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## GOOD MORNING



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Today: Partly cloudy with high of 62. Increasing clouds tonight, good chance of showers, low 40.

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# BORDER BANDITS



Marilyn Beutler, administrator of the Alterra Wynwood assisted-living center in Twin Falls, shows off some of the solicitations for money that her clients get. Some are from legitimate organizations, but some are not. One of the most recent scams aimed to bilk seniors out of their life savings by promising them the hope of large prizes in a so-called 'Canadian lottery.'

## 'Canadian lottery' scam hits valley elderly

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Scam artists using an elaborate deceit to play on people's hopes have stolen millions from victims across North America, a Twin Falls detective and a Canadian investigator said.

In Twin Falls alone, several people — most of them elderly — each lost thousands of dollars to a con game disguised as the "Canadian lottery," said Twin Falls police Detective Sgt. Mark Marvin. One victim lost about \$30,000, he said.

The lottery scam appears to operate on both sides of the U.S.-Canadian border. An international, multiagency team of investigators might have only scratched the surface of the networks behind it and similar con games, said Sgt. Saverio Orlando of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police's Montreal office.

**Want to help?**

The Alterra Wynwood assisted-living center in Twin Falls is looking for volunteers to help with the "Canadian lottery" scam. The board needs volunteers to become guardians and conservators. To learn more, call board chairman Gina Beach at 2-28-3332 or Helen Arnold at 734-4110.

"It's very organized. They're boiler room operations of any-where from five to 30 people," he said. "This goes on day in and day out."

As police scramble to track and bust the scam networks, the scam creates a dilemma for people who care for the elderly and other

potential victims.

"We try to be aware, and we are very involved in our residents' lives, but we can't tell them what to do," said Marilyn Beutler, the administrator of the Alterra Wynwood assisted-living center in Twin Falls.

One Alterra resident — whom

Beutler declined to name — was "tripped up" so hard that administrators and a local network of guardians sought a judge's permission to screen the man's mail and take his money out of his direct control, she said.

"He's still lucid enough to be very angry that these things have been taken away from him."

**The lie gets a life of its own**

Rather than making one snake-like strike, the architects of the Canadian lottery and similar scams bury themselves like ticks into victims' hopes and stay there as long as possible, Orlando and Marvin said.

The scheme begins with an initial contact — either by phone or by letter — telling potential victims that \$250,000 or so in lottery prize money awaits them in Canada, Marvin said.

Potential targets in Canada are

## Community guardians look out for the vulnerable

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The web of lies woven by scam artists can pose challenging problems for the people who try to protect the victims.

Elderly people can be vulnerable because they long for a way to boost their fixed incomes, said Detective Sgt. Mark Marvin of the Twin Falls Police

Department.

"They've worked their whole life, they're on a pension and maybe they think, 'I've worked hard my whole life, why not finish up rich?'"

Con artists also play on the diminished mental capacity and loneliness of some older people, said Gina Beach, chairwoman of the Twin Falls Board of Community Guardians.

The community guardians are often the last line of defense for elderly people who have fallen victim to scam artists, Beach said.

The guardians are an all-volunteer group charged with protecting and caring for the elderly and other adults not fully capable of caring for themselves, she said.

Marvin said several victims he has contacted and returned money to have refused to accept

the truth, instead, they continued sending money to con artists.

If police and the community guardians suspect an elderly scam victim isn't capable of making fully rational decisions, the first order of business is to look for a relative willing to act as the conservator of the victim's money, Marvin and Beach said.

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## Milosevic rebuffs arrest after police raid his Belgrade home

The Associated Press

**BELGRADE, Yugoslavia** — Riot police laid siege to Slobodan Milosevic's villa early Saturday in an attempt to arrest the former president. But a defiant Milosevic rejected a warrant in a tense standoff with authorities trying to bring him to justice.

After a raid on his home in an exclusive Belgrade neighborhood, police officials presented Milosevic with the warrant, an Interior Ministry source told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

But, according to the source, Milosevic refused to accept it, saying he did not "recognize these police and these authorities, all of



Slobodan Milosevic

them being NATO servants."

The raid came on the very day the U.S. Congress had set as a deadline for Yugoslavia to begin cooperating with the U.N. war crimes tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands. The court wants to try Milosevic for war crimes and crimes against humanity stemming from his harsh crackdown on ethnic Albanians in the Serbian province of Kosovo in 1999.

Washington had threatened Belgrade with a suspension of \$100 million in economic aid if it did not comply.

The raid began with special police — some



Yugoslav special forces enter former President Slobodan Milosevic's home through a window early Saturday in Belgrade.

## Deals mark end of session

House 'forces' Senate to cut taxes on capital gains

By Mark Warbis  
The Associated Press

BOISE — Lawmakers engaged in a final, unusually personal tug-of-war in the protracted battle over tax cuts on Friday before ending the Idaho Legislature's 2001 session.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne later said he was pleased so much of his legislative agenda was adopted. He particularly pointed to the areas of tax relief, education support and measures to stimulate the struggling rural economy.

"We can all go home and feel good that progress has been made," he said.

But making that progress often was a struggle.

The Senate on Friday overwhelmingly approved and sent to Kempthorne a \$100 million public building construction budget that had been passed on Thursday by the House, where it had been marking time while conservatives sought deeper tax cuts.

But House members found a new hogwart on Friday. Tax cutters held up final approval until the last minute on a Senate-passed bill taking advantage of a one-time chance to create a new state park in the Hagerman Valley. That move was aimed at forcing Senate action on repeal of the capital gains tax.

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## Billingsley OK'd, plays role in dealings

By Michael Journee  
Times-News writer

BOISE — Despite eventually gaining final legislative approval, a popular bill "held hostage" by the House Thursday was again used as leverage Friday to gain approval of a tax measure in the Senate.

House leaders temporarily held back final approval of Senate Concurrent Resolution 116 Friday, the final day of the legislative session, to force the Senate members' approval of a capital gains tax cut measure that had little chance of passing.

Sponsored by Senate Majority leader John Santy, R-Hagerman, the resolution authorizes

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# FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

## IDAHO ALMANAC

Idaho Extremes Yesterday:

High 63°  
Payette Low 25°  
Mullan Pass

Missoula 53/36

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

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## ALMANAC

Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday

Temperature High/Low: 59/33°  
High/Low last year: 54/29°  
Record high: 79° in 1978  
Record low: 17° in 1978

Precipitation: 24 hours ending 6 p.m. yesterday: 0.00"  
Month to date: 0.47"  
Normal month to date: 1.30"  
Year to date: 0.49"  
Normal year to date: 3.01"

Humidity: Yesterday at noon: 50%  
Barometric Pressure: Yesterday at 6 p.m.: 30.03 in.

Pollen yesterday in Twin Falls:  
Grass: None  
Absent Weeds: Absent  
Trees: Moderate Mold: Low

Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

## FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Sunshine and some clouds; pleasant.	Mostly cloudy with a shower possible.	Breezy with clouds, some sun and a shower.	Windy and cool with showers.	Blisk and chilly; it might shower.	Partly sunny.
▲ 62°	▼ 40°	▲ 64° ▼ 38°	▲ 52° ▼ 28°	▲ 48° ▼ 24°	▲ 54° ▼ 28°

## SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 6:22 a.m.  
Sunset tonight: 7:03 p.m.  
Moonrise today: 10:41 a.m.  
Moonset tonight: 1:15 a.m.

First Full Last New  
Apr 7 Apr 15 Apr 23

## CANADIAN CITIES

City	Today	Sun.
Calgary	40-52	40-52
Edmonton	43-57	43-57
Kelowna	50-51	50-51
Regina	29-31	29-31
Saskatoon	22-16	22-16
Vancouver	30-41	30-41
Victoria	33-38	33-38
Winnipeg	28-19	28-19

## REGIONAL WEATHER

**Southern Idaho:** Sunny to partly cloudy in the east today. Sunshine will be followed by clouds in the west with a shower possible late. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight with a few showers possible.

**Boise:** A mixture of clouds and sunshine today with a comfortable afternoon; there may be a shower toward evening. Mostly cloudy tonight with a couple of showers possible.

**Northern Nevada:** A mixture of clouds and sunshine today with a breezy, mild afternoon. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight; there might be a shower in the far north. Clouds and some sun tomorrow; it might shower.

**Northern Utah:** Sunshine and a few clouds today with a breezy and warmer afternoon. Partly cloudy tonight. Clouds and some sunshine tomorrow; there might be showers, especially in the far north.

**Northern Idaho:** Some sunshine this morning, then becoming cloudy this afternoon with a few showers moving in late. Mostly cloudy tonight with a couple of rain and mountain snow showers.

## UV INDEX TODAY

0-1: Minimal; 2-3: Low; 4-6: Moderate; 7-9: High; 10+: Very High. Values indicate the exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.

## WORLD CITIES

City	Today	Sun.
Acapulco	88-88	88-88
Albuquerque	51-54	51-54
Austin	67-54	67-54
Bahia	82-78	82-78
Bangkok	48-39	48-39
Buenos Aires	79-84	79-84
Calcutta	89-88	89-88
Hong Kong	74-84	74-84
Jakarta	85-82	85-82
Johannesburg	62-68	62-68
London	52-48	52-48
Los Angeles	62-68	62-68
Madrid	62-68	62-68
Manila	82-82	82-82
Paris	60-68	60-68
Rio de Janeiro	84-75	84-75
Sao Paulo	82-82	82-82
Singapore	72-82	72-82
Tokyo	64-53	64-53
Washington	52-52	52-52
Zurich	53-42	53-42

## REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Sun.
Boise	62-40	62-38
Idaho Falls	54-36	54-36
Payette	51-38	51-38
Shoshone	51-38	51-38
Twin Falls	59-33	59-33
Yellowstone	34-16	34-16

## NATIONAL WEATHER

High 94° in Death Valley, CA Low 14° in Proscquo Isle, ME

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are high for the day. Forecast highest temperatures are given for selected cities.

## NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Sun.
Atlanta	69-50	61-36
Baltimore	52-39	50-39
Birmingham	68-41	65-30
Chicago	42-28	47-24
Cleveland	44-26	47-33
Dallas	62-41	62-33
Denver	48-34	45-32
El Paso	78-48	82-53
Houston	78-54	78-54
Los Angeles	64-37	65-37
Los Angeles	76-57	71-57
Memphis	61-38	58-30
Miami	88-70	88-70
Milwaukee	43-30	42-24
Nashville	61-38	49-35
New Orleans	74-52	70-52
New York	62-35	49-35
Oklahoma City	63-31	59-45
Omaha	47-26	51-43
Orlando	64-30	61-40
Philadelphia	54-38	50-38
Phoenix	90-64	84-61
Portland, ME	47-34	47-34
Raleigh	70-47	59-34
Rapid City	44-18	53-30
San Antonio	62-41	62-41
San Diego	66-59	67-59
San Francisco	74-50	64-47
Seattle	68-58	68-58
Tucson	82-50	80-58
Washington, DC	52-42	52-42

## Sources: Aspen jet was pulling out of approach

Los Angeles Times

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ASPEN, Colo. — A chartered jet that CRASHED near this ski resort, killing all 18 aboard, had abandoned its initial approach to the mountain airport and was circling through steady snowfall for a second attempt to land when it exploded into a hillside, sources close to the investigation said Friday.

Two other chartered jets — one immediately ahead of the doomed plane and one right behind — also missed their first passings at the landing strip, pulling out at the last moment, several sources told the Los Angeles Times. Neither risked a second try, however, rerouting instead to another airport as poor weather and darkness closed in on the resort town.

## Milosevic Scam

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in plain clothes, others wearing masks — advancing across the vast yard and firing six grenades surrounding the villa in the Dedinje district. Officers met with some resistance in the villa yard, and journalists on the scene said a police officer was wounded. A local news photographer suffered a gunshot to his hand, the state Tanjug news agency reported.

"We won't let them inside. We won't let them arrest him," Milosevic aide Zivorad Igic told the AP by mobile phone before police hauled him away.

But as the scene settled down overnight, a standoff appeared to be developing amid signs that negotiations were taking place with security guards who indicated they were loyal to Milosevic and were unwilling to give him up.

"Our minister gave us a task to arrest Milosevic according to the arrest warrant, but without casualties if possible," a police officer told the AP. "That's why there are so many policemen and that's why the operation is so slow."

Milosevic's wife, Mirjana Markovic, and their daughter Marija were believed to be inside the villa with the former president. A police armored personnel carrier was parked outside the gate, and the bullet-proof BMW sedan used by Milosevic during his reign was parked in the yard, a single driver inside.

"I don't know who stopped the action, but we have to finish it by daylight. We don't know who is inside with him or if there are wounded there," said a top-ranking government official who refused to be identified.

The police action followed hours of wildly conflicting reports about whether Milosevic was in custody.

## The feds, mounties strike

The scam artists' final lie has a grain of truth in it, Orlando said.

Several U.S. and Canadian law enforcement agencies in 1998 teamed up to form the "Project COIL" task force, aimed at putting dent in the lottery scam and similar con games being played across the borders, he said.

When the task force busts a scam ring, money is often recovered. It is returned to victims free of charge, he said.

Since its inception, the task force has recovered and returned about \$20 million of victims' money, Orlando said. But scam artists might still be keeping a lot more than they are losing.

A Montreal-based ring that was recently broken up was apparently pulling in more than \$1 million a week, he said.

The lottery scam rings seem to be one of the final layers of a complex network, Orlando said.

The games usually begin with a "mass mailing" of some sort of official-looking document, calling on recipients to return a coupon or form in order to register for contests and prizes, he said.

People known as "leads brokers" who are usually based in the U.S. — gather the returned forms and categorize them, he said. The forms might be categorized according to the age or income of the respondents, or by who holds credit cards, Orlando said.

The leads brokers then put the information up for sale to scam artists, he said. Scam artists seek out information from specific groups of people, because it helps them fashion a scam aimed at those groups, Orlando said.

The lottery scam is almost always aimed at the elderly.

Once people end up on one "sucker list," their information is traded or sold to keepers of similar lists, Marvin said, and the process snowballs.

Victims of the lottery scam may also be approached by con games disguised as international art deals, Nevada silver mine shares and other schemes, he said.

Times-News reporter Mark Hain can be reached at 735-2338 or by e-mail at mhain@magicvalley.com

## LOTTERY UPDATE

Wednesday, March 28, numbers

POWERBALL: 4 12 27 31 43  
POWERBALL NUMBER: 20  
POWER PLAY #: 5

Thursday, March 29, numbers

Roll'd w'n: 8 13 23 42 46

Friday, March 30, numbers

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## Guardians

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If a relative can't be found, the guardians — who include some local attorneys — can seek a judge's order appointing a conservator and/or guardian to look after the victim, Beach said.

Suzanne Auth of Twin Falls was recently appointed as the temporary guardian of an elderly man she declined to name.

"His wife is dead, he has no kids, he's very elderly, and he's the type of person who's always donated money."

Con artists apparently got wind of the man's vulnerability and were soon bilking him of his life's savings, Auth said. He lost about \$25,000 to three different scams in a matter of weeks and was in danger of losing his apartment, she said.

She and another community guardian, who was appointed to be the conservator of the man's money, have been met with bitterness from the man, she said.

"As he sees it, we're out to get him. To him, this is America, and he should be able to spend his money the way he wants to."

Now, Auth helps screen the man's mail for letters from con artists. The conservator makes sure his bills get paid and gives him a little spending money each week.

Beach said it can be tough to strike a balance between protecting an elderly person and preserving that person's dignity. But many older people have small incomes and can't afford to lose anything, she said.

Without a court order, there's little that can be done to rescue them, said Marilyn Beuter, administrator of the Alterra Wynwood assisted living center in Twin Falls.

"According to our state guidelines, we are not allowed to handle any of our residents' personal funds, and we are not allowed to be involved with them from a protection standpoint."

It will take more than just professional caregivers to get the job done, she said.

"I actually have people living in this building who have outlived their children. Who looks out for them? We all need to look out for them."

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Daniel Walock, circulation director

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# Park

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 the state to buy property along Billingsley Creek near Hagerman for the creation of a state park and the expansion of University of Idaho research facilities. The bill has been passed on to Gov. Mike Kempthorne for his signature.

The capital gains tax cut, sponsored in the House by Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl, would have eliminated capital gains taxes on all tangible property sold by individuals. But last month's Senate amendments reduced the break to an 80 percent break for only one year.

With the House's tax cutters satisfied with a one-time cut and a promise to explore the idea further next year, both measures were given final approval. They were the final two bills approved by the Legislature this session.

Sandy's resolution was the subject of a similar "hostage situation" Thursday involving a House memorial demanding an end to wolf recovery efforts in Idaho. It

was in front of a House committee at the time.

The House's 48-9 vote clears the way for the state Parks and Recreation Department to buy two parcels of land, about 300 acres in total. The House votes against the measure were the first votes against it since being introduced in a Senate committee last month.

The bill's supporters say the property included a small commercial fish hatchery that could become top-notch water-quality research facility to help study pollution along the middle stretch of the Snake River.

It would be operated by the University of Idaho as an extension of its renowned fish laboratory in the area.

"I think we need to acquire this for the water if nothing else," said House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, while debating for the resolution.

The hatchery would also serve as an expansion of the aquaculture laboratory itself, allowing scientists to expand their research. The university's manager of the research facility, Ron Hardy, has said access to the

hatchery could greatly expand the school's research into boosting endangered species, such as Pacific salmon and western slope cutthroat trout, in the Columbia River drainage.

In addition to the property has strong potential as a state park, Sandy has argued.

It includes a driving range, an indoor equestrian arena and what's left of the homestead of Western author Vardis Fisher. Estimated to be worth at least \$7 million to \$8 million, Sandy and the bill's supporters say the leasing of the hatchery to the university would pay for the property and needed improvements for the park.

The owners are willing to sell to

the state at a combined price of about \$6.4 million.

Sandy also promoted the purchase as an added attraction on the western end of the Thousand Springs Scenic Byway, which runs through the area to Shoshone Falls east of Twin Falls. The park also would fit well with the Fish and Game Department's Billingsley Creek Wildlife Management Area just across the stream, he said.

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 rest of the individual capital gains tax on real and tangible property at a continuing total cost of \$8.7 million.

The Senate eventually cut the relief in half and put it in effect for just the current tax year, and they only after the parks bill gained final approval in the House. The price tag on the revised tax break is just \$4.4 million. "We didn't get as much as we wanted, but we fought the good fight," Rep. Celia Gould of Buhl said before the House overwhelmingly accepted the changes.

Democratic Sen. Lin Whitworth of Inkom claimed the capital gains bill, on top of the \$107 million in almost exclusively permanent tax relief lawmakers sent to Kempthorne earlier in the week, "shows exactly how little we care about the majority of the people out there - the middle class and the working poor."

"This bill ignores them," he said. "It rejects that they need and gives it to a few."

The bulk of the activity on the 82nd and final day of the session focused on the budget. The House approved the \$1.2 billion Health and Welfare Department spending blueprint including the directive that the agency do as little promotion of the services it offers as possible to limit the participation - and therefore the cost to the state - of serving poor and disabled people.

The only exemption to that promotional restriction was the childhood immunization initiative and other Public Health Service programs.

The public works budget drew only a handful of negative votes. It was put together to be almost politically impossible to oppose since it diverts cash into every region of the state and nearly every legislative district.

The only negative votes came from lawmakers wanting more cash for tax cuts, disgruntled over further prison expansion or critical of the Legislature's failure to do anything substantive about helping public school districts deal with their own building safety problems.

Senate President Pro Tem Robert Geddes of Soda Springs said House delays in acting on some Senate bills while refusing to accept budgetary reality - and smaller tax cuts - unnecessarily extended the session by more than a week.

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb said Senate leadership fragmented by Republican Floor Leader Jim Risch's efforts to undermine the governor's agenda was to

blame for the late-session histrionics.

Risch, whose desire to be governor is no secret in the Statehouse, was passed over by Kempthorne in favor of fellow senator Jack Riggs of Coeur d'Alene in the appointment of a new lieutenant governor.

"Ever since the governor appointed the lieutenant governor, Jim Risch has been in a slash-and-burn mode. Basically anything the governor wanted, he was after," Newcomb said. "The agenda for Risch was just to not give the governor anything he wanted. In my estimation it was very unprofessional on his part. I think that's why it got into this game playing."

