - Connecticut was so confident it would play for a national title this year, coach Ray Reid persuaded school administrators to allow the Huskies to train in Charlotte for five days last month as preparation.

That move could give the Huskies (19-3-2) an advantage today when they play Creighton (22-3) in the final of the NCAA Men's Soccer College Cup at Erixson Stadium in Charlotte.

"That was a good dry run for us," Reid said Saturday. "It allowed us to train in warm weather and get a feel for things down here."

Because Connecticut closed its campus two days before Thanksgiving, and the Huskies were playing in Clemson two days after the holiday, Reid persuaded the school to let them stay in Charlotte instead of Storrs.

So the Huskies spent five days in North Carolina in the same hotel they are in now, practicing on the same field they've been using this week and getting acclimated to the climate.

They then took a bus to Clemson, beat the Tigers 2-1 in overtime of their second-round game, and headed back to Connecticut certain they would return to Charlotte to play for the national title.



Connecticut's Darin Lewis kicks a goal against Southern Methodist in the NCAA Men's Soccer College Cup at Erixson Stadium in Charlotte, N.C., Friday.

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VAL D'ISERE, France (AP) - Reigning overall champion Hermann Maier led an Austrian sweep of the top four places Saturday, winning his first World Cup downhill in five attempts at the traditional French resort.

The double world and Olympic champion reasserted his claim on the discipline with a second consecutive victory, clearly recovered from his bitterly disappointing 15th place in the season opener.

Skiling

Dorfmelster coasts into second victory

SESTRIERE, Italy - Michaela

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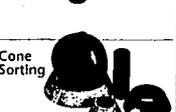
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Jan. 22 and 29 at the CSI campus, 315 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls.

In Spanish, Jan. 25 and Feb. 1 at Cactus Petes in Jackpot, Nev.

Feb. 8 and 15 at the CSI Northside Center, 202 14th Ave. E. in Gooding.

Space is limited, and preregistration is required. For information or to register, call Penny Johnson at 733-9554, Ext. 2287.

The Community Education Center at CSI and Idaho Teachers for Home Buyer Education Inc. co-sponsor the classes.

Twin Falls chamber joins for gourmet banquet

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its 81st Annual Banquet on Jan. 15 at the Turf Club.

Cocktails are at 6 p.m., and dinner is served at 7 p.m. Awards and speeches begin at 8 p.m. President Terry McCurdy and his wife, Judy, and President-elect Jody Tremblay and her husband, Michael, are hosting the event.

Gourmet meals will be prepared by Soran's. Cost is \$40 per person or \$75 per couple. Seating is limited and reservations required. To order banquet tickets, call 733-3974 or fax information to 733-9216.

Standard & Poor's reviews JP Realty's finances

TWIN FALLS - Standard & Poor's last week affirmed its triple-B-plus corporate credit rating on JP Realty Inc. and affirmed ratings on the company's senior notes. The outlook is stable, S&P said.

"The ratings reflect the portfolio's dominant position in smaller markets, consistent occupancy, a reasonable level of debt, strong and good tenant diversification, which combine to provide stability to the income stream," S&P said. "These positive credit characteristics are somewhat mitigated by the portfolio's geographic concentration and limited financial flexibility."

Salt Lake City-based JP Realty is an umbrella partnership that owns, manages, acquires and develops retail properties in the western United States, including ownership of some Twin Falls commercial real estate. The firm's \$1.5-billion square-foot portfolio consists of 18 regional malls, 25 anchored community shopping centers, one free-standing retail asset and six mixed-use commercial properties.

"The retail properties are smaller than average, but appear appropriately positioned for their respective markets," S&P said. "In addition, management has acquired additional land with many of the properties, providing it with the option to expand a center if the market deteriorates or as a defensive measure should potential new competition enter its markets."

"In part due to the smaller size of its markets, JP Realty's small properties have not faced much competition, which has helped to contribute to its above-average profitability measures, with return on investment of 9.9 percent for the first nine months of 2000."

— compiled from staff reports



Carl Carrigan nails up a garage wall on a house on Paintbrush Drive in Twin Falls. Elsewhere around the city, permits for more than \$1.4 million worth of new single-family houses were issued in November.

TF building gains in November

Idaho Home Health will consolidate offices into new headquarters

By Virginia S. Hutchins
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - In a race against the past, 2000 is pulling farther ahead. In Magic Valley's largest city last month, renewed building activity carried the year-to-date run back to a respectable distance beyond 1999 activity.

Twin Falls' construction values in November shot up 55 percent from the year-earlier total. The city last month issued building permits for projects totaling an estimated \$2.93 million — that's \$1.05 million more than in November 1999 — for combined construction types.

The city's year-age performance, however, didn't set a high standard to beat. Despite unusually warm weather in November 1999, Twin Falls' building department issued no permits at all for new commercial projects; home starts were cheaper on average, and the city posted a 45 percent drop in total project values compared with November 1998.

This November's recovery brought 2000's advances over 1999 back up past the million mark. After a plummet from the year-earlier level in September and modest decline in October, last month brought year-to-date 2000 to \$1.8 million ahead of the first 11 months of 1999 for combined construction types.

The new-residential side, despite lower new-home values, contributed to last month's growth.

November's number-of-permits-for-new single-family homes in the city



This drawing, courtesy of Laughlin & Assoc. Architects, shows the future south view of the Idaho Home Health and Hospice corporate headquarters being constructed on Eastland Drive.

Permits values

Estimated values for construction that received permits in November from Twin Falls city:

Type	Nov. '00	Nov. '99
New single-family homes:	\$1,440,200	\$1,368,826
New multifamily units:	0	0
New commercial projects:	\$1,055,131	0
Commercial alterations/additions:	\$251,435	\$165,604
Total (including such things as mobile homes, residential alterations/additions and signs):	\$2,927,115	\$1,876,094

Source: City building department

crept up to 17, up from 15 in November 1999. But those Twin Falls homes' average estimated value slipped 7 percent to \$84,718 from the \$91,255 of a year earlier, when values were down by 8 percent from the \$99,219 average value of November 1999.

Last month's average, however, beat October's \$81,129 average new-home value for single-family projects.

Included in last month's single-family permits were four "zero lot line" townhouses that Twin Falls Development Corp. of Burley is building on Long Island Avenue in Twin Falls. In plain language, those are adjacent townhouses that extend all the way to their individual property lines, making them

appear from the outside as though they are connected.

But they still count as single-family homes, because each is on its own piece of property. Twin Falls' city building official Marianne Barker said.

Nobody in the city took permits for new apartments last month, and only one mobile home got a permit.

Projects in the medical and communications industries topped the commercial sector's November activity. Here's the news behind some of the numbers:

A home for health

In its 23 years, Twin Falls-based Idaho Home Health and Hospice has grown to

nine Idaho offices serving the south-central and eastern parts of the state. And its corporate headquarters has spread into three leased spaces on Twin Falls' Second Avenue North and Second Street North.

"We just keep outgrowing space because we keep growing. It was time to build something that would last us for a while," president Gary Thietten said.

So the company is building a new \$661,920 headquarters office of about 13,000 square feet at 826 Eastland Drive and will vacate the leased spaces downtown, he said.

The Eastland structure, which Idaho Home Health hopes to move into by late spring or early summer, will house all of its services: home health, private duty, hospice, medical equipment and supplies, outpatient therapy — such as physical therapy, speech pathology and occupational therapy — and a wound-care specialty clinic, Thietten said.

The move itself won't create new jobs, he said, but Idaho Home Health is always looking for field staff, especially certified nursing assistants, licensed practical nurses and registered nurses.

"We're in a hiring mood pretty much all the time," Thietten said.

The new building will be owned jointly by Thietten and his wife, Judi, and by Doug and Nancy Strand. Nancy Strand is one of the company's office nurses, and her husband is a builder. On that Eastland property, the partners plan four other office buildings, as well, "just as soon as we get done with this first one," Thietten said.

Those four will be leased to anyone compatible with professional overlay zoning in a residential zone, he added.

The aim is to make the complex look somewhat residential.

"Our whole goal is to really make the Please see CONSTRUCTION, Page D4

Here's how a few companies with Magic Valley locations, or other local ties, fared in the stock market during the week.

Symbol	Description	Friday's Close	Previous Friday	Weekly change	52-week high-low	Annual Yield
ABS	ALBERTSON'S	23 9/16	24 11/16	-1 1/8	39 1/4 - 20 1/16	3.23%
ASCA	AMEC	24 11/16	23 3/8	1 1/16	26 3/16 - 15 1/16	3.65%
CAG	CONAGRA	24 11/16	23 3/8	1 1/16	26 3/16 - 15 1/16	3.65%
COST	COSTCO	33 1/4	32 5/8	5/8	60 1/2 - 25 15/16	NA
FD	FEDERATED	34 1/4	31 3/16	3 1/16	53 7/8 - 21	NA
HNZ	H J HEINZ	43 5/16	45 5/16	-2	47 13/16 - 30 13/16	3.62%
HDI	HARLEY DAVIDSON	43 15/16	45 15/16	-2	50 5/8 - 27 7/8	0.23%
HD	HOME DEPOT	47 1/4	38 15/16	8 5/16	70 - 34 11/16	0.34%
IDA	IDACORP	49 1/16	50 1/2	-1 1/16	53 - 25 15/16	3.79%
JCP	J.C. PENNEY	9 9/16	9 13/16	-1/8	22 1/2 - 8 11/16	5.23%
KR	KROGER	24 5/8	26 1/8	-1 1/8	27 7/16 - 14 1/16	NA
KEY	KEY CORP	26 15/16	25 1/16	1 1/16	27 1/8 - 18 9/16	4.16%
KM	KMART	5 3/4	5 5/8	-1/8	12 1/4 - 5 1/16	NA
MD	MCDONALD'S	47 1/4	38 15/16	8 5/16	70 - 34 11/16	0.72%
LFW	LABOR READY	2 15/16	2 15/16	0	53 - 25 15/16	3.79%
LFV	LONGVIEW FIBRE	14	14	0	17 3/4 - 10 9/16	3.43%
MCD	MCDONALD'S	28	30 15/16	-1 15/16	46 1/4 - 28 3/8	0.72%
MU	MICRON TECH	54 11/16	30 15/16	23 3/4	57 1/2 - 28 1/16	NA
OMX	OFFICEMAX	1 13/16	2 3/8	-9/16	7 9/16 - 1 5/8	NA
PHIA	PHARMACIA	59	57 1/2	1 1/2	66 1/2 - 21 3/4	1.61%
Q	QUEST	11 1/16	37 1/2	-2 1/4	66 1/16 - 38 1/2	0.13%
RAD	RITE AID	2 5/8	2 1/2	1/8	13 1/4 - 2 7/16	17.52%
SKO	SKOPEX	3 5/16	3 5/16	0	43.50 - 25.25	NA
SKYW	SKYWEST	49 7/8	49 15/16	-10 1/16	60 3/4 - 21 1/8	0.82%
TGT	TARGET	33 11/16	31 7/16	2 1/16	39 3/16 - 21 3/4	0.65%
UNP	UNION PACIFIC	46 11/16	46 1/16	1 1/16	50 5/8 - 34 1/4	0.74%
USB	U.S. BANCORP	26 7/16	24 5/16	2 1/8	27 3/8 - 18 7/8	3.25%
WFS	WASH. FEDERAL	51 3/16	51 3/16	0	70 1/4 - 41 1/2	0.47%
WFS	WASH. FEDERAL	51 3/16	51 3/16	0	70 1/4 - 41 1/2	0.47%
WNG	WASH. GROUP	8 1/16	8 1/2	-3/16	12 1/16 - 6 3/16	NA
ZION	ZIONS BANCORP	60 7/16	47 3/8	12 1/16	60 1/16 - 31 7/16	1.94%
ZION	ZIONS BANCORP	60 3/4	55 5/8 1/8	5 1/8	62 - 1 3/4	NA

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Announcements send stocks up

The Dow, Nasdaq and S&P all closed higher this week, mostly due to the election wrapping up and the possibility of the Federal Reserve lowering rates in less than two weeks. Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan said Tuesday the central bank was closely monitoring the economy's transition to a more sustainable pace of growth, signaling the central bank no longer views inflation as the main threat to the economy.

