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CSI makes case for funds

Requests include state money for pay hikes, benefits, telecommunications items

By Michael Journe
Times-News writer

BOISE - College of Southern Idaho administrators Thursday asked budget writers for close to \$9 million in state money for the 2001-02 budget year.

Some of the nearly \$1 million in new money would go toward starting salaries and equipment upgrades.

The college is facing increasing costs in employee benefits, a larger workload created by increased enrollment, a need for competitive faculty and staff salaries, and a need for new telecommunications and classroom equipment, CSI President Jerry Meyerhoeffer told the

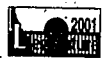
Legislature's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee, which writes state budget bills for the Legislature's consideration.

CSI budget highlights include a request for the first year of this

salaries for new teachers and improve the pay scale for existing faculty.

Money to start a 2 1/2-year project to replace much of the school's 11-year-old telecommunications equipment - 50 analog microwave radios and at least two camera control systems. The request for the first year of this

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More from Boise - B1

Storm packs some punch

Accident closes I-84, shuts down power, some schools close

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Forecasters are expecting drier weather for the weekend, in the wake of a fast-moving winter storm that rolled through the Magic Valley Thursday morning.

The storm left a couple of inches of snow on the ground, and left Magic Valley residents contending with slick roads and high winds.

A storm front off the Washington coast moved into the Magic Valley between 2 and 3 a.m., according to Jeanne Allen of the National Weather Service in Boise. Wind gusts of up to 30 mph caused some drifting.

Snow totals of 2 to 2 1/2 inches were reported in Mini-Cassia and at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport.

However, the chances of snow for today and the weekend are 20 percent, Allen said.

Around the valley, the storm caused some widespread problems.

Interstate 84 was closed for roughly seven hours Thursday after a single-vehicle accident involving a semi-trailer, said Rod Draper, a maintenance foreman with the Coterrel Port of Entry near Malta.

No one was injured in the accident, which shut down the road. Please see WEATHER, Page A2



Nate Hancock shovels the snow off the sidewalk in front of his house on Bitterroot Drive in Twin Falls Thursday. The National Weather Service predicts more cold weather this week but only a 20 percent chance of snow today.

Greenspan backs tax cut to help jump-start economy

Newsday

WASHINGTON - Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan Thursday endorsed cutting federal taxes and set the stage for reducing interest rates when the Fed's rate-setting committee meets next week.

Greenspan said the magnitude of the \$5.7 trillion projected budget surplus over the next decade allows room both for his

long-time priority, reducing the federal debt, and for a tax cut of unspecified size. He also said the economy had slowed to a virtual standstill, a dramatic change after eight years of continued expansion. That adds urgency to next week's Fed open-market-committee meeting, which is expected to address the slowdown by lowering interest rates for the second time this month.

Taxes were the focus of much

of Greenspan's testimony. "It is far better in my judgment that the surplus be lowered by tax reductions than by spending increases," he said.

As is often the case, Greenspan's remarks set off a loud debate over what he actually meant. The White House related Greenspan's comments to the \$1.6 trillion, 10-year tax-cut plan proposed by President Bush.

Early in the afternoon, press secretary Ari Fleischer led cheers, hailing Greenspan's "important testimony" before the Senate Budget Committee as an endorsement of Bush's proposed tax cut.

Later, Bush himself called the testimony "measured and just right."

Democrats seized on Greenspan's declaration that interest-rate cutters were better recession-fighters than tax cuts.

Tax-cut plan hits a bump

Panel wants more time to consider it, angering chairwoman

By Mark Warbis
The Associated Press

BOISE - Members of Republican leadership abandoned House Revenue and Taxation Chairwoman Dolores Crow on Thursday as her committee put off endorsing the \$136.6 million tax-cut package she helped Gov. Dirk Kempthorne develop.

An angry Crow stormed around the House chambers afterward, visibly enraged at the 10:59 vote to hold the assortment of individual and corporate income tax relief measures until Feb. 2 as proposed by GOP Floor Leader Frank Bruneel of Lewiston.

"The longer you leave the money on the table the less chance you have of it getting back where it belongs," Crow told the committee. She cited examples of wrangling last winter that left lawmakers unable to pass only a \$29 million tax-cut plan that the Nampa Republican called a "Jenny Craig version of the bill."

Bruneel proposed the eight-day delay only after conservative GOP Rep. Lenore Hardy Barrett of Challis called for putting off consideration of the measure until Feb. 8 so a number of other tax-cut proposals also could be on the table.

It was an earnest attempt at compromise, despite what appeared to be a shortage of votes on the committee for Barrett's longer delay.

"It's a very monumental decision and I believe it deserves more than 15 or 20 minutes time to discuss it," Bruneel said after the two-hour hearing.

He and Barrett were joined in their support for holding the bill until Feb. 2 by Republican Caucus Chairman Dan Mader of Genesee, Resources and Conservation of Rexburg and Cameron Wheeler of Hirtle Transportation and Defense Chairman Joan Wood of Rigby; GOP Rep. Leon Smith of Twin Falls, freshmen Republicans Ken Roberts of Donnelly and Dell Reynolds of Rexburg; and Democrats Roger Chase of Pocatello and Charles Cuddy of Orofino.

Rep. Celia Gould earlier moved that the bill be endorsed for full House consideration, but her support for the plan was equivocal.

The Bush Republican echoed the concerns expressed by several other rural legislators that Kempthorne's bill offers nothing to directly benefit Idaho's struggling economy.

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Rep. Celia Gould



Rep. Leon Smith

Film festival gives town chance to rehearse for 2002 Winter Games

The Associated Press

PARK CITY, Utah - The parties are great, but parking's awful and the cell phones just don't work.

That's the verdict from this year's Sundance Film Festival, and a report some Park City residents are taking heed of as they head into the last year of preparations before the 2002 Winter Olympics.

"Sundance is always a wonderful dress rehearsal," said Shawn Sunson, spokesman for the Park

Films of note - C6

City Chamber of Commerce.

It's not often that a town of 6,500 gets inundated by an estimated 24,000 film visitors, all headed for the same hot spots.

Sundance press officer R.J. Millard said festival organizers are sharing their experiences with city and Olympic officials. They have also agreed to move the festival up a week next year - to give the town Jan. 10 to Jan. 20 - to give the

city longer to prepare for the games, which start Feb. 8.

Although Park City has hosted several World Cup ski races that are officially considered test runs for 2002, those events don't whip up the same media frenzy as the film festival, which has been hosted here since 1987.

"We're learning to cope with and work around big events," said Nan Chalot-Neaker, editor of the Park Record, the city's twice weekly newspaper. "Certainly,

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Film Festival and Olympics banner decorates Park City's Main Street Thursday.

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

Table with 5 columns: TODAY, TONIGHT, SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

CANADIAN CITIES

Table listing Canadian cities (Toronto, Vancouver, etc.) with today's and Saturday's high/low temperatures.

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Snow and funnels will clip areas near the Nevada border and the Utah border today, but areas farther north will be dry with some sun.

Northern Nevada: Another storm system will move across northern Nevada today bringing plenty of clouds along with a few inches of snow.

Northern Utah: Mostly cloudy today and tonight with periods of snow leaving a couple of inches in the valleys and 6-12 inches across the mountains.

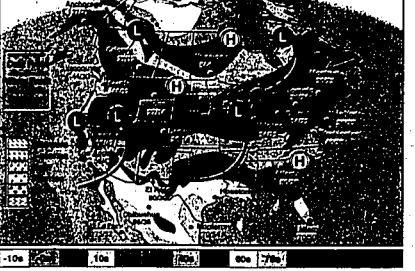
Northern Idaho: Patchy low clouds or fog for a time this morning, then mostly sunny the rest of today. Clear to partly cloudy and cold tonight with areas of low clouds and fog in the valleys late.

NATIONAL EXTREMES

High 74° in McAllen, TX Low -15° in Hibbing, MN

NATIONAL WEATHER

Show the national positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are shown for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.



REGIONAL CITIES

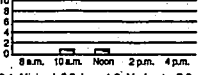
Table of regional cities (Boise, Bonanza Ferry, Burley, etc.) with today's and Saturday's high/low temperatures.

Advertisement for Honda Lawn & Garden Equipment, featuring a Honda riding mower.

SUN AND MOON

Sun and Moon information for Twin Falls, including times for sunrise, sunset, moonset, and moonrise.

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NATIONAL CITIES

Table of national cities (Atlanta, Baltimore, Billings, etc.) with today's and Saturday's high/low temperatures.



Richard Weaver of Sacramento, Calif., shakes hands with President Bush Saturday on Capitol Hill after slipping by three security checkpoints.

Inaugural trespasser says he had message from God

WASHINGTON (AP) - The man who slipped past Inauguration Day security to casually shake President Bush's hand as he was delivering a message from God and was granted a mystical ability to pass undetected.

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Report: Pro-Milosevic forces burned bodies to hide evidence

VIENNA, Austria (AP) - Special forces loyal to former Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic burned the bodies of hundreds of ethnic Albanians in a blast furnace before pulling out of Kosovo ahead of NATO troops.

Rehearse

Continued from A1 they impact parking, grocery shopping, and travel on Main Street. We're all learning what it feels like to be the center of attention.

Weather

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Taxes

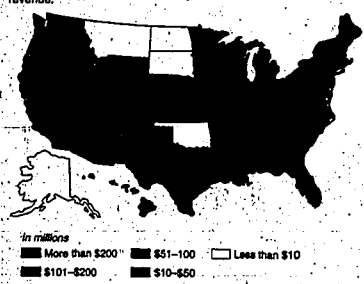
Continued from A1 gling agriculture sector and that its millions of dollars in business investment incentives might do little to stimulate the broader economy.

Lottery Update section featuring Powerball, Wildcard, and Pick 3 results and information.

Administration details school voucher plan

Estate taxes in state coffers

Estate and inheritance taxes put \$5.5 billion in state treasuries in the 2000 fiscal year. Analysts say that nearly all of the money would be lost if President Bush's tax plan becomes law. Here is an snapshot of the revenue.



Bush tax cut would decrease state revenue

The Associated Press

President Bush's plan to scrap the federal estate tax would mean lower revenue for states too, in a ripple effect that could cost tens of millions of tax dollars from every state's budget.

Bush's plan would cut \$50 billion a year from the federal budget after about a decade. At the same time, it would knock out some \$9 billion to the states, because their tax codes piggyback the federal government's.

In the fiscal year that just ended, estate and inheritance taxes brought in \$5.5 billion for the states. California got \$900 million, Alabama received \$67 million. By 2010, the figure nationally would probably reach \$9 billion a year, according to the nonpartisan Center for Budget and Policy Priorities.

"We can't afford that kind of hit," said Alabama House Speaker Seth Hammett, a Democrat who said lawmakers would be faced with having to pass a new estate tax or raise the revenue through other taxes and fees.

But whether any states would be willing to create a new tax is questionable, after six solid years of state tax cuts. And the estate tax has few defenders - voters this year repealed it in Montana and

South Dakota. "It is an unfair tax. These are assets that have been accumulated through hard work," said Michigan Treasurer Mark Murray, who was appointed by a Republican governor. He acknowledged the state would lose money - the tax brought in \$187 million this year - but said the government can absorb the loss as the cut is phased in.

"As a public policy, we agree with it," Murray said. In Michigan, estate taxes account for less than 1 percent of the total budget. Nationally, the taxes, which can vary widely each year, make up between 1 percent and 2 percent of a state's budget on average, said Harley Duncan, executive director of the Federation of Tax Administrators.

"That's not chump change," he said. The tax is levied on estates greater than \$675,000. Nationwide in 1997, the estates of fewer than 43,000 people had to pay estate tax, out of 2.3 million who died that year, according to the center's study.

Former President Clinton vetoed a bill to eliminate the tax last year. He said it would threaten the nation's financial well-being while handing the richest 3,000 families an average tax cut of \$7 million apiece.

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush proposed a multi-billion dollar school-improvement plan on Tuesday that would shift federal money to private schools when public education fails. He added a last-minute provision in a gesture to Democrats opposed to school vouchers.

In an Oval Office meeting with Democratic and Republican lawmakers, Bush said there must be consequences "if children are trapped in schools that will not change." But he included the new provision - suggested, he said, by a Democrat - that could help schools avoid the loss of federal money to private institutions.

"Both parties have been talking about education reform for quite a while," he declared. "It's time to come together."

Democrats objected to the school voucher proposal but embraced other portions of Bush's package, including spending money for reading and after-school care and a requirement that states must test students every year from grades 3-8 in reading and math.

"I can't emphasize enough the other areas where the president is reaching out. I think, in education policy, where there is a very broad agreement and meaningful agreement and the basics for a very important legislative initiative," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

Bush, still enjoying a political honeymoon after a bitterly fought



President Bush greets some third-graders at Merritt Elementary School in Washington, Thursday.

campaign, hopes to use the broad popularity of the idea of education reform as a bridge to Democrats - a way to make good on his promise to bring civility and bipartisanship to Washington.

He included Democrats in two separate White House meetings on education Tuesday and twice singled out Democratic lawmakers

for praise in public remarks. Bush shared credit with one of them, saying Sen. Jeff Bingaman of New Mexico provided the idea that accounted for the only major difference between the outline he sent to Congress on Tuesday and the \$25 billion, five-year education plan unveiled in Bush's campaign.

The change, added in an

attempt to bring Democrats aboard, offers an undisclosed amount of money and assistance to schools that fail to meet minimum standards two years in a row. The idea is to avoid a third straight bad year, after which Bush's plan would allow parents to take federal money spent on their children to any school or education center of their choice.

President readies to unleash 'armies of compassion'

WASHINGTON (AP) - When President Bush looks for solutions to America's thorniest social problems, he sees answers in the nation's churches, synagogues and mosques.

He says he wants to unleash "armies of compassion" by letting private and religious charities compete for government money to provide after-school programs, prisons, ministries and drug treatment.

Bush will begin sending his proposals to Congress next week. As a first step, he and his wife Laura were having dinner Thursday night with Theodore McCarrick, the Catholic archbishop of Washington who was elevated last Sunday by Pope John Paul II to the rank of cardinal.

White House officials acknowledge that Bush's plan is not universally liked. Critics say it would blur the constitutional lines separating church and state. They also say that religious groups cannot really take the place of government programs.

Bush said on Thursday "it's all based upon what's called charitable choice, which is a constitutional provision which recognizes government will never fund religion but government should not fear funding programs that can change people's lives."

He added, "Nor should government fear providing funding for an individual and allow that individual to choose a faith-based program so long as there's a secular alternative available."

Bush plans to establish an

Office of Faith-Based Action to oversee the programs and distribute money, and wants each state to do the same. Bush officials have not said who will head the office, which is expected to spend "several billion dollars" over the next 10 years on new funding for programs and tax credits.

Many charities welcome the idea of more federal dollars to help them reach those in need. But even some churches are wary of strings that might be attached to money from the federal purse.

"Faith-based programs, no question about them, they do work," said Ted Fuson, pastor of the Culpeper, Va., Baptist Church, which is active in a variety of local

and intrachurch programs offering grants, food, clothing and furniture to the needy.

Still, Fuson said he is not interested in taking federal money

"Eventually, somebody's going to want to have a say in how those funds are used, and we're not going to give them that freedom," he said.

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White House collects evidence

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Bush administration is asking staffers to report any suspected vandalism found when they took over the White House complex, though a spokesman said he doubts anything will be done with the findings.

"What we are doing is cataloging that which took place," White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said. He refused to say what acts of vandalism had been reported, the extent of any damage or even why the review was

being conducted. Karen Tramontano, the counselor to President Clinton's chief of staff, John Podesta, said she was in the West Wing and adjacent office buildings late the night before Clinton left office, and saw no vandalism.

Some incoming Bush staffers have grumbled that they found glass desks broken, keyboards doused with fluids and stripped of "W" keys and tags identifying phones' numbers switched.

Controversy widens over Ashcroft's gay-nights stand

WASHINGTON (AP) - A controversy over John Ashcroft's statements on gay rights widened Thursday as the nation's first openly gay ambassador and a health care expert questioned the truthfulness of the attorney general-designate's comments to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

James Hornel, who served as ambassador to Luxembourg, said Ashcroft opposed his Senate confirmation "solely because I am a gay man." Paul Offner, now at Georgetown University, said Ashcroft asked about his sexual orientation during a 1985 job interview.

President Bush's spokeswoman on the nomination said Ashcroft didn't recall any such interview.

At his Senate confirmation hearing last week, Ashcroft denied he opposed Hornel because of his homosexuality and asserted that sexual preference was not a factor in his hiring practices as a governor or senator - nor would it be if he is confirmed to head the Justice Department.

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NATION



Emergency crews try to clear the northbound lane of Interstate 95 in Hampden, Maine, Thursday.

Ice hampers Maine roads

HAMPDEN, Maine (AP) — At least 50 vehicles slid into each other or spun off an icy, fog-bound stretch of highway early Thursday in a chain reaction that began after two troopers stopped to help a stranded motorist.

Police said 26 people were injured, including a pedestrian who was became pinned under a car while trying to direct traffic on Interstate 95 near Bangor.

At least 16 people were taken to hospitals, but none of the injuries appeared life-threatening.

The troopers said they were helping a motorist whose car went off the highway when the pileup began.

"We looked in our rear-view mirrors and started watching as it happened," said State Police Sgt. Thomas. "Two vehicles hit each other, and then it was a

chain reaction right down the line."

Cars and trucks plowed into each other, smashed into a guardrail and careened into snow banks.

Police closed the northbound lanes during rush hour, leaving some 100 vehicles stuck on a 10-mile stretch of highway.

"My thought when I went by was, 'This looks like a war zone,'" said motorist John Dalzell.

Court indicts former Teamster chief

NEW YORK (AP) — Former Teamsters President Ron Carey was indicted Thursday on charges of perjury and making false statements during an investigation into illegal fund-raising by his 1996 re-election campaign.

Federal prosecutors said Carey made false statements to an election officer, an investigator and a review board.

The board was investigating

allegations that the Carey campaign engaged in illegal efforts to raise money.

If convicted, Carey, 64, of New York City, could get up to five years in prison on each of seven counts.

A call to a lawyer for Carey in Washington was not immediately returned.

Carey's 1996 re-election over James F. Hoffa was overturned and he was disqualified from a

new election after it was found he participated in the diversion of about \$885,000 in union funds to his campaign. Carey has said he was unaware of the scheme.

After the disqualification, Carey took a leave as president, and a federal auditor was named to oversee the finances of the 1.4-million-member Teamsters, the nation's largest private-sector union. Carey was expelled from the union.

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Gore signs up to teach graduate journalism class

WASHINGTON (AP) — Al Gore has signed up for his first job since handing over the keys to the vice president's office: He will teach a graduate-level journalism class at Columbia University.

Gore will teach a course called "Covering National Affairs in the Information Age," which will look at politics from the perspective of politicians and journalists, the university said in a statement Wednesday.

The former vice president will join the Columbia staff as a visiting professor in February and has committed to give six to eight lectures a semester for at least one semester, and possibly two.

"Al Gore is an incomparable resource for our students and others at this university," said Tom Goldstein, dean of the journalism school. "From his unique perspective, students will see how



Al Gore

the government and media intersect."

Gore was a reporter at The Tennessean in Nashville for three years in the 1970s and was also an Army journalist. He has long held an interest in evolving information technologies. During his election campaign against George W. Bush, Gore earned a reputation for avoiding news conferences with national reporters while his press aides steered information to the major news organizations in hopes of winning front-page play.

Columbia's Journalism faculty learned of Gore's new job in a memo distributed by Goldstein.

Man saws off hand, shoots nails into head

BETHLEHEM, Pa. (AP) — A construction worker accidentally cut off his hand with a power saw and then shot himself in the head with a nail gun several times, apparently hoping to end his pain, police said.

William Barrton, 25, had at least a dozen 1-inch nails protruding from his scalp, police said. He underwent surgery to reattach the hand and was hospitalized in stable condition Wednesday, said

his employer Greg Soltis.

Barrton severed his hand Tuesday while using a miter saw in the basement of another man's home, police said.

After finding Barrton, the man called 911. Soltis arrived a short time later.

Soltis said Barrton had shot several nails into his head with a pneumatic gun "because he could not stand the pain from the amputation," according to police.



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China criticizes U.S. comments

BEIJING — In its first quarrel with the Bush administration, China rebuked the United States on Thursday for condemning its crackdown on Falun Gong, a spiritual movement that said it had no violent intentions.

The U.S. comments came amid intense security in Beijing to mark the 10th anniversary of the Tiananmen Square protests, and U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell told China's ambassador in Washington to respect civil liberties.

Commenting on Powell's meeting with the ambassador Wednesday, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher condemned China's suppression of Falun Gong and called for the release of all sect followers jailed for the peaceful exercise of freedom of religion, belief and conscience.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhu Baoguo said Boucher's comments ignored the facts and called them "totally unacceptable" to China. He defended his government's actions against Falun Gong.

U.N. prosecutor says

Milosevic will be tried

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — The chief U.N. prosecutor said Thursday she remained convinced that former President Slobodan Milosevic would be tried by the war crimes tribunal, despite strong resistance to the idea by Yugoslav leaders.

After two days of meetings in Yugoslavia, prosecutor Carla Del Ponte said she was "cautiously optimistic" that the Netherlands-based tribunal would be able to try Milosevic on suspicion of involvement in atrocities committed by his troops during the crackdown on Kosovo's ethnic Albanian majority.

During her meetings with President Vojislav Kostunica and other Yugoslav leaders, Del Ponte was repeatedly rebuffed in her demands that Milosevic, who has been indicted by the U.N. tribunal, be extradited and tried at The Hague tribunal.

Instead, the leaders suggested that Milosevic be tried in Serbia, the main Yugoslav republic, for alleged crimes ranging from embezzlement to wartime atrocities.

Israelis, Palestinians

close on border issues

TABA, Egypt — Israelis and Palestinians resumed negotiations Thursday after a two-day time-out following the killing of two Israelis in the West Bank, and continued despite the slaying of another Israeli in an ambush.

Negotiators said they made good progress in drawing the borders of a future Palestinian state. Then news broke of an ambush near the border between the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Gunmen opened fire on an Israeli car, killing the driver.

Israeli negotiators broke off a session and went into a side room for consultations. During the deliberations, Prime Minister Ehud Barak ordered his team to resume the talks, according to a statement from his office. Barak denounced the killing as "a despicable murder" and pledged that the gunman would be punished.

Israeli negotiator Yossi Sarid said talks would have to end four or five days before Israel's Feb. 6 election. Sarid said the Israeli delegation was still hoping to reach a double-edged peace accord in the next few days, but that it was aware of the time constraints.

Protesting firefighter loses

hand in clash with police

LILLE, France — Riot police clashed Thursday with firefighters who had sprayed the security forces with foam during a protest. A tear gas grenade exploded and tore off a firefighter's hand.

Five other firefighters were injured during the clashes in the main square of the northern French city, regional rescue officials said. Police, their uniforms and shields covered in firefighting foam, clubbed at some 400 firemen protesting the reorganization of the Lille area's fire and rescue services. After firefighters mounted a ladder and let loose an arc of foam from their fire extinguishers, police charged them, swinging their clubs and firing tear gas. Officials opened a judicial inquiry into the violent confrontations, Lille Prosecutor Thierry Luchetta said.

Tree that Christians say

bowed to Jesus cut down

GENEVA, Switzerland — A tree in Egypt's Sinai believed to have bowed to Jesus has been cut down in a tussle over land, a priest says. "I regret that authorities were not able to protect a 2,000-year-old tree that was such an important monument for us," Father Matta Kamel Hanna, whose church over-

World in brief

looks the spot near the Nile where the tree stood, told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

He said farmers, fearing the government was planning to encroach on their land to build a protective wall, had cut down the Worshipping Tree earlier this month. The tree lay in sections along the main road from Cairo, but local farmers refused to discuss what had happened.