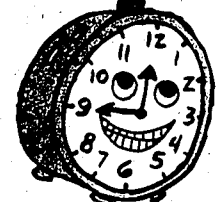
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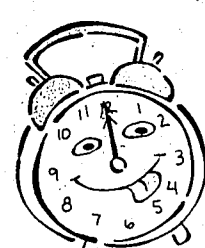
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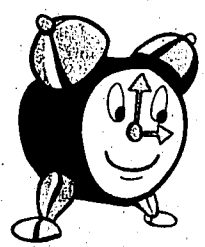
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### Bunny visits mall

**What:** The Easter bunny will hop through the mall.  
**Where:** Center court in the Magic Valley Mall, 1485 Pole Line Road E., Twin Falls  
**When:** 2-7 p.m. today  
**How much:** Free admission

### 'South Pacific'

**What:** The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will present Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's "South Pacific"  
**Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls  
**When:** 7:30 p.m. today  
**How much:** \$10 for adults and \$7 for kids 12 and under, seniors over 60 and veterans at the Magic Valley Mall

### April Fool's dance

**What:** An April Fool's dance will be held  
**Where:** Y-Dell Event Center, 1331 E. Main, Burley  
**When:** 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today  
**How much:** \$5 per person; must be 18 or older to attend

### 'The Dinosaur Chronicles'

**What:** The new multi-media show, "The Dinosaur Chronicles," continues  
**Where:** The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the College of Southern Idaho campus in Twin Falls  
**When:** 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. today  
**How much:** \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families with two adults and no more than four children at the door. No children under age 4

### Steak and karaoke

**What:** Karaoke will be featured  
**Where:** The Montana Steak House, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls  
**When:** 8 p.m. to midnight today  
**How much:** No cover charge

### Pool tournament

**What:** A pool tournament will be held  
**Where:** The Riverside Bar, Burley  
**When:** 2 p.m. Sunday  
**How much:** \$5 per person with 100 percent payback.

### Fly 2 Void performs

**What:** Fly 2 Void will play  
**Where:** The Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls  
**When:** 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today  
**How much:** No cover charge

### Muggers entertains

**What:** Fat John and The Three Slims will play  
**Where:** Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls  
**When:** 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today  
**How much:** \$3 cover charge

### Lounge act

**What:** Desert Rain will play  
**Where:** Ramona Lounge, 113 Broadway, Buhl  
**When:** 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. today  
**How much:** No cover charge.

Compiled from staff reports

# Escapee's sister files tort claim

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - The sister of a man who escaped last year from the Jerome County Jail has filed a tort claim against the county and sheriff's office, claiming deputies came into her house without a warrant the night of the escape and threatened her, the woman's attorney said.

"It was late at night, and they came and banged on the door," said Twin Falls attorney Lynn Dunlap, who in January filed the tort claim on behalf of Victoria Saucedo of Jerome.

## Lawyer: Deputies violated woman's privacy during search

"She went up to answer the door, and as she started to unlock it, they came through, pushing her back," Dunlap said. Saucedo is the sister of Money Ray Boston, 23, Boston, along with two other Jerome County Jail inmates, escaped from the jail Nov. 23 after severely beating a guard, officials said. The other escapees later turned themselves in.

Saucedo contends that when Jerome County sheriff's deputies came to her house in Jerome that night searching for Boston,

two deputies entered the house without a warrant, Dunlap said. "Her two minor children were in the house," he said. "They threatened to shoot her, they threatened to shoot her brother if she didn't get him up."

Saucedo told the deputies she did not know where Boston was, and that she had not seen or heard from Boston in quite some time, according to the tort claim. Jerome County Undersheriff Jocelyne Roberts said Friday she could not comment on Saucedo's allegations, because of the possi-

ble litigation and personnel issues involved. Jerome County District Court clerk Michelle Emerson said that as of Friday, there was no public record of a warrant to search Saucedo's house Nov. 23. But that doesn't necessarily mean a warrant wasn't issued, she said. The sheriff's office might not have to file an affidavit of return on the warrant - a public document - unless and until Boston is caught, Emerson said.

By Idaho law, a government

**Still at large**  
**M**oney Ray Boston, 23, is 5 feet 11 inches tall and weighs 200 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes and a tattoo across his chest that says, "Confessing a Feeling." He is believed to be extremely dangerous. Anybody with information about Boston may call 324-8845 (during business hours) or 735-1911.

agency facing a tort claim has 90 days to respond before a lawsuit can be filed.  
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## KIMBERLY BLAZE



Rock Creek-Kimberly firefighters tear a side off a burning shed at 343 King Street in Kimberly on Friday. The shed caught fire when a fire set to burn the ditch bank behind the residence got out of control. Damage to the shed and its contents were estimated at \$5,000. No one was injured in the blaze.

# House approves 'backbone' dairy bill

By Michael Journee  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** - The last dairy bill on the Legislature's calendar and the financing for enforcement of new dairy regulations received final approval by the House on the final day of the session Friday.

Heavily amended House Bill 262, considered the backbone of a new set of dairy regulations approved by lawmakers this year, passed with a 42-17 vote in the House, while a \$250,000 appropriation for the Department of Agriculture, Senate Bill 1264, was passed unanimously.

House Bill 262, known as the Agricultural Odor Management Act, opens the Department of Agriculture the authority to control dairy odors through the regulation of waste lagoon construction and the development of odor management programs.

The bill requires plans for all new or modified dairy lagoons to be "designed by, or reviewed and approved by," licensed engineers.

If a dairy is generating odors "in excess of levels associated with accepted agricultural practices" the Agriculture Department must work with the operator to develop an odor



management plan and continue working on the problem until a solution is found.

An operator that refuses to work with the department of fix the problem, or deviates from the agreed-upon plan can be fined up to \$10,000.

Any operator found to have an odor problem, worse to fix the problem and remains violation free for three years will not be considered a repeat offender for purposes of accessing a fine.

The House had previously voted 42-23 to approve the bill, but amendments made by the Senate last week required the House's approval.

In its amendments, the Senate loosened up restrictions on access to proprietary dairy records proposed by the dairy industry and Filer dairyman Hank Hagfliger through his lobbyist, Boise attorney Ken McClure. The House Agricultural Affairs Committee added the record restrictions only to have them curtailed by the Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee.

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# Wood River Middle School teachers receive awards

By Barb Nelwert  
The Times-News

**HAILEY** - When it rains it pours; but in the case of Wood River Middle School, that's a good thing.

The month of March played out like the Academy Awards of teaching at WRMS after not one, but three, of its teachers received distinguished teaching awards from three different organizations.

Marie Barton was chosen as the Idaho Middle Level Association Educator of the Year. Steve Poklemba received honors from President George W. Bush when he was presented with the Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching, and Jim King was named Idaho's Middle School Athletic Director of the Year.

For all three, notice of the awards came as a surprise, but WRMS Principal John Cvetich



Wood River Middle School teacher Marie Barton talks to eighth-grader Alice Bynum about a project. Barton was one of three WRMS teachers who received prestigious teaching awards.

"Success breeds success," Cvetich said. "There's some-



Marie Barton Steve Poklemba  
 thing extraordinarily right about a school and an environment that allows individuals to excel."

**Marie Barton**  
 From the depths of the GATE - Gifted And Talented Education - cave, as her classroom is affectionately known, Barton, 33, delves out a steady supply of creativity whether it be for her French, debate, leadership, creativity or accelerated

Please see TEACHERS, Page A6

# Snowpack stays half of average

**TWIN FALLS** - With Idaho facing some of the grimmest water forecasts in the past century, the Idaho Water Supply Committee will meet April 11 to develop a comprehensive overall state water picture for the coming year, the Idaho Department of Water Resources said Friday.

The April meeting is critical in Idaho water planning because the vast majority of the snow which provides stream flows during the rest of the water year will have accumulated. Water Resources said. That means the committee should be able to bring together data to form a relatively precise picture of the state's 2001 water supply outlook.

SNOTEL data gathered Friday from Idaho's 13 major river basins show snowpack levels ranging from 34 to 62 percent below average for this time of year.

Please see SNOW, Page A6

# Centennial commission to name leader

**By John T. Huddy**  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The city's Centennial Commission expects to announce a new leader next week.

Kent Just, the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's executive and a commission member, said he didn't want to release the person's name until he or she gave an official yes.

"We need to make sure that person is really on board," Just said. "But there's no question in my mind that the person will do it."

The Centennial Commission is planning the city's 100th birthday celebration in 2004-2005. The new chairman or chairwoman will take former chairman Jeff Gooding's place.

Gooding resigned last year because he said the commission was going in a different direction than he expected, leaving him with less time to focus on commission tasks.

The new chairman will help organize the commission's goals.

"There's plenty of stuff going on that's going to make this thing happen," Just said.

Also, Just said the city might hire a part-time coordinator to help the commission follow through with its goals.

Here are some of the other things the commission is working on:

- Using the I.B. Perrine Stagecoach, which had been displayed in the city's airport lobby, in upcoming summer festivities around the city. A historic ice wagon may take the coach's place in the airport's lobby.
- Selling centennial T-shirts with the motto "Making the Desert Bloom."
- Making a calendar of events for the city's centennial celebration. Several commission members suggested starting to schedule centennial events.
- Moving the county's historical museum from U.S. Highway 30, outside the city, into town. Several downtown sites are being considered.

**WANTED**  
 in the Magic Valley

**Name:** Eric Christopher Ochsner  
**Age:** 34  
**Description:** White male, 5 feet 7 inches tall, 220 pounds, brown eyes, brown hair.

**Charged with:** Probation or parole violation on an original charge of larceny.

The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office asks anyone with information to call 736-4100 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387. Callers can remain anonymous and might be eligible for a cash reward.

# Thousands of Idaho residents sign up to block telemarketers

BOISE (AP) - Nearly 15,000 Idaho residents have signed up for the state's first "no-call" list to block telephone solicitors, and consumers have until midnight tonight to join.

Attorney General Al Lance, whose office is running the program, said they could come to his Consumer Protection Unit to fill out the needed paperwork and pay the \$10 fee Friday. They also have until 11:59 p.m. today to sign up via the Internet.

Spokesman Bob Cooper said 14,682 people had signed up as of Thursday afternoon. Lance's office began taking names for the list in January. Interest was picking up as the deadline loomed. Cooper said, adding that 75 registered in just two hours Thursday.

Lance said his office processed 306 telemarketing complaints in 1999, and that gripes about unwanted phone calls consistently rank among the top 10 categories of consumer complaints.

Those who sign up for this first

**Telemarketers have 30 days after each list is published to stop calling those on the list. The lists are updated quarterly, and anyone who signs up will remain on the list for three years.**

list, which will be published April 2, may still receive some unwanted calls for a while, Lance said.

Telemarketers have 30 days after each list is published to stop calling those on the list. The lists are updated quarterly, and anyone who signs up will remain on the list for three years.

After three years, consumers can sign up again for three more for \$5. The fees were set to cover the program's administrative costs.

**Interested? Sign up for the program online at www.accessidaho.org and click on "reduce telemarketer calls" near the bottom of the web page.**

The anti-solicitation law does not cover charitable groups, nor does it cover businesses with whom consumers have a business relationship, such as banks or insurance companies.

But other telemarketers who call someone on the list face civil penalties of up to \$500 for the first violation, \$2,500 for the second and \$5,000 for the third violation. The fines would be set by a judge, not the attorney general's office.

Cooper said those signing up for the list will receive a complaint form to use if they receive an unwanted telemarketing call. They can submit the form to the attorney general's office for action.

## The Associated Press

### Sent to Governor

- HB87 (Revenue and Taxation) - Cuts the individual capital gains tax on real estate and tangible property in half for one year only.
- HB34 (Revenue and Taxation) - Requires realtor district petitions to state maximum tax rates.
- HB38 (Ways and Means) - Authorizes release up to \$220 million of water from Cascade and Deadwood reservoirs to augment river flows for salmon migration in 2001.
- SB127 (Judiciary and Rules) - Legalizing soliciting on public rights of way under certain conditions.
- SB107 (Local Government and Taxation) - Creates a comprehensive scheme for municipal disposition of surplus property.
- SB73 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$103 million for public works projects.
- SB126 (Finance) - Appropriates \$700,000 for teacher training in the 2001-2002 budget year.
- SB126 (Finance) - Appropriates \$30,600 for 2001-2002 operations of the Department of Self-Governing Agencies.
- HB109 (Agricultural Affairs) - Provides liability for the willful and knowing damage or destruction of any agricultural or horticultural crop product.
- SB131 (Revenue and Taxation) - Makes technical corrections to the Idaho Income Tax Act.
- HB24 (Agricultural Affairs) - Authorizes the Department of Agriculture to regulate organic products under contract or bailment a lien on the product or proceeds of the product's sale.
- SB153 (Finance) - Allocates \$12,000 for the lieutenant governor's 2001-2002 operations.
- SB126 (Finance) - Adds \$25,000 to the 2001-2002 budget of the Agriculture Department.
- SB126 (Finance) - Adds \$640,000 to the 2001-2002 budget of the Supreme Court.
- SB127 (Finance) - Adds \$991,000 to the 2001-2002 budget of the Supreme Court.
- SB128 (Finance) - Adds \$94,000 to the 2001-2002 budget of the Labor Relations Board.
- SB129 (Finance) - Adds \$598,000 spending authority to the 2001-2002 budget of the Board of Education for land trade in Idaho Falls.
- SB121 (Finance) - Allocates \$36.4 million for 2001-2002 operation of the Infrared Services and Independent commissions in the Health and Welfare Department.
- SB172 (Finance) - Allocates \$53.2 million for 2001-2002 operation of the Public Health Services.
- SB123 (Finance) - Allocates \$160 million for 2001-2002 operation of the Division of Family and Community Services.
- SB124 (Finance) - Allocates \$809.5 million for 2001-2002 operation of the Medicaid program.
- SB125 (Finance) - Allocates \$123.6 million for 2001-2002 operation of all the welfare programs.

### Legislative action complete

SB115 (State Affairs) - Authorizes the Parks and Recreation Department to enter into agreements to finance a new park along Bollsinger Creek in the Isaacson Valley.

SB117 (State Affairs) - Approves administrative rules that impose a fee or charge and reject other agency rules.

# LEGISLATIVE LOG

## Attorneys argue roadless plan

BOISE (AP) - State attorneys Friday said the Clinton Administration tried in record time to push through a plan putting 58 million acres of roadless ground nationwide off-limits to logging, taking in 2 percent of the land mass of the United States.

But environmental groups, who intervened against Idaho's lawsuit targeting the Forest Service, told U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge that since no timber harvest will take place on those pristine areas this summer, the state cannot prove it needs a preliminary injunction to halt the rule while Lodge makes a final decision.

"Nothing, nothing is going to happen," said Doug Honnold, attorney for the Earthjustice

Legal Defense Fund representing the conservation coalition.

Lodge took under advisement the state's request for an injunction and said he would rule as soon as possible. Federal attorneys Friday told him they would supply a May 4 status report on the Bush Administration's roadless plan to the court. The roadless policy is scheduled to go into effect May 12. The ban originally was to have taken place effect March 13, but President Bush postponed it so he could review it.

The Idaho Land Board in January sued the Forest Service, saying it kept them in the dark about which lands would remain roadless.

Another suit Lodge is considering in tandem with the state's

claim was filed by a consortium including the Boise Cascade Corp., wood-products company; two mountain communities in Idaho; environmental advocates; Emmett rancher Brad Little; and the Kootenai Tribe.

The state and that coalition contend federal officials did not ask for enough public involvement, offering only about a two-month comment period on a document 700 pages long, taking in 58 million acres nationwide, 9.3 million in Idaho.

"(Clinton) was leaving office and wanted to leave a land legacy," Deputy Attorney General Matt McKeown said. "The National Environmental Policy Act was a speedbump and they ran right over it."

## Forest chief takes parting shot at mines

RENO, Nev. (AP) - Outgoing Forest Service Chief Mike Dombeck took a parting shot at mining companies, saying an 1872 law that regulates the industry's use of public lands is antiquated and needs immediate updating to protect the nation's natural resources.

Dombeck, whose resignation is effective today, urged an end to the special exceptions the law carves out for the hard-rock mining industry in national forests and on other public lands.

In his resignation letter this week to Agriculture Secretary Ann V. M. Drombuck, he said that he said reflects an outdated view of natural resource.

"The law is 'the product of an era when women and many minorities could not vote, the nation was struggling through Civil War reconstruction and St. Louis represented the Western frontier to many citizens," he said.

Dombeck, a fisheries biologist by training, was viewed as an opponent of the timber and mining industries during the four years he served in the Clinton administration. A former aide said Dombeck decided to resign because the Bush administration intends to take the agency in a new direction.

Dombeck's appeal for mining reforms has met resistance in Congress in the past and is unlikely to enjoy any support from the new Bush administration.

Rep. Jim Gibbons, R-Nev., a staunch defender of the mining industry, said he had hoped Dombeck would have given constructive comment, rather than criticism.

"It is somebody who had his own agenda, and to blame hard-rock mining is simply sour grapes," said Gibbons who represents a state that produces about 70 percent of the nation's gold and ranks third nationally in gold production, behind South Africa and Australia.

Gibbons said the industry "has done a great job trying to work with the Forest Service. For the retiring chief of the Forest Service to make such outlandish statements is totally uncalled for. I'm looking forward to working with the new head of the Forest Service."

But conservationists said Dombeck's efforts will be missed. "We will all suffer the loss of Mike Dombeck's leadership of the Forest Service," said Aimee Botsinger, a field director for the Mountain Policy Center in Montana, a nonprofit environmental watchdog with headquarters in Washington D.C.

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# DEATH NOTICES

### Sarah Garcia

BURLEY - Sarah Garcia, one-day-old infant daughter of Juan and Claudia Garcia, died March 29, 2001, at the Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, April 2, 2001, at the Truth Tabernacle Church, 335 W. 13th St. in Burley, with Pastor Quinn Yarbrough officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 12-1 p.m. Monday at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary.

### Burtis T. Case

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. - Burtis T. Case, 81, of South San Francisco, Calif., died Dec. 28, 2000 of a brief illness.

A memorial service and inurnment will be held early April in New Matamoros, Ohio.

### Wilbur Loucks

GOODING - Wilbur Loucks, 96, of Gooding died March 29, 2001, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Funeral services are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

### Gerald Harman

ACEQUIA - Gerald Harman, 81, of Acequia died Friday, March 30, 2001, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital Extended Care Facility in Rupert.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert

Chapel, 710 6th St. in Rupert.

### Mabel B. Austin

WENDELL - Mabel B. Austin, 90, of Wendell died Dec. 17, 2000. Graveside inurnment services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Wendell Cemetery.

### Zenia A. Mitchell

TWIN FALLS - Zenia A. Mitchell, 94, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, March 29, 2001, at Twin Falls Care Center.

Funeral services are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert

The service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, at White Mortuary. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Monday, April 2, 2001, at White Mortuary. A complete obituary will follow.

### Lloyd Powell

RUPERT - Lloyd Powell, 81, of Rupert died Friday, March 30, 2001, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

Services are pending at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

James Glass of Umatilla, Ore., memorial service at 1 p.m. today at the Bickleton Cemetery, Bickleton, Wash. (Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Ore.)

Elaine Riley of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2:30 p.m. today at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Ida Lellehua Sisiom of Twin Falls, memorial service at 5 p.m. today at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Ferne L. Cooke Jenkins of Twin Falls, graveside service at 1:30 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Cemetery. (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.)

Charles 'Chuck' Skaggs of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St., Burley; interment will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from

6-8 p.m. Sunday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley and from 10-10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Ora LaPreal Urquien of Rupert, service at 1 p.m. Monday at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 6th St. in Rupert; burial will follow in Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Sunday and before the funeral on Monday at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Lois Eleanor Jepson of Jerome and formerly of Gooding, service at 11 a.m. Monday at Demary's Gooding Chapel; burial will be in the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding; friends may call from 4-7 p.m. Sunday at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Aileen White Weir of Hagerman, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Hagerman United Methodist Church; private inurnment will follow.

# SERVICES

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER  
Some names are omitted at the patient's request

Dismissed

Becki Carlson of Twin Falls

Vicci Archer of Jerome, Nancy Foote of Dietrich and Lucille Panko of Burley

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# OBITUARIES

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

### TWIN FALLS

Letter-day Saints where she sang in many capacities. She had a special love for music, poetry and genealogy. She loved the outdoors, especially birds and flowers. She was an exceptional cook and seamstress. She formerly lived in Newdale, Sugar City and Howe in Howe. Dee and June managed the Simplot Farms for 10 years. June was and active member of the LDS 9th Ward before she passed away.

June is survived by her six daughters, Sheila Mary (Bruce) Onaliss, Jolene (Gavin) Sutton both of Rexburg, Clara Ann (Brad) Davidson, Deena Newman (Eric Saugblich), Jonnie Lynn Newman, Pennie Dee (David) Joy all of Twin Falls; one foster son, Ralph Caughie of Wileysville, Calif.; 19 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, a sister, Naomi Garbanati of Utah and two brothers, Ferrell Neal and Hollis Neal both of Idaho. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Dee Newman, four sisters and four brothers.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2001, at the 9th Ward LDS Chapel on Elizabeth Boulevard with Bishop Glenn Arrington conducting. Burial will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call at White Mortuary on Monday, April 2, from 7-9 p.m., with the family

greeting friends at that time.

### Anna Mae Hainline

Anna Mae Hainline, 94 of Twin Falls, formerly of Fair, passed away March 29, 2001, at her home with her loving husband by her side. She was born May 26, 1912, in Fair, the daughter of Samuel Gordon and Leta Jordan Dugh. Anna graduated from the Fair High School and was proud to be a native of Fair. On Sept. 29, 1946, she married Paul Hainline. They made their home in Fair. She enjoyed painting, sewing and working with her church. She even worked as a designer in Hayward designing for new stores before moving back to Fair and getting married.