Zions Bancorp shares closed at \$60.75 Friday — 17 percent below their 52-week high. On Nov. 28, Merrill Lynch said it is maintaining its long-term buy rating on Zions shares but lowering its near-term rating because of the stock's valuation. Zions shares have risen 27 percent over the past three months. And the stock closed up for the week, partially due to Rick Schwarz's naming as manager of Zions Bank's Liquid

WEEKLY WATCH
 Jason Dunton

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YOUR BUSINESS

CAREER MOVES

TWIN FALLS - KMYT recently

added Laura Mackintosh and Jay Michaels to the news staff as general assignment reporters.

Mackintosh most recently worked at KAY-TV in Spokane, Wash. She is a graduate of Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Wash.

Michaels most recently worked at KCFR-FM in Twin Falls. He is a graduate of the College of Southern Idaho.

TWIN FALLS - The Jagged

Salon, formerly The Clip, welcomed Cheryl Rice as its newest stylist. Rice graduated from Mr. Juan's College of Hair Design. She specializes in perms, colors, cuts and artificial nails. She has lived in the Magic Valley area all her life.

Rice can be reached at the salon, 303 Second St. E., or by calling 734-5970.

GOODING - Angilee Eames

of Gooding, a national trainer for the publisher Sopris West, based in Longmont, Colo., recently presented reading workshops.

In October, Eames presented at the National Conference on Learning Disabilities in Austin, Texas, and from Nov. 7-11, she conducted a workshop at the International Dyslexia Association's 51st Annual Conference in Washington, D.C. Eames presents training for teachers in a phonics-based reading curriculum in 14 states and Canada. She is working with the Los Angeles County Office of Education on a 3,000-student project involving the juvenile court and community schools. Research from the project will be published in spring 2001.

TWIN FALLS - Jensen Jewelers announced the graduation of Randall Gates and Dell Hewitt, both of Jensen Management, from the Certified Professional Jeweler program.

The two completed the 11-week course and received certification. The course involves training in all product areas of the jewelry industry, including diamonds, genuine stones, watches and all facets of jewel-

ry making.

TWIN FALLS - Marc Drew Messenger was appointed assistant plant manager of the Cricket Mountain Plant near Delta, Utah. The plant processes lime and is part of Graymont Corp., formerly Continental Lime Co. He has been an onsite engineer since 1997.

Messenger graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1984 and received his mechanical engineering degree in 1989 from University of Idaho. He is the son of Dennis E. and Mary L. Messenger of Twin Falls. He and his wife, JoEllen, whose parents also are in Twin Falls, live in Delta with their two daughters.

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls-based

writer Julie Fanslow recently traveled to Melbourne, Australia, to attend the Lonely Planet Authors' Week conference. Lonely Planet, one of the world's largest travel guidebook publishers, invites selected authors to the all-expenses-paid program each year to help them better understand the company's operations.

Authors' Week activities included sessions on mapping, design, marketing, publishing, economics, legal issues, writers' concerns and other topics. The authors also took part in a writing and photography workshop and wound up the week as special guests to the annual LP Ball.

Based in Melbourne with offices in Oakland, Calif., London and Paris, Lonely Planet has more than 500 titles in print and sells about 5 million books each year.

Fanslow was co-author of LP's "Texas" guidebook, published in 1999, and coordinating author of the forthcoming "British Columbia" guidebook, due out in spring 2001. Her most recent assignment will take her back to Texas as coordinating author of the second edition to that state's guidebook.

BOISE - The Idaho Cattle Association concluded its 87th annual convention and trade show recently in Boise. Officers and board members were elected by the general membership.

Those elected include Mike Guerry of Castleford as chairman of the Cow/Calf Council in the Executive Committee, Katie Breckenridge of Picabo and Marge Brackett of Rogerson as members of the board of directors from District III, and Laurie Lickley of Jerome as a board member for the CattleWomen group.

The ICA Executive Committee meets monthly with a focus on financial matters, while the full board meets at least quarterly to guide association activity on cattle-industry issues.

ICA said it has streamlined its structure to include an existing in the authority of the four existing councils and consolidation of the existing 15 committees into seven to reflect the organization's focus of prioritizing issues to focus ICA's limited resources in the most productive way. Committee leaders include Jack McCall of Twin Falls as chairman of the Private Lands & Environment Committee, and Bill Breckenridge of Twin Falls as a member of the Private Lands Subcommittee.

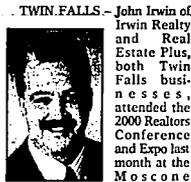
BOISE - The Idaho State Board of Dentistry announced the issuance of 10 dental hygiene licenses since Sept. 6. New licensees include Jill A. Nebeker, a registered dental hygienist, of Twin Falls.

TWIN FALLS - The National Elder Law Foundation, which said it's the only organization approved by the American Bar Association to offer certification in the area of elder law, said Dennis S. Voorhees of Twin Falls successfully completed its examination leading to the certification.

Certification in elder law will provide a measure of assurance to the public that the attorney has an in-depth working knowledge of legal issues that impact the elderly, the foundation said.

Voorhees, a sole practitioner in Twin Falls, graduated from

the University of Idaho College of Law in 1978. He can be reached at 736-6000.



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In other news, Irwin has designed a notebook that buyers use to take organized notes on individual homes for sale that they tour, and to keep track of names and numbers related to their search. The notebook also explains a real estate agent's role, defines real estate terms and lists the information a buyer should gather before applying for a loan. He said 5,500 notebooks have sold since September.

Homebuyers can purchase the notebook by calling Irwin at 733-9511. Realtors who want to buy the notebooks to give to prospective homebuyers can access www.makesalesnow.com.

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Organic expert: Agriculture needs new vision

TWIN FALLS - If it's true that the greatest opportunity for change always appears in times of the greatest problems, then agriculture is ripe for a shift. What's needed is a vision.

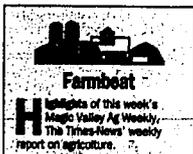
"The problem we have for today is that we have no vision for agriculture in the 21st century," Fred Kirschenmann told participants at the Farmers, Friends and the Land workshop Dec. 1 and 2. As the newly appointed director for the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture at Iowa State University, finding a new vision is one of Kirschenmann's goals.

But since Kirschenmann is a member of history in addition to owning a 3,500-acre certified organic farm in North Dakota and running a think tank in Iowa, he first took his listeners on a journey back to the four visions that have guided agricultural production in the United States.

"We have to have a clear picture of where we are so we can think creatively," he said.

The common thread between earlier visions was that agriculture was also perceived as a public good. Today, without a vision, agriculture is seen as a public threat. Agriculture is that activity that creates odor, that activity that erodes soil, that activity that threatens public health, Kirschenmann said.

So, one part of any new vision for agriculture must include consumers.



Farmers wait for window of opportunity to harvest

TWIN FALLS - Dave Ellison, an Amalgamated agronomist, said at this point somewhere around 3,000 acres of the 4400 frozen in Mini-Cassia remain in the fields. But as of a week ago when temperatures dipped again, everyone is waiting for another window of opportunity.

Leonard Kerbs, Twin Falls ag manager, said of the 900 acres in his area, about 730 are still frozen in the field. But, he said, even if those beets stay frozen in the ground until January, farmers might still be able to harvest.

"Beets remain in a neutral stage when they are frozen," he said.

Kerbs said in northern states like Minnesota, Michigan and the Dakotas, sugar beets are placed into storage buildings before winter sets in. Then when the temperature drops down to zero degrees for about five days,

the fans are turned on and the beets remain frozen sometimes until as late as June.

Kerbs said if farmers can't get into the fields in December, weather records for Idaho show that typically a thaw sets in during January sometime around the twelfth. It is key that the thaw is gentle so that the beets thaw slowly.

"If we get a thaw where everything thaws out at once, it's not very long before bacterial action starts up and then you start losing quality," Ellison said.

Grain producers select Grant as representative

RUPERT - The grain producers have chosen a Magic Valley farmer to represent them in the next year, and those that know

him say the timing couldn't be better.

"There's nobody else I'd rather have here right now," said Dean Stevenson, a grain farmer from Rupert. "Duane Grant is the best person I can think of to represent us now that we're coming up on a new farm bill."

Grant has served as chairman of the National Association of Wheat Growers Research Committee since 1994 and is a member of the joint NAWG Wheat Biotechnology Committee. As a recognized spokesman for the U.S. wheat industry, Grant has been an invited speaker to the National Association of Corn Growers, the American Soybean Association, the National Cotton Council and the Western Canadian Wheat Growers.

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By Tom Kershaw

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Answer: You could make a claim against your homeowners insurance, but the claim might cause your rates to go up or your policy to be canceled. The better course is to make a claim against the city. Governmental entities like cities are, with certain exceptions, liable for their negligence just like individuals and businesses. Most such entities (cities, counties, school districts etc.) also carry liability insurance. You should make a claim against the city's insurance company. If your claim cannot settle your claim quickly, you will need to file a "real claim." The law requires that a claim against any governmental entity has to be filed in a certain form with the clerk or secretary of that entity within 180 days of the incident giving rise to the claim. This is a very short time limit and you need to keep it in mind.

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- Asset Management Group.
 - Home Depot shares closed at \$4.25 - \$4.75 higher than last week's close but 49 percent lower than the 52-week high. Two things are helping this retail giant. First, Chief Executive Robert Nardelli sought Wednesday to assure investors the No. 1 home-improvement retailer will have a smooth transition of power. Secondly, primary competitor Home Depot announced closure of some 22 stores and conversion of about 62 stores into its new home-furnishings format.
 - Qwest shares closed at \$39 - a \$1.50 gain since last Friday. That's because Qwest is opening its Asia Pacific headquarters in Hong Kong to help expand global Internet and data business, and because the stock is at a discount from its 52-week high.
 - Micron Technology shares closed at \$34.6875 - up \$1.6875 from last week. This is an unbelievable 181 percent lower than Micron's 52-week high. The renewed faith in Micron can be

attributed to an agreement for Micron to supply memory chips for Microsoft's Xbox game system. The primary cause for the inexpensive stock price is low earnings reports by computer manufacturers that use Micron's products; however, out of 25 analysts, 12 call this stock a buy and 10 call it a strong buy.

Wal-Mart shares closed at \$54.4375 - 94 cents above last week's close, and 29 percent below its 52-week high. Out of 26 analysts, eight call the company a strong buy, 11 call it a buy and seven call it a hold. Friday, Wal-Mart de Mexico said its same-store sales rose 2.4 percent in November compared with the same month of 1999.

Twin Falls financial adviser Jason Duhon, also licensed as an investment adviser representative to do asset management, can be reached at 736-7432. He reminds readers that stocks may decline in value, and before investing they should always seek qualified advice.

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office looks homey ... and be attractive to the neighborhoods in the area," Thietzen said.

Cooling capacity

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will be one cool place.

In June it began a nine-month project to add chilling capacity. It is replacing a large evaporative cooler, adding water pumps, redoing some plumbing and adding flow to the air handlers that help in the medical center's cooling process, Marc Harrison, director of facilities support, said shortly after the project began.

No hospital operations will be shut down or closed off during the process.

But hospital spokesman Shawn Barigar said last week, "visitors may notice this part of the project now."

Plumbing is being installed now on several floors, so temporary walls have been erected in some places to shield that work from traffic, Barigar said.

The updates will allow the medical center, at 650 Addison Ave. W., to buy new chillers with more capacity to help cool plant operations in the future, Harrison said earlier.

The building permit issued in November is for just a \$200,000 portion of the project, which Harrison said will cost a little over half a million dollars including planning, equipment, plumbing, remodeling and all.

Storage startup

November saw the second installment of a new storage venture.

Max Casperson of Twin Falls - already part owner in Charmac Inc., a family trailer-manufacturing business in Twin Falls - is making his own entry into the mini-storage industry with a new company. He has sole ownership of the new Oregon Trail Storage, though its site at 471 South Park Ave. W. is near the family's Charmac plant.

Oregon Trail Storage will erect an office and five storage buildings totaling 220 units of various sizes - from five by 10 feet to 10 by 20 feet and larger, Casperson said. He plans to have units ready for rental by the first of March, or sooner.

The new venture got building permits for the second portion of the project last month: its 4,055-square-foot mini-storage building No. 4, at \$70,152; and its 6,059-square-foot No. 5, at \$104,803.