Coptic tradition holds that the tree, a type of acacia with branches that sweep the ground, bowed in homage to Christ when he, Joseph and Mary passed through Egypt to escape the murderous King Herod. Copts, adherents of one of the world's oldest Christian sects, account for about 10 percent of Egypt's population of 65 million. Most Egyptians are Muslim.

—compiled from wire reports

Italy court: Patting the bottom isn't sexual harassment

ROME (AP) — A pat on the bottom is not sexual harassment — as long as it is "isolated" and "impulsive," Italy's highest appeals court has ruled.

The case involved the manager of a public health agency in northern Italy accused by a woman employee. The woman also said the manager threatened to damage her career if she reported the 1994 incident.

A lower court found the man guilty, sentenced him to 18 months in prison and levied a fine of \$3,800, but the conviction

was later overturned. On Wednesday, Italy's highest criminal appeals court, the Court of Cassation, agreed with the decision overturning the man's conviction.

The Court of Cassation said it found no evidence the man

intended "an act of libido." It said the pat appeared to be an "isolated" incident and "impulsive."

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EDITORIAL

Crossroads sewer service sets stage for development

After years of waiting, the city of Jerome has finally reached an agreement to provide sewer service for property owners south and east of town. That includes the Crossroads Ranch development near the intersection of Interstate 84 and U.S. Highway 93.

The agreement with an entity known as the Jerome Water and Sewer District requires the district to bear all costs for piping sewage to a manhole on West Main Street. At that point, the district will pay the city to take it from there. On top of that, the district (representing the property owners within its borders) must pay the city

An agreement by the city of Jerome to provide sewer service south and east of town will spur economic development near the intersection of Interstate 84 and U.S. Highway 93.

is strategically located for future development.

The location is ideal, but the growth of Crossroads and other nearby properties has long been stunted by a lack of sewer and water service. Though the area is outside Jerome city limits, and thereby exempt from city taxes, it probably can generate some benefit to the city as it develops. And as it develops, it will become a more valuable prize for the ultimate city goal of annexation.

Jerome Mayor Dennis Moore says "city residents will not be asked to spend one penny in rate increases or in taxes to provide services outside the city limits. That's technically correct, but it doesn't mean city taxpayers are exempt from additional expense.

By agreeing to accept out-of-town sewage, the city increases the load on its sewer plant - and hastens the day when additional treatment capacity is needed.

The key to adding that additional capacity will likely be borne by taxpayers. The new sewer customers won't pay city taxes until they are annexed into the city. Until then, they will consume treatment capacity while paying nothing more than a simple fee for service.

Make no mistake - when the sewer plant finally hits full capacity, city taxpayers will be asked to pay for an expansion.



What's wrong with reforming public education?

SUZANNE FIELDS

Vouchers are the red cape held by the matador in the face of the attacking bull. It makes no difference that it's red, but it makes a big difference that it's in his face. What makes a bullfight a fight is that the bull has something to attack.

out of deep pockets, a choice not available to many public-school parents in Washington, most of them black and many of them poor.

Private schools have advantages public schools don't have. Discipline has largely disappeared in many public schools, and the kids pay for that, too. Small private schools, many of them religious, can charge comparatively low tuition, and vouchers would make these schools within the range of many low-income families. Charter schools, which get public school money but are run independently of sluggish public-school administrators, have made a big difference in many places, but there are long waiting lists for the best ones.

My children attended neighborhood public schools in Washington, for a while. The teacher of one of my daughters told me that she was "culturally deprived" in the public school, and urged me to put her in a private school. We could afford it. My son's teacher knew only what was printed on a lesson plan prepared "downtown," and never attempted to answer questions posed by her students. Such horror stories abound.

Money is only part of the issue of accountability. Better teachers, more tests, higher standards and competing incentives for excellence all come into play. The education package introduced by the new administration is rich with possibility, and naturally this frightens a lot of people with a stake in the miserable status quo. Debate is good, but we should keep in mind what the schools are for. It's education, stupid.

Suzanne Fields writes this commentary for Tribune Media Services.

trators either don't know how to shape up or don't want to. In either case, it's unfair to make the kids pay for the laziness and cowardice of the grown-ups.

There's already a rough version of choice in place. In the District of Columbia, for example, where the schools are particularly bad, the children of most congressmen as well as the children of a lot of public-school teachers attend private schools. The parents can afford it. They don't call it "choice."

Federally funded vouchers, whether for a public or private school, thus become a class issue. Vouchers would give a boost to the children of lesser advantage, affording them the opportunity available now only to the children of the rich and the middle class.

No one expected Chelsea Clinton to attend a public school, and she didn't. The children of Al Gore attend a private school. So did the child of the Rev. Jesse Jackson, who is leading opposition to vouchers. These parents exercised "choice" because they could pay for it

Bush must remember his savior is not shared by all

ALAN M. DERSHOWITZ

The very first act of the new Bush administration was to have a Protestant Evangelist minister officially dedicate the inauguration to Jesus Christ, whom he declared to be "our savior." Invoking "the Father, the Son, the Lord Jesus Christ" and "the Holy Spirit," Billy Graham's son, the man selected by President George W. Bush to bless his presidency, excluded the tens of millions of Americans who are Muslims, Jews, Buddhists, Unitarians, agnostics and atheists from his blessing by his particularistic and parochial language.

are a different and more religiously diverse nation than we were in years past. There are now many more Muslims, Jews, Buddhists and others who do not accept Jesus as their savior. It is permissible in the United States to reject any particular theology. Indeed, that is part of our glorious diversity. What is not acceptable is for a presidential inauguration to exclude millions of citizens from its opening ceremony by dedicating it to a particular religious "savior."

Our first president, George Washington, wrote to a tiny Jewish community in Rhode Island that in this new nation, we will no longer speak of mere "toleration," because toleration implies that minorities enjoy their inherent rights "by the indulgence" of the majority. President Bush should read that letter and show it to the Rev. Franklin Graham, who told the media on the day before the inauguration that his prayer "will be for unity"; instead, it was for the Trinity. Uniting for Jesus may be Graham's definition of unity, but it is as un-American as if a rabbi giving the official prayer had prayed for the arrival of the "true Messiah," insulting millions of Christians

The plain message conveyed by the new administration is that Bush's America is a Christian nation, and that non-Christians are welcome into the tent so long as they agree to accept their status as a tolerated minority rather than as fully equal citizens. But the United States is neither a Christian nation nor the exclusive home of any particular religious group. Non-Christians are not guests. We are as much hosts as any Mayflower descendant Protestant. It is our home as well as theirs. And in a home with so many owners, there can be no official sectarian prayer. That is what the First Amendment is all about, and the first act by the new administration is in defiance of our Constitution.

This was surely not the first time in our long history that Jesus has been invoked at an official governmental assembly. But we

who believe Jesus is the Messiah. Inaugurations are not the appropriate setting for theological proclamations of who is, and who is not, the true Messiah: Perhaps at Bob Jones University it is appropriate for an honorary degree recipient to declare Jesus to be the only king of the United States, but the steps of the Capitol should not be confused with the lectern of a denominational church.

The inauguration ended with another Protestant minister inviting all who agree that Jesus is "the Christ" to say, "Amen, Amen, Joseph I. Lieberman, D-Conn., along with many others who do not believe that Jesus is the Messiah, was put in the position of either denying his own faith or remaining silent while others around him said, "Amen." This is precisely the position in which young public-school students are placed when "voluntary" prayer is conducted at school events. If they join in prayer that is inconsistent with their religious beliefs, they have been coerced into violating their conscience. If they refuse to refuse to join, they stand out as different among their peers.

If Bush wants all Americans to accept him as their president, he made an inauspicious beginning.

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LETTERS

Republicans balanced the budget

Mart Smith, regarding your letter about how Clinton balanced the budget, and made such a good economy, I have to disagree.

The only thing Clinton has done for this country is make a mockery out of the White House. The Republicans deserve the credit for the economy, not Clinton. The balanced budget was passed by the Republicans, with Clinton kicking and screaming all the way. The same for the welfare reform that Clinton is all too happy to take the credit for.

One thing Clinton is good for, and that is fooling a lot of folks. Thank God he's out of there so we can get some honor and integrity back in the White House.
CLEO ALGER
Kamiah

It was wrong to imprison Japanese

Wednesday, Jan. 24, is a date that will live in Times-News editorial infamy. Despite the advent of world war, it was morally and constitutionally wrong for the U.S. government to dislocate and imprison Japanese-Americans. No amount of your petty Clinton-bashing over the Hunt Camp National Monument will right that wrong. Perhaps you could catch a clue from President-select George W. Bush and make your editorial board look and think more like the new millennium America.
WAYNE DE LA MOTTE
Boise

Hope they make the right choice

I'm writing in response to the situation concerning the hog farm. I disagree with this project. It's not an agricultural operation, it's greater than those that put farmers out of business, causing serious pollution and social problems. This project, if passed, will bring terrible consequences to our communities. We should learn from other states' experiences: now, it's only up to the government to prevent this disaster from hap-

pening. Let's hope that they make the right choice.

MARY UMANA
Burley

Think about the river

Just like everybody else in this community, I just want to voice my opinion on the hog farm that is being proposed. Not being much of a farm girl, I was always raised in a city-type environment. A clean environment. I think that we need to look at all aspects of this hog farm.

Our community revolves around one of our main resources - the Snake River. One of the biggest events that our community offers is the Burley Regatta. The Regatta brings so much to our community. It means more business for our hometown businesses. And if our river becomes polluted due to the hog farm, what is going to happen to our community? We are falling apart as it is.
DEANN TAYLOR
Burley

Stench issues are bogus

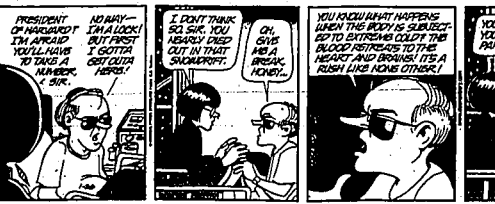
In response to the letter submitted by Ms. Mary Inman in the Jan. 17 Times-News, I would like to express my feelings and concerns.

I have been a resident of Oakley, and I can remember about a year ago when they were concerned about the smell from the new dairy they were putting in. We have had the dairy for about a year now, and everybody that has said the stench will invade our area has come back on their statement. The dairy smell is only evident when you are right at the dairy. Even the feedlots in the town don't have a bad smell to them.

I think all of the issues about the dairy smells and livestock operations in the area by environmentalists are completely and utterly bogus!

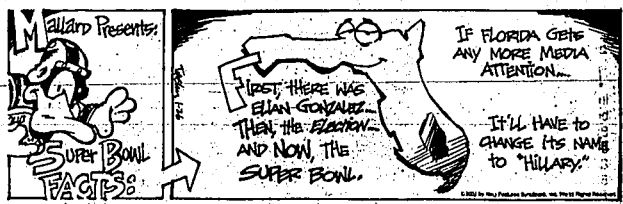
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Fight breaks out between inmates

TWIN FALLS - Very little information was available late Thursday about an apparent fight between two inmates at the Twin Falls County Jail.

Two inmates had apparently tangled Thursday evening, but the fight did not spread and nobody was seriously hurt, said Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Nancy Howell.

Howell said the inmates' names were not available late Thursday, and it was not known what had caused the fight or what jailers had to do to break it up.

Sheriff's office seeks kidnapping suspect

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County sheriff's deputies Thursday were seeking an unidentified man involved in an apparent attempted kidnapping in the Murrough area.

The kidnapping attempt occurred at about 9 a.m., according to the sheriff's office.

The suspect is described as 18 to 30 years old, about 5 feet 8 inches tall, with a medium build. He has short dark hair which might have recently been bleached on top, possible piercings on both eyes, eyebrows and in his nose. He has two loop earrings in his left ear and numerous tattoos on his chest and both arms.

He was last seen wearing a black vest with no shirt underneath. He was previously seen wearing a net shirt under the vest.

Investigators have been told the man has been seen in the Murrough area over the past week, driving a small, red car.

Anyone with information should dial 911 and ask to contact Investigator Gibbs with the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department.

Hospital group schedules meetings for next month

TWIN FALLS - A citizens' panel to study converting Magic Valley Regional Medical Center into a nonprofit entity will begin meeting next month.

The group will look at whether the county-owned hospital should become a nonprofit organization recognized by the Internal Revenue Service.

The move could help the hospital work with other entities, but could also restrict public access to some information.

Meetings are scheduled for Feb. 15, March 13 and April 5, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the hospital's Sage Room.

The panel will make recommendations to the hospital board, which in turn will make recommendations to Twin Falls County commissioners.

CSI Refugee Center seeks some volunteers

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center is looking for volunteers to help with the daily needs of families relocating to the Magic Valley from other parts of the world.

Refugee Center Community Resource Developer Michelle Nielson said volunteers play an important part in helping to teach and demonstrate American lifestyle, language, and culture.

Perhaps most importantly, Nielson said, volunteers and their families can be among the first American friends the newcomers have.

Volunteers are not asked for any financial commitment, only some of their time and assistance.

Volunteers can help teach English, pass along customs of our holidays, help children with homework or recreational activities, share recipes and help new families avoid scams, gimmicks or unwise purchasing decisions.

Nielson said the Refugee Center staff takes care to match individual adult family members with the needs of the incoming family.

She said it's also possible for volunteers to specify certain activities, if any, they would like to do, such as helping with transportation, tutoring, helping with center work, pickups and deliveries or other tasks.

For information on volunteering, call Michelle Nielson at 736-2166.

Compiled from staff reports

Tax relief draws scrutiny

Budget writers ask for justification of Kempthorne's CSI proposal

The Associated Press

BOISE - Legislative budget writers Thursday took aim at Gov. Dick Kempthorne's proposed property tax relief for the two community colleges, questioning the justification for the package and whether there will ever be an end to demands from the schools.

Sen. Stan Hawkins, R-Ucon, vice chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, cited proprietary tax statistics that "seem to indicate" that the property tax burden in Twin Falls, Jerome and Kootenai counties is not

excessive.

But President Michael Burke of North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene and President Jerry Meyerhoffer of the College of Southern Idaho argued that reducing the burden on property owners in the three counties is warranted, since students at the two schools come from all over the state and nation.

"The discussion has revolved around the issue of fairness," Burke said.

Kempthorne has proposed that the state finance 50 percent of the operating budgets for the schools. That would take an extra \$4.6 million in 2001-02. That includes \$3.2 million, shifted directly from property tax payers in the three counties to

the state.

This year, the state is spending \$15.8 million to cover 42 percent of those budgets.

Several Joint Finance Appropriations Committee members maintained that the state's responsibility should end at 50 percent, especially if the two schools want to retain some local control through boards of trustees.

But Burke declined to accept that premise.

"There is a price to pay for local control, and that is through the property tax levy," he told the panel, and the 27.5 percent reduction in the levy for North Idaho College brings that property tax burden to a level he believes the community will accept.

"Is that adequate?" he asked. "I'm not sure."

Kempthorne, in his budget address, acknowledged the

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DIAMOND-STUDDED EGGS



Rebecca Hom, a storyteller from Olympia, Wash., entertained Bickel Elementary School students Thursday afternoon.

Storyteller spins Creole tale to TF kids

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Bickel Elementary School students visited a farm where they saw corkscrew-like horns on two-headed cows and every-colored chickens laying eggs studded with rubies and diamonds.

Storyteller Rebecca Hom took them there Thursday through a Creole folk tale, "Talkin' Eggs."

Hom, of Olympia, Wash., visited her former home of Twin

Falls this week to spin tales for local school children. A couple of years back she was an artist-in-residence at Bickel and taught students the art of storytelling.

Bickel students listened intently Thursday to the Cinderella-type story about vanity and greed versus humility and goodwill. Judging by their "oo's" and "ah's" and disbelief at the wicked scheming, the children understood the story's message.

Hom started out as a writer but became intrigued with oral

storytelling. She asked American Indian storyteller Dayton Edmonds of Omak, Wash., to teach her how to do it. She said he agreed, with the stipulation that if she planned to tell stories, she breathe life into them.

"Turns out that's what it's all about."

"It taps into something inside of us that we don't tap into very often," Hom said.

She said she writes her own stories, such as "Ode-to-I-B-Perrine," from personal experi-

ences. That, of course, grew out of her time in Twin Falls.

She also draws timeless stories from different cultures.

"They're all about the human condition and what it is to be human," she said. "We begin to understand we're not so different."

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Cassia commissioners need more evidence

P&Z's hog farm deliberations might begin next week

By Ruth Streater
Times-News writer

BURLEY - The Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission should have all the information it needs by next week to begin deliberating on a large hog farm proposed near Raft River.

Commissioners decided Thursday they have enough evidence on the most contentious issues, such as odor and property

values, but evidence on other issues is still lacking.

In a Thursday work meeting, commissioners discovered they needed information from the Raft River Highway District and map of possible historic trails at the 5,090-acre site of the proposed farm.

Commissioner Randy Robinson said he was uneasy that there is no waste management system identical to the one proposed for Big Sky's facility. As a result, no evidence can be gathered to show the proposed model will work.

Robinson requested data about the potential for soil erosion at the site, and wants an assurance that rendering plants will accept all animals.

Robinson, a dairyman, knows rendering plants won't accept baby calves. And although Big Sky Farms has said rendering plants will take its piglets, Robinson said he has experienced otherwise.

County attorney Kerry

McMurray said this could be a condition Big Sky must meet in order to receive a county conditional-use permit.

The commission will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Burley City Hall. Once commissioners decide they have enough evidence to begin deliberating, they have 30 days to decide.

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Two Burley men face multiple burglary charges

The Times-News

BURLEY - Cassia County police say footprints in the snow led them to two men involved in a string of burglaries and attempted burglaries.

Jeris Paul Erickson, 18, and Travis Joe Ostergar, 18, were arrested Thursday in connection with the early morning car burglary and several attempted

burglaries.

They were charged Thursday with six counts of burglary and 13 counts of attempted burglary.

They were both being held in custody Thursday night on \$50,000 bonds.

Ostergar was arraigned Thursday, but Erickson had yet to be arraigned, jail officials said.

Erickson and Ostergar were arrested Thursday morning on one count of burglary and the 13 counts of attempted burglary.

By Thursday afternoon, Erickson and Ostergar were each charged with an additional five counts of burglary.

According to a Cassia County sheriff's report, a deputy saw tracks in fresh snow early

Thursday morning leading from a line of cars on the 1700 block of Almo Avenue to two men walking down the street.

The deputy later watched the men attempt to enter a car, then run away, the report said.

Another deputy followed the tracks to an open basement, where the two men were attempting to hide under some old clothing on the dirt floor,

the report said.

As the men got up, deputies saw a cellular phone and wrist watch underneath them, the report said.

One of the men later showed deputies the car from which he and his accomplice took the items, the report said.

By retracing the footprints, deputies located all the cars targeted in the burglary attempts.

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Jerome man faces rape charge

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

JEROME - A Jerome man is facing a rape charge based on the allegations of a 14-year-old girl, according to a detective's affidavit.

Matthew Blake Thompson, 18, told a detective that he had sex with the girl on Jan. 19, but insisted that it was consensual, court records say.

Thompson was arraigned in Jerome Magistrate Court Wednesday on one count of rape and one count of lewd conduct with a minor child under age 16, according to court records. He was represented by private counsel, did not enter a plea and was released on his own recognizance, court records say.

Thompson faces a preliminary hearing Feb. 16 at the Jerome County Courthouse.

Jerome police detective Dan Chatterton conducted separate interviews this week with the girl and Thompson. An affidavit prepared by Chatterton and filed with court documents gives the following accounts of what Chatterton was told:

"The girl said she was consuming alcohol at a drinking party on Jan. 19 at a house in the vicinity of Jefferson Elementary School in Jerome, and decided to leave around 11 p.m.

She said she almost immediately noticed that Thompson was following her and began to run, but she slipped on a patch of ice and fell somewhere in the vicinity of the 900 block of Sixth Avenue East.

"The girl told Chatterton that Thompson overpowered her, lifted her onto a parked car and forced himself on her.

She said that afterwards, she returned to the party and told some of her friends what had happened.

In his interview with Chatterton, Thompson said he was also at the party, and noticed the girl leaving. He said he became concerned for the girl because she appeared to be very drunk and started running down the middle of the street.

Thompson said that he followed the girl until she slipped and fell. Thompson told Chatterton that he helped the girl up and they had consensual sex on a parked car.

Thompson said he escorted the girl back to the party, where she became very upset and disappeared with one of her friends.

The affidavit also states that Chatterton interviewed one of the girl's friends - another teenage girl. The friend told Chatterton that when the girl and Thompson returned to the party, the girl had blood on her pants and was crying.

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MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

Wendell considers new spotlight

By Gina Mulder Times-News correspondent

WENDELL - A tighter city budget may keep the fire department from purchasing needed lifesaving equipment any time soon. City Council members postponed authorizing Wendell Fire Chief Red Orr to buy new extinguishing equipment...

"I know you (Orr) budgeted for it, but I don't know that it's in the budget," Mayor Gwen Rost said. "Our budget is available." In a Thursday telephone interview, Rost said that Wendell's budget is tighter this year because of a \$12,000 drop in revenue from the state of Idaho...

city has raised about \$18,000 through donations, \$21,000 short of its goal. In order for construction to start this summer, the money has to be in by March 31. If not, then the city's project would get bumped back to later in the year. Rost suggested that city leaders brainstorm to come up with fundraising ideas to raise the remaining \$21,000...

Hansen School Board talks security

By Margaret Jones Times-News correspondent

HANSEN - School security was the main topic of discussion at Wednesday's School Board meeting. Deputy Jason Farr described the various security systems used in other county schools and how they can be installed...

the employee retirement fund a \$155.5 million surplus. He said it's unknown how the surplus will be distributed. Other School Board business: Hansen Elementary School Principal Tom Strandley said Hansen students are taking the Idaho Reading Indicator test this week...

ketball game. The honors breakfast for fifth- and sixth-graders will be held Jan. 30. Honor students who were chosen for the breakfast will enjoy a day at the city pool Feb. 2. Fifth- and sixth-graders will ski at Magic Mountain Feb. 9. Junior high students will ski Feb. 8 and high school students will ski March 9...

Commissioners say 'no' to health loan

By Karen Terrell Times-News correspondent

ELKO, Nev. - Home Health Services of Nevada will not be receiving a \$100,000 loan from Elko County. Elko County commissioners denied the request Wednesday stating the county "was not a bank." The county will pay the local health service group a lump sum payment of \$11,000...

More information No County commissioners will hold their next regular meeting at 1:30 p.m. Feb. 7-8 at the courthouse.

private citizens. Martinez said as home health services close across the county because of the recent federal changes, more of the cost of taking care of patients will fall to local government. Guisti agreed and said if his agency should receive a grant from Home Health in Elko County would have no place to go because of a shortage of Medicare-certified living facilities...

wing operation has \$64,000 in uncollectible expenses, he said. According to Access Air, he has sold between 700 and 800 memberships in Elko County and he had just received word that one of the mines would be purchasing memberships for their 400 employees. Memberships start at \$50 per year with various rates for companies depending on the number of employees, he explained...

SERVICES

Clifford E. Malone of Twin Falls, services at 11:30 a.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel; burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Esther May Tousey of Twin Falls, services at 10:30 a.m. Friday at White Mortuary Chapel; interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park...

Jerome, services at 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church, 301 First Ave. E. in Jerome (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome). Bill Guisti, Home Health's administrator, appeared before the commission to ask for financial help in meeting a "cash flow problem" of the nonprofit organization...

