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By Julie Pence Times-News writer

BOISE - House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, has drafted a bill that would prevent local property owners from having to make up to public schools what the state can't pay when it comes up short.

Newcomb said the proposal this year would be a safeguard for property taxpayers statewide who might have to pay an extra \$23 million based on a 2.5 percent "hold-back" Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has recommended for the current school year.



Rep. Bruce Newcomb

The current law works like this: If lawmakers do not approve a "negative supplemental" of the 2.5 percent of last year's appropriation to public schools, then the amount will automatically go to property taxpayers to pay to local districts after July 1. Negative supplementals are subtractions from appropriations the Legislature approved last session.

Many Magic Valley Republicans are solidly behind Kempthorne's recommendation that schools simply absorb holdbacks along with other state agencies. Yet, there are moderate lawmakers ready to argue for full appropriations, or at least a reduction to 1.5 percent.

All around, local legislators find the maneuver of falling back on property taxpayers distasteful. But also, there are no local lawmakers or school officials who can recall holdbacks for public schools ever holding, much less a shifting of a holdback to property owners to make up to schools.

And Newcomb wants to make sure it never happens.

For taxpayers, Newcomb's bill could protect them from having to each pay literally thousands of extra dollars in property taxes. For example, to make up the 2.5 percent holdback in the Twin Falls School District, a farmer who owns land worth \$1 million in taxable value would pay an extra \$4254. That figure is based on an Idaho State Tax Commission formula that divides the assessed value of the district divided into the holdback. In the same district, someone whose home is

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America wanted a quick relief operation back in 1992 and 1993, to save Somalis from starvation. That operation sank into "quicksand," as Colin Powell put it, then the U.S. made a hasty exit after losing 18 soldiers in an ambush.

A possible new front in the war on terrorism, Somalia today is a somewhat different place. That is to say, the chaos has taken on new hues.

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### Remembering 17 hours and two Black Hawks down

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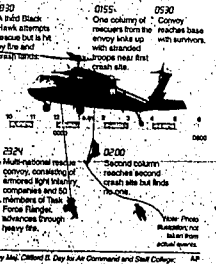
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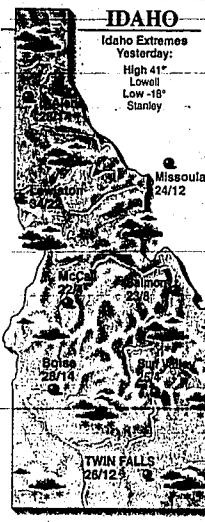
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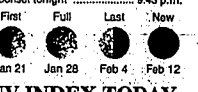
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Southern Idaho: Mostly cloudy this morning with periods of snow and flurries; clouds and some sunshine this afternoon with a few flurries in the southeast still. Northern Nevada: Snow flurries will move from northwest to southeast across the area this morning, then clouds and some sunshine this afternoon. Northern Utah: Mostly cloudy today with periods of snow that will leave an inch or two in the valleys and a several inches in the mountains.

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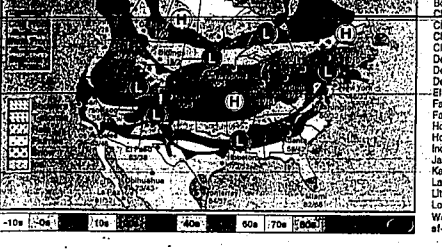
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Somalia

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onto streets so narrow the robbers barely fit between buildings, so dusty the pilots could hardly see. They would search militia members and spirit them away in a convoy of vehicles that was to meet the choppers at the scene. The outcome over 17 harrowing hours a successful roundup, a sudden blizzard of opposing fire, one Black Hawk shot down, then another during a frantic rescue attempt, combat and confusion that stretched through the night, the bodies of two of the 18 dead Americans dragged through the streets.