Wireless on the way

With a flurry of permits last month, a digital cellular phone company made progress on its entry into the Magic Valley market.

Newcom Wireless LLC last month took building permits for a \$29,000, 116-square-foot communications equipment shelter at a station at 929 Washington St. S.; a similar \$29,000 shelter at a station at 635 Falls Ave.; a 192-square-foot, \$22,000 communications equipment shelter at 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd.-N.; and a \$22,000 communications pole at 356 Third Ave. E.

Donnie Castleman, president and chief operating officer of Newcom Wireless, told The Times-News in July the Bend, Ore.-based wireless affiliate of AT&T will begin offering local

Recent numbers at a glance

Here's how Twin Falls' total construction values in 2000 stacked up against the same months in 1999:

- November up 56 percent
- October down 9 percent
- September down 67 percent
- August up 73 percent
- July up 84 percent
- June down 32 percent

service this month or in January. Newcom will have offices in Twin Falls, Jerome, Burley, Sun Valley, Idaho Falls and Rexburg and will build a switching facility in Pocatello,

Castleman said then.

Bigger digs

A Kansas-based financial services firm reports growth at its Twin Falls operation and expects more.

So Waddell & Reed Inc. of Overland Park, Kan., is moving the Twin Falls office from Falls Avenue to 844 Washington St. N., No. 200.

"We're very excited about our new location," said Laura DeMaría, Waddell & Reed's director of field services. "We're doubling our space."

The anticipated date for the move is Jan. 1, DeMaría said, adding that growth necessitated the extra square footage.

A building permit for improvements at the Washington Street North office lists an estimated value of \$73,590 for the work.

Elsewhere in town

Other November permits of note in the city included:

• Nu Life Flooring's construction of a 2,277-square-foot, \$60,931 floor-covering store at 138 Blue Lakes Blvd. The business declined comment on the new store.

• Washington Mutual's new stand-alone, drive-up automated teller machine kiosk at 705 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., No. A, valued at \$40,000.

• A project by Larry Lowry of Kimberly to erect a new 1,920-

square-foot, \$37,325 warehouse and shop at 2451 Rostrom Circle.

• Bill's Automotive & Muffler's addition of 773 square feet for auto repair to its location at 402 Main Ave. S. - a \$30,595 project.

Values the city lists on those

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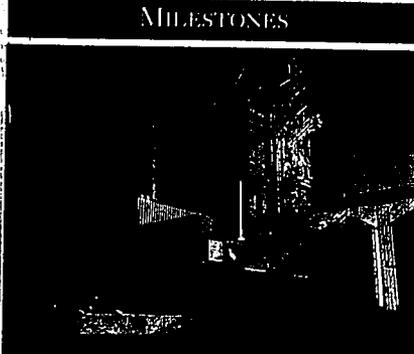
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This Rupert plant has become the home of a Cargill feed operation.

Cargill subsidiary buys Rupert animal feed mill

RUPERT - Cargill Animal Nutrition Division has purchased a newly constructed feed mill from Koch Industries Inc. in Rupert.

The business opened in early October. Its primary operation will be custom-mixed feed for dairies, but it will also serve other feed needs.

Cargill Inc. is a privately owned corporation headquartered in suburban Minneapolis and operates about 800 plants and offices in more than 50 countries. Its subsidiaries and affiliates are involved in more than 50 lines of business. Cargill Animal Nutrition is a subsidiary.

Truck driving school teaches use of invention

TWIN FALLS - Professional Truck Driving School of Twin Falls recently installed a hydro-generator on its semi-truck. The new invention will increase gas mileage, clean emissions and boost power, the com-



pany said. It will extend the diesel engine life by decreasing engine temperature by 200 degrees Fahrenheit.

All graduates of the Professional Truck Driving School will be instructed on how to use the hydrogen generator. Water Fuel International, the manufacturer, has authorized Professional Truck Driving School as the only certified truck driving school to teach the proper use of the generator.

For more information, call the school at 734-0586 or 734-2020.

RE/MAX International logs half billion in volume

SUN VALLEY - Real estate agents affiliated with RE/MAX International helped 4,285 families buy or sell homes in Idaho through the third quarter of the year, the company said. Dollar volume was \$510 million.

RE/MAX of Sun Valley led in dollar volume per agent. As of Sept. 30, there were 243 RE/MAX affiliates in Idaho working out of 15 real estate offices.

Read the Computers and Technology page every Tuesday in The Times-News

BPA meets at Minico for regional contests

By Chanc Asher
Special to The Times-News

RUPERT - Hundreds of high school students will assemble at Minico High School Jan. 18 to compete in the Business Professionals of America's regional competitions.

Business Professionals of America is a national organization that helps students pursue careers in business and office occupations. The students develop leadership skills, personal and professional growth, and career-related competencies through business and service experiences.

More than 40 extensive competitions are based on workplace skills and knowledge. The indi-

vidual competitions include medical, law, accounting and computer programming. Team competitions include financial analysis, presentation management, website development, small-business management and parliamentary procedure.

The top winners in every category qualify for state competition which will be held March 8-10 at Boise State University. The National Leadership Conference will be held in Anaheim, Calif., later in the spring.

Area schools that will participate are Burley, Declo, Dietrich, Minico, Murtaugh, Oakley, Raft River, Valley and Wood River.

Chanc Asher is a senior at Burley High School.

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BSU offers classes on CSI campus

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TWIN FALLS - Boise State University is offering several business-related classes through its distance-education program at the College of Southern Idaho.

Classes are held in the evenings; some classes may be transmitted live via microwave, taught with a video, or through the Internet or supplemented with onsite visits by instructors.

General business management and accounting classes include Internal Auditing and Intermediate Microeconomics (two classes), all on Mondays; Survey of Federal Income Taxation, Introduction to Computer Information Systems and Business Policies, all on Tuesdays; Principles of Finance and Working Capital Management, both on Wednesdays; Law for Accountants II and Seminar on Organizational Leadership, both on Thursdays; and two Internet classes - Management and Organizational Theory and Production Management.

Criminal justice administration classes are Research Statistics on Mondays and Comparative Criminal Justice on Thursdays. The bilingual education graduate program features The Culturally Diverse Learner and Curriculum Planning and Implementation, both on Tuesdays.

Without leaving Twin Falls, participants can earn bachelor's degrees in accounting, general business management or criminal justice administration, BSU said. Courses toward a master's degree in bilingual education also are offered.

Registration is taking place now in Room 202 of the Taylor Building at CSI. Cost is \$124.70 per credit or \$1,423.25 for eight credits or more (includes \$150 refundable health insurance). Graduate fees are \$158.70 per credit. Textbooks are available at the CSI Bookstore.

For more information, advising and registration, contact Shari Stroud by phone at 733-9554, Ext. 2284, or (800) 680-0274, Ext. 2284; by fax at 736-2164; or by e-mail at sstroud@csi.edu; or visit her in Room 202 of the Taylor Building. Stroud is the BSU-Twin Falls program coordinator.

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■ The Super 8 Motel of Twin

Falls announced "A Night at the Inn," a program through which it offers free accommodations on Christmas Eve to out-of-town friends or relatives that have loved ones in nursing homes, hospitals or long-term care or treatment centers.

"By removing the cost of a motel room, we hope that we can make it a little easier on those who may be planning on coming to Twin Falls for the Christmas holiday," the motel said.

Advance registration is not required but is recommended, as available rooms may be limited. For reservations, call the Twin Falls Super 8 at 734-5801.

Kraft Foods Inc. recently donated \$5,000 to the Twin Falls County Fair Foundation to help with acquisition of dairy educational materials for programs that enhance the dairy industry through educational outreach. David Brown, right, manager and dairy farm specialist of Kraft-Rupert, presents the donation to Janice Stover, foundation director, at a recent Twin Falls County Fair Board meeting.



Photo courtesy of LYDIA EVYR



Photo courtesy of CALLEE BLACKWOOD

The College of Southern Idaho Engineering Club volunteered to build an addition at the Twin Falls Animal Shelter. Pictured left to right in the back row are Brant Proctor, Traver White, Anna Molina and Layne Maxfield; in the front row are Mital Takayama, Will Murphy, Cillie Blackwood and Noemi Henara.

Members of the College of Southern Idaho Engineering Club volunteered their time and skills to the Twin Falls Animal Shelter recently when they built an addition to the cat adoption room that more than doubled the cat adoption area. The shelter now will be able to hold more cats and kittens for adoption.

Materials were donated by Home Depot and Ponderosa Paint and plans drawn by Russ Lively Architecture.

The club is a group of engineering students who are offering their skills to the community in the form of internships. Interested businesses may call Bill Eberlein at 733-9554, Ext. 2129.

Real estate groups hold joint meeting

The Times-News

BOISE — The joint meeting of the Idaho Real Estate Commission and the Idaho Real Estate Education Council will be from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday at the commission office, 633 N. Fourth St.

The regularly scheduled monthly commission meeting is set for 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.

The agenda is available from the commission office at 334-3285 upon request.

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Mike Burwell, center, retail sales manager for U.S. Cellular in the Twin Falls area, donates the ceremonial ribbon made of \$20 bills from the store's grand opening to Maj. Ed Patterson and Maj. Ann Patterson of the Twin Falls Salvation Army.



Photo courtesy of U.S. CELLULAR

U.S. Cellular is collecting nonperishable food and new toys to be donated to the Salvation Army's Angel Tree Project for underprivileged families. The collection project was kicked-off at the store's grand opening and ribbon cutting.

The U.S. Cellular retail store in Burley is also accepting donations for this project. Those who bring in 10 cans or boxes of food

or a new, unwrapped toy to the retail store in Twin Falls or Burley may request a free activation on cellular service.

U.S. Cellular Corp., the nation's eighth-largest wireless carrier, provides wireless service to more than 2.8 million customers in 144 markets and owns interests in 35 additional markets. Based in Chicago, the company has served Idaho since 1994.

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HAGERMAN: 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1/2 acre lot in new subdivision, \$99,500 or trade. Call 208-736-0142

HAGERMAN: 3 bdrm, 2 bath, guest house. Now 40x40 metal shop, 5 on lots. **Reduced to \$115,863-2430.**

HANSEN-Nico clean, 3 bdrm, 2 bath, fireplace built, etc. May carry. Call 734-3110

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TWIN FALLS: Brick, 3 bdrm, 2 bath, lg. lot, 3743 Woodridge Dr. \$219,000 Call 734-8217

TWIN FALLS - 6 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 level brick, 2 blocks from high school! \$99,900. Call 734-1021.

TWIN FALLS - By Builder 648 Bristolcres, Open house, 1-3 pm, Sat & Sun, \$195,000, 735-2422

TWIN FALLS: Brick w/metal, 3 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath home, fireplace, basement & covered patio in great area. \$172,500

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TWIN FALLS - Condo 2 bdrm, 1 bath. Wood stove, tiled kitchen & bath. Close to CSI. \$55,000. Call 735-8668 after 5.

TWIN FALLS: LARGE FAMILY HOME. Just listed, newer 3 bdrm, 3 bath home, office, large family/playroom; lots of storage, fully finished with great landscaping, lovely master suite, lots of amenities. Call Jan for details. Priced right at \$165,900.

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Super family home on corner lot with RV parking, fenced yard, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths. Fully finished garage.



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TWIN FALLS - Saddle, 1900 sq. ft. home, 1.5 acres on private road, 2 new shops. Gorgeous view from deck. Lots of trees, fenced, auto sprinklers. Rock heart w/ granite stove. Large gourmet kitchen w/ granite. Private hot tub. Central air & more. \$164,900. 736-0011 or 850-9451.

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TWIN FALLS - Great income opportunity, 14,000 sq. ft. MS Bldg. Eastland frontage, 6 units plus office. Fully leased with long term tenants. Gas heat. Great location. Income \$30,000. Possibility 300,000. Possible over or carry. Call 736-0011 or 850-9451.

TWIN FALLS - Great investment Office in Blue Clues office park. *Owner needs.* Proceed to call \$18,000. Call 733-2223 or 733-7051.

TWIN FALLS - Reduced owner moving. Country, 5plex, 5 bdrm., 2 bath, 5.4 ac. 3250 W 2300 E. Can subdivide 220k, 4 more house sites avail. 733-2033 or 420-4400.