Bing Zhan Wu of Kimberly, graveside services at 2 p.m. Monday at Morris Hill Cemetery in Boise (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls). Dorothy Henson GOODING - Dorothy Henson, 60, formerly of Gooding, died Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2001, at Mountain View Care Center in Kimberly...

DEATH NOTICES

Patrick Dean Tiny Purdy TWIN FALLS - Patrick Dean Tiny Purdy, 62, formerly of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2001, in Ogden, Utah. Memorial graveside services will be conducted at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, 2001, at West End Cemetery in Buhl.

Jerald Leroy Pullen KIMBERLY - Jerald Leroy Pullen, 59, of Kimberly, died Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2001, at Mountain View Care Center in Kimberly. Complete services will be held in the spring. An obituary will appear at that time. Cremation is under the direction of White Mortuary.

Rosalba M. 'Rosie' Miller TWIN FALLS - Rosalba M. 'Rosie' Miller, 56, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2001, at Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary.

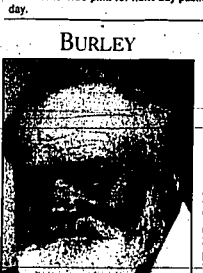
HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER Some names are omitted at the patient's request. Dismissed: Mary Winn of Jerome. MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL Some names are omitted at the patient's request. Admitted: Jesusa Beltran, Rosie Montoya and Adrianna Lopez all of Rupert.

OBITUARIES

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

BURLEY



Leon Alvin Fenstermaker, 68-year-old Burley resident, died Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2001, at the Central Regional Medical Center in Burley. He was born Feb. 6, 1932, in Declo, the son of Alvin and Edna Clayton Fenstermaker. He attended schools in Heyburn and Ralt River. Leon married Adria Carol Goin on May 19, 1962, in Montpelier. Leon had worked at McCain Foods (formerly Ore-Ida) for 37 years as a mechanic. Leon enjoyed his family, fishing, hunting, traveling and going to Jackpot.

GOODYEAR, ARIZ.

Karen Karstetter Rathbun Karen was born May 25, 1958, in Phoenix, Ariz. She died Jan. 26, 2001, in a car accident near Goodyear, Ariz. She was raised in Buckeye, attending elementary and 3 1/2 years of high school there. Moved with her family to Richfield, Idaho, in 1976 where she graduated from high school and then attended and graduated from cosmetology school in Twin Falls and then to work for Juan at Heads & Threads Salon.

LAKWOOD, WASH.

Rebecca Haley (Nelson) Born June 8, 1944, in Twin Falls, Idaho, died Jan. 23, 2001, in Lakewood, Wash., as the result of a pedestrian-auto accident. Rebecca was a generous, loving and kind person who would be missed. Rebecca attended Castleford High School, Albertsons College in Caldwell and Cascade College. She then worked in the accounting and retail sales fields.

FOR THE RECORD

GOODING - Recent activity in Fifth District Court in Gooding County included the following: Arraignments and appearances: James E. Boren, 57, 10673 Silver Fox, Boise, charged with: 1st degree negligent operation; pretrial conference Feb. 1; jury trial Feb. 12; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Sentencings: Barry Lynn Slaughterman, 51, 434 Illinois St., Gooding; driving under the influence, \$1,000 fine, \$600 suspended, \$750 court costs; 12 months' probation supervised at the discretion of probation officer; 90-day driver's license suspension, 30 days absolute/immediate; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Dion Good, 31, 310 Spring Cove Road, Bliss; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended; \$28,500 court costs; \$50 public defender fee; 180 days in jail, 120 suspended; 60 days' work release; 24 months' unsupervised probation; one month supervised at discretion of probation officer; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

supervised at the discretion of probation officer; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Cassandra L. Peterson, 35, 330 E. Reed St., Gooding; driving under the influence (second offense); pleaded guilty; \$2,000 fine, \$1,700 suspended, \$78.50 court costs; 365 days in jail, 355 days suspended; 24 months' unsupervised probation; one month supervised at discretion of probation officer; 365-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Steven Dean Short, 27, 345-S. Wood Street, driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$1,000 fine, \$700 suspended, \$78.50 court costs; \$50 public defender fee; 180 days in jail, 178 days suspended; 24 months' probation supervised at the discretion of probation officer; 180-day driver's license suspension, 30 days absolute/immediate; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy. Rafael Soltero-Soloria, 24, 1250 State Highway 26, Gooding; driving under the influence; \$1,000 fine, \$700 suspended, \$78.50 court costs; \$50 public defender fee; 180 days in jail, 178 days suspended; 12 months' probation supervised at the discretion of probation officer; 90-day driver's license suspension, 30 days absolute/immediate; possession of marijuana; 24 months' probation; 180-day driver's license; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Patients, officials warn of coverage gaps

NAMPA (AP) - Regence Blue Shield of Idaho is weak on its radiology coverage, say some residents who learned that lesson in the middle of their troubled treatment. Because of an ongoing dispute between Regence Blue Shield of Idaho and radiologists over reimbursement rates, nearly all of those specialists at the hospitals no longer accept that insurance. Pathologists were recently brought back into network. The gaps in coverage have caught many insurance holders off-guard, leading to unexpected out-of-pocket expenses.

lack the time to identify what each offers. R.J. Nelson is hopeful that by building awareness, other people will not have to endure what he and his wife did. Not long after those specialists stopped accepting Regence Blue Shield insurance in 1999, his wife, Marcella Gibson, underwent surgery for cancer. Nelson said they were not informed by the insurance carrier or the hospital that they were not covered for their services. Nelson said they did not need the extra stress of unexpected gaps in coverage. The bills topped \$70,000. Nelson said they were fortunate

to have had supplemental insurance coverage that picked up many of the unexpected costs. Family friend Louise Daniels, who was also employed at the Caldwell School District, also was hit with unexpected charges when she went in for major surgery. Daniels has surgery at St. Lukes Hospital thinking she was covered. She ended up spending \$10,000 out of her own pocket. Regence spokeswoman Georganne Benjamin said the carrier brought the pathologists back into the network, but it still remains unclear how long it will take for Benjamin said they do their best to inform policy holders of changes, but advised them to call or check Regence's Internet site for updates.

SNOW JOB



Monty Montgomery shovels snow from his sidewalk Thursday in Pocatello. The area received several inches of snow.

Inmate faces charges of threatening to assault and murder federal judge

BOISE (AP) — An Oregon prison inmate has pleaded innocent to charges he threatened Idaho's U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge.

Earl Joseph Cechmanek, 30, was arraigned Tuesday in federal court in Boise. He is an inmate at the Snake River Correctional Institution in Ontario, Ore.

The indictment charges Cechmanek with threatening to assault and murder a federal judge, threatening to do so

against a judge's immediate family members, and mailing threatening communications.

Federal authorities said he made threats last year in a letter to Lodge.

Cechmanek entered his plea before U.S. Magistrate Larry Boyle. A trial is scheduled for March 5 before U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnill.

Earlier this month, a California man pleaded guilty to plotting to kill Lodge and blow

up a propane storage facility to help a militia overthrow the federal government.

Donald Rudolph, former head of the San Joaquin Militia, admitted plotting in 1999 to blow up two tanks with 24 million gallons of propane in suburban Elk Grove in an attempt to create civil unrest.

Rudolph also pleaded guilty to conspiring with several other people unidentified by prosecutors to kill Lodge in 1998.

Bonneville power chief warns of higher rates

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The acting chief of the Bonneville Power Administration on Thursday warned that wholesale power rates could jump 60 percent over the next five years unless the region can reduce skyrocketing electricity prices.

"We are making this announcement today to alert the region to the challenges we face," Steve Wright said.

Bonneville Power electricity, primarily from 29 hydroelectric dams on the Columbia and Snake rivers, remains fairly cheap. But demand is increasing faster than supply, regionally and nationally, officials said.

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"The fundamental problem is unprecedented high market prices," Wright said. "Unless the region finds ways to bring costs down, steep rate increases are unavoidable."

Wright said hard decisions must be made quickly to avoid threatening the financial stability of the federal Columbia River Power System and the economic benefits the region enjoys.

"Recent events in California demonstrate the consequences of failing to take decisive action," Wright said. "If we meet

the challenge now, the region will continue to reap the advantages of a power supply that is one of the lowest cost, most reliable in the nation for many years to come."

Despite the prospect of steep rate increases when new 10-year power contracts go into effect on Oct. 1, the federal power marketing agency's rates will remain well below market levels, he said.

Given the volatility of the West Coast energy market, setting rates adequate to recover costs is difficult, officials said.

The agency must generate sufficient income to ensure pay-

Doc gets reappointed to F&G

The Times-News

BOISE — The Idaho Senate Wednesday approved the reappointment of Burley doctor Fred Wood to the Fish and Game Commission for another four years.

The sole detractor in the 32-1 vote was Sen. Lin Whitworth, D-Inkom.

Wood received the unanimous blessing of the Senate Resources and Environment Committee Monday.

He was reappointed to the commission last month by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and was selected by his peers on the commission to be its chairman for

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his next four-year term.

He was first appointed to the commission in 1996 by then Gov. Phil Batt.

Skiers to hit the rails for cross-country event

KETCHUM — The 13th annual Ski the Rail Cross-Country Ski Tour will be held Saturday.

The free event, which begins at 10 a.m., encompasses skiing the Wood River bike path between Ketchum and Halley between Second Avenue south of

the River Run Lodge in Ketchum and Halley.

Interpretive signs will be set up along the way explaining the historical significance of what used to be the Union Pacific Railroad line and nearby mines.

Shurtles will be provided to take skiers north or south back to their vehicles.

Aid stations will offer snacks and drinks along the way. Ski the Rails T-shirts and sweatshirts will be available for sale to commemorate the event.

Sun Valley Brewery will offer lunch and ale specials.

More information, call 788-2117. — compiled from wire reports

INS officials announce new effort to deter smuggling of immigrants

PHOENIX (AP) — Immigration officials began a new enforcement effort Thursday designed to disrupt the smuggling of illegal immigrants, with special emphasis again on the major airports in Arizona and Nevada.

Authorities said "Operation Crossroads" also will attempt to break up drop houses and curbs the escalating violence associated with smuggling.

"There are all kinds of horror stories — children being held

hostage for ransom, women being raped, migrants being stripped of their shoes and left in the desert," said Johnny Williams, western regional director for the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

"These smugglers have callous disregard for their human cargo. All they care about is the dollars they make. They increasingly resort to violence," Williams added. "We will do whatever it takes to weed this evilness out."

The latest INS effort is similar to "Operation Denial" that had agents conducting 24-hour surveillance at the Phoenix's Sky Harbor International Airport and McCarran International Airport in Las Vegas, considered two top smuggling transit hubs.

That 90-day operation began in August and resulted in more than 240 arrests at the two airports in the first month of the crackdown. Nearly 30 smugglers were eventually prosecuted.

Hate-crimes law spurs opposition

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A bill that would revamp Utah's weak hate crimes law faces a tough fight when the Utah Senate gives the proposal its final vote.

On Thursday, senators moved the bill forward to a final vote, which is likely to come next week.

But seven of the 21 senators who voted in favor of the bill voted a conditional "aye on two," meaning they have reservations about the bill and may not vote for it when it comes up for final passage.

The bill needs 15 votes to pass. The bill would increase a crime by one degree — from a

third- to second-degree felony, for example — if prosecutors can prove that hate or prejudice against a certain group of people was the primary motive. The bill did not specify what groups qualify.

Most of the lawmakers who spoke about the bill on Thursday urged its passage.

Groups petition to designate red snapper type 'endangered'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Environmental groups petitioned the government Thursday to designate a type of red snapper as "threatened" under the Endangered Species Act.

If the bid is successful, bocaccio, a fish commonly sold as Pacific red snapper, would become the first commercial marine fish to receive federal protection.

The petition was filed with U.S. Commerce Secretary Don Evans by the Natural Resources Defense Council, the Center for Biological Diversity, and the Center for

Marine Conservation.

Designating bocaccio as threatened could have an impact on both commercial and recreational fishing, although it would not automatically ban either one, said Jim Lecky, assistant regional administrator for protected resources with the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Bocaccio inhabit rocky reefs from Mexico to Alaska. The petition seeks to protect the population from the Mexican border to Northern California, a distinction allowed under the Endangered Species Act.

Candidates line up to monitor reforms

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — A two-term California governor, a former New York City police commissioner and a number of other well known attorneys, prosecutors and police experts have applied to serve as the independent monitor overseeing reforms in the Los Angeles Police Department, according to a list of candidates obtained by the Los Angeles Times.

George Deukmejian, who served as California's governor from 1983 to 1991, applied as part of a team of consultants from a Los Angeles auditing firm. Former New York City Police Commissioner William Bratton is one of a group of East Coast law enforcement authorities. Former U.S. Attorney Steven Clymer, best known for his role in the successful federal prosecution of police officers involved in the Rodney G. King hearing case,

also applied.

Other candidates expressing interest in the job include a former Colorado state legislator (Donald E. Mielke), a one time inspector general of the U.S. Department of Justice under the Clinton administration (Michael Bromwich), and the former director of the Illinois State Police (Jeremy D. Marquis).

Officials from the city and the U.S. Department of Justice are expected to spend the next few weeks reviewing the 19 applications to find the person — or team of people — best suited to monitor the LAPD's progress in implementing the wide range of LAPD fixes outlined in a recently filed federal consent decree.

"This is a very high-powered list," said one city official close to the talks. "These are eminently qualified individuals."

Although the pay is subject to negotiations, some city officials have projected spending as much

as \$10 million over the next five years on the effort to oversee implementation of the consent decree.

The proposed reforms include a computerized "early warning" system to identify problem cops; a new LAPD unit to investigate officer-involved shootings and more powers to the civilian Police Commission and its inspector general. The monitor is expected to give status reports on a regular basis to the federal judge overseeing implementation of the decree.

The applicants were required to submit letters of interest to the city by Jan. 16. City officials had refused to release the names of the people expressing interest in the job, but changed their position after The Times sought access to the list under the California Public Record Act. The names were also released for the first time to the City Council on Thursday.

LEGISLATIVE LOG

The Associated Press

Introduced in House

HB89 (Agricultural Affairs) — Requires the licensing of farm labor contractors.

HB90 (Agricultural Affairs) — Makes various changes in laws relating to veterinary medicine licensing.

HB91 (Agricultural Affairs) — Authorizes the Idaho Wheat Commission to establish the crop promotion tax on wheat up to 2 cents per bushel, he said.

HB92 (Local Government) — Requires that local definitions of "subdivision" not conflict with state law.

HB93 — (Appropriations) — Allocates an additional \$1,456,200 to the Department of

Juvenile Corrections for the current budget year.

HB94 (Appropriations) — Allocates an additional \$113,900 to the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Fund for the current budget year.

HB95 (Appropriations) — Allocates an additional \$19,800 to the Idaho State Police for the current budget year.

Introduced in Senate

SCR102 (State Affairs) — Expresses sympathy to the families of the slain Jerome County sheriff's deputies.

SB1030 (Judiciary and Rules) — Makes income from community property community property.

SB1031 (Judiciary and Rules) — Provides required references in

apportionment of estate taxes.

SB1032 (Judiciary and Rules) — Increases the maximum total exemption of benefits under annuity contracts.

SB1033 (Judiciary and Rules) — Provides at least half of the intestate share for the surviving spouse.

SB1034 (Finance) — Allocates \$3 million for Promise Scholarships for the 2001-2002 school year.

SB1035 (State Affairs) — Modifies the ban on distribution of tobacco to minors.

SB1036 (Local Government and Taxation) — Allows contributions to college savings accounts made before April 15 to be deducted on the return for the prior year's taxes.

Former Lewis-Clark president accepts new position

LEWISTON (AP) — James Hottis, the former Lewis-Clark State College president who was hired by the University of Idaho in May, has found a new job in California.

The Palo Verde Community College District on Tuesday announced it has hired Hottis as its superintendent/president.

Hottis taught for a little more than one semester at the University of Idaho. He generated controversy last year when he left Lewis-Clark six months after a critical accreditation report heightened internal criticism of his one-year presidency.

He was given a position at the University of Idaho as senior lecturer,

where he taught introductory political science courses. Some Moscow faculty balked at the hire, calling it a "golden parachute" created by "good ol' boyism" among administrators.

Hottis was paid an annual fee of \$96,780, approximately triple of that made by professors in similar positions.

Relief

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pleas from the three counties for tax relief but made it clear he believes the state has now gone far enough.

"If the state assumes more than 50 percent of the funding for community colleges, then it becomes the majority partner and has a right to be more involved in decisions," he said.

Hawkins, whose own Bonneville County refused to create a community college district because of the property tax issue, suggested it is difficult for Bonneville County legislators to support reducing property taxes in Twin Falls, Jerome and Kootenai counties, where average levies are already lower than Bonneville County's average.

Statistics compiled by the Associated Taxpayers of Idaho indicated the property tax burden — property taxes paid per \$1,000 of income — was relatively high in Kootenai County, but low in Twin Falls and Jerome counties.

The 1998 information showed Kootenai County at 16th highest in Idaho with a property tax burden of \$32.70 per \$1,000 of income. Twin Falls ranked 32nd of the 44 counties at \$25.54 per \$1,000, and Jerome 37th at \$22.84 per \$1,000.

Hogs

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Department on how it would serve that site.

Commissioner Bruce Beck said he would like the Cassia County School District to draw up a "worst-case scenario" for how the farm would affect schools.

Big Sky officials have said they expect to draw 395 employees from an 80-mile radius. The company won't require residents to

live in Raft River, but Beck said employees might choose to build homes in the area.

To get a permit, Big Sky Farms must meet several standards in the county's confined animal feeding operation ordinance. One standard requires commissioners to determine whether Big Sky Farms is "harmonious" in appearance with the area's general character.

"That's going to take the meaning you give it," McMurray said. "What that means is probably more a question of discussion whether or not you decide to grant the permit."

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Publishing snowmobile ban prompts probe

DENVER (AP) — Western lawmakers and administration officials were trying to determine how final rules banning snowmobiles in Yellowstone National Park were published in the Federal Register on Monday. The publication occurred two days after President Bush signed an order to stop any last-minute rules developed by the Clinton administration. Publication is the final step making federal rules official. Bush's order, issued immediately after he took office, imposed a moratorium publishing new rules

unless specifically approved by the incoming administration. Sen. Craig Thomas, R-Wyo., and other lawmakers have already begun to hunt heads. "These guys are playing games with us, no question about that," said Thomas, a member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee. Interior Department spokesman David Barna said Wednesday the rules were "not rammed through." The request from the agency to print the rules was made Jan. 16 or 17, Barna said. Jan. 17 was the last day for public comment on

the proposed rules. Thomas' spokesman Dan Kunsman brushed aside a National Park Service suggestion that it was too late to pull back publication: "The president was pretty clear," he said. The ban was to be phased over two years, said John Wright, an Interior Department spokesman. "This should give the administration enough time to look at it and decide what they want to do," he said. Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo., said since the total ban on snowmobiles does not occur until the win-

ter of 2003-2004, there is time to redo the winter management plan for the parks. Supporters of the ban said it might be a symbolic final victory for the Clinton administration. "Obviously, they got in just under the wire," said Bob Ekkey, Montana representative of The Wilderness Society. "But it's the right thing for Yellowstone." "What people forget is what's lost in Yellowstone" because of snowmobiles, Ekkey said. "Right now, Old Faithful in wintertime has all the ambience of sitting next to a horse's nest."



Nevada Gov. Kenny Guinn talks to reporters following a news conference, Thursday.

Childhood leukemia cases draw attention in Nevada

FALLON, Nev. (AP) — Gov. Kenny Guinn traveled to this small farming and military community Thursday to ask questions about an investigation into a childhood leukemia cluster and to reassure a town worried about its youngest residents. "The unknown is the most frustrating," Guinn said after the closed meeting with health officials, representatives from the Navy and local and county officials. Since 1997, 11 children from Fallon or just outside city limits in Churchill County, have been diagnosed with acute lymphocytic leukemia, a blood disease and the most common form of childhood leukemia. Eight of the children were diagnosed last year. About 8,300 people live here, 60 miles east of Reno, and about 26,000 people live in the county. Normally the rate of such cases would be about three in every 100,000 people. The Nevada State Health Division has been investigating, but officials haven't found any link — except that all the children live or have lived in the rural

community. The governor organized Thursday's meeting in the town's Convention Center so every agency involved would know the progress of the investigation. The state Health Division has asked for help from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the National Cancer Institute and other epidemiologists. "The most important thing for us to do is to let everybody know we're working together," Guinn said. "I think it was time for us all to come together." State epidemiologist Dr. Randall Todd and state health officer Dr. Mary Gairan cautioned that they are not looking for a cause of childhood leukemia, but a common link among the children. "We are looking for something in the community that may have contributed to that," Guinn said. Residents and outsiders have speculated on a cause of the cancer cluster — jets from the nearby Fallon Naval Air Station dumping fuel in the area, pesticides or the town's water supply, full of

arsenic. The city is under a federal order to clean up its water, which contains arsenic levels as high as 10 times the new national standard. The state found that the children all had different sources of drinking water. "We're beginning to look for other sources of information. What has changed in this community?" Todd said. Health officials plan to conduct several town meetings to talk about the cases and assure residents that they are trying to find out why the children got sick. The state also has set up a community information hotline. "We have a lot of different theories," Todd said. "This is a little bit like looking for a needle in a haystack." Fallon Mayor Ken Tedford Jr. said the governor's visit was encouraging. "I think that gave a real impression that he's serious about what's going on. I just think we need to be patient," Tedford said. "It's a pretty strong community."

Idaho judge sentences another player

MOSCOW (AP) — An accessory to the killings of Donna Fontaine and Fred Palahniuk was sentenced to up to 18 months in prison for her role in covering up the Kendrick double murder. Martha Joan Millar was sentenced on Wednesday. With credit for the 5 months she has already served, she could spend just 6 months in prison before she is eligible for parole. Second District Court Judge John Stegner told Millar he would have sentenced her to the maximum of 18 months under her plea agreement if Prosecutor Robin Eckmann had not suggested 12 months was adequate. Two aborted murder attempts Millar made against victim Donna Fontaine will go unpenalized, in part because the only two witnesses to the attempts are Millar — who cannot incriminate herself at a trial — and Dale Carter Shackelford, who was convicted of killing Fontaine and her boyfriend, Palahniuk, after Millar failed. Millar pleaded guilty to being an accessory to the killings after evidence and agreed to testify against her former lover, Shackelford, in exchange for a maximum 18-month sentence and immunity from three different counties, two states and the U.S. Attorney's office.

Prosecutor prepares for possible retrial

BLACKFOOT (AP) — Bingham County Prosecutor Scott Andrew is preparing for the possible return of the auto mechanic convicted of the 1984 murder and mutilation of a female government employee. Andrew has asked 7th District Judge James Herndon for a Feb. 5 court hearing to start the process of holding a new trial for 42-year-old Richard Albert Leavitt. "I hope we never have to do this," Andrew said, who started as the county prosecutor earlier this month. "I hope it's just a training exercise." U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnmill overturned the death row inmate's 1985 first-degree murder conviction and death sentence for the slaying of Danette Jean Elg of Blackfoot. He called for a new trial because of a jury instruction that may have incriminated Leavitt's guilt.

Grand jury indicts lawyers, accountants in fraud case

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A federal grand jury indicted five Utah lawyers and accountants Thursday for allegedly operating an illegal tax shelter that defrauded more than 75 investors of as much as \$15 million. One of their employees was charged with lying to federal investigators, another man pleaded guilty last month to tax conspiracy and wire fraud and a third is negotiating a plea deal. The victims could be liable for taxes and penalties. The case grew out of a tip from an informant in an undercover Internal Revenue Service investigation into offshore tax shelters that began in 1996. The next year, the FBI joined the case, looking into the Ponzi-type investment scheme that promised returns of up to 100 percent a year. "Once again, greed and blind trust have joined to victimize citizens in Utah," said U.S. Attorney Paul Warner. "With the filing of these indictments, we hope to put an end to one alleged fraud."