She is survived by her husband, Paul, of Twin Falls, along with numerous nieces and nephews. Preceding her in death were her parents, along with four sisters and six brothers.

Memorial services will be held Wednesday, April 4, 2001, at 2 p.m. at the Fair United Methodist Church. Inurnment will follow at the Fair Cemetery. Memorials may be made in her name to the American Cancer Society or the Boy's Town National Helpline. Cremation and services are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

# MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

## Judge will decide if witness will stand trial

By Aaron Brock  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — Materiality of the testimony is a key issue as a magistrate court judge decides whether Edward Wolfrum will stand trial.

Wolfrum is charged with perjury and is accused of fabricating information about his education to increase his credibility as an expert witness in the Dr. Charles Suits drug possession case that took place in January and February 2000.

Wolfrum appeared Friday before 5th District Magistrate Judge Michael Crabtree in the Cassia County Courthouse.

Several audio recordings were presented as evidence during the Suits trial, and Wolfrum testified that the tapes had been modified, using a computer-aided demon-

stration in his testimony. This testimony contained an allegation by Suits that evidence had been altered to incriminate him, which was denied by investigators.

But Wolfrum's testimony was not reliant on his education, said Wolfrum's attorney Keith Roark, who argued that the charges be dismissed.

"His academic credentials had nothing whatsoever to do with his testimony," Roark said.

The state called two witnesses — Burley attorney Jim Annett and Cassia County law enforcement officer Randy Kidd — to testify Friday.

Kidd, the investigating officer, said that he began to look into Wolfrum's educational background when he was alerted that Wolfrum may have fabricated his educational history.

Annett, one of Suits' lawyers

during the drug possession case, said that he did ask Wolfrum about his educational background.

But, Annett said Wolfrum's educational background was not an essential component of why Wolfrum was brought on to testify.

"My understanding was that Mr. Wolfrum had expertise in being able to analyze the types of tapes used in this case," Annett said. "I didn't care about what schools he went to. I cared about the training he had."

According to Cassia County Prosecuting Attorney Blaine Cannon, Wolfrum testified under oath that he attended and had degrees from Wayne State University, the University of Michigan and Michigan Technological University.

Affidavits from all three univer-

sities indicated that Wolfrum never attended, or received degrees from any of them.

And by representing himself as having degrees from such universities, Wolfrum did materially affect the trial, Cannon said.

"Materiality is shown by the fact that Mr. Annett asked the question about Wolfrum's education in the first place," he said.

Crabtree will make a decision to have Wolfrum stand trial, or to dismiss the case, in the next few days. In the meantime, Crabtree ordered that Wolfrum be booked over into the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center, but that Wolfrum be released on his own recognizance.

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## Police hunt for suspect

TWIN FALLS — Officers Friday

were looking for a man suspected of trying to rob the Bananas wholesale store at 761 Main Ave. E. in Twin Falls, according to a police report.

A sales clerk told police that a Hispanic man wearing a black ski mask walked into the store at about 4:30 p.m., brandished a can of mace or pepper spray and demanded money.

When the clerk refused to hand over any money, the man left the store, according to the report. The man was described as being about 5 feet, 4 inches tall with a slender build, and wearing a dark coat and blue denim shorts.

**Judge delays hearing for forgery suspect**

**TWIN FALLS** — A preliminary hearing set Friday for a San Francisco man facing forgery charges was delayed because no court interpreter who knows the man's primary language was available.

Magistrate Judge Kevin Cassidy rescheduled a hearing for Shu Fan Yu, 40, for April 13. Public Defender John J. Hansen said Yu's primary language is Cantonese, and the nearest court interpreter who speaks Cantonese is based in Boise. Yu was arraigned in Twin Falls last week on three counts of forgery of a financial card transaction. He was

## Valley in brief

held Friday in the Twin Falls County jail on \$200,000 bond. Investigators say Yu was part of a traveling ring of thieves who in August 2000 used fake credit cards to buy jewels in Twin Falls and Boise.

## Kimberly School Board discusses new school

**KIMBERLY** — The School Board held a special meeting Thursday to discuss the engineering of the new school.

Site engineer Dave Bidegagneta said without a master street plan for West Center street and Emerald Drive it would be difficult to engineer the project without the possibility of future drainage problems.

He said it would also be difficult to align curbs and gutters to match future curbs and gutters that might be constructed on sections of the streets that don't border the school property.

He suggested asking the Planning and Zoning Commission for a deferred ruling on the requirement of curbs, gutters and sidewalks until the city has a master plan in place.

The board will speak with city planners.

— compiled from staff reports

## Democrats try for Mini-Cassia comeback

By Dan Fields  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — It's not on the verge of extinction, but some would call it close.

When you're in a largely Republican state, it seems the only time you see the word Democrat is in a history book.

But a few people are hoping to change that.

Damian Rodriguez is leading the charge to establish a Mini-Cassia Democratic Central Committee. After meeting recently with Patty Nance, the Idaho Democratic Party's spokeswoman, Rodriguez found he had support in breathing life back into the party here.

"What prompted me to do that is that there's not enough representation in this area," said Rodriguez, a counselor for the state Department of Education in Burley and a former employee of The Times-News. "There's a lot of closet Democrats in this area."

After meeting with Nance, Rodriguez set a tentative date of April 27 to have an informational meeting on bringing the party back to Mini-Cassia.

"Interestingly enough, there's more Democrats in that area than people think," Nance said. "It was really a good first meeting. I couldn't be more excited."

"What we're going to do is just invite people who want to come to this meeting," Rodriguez said.

"We'd just like to meet and to see who is leaning toward our direction and then go from there. It's needed here. It's a heavy Republican area. We need some type of representation. The time is now for the Democratic party to make itself known. We're a little giant in this area just waking up."

Probably the area's best-known Democrat, retired Gov. John Evans Sr., said he would help out with the party in any way possible.

"I think it's great," he said. "The (Democratic) numbers in Mini-Cassia and statewide have dwindled. It just makes a lot of sense. I was excited when they notified the state central committee they were considering this. We need a two-party system through-

out the country."

House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, said a similar Democratic comeback occurred last spring in Madison County.

She's hoping the same thing will happen in Mini-Cassia.

"Rather than complain, we should get together and support another voice," Jaquet said. "They have to stand up and be counted. I think there will be these pockets across the state that will continue to pop up. I think you'll see more and more of this. It's great."

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## Norton reiterates support for drilling in Arctic refuge

**ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP)** — Interior Secretary Gale Norton is describing her trip to Alaska and the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge as a "fact-finding mission" she hopes will ease the fight in Washington over whether to open the refuge to oil development.

Norton was warmly received Friday at a luncheon attended by people eager to see the coastal plain of the refuge drilled for oil.

She said a fierce battle is being waged over the issue inside the Washington Beltway. But, she said, both sides want to see the environment protected and the economy grow.

"I think there is some common ground on bringing the party back to Mini-Cassia."

Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, is leading the trip that will include tours of two oil facilities and a stop at Kaktovik, the only

village in the refuge. Residents there strongly support oil development.

Murkowski introduced Norton as a "lifelong conservationist" who brings "common sense solutions" to environmental challenges.

"I can't tell you how pleased we are to have you up here," Murkowski said.

Norton used the opportunity to

reinforce her willingness to drill for oil in the refuge if Congress approves the move.

"We have learned from the Exxon Valdez," Norton said, referring to the 1989 accident that spilled 11 million gallons of crude oil into Prince William Sound. "I am confident with new technologies we can work together and develop resources and protect the valuable wildlife habitat."

## Family makes Boise donor's name public

**BOISE (AP)** — Though nobody knew his name, Antonio Hedrick made a big splash by supporting the city's swimming pool system with more than \$1 million in donations. She died last August at 85. Her family decided it was time to announce the anonymous supporter who was convinced swimming would keep children out of trouble.

The former teacher and school worker was behind the construction of the Ivywild Pool in southern Boise. He was the underwater swim passes for 44,000 children who signed a pledge to stay away from drugs.

But she did not want anyone to know about it. Jim Dumont, Boise recreation superintendent, was the only one in the public who knew the woman behind the donations. "She had a huge heart," Dumont said of the quiet and slight Hedrick. "She wanted to see kids do things that were affordable. That made her smile."

Before Ivywild Pool was completed in 1998, children in that part of town had nowhere to swim. Hedrick grew up in the old Barber townsite near where Harris Ranch is being developed. As a child, she spent many hours swimming in the Boise River. As an adult, she became the neighborhood shuttle for her son and his friends when they wanted to go swimming.

## Snow

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year, Water Resources said. The snow-measurement stations use radar to report instantaneous data.

In the Snake River Basin above Palisades Reservoir — the basin that is the major source of Snake River irrigation water for the Magic Valley — snowpack is at 57 percent of average.

That's a little better than the combined statewide snowpack average, which stands at just 50 percent of normal.

The worst picture comes in the Weiser and Panguitch basins, where snowpack levels are now at 38 percent of normal. By contrast, Idaho's best snowpack is in the Bruneau Basin — 66 percent of average.

The low water forecast for 2001 also means the committee will

## Rural fire districts plan ahead for this season

By Ruth Streeter  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — Some rural fire districts are worried about this year's fire threat to homes and property bordering federal lands.

So, rural fire departments will get lessons this year in fire prevention and mitigation, as well as extra money for equipment and training.

Fire chiefs for the Raft River Fire Department and the ACE Fire Department, which covers the area from Almo to Malta, recently asked Bureau of Land Management officials for help with mitigation.

"The fire district has several areas in which homes/private property border BLM managed lands, that have heavy stands of ACE fire and sagebrush," wrote ACE fire chief Michael Sarsani in a letter to Cassia County commissioners.

The fire potential outside the mountains and foothills remains to be seen, said BLM Fire Manager Andy Payne.

The lower elevations typically have fewer fires than higher elevations, because there's less fuel. But if springs have above-average precipitation, cheatgrass and other growth, it makes land ripe for fire.

As yet, it's hard to know the level of precipitation this spring will bring.

"The jury is still out on the lower elevation stuff," Payne said.

But he does predict an above-normal dryness in the higher ele-

vations such as the Cottrell and Jim Sage mountains in Cassia County, where the snow will melt sooner, making the ground drier for a longer period of time.

Congress bumped up funding for this year's wildfire season, following last year's horrendous fires. For the BLM's south-central Idaho Fire District, that means six new fire engines, an additional air tanker and an observation plane, as well as 60 additional firefighters, bringing the total crew to 200.

The BLM is also starting a rural assistance project to better equip and train rural fire districts that are essential to the BLM's fire protection program. In 60 to 70 percent of the BLM's fires, rural fire departments are the first ones on the scene, Payne said.

A different program selects communities for the development of mitigation plans. The BLM this year identified eight communities in the Magic Valley, including Elba and Malta.

Communities were identified based on the amount of neighboring federal land, their level of risk and their fire history. The program is expected to last six years in order to cover every rural community in the BLM's south-central district, Payne said.

Mitigation plans depend on the particular community, and could include measures such as vegetation management or firebreaks.

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## Census: Diversity reigns in Hawaii

**HONOLULU (AP)** — At Cafe 100 in downtown Hilo, a combination plate might include an American-style hamburger, Korean kim chee and Hawaiian lau lau, meat steamed in banana or ti leaves.

Manager Gail Tsunehiro is used to diversity.

The ancestries of the restaurant's three dozen employees include Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Hawaiian, Filipino and Micronesian. Her customers are just as varied.

Hawaii County is the most

multicultural county in the nation, according to an analysis of 2000 census data by The Associated Press using the USA Today diversity index.

"I don't think we ever really give it a second thought," Tsunehiro said. "It is kind of amazing that we would be the most ethnically diverse, but I'm not surprised."

The index, derived in 1991, measures the probability of two randomly chosen people in the same census area being from different racial or ethnic groups.

## Teachers

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social studies classes.

Teaching from a window that is faintly lit from a corner, dimly lit room of concrete blocks, Barton's students don't seem to notice that they are located in the trenches away from regular classrooms. Her teaching style is personalized, innovative, hands-on and project-based. Her learning method that motivates and challenges her students.

WRMS health teacher Mary Jacobson nominated Barton for the state title.

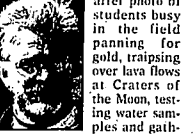
"The classroom, Marie is sensitive to students' differences and most importantly, each individual's learning style," Jacobson wrote. "She involves students in activities, discussions, debates, hands-on experiments, demonstrations and simulations. Students are really engaged in these activities and they have commented, 'This is my favorite class, Mrs. Barton!'"

Her involvement with her classes and numerous after-school activities often keeps her at school until 7 p.m., but she doesn't mind. Barton said she couldn't find better use of her time than coordinating the Natural Helper program, co-chairing the Blaine County Drug Free Schools Committee, advising student government or coaching the girls' volleyball team.

## Steve Poklemba

"My kids made me look good," Poklemba said when asked why he thought he was chosen for the 2000 Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching.

Poklemba's portfolio of his teaching work included photo



Jim King

after photo of students busy in the field panning for gold.

While the award recognizes 216 of the nation's best K-12 mathematics and science teachers, Poklemba shifts the honor from himself and credits the Blaine County School District for allowing him the opportunity to take his students on field trips to remote places.

Poklemba does acknowledge that his teaching style may have had something to do with his receiving the award.

"Maybe it's the relationship I have with my classes. Teaching is all about people, and I try never to forget that," he said.

Poklemba, 42, has taught eighth grade earth science at WRMS for the past 10 years. Prior to that he taught at Wiley Junior High School for two years and one year in Connecticut.

The award earned him not only a trip to Washington, D.C. earlier this month where he was greeted by President Bush, but a \$7,500 grant for WRMS. He plans to poll other math and science teachers at the school to see how to best spend the funds. Possibilities include building a dome to house a new telescope dedicated to the school or implementing a computer-oriented engineering program.

"I applied for this award for Mom who was also a teacher," Poklemba said. "It was a really nice gift to hand her."

## Jim King

King was surprised as anyone to receive the congratulatory letter proclaiming him as Middle School Athletic Director of the Year for Idaho.

"Jim's a savvy one and he's sure a behind-the-scenes guy," Cvetich said. "He makes sure the events are running smoothly, the vending machines are taken care of, open gym is happening, and he brought Optimist football to the valley. He's not looking for any recognition, but it is just making it happen for kids all the time."

King, 51, currently teaches Spanish, U.S. history, social studies and geography and coaches football. Having served as athletic director for only the past three years, King developed and now runs a before-and-after-school program that allows open gym time for all students. Before the program, the gym would be empty unless served for a school-sponsored sport such as volleyball or basketball.

Sports programs at WRMC involve 400 students, or about two-thirds of the student body. In King's mind, team sports are empty unless served for a cause that is greater than yourself," King said.

Open gym and team sports give young people something to do with their time, plus a lot of membership goes on between the coaches and players, King said.

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## Suit

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can be filed.

Dunlap said Friday he had received no response from Jerome County or the sheriff's office and plans to file a suit next month. "I don't doesn't get a response by then."

Jerome County Chief Deputy Prosecutor Erick Shaner — who handles the county's tort-claim cases — was not in his office Friday and could not be reached for comment.

Boston had been jailed on

charges of sexual abuse of a child, child custody interference and misdemeanor battery, according to court records. The charges stem from an October 2000 incident in which Boston was accused of trying to strangle a Jerome County woman who found him in a closet.

Boston apparently was having a romantic relationship with the homeowner's 15-year-old daughter, and he had been camped out in her closet without the homeowner's knowledge for as long as

two weeks, according to Jerome police reports.

When the homeowner opened the closet door, Boston jumped out and tried to strangle him, according to police reports.

Roberts said Friday the sheriff's office was still getting occasional tips about Boston's possible whereabouts, but no solid leads had developed.

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## Just the facts

Here's the mountain data from the Natural Resource Conservation Service's Snow Survey SNOTEL sites as of Friday. Numbers show percent of average:

Basin	Snow water equivalent	Precipitation (Oct. 1, 2000, to now)
Big and Little Wood Basins	43	61
Big and Little Lost Basins	46	57
Henny's Fork, Teton Basins	52	59
Snake Basin above Palisades	57	73
Oakley Reservoir Basin	52	58
Salmon Falls Creek Basin	65	71
Bruneau Basin	66	67
Owyhee Basin	51	72
Statewide average	50	62

evaluate strategies and actions that may be necessary to minimize potential problems. Water Resources said. That will include reviewing and updating the Idaho Drought Plan.

The committee is formed of

key state, federal and private-sector organizations involved in Idaho water science and management. It meets at 10 a.m. April 11 at the IDWR State Office, 1301 N. Orchard St. in Boise. The meeting is open to the public.

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## JHS academic team takes third

**JEROME** - Jerome High School's Academic Decathlon Team who won third place in the large-school division at state competition on March 17.

Jerome's state team also won third place in the Super Quiz competition.

Winning individual honors were the following students:  
Speech - Beth Greenwood, honors gold.

Interview - Collin Peterson, honors bronze.

Language and Literature - Chris Brittain, varsity bronze; Karen Marshall, honors silver; and Collin Peterson, honors gold.

Art - Allen Mewes, varsity bronze; Chris Brittain, varsity silver.

Collin Peterson, honors bronze; Laura Marshall, honors gold.

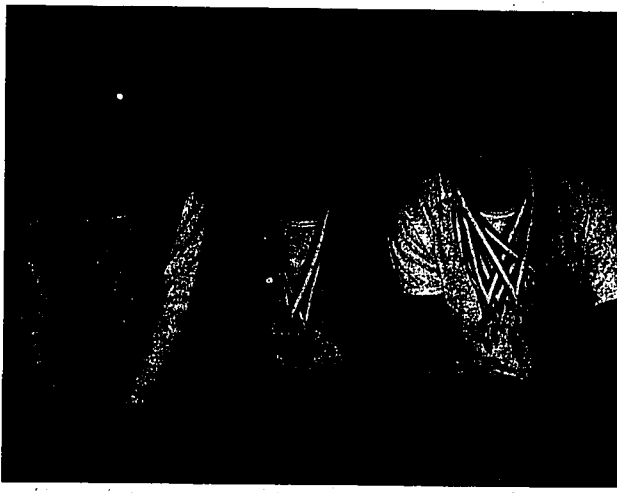
Economics - Ben Lammers, scholastic bronze; Brian May, honors bronze; Collin Peterson, honors silver and Laura Marshall, honors gold.

Science - Laura Marshall, honors silver.

Mathematics - Chris Brittain, varsity bronze; Ben Hodge, varsity silver; Nathan Bingham, scholastic bronze; and Brian May, honors silver.

Music - Chris Brittain, varsity gold; and Laura Marshall, honors gold.

Outstanding Decathletes at the meet: Chris Brittain, second in the varsity division; Collin Peterson, third in the honors division; and Laura Marshall first in the honors

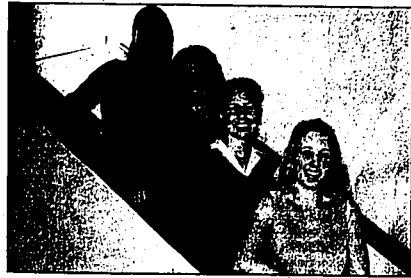


Laura Marshall, Collin Peterson and Chris Brittain, Jerome High School's Academic Decathlon Team, won third at a recent high school division and qualify for state.

division who earned a \$500 scholarship to the school of her choice. Special recognition went to Beth Greenwood's speech, which

was show-cased at the banquet. She delivered her speech before approximately 400 students and guests.

Preston and Centennial high schools will represent Idaho at National competition in Anchorage, Ala.



Girls State representatives selected by the American Legion Auxiliary Post 7 are, from left, Stevie Tolman of Murtaugh High School; Jessica Scott, alternate, Kimberly High School; Kelli Olsen, Kimberly High School; and Staci Vawser, Kimberly High School.

## Auxiliary names Girls State delegates

**TWIN FALLS** - The American Legion Auxiliary Post 7 announced delegates to the Idaho Syringa Girls State June 10-16 at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa.

Delegates are selected by qualifications of leadership, character, cooperativeness, courage, honesty,

good moral character and scholarship.

**Eileen Freestone** is the Hansen High School delegate.

Freestone, 17, is the daughter of Walt and Jan Freestone. She participates in volleyball, basketball and track. She also plays the piano and the saxophone and is an honor student.

The Hansen High School Student Fund is her contributing organization.

Kelli Olsen and Staci Vawser will represent Kimberly High School. Stevie Tolman is the Murtaugh High School representative.

Olsen, 17, is the daughter of Roger and Kathy Olsen. She is the junior class secretary, BPA member and on the varsity volleyball and softball team.