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LOST - Female Siberian Husky, needs medical attention, reward. 725-0922.

LOST-Traillon male, yellow Golden Lab puppy, blue collar w/ tags, name is Tucker, Lost in Jerome 4th Ave. West. REWARD! Call 324-8783.

102 CARD OF THANKS - THANK YOU for friends & family for brightening my life on my 80th birthday. RUTH LARSON

THE FAMILY OF RANDY ROTH with thank you many special friends for all the prayers, flowers, memorials and acts of kindness shown to him and us during Randy's illness and passing. To Dr. Ward for taking the extra time to explain everything to us. To the Nurses at Twin Falls Clinic and Hospice thank you. To the special girls and Rev. Bruce Stevens from First Choice Hospice for helping make Randy's last days at home comfortable. To Father Emke for being just what we needed. Thank you. God's blessings to you for helping us through a very difficult time.

RANDY'S FAMILY IN SOUTH DAKOTA

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\$49,900 - Twin Falls - 422 Crestview - Sunday 1:00 to 4:00PM - MLS#97284 - 3 bdrms, 2 bath, 1500 sq. ft. New Vinyl Windows & Carpet. Lots of trees!! Call Mark Jones 734-4599.

\$18,900 - Kimberly - MLS#96910 - Handyman Special 1 Bdrm, 1 Bath, 25 x 127.5 Lot. City Services. Great Starter Or Rental. Paul 324-9377 or Tyson 324-3713.

\$80,500 - Twin Falls - MLS#96787 - Classic Charming Approx. 1222 Sq. Ft. 3 Bedrooms. Fireplace, Covered Front Porch, 1-Car Garage, Private Backyard. Call Steve DiLuca 733-7653.

\$84,900 - Twin Falls - MLS#97359 - Beautiful Condominium Private Courtyard, 2 Bdrm, 2 Bath. Tons of Storage. Call Jeff Blick for Details 280-2800.

\$97,500 - Twin Falls - MLS#97026 - Lots of Room for the Price! 4 Bedrooms, 1 Bath Approx. 1250 Sq Ft. Large Backyard. Close to CSI. Call Steve DiLuca 733-7653.

\$97,500 - Buhl - MLS#97414 - Cury Family Home! Newly Remodeled, High Efficiency Lennox Gas Furnace, 2 Bedrooms, 1 Bath. Call Jeff Blck 280-2800.

\$96,900 - Buhl - MLS#97358 - Quiet Cul-de-Sac 3 Bedrooms & 2 Baths. Hardwood Floors. Breakfast Bar & Wet Bar. Call Jeff Blck 280-2800.

\$99,900 - Kimberly - MLS#97830 - Large Back Yard 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths. Overstated Garage. Large Living Room Area. Call Jeff Blck 280-2800.

\$102,900 - Hazelton - MLS#96483 - Custom Built Home Approx. 1880 Sq. Ft., 3 Bdrm, 2 Bath, Hardwood Floors, Many Extras. Tyson 324-3713 or Paul 324-3377.

\$114,900 - Twin Falls - MLS# 97513 - Move Right In! Custom Oak Kitchen with Built in Bar Stools, Large Outlet Backyard w/ Garden Area. Call Jeff Blck 280-2800.

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\$116,500 - Twin Falls - MLS# 96877 - Nice Family Home 4 Bedrooms, 3 Bath. Remodeled Kitchen, Fully Fenced Yard. Call Betsy or J. Francis Florence 734-7486.

\$129,900 - Twin Falls - MLS#96019 - Immaculate Brick Home 5 Bedrooms, 3 Baths. Oak Cabinetry Throughout. Great Backyard with Covered Deck & Hot Tub. Call J. Francis or Betsy Florence 734-7486.

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\$144,900 - Twin Falls - MLS#95432 - Better Than New Corner Lot Great Landscape. Approx. 1775 sq. ft. 4 Bedrooms & 2 Baths. Call Betsy or J. Francis Florence 734-7486.

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\$157,000 - Twin Falls - MLS#97127 - Great Horse Property Approx. 2435 Sq. Ft. 3 Bdrms, 2.5 Bath, Surrounded by Farm Ground & Pasture. Call Steve DiLuca 733-7653.

\$164,900 - Twin Falls - MLS#96453 - Sawtooth School District Country Setting, 4 Bdrms & 2 Bath, Lot size is just under an acre. Perfect Family Home. Call Jeff Blck 280-2800.

\$172,000 - Twin Falls - MLS#96323 - Nice Family Home 4 Bdrms, 2 Baths. Split Bedroom Floor Plan, Family Rm & Living Rm w/ Double Sided Fireplace. Call Steve DiLuca 733-7653.

\$187,500 - Twin Falls - MLS#95737 - Picturesque Lot 3 Bedrooms & 2.5 Baths. Approx. 2243 Sq. Ft. The Setting You've Been Looking For! Call Betsy or J. Francis Florence 734-7486.

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\$83,000 - Jerome - MLS#96427 - Great Starter 2 Bedrooms, 1 Bath, Gas Heat. City Services. Call Beckie 324-8736.

\$139,000 - Gooding - MLS#97425 - Great Starter or Rental 1 Bath, 1 Bath, Gas Heat, Double Lot, Freshly Painted Exterior. Great Buy. 1539-0805.

\$47,000 - Gooding - MLS#97043 - Priced to Move 2 Bdrms, 1 Bath, Gas Heat, 62 x 121.9 Lot. City Services. Established Neighborhood. 1539-0805.

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\$59,000 - Jerome - MLS#97875 - Great Starter! Approx. 1141 Sq. Ft., 3 Bdrm, 1 Bath, Gas Heat, 50x125 Lot. Good Location. Beckie 324-8736.

\$62,000 - Wendell - MLS#97028 - Nicely Updated! Approx. 1064 Sq. Ft., 2 Bdrm, 1 Bath, 1 Car Garage/Shop, Vinyl Siding, Windows, Gas Heat. 1539-0805.

\$63,500 - Jerome - MLS#96465 - Charming Cottage Approx. 1138 Sq. Ft., 2 Bdrm, 1 Bath, Gas heat, Fenced Backyard. Tyson 324-3713 or Paul 324-3377.

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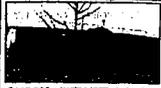
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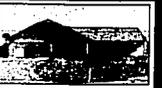
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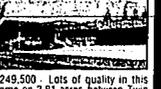
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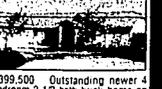
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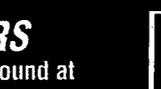
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Paramedic - Certified or licensed in Idaho 24 hour shifts (PT)
Medical Lab Tech - CLIA (RCA), MLT (ASCP) or equivalent certification, A.A. degree in Science (PT)
Chemical Dependency Counselor - Bachelor Degree and CADQ required (PT)
Cardiac Cath Lab Tech - RCIS, required or RTR (CV) 1-2 yrs. exp. in X-ray, Respiratory Cardiology/ Pulmonary Lab
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531 Patrol / Parking lot attendants
ACCOUNTING - Entry level position (not a bookkeeper)
Play School Manager / Night Center X-County 531 Tech.
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Agent Representative U S Cellular Corporation is currently seeking applications for an Agent Representative in the Twin Falls-Wood River Area. The successful candidate will be assisting the agent manager in training current agents and to call on & develop new indirect business. Additional responsibilities include developing and maintaining supportive relationships with existing accounts & existing accounts in assigned areas. Qualifications:
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- High level of motivation & the ability to work effectively with close supervision.
- Good organizational skills
- Excellent communication skills (MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint)
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A complete resume and cover letter are required. Please no phone calls.

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NEWSPAPER CIRCULATION
The Times-News is accepting applications for a circulation manager. The successful candidate must be able to work weekends, be dependable, and have excellent time management skills, and enjoy working with youth. An outgoing personality is a plus.
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PROJECT COORDINATOR
Individual required for Wireless Communications project of six months to one year in duration with office in Twin Falls. Duties will include: Data collection, equipment maintenance, Administrative correspondence and all zoning and permitting. Access and Power Point required. Salary based on 1-yr. experience. Submit resume to: Project Director, 308 Wireless, Inc., 308 Shoshone East, Suite 100, Twin Falls, ID 83401. Email to: kuster@308wireless.com

PUBLIC WORKS
City of Jerome is hiring one FT employee. Must be 18 yrs., have valid driver's license, be able to obtain a CDL within 8 mo. of hire. 40 hrs. per week. 15 min. of city. Drug free work place. Beginning salary \$18,820. Closing date Dec. 15th. Apply @ City Hall, 152 East Ave., Jerome, ID.

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 1100-1400 Blk 6th Ave. East
 100-600 Blk of Ash
 400-700 Blk of Blue Lakes
ROUTE 746
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 400-500 Blk of Madras
 200-400 Blk of Madras Dr
 400 Blk of Wakefield
ROUTE 752
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 100-400 blk Elm St.
 100-500 blk Locust
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Then again,
you could
look at other
people's lights

Last week, we decorated our home for Christmas. It was a family project. Are you feeling sorry for me yet?

I once read that more marriages end after the first four years than at any other time. I figure that's when those couples had enough money to buy a house and decorate it for Christmas.

In my case, birth-order statistics even factor in against me. My husband

is a first born - of eight - and I am an only child, which is probably the worst possible combination for any joint venture. Both of us were fated to be strong-willed leaders, the type who would give up the Christmas fudge to have the last word. And our children were born more than five years apart, which means them both into the "only-child" category of behavior.

The holiday women's magazines suggest stuff like tossing a blanket on the carpet and staging a winter picnic on decorate-the-house day. Believe me, with or without fried chicken and potato salad, our decorating day would have been no picnic.

The kids soon reverted back to their early childhoods and began bickering about putting their "new" ornaments on the front part of the tree. And I spent Act 1 of the family drama instructing my husband to hang my new Christmas wreath on the door, but not to put a mark or hole anywhere ("you'll figure it out, dear").

That's when the tree fell over ... the first time. It happened twice. Once without decorations, and once with.

I was the first time we had ever had a 9-foot tree. The Twin Falls Lions Club is selling live trees this year, and since I am a member, I thought it would be nice to have a big one. I read up on the care and feeding of Christmas trees before we put ours up, but I must have skipped the chapter on keeping the thing standing upright.

When the fully-decorated tree crashed to the floor, less than 24 hours after we had "re-planted" it in its new home, everyone in the family reacted in accordance with his or her true personality.

I began pacing the floor chanting, "I am calm now." My daughter announced, "This is just too messy for me to think about" and ran to the bathroom to fix her hair. My son said, "Cool," and stumbled from the room laughing. My husband hoisted the damaged tree off the floor, stood there holding it in place and mumbled, "I'm thinking..."

He ended up winning the thing to the wall some way (I don't know how), but now I'm worrying that we are going to pull the wall down.

I know everyone out there must have a similar story to tell, but that doesn't make cleaning up the mess any easier. And we don't even have a cat to blame this on.

During Act II of the family drama, I warned everyone against trying to hang up my beloved Christmas wreath.

"I haven't found it in any of the boxes yet," I said, "but it's made of crystal and if someone finds it before me, I am the only one who is allowed to hang it up."

"Is it that breakable?" my daughter asked.

"No," I replied. "But I am." Our decorating weekend finally ended with my husband working on a basket of twinkle lights that had stopped twinkling - I didn't blame them one bit - and periodically checking the emotional state of the tree.

"Maybe we should have skipped the whole thing and just gone riding around town looking at other people's decorations," I told him.

"We probably would have been just as sad about who's ones were best," he replied, with a smile.

At least we were smiling again. Years ago, when I was too young and naive to comprehend it, I remember seeing a house that was decorated half in white lights and half in multicolored lights. With the division right down the middle. Today, I suspect that I was witnessing the work of a family that had learned how to work together through compromise.

But I wonder how many years it took them before they did.

And their house looked really weird.

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Raising boys



The Bingham boys of Gooding: Toby, Brett, Jason, Tristan and Joseph.

It's a lot more complicated - and yet simpler - than you think

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

"A boy's will is the wind's will,
and the thoughts of youth are
long long thoughts."

—Henry Wadsworth
Longfellow

GOODING - Parenting boys is not for spectators. Joyce Bingham has learned through the years.