One investor lost his entire life savings, about \$250,000. But the victims, mostly from the West, didn't complain to authorities because they knew they were evading income taxes, Warner said. The defendants set up what they promoted as offshore trust accounts. In fact, most of the money never left the United States and promoters spent it on houses, furniture and cars or squandered it on ill-conceived business ventures, investigators said. Across the country, "\$10 to \$20 million is being lost every day to this kind of fraud," said Byram W. Tichenor, a Las Vegas-based IRS agent for Nevada and Utah. "This scheme tends to wipe out people's savings." Warner said Utah has more than its share of financial fraud because "there seems to be an unusual high level of trust" among Utah residents who get taken. He added, "I think we have a greed gland."

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Officials say Bush would ease controls

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hoping to ease California's electricity crisis, President Bush is prepared to let the state roll back its air pollution requirements on power plants, administration officials said Thursday.

Senior advisers also are exploring ways that Mexico might boost electricity shipments into the state, although that might not be possible immediately.

California pollution control officials said environmental restrictions have not interfered in power plants operating at maximum capacity. They said the state already has made some adjustments in air rules — when needed — to keep power flowing and decrease water.

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said the administration was "reviewing a number of options" that might be helpful to California, which has been reeling under high electricity prices, intermittent blackouts and the threat of utility bankruptcies.

He declined to elaborate, saying the options were still under review. But other senior officials said the idea — was that the Environmental Protection Agency give California a waiver on air pollution standards if requested to ease emission controls from power plants.

The administration "would be favorably disposed" to such a request "if that's what they think they need," said Larry Lindsey, the president's chief economic adviser.

Separately, two senior officials said that Bush is expected to raise California's power problems with Mexican President Vicente Fox when the two leaders meet Feb. 16, in an attempt to spur construction of power plants in Baja California.

California crafts a big relief plan

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Lawmakers are considering a plan under which California would issue bonds to cover the multimillion-dollar debts of its two biggest electric utilities and make customers pay the money back.

A consumer advocate immediately called the proposal a "hoax" and promised to fight it with a voter initiative campaign.

Lawmakers began fashioning the plan after the state received dozens of bids Wednesday from suppliers willing to sign long-term contracts to sell power to energy-starved California.

The offers bought the legislature some time to work on a long-term solution to a crisis that resulted in rolling blackouts last week.

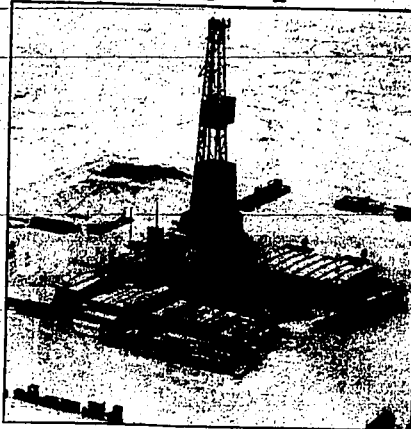
Study: Oil spending equals that of state

Report uses payroll information from 13 companies in Alaska

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — Alaskans have always looked at the oil flowing from the state's frigid ground as liquid money — now they can be sure. A new study commissioned by two industry groups found that Big Oil spends about as much money in Alaska each year as the state's government spends from its general fund — more than \$2 billion.

The study commissioned by the Alaska Oil and Gas Association and The Alliance, a group of oil-field service companies used payroll and purchasing information from 13 producers, transporters and refiners of oil. Such information isn't generally public and the study doesn't break the money down by company, but it does give some new insight into how much money is spent and where it goes.

Those 13 companies employed 4,532 people and paid \$422 million in payroll in 1999, a year of cutbacks and low oil prices, according to the study. In the same year the companies spent \$1.7 billion on various goods and services in the state. Together, that's \$2.1 billion, about the amount the state spent during the same year from the general fund, which comes mostly from oil royalties and taxes.



Arco's Pool Arctic 6 rig drills a well into frozen tundra (for the Alpine oil field discovery) on the North Slope of Alaska in this 1996 photo.

"One surprise is how significant the impact is on the private sector," said Brian Rogers of Information Insights, the Fairbanks consulting firm that conducted the study. "During the

worst year in a decade for the industry it's equal to the state's spending."

The companies in the study are some of the biggest names in the industry, including BP, Chevron, ExxonMobil, Phillips Petroleum

and Unocal. Spending last year and this year — when oil prices were substantially higher — will likely reach \$2.5 billion annually, Rogers said.

Oil has been Alaska's economic lifeblood for decades. Oil taxes and royalties make up most of the state's general fund revenue, and instead of paying taxes, each resident gets an annual dividend from the massive Alaska Permanent Fund — a savings account for some of the oil royalties.

But declining production from the big North Slope oil fields has slowed the flow of liquid money in recent years, prompting oil company cutbacks and fears that the industry will dwindle, dragging the state's economy with it.

The report was presented Tuesday to members of the Alaska Legislature, who hope to stave off that decline by persuading the oil industry to build a natural gas pipeline from Alaska's North Slope to the Lower 48.

Most of the \$1.7 billion in spending went to a relatively small number of companies geared to provide the services oil companies need. The names of the companies weren't disclosed, but just five companies received \$467 million in 1999 — more than 28 percent of the total, according to the report.

Three-quarters of the money went to 51 companies that received \$5 million or more apiece.

Pole chemical might make residents sick

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Residents of Oldtown, Idaho, hold out hope a state-operated computer will show whether pesticide from a local utility pole yard is making people sick in Idaho Hill Elementary School.

The potential culprit is pentachlorophenol used by Poles Inc. to prevent bug infestation and decay in utility poles.

The 60-year-old pole company maintains the treatment has succeeded no one.

But many teachers and students complain of headaches, dizziness, nausea and runny eyes on days the yard soaks its poles.

In recent years, some educators have been diagnosed with cancer. Residents want to know whether these cases are coincidence or if they result from long-term chemical exposure.

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality will use computer modeling to find out how much, if any, pesticide is drifting into the school.

The most difficult part is figuring out how much pentachlorophenol is released during the treatment process, air quality analyst Dan Redline said. "We have to use our best professional judgment. That will involve making some assumptions," he said.

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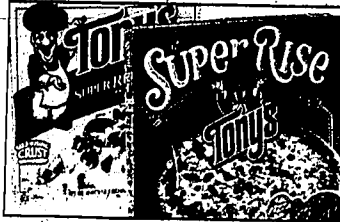
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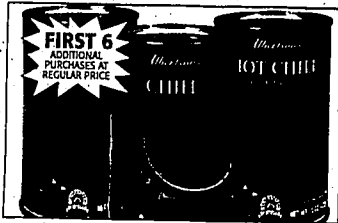
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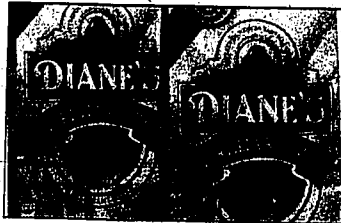
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Testosterone poisoning again

The Interplanetary Theater Group will present Andrew Wreggitt and Rebecca Shaw's "The Wild Guys," directed by Pamela Sue Martin, tonight, Saturday and Sunday in Ketchum's nexStage Theater.



Classic Kurosawa

Acclaimed director Akira Kurosawa's final film, "Madadayo," takes over the screen at Twin Falls' Lamphouse Theater, the second movie in Foreign Film Festival 2000. It will be screened tonight, Saturday and Sunday.

Jive talking

Jive, Twin Falls High School's showcase choral group, will present its Winter Showcase tonight in Roper Auditorium.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight C2-3

Jazz on a saxophone

Annual summit takes place this weekend

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The ghosts of Charlie Parker and Duke Ellington won't be visiting this weekend's sixth annual Jazz Summit on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

But CSI jazzmeister Brent Jensen hopes they've done some good anyway.

"Everybody's been watching the 'Jazz' series (a 10-part film on the history of jazz by Ken Burns, being broadcast on PBS throughout January), so we hope it generates some interest," he said. "Even if you don't agree with everything it says, the timing is great. We're 3 percent of the market."

Five hundred high school and

junior high students, the combined CSI jazz ensembles, CSI music faculty and some celebrity clinicians will spend the next two days exploring the finer points of the most American of music. Tonight and Saturday, the CSI bands and the pros will stage concerts — Combo Night tonight and a Big Band program on Saturday.

The star is saxophonist Gary Foster. "He's an exceptional talent,"

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Kristin Kolb



Gary Foster

ORBS, SLINKIES AND ...LIZARDS?



Based on simple materials and outlandish ideas, Imago will bring fantastic images to the College of Southern Idaho stage next week.

Imago brings its strange, illusionary world to CSI stage

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — There are, Jerry Mouawad wants you to know, no throwaway ideas. "Our ideas come from small things, from observing and wondering," said Mouawad, co-creator of Imago, a Oregon-based traveling theater of the imagination that will bring a collection of frogs, lizards, orbs and Slinkys to the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium next week. "The show you'll see combines amphibians with abstract shapes."

One part mime, one part Japanese noh theater, one part

Just imagine ...

• **What:** Arts on Tour will present Imago.
• **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
• **When:** Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

• **How much:** Tickets, which are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students, are sold on a space-available basis. Season tickets for Arts on Tour are \$55 for adults and \$45 for students for reserved seating. For ticket information, call 735-9554, Ext. 2288.

Charlie Chaplin movie, Imago plays interesting tricks with masks and motion, light and shadow, perspective and illusion. Improbably tucked away in an old Masonic Lodge in Portland, Mouawad and co-creator Carol Triffitt, composers and designers have created a fantastic blend of

clay, papier mache, wood, wire and foam. A larval insect performs impossible acrobatics, a human shadow bursts into flames, a sphere transforms from an eggplant into a boulder and then a circus performer.

The troupe has toured throughout the world — including in Twin

Falls 10 years ago — playfully distorting scientific laws and creating illusions that challenge the audience's sense of what they think is true.

"It's vaudeville," Mouawad said in a telephone interview from his Portland office. "I saw a movie in which a depressed, suicidal, tragi-comic character went to a Marx Brothers film and from laughing at the Marx Brothers, he reawakened to the whimsy and lighter side of life. It changed his life and he was able to return to his tragic-laden world."

"Comedy, especially physical comedy, is reawakening. It reawakens our bodies to a gip-

ply, uplifting sensation. A physical connection between performer and the audience can be delightful and life-altering. Seeing the finest of physical and clown theater has changed my own life."

"Our illusions are crafted from basic, ordinary materials," Mouawad said. "There are times, for example, when we find ourselves in a warehouse looking for just the right kind of pipe. It's fascinating to imagine the possibilities."

Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at crump@magicvalley.com



Almee Boyd and Jud Harmon play in "Star-Spangled Girl"

CSI theater instructor, MVRS to present 'Star-Spangled Girl'

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The difference between tragedy and farce in playwright Neil Simon's bankable comedies is often just "a twist of the pen," Tony Mannen observes.

"It's a funny play," says Mannen, the veteran College of Southern Idaho theater instructor who's directing Simon's "Star-Spangled Girl" next week as a fundraiser for Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services. "But there are serious moments too."

Mannen, who serves on MVRS's board of directors, joined one of his students — Jud Harmon — and two former students, Almee Boyd and Joe Reagin, for the project, which will run for three performances starting next Thursday in the auditorium at O'Leary Junior High School.

The 1966 comedy is about two left-

More information

- **What:** Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services and College of Southern Idaho theater instructor Tony Mannen will present Neil Simon's "Star-Spangled Girl."
- **Where:** O'Leary Junior High School auditorium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** Thursday and Feb. 23, 7:30 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$8.50, are available at Valley Shoe Repair, The Little Red Hen, the Magic Valley Mall and The Music Center in Twin Falls, or at the door.

wing San Francisco students and their relationship with the All-American girl who moves in next door. Anthony Perkins, Richard Benjamin and Connie Stevens headed the original Broadway cast; Tony Roberts, Todd Susman and Sandy Duncan starred in the 1971

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WEEKEND

Banyan plays rock 'n' roll at Big Easy Concert House



Banyan
Plays in Boise tonight

Tonight - Boise
Banyan will play at 8 p.m. at the Big Easy Concert House, 416 S. Ninth St., Boise. Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Tonight
Marcus Eaton and the Lobby will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Tonight
Cold Shot will play at 8:30 p.m. at Trout's Saloon, 113 Broadway Ave. N., Buhl.

Tonight and Saturday
Cobalt Blue will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Saturday
Matthew Moon will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Saturday - Boise
Superdrag will play at 8 p.m. at the Big Easy Concert House, 416 S. Ninth St., Boise. Tickets, which are \$7.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Saturday - Pocatello
Banyan will play at 8 p.m. at Newberry's, 150 N. Main in Old Town Pocatello. Tickets, which are \$15 in advance or \$18 the day of show, can be purchased at Music Exchange in Twin Falls or reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827.

Tuesday through Feb. 4
Garratt Wilkin and the Parrot Heads will play Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$14.99 on weeknights and \$19.99 on Saturdays. There's a \$7.50 cover charge for the 11 p.m. cocktail show on weeknights and Sunday and \$10 on Saturdays. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.



Garratt Wilkin

Thursday - Utah
Fishbone will perform at Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.



Feb. 5 - Utah
Linkin Park will play Saltair Resort in Magna, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$14, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saltair is located 35 miles southwest of Salt Lake City; take Interstate 180 west to Exit 104.

Feb. 10 - Nampa
Pantera with Soulfly and Morbid Angel will play at 7:30 p.m. in the Idaho Center in Nampa. Tickets, which are \$27, can be reserved by calling Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766 or (800) 965-4827.



Bill Cosby

Feb. 10 - Boise
Bill Cosby will perform two shows at 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. in the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University. Tickets, which are \$40 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Feb. 7 - Utah
Kenny Rogers will sing at the Dee Events Center in Ogden.

cocktail show tonight and Sunday and \$10 on Saturday. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

Tonight and Saturday
Renegead will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Saturday
Pocket Change will play country and classic rock from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the King of Hearts, Main Street, Castelford.

Saturday
The Fugitives will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont, Rupert.

Saturday
Dusty and the Nomads will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at Spanbauer's Barn on U.S. Highway 93, east of Jerome. Cover charge is \$7. Call 324-7366.

Sunday
Pocket Change will play country and classic rock from 7:30-11:30 p.m. at the Pioneer Club, 1519 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Tuesday
Country dance lessons will be given from 7-9 p.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Lessons are free.

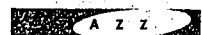
Tuesday through Thursday
Heartnote will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the Lantern Lounge at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.



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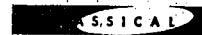
Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22.50 and \$28.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Dee Center is located on the campus of Weber State University.



Tonight and Saturday
The College of Southern Idaho Department of Music will present the sixth annual Jazz Summit in the Fine Arts Center auditorium on the CSI campus in Twin Falls. Featured artists will include saxophonist Gary Foster, vocalist/bassist Kristin Korh, pianist Chuck Smith, trumpeter Rob Walker and drummer Jay Lawrence. The daytime events, which are free to the public, will include performances by 24 ensembles from Magic Valley, junior high and high schools. The concert at 7 tonight will feature the Summit All-Stars, and the concert at 7 p.m. Saturday will feature the CSI Jazz Orchestra. Tickets for both evening concerts are \$10, general admission. Children 12 and younger will be admitted free. Evening concert tickets may be purchased at the CSI Bookstore, Everybody's Business and Welch Music in Twin Falls. Sav-Mor Drug in Buhl, Arlene's Flowers in Jerome or by calling the CSI Fine Arts Department at 733-9554, Ext. 2625. For more information, contact Brent Jensen at 733-9554, Ext. 2557.

Tonight
A dinner and concert with Rika Helton and Chalazon will be held at the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth, Buhl. The sroaganoff dinner will begin at 6 p.m. and the concert will be at 7 p.m. The Boise musicians will perform original folk/jazz music with Chalazon on flute and saxophone and Helton on piano and vocals. The program is presented with the support of the Idaho Commission on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts. All ages are welcome. Tickets for the dinner and concert are \$12 for

adults and \$6 for students, and will be available at the door. For reservations, call 543-2888.



Tonight and Saturday - Utah
The Utah Symphony will perform Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20, \$24, \$31 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.



Antonio Vivaldi

Feb. 23 - Utah
The Utah Symphony will perform Tchaikovsky's "Francesca da Rimini" and Shostakovich's Symphony No. 13 at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20, \$24, \$31 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Feb. 9-10 - Utah
Utah Symphony will play Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 3 at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20, \$24, \$31 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Feb. 10 - Boise
Jacques Thibaud String Trio will perform at 8 p.m. at the Boise State University Special Events Center. Tickets, which are \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors/students, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Feb. 14-15
Idaho State Civic Symphony will perform with bassoonist Frank Morelli at 8 p.m. in the Goranson Hall at Idaho State

University's Fine Arts building. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$5 for students. For more information, call (208) 254-3931.

Feb. 16-17 - Utah
Utah Symphony will present Gustav Mahler's Third Symphony at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20, \$24, \$31 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Feb. 23-24 - Utah
Utah Symphony will perform Beethoven's Third Symphony at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20, \$24, \$31 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.



Tonight
Suzanne Juss will play from 6-8 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Tonight and Saturday
The Echos will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the Lantern Lounge at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Tonight and Saturday
Chas Hammond Quintet will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Saturday
Randy Egner will play from 7:30-9 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Saturday - Boise
The Boise Valley Chordsmen will present "The Madly Lingers On" at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Morrison Center. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10.50 for seniors for the 2 p.m. performance or \$15 for the 7:30 p.m. performance. Tickets can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

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MOVIES

George Clooney stars in 'O Brother, Where Art Thou?'

Combined wire services

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

'Cast Away'
If there is one movie star we would consider spending two hours of a movie alone with, it might be Tom Hanks, who here plays a Fed Ex troubleshooter, stranded alone on a desert island after a plane crash. After learning to survive, he's then forced to learn how to live without stimulation, distractions and excuses. Rereaming with "Forrest Gump" director Robert Zemeckis, Hanks turns what could have been an overbearing important lesson into a turn off your cell phone, appreciate what you take for granted — into something rich and unexpected. Rated PG-13; disturbing imagery. 2 hours, 23 minutes.



John Turturro, left, Tim Blake Nelson, center, and George Clooney embark on the adventure of a lifetime while seeking freedom in the comedy 'O Brother, Where Art Thou?' now playing to Magic Valley.

'Chocolat'
Anyone who regrets the shuttering of 60s-style liberation theology — which was most often reduced to "if it feels good, do it" — will be happy to see it reopened for business in Lasse Hallstrom's fable about an enchanting stranger who opens a chocolate shop in a small French town. "Chocolat" divides mankind into two types: those who fear pleasure and resist all temptation, and those who don't. Guess whose side it's on? Rated PG-13; brief nudity, sexual themes. 1 hour, 50 minutes.

'Double Take'
Eddie Griffin and Orlando Jones play a jive-talking street hustler and a high-powered investment banker both framed for murder and heading for the Mexican border. The basic premise has fueled some funny movies, but this isn't one of them. It's a desperate attempt to mine weak jokes out of the basest black and Mexican stereotypes imaginable. Rated PG-13; violence, profanity. 1 hour, 33 minutes.

'Dude, Where's My Car?'
A relentlessly idiotic but entertaining teen comedy that is a pastiche of such psychedelic proportions that the continuous efforts to evoke laughter through the wackiest and silliest of situations begin to feel downright desperate. Directed by Danny Leiner. With Ashton-Kutcher, Sean William Scott, Marla Sokoloff and Jennifer Garner. (1:23. PG-13 for language and some sex and drug-related humor.)

'The Emperor's New Groove'
Disney's Christmas gift is a holiday treat for the entire family, a light-hearted animated adventure/morality tale ideal for youngsters yet conceived with wit and sophistication that will be appreciated by their parents. This story of how a spoiled, petulant Incan ruler (voice of David Spade) who gets turned into a llama also features the also splendidly cast voices of John Goodman, Eartha Kitt, Patrick Warburton and Wendie Malick. (1:21. G.)

'The Family Man'
Nicolas Cage is a millionaire arbitrage artist who goes to sleep in his Manhattan penthouse and wakes up in the New Jersey burbs, married to the woman (Teri Hatcher) he casually left behind when he opted for money and power over health and home. Everyone involved hopes to hear this holiday hokum compared to "It's A Wonderful Life," but the hypocrisy of someone making \$15-million a year on a movie pretending that Bud and howling are money makes the point well. Teachers inevitably learn a thing or two from students. Rated PG-13; language. 2 hours, 13 minutes.

'The Family Man'
Jeremy Podeswa's drama is a true sensual exploration in that sex is only one of its concerns. Five characters represent touch, taste, smell, sight and sound, exploring the ways we use our

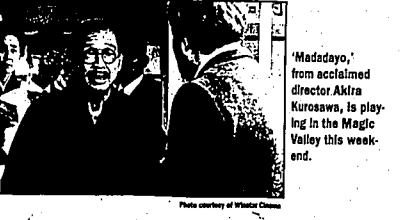
MOVIE FROM AROUND THE NATION

	Local critic	Chicago Tribune	Denver Post	Los Angeles Times	Miami Herald	N.Y. Daily News	N.Y. Times	Philadelphia Inquirer	San Jose Mercury News
The Amati Girls (PG)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Crouching Tiger ... (PG-13)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Double Take (PG-13)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
The Gift (R)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
O Brother ... (PG-13)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
The Pledge (R)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Save the Last Dance (PG-13)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Shadow of the Vampire (R)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Snatch (R)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
State and Main (R)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Thirteen Days (PG-13)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Wedding Planner (PG-13)	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★

★ Outstanding
★ Worthy effort
★ So-so
★ A bomb

PG-13 Parents strongly cautioned, some material may be inappropriate for children under 13
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'Madadayo,' from acclaimed director Akira Kurosawa, is playing in the Magic Valley this weekend.

'Madadayo'
Akira Kurosawa's 1993 swan song, a sad, sweet fable about a beloved schoolmaster and the moral choices he must make. Rated R.

'Goya In Bordeaux'
Director Carlos Saura's portrait of the great Spanish painter as an old man. It's a rhapsodic piece, theatricalized and artificial, that ventures stylistically toward the dance films on which Saura made his reputation. Yet it's not pure movement; it has an introspective quality as well, and comes in the end to be strongly emotional. Set in 1828 in the sunny French province where the old man went not to die but to live, the movie is a kind of reverie. Rated R.

'Miss Congeniality'
If lamproving beary pagans is like shooting fish in barrel, why do comedies that attempt it end up sadder than a third-place runner-up? This one makes it to the semifinals only on another game

Big box office

Top-grossing movies last weekend:

1. "Save the Last Dance," Paramount.
2. "Cast Away," Fox.
3. "Traffic," USA.
4. "Snatch," Sony.
5. "What Women Want," Paramount.

—Source: Exhibitor Relations

performance by Sandra Bullock in a movie that doesn't deserve her, playing a decidedly unfeminine FBI agent who goes undercover as a pageant contestant to catch a terrorist. Michael Caine has some funny moments as the consultant hired to turn the duckling into a swan, but there's no spark between Bullock and Benjamin Bratt, who plays the agent running the operation. The plot is phonyer than all those Vaseline smiles and padded bosoms. Rated PG; language, violence. 1 hour, 52 minutes.