Vawser, 17, is the daughter of Greg

**About Girls State**  
Girls State teaches young people to understand, comprehend and appreciate their roles as United States citizens by teaching them about American government. The program has grown from a few hundred participants to nearly 25,000 Girls State delegates annually. How are participants chosen? Girls are invited to attend if they have completed their junior year in high school, are interested in government and current events, have high moral character, possess strong leadership abilities, have an above average scholastic standing and have a desire to learn.  
Source: American Legion Auxiliary

and Lorrin Vawser of Kimberly. She served as class secretary and participated in BPA, Spanish Club and Pop Club. She is a cheerleader and also plays basketball.

The Grace Smith Keeveren Foundation is the contributing organization for them.

Jessica Scott, the daughter of David and Joyce Scott of Hansen, is Kimberly High School's alternate.

Tolman, 16, is the daughter of Stuart and Nancy Tolman. She participates in volleyball, basketball, track, golf, BPA, FFA, and drama. She serves as student body president.

The Murtaugh Schools Activities Fund is her contributing organization.

## SERVICE NEWS

### Pharris receives promotion to lieutenant colonel

**Russell J. Pharris**, 39, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel on Dec. 1.

He grew up in Hazelton, the son of Pat and Virginia Pharris, and is married to the former Tessie Bruke, daughter of Lonnie and Louise Bruke, also of Hazelton.

Pharris joined the Marine Corps through the Platoon Sergeant Class Program after graduating from Valley High School in 1980.

He attended two summer sessions of Officer Candidate School



Russell J. Pharris

while enrolled at the College of Southern Idaho and Boise State University, his family reports. He graduated from BSU in 1984 with a bachelor's degree in accounting and was commissioned as a second lieutenant. He went on active duty in January 1985 then moved his family to Quantico, Va.

After flight school in

Pensacola, Fla. and Beeville, Texas, he earned his naval aviator wings as a first lieutenant in September 1987. As a captain in 1992, he graduated from the Amphibious Warfare School and in 1998 as a major from the Command and Staff College. He served as Airfield Operations Officer at Yung, Aziz, in 1995 and also as the executive officer of a KC-130 Hercules squadron at Miramar in San Diego, Calif. in 1996-1999.

He is assigned to a joint services tour at Scott Air Force Base, Ill. near St. Louis, Mo. where he has recently attended the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Va.

### Schwabedissen graduates from Florida training course

**Army National Guard Pvt. Jacob P. Schwabedissen** has graduated from the unit supply specialist advanced individual training course at Fort Lee in Petersburg, Va.

The student was trained in receipt, storage, issue and accountability of individual, organization and installation supplies and equipment and maintenance of small arms.

He is the son of Teddi L. and Doug E. Schwabedissen of Kimberly and is a 2000 graduate of Kimberly High School.

### Valley Theater Company presents the musical, 'Annie'

**HAZELTON** - The Valley Theater Company will present its musical production of "Annie" at 7 p.m. Friday through Sunday at Valley High School in Hazelton.

The cast will consist of students from kindergarten to grade 12.

### Sun Valley Center for Arts announces events

**KETCHUM** - The Sun Valley Center for Arts announces the following events:

A free spring break class will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday at the center at 191 Fifth St., E. in Ketchum. The class will be based on the book "Lorax" by R. Seuss. Students are asked to bring a lunch and wear clothes that will not be damaged by paint and glue. Enrollment priority will be given to students who receive recommendations from their guidance counselors.

Art afternoons will be held from 2:45 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays from April 17 to May 6 at the center. The class is for ages 6-12. The class is \$50 for center members and \$75 for non-members. Registration deadline is Friday.

For more information or to register, call the center at 726-9491.

### Jerome resident celebrates 90th birthday

**JEROME** - Beulah Easton of Jerome will celebrate her 90th birthday with an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. today at the Sawtooth Best Western Motel at 3057 S. Lincoln in Jerome.

Easton has six children: Bob (Doris) Easton of Las Vegas, Nev.; Shirley (Willard) Shropshire of Jerome; Janet (Carl) Weis of

### Magic Valley Christian high school holds open house

**TWIN FALLS** - Magic Valley Christian High School will hold an open house for students interested in attending at 9:15 a.m. Tuesday in the sanctuary in the school at 1631 Grandview Dr. N. in Twin Falls.

Those planning to attend should RSVP by Monday by calling 733-5999.

### Harley Davidson Riders hold monthly meeting

**TWIN FALLS** - The Harley Davidson Riders will hold its monthly dinner at 7 p.m. Monday at the Royal Lounge.

For more information, call Roger or Brenda at 733-0151.

### Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary holds dance Friday

**TWIN FALLS** - The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a dance at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the DAV Hall at 459 Shoup Ave. in Twin Falls.

Archie Turner will provide the music.

### Kimberly Senior Center serves turkey dinner

**KIMBERLY** - The Kimberly Senior Center will serve a turkey dinner from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday at 310 Main N. in Kimberly.

The cost is \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children 12 and up and free for children under 12. The dinner is a fund-raiser for the center. Everyone is invited.

### Square and Round Dance Association gets together

**SHOSHONE** - The Magic Valley Square and Round Dance Association will hold a Saturday Dance today at the Masonic Hall in Shoshone.

### Medical center offers breast-feeding classes

**BURLEY** - The Cassia Regional Medical Center will offer breast-feeding classes from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday in the board room.

The class will discuss the advantages of breast-feeding, the physiology of breast-feeding and common breast-feeding problems and solutions. The class will be taught by a certified lactation educator. Participants should bring a doll or stuffed animal. The cost for the breast-feeding class, including several other childbirth classes, is \$20.

For more information or to register, call 677-6500.

### West End seniors hold thrift store sale

**BUHL** - The West End Senior Citizens Center will hold its thrift store \$1 sale starting Wednesday. The sale will run for a week, and new items will be put in every day.

### La Leche League discusses breast-feeding at meeting

**TWIN FALLS** - Expectant and new mothers can learn about breast-feeding at the La Leche League of Jerome meeting at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday or the La Leche League of Twin Falls meeting at 10 a.m. April 12.

Meeting discussion will include the latest medical research, as well as mothers' personal experiences. Leaders accredited by La Leche League International lead the discussion and are available to answer individual questions.

For directions to the meeting or for more information, call Moyne at 735-1041. Member at 735-1497 or Amy at 324-9028.

### Mini-Cassia Master Gardeners hold meeting

**PAUL** - Mini-Cassia Master Gardeners will hold their meeting at noon Monday at the Mindoka County Extension office in the meeting room.

Members should bring a sack lunch. The guest speaker will be Vicki Serr from Vicki's Country Garden in Paul. The topic will be creating annual baskets. The meeting will last one hour.

### Wood River bridge players announce results

**HAILEY** - The Wood River Bridge Club announced the following winners:

Winners at the Blaine County Senior Center in Hailey: first, Reva and Sy Alban; second, Dee Swartz and Marilyn Nesbit; third, Anne Zauener and Fran Maughan; fourth, Pat Morris and Joy Morey.

### Winners for Baby Duplicate at the Harker Center

North/south: first, Margaret Walker and Ellen LaFleur; second, Lynn Smith and Jack Keeney; third, Anita and Frank Meyer. East/west winners: first, Henry and Mary Ritter; second, Jana French and Marcia Duff; third, Leonard Dochters and Hugh Minor; fourth, John Brudde and Sue Rowland; fifth, Bob McGuire and J.J. Johnson.

Other winners at the Harker Center: north/south (first, Sandra Maiter and Betsy Rife); east/west (first, Alice Roger Connor; third, Alice Scully and Barbara Cowin).

East/west winners: first, Monique Nelson and Margaret Taylor; second, Julie Stevens and John Trevis; third, Rick Burke and David Sellen.

Many players attended the Twin Falls sectional recently and the winners were John Bush, J.J. Johnson, Marilyn Nesbit and Dee Swartz, Max Thompson and Fran Maughan.

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## Did Microsoft lawsuit trigger tech-stock selloff?

### Yes

### Nasdaq's tailspin mirrors Microsoft's

JACK STRAYER

While riding back from Capitol Hill to my office the other day, the cabdriver asked me if I thought there was a connection between the Department of Justice's antitrust lawsuit against Microsoft and the dramatic decline of high-tech stocks.

Nasdaq's nose-dive left hundreds of thousands of dot-com employees jobless across the nation and erased billions of dollars of value from the pension funds of millions of hard-working middle- and low-income Americans.

The cabdriver's question was based on an obvious assumption - because nearly everyone gives credit to technology for sustaining the growth of U.S. economic markets over the last 10 years.

So it's only reasonable that the raproot for recent market declines is grounded in tech stocks.

This reawakening of fundamental analysis is only one manifestation of overall market decline.

So why have investors lost faith in technology equities when the business plans of those companies haven't changed, nor have their core businesses?

Most tech firms remain the same businesses that first attracted investors. In addition, other than the decline in Nasdaq, there seem to be few signs of general economic decline.

Consumer confidence remains strong. So are auto sales. Inventories and housing starts also are up smartly. And the Federal Reserve's repeated cuts in the funds rate - 50 basis points this month alone - will result in lower payments for consumers.

However, if you look at the market numbers, and especially the Nasdaq composite, U.S. market declines parallel the Department of Justice's assault on industry leader Microsoft.

Initially, investors welcomed the news, lusting over opportunities a Microsoft break-up would create.

As tech investors began to realize the size of the battle for Microsoft's business and, more important, the cost of change in the industry, the exodus began.

As a result, the Nasdaq composite index has lost nearly 61 percent of its value since the third quarter of 2000 - almost 24 percent since the beginning of the year.

This much we know: If the juan or hove, Microsoft will be forced to make fundamental changes that will affect markets and the technology industry both financially and operationally.

The technology industry as a whole will be forced to change, too. To make matters worse, no one can be certain how or when the change will occur. Who will or even can step into Microsoft's shoes?

Long-term, markets solve these problems efficiently; short-term, they can't. Even the healthiest business - and that generates a great deal of worry and uncertainty. That much, uncertainty injected into a fluid, fast-moving market can scare the pants off even the most seasoned

investors and obviously has - sending them to the altar of financial worry: cash, hard assets and current earnings - not one of which describes most technology stocks.

The biggest losers aren't just investors, though. It is a loss of momentum for the U.S. technology industry.

Even a deep, across-the-board tax cut may not be enough to reinvigorate investment in this valuable and developing industry, and save it from a long, sluggish recovery.

That leaves the enormous cost of maintaining world technology leadership to future investors, like the insightful Washington cabdriver.

### No

### The bubble - as always - has burst

MARK WEISBROT

In the wake of the stock market's decline, it has become common to refer to the market's peak as a "bubble," with the assumption that it eventually had to burst.

But what exactly is a bubble? Does it still exist? And who should have warned the millions of people who have lost a significant part of their life savings over the last year?

We can say that a bubble exists in the stock market if

investor to hold stocks rather than a government bond.

By this measure, there was a bubble in the stock market more than four years ago. And unfortunately, it still exists - even after the sharp decline over the last year.

This can be seen as follows: people get two types of return from holding stocks. The first is the dividend payment, which is a share of the company's profit. Dividend payments now average about 2.0 percent of the value of stocks.

The second part of investors' return is a capital gain - an increase in the price of stocks. How much can investors expect in the way of capital gains? To answer this, we must consider how expensive stocks are today, relative to the profits of the companies that they represent.

This is called the "price-to-earnings ratio." Even after the market's recent "correction," the price-to-earnings ratio for the average stock is still about 23 to 1 - far above its historic average of about 14.

This means that it is not reasonable to expect stock prices to grow faster than profits. But over the long run, profits do not grow faster than the economy. Therefore we would expect

stock prices to grow, at best, at the same rate as the economy. Economists project long-run economic growth at about 2.3 percent, after inflation. This gives us a long-run capital gain of 2.3 percent annually. Add that to the dividend payment, and we get an expected real return on stocks of 4.3 percent.

Since an investor now buys a risk-free, inflation-proof U.S. government bond that provides a real (inflation-adjusted) return of 3.3 percent per year, the average stock simply doesn't make sense as a long-term investment. In other words, we still have a bubble.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan understood the arithmetic of this bubble more than four years ago, when he noted "the irrational exuberance" of the stock market in December of 1996. But his famous utterance caused the markets to drop, and he decided that discretion was the better part of valor.

There are tens of millions of small investors who put their retirement money in the stock market "for the long haul."

The arithmetic shows that they were not only gambling - they were (and still are) betting against a stacked deck. Furthermore, the market's collapse is already hurting the overall economy.

This situation was both predictable and predicted. Of course, it is extremely difficult to forecast what the market will do in the short run, even over a few years.



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Mark Weisbrot is co-director of the Center for Economic and Policy Research in Washington.

## LETTER

### Buhl actually has two stop lights

Undoubtedly, this will be only one of possibly hundreds of letters you will receive from residents of Buhl objecting to the portrayal of our fair city as a "one stop light town," by Steve Crump in his column in the March 25 paper. However, if I am the only citizen of Buhl who reads Mr. Crump's column, then this will be the only letter of objection on this subject that you will receive!

It is obvious that Mr. Crump has not visited Buhl (the town in which his mother grew up after World War I) in quite some time - quite possibly not since the picture was taken of he and his siblings on the hood of his grandfather's Model A. If he had visited Buhl, he would know that not only does our stop light at Broadway and Main turn from red to yellow to green (on a fairly regular basis), he would also have to pass through our other "stop and go" light at the south end of Buhl that has been in operation for a few years, too. (If he arrived in our fair city during one of our "rush hours," he might even have to wait in a line of five or six cars for the light to change!) Mr. Crump! Buhl, the gateway to

Castledford and Balanced Rock, the southeast portal to the Hagerman Valley and the Thousand Springs of the Snake River, the entry to the Clear Springs Food Co.'s Visitor Center and Fish Viewing Pond, is a "two stop light town!"

However, in adding our second stop light, Buhl has not lost that small-town flavor we all savor. Mr. Crump, if you would like to stop and take a picture of your Edsel (or whatever model car you may be driving) while waiting at one of our stop lights in Buhl, I'm sure our local constabulary would probably look the other way - unless you were creating a major traffic jam, say seven cars backed up at the light!

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## We don't value our most important work

JANE EISNER

America has become a land where having a baby is the worst economic decision a woman can make. This great country may worship motherhood above apple pie, but it systematically denigrates or disregards the unpaid or poorly paid labor of those doing its most important work: Raising children.

Political America grows misty-eyed over family values, but it writes and enforces divorce and immigration laws, tax codes and judicial decisions that devalue those who actually care for families.

Corporate America lurches workplace reforms with great fanfare, ignoring the uncomfortable reality that bearing a child - and even worse, bearing more than one child - is a surefire way to curtail professional advancement and future earnings.

Feminist America purports to champion women's causes but is silent on children's issues, even though most of America's women are mothers.

This, says Ann Crittenden, is what America looks like, and her new book, "The Price of Motherhood," has the facts, figures and insights to create a compelling picture. The cheapening of motherhood has cost us dearly, a cost visible in the high-stress lives of working parents, the crisis in child-care employment, and the unconscionably high rate of children in poverty.

Crittenden wonders why the most important job in the world is still the least valued. It's a good question to ask.

Especially now, when raising-rearing is even more complex and demanding task. We expect families not only to provide food, shelter and education, but also to

defend children against the commercial and technological threats to their physical and moral well-being.

Meanwhile, Americans have the heaviest workload in the industrialized world, and working mothers put in longer hours than anybody else, Crittenden writes.

Doesn't anyone get the connection here? If we want parents to spend more time raising their children, we have to support parents who spend more time raising their children.

This is not rocket science. Other nations do this quite well.

Example: Research shows the importance of high-quality education in early childhood. In France, 99 percent of 3- to 5-year-olds attend preschool at no or minimum charge.

In America, no state offers universal early education to 3-year-olds; only Georgia subsidizes preschool for every 4-year-old. And the federal subsidies for low-income families reach only about one-twelfth of those eligible.

Addressing this crucial issue won't bankrupt the nation nearly as much as the Bush tax-cut plan.

Providing incentives for part-time work - which most mothers prefer - won't bankrupt America, either. In the Netherlands, one-third of the jobs are part-time. In Sweden, parents can work a six-hour day until their children are 8 years old.

But here we cling to an addled ideology by which what's good for families is bad

for business. Generous paid parental leaves are a basic right in every other advanced country, and in none of them does business fear the bill. I'm glad that Ann Crittenden wrote that, because I'd never learn it from a business community that swore even mandating unpaid parental leave would result in financial ruin.

Why is the most important job the least valued? Because Americans worship individuality, privacy, minimalism government and unfettered economic competition.

The family is nuclear, mobile, fiercely independent. Fine traits, all - but severe impediments to writing a new social contract with children at its heart.

Particularly disheartening is Crittenden's conclusion that "American mothers are their own worst enemies; and that explains more than anything else why caring labor is so undervalued in this country."

No major women's organization has launched a serious campaign for subsidized child care and universal public preschool. (There's not even a mention of children on the National Organization for Women's Web site.) Women's organizations are indifferent to divorce reform and often pit the needs of poor women against those of the more privileged.

Mothers have to dip the American myth that child-rearing is only a private matter, an individual responsibility, a choice. We have first to convince ourselves that raising children and sustaining family life are worthy of public support.

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You might be saying, "At last I found a place to live." Focus on harmony, music and finding your "voice."

VRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): See people and relationships as they are, not merely as you wish they could be.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Power play day. Open lines of communication - individual in distant city wants to "tell you something."

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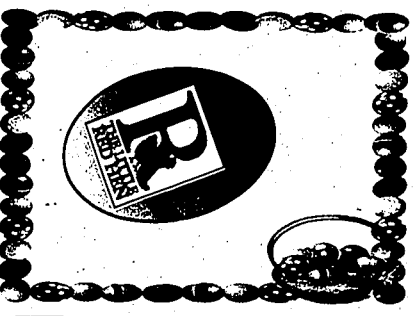
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The biggest sunspot cluster seen in at least 10 years has erupted on the upper right face of the sun's disc, according to satellite readings. Researchers said the sunspot could persist for several days.

The sunspot, which is a cooler, darker region on the sun's surface caused by temporarily distorted magnetic fields. It spawns tremendous eruptions, or flares, into the sun's atmosphere and hurls clouds of electrified gas toward Earth.

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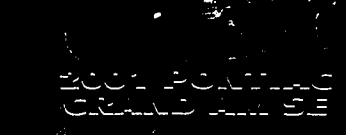



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Section B

## MORNING LINE

### SPORTSQUOTE

“I’m just a man who’s done some good things, some great things and some bad things. That just makes me normal.”

—Charles Barkley

### TRIVIA

**QUESTION:**  
Who holds the record for free throws made in a men's NCAA championship game?

...answer below

### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

**College baseball**  
CSI at Colorado NW CC (2), noon  
High school baseball  
**Treasure Valley Classic:**  
• At Bishop Kelly High  
Wood River vs. Boise, 1 p.m.  
Wood River vs. Bishop Kelly, 7 p.m.  
• At Storey Park, Meridian  
Twin Falls vs. Kuna, 1 p.m.  
Twin Falls vs. Meridian at 7 p.m.  
• At Rodeo Park, Nampa  
Minico vs. Century, 10 a.m.  
Minico vs. Valliuve, 4 p.m.  
**High school tennis**  
Twin Falls at Skyline, 10 a.m.  
Twin Falls at Idaho Falls, 2 p.m.  
**Skating**  
Bill Jans Memorial Classic at Sun Valley, 9 a.m.

### IN BRIEF

**Twin Falls Municipal Men's Association hosts scramble**  
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Municipal Men's Association will host its opening golf scramble on Sunday. Shotgun will be 9 a.m. Entry fee is \$20 and includes breakfast from 7:30-9 a.m.

**Kimberly Bulldog Boosters meet Monday**  
KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Booster Club will meet Monday at the annex at 7 p.m. Members are encouraged to bring their raffle tickets for the drawing.

**Sun Valley golf course, range opens next week**  
SUN VALLEY — Dust off the golf balls.  
The Sun Valley Resort Golf Course driving range will open for the season on Wednesday. The golf course will open Saturday, April 7.  
To celebrate its earliest opening in its 55-year history, Sun Valley is offering a spring golf special through April 29. During that time, golfers can play 18 holes for \$36 or nine holes for \$24. Lessons and clinics will be available. For tee times, call 622-2251.  
The course was recently designated No. 1 in Idaho by Golf Digest. The issue, available beginning April 10, includes state-by-state rankings and lists the national top 100 golf courses.

### Jerome Rec District hosts volleyball camp

JEROME — Children in grades 6 and up can learn basic volleyball through a volleyball camp starting on Monday. Taught by the Jerome High School volleyball coach and team, the camp will focus on skills, drills, court position, rotation and scoring.  
Workshops will be held Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:30 p.m. at the Jerome Recreation District gymnasium. Cost is \$12. Pre-registration is required.

### TRIVIA ANSWER:

Gail Goodrich of UCLA, 18 in 20 attempts in 1965 against Michigan.

# Dwight Gooden announces retirement

*“I’ve enjoyed a great career. It’s been a joyous ride.”*

### The Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — Faced with the likelihood of not making the opening day roster, New York Yankees pitcher Dwight Gooden retired Friday.