"There are just more emotional highs and lows with boys," said Bingham, who with her husband, Tom, has raised five on a dairy farm east of here. "As a parent, it takes work."

Bingham should qualify as something of a hands-on expert in the hottest subject in sociology these days: In the wake of a recent spate of school violence, more attention is being focused on the way boys are raised in this society - and what can go wrong.

"When you think about preparing your kid for life, that's one of the most important pieces - to show kids that emotions are part of the world," Dan Kindlon, a psychologist at the Harvard School of Public Health and co-author of "Raising Cain: Protecting the Emotional Life of Boys," told The Gazette of Colorado Springs, Colo.

And it's not just troubled boys getting attention.

Increasingly, parents are finding that in a culture of movie and television violence, graphic video-game killing and harsh song lyrics, even the most ordinary families face extraordinary chal-

lenges in raising boys. "All four of our sons have always been real competitive, so they're all into sports," said Mitch Henson of Richfield, father of four sons. "I think it's important that they have something to focus their energy on."

The critical words are "focus" and "energy." Parents need to encourage boys to develop interests and have goals for the future, Tim Landis, a therapist at CHNS UP, an agency that deals with youth, told the Colorado Springs newspaper.

"When you're future-oriented, you're less likely to become violent," he said. James Garbarino, co-director of the Family Life Development Center at Cornell University in New York and a national expert on youth violence, said every child has a so-called secret life. It's a life in which they do inexplicable things.

Garbarino said the secret life of children, especially boys, is more dangerous today than that of the past, mostly because they have access to so many influences outside their parents' control - the Internet, video games, movies and guns.

"They have a kind of spiritual emptiness," Garbarino said. "Instead of seeing themselves in this positive, meaningful universe, they see themselves alone in the universe."

But he points out that most boys turn out fine. Juvenile crime is decreasing, and youth violence hasn't reached epidemic proportions in most cities. And, certain-

ly, some boys grow into troubled men, despite the best efforts of their parents.

Even so, there's an increasing focus on the influence - for good and for ill - of fathers in the lives of boys.

"If Dad isn't there enough to make a difference, he needs to know he should be, and can," said John Rosemond, a South Carolina child psychologist whose parenting column appears in The Times-News and hundreds of other newspapers. "Studies have shown that the father-son relationship has a direct bearing on a boy's success in social relationships," wrote in "Parent Power: A Common Sense Approach to Parenting in the '90s and Beyond."

The Bingham - who also have two daughters - and the Hensons follow a time-honored tradition of raising sons in rural Idaho: hard work and family.

"Every boy is different," said Henson, whose sons are 18, 15, 9 and 3. "But the important things are the same when it comes to parenting."

"Ours were always self-directed," said Joyce Bingham, whose sons have grown into adulthood. "I think that was an advantage for them - and for us."

—The Gazette of Colorado Springs, Colo., contributed to this report

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Recognizing warning signs, seeking help

The Gazette

The following is a list of warning signs and ways to help. They're excerpted from James Garbarino's book "Lost Boys: Why Our Sons Turn Violent and How Can We Save Them." (\$25, Free Press). The author says just because a boy exhibits these behaviors, his destiny isn't set. Parents, he says, should recognize the signs and be prepared to seek help if needed.

To watch for

- Depression, abandonment by a parent and failure to "attach" to a parent can lead boys (and girls) to violence.
- Kids who have a small "moral circle," that is, few people whom they think are on their side, tend to justify using violence as a way to protect themselves and the few they love.
- Boys who become the "man of the house" after dad leaves or boys who protect their mom from domestic violence may feel they have the right to use violence.
- Kids whose moral growth is stunted may tend toward violence. Most people move through several stages of moral development, from "what feels good is good," or "if I get punished it

must be wrong," to developing a sense of justice. Kids who stop at expressing wrongdoing in terms of "not getting caught" often don't take responsibility for their actions.

Solutions

- Teach boys (and girls) to recognize and cope with all feelings, not just anger.
- Protect boys from merciless teasing, neglect, and abuse. Garbarino equates violence portrayed in movies, music, the Internet, and books as a form of abuse.
- Stimulate spirituality to help boys expand their moral circles and get them to care about others.
- Mentor boys and help broaden their worlds and see where they belong.
- Encourage androgyny. Macho stereotypes give boys few options in dealing with situations. They can't be sensitive if they're always expected to be strong, etc. Encourage them to adopt such stereotypical "female" characteristics as compassion, patience and the ability to be nurturing.

—Source: The Gazette of Colorado Springs, Colo.

What chores can kids do at what ages?

Most parents do a fine job of meeting their children's needs. They give them food, shelter, love. But parents should add one more thing to that list, says author Christine Field.

Chores. Your children should be folding the laundry, raking the leaves, putting away groceries.

The reason is simple, Field said. These and thousands of other age-appropriate tasks help build responsibility, relationships and self-respect.

In her new book, "Life Skills for Kids" (Harold Shaw, \$14.99), Field explains how important it is for parents to involve their children early in fun work experiences.

The following lists will give you some ideas of age-appropriate chores for your children:

- Ages 2-3**
- Help make the bed (pull covers up)
 - Hang clothing on hooks
 - Carry laundry to and from

Etc...

the laundry area

- Help feed the animals
- Help wipe up spills
- Bring in the newspaper
- Mop a small area
- Pour from a small pitcher
- Help pick up the living room

Ages 4-5

Any of the above plus:

- Make their own bed
- Clear dishes from the table
- Set the table
- Retrieve the mail
- Dust the furniture
- Help in the kitchen
- Help carry and put away groceries

Ages 6-12

Any of the above plus:

- Take care of pets
- Cook simple foods
- Help wash the car
- Vacuum, sweep and mop
- Clean the bathroom completely

Rake leaves and shovel snow

- Use the washer and dryer
- Hang and fold laundry
- Take out the trash

Ages 13 and up

Any of the above plus:

- Change light bulbs
- Replace vacuum cleaner bags
- Wash inside and outside of windows
- Clean out refrigerator
- Clean stove and oven
- Prepare a meal
- Make grocery lists
- Do all laundry functions
- Mow the lawn

—Sources: Life Skills for Kids; Kansas City Star

Visions of sugarplum fairies

Monday

TWIN FALLS - The Eugene, Ore., Ballet will present Peter Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker," featuring a cast of local dancers, at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Tickets are \$16 for adults, \$7 for students/children. Ticket outlets include Everybody's Business, The Homestead, Crowley's Old Time Soda Fountain, The Magic Valley Arts Council, Saw Mor Drug in Buhl, Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, the CSI Community Education Center, and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley and Gooding. For more information, call for tickets, call 733-9554, Ext. 2288.

Ongoing

TWIN FALLS - "Steamrolling Through the Holidays," the Faulkner Planetarium's holiday

To-do for families

show, will continue through the end of the year at the Herrett Center for Arts and Sciences on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho. "Steamrolling" is a soundtrack of Christmas time favorites by the popular instrumental group Mannheim Steamroller. The program will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays and 4 and 7 p.m. on Saturdays. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for children or \$9 for families. For more information, call the Herrett Center at 733-9554, Ext. 2655.

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What is the school's mission statement?
What is the school's motto?
 To complete the Kid Quest Challenge, visit the Web site in this issue to find the answers to the questions, then go to www.4kids.org/kidquest/

Speak Out!
SOAR WITH THE EAGLES
 Spread your wings and head to the American Bald Eagle Information Web site at www.bald-eagle.com. Check out the bald eagle history section, and then learn all about eagle feathers, eye sight, migration, feeding habits and much more. Take a peek at the story of how the eagle became America's national emblem. Also, don't forget to look at all the beautiful photos of eagles. This is one site that will make you wish you were an eagle!
Eagle vision is how many times sharper than human vision?
Check out!
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Check out!
Which girl is the fashion designer in the weekly toon, "The Magique Trunk?"

Amy answers your Questions about the World Wide Web
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Dear Amy: What is MAPI and what is it used for? —Robert K. Means, Arts, Dear Robert: MAPI (Marketing Application Programming Interface) is a program that allows applications through e-mail without having to attach documents through e-mail. It's used by many people. It's a message. It also allows them to be connected to that multiple systems can read their MAPI file. Use it with e-mail applications like Outlook. The Outlook MAPI file is <http://www.outlook.com>. AshAmy@4Kids.org offers much more info.
Dear Amy: What is a "convergence?" It is a kind of computer bag? —Jan M. Winstocher, N.Y., Dear Jan: "Convergence" is a main goal to young people who probably know more about technology than their teachers. Douglas Rushkoff called the term in 1997. He says that young people who have been exposed to technology for most of their lives are destined to be heads and shoulders above their elders in technology know-how. I found the Web site www.convergence.com. A great resource for definitions of new and obscure words.
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Don't medicate child for normal behavior

A friend of mine participates in a national network of pediatricians who share information and advice with one another through the World Wide Web.
 Certain of the exchanges leave him amused while others provoke his outrage.
 In the latter category one pediatrician asked another physician about a 26-month-old youngster who was keeping his parents up much of the night, most every night. In addition, the child was "very active" and prone to tantrums during the day.
 The pediatrician diagnosed it as attention deficit-hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), as lots of kids who are so diagnosed during their school years have similar histories.
 In the first place, it is equally true that a good number of kids who do just fine in school have similar histories. In the second place, nearly every 2-year-old exhibits the symptoms associated with and necessary to a diagnosis of attention deficit disorder. With few exceptions, 2-year-olds are active and prone to fits when they don't get their way. They are impulsive, often defiant, and they bounce from one thing to another.
 Problems with sleeping through the night are also common at this age. A 2-year-old who may have slept through the night, every night, since age 3 months may suddenly begin waking up several times a night, creating a major disturbance each time.
 None of these behaviors indicates that anything is "wrong." The daytime behaviors at issue result from a combination of immature brain development and narcissism. The immature brain cannot focus on any one thing for any length of time and lacks the capacity to think "ahead," and the narcissist that emerges from behind the mask of infancy at around 18 months cannot tolerate anyone getting in his way or denying him what he thinks is his due.
 It is disturbing, to say the least, that a highly respected pediatrician would suggest that behaviors that are by no means abnormal at this age are cause for a diagnosis of any sort, much less ADHD.
 This implies that the child is a possible candidate for medication. As my friend pointed out, should the child wind up on the receiving end of one of the drugs used to "treat" ADHD, the child's parents will undoubtedly report fewer daytime discipline problems, including tantrums. That leaves the sleeping problems, for which the child's pediatrician might prescribe a second medication to which the child might well respond "positively."
 And in no time at all, we have yet another set of parents who are on their way to becoming addicted to giving their child drugs whenever a behavior problem rears its ugly little head.
John Rosemond is a family psychologist. Questions of general interest may be sent to him at Affirmation, 9247 N. Meridian, Indianapolis, Ind. 46260 and at his Web site: <http://www.rosemond.com/>

Dog may be smarter than we think

Sirloin, our black Labrador retriever is the dumbest dog I've ever met. I think.
 Sirloin is equipped with a brain consisting of a total of two neurons connected to a set of teeth. Like a four-legged kid who gets D's and F's on his obedience report card, Sirloin, sporting a canine dunce cap, greets every stranger he meets with open arms — a lot like lovable Ernest of movie and commercial fame. Which makes me the perfect Vern.
 Beyond food and water (he never forgets to demand of me "Hey Vern, what's for dinner?"), Sirloin has few basic needs. Not counting, however, his constant demand for a best friend to end less I throw toys for him to retrieve, a genie-like master to do a little Aladdin action on his stomach and a trusty companion to toss him an emotional Milk Bone every now and then. These signs of affection come in the form of syrupy, disjointed sentences such as "Gomer (that's one of his nicknames) youzz is just the bestest boy in the world and munny loves you youzzzzz she does."
 Although Sirloin's father was purportedly a runner-up national field trial champion, Sirloin could only place in the National Field Mouse Digging Championship. He would never cut it as a police dog, assistant dog, herding dog, or drug dog. He's just too dumb.
 Or is he?
 Let me rethink this. Sirloin has landed the cushy job of never missing a day or night serving as the official doorman at Almost Heaven Ranch. Every time the door opens, Sirloin is there to faithfully greet everyone, and when they are ready to leave, he reappears to proudly escort them out. And, despite sleeping on the job for about 20 hours of each day, he gets more rewards for less effort than any other worker on the ranch. Hmmm. When was the last time you were rewarded for sleeping 20 hours a day?
 A typical day in the life of Sirloin consists of eating, sleeping, eating, playing with his canine companions, eating, chasing chickens, never catches, andlicking himself in hard-to-reach places.
 Without fail, Sirloin can charm anyone he meets into giving him extra treats, with just one look from his liquid, bowl-filled eyes, by scratching us with a paw, or by laying his head on our lap. Forgive about his flunking obedience school; Sirloin has discovered a universal law of dogkind; that for every action (begging), there is an opposite and equal reaction (treats). We humans — the supposedly most intelligent species on the planet — can learn a lot about how to live a life filled with love, happiness, gratification and contentment from "dumb" beasts such as Sirloin.
 On closer evaluation, Sirloin is no dummy. Now I'll admit that while his doggie IQ may not rival that of Lassie or Fido or the Taco-Bell Chihuahua, Sirloin is "the Wolf off the chair." And behind that Ernest mask lies the best of both worlds — the heart of an Ernest and the brain of an Einstein.