Delta commandos men as the grocer arrived. Sporadic gunfire. Strucker, then a sergeant, was in charge of a two-vehicle convoy, was to pick up a soldier who had fallen off his rope and been badly hurt. As they drove back to the airfield where U.S. forces were based, a soldier with Strucker was shot in the head and killed. Meantime, a Black Hawk was shot down by a rocket-propelled grenade. Now hundreds of gunmen were attacking about 90 stranded Americans. The vehicle convoy, unable to find the downed chopper crew, was ordered back to base with its prisoners. Americans at the crash scene passed up a chance to fight their way out, instead hunkering down until they could retrieve the pilot's body, which was caught in the wreckage. Another Black Hawk was hit, and crashed about two miles from the first. Americans dropped in two snipers. They died in combat

after freeing the pilot - who was captured by the Somalis and later released. Almost two hours after the operation began, a convoy of 22 vehicles set out but ran into relentless fire and turned back. Strucker was in the convoy, his second of three trips through the

melee. "I had the feeling there was a weapon pointed out of every window and every door," he said. "I was receiving fire from every rooftop and every alleyway." It was not until close to midnight that U.S. forces and their allies could mount a sizable rescue.

A convoy with more than 20 Malaysian armored personnel carriers, four Pakistani tanks, two light infantry companies and 50 members of Task Force Ranger advanced from the street through heavy fire, finally getting the survivors back close to daybreak the next morning.

Newcomb

Continued from A1. worth \$100,000 in taxable value would pay an extra \$423 next year to make up for the 2.5 percent holdback of this year should lawmakers let it go back on property owners. In the Jerome School District, that farmer with \$1 million worth of property would pay an extra \$4,872, and in the Cassia district he or she would pay an extra \$6,236, according to Gary Houde, who approves budgets and levies for the tax commission.

Two other Mini-Cassia lawmakers, Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, and Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, back Newcomb. They say they don't think it is fair to penalize local property owners for the Legislature's bad judgment or for a state economy that brings fewer dollars in net income tax and sales tax collections. By a vote of 4-2, the Legislature passed a \$480,000,000 swing in state revenues in just a year's time and reiterated the governor's comments that a "tax structure that is immune from

experiencing the very things that people it serves are experiencing is a flawed tax structure." But the current law has its proponents. They say it is a safeguard for children. The original legislation was passed, Superintendent Marilyn Howard said Tuesday, in order to maintain consistency in continuity in the public school system. "We cannot afford ebb and flow in our schools," she said. "Children only go through school once, and they have to have carefully sequenced curriculum all the way through." Newcomb's bill will be considered by the House Revenue and Taxation Committee.

Hearing

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Proposed ordinances

Copies of Twin Falls County's proposed ordinances regarding animal feeding operations can be picked up at the Office of Planning and Zoning, 246 Third Ave. E. The ordinances also can be seen online at www.twinfallscounty.org. Commissioners will also accept written testimony until 5 p.m. Jan. 23. Written statements can be mailed to Twin Falls County Commissioners, P.O. Box 126, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

enforce them?" asked Mike Hiller, a local environmental activist. "But dairymen, neighbors and activists did seem to agree on one thing: that the 'matrix' recently put together by a group of people on both sides of the dairy issue is the ordinance that should eventually end up on the books. The matrix is designed to protect small operators and give them some regulatory relief," said Bill Chisholm, an environmental activist and member of the Idaho Rural Council, who helped put the matrix together.

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impacted by the high consumption of large dairies." But while environmental activists and dairy neighbors worried about odor, flies and possible health risks from large operations, dairymen worried most about the ordinance that would allow the county to revoke a permit based on complaints. "That's worse than what happened in Nazi Germany," said Louis Ellers, executive director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association. Some said ordinances that aren't enforced aren't worth the paper they're written on. One of the proposed ordinances allows for the hiring of a hearing examiner to gather information about an operation and help make a decision on whether or not to grant or renew a permit. People at the hearing pointed out how the county already has a planning and zoning administrator and commission, and taxpayers' money would be better spent on someone to enforce CAFO ordinances. "What good are rules if we aren't going to have anyone to