Gooden, who signed a minor league contract in December, struggled this spring, going 0-1 with a 7.90 ERA in six games. He finished his career with a 194-112 record and a 3.51 ERA, striking out 2,293 in 2,800 2/3 innings.

“It’s a sad and enjoyable day for myself,” Gooden said. “I’ve enjoyed a great career. It’s been a joyous ride.”

The 36-year-old right-hander ends his career six wins short of 200 victories, a goal Gooden set at the start of spring training.

The Yankees appeared poised

to fill their open bullpen spots with Darrell Einertson, Todd Williams and Brian Boehringer, sending all three for medical tests to make sure they were healthy.

“I said last year this would be the last uniform I would wear,” said Gooden, who had on a Yankees’ batting practice shirt with the No. 17 on the back. “I’m looking forward to starting my second career: spending time with my kids.”

Gooden will remain in the Yankees’ organization in an undefined role.

Gooden seemed headed for greatness after going 17-9 and winning the NL Rookie of the Year award in 1984 with the New York Mets. The following year he became the youngest player — at 20 — to win the Cy Young Award

after going 24-4 with a 1.53 ERA.

After reaching 100 wins at the third-youngest age — 24 years, 7 months, 3 days — in the modern era June 13, 1989, Gooden’s career went downhill.

He hurt his shoulder in 1989 and made trips to the disabled list three times in a four-year period. He also was suspended for the 1995 season because of drug problems.

Gooden signed with the Yankees last June 11 after being released by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays in late May. He went 4-2 in 18 games.

He helped the Yankees win the World Series in 1996 and 2000, and won a ring with the Mets in 1986. His only no-hitter was for the Yankees against Seattle on May 14, 1996.

### So long, Doc

New York Yankees pitcher Dwight Gooden, 36, who gained attention as a hard-throwing 19-year-old rookie in 1984 with the New York Mets, announced his retirement Friday.



SOURCE: Major League Baseball

Pitcher	W	L	IP	SO	ERA
Gooden	194	112	2,800.2	2,293	3.51

**Highlights**  
NL Rookie of the Year Award (1984)  
NL Cy Young Award (1985)  
Struck out 16 batters in one game three times  
Pitched 2-0 no-hit victory with the Yankees against Seattle (May 14, 1996)

**Records**  
• Major league rookie-season record: most strikeouts: 276 (1984)  
• National League record for most strikeouts in three consecutive games: 43 (1984)

# Irish dump Connecticut

## Boilermakers rout Stiles and Co.

### The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — When all looked hopeless, Notre Dame found a way to extend its season for one last game.

Down 16 points in the first half, its point guard in foul trouble, All-American center Ruth Riley neutralized, Notre Dame stormed back to beat Big East rival Connecticut 90-75 Friday night to earn a berth in the women’s national championship.

The Irish got 21 points from St. Louis native Niele Ivey and denied the defending champions a return to the title game. Instead, it will be an all-Indiana final, with Notre Dame meeting Purdue on Sunday night.

Purdue, which lost to Notre Dame 72-61 on Dec. 9, advanced with an 81-64 victory over South-west Missouri State.

Alicia Ratay added 20 points for Notre Dame and Riley, limited to two shots and two points in the first half, finished with 18. Erika Haney added 15 points and 10 rebounds.

Notre Dame (33-2) never led until Ratay hit a 3-pointer with UConn’s Diana Taurasi in her face, making it 61-59 with 12:37 left. Connecticut (32-3) led twice during that, the last time at 65-63 on Tamika Williams’ reverse layup with 10:30 remaining.

Then the Huskies went cold and Notre Dame kicked it in.

Ratay hit a jumper, Ivey sank two free throws and Ratay — the nation’s most accurate 3-point shooter at 54 percent — hit another from behind the arc. That made it 70-65.

Ivey’s steal set up two free throws by Jeneka Joyce, Riley scored on a putback and then sank a free throw. When Haney made two free throws, Notre Dame had scored 14 straight points, the lead was 77-65 and the Irish were on their way to the title game.

Connecticut went more than five minutes without scoring, finally ending its drought when Taurasi

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Notre Dame players Ruth Riley, Meaghan Leahy, back left, Erika Haney and Imani Dunbar celebrate after defeating Connecticut 90-75 in their 2001 Women’s Final Four semifinal game in St. Louis, Friday.

# Eagles sweep CNCC

### The Times-News

RANGELEY, Colo. — College of Southern Idaho starting pitchers tossed 13 1/3 innings Friday as the Golden Eagles took much-needed 3-2 and 4-2 wins at Colorado — Northwestern Community College.

Though the scores may not have been exactly blowouts, CSI assistant coach Boomer Walker was nonetheless satisfied with the sweep.

“We only had 10 hits in 14 innings and we just left too many guys on base,” he said. “But the main thing is our pitchers threw well and we got the win.”

Recovering from an ailment, Craig Kilshaw managed to pick up the win in Game 1, striking out nine Spartans while walking only two. Walker said Kilshaw pitched a strong game.

“He’s been real sick and we didn’t even know if he was going to go,” Walker said. “He had enough to go the complete game but we just wanted a ball on a double play and they got a call at first base in the seventh.”

The Spartans scored their two runs in the seventh. But Nick Parker came in and closed the door with a strikeout and pop-up on five pitches to end it.

Josh Wolfram finished 2-for-4 with a double and two RBIs and Christian Colson went 2-for-3 with a RBI to lead the Eagles. CSI scored its runs on the Wolfram double and a Colson single in the third and three straight hits in the fourth off the bats of Chris Westburg, Tom Myers and Wolfram.

“Josh swung the bat really well,” Walker said. “We put him in the leadoff spot and he came through.”

Right-hander Brad Burrow

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# Dawson fires back with BellSouth lead

### The Associated Press

DULUTH, Ga. — Marco Dawson, 10 months after back surgery only 10 months ago, shot a 5-under-par 67 on Friday to take a one-stroke lead after the first round of the BellSouth Classic.

Sieve Plesch, Scott McCarron, Chris DiMarco, Brandt Jobe and Keanee Yokou opened with 68, and John Daly topped a large group at 69 on the TPC at Sugarloaf.

Daly won the BellSouth Classic in 1994, one of four victories in his star-crossed career. Dawson’s has never won on the PGA Tour

### Golf

and he’s playing this year with a special medical exemption after undergoing surgery last May to repair a ruptured disc.

The tournament started anew Friday after rain washed out play Thursday.

### Rain washes out Legends of Golf

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. — Heavy rain washed out play in the Legends of Golf. Please see GOLF, Page B2

# ACC COUP: Battier, Doherty score AP awards

### The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The Atlantic Coast Conference scored a rare sweep Friday when Duke All-American Shane Battier and North Carolina coach Matt Doherty were presented with Player of the Year and Coach of the Year awards by The Associated Press.

It marked the first time since 1979 that a single conference won both awards. That year they were won by coach Bill Hodges and senior forward Larry Bird of Indiana State.

Battier, a senior forward, averaged 19.9 points and 7.2 rebounds this season, leading the top-ranked Blue Devils to the NCAA Final Four. He is the reigning two-time



Shane Battier

national defensive player of the year and is the first player in ACC history to finish with at least 1,500 points, 500 rebounds, 200 blocks, 200 assists and 200 steals.

“This is a long way from six points and seven rebounds in my freshman year,” he said. “It was fortunate to play with a program and a coach that allowed me to be myself.”

Battier, the fourth Duke player to win the award named for former

Kentucky coach Adolph Rupp and started in 1961, received 65 votes in the national media balloting. He was followed by guards Jamaal Tinsley of Iowa State and 14, and Joseph Forte of North Carolina and Jason Williams of Duke, 10 each.

Battier is the fourth player from the ACC to win the award in the past five years and the fifth in the past seven. Last year’s winner was Kentucky’s Marvin Williams of Cincinnati.

The other winners from Duke were Art Heyman in 1963, Christian Laettner in 1992 and Elton Brand in 1999.

Doherty, in his first season as his alma mater after one year at Notre Dame, was the first North Carolina

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SPORTS

Bruins stay hot, sweep Nampa schools

The Times-News

NAMPA - Backed by errorless defense and the hitting of Vonnice Lopez, the Twin Falls Bruins pushed their winning streak to four with exact 9-5 wins over Nampa and Skyview.

The games opened pool play for Twin Falls at the Treasure Valley Classic tournament. "We just came out ready to play," said Bruin coach Matt Rasmussen. "We were swinging the bats real well and we played great defense."

Sech Merritt and Tyler Maxwell earned the pitching wins, as the Bruins improved to 5-2.

Lopez finished 6-for-8 on the day, including going 4-for-5 against Skyview. Colt Jones had a pair of hits against Nampa and Nampa's Galinas ripped three hits, including a double, against Skyview.

Despite the wins, Rasmussen said the Bruins still have work to do.

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"We've been getting better every time out and the defense is playing great," he said. "We're getting around balls and we're making the routine plays. But we left 11 guys in scoring position today."

Twin Falls finishes the tournament today with games against Kuna at 1 p.m. and Meridian at 7 p.m.

Table with 2 columns: Team Name, Score, and Game Info. Includes Twin Falls vs Nampa and Twin Falls vs Skyview.

Wood River 10, Centennial 3 Vallive 3, Wood River 1 BOISE - Wood River opened with a split of its pool games in the first day of competition at the

Treasure Valley Classic. The Wolverines (4-3) beat the Centennial Juniors 10-3 but fell 3-1 to Vallive.

"It was two lefties throwing pretty good games," said Wood River coach Lars Hovey, of the game with Vallive. "We were hitting the ball harder than they were but we were kind of waiting all game. We couldn't get a big hit and we left on base."

Both Max Paisley and Jake Upham went 2-for-3. Pitcher Riley Nash walked five with two strikeouts.

Against Centennial, sophomores Kellen Chatterton and Ryne Reynoso each hit home runs.

Table with 2 columns: Team Name, Score, and Game Info. Includes Wood River vs Centennial and Vallive vs Wood River.

Softball Capital 3, Twin Falls 2 Twin Falls 6, Capital 4

BOISE - Twin Falls suffered its first defeat of the season 3-2 Friday, but regrouped to earn a 6-4 split with Capital.

"They were classic fastball games," said Twin Falls head coach Nick Baumer. "They have two really good pitchers, two of the best we've seen."

In the loss, Twin Falls walked 10 Eagle batters and committed three errors. Temple Leving led the Bruins with three hits in the doubleheader.

The Bruins (10-1) next play at Burley on Tuesday.

Table with 2 columns: Team Name, Score, and Game Info. Includes Capital vs Twin Falls and Twin Falls vs Capital.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Jerome Rec holds baseball, softball signups

JEROME - The Jerome Recreation District is registering for youth baseball and softball leagues beginning Monday through April 14. Fees vary depending on the league.

Learn Jujitsu through Jerome courses JEROME - A new session of jujitsu will begin Monday through May 7. The martial arts class emphasizes self-discipline and will help build physical strength.

CSI shoots for berth at IHSA nationals in May TWIN FALLS - Two weekends remain in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association season, and the College of Southern Idaho equestrian team is hoping to earn a berth to nationals.

Bush builds field of dreams at White House WASHINGTON - Creating his own field of dreams, President Bush pledged Friday to help revitalize interest in the national pastime with regular T-ball games on the White House South Lawn.

Toronto's Domi fined \$1,000 for dousing fan NEW YORK - Maple Leafs forward Tie Domi was fined the maximum \$1,000 by the NHL on Friday for squirting water at fans from the penalty box.

Arrest warrant issued for Strawberry TAMPA, Fla. - An arrest warrant for Darryl Strawberry was issued Friday by the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Department.

Youth coach gets probation for punching umpire HOLLYWOOD, Fla. - An assistant baseball coach who punched an umpire and broke his jaw has been sentenced to 10 years probation and will not be allowed to coach during that time.

ESPN to pay \$30,000 ethics fine HARTFORD, Conn. - ESPN was fined \$30,000 for violating state ethics laws with a party during last year's Republican National Convention.

Golf Continued from B1 Liberty Mutual Legends of Golf tournament.

Argentina's Angel Cabrera shot a 5-under 65 to take a two-stroke lead after the second round of the Argentina Open.

Native holds lead at Argentina Open BUENOS AIRES, Argentina -

Eagles Continued from B1 pitched seven strong innings to outduel Spartan ace Corbin Plate in the nightcap, which CSI won 4-2.

The wins lift CSI to 17-15, but more importantly 7-7 in the conference. CNCC dropped to 4-21, 0-14 in the Scenic West Athletic Conference.

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Superstars

Idaho State gymnastics meet rates a success

By Jeff Behlman Times-News writer

RUPERT - The first day of the Idaho State Gymnastics meet was a success thanks to the help of parental volunteers, coaches and many local sponsors.

With about 300 state competitors representing 11 different teams, the Minico High gymnasium was full of friends, family and gymnasts from across Idaho.

"Today was a tremendous success for the community and for the kids," said meet coordinator and Burley-based Gym Mania coach Zach Grigsby. "This met all of our expectations by far and then some."

"It makes me a little more nervous right before I start," said Kass Tankersly, a Level 8 gymnast from Gym Mania.

"But during my events it gives me an extra boost to make it to the end."

For 13-year-old Ashley Carluist, who went to nationals at Cincinnati last year and is a regular at the state championships, Friday's meet was a chance to get more competition experience before the regional meet.

"This meet is really important because I want to make it back to regionals," Carluist said. "So far the beam has been my best event today."

Needing to land herself in the top 66th percentile, a score of 9.25 on the balance beam put her well on her way to the regional meet next month in Seattle.

Also having a big day was 6-year-old McKenzie Martinez of Gym Mania.

Pledging to make it to the Olympics at the age of 4, Martinez earned three gold medals at the national meet last year, and five golds at the Reno Invitational earlier this year.

"She can do level 7, 8 and 9 skills but can only compete at Level 4 because of her age," said mother Toni.



BY JEFF BEHLMAN/Times-News writer

IN THE ZONE?

NBA focuses on scoring, speeding up the game

NEW YORK (AP) - The NBA is on the verge of allowing rule defenses as part of an effort to open up and speed up the game starting next season. With scoring down and teams increasingly relying on isolation plays, the league's Board of Governors discussed a package of rules changes Friday that should be voted on in the coming weeks.

Also, a committee was formed to study the possibility of putting a franchise in Memphis, Tenn. The owners of the Vancouver Grizzlies and Charlotte Hornets applied this week to move there.

The Board of Governors, which has one representative from each of the 29 ownership groups, also agreed to give money to Canadian teams and approved the sale of the Seattle SuperSonics.

The suggested rules shifts could change the NBA significantly, moving it closer to the college and international games. The five proposals scrap illegal

"I don't think the size of the meet really bothers her. She's very focused and just gets out there and does what she has to do. She has the best attitude in the world for it as far as I'm concerned."

The Level 5 gymnasts will start Day 2 of the state championships this morning at 8:30, with Level 6 athletes starting approximately at 3:30 p.m. at Minico.

Friday's results were unavailable at press time.

ers was appointed to examine Memphis' viability as an NBA city. They have 120 days, though Grank said he thought it would take half that time.

"Memphis has demonstrated itself as a city that can and will support a major-league franchise," Stern said. On Monday, the Grizzlies and Hornets both asked the NBA for permission to relocate to Memphis for next season.

"Moving the Hornets from Charlotte would not be my first personal choice," Stern said.

The Board of Governors agreed to give a subsidy of up to \$3 million to Canadian teams starting next season. Grizzlies owner Michael Haisley has said he'll lose \$40 million this year.

The \$200 million sale of the SuperSonics to a group of investors led by Starbucks chairman Howard Schultz was formally approved. The Ackerley Group had owned the team since 1983.

He headed the 11-man committee that met for two days this month and came up with the suggestions presented Friday.

In other news Friday:

A committee of seven own-

Golf

Continued from B1 Liberty Mutual Legends of Golf tournament.

Because of all the teams in the Legends and Legendary divisions did not complete nine holes, the entire round was canceled and the event was reduced to 35 holes.

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Argentina's Angel Cabrera shot a 5-under 65 to take a two-stroke lead after the second round of the Argentina Open.

Cabrera, at No. 42 in the world the highest ranked player in the field, had an 132 total on The Jockey Club course.

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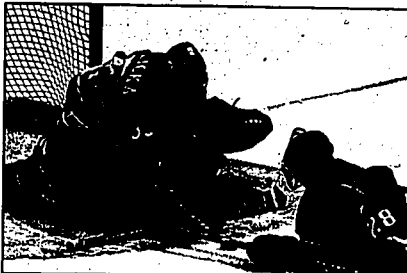
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SPORTS

Hasek, Sabres smother Atlanta Iverson leads Sixers over Warriors

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Dominik Hasek stopped 30 shots, shutting out Atlanta for the second time in five nights, as the Buffalo Sabres clinched their fourth straight playoff berth with a 4-0 victory Friday over the Thrashers.



Buffalo's Donald Audette slides with the puck into the goal for the first score of the night against Atlanta Thrashers goaltender Milan Hnilicka Monday.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Allen Iverson had 35 points and a Philadelphia win for the first time in eight games. Iverson had nine assists, leaving him one short of his first triple-double.

NBA Boston 92-87 and pulled even with the Celtics in the race for the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference. Paul Pierce scored 23 and had nine rebounds, and Antoine Walker had 20 points for Boston, which had won four consecutive games. The Celtics have not made the playoffs since 1995.

points and Johnny Newman added 20 for the Nets. NUGGETS 103, Hornets 96 CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Nick Van Exel returned from a two-game absence to score 41 points as Denver rallied for a 21-point deficit to earn its 10th win of the season.

Senators 5, Bruins 4, OT OTTAWA — Martin Havlat scored 2:25 into overtime, and Patrick Lalime made 44 saves as Ottawa rallied to beat Boston. The Senators, who trailed three times, regained the Eastern Conference lead from the New Jersey Devils.

Hurricanes 4, Capitals 3, OT RALEIGH, N.C. — Rod Brind'Amour scored 3:07 into overtime as Carolina beat Washington. Carolina (35-31-8-3) has 81 points while Boston (32-29-8-8) has 80. Each team has five games remaining. The Hurricanes also own the breakers between the teams.

Lightning 4, Panthers 2 SUNRISE, Fla. — Nikolai Khabibulin stopped 32 shots in his first NHL game in nearly two years as Tampa Bay snapped a four-game losing streak by beating Florida. Pavel Bure, the league's leading scorer with 58 goals, did not score for the second consecutive game.

Jazz 95, Cavaliers 88 SALT LAKE CITY — Karl Malone scored a game-high 33 points. Donyell Marshall added 17 and John Stockton scored 14 as Utah ended a three-game losing streak. Andre Miller led the Cavaliers with 24 points.

Pacers 92, Celtics 87 BOSTON — Austin Croshere hit the game-winning 3-pointer with 38 seconds left on a way to a career-high 32 points Friday night as the Indiana Pacers beat

Pistons 100, Magic 97 AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Jerry Stackhouse scored 31 points and Ben Wallace added 14 points and 21 rebounds as Detroit snuffed its five-game losing streak by ending the string of 23 straight losses when trailing at halftime. Joe Smith finished with 11 rebounds and helped Detroit rebound Orlando 66-46.

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Table with columns for Major League Baseball Spring Training, American League, and National League. Lists teams and their records.

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SPORTS

# Meluskey to miss year

## Detroit catcher steps out after shoulder injury

The Associated Press

On his final day as a player, Dwight Gooden preferred to focus on his future, rather than dwell on his once-glorious past. Unable to make the New York Yankees' opening day roster, Gooden announced his retirement Friday at age 36.

"I'm looking forward to getting my second career started," he said at the team complex in Tampa, Fla. "That's being home with my kids and watching them do things. I have no complaints."

While the Yankees were not counting on Gooden this season, the Detroit Tigers were hoping for a big contribution from Mitch Meluskey.

Instead, the catcher that Detroit expected to provide some offensive punch will miss the season because of a shoulder injury.

Meluskey, acquired from Houston in a six-player deal that included Brad Ausmus during the offseason, will have surgery to repair looseness in his right shoulder. He hit .300 in 117 games with the Astros last year.

The Tigers didn't know Meluskey's shoulder was bothering him until mid-March. Two years ago, when he was with the Astros, his season ended in May because of surgery to correct a similar problem.

The team will now rely on highly regarded prospect Brandon Inge as their starting catcher. Inge, 23, has no major league experience and had been tagged as the starting catcher at Triple-A Toledo. He was optioned to the Mud Hens on March 16, but was brought back to the Tigers' camp after Meluskey was examined Monday.

"He might hit .100, but if we're winning, it doesn't matter if he maintains his positive attitude," Garner said. "You don't want a



Dwight Gooden hugs New York catcher Jorge Posada after throwing out the first pitch before the start of Friday's spring training game in Tampa, Fla. Gooden announced his retirement Friday.

kid to get so far down because of hitting that it destroys him." In day games, it was Minnesota (ss) 6, Yankees 2; Texas 13, Minnesota (ss) 5; Baltimore 4, New York Mets 3; Kansas City 9, Florida 6; and Cincinnati 3, Philadelphia 0.