Man teaches value of encouragement

"We are all here on earth to help others; what on earth the others are here for I don't know."
 — W.I.L. Auden
 By Scot Thurman
 At the age of 21, Susan was diagnosed with breast cancer. Of course, the news devastated this young, vibrant college student. To make matters worse, she had no money to cover the medical expenses. Her father had recently lost his job, and her disabled mother hadn't worked in nearly 15 years.
 With an empty bank account and a heart full of faith, Susan began six weeks of chemotherapy treatments. I accompanied her to her chemo appointment one day, and I was amazed at the courage radiating from her face before and after the grueling treatments. Despite her desperate circumstances, Susan's faith sustained her.
 Before long, Susan became very ill, and the intense pain was growing unbearable. Though she received unremitting prayer and support from her family, friends and professors, the pain persisted. Soon she had lost all her hair. "If nothing else," she would tease, "I'll save money on hair color!" Despite her positive outlook and unyielding faith, her financial situation remained grim. She already owed more than \$10,000 in medical expenses, and she had no income or savings.
 One cold February day while Susan was in the hospital, a visitor came to see her. The elderly gentleman with a sweet countenance asked, "Are you Susan?"
 "Yes," she replied.
 "My name is Mark White, and I live here in town. My wife was in the bed next to you on your first visit to the hospital, but you weren't here long, and while you were here, you were very sick. My wife and I prayed for you each night before going to bed, and we often wondered how you were." The man continued, "My wife died about two days after you left, and I'm here today to pick up some of her things."
 Susan nodded, not sure how to respond.
 The man proceeded, "The nurse informed me you were back in the hospital. My wife overheard you talking on the phone with your mom one night about your financial situation. My wife and I wanted to help you and knew of no better way than to give you this money. We don't know you well, but we want to help. You were always a joy for my wife to talk to and a great encouragement to her. Please take this check and use it for your hospital bills."
 As the gentleman walked away, he turned back and said, "I know you're going to make it, kid. Just keep believing."
 As Susan opened the envelope, she thought, How nice that this elderly couple gave me \$20

Chicken Soup for the Soul

A young woman with breast cancer must not only cope with the disease but also the financial burden that comes with long-term hospital care. But a former patient's husband encourages her to keep believing.

or \$50. But what she found inside the envelope was not a \$20 bill or a \$50 bill; it was a check for \$10,000! Weeping, she read the attached note: "Someone needs your encouragement today. Thanks for encouraging me for the few short days I knew you. Love, Marie White."
 Susan did just as Mr. White had said — she kept believing. Susan's cancer was gone in a few months and has never returned. In her own special way, Susan reminded me to encourage someone every day; her story has remained with me, and its message becomes more valuable with time. When I asked Susan how to end her story, she said God had given her what she believed to be the greatest gift of all — life.
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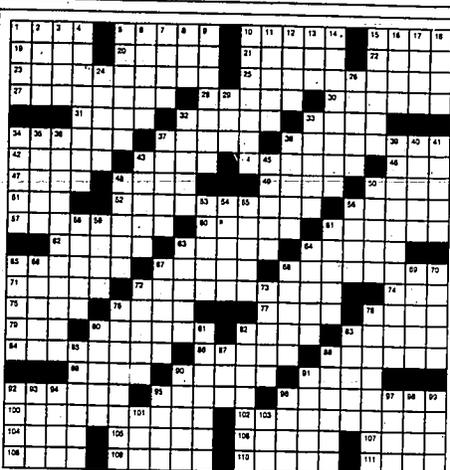
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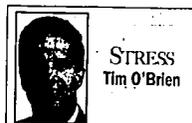
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Use seven steps to deal with doubt

No matter how positive and convinced we are, sometimes doubt creeps in. We wonder "Did I take the right action? Did I make the correct decision? Should I have done something else?" There is more than I could have done?" Depending on the type of doubt and its severity, doubt can deteriorate into guilt and loss of confidence. Left unattended, doubt can become a downward spiral into the inability to act, thus crippling our plans and confusing our minds.

I have never met a balanced person who never experienced doubt. I have met some who have an uncanny ability to deal with doubt. These people look at it from both the emotional and analytical standpoint. They admit its existence, but don't accept its fate. Here is how successful people I've met, overcome doubt and get back on track.

1. Have a systematic way to determine when doubt is. Ask yourself these questions. "Am I certain that this is the course to follow? Do I have any hesitation to proceed full speed and confidently?" If this inquiry raises doubt, reconsider before beginning or continuing.
2. When doubt is obvious, write down your concerns. Ask yourself, "What am I hesitating about? Why don't I feel confident? Have I missed something?" Write answers to these questions. Don't just do this as a mental exercise. People who use this writing exercise describe a feeling of relief when



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they finally write the true reason for their doubt. It's like the problem flows out through the pen or pencil. Keep asking and keep writing until you develop a sense of clarity.

3. What you can describe, you can conquer. Once you've written the causes of your doubt, you have taken a major step toward ending it. List the reasons for your doubt on separate pages. Begin to think of solutions for these reasons. What are your options? What alternate courses of action can you take? Do you need to rethink your entire position? Has new information appeared that requires you to change your original plans? Ask these questions. List the answers; develop a proactive approach to implementing them.
4. Realize you can manage doubt, but never avoid it completely. If you wait until you are 100 percent certain, you will never act. Or, you will wait too long, and the expected opportunity will have passed. The goal is to get doubt to a manageable level of risk. The circumstances of a situation determine the time available for restricting

doubt. Strive for a balance between the level of uncertainty, the level of risk and the cost of failure. Once the level of risk balances with the level of doubt, proceed.

5. Make mid-course corrections frequently. Depending on the importance of the task, relook at your assumptions and methods. Reinforce your good decisions. Reduce the impact of your bad ones. Think and act, don't succumb to the "paralysis of analysis."
6. Get help when you can't figure out a situation by yourself. When your doubt causes you to freeze into a state of inaction. There are experts in every field. Find them and use them appropriately.
7. Get to work. Do something. Act in some positive way. Many times doubt is the result of the fear of failure. We all fail. It is difficult or impossible to succeed without failing. Learn from the failures and continue on an improved course toward success.

When doubt assails you, do what other successful people do. Look at it directly. Determine its causes. Resolve them and get back to enjoying a life of increasing success.

Tim O'Brien writes continuing-education courses and presents seminars on stress management. Readers may write to him at 2328 Wellesley Circle East, Tallahassee, Fla. 32308 or send e-mail to ism@hyperstress.com. He also has a web site at www.hyperstress.com.

Relationship is tearing family apart

DEAR ABBY: You have probably heard everything, but here goes. My sister-in-law died last summer. She had been very ill for a year. My brother-in-law, "Tom," took excellent care of her, but not too long before her death, she had to be put in a nursing home. While visiting his wife there, Tom struck up a friendship with a woman I'll call "Dolly." Tom is in his 70s. Dolly is in her 80s. Dolly's husband died about the same time as my sister-in-law.

Tom was receptive to Tom and his family were receptive to Tom and his family. She even sat with us in the family pews, right behind Tom.

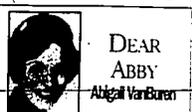
How could anyone be so brazen as to not even wait until the spouse is buried to announce their affair?

One week later, Tom bought her an engagement ring. Two weeks after that, they eloped.

Do you think we should exclude them from our annual holiday dinner? Several family members have said they will not attend if she's there. Our family has always been very close, but this has torn us apart. How should I handle this?

—ONE FOR THE BOOKS

DEAR ONE FOR THE BOOKS: Because your family is still grieving—and upset over Tom's swift remarriage—consider scaling down your



DEAR ABBY
Abby Cadabby

organized holiday events this year. You all need more time to heal.

Tom and Dolly obviously bonded while visiting their dying spouses. Please try not to judge them too harshly. They may have been lonely and vulnerable watching their spouses slip away day after day.

I agree that Dolly's timing was off. However, Tom and Dolly witnessed death firsthand. Because of their ages, they've chosen to live the rest of their lives to the fullest. Try to be happy for them and wish them well. After all, they're family.

—I have two cats - and she acquired two cats. I got a hamster for my boyfriend - and she got two hamsters for her husband and put them in a more elaborate cage. I bought a water dragon - she got two and put them in a fancier tank. I bought a dragon print for my living room - she bought three dragon prints. She constantly tries to outdo me. It goes on and on.

It infuriates me when our friends comment and praise her for her style and taste. We are both in our 30s, but suddenly I feel I'm back in high school.

—COPIED IN CONNECTICUT

DEAR COPIED: Tell your friend you're turning your living room into

'Bounce' is for more mature teens

The Orange County Register

"Bounce" (PG-13) - Twin Cinema.

Best for: Mature teens to adults who enjoy a good romance.

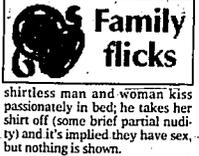
What it's about: Buddy (Ben Affleck) is a cocky advising executive who befriends a couple of travelers during a weather delay at an airport. He gives his ticket to the man, who wants to go home to his wife and kids, and ends up spending the night with the woman. The next morning she awakens to find that a plane crash has killed the man he gave his ticket to. Buddy is overcome with grief, guilt, remorse and confusion that causes him to check into a rehab. After a while, when released, Buddy makes an effort to contact the man's widow, Abbey (Gwyneth Paltrow), and she falls in love with him without knowing the whole truth. Natasha Henstridge, Jennifer Grey, Tony Goldwyn, Joe Morton, David Paymer, Johnny Galecki, David Dorfman and Alex D. Linz also star.

The good: This is a touching, emotional story that has a unique premise with likable characters. Affleck delivers one of his better performances. The chemistry between Paltrow and Affleck is believable (because of their past real-life romance) and enjoyable to watch with clever dialogue, funny one-liners and touching moments that involve her children. The emotional issues that arise from the relationship because of the husband's death are ones that mature audiences will appreciate. Some funny scenes between Affleck and his male secretary almost steal the show. Issues such as honesty, family, love, priorities, bravery, fear and coming to terms with who you are as an adult, are appropriately handled.

The not-so-good: There are a few instances of sexual innuendo and several kissing scenes, which are at times passionate. An angry dog attacks a man, biting a hole in his pants and tearing his shirt. A drunken man falls off a stage. The delicate issue of Abbey's children losing their father is handled appropriately, but there are several emotional scenes that will bring a tear.

Offensive language: Several references, some mild obscenities and a few religious profanities.

Sexual situations: Buddy and woman are shown in bed together; the woman is obviously naked but covered by a blanket (her bare shoulders are visible). A



Family flicks

shirtless man and woman kiss passionately in bed; he takes her shirt off (some brief partial nudity) and it's implied they have sex, but nothing is shown.

Violence: Much of the story revolves around a plane crash. Parental advisory: The PG-13 rating and stars of this movie will attract a younger audience but the adult themes (loss of a husband, loss of a parent, death, grieving, alcoholism, casual sex, plane crashes) are too complex for kids to understand or appreciate.