'O Brother, Where Art Thou?'
Brothers Joel and Ethan Coen's latest takes its title from one of Preston Sturges' greatest satires and its basic story line from Homer's "The Odyssey," but nothing classic rubs off. Set in Depression-era Mississippi, it sends a chain-gang escapee (George Clooney) and the two dumber-than-sticks cons (John Turturro and Tim Blake Nelson) he's chained to on a search for mythical treasure. Episodes with Sirens and a Cyclops of sorts (John Goodman) get mixed in with more contemporary legends, inspired by Baby Face Nelson, bluesman Robert Johnson and Huey Long. Rated PG-13; comic violence, language. 1 hour, 43 minutes.

'The Pledge'
This glum, Jack Nicholson-starring tale of a policeman who gets increasingly obsessed with a brutal child murder he was sworn to solve is further proof that undeniably gifted director Sean Penn is hamstrung by his suffocating, claustrophobic, nobody-ever-has-a-nice-day view of human nature. With Robin Wright, Penn and Hilary Milren. 2:02. R, strong violence and language.

'Save the Last Dance'
A twist of fate sends a 17-year-old aspiring ballerina (Julia Stiles) from a Norman Rockwell small town to inner-city Chicago and an interracial romance with a bright youth (Sean Patrick Thomas) hoping to land a premed scholarship. There's lots of dancing and heart-tearing but a gritty edge of urban realism as well. The film's talented young actors includes Kerry Washington, Fredro Starr and Bianca Lawson. (1:53. PG-13, for violence, sexual content, language and a brief drug reference.)

'Snatch'
A brisk, cheerfully amoral entertainment by Guy Ritchie (Lock, Stock & Two Smoking Barrels). Back again are the elements that made Lock, Stock & so

What's Playing

- Theater:**
- "Sugar & Spice," Odyssey Theater
 - "Thirteen Days," The Orpheum
 - "Traffic," Twin Cinema
 - "Vertical Limit," Twin Cinema
 - "The Wedding Planner," Twin Cinema
 - "What Women Want," Twin Cinema
 - "Chocolat," Magic Lantern Cinema
 - "The Wedding Planner," Century Cinema
 - "Madadayo," Lamphouse Theater
 - "Meet the Parents," Odyssey Theater
 - "Miss Congeniality," Twin Cinema
 - "O Brother, Where Art Thou?," Twin Cinema
 - "The Pledge," Twin Cinema
 - "Save the Last Dance," Odyssey Theater
 - "Snatch," Odyssey Theater
 - "State and Main," Lamphouse Theater
- Cinema:**
- "Cast Away," Twin Cinema
 - "Chocolat," Odyssey Theater
 - "Double Take," Odyssey Theater
 - "The Emperor's New Groove," Twin Cinema
 - "The Family Man," Twin Cinema
 - "Finding Forrester," Twin Cinema
 - "Goya in Bordeaux," Lamphouse Theater
 - "Madadayo," Lamphouse Theater
 - "Meet the Parents," Odyssey Theater
 - "Miss Congeniality," Twin Cinema
 - "O Brother, Where Art Thou?," Twin Cinema
 - "The Pledge," Twin Cinema
 - "Save the Last Dance," Odyssey Theater
 - "Snatch," Odyssey Theater
 - "State and Main," Lamphouse Theater
 - "Finding Forrester," SkITime Cinemas
 - "Save the Last Dance," Sun Valley Opera House
 - "Snatch," SkITime Cinemas
 - "Thirteen Days," Magic Lantern
 - "Traffic," Magic Lantern
 - "The Wedding Planner," Magic Lantern
 - "Cast Away," Jerome Cinema
 - "Dude, Where's My Car.," Jerome Cinema
 - "The Family Man," Jerome Cinema
 - "Miss Congeniality," Jerome Cinema
 - "What Women Want," Gooding Cinema



Sarah Jessica Parker and Alex Baldwin appear in the comedy 'State and Main.'

engaging: a London underworld setting, a fearsomely complex plot line, hours of colorful characters, plus the distinctively breezy dialogue that is Ritchie's trademark. Even if it's not quite as lighter than air as its predecessor, it remains a lethal diversion. With Benicio Del Toro, Dennis Farina and Brad Pitt. (1:43. R, for strong violence, language and some nudity.)

'State and Main'
In this lightweight and loquacious comedy from writer-director David Mamet, a small New England town is invaded by a ruthless warlord director (William H. Macy) who will let nothing stand in the way of getting a good shot. The large and fine ensemble cast features Philip Seymour Hoffman as a conflicted writer, Sarah Jessica Parker as a manipulative ingenue, Alec Baldwin as a leading man with an appetite for teenage girls and Rebecca Pidgeon as a voice of sanity and reconciliation. Rated R; language. 1 hour, 46 minutes.

'Sugar & Spice'
A cross between "Bring It On" and "Set It Off," this comedy about gun-toting, bank-robbing cheerleaders is a feeble attempt to cash in on the teen movie craze. It's also a waste of the charming and talented Mena Suvari in a one-note role as the pep squad's bad girl. There's nothing smart or funny about "Sugar & Spice," and it's a wonder the movie got made at all in the wake of the Columbine High School massacre and other school violence in recent years. PG-13 for language, sex-related humor and some thematic elements. 80 min.

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- TV**
- 1. (11 p.m.) "Golden Globe Awards," NBC.
 - 2. (11 p.m.) "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire-Wednesday," ABC.
 - 3. "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire-Thursday," ABC.
 - 4. "60 Minutes," CBS.
 - 5. "Law and Order," NBC.
- (From Nielsen Media Research)

- Hot 5**
- 1. "Independent Women Part I," Destiny's Child, Columbia.
 - 2. "It Wasn't Me," Shaggy feat. Ricardo "RikRok" Ducent, MCA.
 - 3. "He Loves U Not," Dream.

Girl

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movie version.

In Mammen's production, Harmon plays Andy, the editor of *Fallout*, a politically controversial magazine that points out what's wrong with America. Requia is Norman, a writer at the magazine.

Boyd plays Sophie, a vocally patriotic Olympic swimmer who despises what they write, while ever supporting their right to be wrong.

Harmon has been a familiar figure in CSI theater since 1998 playing - among other roles - King Claudius in "Hamlet" and Valentine in "Two Gentlemen of Verona."

Requia, now a professional actor, recently returned to the Magic Valley. He studied under Mammen in 1986.

Boyd, who now lives in Las Vegas, was a more recent CSI drama student.

Proceeds from the play will go to MVRSS projects.

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Jazz

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Jensen said, "And a great musician to learn from."

Foster, an associate professor of saxophone at UCLA, has backed up Barbra Streisand, Frank Sinatra, Mel Torme, Johnny Mathis, Kenny Rogers and Vince Gill, as well as curating a long list of solo jazz recordings. His work can be heard on six current TV series, including "The Simpsons." (Prominently, too: Lisa Simpson blows a mean sax).

Kristin Karb, a professor of jazz studies at Central Washington University, returns to the Jazz Summit for a second year. She has earned a unique reputation in the world of jazz: a virtuoso stand-up bass player who sings, Ella Fitzgerald and Sarah Vaughan.

Other guest clinicians and performers include Chuck Smith of Boise, the former musical director for Paula Abdul; trumpeter Rob Walls, a Boise State University faculty member who has performed with The Moody Blues, Ray Charles and Natalie Cole; drummer Jay Lawrence, who teaches at the University of Utah, Brigham Young University and Salt Lake City's Westminster College; and Hagerman's Gene Loranger, a veteran jazz guitarist and instrument-maker who teaches at CSI.

The public is invited to attend all of the daily band clinics, held between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., free of charge.

"It's great for the kids to have an audience," Jensen said. "Especially at 9 in the morning."

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Synecopation

- What: The College of Southern Idaho will present its sixth annual Jazz Summit. Showcase events include Friday and Saturday night concerts.
- Where: CSI Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
- When: Combo Night, a concert featuring guest artists and clinics, is tonight at 7 p.m. Saturday's Big Band Night, featuring the CSI Jazz Orchestra and guest performers, is at 7 p.m.
- How much: Tickets to the evening concerts are \$10. Kids under 12 get in free. Tickets are available at the CSI Bookstore, Everybody's Bookstore and West End Music in Twin Falls, Say-Max Drug in Suni, Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, or by calling the CSI Fine Arts Department at 733-9554. Ext. 2023.

- Albums**
- 1. "1." The Beatles. Apple. (Platinum)
 - 2. "Hotshot." Shaggy. MCA. (Platinum)
 - 3. "Now 5." Various Artists. Sony/Zomba/Universal/EMI. (Platinum)
 - 4. "Human Clay." Creed. Wind-up. (Platinum)
 - 5. "Chocolate Starfish and The Hot Dog Flavored Water." Limp Bizkit. Flip. (Platinum)
- (From Billboard magazine)

- Hardcover fiction**
- 1. "A Day Late and a Dollar Short" by Terry McMillan (Wiley)
 - 2. "From the Corner of His Eye" by Dean Koots (Bantam)
 - 3. "Special Ops" by W.E.B. Griffin (Putnam)
 - 4. "The First Counsel" by Brad Melzer (Warner)
 - 5. "Roses are Red" by James Patterson (Little, Brown)

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TWIN FALLS - Jive, the marquee choral group at Twin Falls High School that was previously known as the Madrigals, sings in concert every fall and spring.

Director Joe Casperson figured a mid-winter showcase wouldn't hurt either.

So Jive will stage one tonight - its first ever - with no particular theme but a lot of singable tunes.

"Some of the songs we'll be doing tonight are the same songs that we'll be doing in the spring, but less polished," Casperson said. "But we have some good singers in this group, and I think it will be an enjoyable evening."

An evening with a little something for everyone, including a Blues Brothers-style rendition of "Soul Man" by junior Jason Bevan and sophomore Roney Brown; a solo of "You Made Me Love You" by senior Dixie Holloway, and a medley of Elvis Presley hits by Gary Wilcox.

"There's a lot of variety in the music, by a lot of students with different singing styles," Casperson said.

TFHS choral students dumped the Madrigal name nearly a year ago, shortly after Casperson took over the job when longtime director Richard Smack retired. The Madrigals had sung Madrigal/Renaissance-style music for generations, but the repertoire has turned a bit more contemporary since the name change.

Nonfiction/general

- 1. "Who Moved My Cheese?"

if you go ...

- What: Jive will present its first Winter Showcase.
- Where: Roper Auditorium on the campus of Twin Falls High School.
- When: 7:30 p.m., tonight.
- How much: Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students, available at the door.

- 6. "The Constant Gardener" by John Le Carré (Scrivener)
- 7. "Lost & Found" by Jayne Ann Krents (Putnam)
- 8. "Prodigal Summer" by Barbara Kingsolver (Harper Collins)
- 9. "Riley in the Morning" by Sandra Brown (Bantam Dell)
- 10. "Shadow of the Hegemon" by Orson Scott Card (Tor)

- 6. "An Amazing Way to Deal with Change in Your Work and in Your Life" by Spencer Johnson (Putnam)
- 7. "Body for Life: 12 Weeks to Mental and Physical Strength" by Bill Phillips and Michael D'Orso (Harper Collins)
- 8. "An Hour Before Daylight" by Jimmy Carter (Simon & Schuster)
- 9. "The O'Reilly Factor" by Bill O'Reilly (Broadway)
- 5. "A Short Guide to a Happy Life" by Anna Quindlen (Random House)
- 6. "Tuesdays with Morrie" by Mitch Albom (Doubleday)
- 7. "Until Today" by Iyanla Vanzant (Simon & Schuster)
- 8. "The Darwin Awards" by Wendy Northcutt (Dutton)
- 9. "Maestro: Alan Greenspan's Fed and the American Economic Boom" by Bob Woodward (Simon & Schuster)
- 10. "Relationship Rescue" by Phillip C. McGraw (Hyperion)

This week's best-sellers include 'From the Corner of His Eye'

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WEEKEND

Young star's career heats up at snowy Sundance

By Chris Vogner
The Dallas Morning News

PARK-CITY, Utah - Classic rock blares from the speakers surrounding the ice rink. Talent, handlers, media and curious onlookers mingle about and pause to look at the occasional pratfall, intentional or otherwise.

It's a daytime skating "party" at the outdoor rink up the street from Sundance Film Festival headquarters at the Shadow Ridge resort. On the sidelines, Kati Lemmons ("Eve's Bayou") chats with press about her disappointing festival opener, "The Caveman's Valentine." On the ice, the young stars of "Lost and Delirious" - Piper Perabo, Jessica Pare and Mischa Barton - skate about with wide smiles and arms linked for the benefit of Dustin and Justin, a couple of goofs who have landed an MTV development deal. One of the goofs - it's tough to tell who's who - leaks fake blood from his mouth after a fall accident. You half wish it were real.

No such luck. It's just part of the increasingly pre-packaged Sundance vibe, characterized by maximum exposure and attempt-



From left to right, actresses Piper Perabo, Jessica Pare and Mischa Barton talk about their film 'Lost and Delirious' at the Sundance Film Festival Saturday in Park City, Utah.

ed sincerity. It feels like a press junket for the Ice Capades. It seems odd that the most genuine entity on the premises is a 19-year-

old girl who comes off as 30, and who comes to this indefatigable riding the most popular movie in America. But this is a place where

paradoxes are as common as cellular phones. Julia Stiles is here with a film that couldn't be much more differ-

ent from "Save the Last Dance." "The Business of Strangers," developed in labs at the Sundance Institute by Patrick Stettner, has been widely described as "In the Company of Men" for women.

Stockard Channing plays a vaguely unhappy businesswoman who expects to be fired but instead gets a big promotion. Stiles is a technical assistant who opens her elder's eyes to the dark side of the corporate track and manages to drug a silmy headhunter (Frederick Weller) along the way.

It's one of those undistributed films that has managed to generate what is commonly referred to as "buzz." It's a quality Stiles doesn't seem to care much for.

"The festival is a frenzy," she says, sipping every bit the weary veteran. "Tonight and tomorrow I'll have time to see movies, but it seems like publicists and the press have taken over the festival. That can help movies that want to get sold, but it also feels very competitive."

Stiles is what some people might call an old soul. She has a poise and confidence that would be spooky if weren't so charming. Equally at home in Hollywood

movies ("Last Dance," "10 Things I Hate About You") and independent film (Michael Almereyda's "Hamlet," "State and Main"), she appears to be on the way to becoming both a bankable star and a versatile actress.

"I wanted to change up my character after 'Save the Last Dance,'" she explains, sipping orange juice to fight off the common Sundance cold. "Patrick has a classical writing style that's atypical of a lot of screenwriters now. I liked the crescendo of the storyline and the way he got rid of all the excess stuff - it'll take place during one night, and there are only two main characters."

Channing, who has been enjoying her role in the hit TV show "The West Wing," could tell her "Business" colleague had something special.

"Julia has an obvious amount of maturity for somebody as young as she is," says Channing. "I wasn't surprised at that, because I had asked to see some of her work and I could see that quality. Even though the character as written is more like 28/for 26-year-old, it didn't really matter."

Festival offers compelling films among all the street theater

'In The Bedroom',
'The Deep End'
seem equally strong

By Kenneth Turan
Los Angeles Times

PARK CITY, Utah - To understand the Sundance Film Festival, to get a sense of why audiences and the film community insist on returning year after year, comparisons with Las Vegas are a good place to start.

On the simplest level, Park City, like the Nevada metropolis, is great street theater, the modern equivalent of visiting a town the day the circus arrives. Turn around and you might see a man waving an impressive wave of cash and loudly offering to buy tickets to a sold-out show; an earnest young activist handing out flyers for "Making a Killing," described as "the film Philip Morris has feared for years," or a group of nearly nude protesters from People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, trying to live up to a news release that promised "Activists Bare All for Bovines at Sundance: Animal Rights Group in a Leather Over Leather."

"My first reaction was 'Oh my God,'" says "Jack the Dog" director Bobby Roth, back at Sundance

for the first time since being a judge 15 years ago. "The scale, the number of people, the sheer volume, I couldn't believe it. Even at this advanced age of mine, it feels a little bit overwhelming."

Adding to the festive nature of things are the giveaways and gimmicks, the party favors, if you will, dreamed up to help spread the word about films, everything from a coloring book (for "Waking Life") to a condom (for "Jack the Dog"), following the lead of last year's Woodstock documentary. Food was also a popular accessory, with "Roof to Roof," an Armenian-language film shot on location in Glendale, Calif., handing out Armenian cookies called "nazocks," and dominion, a publicity company, distributing chocolate cell phones. If you ate all that, you might be grateful for what "Some Body" was giving away: a

"quick and easy-to-use" tongue cleaner.

Speaking of cell phones, they are one of the numerous flash points in Park City's genial ambivalence toward this huge festival, which so takes over the town that one of its favorite Chinese restaurants has completely disappeared for the duration, handing over its location to an aggressive dot-com that was hungrier for space than General Tso's Chicken.

On one hand, the town appreciates the business, the publicity and the chance to rehearse for next year's Winter Olympics. But there is the matter of crowding and so many mobile communicators that a local alternative paper called Wild Utah has as its motto "We don't need no stinking cell phones."

Aside from all this atmosphere, where Sundance most resembles

Las Vegas is that, encouraged by stories of jackpots past, everyone comes to town hoping to get lucky. Filmmakers arrive with dreams of extravagant distribution deals, and audiences are eager to be the first to see films, like last year's "You Can Count on Me" that will go on to celebrity. This year, two of the most involving competition films both revolve around powerful performances by actresses playing fierce, protective mothers.

"In the Bedroom," co-written (with Rob Fessinger) and directed by actor Todd Field, has a literary feel to it and is fact based on a short story by Andre Dubus.

Measured and reserved, it tells the wrenching story of how a long-married couple cope with an unimaginable tragedy.

As a first-time director, Field works especially well with actors. Both British actor Tom Wilkinson ("Shakespeare in Love") and Marisa Tomei do excellent work, but it's Sissy Spacek as the fiercest of wives and mothers, who makes the biggest impression, giving a pitch-perfect, emotionally devastating performance that is

one of this exceptional actress' best in at least a decade.

Equally strong is Tilda Swinton's performance in Scott McGehee and David Siegel's mesmerizing "The Deep End," an exquisitely made modernization of the 1940s Elizabeth Seltzer Holding novel that was the basis of Max Ophüls' wonderful 1949 film "The Reckless Moment."

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'Bring It On' reaches local video shelves

Combined wire services

New videos in Twin Falls-area stores this weekend:

'Bring It On'

99 minutes. Kirsten Dunst, Eliza Dushku. Perky Dunst stars as the captain of a high school cheerleading squad in this likable, fluff about two teams - one white, one black - going for the championships. There's a lot of catty back-stabbing in the locker rooms. PG-13 (sexual innuendo, profanity, high school hijinks) (DVD available. (CC))

'Ball'

Jamie Foxx's mischievous comic talent makes this film much better than it deserves to be. He plays Alvin Sanders, a petty criminal who's caught unknowingly in a scheme to lure an elusive career criminal (Doug Hutchison). While being chased by forces he doesn't understand, Alvin tries to make amends with his estranged girlfriend Lisa (Kimberly Elise), who has been taking care of his 2-year-old son. The story is standard action-comedy stuff, thanks to government work by screenwriter Andrew ('Mickey Blue Eyes') Scheinman. But Foxx's playfulness works around the flat formula. He's always up to something funny, usually involving his character's less-than-genius-level intelligence or his live displays of courage. Contains the usual staples: sex, violence, obscenity. Rated R.

'Cecil B. Demented'

It is a given - or it ought to be - that a John Waters film will be bad. Bad acting, bad taste, bad moral values, and bad behavior are par for the course in the Baltimore filmmaker's consistently outrageous and often very funny work, but rarely has he been called boring - until now. 'Cecil B. Demented,' a strident and unfunny polemic against commercial Hollywood, follows the ravings of title character (a bleach-blond Stephen Dorff), a director so underground he makes snuff films seem respectable. He and his guerrilla band of gaffers, grips and cameramen, known as the Sprocket Kids, kidnap a spoiled starlet Holly Whitlock (Michelle Williams) and Melanie Griffith - apparently peroxide is a political statement) and force her at gunpoint to star in their film. You, on the other hand, are under no such duress to watch this tedious screed. Contains profanity, murder, mayhem, simulated sex acts and drug use.

'The Five Senses'

Although his story lands in the mediocre zone at times, Jeremy Podeswa's direction more than makes up for the shortcomings. In this multi-plotted story, the characters (all residents or workers in the same apartment building in Toronto) are having some kind of sensual issue. An eye doctor (Philippe Volter) is losing his hearing, for instance. A widowed massage therapist (Gabrielle Rose) is out of touch - literally and figuratively - with her neurotic teen-age daughter (Nadia Irwin). And so on. The story, which centers around a missing child, spends most of its time with Rona (Mary-Louise Parker), a cook-maker who lacks culinary taste, and her gay friend Robert (Daniel MacIvor), a house cleaner who's using his fine sense of smell to find love. Podeswa's story lays out its design too obviously. But the Canadian writer-director has a gift for evoking subtle sensuality. Patient viewers, who can deal with Canadian movie rhythms, are likely to appreciate the film's smaller virtues rather than its main story. Contains nudity, sexual situations and emotionally distressing material.

'An Affair of Love'

80 minutes. Nathalie Baye, Sergi Lopez. A near-perfect study of intimacy - and fear of intimacy - in which an anonymous couple meet for sex, and discover that something deeper, and more meaningful, is happening. Frederic Fonteyne's bittersweet drama explores sexuality and love, and boasts two extraordinarily fine performances. French with English subtitles. R (sexual situations, nudity, adult themes) DVD available.

'Alice and Martin'

124 minutes. Juliette Binoche, Alex Loret. Andre Techine's bracing, beautiful tale of heartbreak and guilt, love and despair. The performances of Binoche and Loret, in the title roles, are as remarkable as the rough, jagged country - and the pulsing city, Paris - that they tra through. A haunting, powerful film. French with English subtitles. R (sexual situations, nudity, profanity, vio-

Local title	FROM AROUND THE NATION									
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Belt (R)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cecil B. Demented (R)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Coyote Ugly (PG-13)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Me, Myself & Irene (R)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
The Art of War (R)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Wonder Boys (R)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
X-Men (PG-13)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Future video releases:

Jan. 30: Dinosaur

lence, despair)
'Chain of Command'
96 minutes. Roy Scheider, Patrick Muldoon. A Secret Service agent must come to the

rescue when the president and the briefcase that contains the controls to the nation's nuclear weapons are in danger. R (violence, language, sexuality) DVD available.

Top Video

Today are the most popular titles in the week's issue of Video Business magazine, compiled from 1,000+ copies of video stores in the week ending Jan. 22.

1. 'The Matrix' Warner
2. 'The Matrix Reloaded' Warner
3. 'The Matrix Revolutions' Warner
4. 'The Matrix' Warner
5. 'The Matrix Reloaded' Warner
6. 'The Matrix Revolutions' Warner
7. 'The Matrix' Warner
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WEEKEND

ENGAGEMENT

SHELL-WALKER

BURLEY - John and Valerie Shell of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Amber, to Adam S. Walker, son of Grant and Terri Walker of Meridian.

Shell is a 1999 graduate of Burley High School and is studying human services at the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at Waldenbooks in Twin Falls.

Walker is a 1999 graduate of Meridian High School and is also attending CSL. He is employed by Ponderosa Paint in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Saturday at the Zion Lutheran Church in Burley. A reception to honor the couple will follow the



Adam Walker and Amber Shell ceremony. An open house will be held Feb. 3 in Meridian.

The couple will reside in the Boise area after this semester, where they will continue their education.