Rangers 13, Twins (ss) 5 At Port Charlotte, Fla., Alex Rodriguez and Rafael Palmeiro homered to lead Texas over Minnesota's split squad. After the game, the Rangers left for Puerto Rico, where they'll open the major league regular season Sunday against Toronto. Twins (ss) 6, Yankees 2 At Tampa, Fla., Christian

Parker was tagged for six runs and 11 hits over 4 2-3 innings a day after he was picked as the Yankees' No. 5 starter.

Orioles 4, Mets 3 At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., an error by right fielder Jorge Toca on Eugene Kingsale's RBI single capped a three-run ninth inning for Baltimore.

Royals 9, Marlins 6 At Haines City, Fla., Jermaine Dye went 4-for-4 with two home runs and six RBIs to lead Kansas City.

Reds 3, Phillies 0 At Clearwater, Fla., Dinitri Young homered, tripled and singled for Cincinnati. He has seven straight hits.

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## CABIN FEVER

If you're sick of winter and still can't get out of the house because of the snow or cold, here are some fun Internet sites to visit. By the way, they're fun even if you live in a warm climate.

**Word central:** Look up words and develop your own dictionary. Try experimenting how words look in Morse Code. You can even send a secret message to friends. <http://www.wordcentral.com>

**Foreign bugs and animals:** Ever wonder what a bee sounds like in French? How about a gecko in Japanese? Here's the place to find the translations. <http://www.georgetown.edu/chall/animals>

**Brain teasers and more:** The Afro-American Newspaper Company of Baltimore has a large number of games at its site for kids. <http://www.afroam.com/children/fun/fun.html>

**Kid fun:** Number games, strategy games, puzzles and more. And they're all perfect for ages 4 to 8. <http://perso.wanadoo.fr/juxx.lulu/english.htm>

**Travel the world:** You may have to travel all over the world to solve a mystery at this site. It's sponsored by the Association for the Promotion and Advancement of Science Education. <http://forensictiles.bcsj.mpace.ca/>

**Buried treasure:** This site is divided into age sections. The 6- to 9-year-old section has games that include finding animals and hunting for buried treasure. <http://www.kidspsych.org/index.html>

**Build your own:** Build a rocket or a monster at this site. It even includes a beach page where you can listen to a number of different beaches. <http://www.goobworks.com/>

For the whole family: Find card games, puzzles, word games and more at this site for all ages, even adults. <http://www.billsgames.com>

**Rules of the game:** Ever wonder what the rules are to games you play in the back yard? This site has the rules to many games including Dodge Ball, I-Sea Corners and Hot Box. And because some games are played differently depending on where you live, there are specific rules for different places around the country. <http://corpcomm.net/guides/gameshome.htm>

**Pig Latin translation:** Type in your name, a word or phrase, and hear a man, woman or child say it in Pig Latin. <http://www.bell-labs.com/projects/piglatin.html>

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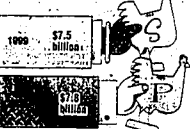
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#### Setting the table

Percent increase in sales of leading products in the United States



## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Nampa campus will get business center

**NAMPA** - A building on Boise State University's upcoming satellite campus in Nampa will offer guidance and information to future high-tech entrepreneurs.

On the heels of the Legislature's approval of \$9.3 million to construct the first building on campus, funding for the new business-focused center was announced Thursday by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

The nearly \$2 million grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Commerce will be used to build the Technology and Entrepreneurial Center.

The 40,000-square-foot center will employ a staff of business and technical consultants who will teach those hoping to become high-tech business owners.

Jim Hogue, the state director of the Idaho Small Business Development Center at Boise State University, said the center's courses will include finance, accounting and production design.

In the high-tech arena, there is a narrow window of opportunity to get a product on the market, Hogue said.

He expects groundbreaking for the new building to take place this fall.

Nampa Mayor Maxine Horn said the center is good news for Nampa and the Treasure Valley, particularly in the wake of the Micron Electronics layoffs last week, because more businesses mean more jobs.

Kempthorne said the center will meet the goals of his Science and Technology Council, which recommends the state invest in research and development and promote collaboration between universities and private industry.

### First USA sends out free money, but for a price

The enticement begins on the envelope with the words "Check Enclosed" in large type. Inside, in another set of large type, First USA urges the credit card customer to "cash the enclosed check right away." The check is for \$4 - "our gift to you for trying Leisure Advantage risk-free for 30 days."

The Leisure Advantage program is one of the benefits of being a First USA cardholder, the letter says. It offers up to \$600 in savings at national retailers such as Barnes & Noble and Kmart, and discounts of up to 50 percent at participating restaurants, hotels, ski resorts and golf courses.

"Just cash or deposit the enclosed check to sign up."

The real cost doesn't appear until Page 2 - or, if the reader doesn't get that far, in the fine print on the back of the check.

After the check is cashed, the small type says, \$79.95 will be "conveniently billed" to the customer's credit card. And "to ensure continuous service each year, Leisure Advantage will be automatically renewed" and the credit card billed again.

First USA spokesman Tom Kelly said the offer is one of many "we think our card members may be interested in." All the information, including the annual membership fee, "is in the offer," he said. "If, after the fact, someone decides they don't want this service, they can call and cancel."

No matter what, Kelly said, consumers should review their credit card bills carefully and call immediately if there are any questions.

Compiled from wire reports

# IBP shares tumble

## Tyson backs out of merger pact

BridgeNews

**KANSAS CITY** - Shares of IBP Inc., the biggest U.S. beef packer with ties to the Magic Valley, plunged Friday after Tyson Foods Inc. abruptly terminated plans to buy the company for \$4.7 billion.

Tyson, the world's largest chicken marketer, backed out of the deal late Thursday, claiming IBP misled it when the two signed a buyout agreement on New Year's Day. Tyson said it did not know the Securities and Exchange Commission informed IBP Dec. 29 of an extensive inquiry into IBP's financial statements.

IBP, which is also the second-largest U.S. pork processor, maintains Tyson doesn't have any valid reasons to discontinue the merger process. The company said it has resolved the SEC's issues.

But the announcement pulled IBP shares lower, to close down 28 percent at \$16.40 Friday, while Tyson stock closed up 17

percent at \$13.47.

Tyson's announcement came just nine days after IBP finally released its final 2000 fiscal results, settling the SEC inquiry. Of the 45 issues the SEC addressed, most centered on improper accounting at IBP's DFG Food unit, a maker of appetizers and part of I B P's Food brands America food-service division.

IBP bought Chicago-based DFG in 1998. After weeks of negotiations with the SEC, the meatpacker agreed March 14 to restate its fiscal results for 1999 and the first nine months of 2000.

But IBP didn't reveal its fourth-quarter results for 2000, including a \$60.4 million one-time, noncash write-down related to DFG, until March 20. Although IBP previously had estimated that charge could rise to \$108 million, most analysts thought Tyson would reduce the value of its per-share bid by \$1.20 to reflect the impact of the charge.

"I was shocked," said Merrill Lynch analyst Leonard Teitelbaum, adding that Tyson must have found something in IBP's financial portfolio or business plan that it simply couldn't tolerate.

"The numbers must have really been bad," Teitelbaum said. "I don't know what specifically was there, though."

Jaine Mehring, an analyst with Salomon Smith Barney, suspects Tyson was worried about IBP's profit scenario amid extremely difficult cattle market conditions.

"I think what concerned them was the lack of IBP's earnings visibility and the deterioration in the short run," she said. In addition, Tyson's own poultry business is suffering from what its management deems the worst market conditions in 20 years. A supply glut has weakened prices considerably in the past one to two years.

Tyson filed a lawsuit Thursday in Arkansas to void the deal and seek as much as \$81.5 million in damages from IBP.

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Berry Summerour, an analyst with Stephens Inc., said it's not clear exactly how much Tyson would owe IBP if courts decide it did not have good cause to terminate the deal. But in a research note issued Friday, he indicated that SEC documents reveal Tyson could be liable for up to \$70 million.

With Tyson out of the way, analysts say Smithfield Foods Inc. is easily the most likely candidate to buy IBP. Smithfield, the leading U.S. hog producer, bid for IBP late last year before losing to Tyson.

Led by Chief Executive Joe Luter, Smithfield has purchased several large hog-farming operations in recent years to further its vertical integration strategy of owning most of the pigs it eventually slaughters for hams, bacon and pork chops.

Essentially, that strategy mirrors the one that sent Tyson to the top of the poultry industry more than a decade ago.

## Attorney goes after health provider

### Says Intermountain Health Care won't disclose salaries

The Associated Press

**CEDAR CITY, Utah** - Since Intermountain Health Care won't disclose requested financial information, it should be taxed, argues Iron County Attorney Scott Burns.

He recommended to the County Commission that it strip IHC's Valley View Medical Center of its tax-exempt status.

"What have we got to lose," Burns told commissioners this week. "Somebody has to have the responsibility to ask what level of service is sufficient; what is fair; what do we deserve, not what is the best IHC can get away with providing."

Burns and IHC - whose Idaho holdings include Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley - are at odds over whether the company meets standards set by the Utah Tax Commission for people to qualify as nonprofit, charitable corporations.

The status comes with an exemption to county property taxes.

"The requirements include nondiscrimination in treatment of patients, giving more to charity each year than the institution would otherwise pay in taxes, assuring that no individuals will earn a profit and providing evidence that officers and employees are paid at a reasonable level. Attorneys for IHC insist the corporation satisfies all the requirements."

"This is the only county that has raised any of these kinds of issues," said Richard Skeen, an attorney for IHC. "Hospitals have routinely been granted exemptions in every (Utah) county because of things we've made."

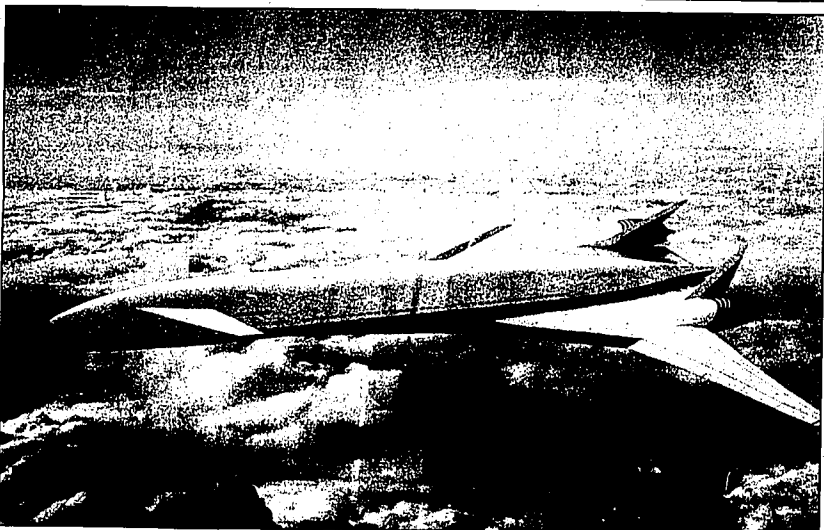
IHC has refused to provide the county with records of what the top four administrators at IHC's Parowan hospital earn. Burns also wants to know whether the administrators' salaries include incentives to cut costs, thereby reducing services to the community.

"I can only conclude that, for whatever reason, Valley View Medical Center and/or IHC has something to hide," Burns said in a letter to the county commissioners.

"Perhaps the speculation that IHC is reaping literally millions of dollars from Cedar City is true, and in light of the scaled-back hospital plans, IHC does not want their financial information made public," he said.

The commissioners are expected to decide the tax issue by mid-April.

## WINGS TO FLY ABOVE THE CLOUDS



Alan Mulally, chairman and chief executive officer of Boeing Commercial Airplanes announced Thursday in Renton, Wash., Boeing will shelve its plans for a giant 747X and focus instead on developing a radically new jetliner, shown in this drawing. The new aircraft will have a delta wing near its tail, two smaller wings near the nose, a pair of engines blended into the wing and will travel near the speed of sound.

## Softening the blow: Firms try innovative ways to trim staff

The Associated Press

**SAN FRANCISCO** - When Grace Stanat had to slash expenses by 30 percent to 35 percent at his Web development company last month, 415 Inc. in San Francisco, he asked his employees how to do it.

The chief executive met with groups of about 20 employees and came up with a "Survey of Lesser Evils," which asked employees various questions such as whether they would take a pay cut, work shorter weeks or voluntarily leave for another opportunity.

That's not the advice most consultants would have provided in that situation, but it worked for Stanat and his 80-employee firm. He had to fire 16 people, a smaller number than he feared. He was able to cut costs further after some employees agreed to shorter workweeks and managers accepted a 10 percent salary cut.

"We've actually weathered this much better than the average company," Stanat said. "Nobody's happy we had layoffs. They're just proud about the way we did it."

There's no great way to tell hard-working employees their jobs are being axed because times are tough. But there are ways



Creative Director Jeremy Hulett, left, and Steve Grady, vice president of marketing, talk at the offices of Emusic Thursday in Redwood City, Calif. Emusic.com Inc. has tried to be sensitive to employees who kept their jobs after a second round of layoffs at the company in January.

companies can handle layoffs that are sensitive to those being let go as well as those left behind.

With the downturn in the economy and the end of high-flying times in the dot-com world, layoffs have become commonplace. Unfortunately, the handling of them includes stories of employ-

ees being escorted out by security guards in just moments after getting the bad news.

"I've been through brutal ones. You come in Thursday and they say Friday's your last day. You get your unused vacation and maybe they'll give you medical insurance for a while," said

Richard Stiller, vice president of human resources for Santa Clara chipmaker Transmeta Corp., who has been laid off four times in his career and has coordinated about a dozen layoffs.

Sharon Gadberr, managing partner of Transitions Management Group/Power Marketing, consults with companies on how best to handle layoffs.

"Our role is to help them conduct the termination in the most humane way they can and in a way that won't disrupt the business and, mainly, the morale of the people who are still there," she said.

Both Stiller and Gadberr agree the best way to handle layoffs is to keep things quiet to avoid paranoia and then conduct the terminations swiftly in meetings between individual employees and their supervisors.

Gadberr said executives need to plan in advance, something they are loath to do since they didn't start a business with the mind to fire people. And she suggests role playing.

"Until you hear the words, you don't realize how hard it is to hear them. Or to say them," she said. She suggests sticking to a script and avoiding such platitudes as

"this hurts me as much as it does you" because it sounds ridiculous coming from someone who still has a job.

Stiller said the company's actions, such as setting up a job fair or offering outplacement services or tuition for retraining, goes a lot further than expressions of sympathy.

Sometimes smaller companies are unable to sponsor a job fair, but 415's Stanat said the company has held a resume-writing seminar, arranged interviews for laid-off employees through personal connections and allowed them not only to use company equipment but to take computers home if necessary.

In addition to taking care of the employees who have been let go, the company needs to take care of those who are left.

"If they're going to be saddled with the three jobs of the people who've been laid off, they're going to leave, too," Gadberr said.

Emusic.com Inc. has tried to be sensitive to the surviving employees after a second round of layoffs in January by consolidating them in a new area so they did not have to work among empty desks. The Redwood City company plans to sublet the portion of office space no longer in use.



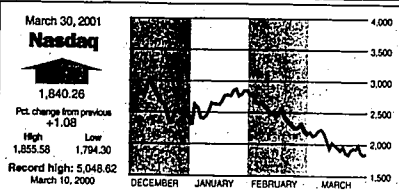
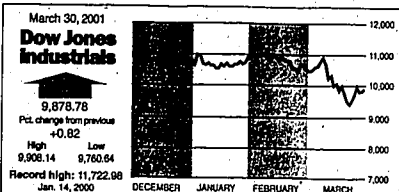
MONEY

Bargain hunters boost prices; stocks end quarter on a more positive note Microsoft targets Japanese gamers

NEW YORK (AP) - Bargain hunters drove up stock prices Friday, a rare bright spot to mark the end of one of the market's worst quarters in decades. Investors overlooked signs that the economy has slumped even further and put aside fears about a recession to take advantage of cheaper prices of long-battered tech stocks and recently hard-hit blue chips. Likewise, mutual fund and money managers made end-of-quarter trades - selling losers and picking up winners - to better their portfolios' overall first-quarter results.

Despite Friday's moderate gains, analysts caution about getting overly optimistic that the market is ready to sustain a rally. "You are going to hear a lot of talk now that it was such a bad quarter that things have got to get better, but so far nothing has changed," said Gary Kalbman, market technician for First Union Securities, noting that earnings and the economy have been severely crippled.

"With the way the economy has fallen off the cliff it is going to take a while to get things going again," he said. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 79.72 to close at 9,878.78, but still posted its worst first-quarter ever in terms of points - down 908.07 - and its 10th worst in terms of percentage loss. The 8.4 percent decline for the first three months of 2001 was the Dow's worst first-quarter performance since 1978. The Nasdaq composite index finished up 19.69 at 1,840.26, after losing Thursday at its lowest level in more than two years.



The tech-heavy index fell 25.5 percent during the first three months of 2001, ending its worst-ever performance in March. Analysts had expected a reading of 43.5, slightly higher than the 43.2 level reported for February. The Chicago survey is watched closely for clues to the index of the National Association of Purchasing Management, which will be released Monday.

Blue chips have fallen hard in the past two weeks - with the Dow briefly landing in bear market territory last week - as investors saw signs that the mild effects of the slowing economy have hurt more than just technology sector.

lowest level since March 1982. Any number below 50 indicates business in the manufacturing sector is contracting.

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The Seattle Times

In a bid to win the hearts - and wallets - of the Japanese video-game market, Microsoft made several announcements Friday targeted at Japanese gamers, including Tokyo-based Sega's plans to publish 11 game titles for Microsoft's yet-to-be-released but also-hyped Xbox game console. In a keynote speech at the Tokyo Games Show, Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates also discussed the company's new studio in Japan designed to develop video-game titles specifically for the Japanese market, a partnership with NTT Communications to provide online games for Xbox, and the creation of a smaller, slightly modified game controller for Japanese gamers.

ATM fees surge; customers not using home bank pay steeper price for convenience

ATM fees surged nearly 20 percent in the past three years, and consumers who aren't careful to use their home bank's machines may lose up to \$250 a year in exorbitant surcharges, a national consumer group said this week. Using another bank or private company's ATM now costs an average of \$2.86 in fees each time, a charge many consumers don't know they're paying because only part of the fee is disclosed when they receive their crisp \$20 bills, the Public Interest Research Group said. Consumers at so-called foreign machines not only pay the owner of that machine, but they have to pay their own bank a separate fee for the alleged trouble of completing the transaction, said PIRG consumer advocate Emily Hoopes at a news conference in Falls Church, Va. Wells Fargo's downtown branch. Those fees may not show up until your monthly bank statement arrives.

market," said Robbie Bach, chief Xbox officer.

Under the NTT Communications deal, the long-distance and international-calls unit of telecommunications giant Nippon Telegraph and Telephone will provide high-speed Internet access for Xbox users to access online games. The service will be launched next year, Bach said. Xbox's release in the United States and Japan scheduled for later this year, will mark Microsoft's entry into the cut-throat \$20 billion game industry, where Japanese-based Sony and Nintendo rule. A U.S. company has not released a console since Atari. Analysts said the agreement with Sega strengthens Microsoft's position in Japan, although it needs acknowledgment from other, high-profile game developers.

Microsoft targets Japanese gamers

Sega, which dropped production of the ailing Dreamcast console earlier this year, plans to publish titles for Xbox, including "Sega GT 2," "Jet Grind Radio Future," "Panzer Dragoon Future," and "Gun & Metal." Some titles will be exclusively on Xbox for a limited time. Bach earlier this week shed more details on the studio, which was announced earlier this year. A team of 100 developers and other employees will develop Japanese game titles there, led by Yoshiyuki Miyata, a former Sony Computer Entertainment executive who helped plan PlayStation titles. Bach said 70 game developers are also working on about 40 or so titles for Xbox. Microsoft had earlier plans to offer as many as 18 Japanese software titles when Xbox hits the market - almost like the debut lineup for Sony's PlayStation2.

charge them because they can."

A regional Wells Fargo manager said 90 percent of the transactions at his bank's 215 ATMs in Colorado came to free because the cash-giving service is free for Wells Fargo customers. "Our customers, who we invest in, don't pay anything," said Matt Lynett. "I think the customers have figured this out. They'll go to the banks that will provide them for free." Lynett said there are two groups: installing ATMs everywhere they can, and it's important to keep them separate. Big banks install them as a convenience to customers and waive most fees, he said, while entrepreneurs put ATMs in convenience stores and other non-bank locations to make money just from the fees.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ. Includes Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and Diaries for each exchange.

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Here are the 425 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 100 most active on American Stock Exchange. Mutual funds are a 1.18 billion. Stocks in boldface are up 100% or more in price. Company names are listed alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Company names end with initials appear at the beginning of each line's list. Div: Current annual dividend rate paid on stock, based on last quarterly or semiannual declaration. Dividend: Dividend rate. Dividend yield: Dividend rate divided by the current stock price. Dividend yield: Dividend rate divided by the current stock price. Dividend yield: Dividend rate divided by the current stock price.