Entertainment value: B

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HELPING WISHES COME TRUE

Pat Kennison, middle, local representative of the Make a Wish Foundation, attended a recent Women of the Moose meeting at the Twin Falls Lodge. She presented a program on the foundation. Twin Falls Women of the Moose Senior Regent Joan Sorenson, right, and Chairman Pat Cogswell, left, presented Kennison with a donation. The foundation is one of the many charities supported by the Women of the Moose, officials say.



Photo courtesy of PAT COGSWELL

KIMBERLY SCHOOL OFFICERS



Senior Kimberly High School officers are, from left, back row: Ashley Fuller, representative; and Karissa Maler, president; middle row: Mitch Roberts, secretary; and Devin Poulton, vice president; front row: Jason Stearing, tribanor; and Bryan Hall, treasurer.

BETTY TAYLOR/The Times-News

Habitat for Humanity receives gift

TWIN FALLS - Habitat for Humanity of Magic Valley has received \$2,500 from U.S. Bank, says Carol Robertson, treasurer of the local affiliate.

Coordinated by the Habitat for Humanity of Idaho, donations were also given to other affiliates in the state at a ceremony in Boise Nov. 13 attended by Allie Snyder, local board member. The Magic Valley affiliate is currently working with Collins Brothers of Kanaka Rapids, near Buhl, in the design and engineering phase for construction of its fourth house. Collins officials plan to videotape the work on two houses on Habitat property between Fourth Avenue West and DeLong Avenue.

Thanks to donations from local businesses and individuals, funds are available to frame and close in two houses, but additional funds will be needed to complete

Want to donate?
Donations to assist in completion of the forthcoming houses may be sent to Habitat for Humanity of Magic Valley, Box 3034, Twin Falls, 83301.

the first house for a family already selected, affiliate representatives said.

The second house will not be finished until the first house is occupied, Robertson said. This spring, through a three-month selection process, two families were chosen out of 20 applicants to be next in line to purchase a future house. Families selected must be able to assume non-interest mortgage payments and donate "sweat equity" in donated labor for homes for the family ahead of them, but not have enough income to be eligible for commercial loans, the

organization representatives said. The two families selected for future houses are Daniel and Rosalinda Bowman and Frank and Carrie Flores, both of Buhl. Selection committee members were Michele Coleman, Maggi Fortner, Gayle Purdy, Megan Ruffing, Allie Snyder, Carole Stennett, Reid Jerry Steels, Jack and Donna Stalley and Robertson.

The affiliate has also received \$2,000 in memorial funds for Ann Darlene Schroeder Chrisman; \$10,000 from the Elizabeth Armstrong estate; \$6,000 in materials from Home Depot and a matching gift of \$3,000 from the John D. and Catherine Mac Arth Foundation, as well as several \$1,000 donations from local and former residents and gifts from area churches, representatives said.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Orbe receives engineering Junior Award at UI



Chad Orbe was awarded the Junior Award for spring 2000 from the department of electronics and engineering at the University of Idaho at Moscow. Orbe was selected by the department's faculty for the honor. He graduated from Buhl High School in 1990.

State department picks student artwork for holiday

A Kimberly Elementary School first-grader won a holiday drawing contest sponsored by the Idaho Department of Education. Forest Harris won the first-grade contest.

Artwork by students in Grangeville and Rathdrum will illustrate the State Department of Education's 2000 holiday stationery. Each year, the department invites elementary students to submit drawings that will be featured on its holiday card and stationery. The department also awards winners at each grade level.

Jensen serves on council for families

Maria Jensen of the Mini-Cassia Health Net in Burley was one of 43 Idahoans chosen by Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne to serve on the Governor's Coordinating Council for Families and Children. Idaho First Lady Patricia Kempthorne and Dr. Jerry Hirschfeld, director of St. Luke's Children's Hospital in Boise, are the council co-chairmen.

"We have an outstanding group of Idahoans dedicated to strengthening the family and improving the lives of our families," Gov. Kempthorne said. As a council member, Jensen will serve a two-year term.

SCHOOL LUNCH

BUHL SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day. Choice of fruit or juice every day.
Monday: cereal, cinnamon toast
Tuesday: baked toast, maple syrup
Wednesday: biscuits and gravy
Thursday: donuts
Friday: pancakes and sausage on a stick
Lunch menu
Milk and juice served every day
Monday: spaghetti, meat sauce, green salad, french french, cheddar turnovers
Tuesday: chicken sandwich, potato salad, veg. french french, cheddar chip cookie
Wednesday: Rib-cube sandwich, barbecue sauce, french french, cheddar chip cookie
Thursday: ham, potatoes, gravy, corn, hot roll, Christmas tree
Friday: French sandwich, tartar sauce, French fries, fruit

CASTLEFORD SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Milk and juice served every day
Monday: Doughnuts, cereal
Tuesday: Cinnamon rolls, cereal
Wednesday: Pancakes, cereal
Thursday: Pancakes, cereal
Friday: Breakfast muffin, cereal
Lunch menu
Monday: Hoega sandwiches
Tuesday: Baked ham and cheddar sandwiches
Wednesday: Cheeseburgers
Thursday: Burgers
Friday: Christmas dinner

HANSEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, toast, juice
Tuesday: French toast, fruit
Wednesday: Danish, toast, juice
Thursday: Scrambled eggs, bacon, flour tortilla, juice
Friday: Long john, cereal, juice
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
Monday: Pizza, salad, fruit
Tuesday: Soft tacos, tartar sauce, fruit
Wednesday: Hot dog sandwich, peas, fruit
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, toast, juice
Tuesday: French toast, fruit
Wednesday: Danish, toast, juice
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
Monday: Two Ball burrito or grilled chicken wrap sandwich or salad bar, lettuce, tomatoes, olive sauce, sweet corn, chilled peas, Krispie chicken
Tuesday: Daily sandwich or barbecue beef sandwich

KIMBERLY SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, cinnamon toast
Tuesday: baked toast, maple syrup
Wednesday: biscuits and gravy
Thursday: donuts
Friday: pancakes and sausage on a stick
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
Monday: spaghetti, meat sauce, green salad, french french, cheddar turnovers
Tuesday: chicken sandwich, potato salad, veg. french french, cheddar chip cookie
Wednesday: Rib-cube sandwich, barbecue sauce, french french, cheddar chip cookie
Thursday: ham, potatoes, gravy, corn, hot roll, Christmas tree
Friday: French sandwich, tartar sauce, French fries, fruit

MAGIC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, toast, juice
Tuesday: French toast, fruit
Wednesday: Danish, toast, juice
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
Monday: Pizza, salad, fruit
Tuesday: Soft tacos, tartar sauce, fruit
Wednesday: Hot dog sandwich, peas, fruit
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit

MURTAUGH SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, toast, juice
Tuesday: French toast, fruit
Wednesday: Danish, toast, juice
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
Monday: Pizza, salad, fruit
Tuesday: Soft tacos, tartar sauce, fruit
Wednesday: Hot dog sandwich, peas, fruit
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit

ROBERT STUART AND O'LEARY JUNIOR HIGH

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, toast, juice
Tuesday: French toast, fruit
Wednesday: Danish, toast, juice
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
Monday: Pizza, salad, fruit
Tuesday: Soft tacos, tartar sauce, fruit
Wednesday: Hot dog sandwich, peas, fruit
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit

ST. EDWARD'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, toast, juice
Tuesday: French toast, fruit
Wednesday: Danish, toast, juice
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
Monday: Pizza, salad, fruit
Tuesday: Soft tacos, tartar sauce, fruit
Wednesday: Hot dog sandwich, peas, fruit
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit

TWIN FALLS ELEMENTARY

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, toast, juice
Tuesday: French toast, fruit
Wednesday: Danish, toast, juice
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
Monday: Pizza, salad, fruit
Tuesday: Soft tacos, tartar sauce, fruit
Wednesday: Hot dog sandwich, peas, fruit
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit

VALLEY SCHOOLS

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, toast, juice
Tuesday: French toast, fruit
Wednesday: Danish, toast, juice
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
Monday: Pizza, salad, fruit
Tuesday: Soft tacos, tartar sauce, fruit
Wednesday: Hot dog sandwich, peas, fruit
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit

TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Milk served every day
Monday: cereal, toast, juice
Tuesday: French toast, fruit
Wednesday: Danish, toast, juice
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit
Lunch menu
Milk served every day
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Tuesday: Soft tacos, tartar sauce, fruit
Wednesday: Hot dog sandwich, peas, fruit
Thursday: Sloppy joe, french fries, fruit
Friday: Corn dogs, french fries, fruit

COMMUNITY EVENTS

20th Century Club sings holiday carols at meeting

TWIN FALLS - The 20th Century Club will meet at 12 p.m. Tuesday at the Turf Club in Twin Falls. The meeting will include Christmas decorating with JoAnne Dixon and Burt Huish will sing and lead members in Christmas carols.

Members are welcome to bring a spouse or guest. For later reservations or cancellations, call Esther by 10 a.m. Monday at 734-1487.

Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

GOODING - The Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club winners for Dec. 1 were: first place, Riley Burton and Max Thompson; second place, Carma Davidson and Mary Coppart; tied for third Edward and Howard Tucker with fourth York and Jodi Faulkner with Louise Smith and tied for fifth place, Fred Plankey with Mrs. Smutney and Barbara Burke with Beverly Reed. Refreshments were served. The Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. every Friday at Gooding City Hall.

Elk's National Foundation offers scholarships

TWIN FALLS - The Elk's National Foundation "Most Valuable Student" scholarship applications are available through Elk's Lodges. The foundation will award nationwide 500 four-year scholarships totaling over \$2 million to the highest-rated boys and girls in the 2001 competition. The state of Idaho will receive two of these scholarships. In addition, the Idaho State Elk's will award \$13,000 in scholarships to several students. Applications will be judged on financial need, leadership and scholarship. Applications are available from the high school counselors, the local Elk's Lodge or from Marvin Chamberlain, P.O. Box 25, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0025. Applications are also available at <http://www.elks.org/enf/mvs.cfm>. Application deadline is Jan. 12, 2001.

Twin Falls Soroptimist group holds fund-raisers

TWIN FALLS - As a fund-raiser the Twin Falls Soroptimists will sell Rada Cutlery and bags and candles on Dec. 12 and 13. The colored bags and candles are \$1.25 and the plain bags and candles are \$1. Checks should be made payable to Soroptimist International of Twin Falls.

All proceeds go towards Youth Citizenship awards, Women's Opportunity awards, Girls State Sponsorship and a community project.

For more information or to order Rada Cutlery, call Midge Albert at 734-670, Kathy Markham at 734-622 or Clara Bruner at 734-6040.

AARP Tax-Aide program seeks volunteers

HAGERMAN - AARP Tax-Aide, the nation's largest, free, volunteer-run tax counseling and preparation service, is seeking volunteers who will learn tax law and help others. Each year, from Feb. 1 through April 15, Tax-Aide volunteers prepare federal and state tax returns for middle and low-income people at more than 10,000 sites nationwide. South-central Idaho sites are in Twin Falls, Jerome, Filer, Kimberly, Buhl, Halley, Rupert, Gooding, Hagerman and Wendell. New sites are projected for Burley, Shoshone, Glenns Ferry and Jackpot. Volunteers with computer skills are especially needed to assist with electric filing of tax returns. Volunteers receive tax training from IRS certified instructors and volunteers are asked to give a minimum commitment of 40 hours over the 10-week tax season. People of all ages, backgrounds and skill level are encouraged to apply. Reimbursement is provided for program related out-of-pocket expenses, such as mileage and postage. AARP membership is not required to participate in the program. Study guides are being mailed out now and classes in Twin Falls start Jan. 2. For more information, call Bob Wunderle at 837-9178 or e-mail him at bwunderle@computerdepot.com, visit the Tax-Aide web page at www.aarp.org/tax-aid or call toll free at 1-888-AARPNOW (1-888-227-7669).

Time to nominate decorated holiday homes

It's time for The Times-News holiday lighting contest. Vote for your favorite decorated home by telling us the address of the home. Submit entries to Denise Turner, The Times-News, P. O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0548 or to denise@magicvalley.com or go to www.magicvalley.com. Voting deadline is Dec. 13.