Celine Dion has baby boy

MONTREAL (AP) - Singer Celine Dion gave birth to a boy early Thursday, three weeks ahead of her due date, and mother and son were both reported "in perfect health." A statement from the office of Francine Chalouit, Dion's spokeswoman, said the baby - named Rene Charles - weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and was born in Florida. It

was the first child for Dion and her husband-manager, Rene Angell. Both the 32-year-old mother and child were "doing marvelously well and are in perfect health," the statement issued by Dion's spokeswoman Claude Lemay, Dion's musical director, said he spoke briefly to Angell, who described his newborn

son as a "beautiful baby." "You could hear the joy in his voice," Lemay told Radio-Canada's all-news channel, RDI. Dion, recently named favorite adult contemporary artist at the American Music Awards show, announced her pregnancy last June after taking a break from performing due to difficulty in conceiving.



Jennifer Lopez gets swept away by Matthew McConaughey in the romantic comedy 'The Wedding Planner', now playing in Magic Valley.

Movies

Continued from C4
the credit of director Roger Donaldson and writer David Self, he does not get the job of saving the world. He's as humbled as we are. Rated PG-13; language. 2 hours, 15 minutes.

'Traffic'
Director Steven Soderbergh has once again opted for a change of pace. As written by Stephen Gaghan (based on a British TV miniseries), the film effortlessly intertwines several complex stories across two countries and several cities without ever dropping a stitch. Unfortunately, it's much less secure when it comes to dialogue and the creation of individualized characters. Some of its narrative threads are noticeably less compelling than others, and its people have a tendency to sound like standard brands. One of the difficulties with the film is that it feels like the filmmakers are tiptoeing around the implications of their good work. The film's best performance is by Benicio Del Toro as a Mexican state policeman. With Michael Douglas, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Don Cheadle, Luis Guzman, Ray Castro and Dennis Quaid. (2:27.R, for pervasive drug content, strong language)

'Vertical Limit'
After the top-of-the-summit, heart-in-the-throat nail-biter that begins this mountain-climbing spectacle, you might assume it would be all downhill. But director Martin Campbell ("The Mark of Zorro") has a big backpack full of stunts and showstoppers, and if you can take your mind away, the film will take care of your breath. Chris O'Donnell, haunted (in a real cute way) by a deadly decision, is forced to climb again to rescue his sister (Robin

Tunney), trapped in a snowed-over cavern after an ill-considered attempt at ascending a dangerous peak. The rescue team, led by a Zen cynic (Scott Glenn), is carrying nitro. The plot is thinner than the air and the dialogue is ludicrous, but the thrill power is there. Rated PG-13; violence, language. 2 hours, 2 minutes.

'The Wedding Planner'
Just in time for Valentine's Day, "The Wedding Planner" arrives in theaters to spread an age-old kernel of wisdom about love and devotion: No matter how good a person you're with, keep on looking, because there's bound to be someone better. Jennifer Lopez stars in this factory recipe, vanilla concoction of a romance as a wedding planner who falls for the groom (Matthew McConaughey). The movie might have worked better if it had captured some of the frenzy of classic screwball comedies. PG-13 for language and some sexual humor. 100 min.

'What Women Want'
Yet one more Hollywood movie we've seen before we've seen it, with Mel Gibson charming his way through a custom-fitted role as an irresistible charmer who develops the ability to read women's minds and uses his power to undercut the ad whiz (Helen Hunt) who gets the job he thinks he should have had. Director Nancy Meyers is as starstruck as Gibson's on-screen victims. For a romantic comedy, the film is seriously lopsided: Hunt does "little but gaze at Gibson admiringly. Meanwhile, he acts like the kid in the proverbial candy store, stuffing himself until he gets so stuffed and has to be soothed by mama. Rated PG-13; sexual situations, language. 2 hours, 2 minutes.

Videos

Continued from C7 available.
'Disney's The New Adventures of Spin and Marty: Suspect Behavior' 88 minutes. Charles Shaughnessy, Judd Nelson. Two friends form a detective partnership that leads to mystery and adventure. No MPAA rating.

'Mean Streak' 95 minutes. Scott Bakula, Leon, Bridgid Coulter. When a white supremacist vows to stop a black baseball player from breaking Joe DiMaggio's hitting streak record, a white cop and a black FBI agent team up to stop him. R (language, violence, sexuality) (CC) No suggested retail price was set for this video because its supplier deems it primarily for rental.

'MVP: Most Valuable Primeat' 93 minutes. Kevin Zeegers, Jamie Renee Smith. A small town hockey team gets a boost when a young, deaf girl and her brother unleash their specially skilled

chimp. PG DVD available. (CC)
'Personals' 91 minutes. Malik Yoba, Stacey Dash. A journalist decides to combine business and pleasure by dating 30 women in 30 days for a piece on the singles scene. R (language, sexual content) DVD available.

'Steal This Movie' 107 minutes. Vincent D'Onofrio, Janeane Garofalo, Jeanne Tripplehorn. This is a dramatization of the life of 60's activist Abbie Hoffman, who battled for social justice and against the Vietnam War. R DVD available.

'The Thirteenth Year' 95 minutes. Chez Starbuck, Justin Jon Ross. A boy who is approaching his thirteenth birthday discovers that he is turning into a fish, which leads to problems in addition to those typically faced by an adolescent. No MPAA rating (CC)

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SPORTS

Declo powers past Wendell

The Times-News

WENDELL — The Christensen duo led the Hornets to their 16th consecutive win as unbeaten Declo High defeated Wendell 55-15 in a nonconference boys' basketball game Thursday.

Marc Christensen had 19 points and Dillon Christensen added 18.

The Trojans managed to pull within five points with two minutes to go in the game, but the Hornets hit their free throws to win at the line.

Derek Rosebrough led Wendell with 11 points.

The Trojans (97 overall, 1-1 in conference) travel to Shoshone today, while Declo (160 overall, 7-0 in conference) hosts Filer.

MVCHS JV 43, ISDB 42

TWIN FALLS — Craig Buss scored 15 points, leading the Magic Valley Christian junior varsity to a 43-42 victory against the ISDB Raptors.

Cesar Ledezmar led the scoring for ISDB with 14 points.

The Conquerors (4-3) travel to TFCFA Feb. 6. The Raptors (5-10

Local sports

overall, 5-6 in conference) host the Dietrich junior varsity Feb. 5.

MVCHS JV 43, ISDB 42

ISDB JV 43, MVCHS JV 42

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MVCHS JV 43, ISDB 42

Ketchum 70, TFCFA 60

TWIN FALLS — Doug Potters scored 22 points and Carson Sofro added 21 for the Curthroats as Ketchum defeated the Twin Falls Christian Academy 70-60.

"They shot a little better than we did," said TFCFA coach Brent Walker. "Otherwise both teams played evenly."

Tyler Jordan led the Warriors with 14 points.

Ketchum (5-6) travels to Dietrich today. TFCFA (7-9 overall, 3-6 in conference) travels to Bliss Tuesday.

the Jerome Tigers against the Rigby Trojans with 17 points in the second Thursday night.

Jerome coach Michelle Skyles said it was one of the most complete games the Tigers have played this year.

"We came out and played well the first half," said Skyles. "Our pressure defense caused them problems."

Top-seeded Jerome (14-6 overall and 7-1 in conference play) hosts Burley to start the District IV-VI Tournament next week.

Wood River 40, Kimberly 39

KIMBERLY — The Lady Bulldogs trailed 21-8 at halftime, and although they would come within one point, they could not muster the win as the Wood River Wolverines defeated Kimberly 40-39 in a Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference match-up.

Kristine Hill scored 10 points to lead Wood River.

Jan Mickelson and Rachel Bulcher led the Bulldogs with 10 points each and Bulcher added 10 boards.

Kimberly (3-17 overall, 2-8 in conference) travels to Buhl Monday to start the conference tournament.

Gooding 38, Filer 34

FILER — The Filer Wildcats fell just short of the win Thursday night against the Gooding Senators.

Filer coach Kim Krumm said her team took itself out of the game early.

"They rebounded well, we didn't," said Krumm.

Wildcat Jessie Lassen had the game-high 12 points for Filer; Gooding's Sadie Cheney led the Senators with 10.

Filer (4-16 overall and 4-6 in conference) and Gooding begin postseason play in the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament Monday.

Gooding 38, Filer 34

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Gooding 38, Filer 34

Wrestling

Declo 50, Gooding 27

GOODING — The Declo Hornets dominated the mats Thursday in an SCIC dual, defeating the Gooding Senators 50-27.

Gooding took just five of the 14 matches. Hornets' coach Travis Williams said Lance Nebeker, Kevin Rogers, and Matt Rigby were bright spots for Gooding.

"Nebeker and Rogers both did a good job for us," said Williams. "Rigby also contributed a good win."

Gooding (3-9 overall, 0-2 in conference) hosts the Gooding Invitational Saturday.

Wednesday's late box score

Box Score

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Hot Hands

Boys' high school basketball leaders through Wednesday's action. Individual player stats are weekly averages. The season in a conference started Feb. 10.

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P. Black, Valley	8	18.50
J. Black, TFCFA	7	17.00
A. Powers, Cherry	11	16.50
A. Black, Valley	10	16.50
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Agassi slides by Rafter at Aussie

MELBOURNE, Australia — A win away from his seventh Grand Slam title, Andre Agassi takes no comfort that he'll be playing a low-seeded opponent.

"I have two days and a whole different style of play to contend with," Agassi said Thursday after beating local hero Pat Rafter 7-5, 2-6, 6-7 (5), 6-2, 6-3. "I'm too practical and focussed on what I'm trying to do to take anything for granted."

In high humidity inside Rod Laver Arena, Agassi needed 3 1/2 hours to advance to his fifth final in the last eight Grand Slam tournaments.

He made a backhand error in a third-set tiebreaker and fell behind, then rallied as Rafter began to cramp.

In this weekend's final, he'll play the winner of an all-French



Andre Agassi returns a shot in his center court semi-final match against Australia's Pat Rafter at the Australian Open Tennis Championship Thursday.

"They both have their weapons ... They're both incredibly fast and they're both great competitors," Agassi said. "It will affect how I play, but I've basically got to stick to what it is I do."

He has a 2-2 record against Rafter and won his only match against Grosecjan in straight sets during the first round of the 1998 U.S. Open.

Agassi had 12 unforced errors in 50 games against Rafter and said it was more important to limit mistakes than seek a quick victory.

"You're telling yourself just keep executing," he said. "But you don't want to take too many chances ... so it's a fine balance."

Rafter was soaked in sweat after the match.

"Yeah, it was definitely the heat," he said. "I think Andre and I both felt it, but I don't handle it quite as well I guess."

Youth Ranch plans 21st annual touney

TWIN FALLS — The 21st Annual month-long Idaho Youth Ranch basketball tournament starts on Feb. 22.

Boys and girls in grades 5 through 8 are eligible to compete in the touney.

For more information, contact Bob Lopez at 532-4117 ext. 112.

Late spark lifts Illini over Michigan

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — No. 7 Illinois trailed Michigan for more than 33 minutes, but the Illini rallied late in the game and won a victory Thursday night over Michigan.

Illinois (6-1, 6-1 Big Ten) won its fourth straight game and seventh of eight. The Illini are off to their best start in the conference since the 1983-84 season.

Michigan's LaVell Blanchard scored 26 points after scoring a career-high 30 in a win over No. 21 Iowa on Saturday.

College basketball

consecutive victory.

Michigan was 10-for-20 from the field and 8-of-12 from the free-throw line. She scored the final 13 points in overtime for Duke (19-1, 6-1 Atlantic Coast Conference).

First Security Games start Saturday

BOISE — The First Security Winter Games, Idaho's winter competition for recreational athletes, begins Saturday and ends Feb. 25.

Most events take place on Wednesday.

Initiated as part of the Idaho State Centennial celebration in 1990, the First Security Winter Games are designed to showcase Idaho's winter sport opportunities and the state's winter resorts.

Winter Games also provide a forum for training and competition among the region's recreational athletes and potential Olympians. Medallions of gold, silver and bronze will be awarded to the top three finishers in all age groups and to all members of winning teams.

First Security Games

Saturday and Sunday	Winter Games
Saturday, Feb. 3	Boise Mountain Four, Sun Valley Youth Ice Hockey, Idaho Falls
Saturday, Feb. 3	Coosa County Ski Festival, Colona Lodge Youth Ice Hockey, Idaho Falls
Wednesday, Feb. 7	Primetimers Giant Slalom, Bogus Basin
Saturday, Feb. 10	Snowboarding (Half Pipe Competition), Bogus Basin
Sunday, Feb. 11	Recreational Giant Slalom (Open to telemark and alpine skiers and snowboarders), Bogus Basin
Friday, Feb. 23	Adult Ice Hockey, Boise
Saturday, Feb. 24	Recreational Giant Slalom, Spruce Mountain; Mt. Myrtle Ski Slalom, Brundage Mountain; Physically Challenged Slalom, Brundage Mountain; Recreational Giant Slalom, Brundage Mountain; Physically Challenged Slalom, Brundage Mountain; Figure Skating, Idaho Falls
Sunday, Feb. 25	Snowboarding (Street Style Competition), Silver Mountain; Mt. Myrtle Giant Slalom, Brundage Mountain; Physically Challenged Giant Slalom, Brundage Mountain; Figure Skating, Idaho Falls

For more information on the Winter Games or to receive registration materials, participants may visit any branch of First Security Bank in Idaho, contact the First Security Winter Games office at 1-800-442-FSWG or visit www.idahowintergames.org.

Registration is online at www.acfive.com.

The spokesperson for this year's games is international snowboarder and Idaho native Lisa Kosgiow. She began her snowboarding career in the First Security Winter Games as a member to compete in the 1998 Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan.

CSI

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10 at 56-46 on an Anderson drive on the baseline with just over 12 minutes left. At the other end, Ellis picked up his second foul on a push, and with CSI already in the bonus with nine

fouls, Anderson hit the front end of a 1-and-1.

After a NIC turnover, Butler slammed down an alley-oop feed from Clemons and the lead feed

back to 11 at 58-47 with 11:24 left.

Bonner sliced through the lane with James Idaho on his back for the Eagles' 10th foul, putting NIC into the double bonus at the 10:01 mark. Bonner sank both and it was 58-49 CSI.

The action continued fast and furious as Zack White lost the ball and Brooks went coast-to-coast for the layup. Ellis answered with a 15-foot jumper from the baseline pushing it back to nine at 60-51.

Bobbitt fired a 3-pointer, his fifth of the night, to keep CSI in

coaches scouted the game, including Connecticut, Texas Tech, Eastern Washington, Nevada, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Oral Roberts, George Mason and Missouri.

"The NIC baseball team had pictures taken during CSI's afternoon shootaround.

"The NIC wrestling team is ranked No. 1 by the National Interscholastic Athletic Association.

"Thursday's box score was unavailable at press time. It will appear in Sunday's sports section.

Women

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only once more to finish with nine.

NIC held a slim one-point lead, 25-24, to start the second half, and after a Tony Phillips layup notched it at 31-all with 15 minutes left, the Cardinals erupted on an 18-2 run over the next five minutes to crack open a 49-33 lead. CSI never recovered.

North Idaho shot 44 percent for the game. CSI also shot well, finishing at 48.8 percent (21 of 43).

During the stretch, Angie Lewis drained a trio of 3-pointers and Rachel Allen added one.

"I thought we hit some big shots in a row there," said NIC head coach Greg Crimp. "That stretched the

lead out and made a difference."

"A streaky first half saw each team stay in early with double-digit runs. North Idaho held the halftime lead fueled by a 14-0 run that brought the Cardinals back from an early 4-0 deficit. But after going scoreless for nearly six minutes, Goschack drove the lane for a layup to trim the lead to eight with 1:24 remaining.

The basket sparked a 10-0 run by the Golden Eagles, who tied it at 14-14 on a Nicolette Dresbach layup with 10:39 left. During that span, CSI also got a three-point jump from Goschack and a 3-point jumper from Holly Armstrong.

CSI had 18 turnovers in the first half to the Cardinals' 13 and the Golden Eagles were whistled for 11 fouls. North Idaho had only four first-half fouls.

Lady Bengals claim ninth straight

FOCATELLO — The Idaho State women's basketball team topped struggling Portland State 71-58 Thursday night in Holt Arena to extend their home win streak to nine games dating back to last year.

ISU also stayed in first place in the Big Sky with the win. The Bengals (12-4, 5-0) have won eight in a row overall, the longest streak by the Bengals in 25 years, since they won 10 in a row during the 1976-77 season.

Mandi Carver had her 27th career double-double with 16 points and 13 rebounds as ISU came back from an early deficit. PSU (11-9, 0-7) led 12-6 at one point before ISU went on a 14-2 run. ISU took a 33-22 lead into the locker room and then scored the first eight points of the second half.

Janee Griffin scored 13 points and Chris Urb added 11 for ISU. Burley High grad Ashley Toner had eight points and four boards in 25 minutes, and College of Southern Idaho product Sarah Nelson chipped in four points and six rebounds for the Bengals.

Haidi Hatcher and Nikki Pettigrew had 13 and 12, respectively, to lead the Vikings.

ISU hosts Weber State (6-10, 3-3) at Holt Arena today. The game tips off at 7:05 p.m.

SPORTS

Jazz struggle past upstart Nuggets

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — John Stockton hit two technical free throws in the last 3 seconds, lifting the Utah Jazz to a bizarre 98-96 victory over the Denver Nuggets on Thursday night.

The Nuggets were assessed the first technical for calling timeout out when they were out. After Stockton hit the first shot for a 97-96 lead, Nick Van Exel got another technical for arguing with referee Tony Brothers.

It was a strange finish to a dramatic game. The Jazz called twice in the second half to win for the seventh time in the last eight games. Donyell Marshall led Utah with 24 points while Karl Malone scored 22 and Stockton had 15 points and 10 assists. John Starks and Bryon Russell each added 12 for the Jazz.

Twolves 109, Magic 100 — MINNEAPOLIS — LaPhonso Ellis came off the bench to score 24 points and Wally Szczerbiak scored 22 to lead the Minnesota Timberwolves to their fifth victory in a row.

The Wolves made 41 of 75 shots for a season-best 54.7 percent. Szczerbiak shot 9-for-12, Ellis was 8-for-14 and Terrell Brandon was 8-for-10.

Brandon had 18 points and six assists, adding another impressive performance during the winning streak. He is averaging 20.3, 4.2 and 2.8 points, 3.2 assists and 1.5 steals per game.

Mavericks 120, Grizzlies 83 — DALLAS — Steve Nash scored 21 points and Michael Finley added 20 as the Dallas Mavericks paid back the Vancouver Grizzlies for a 27-point loss in



November. Dirk Nowitzki had 19 points and 10 rebounds and Hubert Davis added 19 points off the bench for the Mavericks, who won for the fourth time in their last five games.

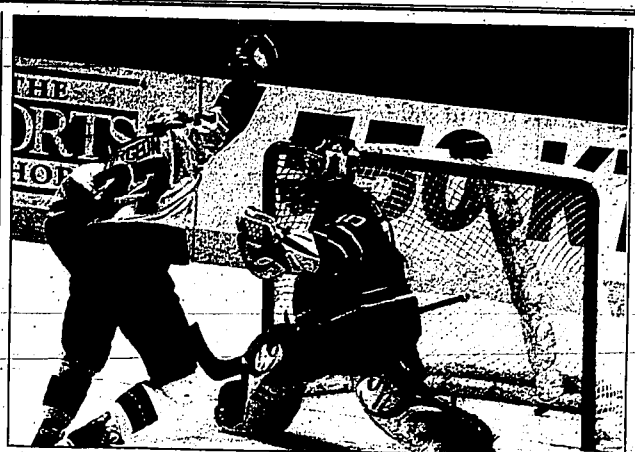
Dallas posted its season-high point total and its largest margin of victory for the season.

Trail Blazers 92, Pacers 82 — INDIANAPOLIS — Steve Smith scored 14 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter as the Portland Trail Blazers held off a late rally

and beat Indiana, snapping the Pacers' four-game winning streak.

Portland hit 10 of its first 13 shots and built an 18-point lead before the Pacers closed within three on a basket by Jalen Rose at the end of the third quarter.

A 3-pointer by Reggie Miller and a basket by Austin Croshere had Indiana within 69-65 in the fourth period. But Smith scored two straight baskets, Greg Anthony hit one of two free throws and Smith and Rasheed Wallace scored again to break the game open.



St. Louis's Pierre Turgeon raises his stick in celebration after scoring past New Jersey goalie Martin Brodeur in overtime to give the Blues a 4-3 win at the Savvis Center in St. Louis Thursday.

Getting two from Turgeon helps Blues

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Pierre Turgeon scored his second goal

of the game on a deflection with 1:43 to go in overtime as the St. Louis Blues cooled off the New Jersey Devils 4-3 Thursday night.

The Blues rallied in the extra period after squandering a pair of two-goal leads. They handed the defending Stanley Cup champions, playing for the second straight night, only their second loss in 17 games.

Alexander Mogilya scored his 20th goal in 21 games, and Patrik Elias had a goal and an assist for the Devils, 11-4-1 since Dec. 20.

Senators 5, Lightning 2 — TAMPA, Fla. — Mike Fisher scored the go-ahead goal with 3:12 left and Ivan Ciernik had his first two NHL goals.

Tampa Bay has lost eight straight and 12 of its last 13.

The Senators (9-1-0) need one victory in their final three January games to record 10 wins in a month for the second time.

Flyers 5, Blackhawks 1 — CHICAGO — Brian Boucher made 25 saves for his first victory since Dec. 6 as Philadelphia beat Chicago. Simon Gagne scored twice and

Keith Primeau, Dan McGillis and Jody Hull also connected for the Flyers, who have won three straight and are 7-1-2 in their last 11 games.

Ryan VandenBussche scored for Chicago.

Maple Leafs 2, Thrashers 1 — ATLANTA — Bryan McCabe scored 39 seconds into overtime, extending the Thrashers' winless streak to 13 games.

Gary Roberts tied it up for Toronto with 7:12 left in regulation before McCabe's fourth goal of the season gave the Maple Leafs just their sixth victory in 20 games.

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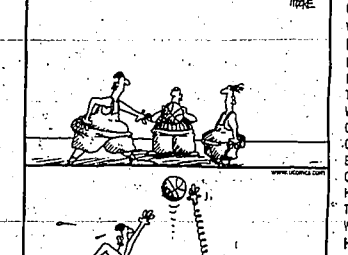
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SPORTS

Phoenix Open

The best is yet to come

Woods is within striking distance; Magee makes history

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Tiger Woods gave the huge crowds what they wanted — a spot near the top of the leaderboard in the first round of the Phoenix Open.

Open. Andrew Magee gave them something unexpected, and ended up with a spot in PGA Tour history.

On a day when Magee made what was believed to be the first hole-in-one on a par 4 on the PGA Tour, Woods shot a methodical 6-under 65 Thursday to get within one shot of defending champion Tom Lehman and two others.

Not even an orange tossed by a spectator that went rolling by Woods as he stood over a birdie putt on his final hole could mar a bogey-free round that gave a relaxed Woods joking with playing partner Olin Browne and talking Stanford basketball with his caddy.

"It could have been better but I'd like a couple of lip outs," Woods said. "I was playing well in practice, so it was just a question of bringing it into the tournament."

Woods was almost ready to hit a 20-foot birdie putt on the ninth hole, his last, when a spectator threw a large orange from a hill that went rolling across the green about 30 feet from Woods. He stepped back and looked into the crowd, then missed the putt.

"It could have been dangerous if he had hit someone," Woods said. Police detained the spectator who threw the orange and tournament officials said they planned to press charges.

The incident came on an otherwise calm day that drew an estimated 72,000 fans to one of the tour's most popular — and raucous — stops. Tournament organizers had worked to limit the rowdiness of earlier years, which included a man being arrested carrying a gun while taunting Woods two years ago.