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Minority high-tech enterprises rise in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Jose Valdez says significantly more minorities in Utah asking for loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration these days - especially in high-tech enterprises.

The percentage of minorities applying for SBA loans tripled from 3 percent of the total in 1997 to 9 percent last year, said Valdez, who runs the SBA minority loan program in Utah. As the number of minorities seeking loans has increased, the range of businesses they are venturing into has also changed.

"I'm seeing a great trend in electrical engineers and computer-related businesses," Valdez said. Although more minorities have caught the entrepreneurial bug, the latest numbers - a U.S. Census Bureau 1997 economic survey - show they still account for only a tiny part of all Utah businesses.

Latinos, for example, owned 4,700 out of 169,200 Utah businesses in 1997. Blacks owned 400, the survey showed. The number of all U.S. businesses totaled almost 21 million in 1997.

The paucity of minority-owned businesses in Utah is hardly surprising. Even with the rapid growth in Latino, Asian, Pacific Islander, black and American Indian people in Utah the past decade, minorities still account for just over 10 percent of the state's 2.24 million population.

The SBA is marketing its loan programs more aggressively to all minorities, Valdez said. But lately, Asian Americans and feeder beds. They've also responded to an increase in white-collar diversity by providing upscale toiletries and cosmetics as well as added security.

Aside from generic amenities, more hotels are equipping their rooms with high-speed-Internet connections, multiple channel TVs, fax machines and big desks. With all the extra frills, it's no wonder that the average price of a night's stay at the surveyed hotels has risen, with the average double-occupancy rate reaching \$221.

Hotels take upscale to new - and more expensive heights

With competition growing among top-of-the-line lodgings, the people who operate these establishments are ratcheting up the level of luxury.

According to the 2001 Zagat survey of U.S. hotels, spas and resorts, carefully planted chandeliers, marble floors and terry cloth bathrobes apparently no longer cut it when it comes to pampering.

Instead, some of the swankier places are offering such amenities as heated toilet seats, binoculars, new toys for kids and feathered beds. They've also responded to an increase in white-collar diversity by providing upscale toiletries and cosmetics as well as added security.

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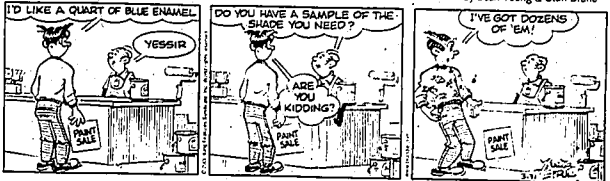
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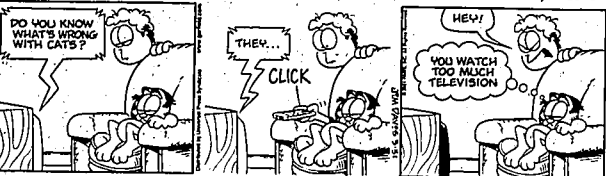
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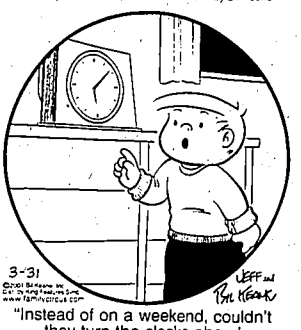


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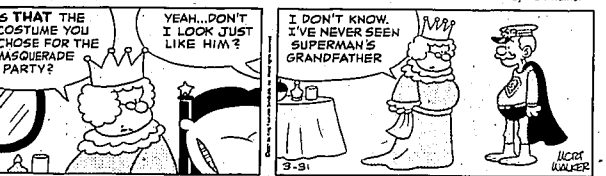
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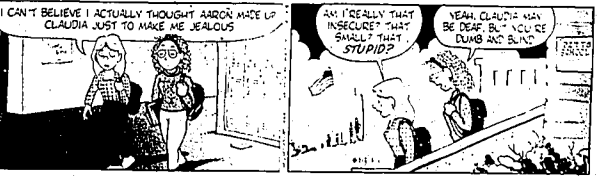
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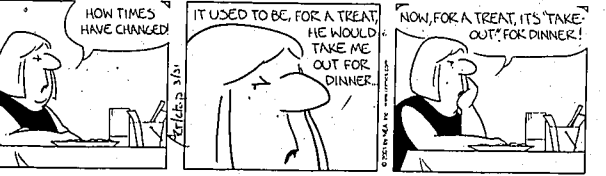
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**NATION/WORLD**

**Death penalty could bar extradition of U.S. fugitive**

DINAN, France - A French prosecutor said Friday that an American fugitive wanted in the slaying of a New York state abortion doctor would not be extradited from France if he risks facing the death penalty in the United States.

Prosecutor Christine Lecom said France would have no choice if authorities in the United States fail to guarantee that James Kopp, who was arrested in France after more than two years on the run, will not be sentenced to death if convicted.

Lecom was among law enforcement officials who questioned Kopp after he was arrested. Although she will not be involved in arguing the extradition case, her views reflect French law, which prohibits the extradition of foreign nationals to countries where they could face the death penalty.

**Searchers find second body near U.S. F-15 wreckage**

LONDON - Searchers recovered a second body Friday near the wreckage of two U.S. Air Force F-15s that crashed on a Scottish mountain peak, police said.

The body, which has yet to be identified, was found close to the summit of Ben Macdui in the Cairngorm Mountains, where the two jets crashed Monday, Grampian police said. The body of one pilot of the single-seat jets - Lt. Col. Kenneth John Hyvonen, 40, from Michigan - was found Tuesday.

The body found Friday was believed to be the second pilot, Capt. Kirk Jones. A formal identification was to be conducted by medical officers.

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Investigators work through wreckage of crash that killed 18

**Investigators attempt to discover cause of jet crash**

ASPEN, Colo. - Investigators picked through twisted debris high in the Rockies on Friday, looking for clues to what caused a chartered jet to crash as it came in for a landing at one of the trickiest airports in the nation. All 18 people aboard were killed.

The National Transportation Safety Board team examined hundreds of pieces of metal from the Gulfstream III that went down Thursday night in light snow a few miles outside this wealthy ski resort town.

The cockpit voice recorder was found and will be analyzed in Washington. The 20-year-old jet was not equipped with a data recorder.

The plane, carrying 15 passengers and three crew members, was owned by a Hollywood studio. Among those on board were two employees of a Los Angeles TV station who had planned a weekend of skiing.

**Convicted rapist is sentenced in boy's death**

BENTONVILLE, Ark. - A man convicted of rape and murder in the case of a 13-year-old boy who suffocated during sexual bondage was sentenced to the maximum Friday - life in prison without parole.

"Usually a murder is over in a minute. In this case, this victim was left helpless and bound," Judge David Clinger told Joshua Macabe Brown, 23. "Trying to imagine his thought process has sent shivers up my spine."

Brown was found guilty last week in the 1999 death of Jesse Dirkhising at the apartment Brown shared with his lover, Davis Don Carpenter, 39.

**Six Palestinians die in mass protests**

JERUSALEM - Reviving the mass protests of the early stage of their six-month-old uprising, thousands of Palestinians battled Israeli troops with stones and guns in a "day of rage" Friday and drew heavy Israeli fire that killed six demonstrators and injured more than 130.

It was the deadliest day in six weeks.

In West Bank towns, youths taking cover behind garbage bins hurled rocks at soldiers, who fired live rounds from jeeps and fortified outposts.

**Nation/World in brief**

Palestinian anger was fueled this week by Israeli rocket attacks on the West Bank and Gaza and warnings that Israeli troops might re-enter Palestinian-controlled areas. Many Palestinians also felt abandoned by the Arab world after an Arab League summit this week failed to deal extensively with their cause.

Friday's protests capped a tumultuous week of suicide bombings, shootings and rocket attacks. Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat said the Palestinian uprising would continue, and Sharon said Israel was preparing for a long-term confrontation.

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## Computers are NOT community

I was surfing on the Internet the other day when I ran across a bizarre technical story in the "Obscure Store and Reading Room" ([www.obscurestore.com](http://www.obscurestore.com)). I read about a church in Ohio that read the old "Andy Griffith Show" as a way to draw people to the congregation's Bible study.

I speculate that some of that old slapstick comedy coming out of the '50s and '60s might have one of two gems of wisdom. But that misses the point. The world has moved beyond Lucy, Desi, Barney, Opie and Aunt Bea. There might be people who are out of touch and blissful like the people in Mayberry, but most of our world is hurtling toward trouble.

When we start thinking about technology and churches today, we have that monster machine called a computer, and it's transforming our world - including religion.

Just the other day in a "Doonesbury" cartoon, characters J.J. and Zeke were planning their wedding. The couple had decided it should be a virtual wedding in a virtual chapel. In other words, they will make their commitment through computers. They will suramon friends into an Internet computer network, type their intentions into cyberspace, make some promises about fidelity and then ask a clergyman to bless the union.

But the missing element in that cyber scenario is a supportive community that will stick by the couple as they struggle through a committed relationship. I don't believe that computers create much of a community. People often sacrifice much to attend weddings - traveling hundreds of miles in some cases and hauling along expensive gifts. They do it because they want the marriage to work, and they show their support through their sacrifice.

But any day now, clergy will begin receiving requests to do weddings over the Internet, and I hope all such queries are turned down. If clergy are asked to do a cyber wedding, they might be facing other questions - such as, is it possible to baptize a baby through computers? Just think how much trouble this would stir: nobody would have to get dressed up. Leave the suit and tie in the closet and pull a chair up around the computer - we're going to baptize the baby! All the family needs is a basin of water and a computer modem to connect with friends, family and their pastor.

If this catches on, clergy will never have to leave their offices. They can send sermons over the Net, say their daily prayers, bless troubled parishioners and even visit the sick in hospitals. In this case, worship might lack the human touch, but people will get used to most anything over time.

Even funerals could be accomplished via computers. All we need is a video of the deceased in real life and in the coffin. Then the pastor could say a few words, offer some prayers, read a eulogy and - presto - another life is blessed. Then the family could head for the cemetery to bury the deceased. And no one has to even leave his or her house or office to witness the event.

I remember a startling story a few years ago about a mortuary that featured drive-by funerals. The mourners could pull into a drive-in window, press a button and see the deceased in the coffin. Then they could pause, say a prayer for humanity and ride off into the sunset. Of course, that's not real grief. In all these scenarios, the people - real family and friends - are left at a distance. We never get to know the baby, hug it and hug it. We never talk to the betrothed about the couple's own struggles. We aren't able to relate our love for the deceased.

But we do recite the rituals, standing at the screen of our computer, ready to click the mouse and move on without commitment. What a world!

Clark Morpew is an ordained clergyman and is religion writer for the Saint Paul Pioneer Press.



FAITH TODAY  
Clark Morpew

# SACRED musical



Left to right, Diane Wornbaker, Kara Lundy, Libby Gordes, Malysa Mortenson and Sheila Milam rehearse "On a Hill Too Far Away." The musical drama will be performed at the Twin Falls First Church of the Nazarene April 6-8 and 13-14. All performances start at 7 p.m.

## First Church of the Nazarene presents tuneful Easter story

By Joan Bean  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - The last week in the life of Jesus Christ is the theme of the Nazarene church's soul-stirring musical drama, "On a Hill Too Far Away."

Pastor Ron Christie, the church's music minister, said the choir, orchestra and drama team will tell the story leading up to and through Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, but will focus on his triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

"We don't try to cover all events of that last week," he said. "We concentrate each year on certain events, realizing if we

**Interested?**  
The Twin Falls First Church of the Nazarene, at 1231 Washington S.W., will present the musical drama, "On a Hill Too Far Away" at 7 p.m. April 6-8 and 13-14. Admission is free, and child care for children up to age 5 will be provided. The community is invited to come and celebrate the Easter season.

try to cover them all, it could be confusing to a person who didn't know the Gospel story."

The drama, staged on a platform in the church sanctuary, will feature 45 voices lifted in song, along with an orchestral

background. Everyone involved will be dressed in first-century costume.

John Hurley is in charge of building stage sets that will be easy to put together, take apart and store. Assisted by Buddy Compher, of the First Nazarene Church, he's constructing them of Styrofoam.

"We're going to make it look like the temple, how it was kind of in rock wall risers," he said. "We're just going to try to make a partial wall of a stone building - not the whole wall, but to give you the idea that, hey, this is a stone building."

The drama's director, Diane Brown, said she and Sheila

Milam read the script that came with the music's production company and found that it had just three or four brief scenes with only six people in them. She said the music, however, was wonderful.

Brown said they felt that the Easter program needed a little more of a script. So, with Scripture as their guide, they wrote the drama to accompany the music.

Milam came up with the idea of having Jewish women as observers of the unfolding story. These women are part of the community where the story takes place, and they witness what is going on when Jesus is

arrested, tried and crucified. The women express their opinions throughout.

"A couple of them are leaning toward believing that this really is the Son of God and a couple of them are not sure and a couple of them are definitely sure he's not," Brown said. "They discuss it as the story progresses, and we follow along with what they're thinking."

Christie said one of the church's functions is to invite everyone to come and experience the last week in the life of Christ.

"We want the entire community to feel welcome and invited to the production," he said.

## Vatican cross comes to nation's capital

By Paul Shepard  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - At first glimpse, one focuses on the limestone facade, huge cylindrical entrance and sharp geometric angles accented by the perimeter of the \$65 million building. One might overlook the large cross on top.

But that cross, with all it represents, identifies the newest tourist attraction in the nation's capital.

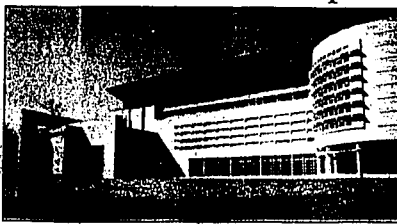
After more than a decade of planning, the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center is a reality.

On one level, think of the center, a stone's throw from the Catholic University of America and the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, as a "presidential library" dedicated to the man who since 1978 has presided as spiritual leader of the world's estimated 1 billion Roman Catholics. But look for much more than just books here.

Doctrine meets Disney on the center's 12-acre wooded site.

Take one part church, one part interactive museum, a touch of art gallery, a dash of bold architectural design, a theological think tank and a small theater, then throw in a cafeteria and two gift shops for good measure, and you have a destination designed not only to inform but, as its creators say, to lift the soul.

"Our task is to take church



A cross stands above the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center in Washington. The newest tourist attraction in the nation's capital opened March 22.

teachings and bring them to the people," said center director Rev. C Michael Bugarin.

The Intercultural Forum will serve as a center of scholarly research and teaching through a number of endowed Chairs of Faith and Culture. Dedicated to the study and understanding of papal teachings, it includes a library and conference rooms equipped for Internet broadcasts.

The Interactive Museum Experience will draw visitors to state-of-the-art exhibits, printed materials, art objects and other items as they explore galleries related to the papacy, theology, evangelization and faith and culture.

The Exhibits Gallery will house permanent and rotating exhibitions drawn from collections of the Vatican Museums

and other Christian art from throughout the world as well as items specifically related to the life and ministry of Pope John Paul II.

The 100,000-square-foot building includes a small chapel and other areas designed for contemplation. But it is also home to enough interactive and computerized doodads to entrance the fustiest child.

Bugarin said support for the center has been widespread, with a \$5 million contribution from the Knights of Columbus. More than 500,000 visitors of all faiths are anticipated annually. The pope could visit sometime during its first year.

Admission is \$8 for adults and \$6 for children, and visitors will not receive a recruitment pitch from the Catholic faith, organizers said.

## Twin Falls church offers dinner theater

By Joan Bean  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - A dinner theater, "Martyred, The Story of Chet Bitterman" will combine the taste of Columbian cuisine with a gripping drama.

The drama will be presented by the Wycliffe Bible Translators at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Twin Falls Reformed Church Event Center, to heighten awareness of foreign missions.

The group will also prepare and serve the dinner, which will feature a stew-like dish called ajaco, bread and strong Columbian coffee.

Kelley Golay, the Reformed church's director of adult education and missions, said the play is the true story of Chet Bitterman, a Wycliffe missionary.

On Jan. 18, 1981, in Bogota, Columbia, he was torn from his family at gunpoint.

The terrorist organization responsible for this demanded that Wycliffe missionaries cease their work and leave Columbia immediately or Bitterman would be killed.

Bitterman's wife, Brenda and the Wycliffe staff had to make a decision - give in and set a precedent for terrorist kidnap-

**Bible translators**  
William Cameron Townsend organized the Wycliffe Bible Translators in 1947. The purpose of the mission was to go into foreign countries, live among the people, learn their language and put it into writing. The interdenominational translators still do this today - going into areas with no written language or Scripture. The Bible is thus translated and provided to countries throughout the world.

- Source: The Times-News.

pings all over the world or say no.

They chose not to succumb, and Bitterman was executed.

Golay said he saw the drama last year and found the acting extremely good and the story compelling and enjoyable.

"I was extremely impressed with it, because it was distinctly missions in its orient, but it wasn't very churchy," he said. "Anybody could relate with the whole idea of giving your life in a foreign country for a cause that you believe in."

For more information, or to make reservations, call 733-6129.

A free-will offering will be taken for the Wycliffe Bible Translators.

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LDS World General Conference to air today
The LDS World General Conference will be held from 10 a.m. to noon and 2 to 4 p.m. today and Sunday on KSL/Daybreak TV.

Volunteer services director to speak at convention
TWIN FALLS - Director of Volunteer Services Rudy Schaser will speak at the Utah-Idaho District Convention of the Lutheran Laymen's League to be held at 8:30 a.m. today at Cavanaugh's Canyon Springs Hotel, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Vocalist to sing 'The Holy City' during worship
TWIN FALLS - Local vocalist Kurt Huih will sing "The Holy City" during worship at 10 a.m. Sunday at Rock Creek Community Church. Pastor Dale Metzger will speak on "Known in the Breaking of Bread."

Congregations in Buhl, Castletide to meet, worship
BUHL - The Buhl and Castletide United Methodist congregations will meet together for worship at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the Buhl church at 808 Maple Ave. A potluck lunch follows.
Other events during April for the two churches:
• April 8, Palm Sunday - 9 a.m. at the Castletide church and 11 a.m. at the Buhl church, palms and passions services.
• April 12, Maundy Thursday - Buhl church, footwashing at 5 p.m., Palestinian dinner at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall.
• April 13, Good Friday - 8 p.m., Castletide church, Tenorabe (service of darkness, extinguishing of the light).
• April 15, Easter Sunday - 6:30

Methodist church service to feature sermon, 'Gotcha!'
KIMBERLY - Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m. at Crossroads United Methodist Church will feature Pastor Jerry Steele's sermon, "Gotcha!" The Lenten adult Sunday school series is at 9:30 a.m., with Bob Sturgill discussing "Making Your Resources Work for You."
The church is located at 205 Madison St. E. A coffee fellowship follows worship.

Central Church of Christ schedules series of talks
RUPERT - The Central Church of Christ, at Fourth Street South and H Street, will hold a lecture series, "The Fruit of the Spirit, Living God's Way," beginning at 11 a.m. Sunday with "Who Do You Work For?" by Al Stone of Rupert. At 6:30 p.m., Keith Amende and Jim Kell of Albion will speak. A sandwich supper will be served around 8 p.m. in the annex building.
The lectures continue at 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, each ending with refreshments around 9 p.m. Leaders include Bruce Clark, Paul Reusch and Ron Crosby of Buhl; Hal Kelsb and Don Wilson of Eden; Ken Upton and Chuck Vawter of Twin Falls; Reggie Finch of Wendell and Brad Fowler and Darrel Black of Rupert.
For more information, call 436-4293.

Methodist church to hold evening prayer service
GOODING - An evening prayer service regarding the respect of life will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Gooding Methodist Church, 805 Main St.
Marilyn Scott, director of the Pregnancy Crisis Center, will be one of the speakers. The evening is led by the Gooding Christian ministers. The public is invited.

Spiritual Healing Assembly to meet on Thursday
BUHL - The Spiritual Healing Assembly will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Eighth Street Center, 200 Eighth St.
Everyone is invited. To make an appointment for a specific issue, call the Rev. Bob Wilhite at 352-1129.

Twin Falls pastors to host 'Gathering of Saints'
TWIN FALLS - Pastors Ted and Paula Mangini of The Winepress Christian Fellowship of Twin Falls, on Filer Avenue and Fillmore, will host "A Gathering of the Saints" Friday through April 8.
Speakers for "New Wine in the Cluster" include Pat and Michelle McClusky of Kirkland, Wash., Jim and Marcia Leuschen of the New Covenant Fellowship in Spokane, Wash., Dave and Gina Collins of the Riverwind Fellowship in Boise and Brian and Suzanne Harrison of Father's House in Blackfoot.
The gathering begins at 7 p.m. Friday.
On April 7, a continental breakfast starts at 9 a.m., with ministry following until 1 p.m., when lunch will be served.
An afternoon session will follow, and the evening service will begin at 6 p.m. On April 8, breakfast fellowship starts at 9 a.m., with worship at 10 a.m.
Admission is free. For more information, call 733-7750 or 736-4255.