Shriners seek food, cash donations for hospital

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Shriners are seeking donations for the Shriners' Southern Idaho for Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah. Shriners are seeking cash donations, non-perishable food items, clothing, small blankets, toys, puzzles and any items a small child might need during a hospital stay. Donations can be dropped off at AAA Screen, Window and Door Supply at 727 Second Ave. S. in Twin Falls or in Center Court at the Magic Valley Mall. To have items picked up, call Darrell Sweet at 738-2436, Lloyd Stone at 733-2721, Wayne Maberg at 543-6147, Joe Kimmes at 536-2120 or Richard Anderson at 543-5555. For more information, call 734-8336.

Dental assistant program takes applications

TWIN FALLS - Those interested in becoming dental assistants are encouraged by College of Southern Idaho instructor Tonja Bowcut to start the process now before the April 1 application deadline. Registration is now under way for the spring semester at CSI, which begins Jan. 22. This would be a good time for students to take the Compass assessment test and to sign up for requisite courses, Bowcut says. For more information, call Bowcut at 733-9554, Ext. 2186.

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EVANS-NELSON

BURLEY - Ed and Terry Evans of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsay Evans, to R. Kyle Nelson, son of Ronald and Lori Nelson of American Falls. Evans is a 1999 graduate of Burley High School and is currently attending Ricks College in Reburg. Nelson is a 1996 graduate of American Falls High School. He is employed by X O Communications in Salt Lake City, Utah. The wedding is planned for Dec. 23 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will



R. Kyle Nelson and Lindsay Evans to be held from 7:30-9 p.m. Dec. 23 at Sweetheart Manor in Burley.

PIERCE-LARSON

TWIN FALLS - Marvin Pierce and Kathy Pierce, both of Twin Falls, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kati Pierce, to C.R. Larson, son of Clarence Larson Sr. of Shelton, Wash., and the late Katherine Larson. Pierce is a 1997 graduate of Twin Falls High School. She is attending Lewis-Clark State College and will graduate in the fall of 2001, majoring in education. Larson is a 1995 graduate of Shelton High School in Shelton, Wash. He is a stand-up comedian. The wedding is planned for Satur-



Kati Pierce and C.R. Larson day at the White House in Twin Falls. The couple will reside in Lewiston.

QUIGLEY-FREEMAN

GOODING - Randy and Lori Quigley of Gooding announce the engagement of their daughter, Rishelle Quigley, to Dustin Freeman, son of Jerry and Connie Freeman of Gooding. Quigley is a graduate of Gooding High School and attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. She earned a real estate license and is employed at John L. Scott Real Estate in Boise. Freeman is a graduate of Gooding High School and FFTech. He is employed by Micron in Boise.



Dustin Freeman and Rishelle Quigley. The wedding is planned for Dec. 22.

QUINTON-MOUSER

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Quinton of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Lynn Quinton, to Brock Mouser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Evert Mouser of Rigby. Quinton is a graduate of Filer High School and Ricks College with a degree in culinary arts. She is employed by the Sam's Club Bakery in Idaho Falls. Mouser is a graduate of Pahump Valley High School in Pahump, Nev. He served an LDS mission to the Canada Toronto East Mission and is currently attending Ricks College. The wedding is planned for



Mary Quinton and Brock Mouser Friday in the Idaho Falls Temple. A reception will follow from 7-9 p.m. Saturday at the Tracy Quinton residence in Twin Falls.

BRADLEY-TURNBOW

JEROME - Bruce and JoAnn Bradley of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsey Bradley, to Loren Turnbow, son of Randy and Rene Turnbow of Jerome. Bradley is a graduate of Jerome High School and the emergency medical technicians advanced program at the College of Southern Idaho. She is currently employed at Magic Valley Paramedics in Twin Falls. Turnbow is a graduate of Jerome High School and is employed by the Idaho State Controllers Office as a technology support technician in Boise. The wedding is planned for Dec. 29 at the Boise Temple. A recep-



Lindsay Bradley and Loren Turnbow tion will be held from 7-9:30 p.m. Dec. 29 at the LDS Church, 520 N. Lincoln in Jerome. The newlyweds will reside in Boise.

CHANDLER-MARLER

FILER - Tom and Ruby Chandler of Filer announce the engagement of their daughter, Dori Ann Chandler, to Benjamin Marler, son of Michael and Myrna Marler of Laie, Hawaii. Chandler attended Filer High School. She is a sophomore at Brigham Young University and is employed as a market assistant at Prudential in Provo, Utah. Marler is a 1997 graduate of Loveland High School in Laie, Hawaii. He attended BYU in Hawaii and served a two-year mission in San Diego, Calif. He is employed by Alders Heating and Air Conditioning in Provo.



Benjamin Marler and Dori Chandler. The wedding is planned for Dec. 21 in the Mt. Timpanogos Temple. A reception will be held from 6-8 p.m. Dec. 22 at the Filer LDS Stake Center on Thurman Street.

COELHO-LINAM

JEROME - Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Coelho of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Jenny Marie Coelho, to Jeremy Lee Linam of Buhl, son of Doug Linam and Karen Linam-Mitchell of Plymouth, Wash. Coelho is a 1998 graduate of Jerome High School, where she was on the drill team, basketball team and track. She is currently employed at Papa Kelsey's in Jerome. Linam is a 1998 graduate of Buhl High School, where he played football and wrestled. He attended one year at Dickinson State University in Dickinson, N.D., and wrestled with the Blue Hawks. He is currently serving in the U.S. Air Force



Jeremy Linam and Jenny Coelho at Sheppard Air Force Base in Texas. The wedding is planned for Dec. 23. The newlyweds will reside at Grand Fork Air Force Base, N.D.

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THE SWANERS

BELLEUE - Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swaner of Bellevue will be honored at an open house Dec. 17 for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited from 2-5 p.m. at the Blaine County Senior Center, 721 Third Ave. S. in Hailey. The couple requests no gifts, bringing cherished memories to share. Swaner and Adelia Cutler were married Dec. 15, 1950, in Winnemucca, Nev.



Fred Swaner Adelia Swaner

They have been lifelong residents of the Wood River Valley. The event is hosted by their children, Sue (Randy) Tucker of Carson City, Nev., Mike (Cristina) Swaner of Nampa, Gary (Yvonne) Swaner of Colorado Springs, Colo., Peggy (Jim) Watkins of Anchorage, Alaska, Kathy (Ben) Onida of Shoshone and Rob (Jan) Swaner of Seattle, Wash.



Fred and Adelia Swaner. The couple has 15 grandchildren.

THE TAYLORS

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Taylor of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house Dec. 17 for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2-4 p.m. at the Immanuel Lutheran Church parish hall in Twin Falls. No gifts, please. Taylor and Violet Werner were married Dec. 17, 1950, at Clover Trinity Lutheran Church. They owned and operated Taylor's Safety Service since 1976 until May of this year. They have two children, Michael Taylor of Nampa and



Violet and Robert Taylor. Pamela Taylor of Twin Falls, one grandson, Joshua (Monica) Taylor of Nampa; and one great-grandchild, Ashley Taylor.

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He was not handsome, but he certainly wasn't homely either. He was average in height, weight and looks, but his cute sense of humor more than made up for his rather ordinary appearance. He had a twinkle in his eye and knew how to make those around him laugh at just about any situation that was the least bit peculiar. He was very bright too, and I looked forward to having him in my classes in Wendell High.

It would not be until many years after he graduated that I learned that his sense of humor hid a darker secret. He was an unloved child.

I had no idea about that at the time. He was always dressed nicely, always had a smile for everyone, and his grades were generally top-notch. Children who are not loved meet this challenge in different ways—some become bullies, some withdraw, some put on an act that everything is wonderful, some try to be perfect to win that love, and some use a sense of humor to hide the hurt. Jim (not his real name) was one of those.

I taught his brothers and sisters, none of whom gave an indication that anything was wrong at home. As I went to TFCart later, however, there was nothing wrong in the way



AFTER CLASS
Gay Petersen

they were treated. Only Jim was left out.

I also would discover that Jim was always treated as second best. Nothing he ever did could quite measure up. During family discussions the brothers and sisters were consulted, but never Jim. Plans were made for the other children to attend college, but Jim was left to figure out what he would do with his life on his own.

After graduation Jim moved away, only to return at very rare intervals. I never saw him again, and when he was in his early thirties he was killed in an accident ... or was it?

Jim's parents were educated people. They appeared, to any outsider, to be the perfect parents, but often things are hidden behind closed doors, and help for those inside may be beyond reach unless the child

tells someone, and Jim never did. It is simply beyond me to understand how supposedly loving parents could treat one child so differently from another. How blessed we are if our children are born healthy and able. And even if they are not our love should be overflowing for these, our most precious possessions.

Each should be accepted for who they are—unique and valued. To leave one out for some unknown reason is not only cruel, it should be unthinkable.

Though I am sure that Jim's teachers and peers loved him, it could never have been enough to make up for the lack of love from home. That lack, showing at the least disapproval, and at the most total indifference, can determine the self-worth and happiness of an individual for life.

Children are children, and all deserve the best of care and the most love we can give them. May we all do our part to assure that those within our care are the recipients of such love. We owe them that at the very least.

Gay Petersen is a retired teacher who lives in Wendell. Write to her at petersen@magielink.com

Get the facts first on medical care

Q. Over the past three years, my mother has been in and out of the hospital because of a series of strokes, after which she is sent to a nursing home for rehabilitation. In each instance, her Medicare insurance has covered the first 20 days. On one occasion, when she stayed for more than 20 days, her Medicare and supplement covered all the costs.

I am concerned that if she continues to be hospitalized, she will run out of lifetime nursing home days and the facility will require a deposit. Is there any way to prevent this from happening?

A. There is no such thing as "lifetime nursing home days" under Medicare—at least not yet. Generally speaking, your mother would pay nothing for the first 20 days of what are referred to as "covered services" each time she becomes ill. After 20 days, assuming she still needs skilled care, her co-insurance will continue to pay for each additional day that is covered under Medicare up to an additional 80 days.

Without a Medicare supplemental policy, your mother would be paying \$97 per day for days 21 through 100 during each benefit period. After that, she would be responsible for the full cost of her care.

It is illegal for skilled nursing facilities to require a patient to make a de-

posit or other payment as a condition of admission unless the services clearly won't be covered under Medicare.

Q. My father was discharged from the hospital after his stroke without rehabilitation other than that given in the hospital during his eight-day stay and some in-home services now. He was sent straight home, but I thought he would be sent to another facility for rehabilitation under Medicare. Can I do anything about this, as I think he needs more rehabilitation?

A. Whether a patient is sent to a nursing facility for rehabilitation depends on whether the physician certifies that inpatient rehabilitation services are reasonable and medically necessary. Should such services be needed but not available

at a skilled nursing facility or on an outpatient basis, your father would be entitled to inpatient rehabilitation under certain circumstances.

All issues you raise, now should have been raised during the discharge planning process before your father left the hospital. While discharge planning should begin when a patient enters the hospital, in many instances, such as yours, the family does not understand the importance of getting involved. Here, it appears some rehabilitation was provided to your father in the hospital and some continues to be provided at home. There are no rules about how many hours per day of therapy should be given.

Even if your father is receiving rehabilitation, he must meet the "restoration potential" test, meaning he must show progress toward "expectation that the patient's condition will improve significantly in a reasonable (and generally predictable) period of time."

We suggest you contact your father's physician to get answers.

NEXT STEPS
Jan Collins and Jan Warner

Jan Collins is a writer and editor for Warner is a matrimonial, tax and elder law attorney. Both are based in Columbia, S.C. Please send your questions to P.O. Box 11704, Columbia, S.C. 29211 or email to janwarner@netcast.net.

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- Pet owners feel less afraid of being a victim of crime when walking with a dog or sharing a residence with a dog. (Serpel, 1990)
- Pet owners have fewer minor health problems. (Friedmann, 1990, Serpel, 1990).
- Pet owners have better psychological well-being. (Serpel, 1990).
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- Pets in nursing homes increase social and verbal interactions adjunct to other therapy. (Fick, 1992).
- Pet owners have better physical health due to exercise with their pets. (Serpel, 1990).
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DIRECTIONS:

Beat the egg slightly; stir in milk, salt, Sucaryl solution, and vanilla. Pour into a custard cup and sprinkle with nutmeg. Set in pan of hot water and bake in a moderate oven (350° F) for about 45 minutes.

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