Second-year pro Brad Elder set the early pace with a 64, which was most of the day until Lehman and Scott Verplank tied identical scores. Woods waded with five others at 65 on a day when smooth greens and perfect weather combined for ideal scoring conditions.



Tiger Woods hits from the rough on the 14th hole during the first round of the Phoenix Open Thursday in Phoenix.

Magee's shot was a bit of a fluke, ricocheting off of Tom Byrum's putter into the cup on the 333-yard 17th hole. Tour officials said they couldn't recall a hole-in-one ever being made on a par-4 in tournament play.

Magee watched as the ball glanced off the putter about 8 feet away into the hole, but wasn't sure what had happened.

"It looked like a hole-in-one and it sounded like one," Magee said. "But I didn't know. I was 332 yards away."

Gallagher-Smith, Ward lead The Office Depot

MIAMI — Jackie Gallagher-Smith and Wendy Ward shot 4-under-par 66s in windy conditions

Thursday to share the first-round lead in The Office Depot. Two-time defending champion Karrie Webb opened with a 1-under 69. The Australian star played in the morning when the temperature was in the 50s at the Doral Golf Resort and Spa.

"I'll take anything under par in those conditions," said Webb, coming off a second-place finish last week in Naples. "Being cold is as well, and not hitting the ball very far. You've got a lot of clothes on. I'm glad to start the tournament on a good foot."

Ward and Gallagher-Smith, sister of PGA Tour members Jim and Jeff Gallagher, played in the afternoon when it warmed up to 69 degrees. But they also faced 20 mph wind.

Mario Lemieux's comeback outshines every prediction

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Mario Lemieux's comeback has been so successful, he can even say this to Jay Leno: not "Tonight."

Leno wanted Lemieux to appear with him Feb. 2, two days before the NHL All-Star game in Denver. Lemieux vetoed the trip to Los Angeles so his four-year son, Austin, wouldn't be subjected to wearing travel.

Leno and the NHL pushed for him to make the appearance but as they found out, what Mario Lemieux wants, Mario Lemieux usually gets.

Was that ever in doubt? Lemieux wanted to retire at 31, when many careers are only peaking, and he did. He wanted to be by his team — something no other player had ever done — and he did. He wanted to come back and play at a high level again 3.5 years after retiring and, so far, he has.

That is perhaps the only surprise in a remarkably successful comeback that reaches its one-month milestone Saturday, when his Pittsburgh Penguins play Atlanta. Namely, that Lemieux has made what would be nearly impossible for the average player — a second playing career — look so easy.

In 13 games since ending his 44-month retirement, Lemieux has 14 goals and 12 assists, the same two-points-a-game pace he maintained during his first 12 NHL seasons. He has three multi-goal games, including his 40th career hat trick in a 3-1 win over Montreal Wednesday.

"That's why he's one of the greatest players to ever play the game," Canadiens defenseman Karl Dykhus said. "Everything he does is first-class and he's above everybody else."

Lemieux hasn't fully regained his game legs or his conditioning. "I'm still not there yet," he said — but there is nothing wrong with his hands or his head.

Experts believe other players simply can't two of his three goals against Montreal came from near-impossible angles. And, as he readjusts to playing again after years of sitting



Pittsburgh's Mario Lemieux celebrates a second-period goal past Montreal Canadiens goalie Jose Theodore Wednesday in Pittsburgh. In 13 games since ending his 44-month retirement, Lemieux has 14 goals and 12 assists, the same two-points-a-game pace he maintained during his first 12 NHL seasons.

in a private box, he is tinkering with nearly every facet of the Penguins' game.

When Lemieux returned, he played left wing rather than his natural center position on a line picked up with Jaromir Jagr. They scored plenty of goals but, as opponents quickly adjusted from being star-struck at Lemieux's return to striking him at every opportunity, Lemieux knew changes were necessary.

After the Islanders and Bruins got away with being special, general manager Craig Patrick quickly made four trades to add some punch to the lineup. Not necessarily scoring punch, either — he pulled 6-foot-8 forward Steve McKenna, a brawler. Krasoyevtsov and Lemieux's former linemate, the physical Kevin Stevens.

The message the Penguins sent didn't need translation: Mess with Mario, and your stars will get messed with, too.

Lemieux also quickly realized the Penguins can't play the wide-open style he prefers, not in a league where the neutral zone trap still thrives and a shootout is a 3-2 game.

So rather than waiting for the playoffs to tighten down defensively, the Penguins started doing it this week. They played what suspiciously looked like a trap in a 4-0 victory Sunday in Chicago, with one forward forechecking while the other two dropped back into the neutral zone. Their patience carried over to the Montreal game.

"We know we can score a lot of goals and we have a lot more talent. I think it's to our advantage to be patient and wait for our chances. Like the other teams are doing," Lemieux said. "It's pretty tough to go out on the ice when you're the only one taking chances."

Gene doping?

Olympic officials seek to head off genetic manipulation

LONDON (AP) — In today's high-tech world of doping, the drug cheaters usually are a step ahead of the drug testers. This time, the testers are determined to seize the upper hand.

World doping experts and Olympic officials are joining forces with the scientific community to stay ahead in what many believe will be the next frontier in performance enhancement — genetic manipulation.

A special conference on the potential misuse of gene therapy by athletes will be held Sept. 23-26 in Spring Harbor, N.Y., officials told the Associated Press Thursday.

Some 30-35 sports administrators, drug testers, geneticists and other experts will meet in private workshops to consider ways of heading off the use of gene transfers for improving strength and endurance.

The initiative is spearheaded by the World Anti-Doping Agency, a two-year-old body coordinating a global campaign against the use of banned drugs in sports.

The International Olympic Committee, which also has been monitoring developments in gene therapy, had planned to organize its own conference on the issue this year. But with WADA taking the lead, the IOC is looking to merge efforts with the doping agency.

"The geneticist doesn't know a lot about the world of athletics, and the world of athletics doesn't know what is happening in the gene therapy world," said Theodore Friedmann, one of the world's leading experts on gene therapy and a member of WADA's medical research committee.

"This is an opportunity for both camps to bring themselves up to date on the state-of-the-art and what the potential dangers are in athletics through genetic manipulation."

Major advancements have been made recently in the field of gene therapy, which involves injecting the body with new genes that pro-

duce therapeutic proteins meant to block disease.

The technique — still in the experimental stage — is designed to treat, cure or prevent disease. But, in this win-at-all-cost game, authorities fear some people will try to use gene therapy for securing a competitive edge on the playing field.

There was always a concern that techniques for introducing genes to correct disease might also be techniques to manipulate other human traits," said Friedmann, director of the gene therapy program at the University of California-San Diego. "It finally dawned on a lot of people that the technique was maturing rapidly that might allow the introduction of genes to enhance athletic ability."

Two of the most commonly used banned drugs in sports are erythropoietin, or EPO, a synthetic hormone that stimulates production of oxygen-carrying red blood cells, and human growth hormone, which builds muscle and strength.

A combined blood-urine test for EPO was introduced at the Sydney Olympics, but researchers are still

trying to develop a foolproof stand-alone test. No test for growth hormone has yet been approved.

Experts believe EPO and growth hormone could be targets for gene-therapy misuse.

Athletes and their doctors have exploited medicine and science to improve performance and beat drug testing for decades. So officials assume that cheaters are at work trying to take advantage of genetic research.

"I am pretty sure that just as the case with steroids and other therapies when they came along, there are groups looking for new ways to enhance performance," said Arne Ljungqvist, track's doping chief and head of WADA's research panel. "We can't be naive. We must be realistic."

As with other sports bodies have often been criticized for being slow or reluctant to fight doping. By moving now on gene therapy, Olympic officials believe they can gain the advantage.

"We have to be ahead for once, rather than trying to catch up when it's too late," Ljungqvist said.

After transhuman brain damage but not Curtis Martin playing for the Jets.

Does that bother Barber? Or his teammates?

"We've been a team that is worried about Sundays and not Monday through Saturday and not that is," Barber said. "We're about what gets things done."

French experts link creatine to cancer

PARIS (AP) — French food safety experts, saying they have linked the popular training supplement creatine to a potential cancer risk, urged sports governing bodies Wednesday to consider banning it.

The use of creatine supplements, particularly in the long term, constitutes "a potential carcinogenic risk," said a report by France's Food Safety Agency, or AFSSA, published on its official Web site.

The report said potential risks associated with taking creatine

were "currently insufficiently evaluated" and that the product was of little benefit to athletes hoping to improve their performance.

Creatine is an amino acid produced naturally by the liver and kidneys and stored in muscles. Athletes take creatine supplements to gain extra energy, train longer and harder — and bulk up.

The supplement is popular among pro and college athletes in the United States, where it is considered a legal alternative to steroids. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration lists it as a food

supplement and allows it to be sold with no more restrictions than those on vitamins.

High-profile athletes who have acknowledged using creatine include the French tennis player, Mary Pierce and baseball star Mark McGwire.

Creatine is not listed as a banned substance by the International Olympic Committee, but its sale is illegal in France.

Past studies have indicated that creatine helps the body build muscle and store energy and could even

assist in preventing brain damage after traumatic head injuries.

But the report by AFSSA's committee of experts on human nutrition found that the increased muscle bulk resulting from the use of creatine supplement is largely due to water retention. The experts also concluded that widespread claims concerning gains in strength and speed from taking creatine supplements were unfounded.

An effect was only noticeable in activities that last around 15 seconds, the report found.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Cal Ripken signups are Monday and Tuesday
TWIN FALLS — Registration for Magic Valley Cal Ripken Baseball will be Monday or Tuesday, depending on players' ages, in the Harmon Park recreation building.

Nine- and 10-year-olds should sign up Monday from 7-9 p.m. Eleven- and 12-year-olds will register Tuesday from 7-9 p.m. A copy of each player's birth certificate is required and a \$50 fee will be collected at registration.

For more information, call 734-8455.

Feb. 8: Olympic countdown, scandal hearing
SALT LAKE CITY — Feb. 8 marks one year to the start of the Salt Lake City Olympics. It's also the date of the next hearing in the city's Olympic bribery scandal.

The Salt Lake Olympic Committee plans to note the date with a celebration. Now organizers may have to compete for attention.

"It's disappointing, but we've got several activities planned for Feb. 8," SLOC spokeswoman Caroline Shaw said. "We believe the news that day will be about the Olympic and the Utah torch relay." At a community celebration for forming Olympic figure skater Michelle Kwan at the Gallivan Center, SLOC will announce the Olympic torch route through Utah.

Sonics' Baker taken to hospital for tests
SEATTLE — Seattle SuperSonics forward Vin Baker was taken to a hospital Tuesday after fainting after Wednesday night's game in Los Angeles, general manager Wally Walker said.

The News Tribune of Tacoma reported that paramedics detected an irregular heartbeat when they examined him in the locker room. Baker stayed behind for further tests as the team traveled to Oakland for today's game against Golden State, but will play this evening.

Allen and Houston picked for All-Star shootout
NEW YORK — Allan Houston of the New York Knicks and Ray Allen of the Milwaukee Bucks were picked Thursday for the 3-point shooting contest during the NBA's All-Star weekend.

Pat Garrity of Orlando, Rashard Lewis of Seattle, Steve Nash and Dirk Nowitzki of Dallas, Bryson Russell of Utah and Feja Stojakovic of Sacramento also were picked for the event, to be held at Washington on Feb. 10, a day before the All-Star game.

Jeff Hornacek of Utah won the event last year. He has retired. John Stockton of the Jazz leads the NBA in 3-point shooting this season, making 50.8 percent of his attempts.

Volleyball, soccer commissioners needed soon
The Fourth District Activity Association's Board of Control is accepting applications for high school volleyball and soccer commissioners for the 2001 season.

Letters of application and resumes should be sent to district secretary Len Penner at P.O. Box 475, Glenns Ferry, Idaho, 83623. The positions will be open until filled. For more information, contact Penner at (208) 366-7957 or by e-mail at Efdalen@aol.com.

Vandals' Fall Banquet arrives on Saturday
MOSCOW — The University of Idaho athletic teams' Fall Sports Awards Banquet will be held Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the Cowan Spectrum at the Kibbie Dome.

Admission is \$20 and the event is open to the public. The banquet will honor student-athletes from the football, volleyball and soccer teams. The event begins with a 5:30 p.m. social and is followed by dinner at 6 p.m.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Kate Jorgensen at 208-685-0259 by Jan. 16. Checks can be made payable to UI Athletics and sent to P.O. Box 442304, Room 235 V, Moscow, Idaho, 83844-2304.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Stars

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changes the whole game if you get to your star."

"So, Ray, who is their star?"

His blank stare spoke volumes.

Not that the Ravens are disrespecting a Pro Bowler such as

Armstead, or a record-setter such as Collins, who threw for five touchdowns in the 41-0 NFC title game rout of Minnesota.

They simply aren't reminiscent of Lawrence Taylor or Phil Simms.

"You can't ever walk on the field and see your opponent across from you and think, 'Hey

man, he's good,'" Lewis said. "The thing we live by is you never have to respect anybody else you're playing against, but don't disrespect them. That's when you take it to a totally different level."

The Giants seem to revel in semi-anonymity. The versatile Barber isn't even the No. 1 run-

ning back in his home stadium, not with Curtis Martin playing for the Jets.

Does that bother Barber? Or his teammates?

"We've been a team that is worried about Sundays and not Monday through Saturday and not that is," Barber said. "We're about what gets things done."

SUPER BOWL XXXV

Down to business

Test your Super IQ



New York Giants cornerback Jason Sehorn breaks the tackle of Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb to score a 32-yard touchdown during their NFC divisional playoff game Jan. 7 in East Rutherford, N.J.



Baltimore tight end Shannon Sharpe celebrates his 99-yard touchdown catch the second quarter against Baltimore in the AFC Championship game in Oakland, Calif., Jan. 14.

Sharpe talks and plays a good game

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - The New York Giants know Shannon Sharpe is going to talk trash at the Super Bowl. It's as much a part of his game as cleats and helmet. "What they don't want is for Sharpe to become The Mouth That Scored."

New York's Sehorn proves more than an 'arm piece'

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - As soon as Angie Harmon's name was mentioned, a smile spread across Jason Sehorn's face in public. "I'm just an arm piece," the New York Giants cornerback quipped Thursday, answering a question about his TV actress fiancée.

I - What was the name of the first 'Super Bowl'? (5 points)

II - Which Super Bowl received the highest TV rating? (5 points)

III - Two players have won the MVP award in consecutive years. Name them. (5 points)

IV - Which referee has done the most Super Bowls? (5 points)

V - Baltimore is making its first Super Bowl appearance. Not counting the newest expansion teams, Cleveland, Jacksonville and Carolina name the five NFL teams that have a coach made a Super Bowl appearance. (1 point for each)

Scoring table with columns for points and Super Bowl appearances.

VJ - The New York Giants won the last Super Bowl played in Tampa in 1991. Which team was the first Super Bowl ever played in Tampa? (5 points)

VII - Who has played in the most Super Bowls? (5 points)

VIII - Who scored the first points in Super Bowl history? (5 points)

IX - Who holds the record for the longest time to score a goal in Super Bowl history? (5 points)

X - Who is the only running back to rush for over 100 yards and average over 10 yards to carry in his Super Bowl game. (5 points)

XI - The winning team receives the Vince Lombardi Trophy. What is the name of the trophy presented to the MVP? (5 points)

XII - St. Louis had 18 passing first downs last year to tie the Super Bowl record. What team set the record? (5 points)

XIII - True or False. No punt has ever not returned for a touchdown. (5 points)

XIV - St. Louis became the second Super Bowl champion to have a losing record in the previous season. Name the other. (5 points)

XV - Only one player has won the MVP while playing for the losing team. Who is he? (5 points)

XVI - Two players have rushed for 100 yards for the losing team. Who are they? (5 points)

XVII - Baltimore is making its first Super Bowl appearance. What team has had the most appearances? (5 points)

XVIII - Who has the longest run from scrimmage in Super Bowl history? (5 points)

XIX - Baltimore is the seventh wild-card team to make it to the Super Bowl. Name the two wild-card teams that have won Super Bowl. (5 points)

XX - Only one Super Bowl has been tied at halftime. Which one? (5 points)

BONUS - There were no turnovers in last year's Super Bowl. Who other Super Bowl had no turnovers? (5 points)

Commercials remain a big draw on game day

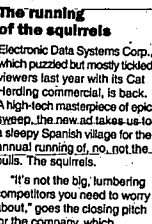
NEW YORK - What comes over us? Any other time, our official position on TV advertising is scorn. With every break for commercials, we can't wait to hit the clicker or the fridge.

Unveiling this year's Super Bowl stars

Though millions will be tuning into the Super Bowl on television to watch the game, others will be watching for the commercials. As one of the most watched TV events of the year, many companies take advantage by launching new advertising campaigns.



The running of the squirrels Electronic Data Systems Corp., which puzzled but mostly tickled viewers last year with its Cat Herding commercial, is back. A high-tech masterpiece of epic sweep, the new ad takes us to a sleepy Spanish village for the annual running of, no, not the bulls. The squirrels.



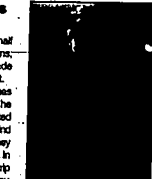
Or, as one of the participants explains: "To beat the squirrel, you must think like a squirrel." But would a squirrel spend \$8 million on an homage to Monty Python that leaves most viewers going, "Huh?"

NFL notes But then Sunday arrives, and for a few spellbinding hours, it's as if we stumbled into Bizarro World: "Me LOVE commercials! Me must watch!" And we do.

Momhinweg's already thinking Super Bowl PONTIAC, Mich. - Marty Morhinweg officially became coach of the Detroit Lions on Thursday and immediately set his sights on the Super Bowl.



Victory dance It wouldn't be a Super Bowl without beer, or this year's biggest advertiser, Anheuser-Busch. In one ad for Bud Light, a boy girl and his overman beat. Girls are getting comfy on the couch. Slow sultry music is in the air.



Released jeans Levi Strauss gets dramatically zany on behalf of "Released" jeans, which are now duds made to look old and worn out.

Chmura defense presents opening statements

WAUKESHA, Wis. - The teenager who accused Mark Chmura of sexually assaulting her at a party held at the former Green Bay Packers star, his defense lawyer said Thursday in opening statements.

The girl, now 18, has accused Chmura of leading her into the bathroom during a post-prom drinking party at his friend Robert Gessert's home in April and having sex with her without her consent.

Chmura, 31, has pleaded innocent to third-degree sexual assault and child enticement, both felonies. He faces up to 40 years in prison and \$20,000 in fines if convicted.

Carter to play at least another season

TAMPA, Fla. - Chris Carter will return for at least one more season at wide receiver for the Minnesota Vikings.

Carter, No. 2 in NFL history behind Jerry Rice in both receptions and touchdowns catches, said Thursday he "had a lot of things pulling me away from football, but I'm going to continue to play."

Carter, 33, said he made his decision in November, but he has not discussed it publicly since Minnesota's 41-0 loss to the New York Giants in the NFC championship game on Jan. 14.

Miller, MNF cast to return next year

NEW YORK - That's the news: Dennis Miller is NOT out of there. ABC Sports has exercised its options to keep Miller, the comedian brought in to spice up "Monday Night Football," and the rest of the program's on-air cast for next season.

authenticate the footballs. A counterfeit with a 1-in-33 trillion chance of reproducing it. The DNA test is part of a four-tier security system used to authenticate the footballs.

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NATION

No signs of accomplices so far in Texas breakout

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo. (AP)—The Texas prison fugitives apparently were not helped as they fled 800 miles to Colorado, bought, stole or traded at least three vehicles and eluded a huge manhunt for six weeks, authorities said Thursday.

"We're not aware that they had help from anyone," FBI agent Mark Mershon said. "No other arrests are planned."

However, authorities from both states pledged to keep digging through hundreds of tips received since the Dec. 13 prison break. Mershon said authorities know of no Colorado relatives of any of the seven men.

Defense attorneys declined comment Thursday.

Meanwhile, George Rivas, the suspected ringleader of the group, agreed to swift extradition to Texas. Fellow convict Michael Rodriguez asked a judge for time to review his options before deciding whether to fight extradition.

The six surviving convicts are expected to face murder charges and a possible death sentence for the Christmas Eve slaying of a Dallas-area policeman, Aubrey Hawkins. Rivas told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram he is prepared to accept the death penalty.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry has signed and sent the extradition requests.

"Like all Texans, I want these violent fugitives returned to Texas as soon as possible to stand trial for their crimes," he said. "While the men had stayed together since the escape, there were signs they were preparing to go their separate ways."

Authorities said they group had apparently been trying to make false Ds. Rivas said he had taken a job as a butcher in Denver, and another convict, Randy Halprin, told the Rocky Mountain News he was planning to take his bus to Seattle this week.

But instead, four of the inmates were arrested Monday in nearby Woodland Park and a fifth committed suicide. The two others were arrested Wednesday in Colorado Springs.



George Rivas, the alleged ringleader of the gang of seven Texas fugitives, is led out of the Teller County Court House in Cripple Creek, Colo., Thursday.

Authorities said many reports about the men were simply rumors.

They dismissed claims that two of the convicts arrested Monday were the father of the inmate who was closing in either by intercepting a radio transmission or receiving a cellphone call.

Teller County Sheriff Frank Fehn also said Rivas had gunshot

wounds to the right abdomen and buttocks that had been stitched up with dental floss. He said Halprin had a gunshot wound to the foot that the convict said happened a couple of weeks ago "during horseplay with weapons."

More court appearances were scheduled for today and Monday.



Weapons that were found after police captured the Texas escapees were on display in Denver at a press conference, Thursday.

Tipster became friends with the seven fugitives from Texas

The Gazette

WOODLAND PARK, Colo. — The Texas Seven are "a bunch of great guys," says Wade Holder, the owner of the Coachlight Motel and RV Park who turned them in to authorities.

In fact, Holder said he'll "always love them" after their three-week stay at his campground.

Holder, a self-described born-again Christian, befriended the gang of cop killers, rapists and robbers who posed as a group of traveling Christians.

He invited one of the convicts to the park's weekly Bible study class and still considers himself to be "a good friend" to the men.

"They were a bunch of great guys," Holder said. "I talked to them every day. We talked about cars. We hung out. They listened to Christian music. They were friends of mine. I just want to thank the Lord for bringing them here."

From the time he first met the men at the end of December, Holder said he had no idea they were the same ones suspected in the fatal shooting of a Texas

police officer and other terrible crimes.

Yet there were a few friends who urged him to think twice about the men who stayed at his place and who dyed their hair from time to time, changing their appearances for no apparent reason, he said.

Holder's wife, Gina, 38, agreed with everything he said, adding that she, too, came to regard the convicts as "brothers of the Lord."

Her minds changed after Holder logged on to America's Most Wanted Web site Saturday

night and they saw the photographs of the convicts more clearly.

"At least five of the seven were dead ringers, and I couldn't believe that they were our neighbors," Holder said.

On Sunday, he decided to inform the Teller County Sheriff's Office about them in order to protect the motor-home community, which the couple intermittently described as "our family."

Holder said he did not turn them in for the \$500,000 reward.

The former car salesman bought the RV Park last April,

but he didn't start running it until three months ago — right around the time of his religious conversion.

He said he believed the suspects' story: That they were on a mission across the country to spread the word of God, and hoped someday to buy property back in Texas.

Holder said he was particularly fond of Larry Harper — the convict who shot himself.

He said when he invited Harper to the weekly Bible study class on Thursday nights, he showed up.

"I truly believe Brother Jim was a saved man," said Holder, in an apparent reference to Harper's alias. "I love Jim Harper and I hope that what I felt was true. I hope he was saved. If so, he'll go to heaven."

Holder said the convicts weren't sold right away on his park when he first met them on New Year's Eve. First, they drove around and checked out several different parks in the area before deciding on his. But he said he never thought about conducting background checks because it's not the way he does business.