Church to host seminar on 'Creation vs. Evolution'
JEROME - The Church of Christ, 513 S. Buchanan, will host a seminar on "Creation vs. Evolution" Friday through April 8.
Lessons are set for 7 and 8 p.m. Friday, with speakers Steve Lloyd and Don Ruhl. On April 7, Greg Weston will speak at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., and Lloyd will speak at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. On April 8, Ruhl will speak at 10 a.m., Weston will speak at 11 a.m. and Lloyd will speak at 6 p.m.
Everyone is welcome. Admission

is free. Questions must be submitted in writing before the lessons.
For more information, call 324-9131 or 324-4170.

Writers of the Word will meet at Twin Falls church
TWIN FALLS - Writers of the Word, for Christians who want to use their writing skills to glorify God, will meet at 10 a.m. April 7 at the Twin Falls Reformed Church.
The group meets on the first Saturday of each month. Meetings include writing lessons, manuscript critiques and an open forum time.
For more information, contact Dick Hagerman at 536-2187 or e-mail to rhager16@yahoo.com. Or call Carolyn Lewis at 734-6115 or e-mail to sclw42@yahoo.com.

Presentation to highlight Moms In Touch gathering
KIMBERLY - A video presentation featuring Fern Nichols will highlight a gathering of Moms In Touch, set for 9 a.m. to noon April 7 at the Kimberly Baptist Church, 310 Adams St.
Nichols organized the group that has grown into Moms In Touch International, groups of moms that meet for one hour a week to pray for their children at their schools.
For more information, call 825-9604 or visit www.MomsInTouch.org.

Bible studies group to meet at Valley Christian Church
TWIN FALLS - A Bible studies group will meet at 10 a.m. every Thursday in the First Room at Valley Christian Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E. Bring your Bible.
For more information, call 733-322 or 655-4209.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trena Tegan, The Times-News, Bureau, 325 1/2 E. Fifth St., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

Name doesn't equate belief

As Christians observe the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ on the cross and then celebrate his resurrection from the dead, it was neat to see the recent picture in The Times-News of a cross being placed on the steeple of a Twin Falls Christian church. What the cross represents is critically important.
As the LDS Church considers shortening its name to The Church of Jesus Christ, I find it interesting that LDS temples have no symbols associated with Christianity incorporated into their structure. What is there, however, is especially interesting and telling. If you've never taken a close look at symbolism built into the LDS temple(s), you can take a symbolism tour at www.mazemistry.com.
As far as the name "Jesus Christ" being included in the

name of the LDS Church, keep in mind the Aryan Nations Church also includes the name "Jesus Christ" in its official name. The inclusion of that name in and of itself is not a name or title of an organization doesn't guarantee that organization to be legitimately "Christian." When you really get down to the nitty-gritty of Christianity, it's not an "organizational" thing anyway - it's very much an individual, person-by-person belief/faith experience based on biblical truth.
DUANE LUCHSINGER
Twin Falls

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Magazine ranks top 100 Christian albums

By Matt Degen
The Orange County Register

Just about everything else has some sort of Top 100 list, so why not contemporary Christian music?
That was the question the folks at CCM magazine were asking when they got the idea for their new book, "The 100 Greatest Albums in Christian Music" (Harvest House Publishers, \$14.99).

The foundation for the book actually goes back to 1998, when the magazine compiled 100 top albums, listed in alphabetical order, for its 20th anniversary issue. But the results contained in the book are not just the same entries with one- to three-page summaries of the albums and their place in Christian music. That 1998 list, rather, was more of a foundation for the 251-page book.
That's the list we used to start from when we worked on the book," said April Heifer, editor of CCM magazine, from her office in Tennessee.
The entries for the 1998 list were selected by 36 critics who wrote for the magazine over the years. For the book, a three-person panel consisting of Heifer, CCM managing editor Greg Rumburg and former CCM editor Thom Granger took a fresh look at the list and made modifications, including adding albums released since the 1998 selection.
Some of the albums were ranked more easily than others, including the one that grabbed the No. 1 spot: Amy Grant's 1988 "Lead Me On."
"I don't think we had an argu-

ment on that one," Heifer said. "The three of us on the committee loved that album. It's an amazing record. There's so much there that just transcends time."
Others in the Top 10 include Larry Norman's 1972 classic "Only Visiting This Planet" at No. 2, and two albums by the late Rick Mullins - "A Liturgy, a Legacy, and a Ragamuffin Band" at No. 3 and "The World as Best as I Remember it, Volume 1" at No. 7. Also making the list was U2's "The Joshua Tree" at No. 6.
"Wait a minute, U2? Since when are they a 'Christian' band? And what is 'Joshua Tree' doing in this list, especially at such a high ranking?"
Sure, the group's 1981 effort, "October," (which also made the list, at No. 41) had some pretty biblical entries focusing on Christ, but the same cannot be said for "The Joshua Tree." Do the biblical references in "I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For" and "Bullet the Blue Sky" constitute Christian music?
"Obviously, it was a debate," Heifer said.

Opinions aside, what "The 100 Greatest Albums in Christian Music" does well is capture the first 30 years or so of what has become known as contemporary Christian music, tracing its roots to the "Jesus People" and the music they made in the late '60s and early '70s, through the hot, young - even alternative - artists of today. Pioneers such as Keith Green, 2nd Chapter of Acts and Andrae Crouch & The Disciples to newer artists such as Jennifer Knapp and Trini-tee 5:7 are examined in quick-reading vignettes.

Machine helps handle large congregations

By Lori Bunting
The Associated Press

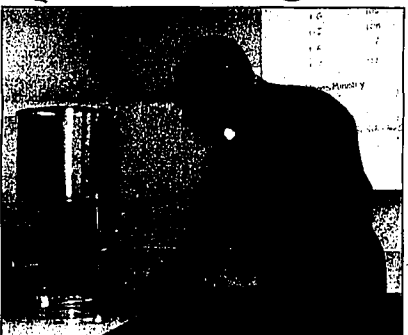
LOUISVILLE, Ky. - The volunteers dressed going to church each Thursday evening to begin filling the more than 350 trays for Sunday's Holy Communion. It took seven people up to 30 hours over three days to fill, connect and cup for the congregation at Southeast Christian Church, which has more than 15,000 members.

No more. Not since inventor Wilfred Greenlee joined the church and came up with a machine that cuts the preparation time to 1 1/2 hours.

The Greenlee Communion Dispensing Machine is made of a stainless steel bucket with 40 plastic tubes that run through a sheet of Plexiglas into the cups of a rotating turner. A push of a lever on the side allows just enough grape juice to fill each cup half full.

"No overflowing and no spills," said Greenlee, 78.

A retired engineer from the furniture industry, he started a plant in Louisville, he holds patents for his work on a tractor transmission, a helicopter camera



Inventor Wilfred E. Greenlee operates the Greenlee Communion Dispensing Machine at Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Ky. The device, which is being marketed to large churches in several states, fills trays for 14,000 people in 1 1/2 hours.

mount and the communion dispenser.
"I left school when I was 14, but I kept learning new things,"

said Greenlee, who was raised on a farm in southeast Missouri. His stainless steel communion dispenser is about 25 inches high

and holds 24 quarts.

Greenlee's product, which he has sold to churches in nine states, is one of several being marketed to so-called mega-churches whose congregations number several thousand.

Sarasota, Fla.-based ChurchPlaza Inc. caters exclusively to the multibillion-dollar church market. It offers such products as carpet that can double as a sports floor, movable partitions, theater seating and stackable chairs.

Willow Creek Community Church, of South Barrington, Ill., which experienced phenomenal growth in the 1980s, coined the term "mega-church" and remains the national model, with a weekend congregation of 17,000, said Dr. Thomas McElhenny, ChurchPlaza CEO. Experts say that the nearly 400,000 congregations in the United States, almost 10 percent average 1,000 or more members.

Greenlee's communion machine, which he makes by hand in a workshop at his house, sold for \$925. It is currently working on a machine that would put the cups in each communion tray before using the dispenser.

Author examines the spirituality of work

By Stephen Scott
Saint Paul Pioneer Press

Looking for the spiritual? Try going to work.

But you drive a bus? Check out groceries? Make a telemarketing call?

Precisely.
"We think of spirituality as silence, solitude and simplicity," said Greg Pierce. "But we spend 95 percent of our lives in noisy, crowded and complex. So the question is, can we find spirituality in the midst of that? Can we find spirituality in work?"

Pierce, once a Minneapolis community organizer and now a Chicago book publisher, spent a dozen years looking for those answers, which he offers up in "Spirituality@work," his book published this month by Loyola Press.

In the process, he has redefined spirituality.
"Most of our understanding of spirituality comes out of the contemplative tradition," Pierce said. "That shouldn't be surprising because contemplatives are the ones who write books. They often define spirituality as feeling good, slowing down, calming down. They teach meditation, solitude, fasting, study, prayer and so on. It's about getting away from the world."

Spending a long weekend at a Benedictine retreat house in the

How to be spiritual at work

Greg Pierce says being spiritual at work isn't about converting your co-worker. It's about allowing the divine to break through on a personal but regular basis. He proposes 10 ways, "disciplines," to help:
• Surround yourself with "sacred" objects.
• Allow yourself a mistake or two to remind you that you aren't God.
• Make a list of "blessings" that your work brings you.
• Give thanks and congratulations to

coworkers and yourself.
• Transform your workplace by supporting one another.
• Observe the Golden Rule.
• Decide how much (money, prestige, advancement) is enough.
• Learn how and when to say no.
• Fix the system in little bit at a time.
• Consider professional development to be everything we do routinely to prepare our mental, physical and spiritual health for work.
-Source: Saint Paul Pioneer Press

wood with little more than a Bible, a journal and a Kathleen Norris book holds the allure of spiritual reawakening. As long as you can get an extra day or two off work and find someone to watch the kids and the dog.
"I'm not against contemplative

spirituality," Pierce said. "But so many people seem to ask how they can make spiritual awareness happen more often, more meaningfully, and last longer in their daily life."
When Pierce's wife, Kathy, gave birth to twins on his 40th

birthday in 1987, he knew he needed to find those answers for himself.

He has since broadened the typical definition of work to include "all the effort we make, paid or unpaid, to make the world a better place, or more like the way or reign of God." So work might include raising children, housework and volunteering as well as paid work.

He depicts contemplation as light and grace. Pierce said:
"We depict success at work as ego and power. So spirituality of work is not at all defined, and we don't develop it in a way that can be taught."

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# Baseball reveals a lot about Americans

By Tom Schaefer  
The Wichita Eagle

It was late in the game, and we were playing our archrivals, the Franklin Elementary School Cardinals. As usual, I was sitting on the bench, waiting for my late-inning turn to play.

At 8 years of age, I was a benchwarmer on my Little League team. My favorite position was first base - Stan Musial, my hero, was still covering that bag in the Big League - but I rarely got to play it. I had competition for the spot. That meant I trotted to left field, sometimes right field, during our games - when less was on the line.

On that memorable day in the early 1950s, I sat on the bench, cheering on the team. Baseball can be a humbling sport when you're a kid.

Most youngsters start out playing the game because of well-organized programs in cities and towns alike. Its rich history has made it America's sport, though its popularity has been overshadowed by football, basketball, even soccer. Still, there is an enduring quality to the game that cannot be denied.

Ken Burns, who produced the PBS series "Baseball" in 1994, called the sport the "Rosetta Stone upon which you can see written quite plainly the soul of the country."

The game, whose Major

## Commentary

League season begins Sunday, reveals a lot about who we are as a nation and as individuals.

Robert Linder, a professor of history at Kansas State University who once played the game well enough to be offered a contract by the Chicago White Sox organization, has analyzed the sport in great detail, noting the connection between baseball and the values we espouse as individuals and as a nation.

Or say we espouse. "Baseball mirrored and embraced the 19th century American concern for order, freedom and justice," Linder wrote in a 1999 article in *Mars Hill Review*. "However, it was and is above all a game that glorifies the free individual."

Baseball prizes the "skilled" generalist," he wrote, a player who can hit, run, throw and field. And it highlights a player's flaws for all to see. Strike out as a batter, err on a fielding play, and you alone bear responsibility.

At the same time, there is a communal aspect to the game. The coordination of each person's skills - clear communication and control between pitcher and catcher, a neatly turned double play, an on-the-mark relay throw from outfield to infield - often is key to victory.

"In baseball, and in daily life, regardless of which side one is on or where one stands, shared principles and commonly agreed upon rules govern this interaction," Linder says.

But baseball no longer commands the attention it once did. Soccer is attracting more and more youngsters because of a level playing field - in gender and in ability. Basketball, with its Big Dance (a.k.a. the NCAA championship) stirs the sports juices of fans, though television viewership has declined in each of the past four years. And football has become the game to watch, as far as ratings go. It's the Big Dog of sports. But the values it espouses, Linder asserts, often are in direct contradiction to those of baseball.

"Football accents the corporate structure, teamwork, power, violence, instant gratification, the exploitation of female sexuality in the form of omnipresent meaningless cheerleaders, and the acquisition of territory," Linder wrote.

Granted, comparisons can be one-sided and overstated. Football isn't evil in itself, and baseball isn't pure and innocent; it never was. Yet at its heart, baseball plays a crucial role in training youngsters to strive for excellence, to cooperate with others and to obey the rules of the game. It's also vital in reiterate values - sacrificing for others,

playing fair and taking responsibility for one's actions.

That game against the Cardinals drove home some of those truths for me. I still remember the call from the coach to take left field late in the game. I stood in the outfield praying that the inning would be quick and painless. Sure enough, with runners on base, a towering fly ball headed my way. I backpedaled, straining to catch the ball's flight.

I thrust my glove above my head, mostly as a means of self-protection. Then in the last instant, I closed my eyes and waited. Smack! The ball landed in the center of my mitt.

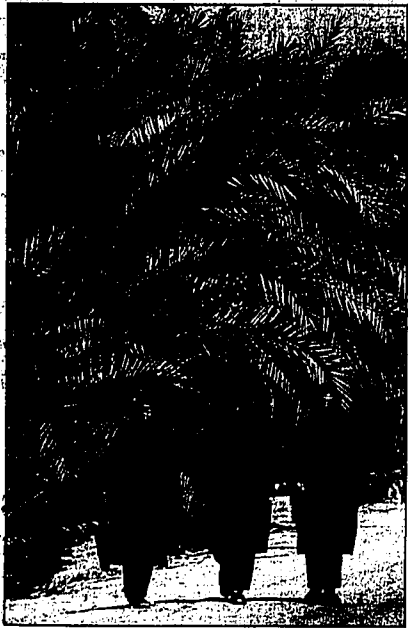
I raced back to the bench, with cheers from my parents on the sideline and a "way-to-go" from the coach and teammates. It wasn't a game-winning catch; I'm not even sure I still team won. But that moment is still clear in my mind.

Baseball taught me to cheer my friends, even if I'm a benchwarmer. It taught me that my role, no matter how insignificant, is important to the team. And it challenged me to do my best.

For those who play and those who watch the game, there are still lessons to learn.

Play ball!

Tom Schaefer writes about religion and ethics for the *Wichita Eagle*.



Three monks of the 4th-century monastery St. Macarius finish their day's work. The once-derelict retreat in the desert about 65 miles northwest of Cairo runs an agribusiness and communicates with the outside world via fax and the Internet.

## Egyptian monks marry traditions, technology

By Hamza Hondawi  
The Associated Press

ST. MACARIUS MONASTERY, Egypt - A generation ago, this fourth-century desert monastery was at the point of closing down. Crumbling, short of funds and with only a handful of monks, it could have at best become a tourist attraction, much like Egypt's ancient ruins.

But the fortunes of St. Macarius, one of Egypt's oldest monasteries, were to change with the arrival in 1969 of a hermit known as Matha el-Masken, or Matthew the Poor.

Thirty-two years on, the once-derelict retreat runs an agribusiness and communicates with the outside world via fax and the Internet. It stands as a symbol of the revival of Egyptian monasticism, a place where the enduring traditions of one of the world's oldest Christian communities are wedded to the modern age.

The revolution at St. Macarius has helped answer criticism that Egypt's indigenous and fiercely nationalistic Coptic Orthodox Church was an inward-looking church with little appetite for intellectual endeavor or reform. The Egyptian church traces its origin to St. Mark, one of Jesus' disciples, and its followers make up about 10 percent of predominantly Muslim Egypt's 65 million people. Its followers worldwide are estimated at about 30 million.

"Despite all the activity and the

work, our monastery remains foremost a religious institution," said Father Yohanna, who was one of 12 monks who came to St. Macarius with Father Matha in 1969.

Father Matha came after 15 years as a hermit monk in the caves of the Egyptian desert, where he survived on little food and water and he passed his nights singing hymns and reading the Bible. At St. Macarius, in Egypt's western desert some 65 miles northwest of Cairo, Father Matha turned the monastery into a hub of agricultural and scholarly activity.

Father Matha is now the abbot, and St. Macarius is the most prestigious of Egypt's 12 major monasteries. It is home to more than a 100 monks - it had only six in 1969. Father Matha doesn't grant interviews. He has written 120 books. At 82, he is too frail to put pen to paper. The monks are shopping for voice recognition software for his computer.

The monks tread a narrow path between the fast-changing world around them and the ascetic traditions left them by St. Anthony, who fathered Christian monasticism when he retreated to Egypt's desert wilderness some 1,600 years ago. The Internet was introduced to the monastery in January so monks could read new religious works and do agricultural research. But only one monk is allowed to surf the Web, passing on what he finds to his brothers.

## Ethics web site catalogs moral codes

By Jeffrey Weiss  
The Dallas Morning News

www.csepiit.edu/codes/ The hypercode site for physicians professional code of ethics in the world. But hundreds of other professions and organizations, from the Covenant of the Goddess to the Institute of Food Technologists, have codes of their own. The Center for the Study of Ethics in the Professions at the Illinois Institute of Technology has cataloged and indexed many of these codes. The Canadian Soccer Association, for instance, has a code of ethics for its referees.

## Parish rejects liberal bishop's ministry

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - For the second time in a month, Episcopal Bishop Charles Bennisson Jr. will be seated in the congregation - but not invited into the pulpit - at a conservative parish opposed to his liberal views on issues like the ordination of women.

"We will not receive his Episcopal ministry," said the Rev. Philip Lyman, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in Huntington Valley, near Philadelphia.

St. John's is the second of Bennisson's 162 parishes to resist a regular visitation by the bishop, required under canon law.

Bennisson is scheduled to visit the church Sunday.

## Church president urges girls to stay chaste

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Resist temptation and stay away from premarital sex, Mormon church president Gordon B. Hinckley told a gathering of girls.

"You have within you instincts, powerful and terribly persuasive, urging you at times to let go and experience a little fling. You must not do it," the 90-year-old Hinckley told 20,000 female members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints during the General Young Women's Meeting at the conference center in downtown Salt Lake City.

"You cannot let down for a minute. You cannot give in to an impulse," Hinckley said. "Any young man who invites or encourages demands that you indulge in any kind of sexual behavior is unworthy of your company. Get him out of your life before yours and his are blighted."

"Those who do get involved in 'immoral' behavior" can be forgiven and "live a life fully acceptable unto the Lord," Hinckley said. "But there will be scars that remain."

Young Mormon women should educate themselves, in case they

have to earn a living, he said: "The whole gamut of human endeavor is now open to women. There is not anything that you cannot do if you will set your mind to it."

Hinckley's emphasis on education, and the fact that his talk cited a working mother - a nurse he met recently during a brief outpatient hospital stay - pleased audience member Kris Dory, 40.

"He held up a career woman as an example to our girls," she said.

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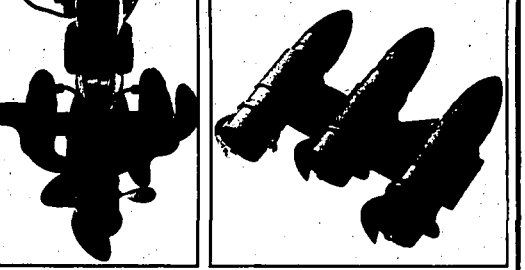
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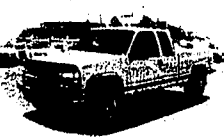
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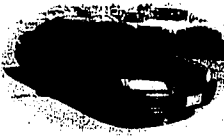
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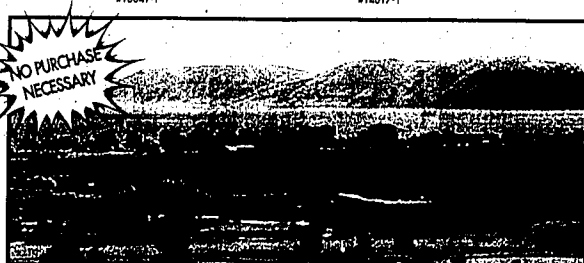
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