Jury finds teen guilty of murder

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — A teen who said he accidentally killed a 6-year-old family friend while imitating pro wrestlers was convicted Thursday of first-degree murder.

In three hours of deliberations, the 17-year-old Circuit court jurors accepted the prosecution's contention that 13-year-old Lionel Tate intentionally stomped, punched and kicked Tiffany Eunick, which constituted child abuse.

Under Florida law, the jurors did not have to conclude Lionel meant the girl's July 1999 death to convict him, but only that his actions were intentional and abusive. Tate faces life without parole, although that could be commuted by the governor after hearing from the prosecutor. The teen does not face the death penalty because he is younger than 16. Prosecutor Ken Padovani declined to say earlier Thursday what he would tell the governor.

CDC: Diabetes and obesity becomes epidemic

ATLANTA — Diabetes in the United States is now as common as obesity, about 6 percent in 1999 in what the government called dramatic evidence of an unfolding epidemic.

Nation in brief

Cases rose sharply across almost every demographic category, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said. The rise is blamed largely on obesity, which was up a startling 57 percent from 1991.

"The message is out there — lose weight by increasing your physical activity and changing your diet," CDC epidemiologist Ali Mokdad said. "But nobody is doing it."

The share of the adult population diagnosed with diabetes jumped from about 6.5 percent in 1998 to 6.9 percent in 1999, the CDC said. The obesity rate increased to nearly one in five Americans — up from just 12 percent in 1991.

Man shoots woman outside day care center

JACKSON, Miss. — A man gunned down his girlfriend outside a Jackson day care center Thursday and then was shot to death during a struggle with the woman's teen-age son, police said.

The son was injured in the confrontation but no children at Kids University were harmed, including the woman's 2-year-old daughter, police said.

Witnesses initially said the man and woman had argued outside the center before he shot her and turned the weapon on himself. But police said their investi-

gation showed he died while struggling with the son.

During the argument the man pulled a pistol and the woman's son attempted to shield his mother, police spokesman Robert Graham said. The man pushed the son away and opened fire, hitting the woman twice, Graham said.

Judge declares mistrial in high-stakes tobacco case

NEW YORK — A judge declared a mistrial Thursday in a high-stakes tobacco trial after being warned that deliberations were so strained that one juror had threatened to kill another.

"I have an obligation to jurors to protect them," U.S. District Judge Jack Weinstein said. The last of three notes sent to Weinstein on the fifth day of deliberations read, "Juror has made threat against other juror to kill" if they have to be "here much longer."

One of the jurors, Aaron Barkow, downplayed the note, telling reporters, "It's not what was said." He said the juror had been deadlocked 10-2 for the tobacco industry, and tensions were mounting against the two holdouts.

The two-month trial pitted a trust representing asbestos workers — many of them with lung cancer — and their heirs against R.J. Reynolds, Philip Morris, Brown & Williamson and other cigarette makers.

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MONEY

Idaho based mining firm files lawsuit

Knight Ridder News Service
COEUR D'ALENE - Hecla Mining Co. is having difficulty selling its industrial clay division.
A Canadian company was supposed to close on the \$68 million deal last week...

and public affairs. "We tried to sell the clay to them, but we were unwilling to accept the price they offered."
The timing of the sale is critical for Hecla, which has \$55 million in bank debts coming due in April...

Though Hecla is better known as a silver and gold producer, industrial minerals account for about half of its revenues.
With the bank debt coming due, Hecla put its clay division the Kentucky-Tennessee Clay Co. - up for sale in July...

Clay's fourth quarter earnings, which were lower than expected because of higher energy costs, Veltkamp said.
Zemex tried to use the lower earnings to negotiate a lower price. Hecla officials said higher energy bills are a cost of doing business...

The after hours business of America isn't all business

By LISA DE BOURBON AP Business Writer
The interests of many businesspeople live way beyond The Wall Street Journal, Bloomberg News and CNBC, according to New York-based Jericho Communications.
The survey of the reading, viewing and listening habits of 628 Fortune 1000 and Internet CEOs, investment bankers and stay-at-home moms found that 33 percent of the top executives could name more members of the new Survivor cast than they could President George W. Bush's cabinet members...

Only 6 percent of the corporate honchos said they watched all three presidential debates, while 21 percent said they regularly watch "The Simpsons."
The survey also found they were five times as likely to listen to "The Howard Stern Show" than Bloomberg Radio.
Thirty-eight percent of the investment bankers said they turned on the television to learn about Mike David Indiana's new basketball coach, but only half as many tuned in to watch the coronation of Jeffrey Immelt as General Electric's new chief executive officer.

Chamber

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people who are willing to make service commitments, Keegan said.
Finding new members should not be hard, Keegan said. He cited several new people in town he had talked to recently, who he said would like to join a new chamber. He volunteered to get those people to the organization...

al meeting.
"We need a positive influence here. We need some stuff going on," Russell said. "I need thinkers like this guy. That's what will make it work."
Times-News correspondent Lorraine Cavener can be reached through the Mini-Cassia Bureau at 677-4042.

Penney

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management for failing to respond to changes in consumer tastes.
Chairman and chief executive Allen Questrom, a veteran retail executive who took over to assure investors and employees that the company's cash flow and liquidity remain strong. He called the restructuring "an important step in our plan to improve future performance."

Penney issued a list of 39 of the 47 stores to be closed, saying the others would be identified later this year. Four of the closing stores are in Indiana and three each are in Illinois, North Carolina and Texas. One of the 39 stores, in Ogden, Utah, already has been closed.
In the third quarter, Penney suffered \$23 million in operating losses, and officials have warned that the holiday season was marred by disappointing sales and heavy price markdowns.

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Va.
The overall cost-living index takes into account groceries, housing, utilities, transportation, health care and miscellaneous goods and services. Through September, Twin Falls' index slipped down to 94.8 percent of the average for cities surveyed - after falling to 98 percent in the third and 97 in the fourth quarter of 1999. It stood at 97 percent in the first three months of 2000, then dropping again to 96 percent in the second quarter.
The latest results again show a welcome reversal from a trend that developed during the past few years. The city's third-quarter composite cost measure hit 97 percent of the national average in 1996, 93 percent in 1997 and 102 percent in 1998, before retreating in 1999.

ACCRA's report is based on 59 items priced in 308 urban areas of various sizes around the nation. The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce participates in the survey, along with other chambers of commerce, economic development organizations and other groups that collect prices regularly.
Twin Falls residents in the third quarter paid higher prices for gasoline, newspapers, Monopoly games, beer and wine than their counterparts in Boise, Pocatello and Idaho Falls - the other three Idaho cities in the recent report.
But locals shelled out less than other city-dwelling Idahoans to grab a quick hamburger, stay in a hospital room or visit a doctor or dentist. They paid smaller telephone and energy bills. And they paid less for Polysporin medicine, toothpaste, men's shirts, under-

wear, slacks, Kleenex tissues and Cascade detergent than residents of the three other cities.
The news was mostly positive at the grocery store.
T-bone steak, ground beef, sausage, potatoes, lettuce, bread, sugar, cereal, tomato, peaches and baby food cost less in Twin Falls. But tuna, milk, eggs and frozen corn had higher price tags here than in Boise, Pocatello or Idaho Falls.
A house that sold for \$191,461 in Twin Falls would have cost more in two of the other three cities - \$185,500 in Pocatello, \$193,444 in Boise or \$229,200 in Idaho Falls, the report said. Twin Falls' mortgage interest rates were lowest among the four cities in the third quarter.
Of the four Idaho cities surveyed, Twin Falls had the second-lowest principal and interest on home mortgage payments: \$1,072

in Twin Falls corresponded with \$1,042 in Pocatello, \$1,088 in Boise and \$1,297 in Idaho Falls.
An apartment rent of \$545 in Twin Falls fell between the corresponding \$500 in Pocatello and the \$713 in Boise and \$740 in Idaho Falls.
For other items on the list, Twin Falls' prices fell some, but where in the middle of the Idaho data. And overall, the city posted the most attractive costs in any of the reporting areas of the state.
The composite cost of living in Boise came in at 99.9 percent of the national average, Pocatello at 97.8 percent of average and Idaho Falls at 103.1 percent in the third quarter.
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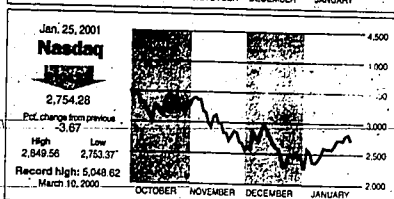
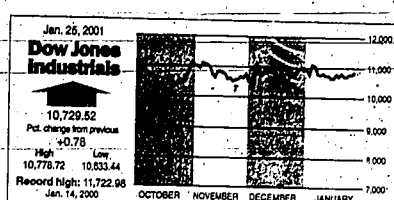
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Stocks end mixed as investors eye earnings

NEW YORK (AP) - Investors decided to stick with safer bets on Wall Street Thursday while they contemplated the future of earnings and the economy. The market bid blue chips higher, but cashed in on gains in the battered tech sector.

Broader market indexes declined. The Nasdaq composite index fell 104.87 to 2,754.28, and the broader Standard & Poor's 500 index slipped 6.79 to 1,357.51.

Sara Lee to lay off 7,000

CHICAGO (AP) - Sara Lee Corp. said Thursday it is eliminating 7,000 jobs, mostly in the conglomerate's underwear and food operations.

The job cuts represent more than 4 percent of the company's 154,000 employees in 40 countries.

Sara Lee, whose brands include Ball Park franks, Sara Lee Pastries, Wonderbra, Hanes underwear, Endust furniture, fish and Kiwi shoe polish, has seen profit slip in recent years and is shedding businesses to focus on its strongest brands.

Stock.com's Julie Kety said the layoffs will come mostly from the Chicago-based company's two biggest operations - underwear and food. The specifics have not been worked out, she said.

"We will be consolidating some of our operations around the world," Kety said. "This is a continuation of our reshaping program."

Sara Lee's food operations have struggled in recent years because of falling bakery sales and fallout from a 1998 meat recall, and now sales are being hurt by an industry-wide retail slump.

The job eliminations are not directly related to the company's announcement Wednesday that it intends to sell off eight more of its 100-plus businesses, Kety said.

Sara Lee has sold or closed more than 100 plants since 1997.

MUTUAL FUNDS

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Classic Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



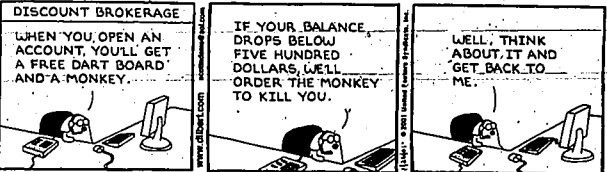
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By Lynn Johnston



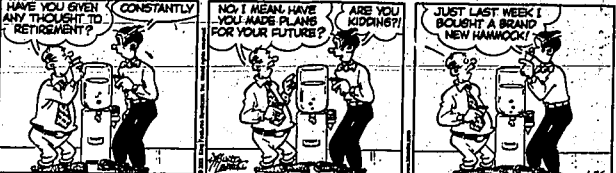
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Plan for boy's future reassures grandma

DEAR ABBY: I was touched by recent letters from "Smiling in Carolina" and "Happy New Grandmother, Dallas," regarding the heartache birth mothers feel when they place their babies for adoption, and how appreciative grandmothers are when children are adopted into their families. Their letters made me remember the decision I made about my own grandson, "Jack."

Sixteen years ago, my husband and I took Jack into our home after his mother died. Jack was 11 months old. It soon became apparent that Jack was a special person with special needs. He



DEAR ABBY
Abby Cadabby

was slow to learn, but a happy child. When he was school age, we put him in special education classes.

Get along fine; however, when my husband passed away three years ago at age 91, I got to thinking about Jack's future. I am now 90 and feeling well, but

there will come a time when I will no longer be able to take him to school, golfing, bowling, etc. So after much thought and investigation, I found Jack an excellent board-and-care home. He stays there all week. They provide him transportation to school, excellent meals and clean clothes. He enjoys living with four other people closer to his age. On weekends and holidays, he comes home with me.

It wrenches my heart to see him go back on Sunday evenings, but I know if anything happens to me, he won't have to make a big adjustment. I am so

glad I made this plan and hope it was the right thing to do.

—WONDERING IN MICHIGAN

DEAR WONDERING: I commend you for finding your grandson a home where he will feel safe and secure after you are no longer around to take care of him. I can't think of a more loving or unselfish act to do for someone with special needs.

If other readers are in similar circumstances, I urge them to take the time now to find a suitable living environment for those they love and care about. Planning ahead will bring peace of mind.

Gemini - Attention revolves around music

IF JANUARY 26th IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... when pressure is on you are up to it. You possess extrasensory perception. You know what to do but do not always do it. You are a passionate lover. Capricorn, Cancer individuals play major roles in your life.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Within 24 hours you will have greater freedom of thought, action. For now handle details, plug loopholes. Scorpio plays passionate role.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): People turn to you with their questions, problems. Be gracious, if you don't have answers, admit it. Filtration is serious. Know when

HOROSCOPE
Sydney Omarr

to say, "Enough!"

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Attention revolves around harmony, music, where you live and with whom. Domestic adjustment could pertain to residence.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Check percentages in financial transaction, lending or borrowing. Protect self in emotional clinches. Aura of deception is present.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Play waiting game. Time is on your side. Focus on organization, priori-

ties, intense romantic relationship. **VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** It will be possible for you to predict your own future. Let go of burden. Give yourself time to travel; to take chance on romance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Let go of preconceived notions. Make fresh start, don't follow others. Wear bright colors that include yellow and gold. New kind of love is on the horizon.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Be lenient in correcting a family member whose purchases were extravagant. Focus on cooperative efforts, partnership and marriage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Within 24 hours you'll receive

instructions on how to reach goal. Highlight versatility and examine various aspects of question.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Tear-down in order to rebuild. Make this your makeover day. A wish will come true in an extraordinary manner. Let it be known, "Have talent, will travel!"

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Be ready for change and a variety of sensations. Financial picture will be revised in your favor. Lost valuable retrieved tonight.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Cycle moves up, trust intuitive intellect. Focus on home, marital status and your ability to win through diplomacy.

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12. Automobile
13. Aging vessel
14. Premier escape
15. Lennon rock
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17. In
18. Casual contest
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22. Abyss
24. Chapel vow
25. Mel of carbon
26. Chess
30. Negative prefix
31. Applies to a surface
33. Lobster eggs
34. Matched
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37. "Circles in the Underworld" composer
41. Shares a book project
42. Leonardo's Yoko
43. Intro
51. Time period
52. Movies and Best
55. Make a
56. Angler's float
57. Off one's lead
58. Bitter divider
59. Milder firm
60. "Drowning"
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62. Major rule
66. Celebrate a birthday
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71. Carnive holders

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8. Underground cemetery
9. Sister
10. Stays in the U.S.
11. Military
12. Exist
13. Taste
19. "Grew"
22. Unfeeling
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30. Bean layer
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41. Power
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43. Minute aquatic organism
45. Old Testament heroine
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Baby's early arrival forces an unscheduled landing

The Gazette

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Her mother warned her not to fly so late in her pregnancy, but Evangeline Austria wasn't due for another two weeks.

"Nothing's going to happen," Austria, 24, told herself as she boarded Northwest flight 289 Sunday night in Detroit on her way home to San Diego.

Austria, a Marine Corps corporal, was visiting family in Connecticut on a discount ticket she booked months in advance and had to use by a certain date. She was traveling alone, calm and happy about the baby in her tummy.

But on the stopover in Detroit, the first-time mother-to-be felt a pain in her stomach—nothing excruciating, but enough to make her wince.

"Nothing's going to happen," she said as she took a deep breath. "I can make it home."

Ten minutes passed.

Aboard the 148-passenger A320 Airbus, businessmen and women logged on to their laptops, mothers calmed their children, flight attendants took drink orders, and Austria focused.

Another pain, another 10 minutes, each pang becoming stronger.

Nothing to worry about, first babies always come late, she had been told.

An hour into the flight, Austria could no longer hide the pain.

"Are you OK?," a flight attendant asked.

"In labor," Austria said.

Her answer set off a chain reaction.

The flight attendant got word to the pilot. The crew cleared road 25 and told Austria to lie down.

"Is there a doctor on board?" a flight attendant asked on the intercom.

A doctor and a physician's assistant responded. An off-duty pilot also helped.

Behind a makeshift curtain of blankets, the medical personnel assessed her as Austria's contractions were two minutes apart. She had begun to dilate, but her water hadn't broken.

Norm Bissonnette, an off-duty Northwest pilot headed home, had never seen anything like this.

"I was about to listen to Jimmy Buffet and work on my taxes, but instead, this happened," he said.

Bissonnette helped Austria breathe.

"I can still make it," Austria whispered between the pangs of pain.

That's when the doctor told pilots to land. It was an emergency.

The closest airport: Colorado Springs.

As the diverted flight arrived, firefighters and an ambulance rushed to meet Austria. Most passengers wished Austria good luck as emergency crews wheeled her off, she said. "I'm sure some were upset about the unscheduled landing."

Bissonnette accompanied Austria to Memorial Hospital so she wouldn't be alone. He phoned her family in San Diego shortly after her admission.

"She's where? And you're who?" Austria's mother questioned Bissonnette.

The family was happy that Austria was safe, but saddened they could not attend the birth.

"My mom told me, 'I told you not to fly,'" she said.

At 2:45 a.m. Mountain Standard Time at an altitude of 6,035 feet instead of 30,000, Alijah Kyshon Austria was born. He weighed in at 6 pounds, 3 ounces.

Judge rules Howdy Doody belongs with Detroit museum

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The original Howdy Doody puppet belongs with the Detroit Institute of Arts — no strings attached, a federal judge ruled.

The ruling, dated Tuesday and issued publicly Thursday, settles a dispute between the museum and the family of Rufus Rose, the puppeteer of Howdy Doody, over who owns the 1950s television star.

The Detroit Institute of Arts claimed that Rose, who died in 1975, promised to give the original Howdy Doody to the museum. The Rose family argued that no such promise was ever made and that the grinning, freckle-faced puppet they have may not even be the original.

Several copies of Howdy Doody were made, including a stunt "Double Doody." The puppet in question, estimated to be worth \$50,000, is being stored in a bank vault in Rhode Island.

U.S. District Judge

Christopher Droncy found that letters between Rose and NBC showed that Rose intended for the museum to have Howdy Doody for its extensive puppet collection.

"Although there may be a question as to whether this Howdy Doody puppet was exactly the same in 1960 — after the wear and tear of over 2,000 shows — there is no question that the puppet now in the Rhode Island bank and subject to this case is the same that existed at the end of the show," Droncy ruled.

The museum, which also houses Funtastic and Judy Karmali the Frog and other puppets, said it was pleased with the ruling.

"Along with our many historic puppets, Howdy Doody will be cared for under the highest standards of museum conservation and will be exhibited for the enjoyment of the public," museum director Graham Beal said.

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. CV-00-5360
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
LOYDA C. PAUCAR, Plaintiff,
vs
FREDDY C. PAUCAR, Defendant.
YOU have been sued by Loyda C. Paucar, the Plaintiff in the District Court in and for Twin Falls County, Idaho, Case No. CV-00-5360.

The nature of the claim against you is for divorce. Any time after twenty (20) days following the last publication of this Summons, the Court may enter a judgment against you without further notice unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case Number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at PO Box 128, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0128, 208-736-4025 and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiff's attorney at Felton & Felton, P.O. Box 589, 1020 Main Street, Burley, Idaho 83316-0589, 208-543-4368.

A copy of the Summons and Complaint for Divorce can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for Plaintiff.

If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

DATED This 27th day of December, 2000.
Twin Falls County District Court
By: Gary Daw, Deputy Clerk

PUBLISHED: January 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2001

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BURLEY

Case No. CV-00-5127
SUMMONS
JAMES (DANNY) THOMPSON, Plaintiff,

DARA McKEEVER aka DARA DIAMOND, Defendant.
THE STATE OF IDAHO and I, the undersigned, the above-named Defendant, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Complaint has been filed against you in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Twin Falls by the above-named Plaintiff, YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED to file a written Answer or written Motion in defense to the said Complaint within twenty (20) days of the service of this Summons; YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that unless you do within the time herein specified, Plaintiff will take judgment against you as prayed in said Complaint.

The nature of the claim against you is for breach of contract.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of said District Court, this 14th day of December, 2000.
ROBERT S. FORT, Clerk by Gary Daw Deputy Clerk

PUBLISHED: January 12, 19, 26 and February 2, 2001

INVITATION TO BID ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR PERRINE ELEMENTARY

R.O.P. Sealed bids will be received by a representative of the Board of Trustees of School District No. 411, Twin Falls County, Idaho, at 201 Main Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301, until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2001 for an architect to oversee and be responsible for all phases of planning, project bidding, contracts, monitoring work and all payment approvals for the replacement or repair of the Perrine Elementary school building. There will be a walk-through inspection of the Perrine Elementary building on January 26, 2001 at 4:00 p.m. to acquaint the Bidders with each individual aspect of the project. Access to the building will be very difficult at this time; therefore, the time provided for the walk-through, The Bidder, should be prepared to take any and all measurements or data that he may need in order to bid this project.

Additional information will be available from Willey Dobbs, Director of Operations for Twin Falls School District. Mr. Dobbs may be reached by phone at (208) 733-6200 or by email at dobbsw@tsd.k12.id.us.

The construction should begin on June 1, 2001 and must be completed by August 1, 2001.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept or reject any item or items in such bid, and the right to award contractally.

By: Rose Steffens, Clerk of the Board

PUBLISHED: January 26 and February 2, 2001

LEGAL NOTICE
IDAPA 13.01.08550.08.a. Governing the taking of Big Game Animals, provides that the 2000-2001 take season for mountain lion late season in Units 43, 44, 48 and 49 shall remain open until a total of three (3) female mountain lions have been harvested in the Magic Valley region.

Permit to authority delegated by the Idaho Fish and Game Commission, the Secretary of Idaho Fish and Game Commission hereby orders that the 2000-2001 mountain lion late season in Units 43, 44, 48 and 49 be closed effective immediately.

A dog-training season shall open upon the closure of these units to the harvest. The dog-training season in these units shall close March 31, 2001.

Copies of order 01-06 are available at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game headquarters, 800 South Walnut, PO Box 25, Boise, Idaho 83707.

DATED this 23rd day of January, 2001.
IDAHO FISH AND GAME COMMISSION
Rod Vance, Secretary by Al Van Voorst Deputy Director

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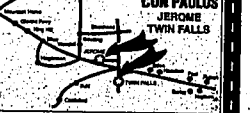
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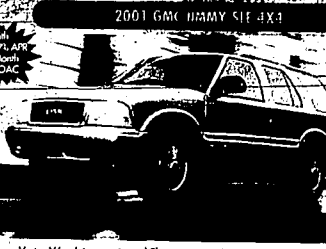


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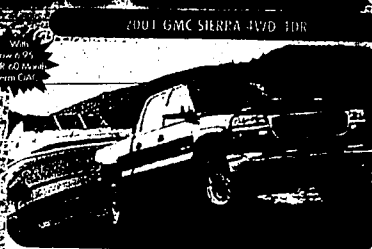
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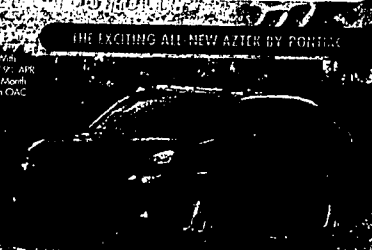
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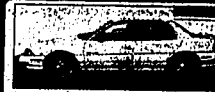















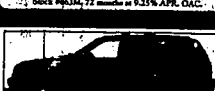



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