enforce them?" asked Mike Hiller, a local environmental activist. "But dairymen, neighbors and activists did seem to agree on one thing: that the 'matrix' recently put together by a group of people on both sides of the dairy issue is the ordinance that should eventually end up on the books. The matrix is designed to protect small operators and give them some regulatory relief," said Bill Chisholm, an environmental activist and member of the Idaho Rural Council, who helped put the matrix together. The matrix came about during meetings the last two months of a group that included dairy operators, dairy neighbors and environmental activists. The group's matrix categories AFOs by size and water usage and whether or not they're new or expanding. The matrix is also more specific about setbacks than the county's six draft ordinances. County commissioners like the matrix, but it must be put through public hearings before it can be approved, and there won't be time to do that before the current moratorium runs out Jan. 29. County commissioners plan to take the information from Wednesday's hearing and add what they can to their six draft ordinances. "They made some good suggestions and we'll work in their suggestions if we can," Grindstaff said. Grindstaff said the six ordinances will be advertised and put into effect during the interim while the matrix goes through the public hearing process. The county's planning and zoning administrator will use the matrix as guidelines for processing new applications for animal feeding operations, Grindstaff said.

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CORRECTION

A map in Wednesday's paper incorrectly depicted the final leg of the Jan. 26 Olympic torch relay route in Twin Falls. After ceremonies on the College of Southern Idaho campus, the flame will be carried through campus to North College Road. It then will travel east to Blue Lakes Boulevard and north to the Perrine Bridge. The Times-News regrets the error.

## Senate building will reopen

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Hart Senate Office Building is scheduled to reopen Friday after being closed since October because of an anthrax-tainted letter sent to Majority Leader Thomas Daschle's office.

An e-mail memo being circulated around the Senate says the Centers for Disease Control and the Environmental Protection Agency have certified that the building is safe after weeks of decontamination procedures.

"We expect the Hart building to reopen at noon on Friday, Jan. 18, 2002," said the e-mail memo, which was addressed to all senators and Senate staff.

"The cleanup achieved the goal of eliminating viable anthrax spores detected in the Hart building and that it is now safe and clean to release to the Architect of the Capitol for rehabilitation and subsequent re-occupancy," the message says.



Prisoners from Afghanistan arrive by military plane to the U.S. naval base in Guantanamo, Cuba, Wednesday. Officials said 30 more detainees arrived.

## Officials: Al-Qaida prisoners vow they will kill Americans

GUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba (AP) - Several al-Qaida and Taliban prisoners have vowed to kill an American during their time at this remote U.S. military base, officials said Wednesday.

Fifty detainees are being held at the facility and 30 more arrived on a plane from Afghanistan later Wednesday, said Brig. Gen. Michael Lehnert, commander of U.S. Joint Task Force 160 overseeing the operation in Guantanamo Bay.

"These are not nice people," Lehnert told a news conference at an aircraft hangar on the base in eastern Cuba. "Several have publicly stated here their intent to kill an American before they leave Guantanamo Bay. We will not give them that satisfaction."

Lehnert said none have been interrogated yet and it was unclear when or if they would be offered legal advice.

"They spend their days praying, meditating, eating," he said.

The temporary detention center can hold 100 inmates but will be expanded to hold more than 600 while builders complete a permanent facility that can hold 2,000 detainees.

Lehnert said the prisoners were being treated humanely and a team from the international Red Cross would inspect conditions Thursday. He showed reporters a foam cot the prisoners were given to sleep on and plastic bags of rations that included breakfast bagels, fruit and beef stew.

White House Press Secretary Ari Fleischer said Wednesday President Bush was satisfied with the prisoners' treatment.

"It is humane, it is respectful," he said. "The president is satisfied that they are being treated as Americans would want people to be treated."

Doctors on the base performed

surgery on a prisoner whom they said had been shot about a month ago in Afghanistan, the military said in a statement earlier Wednesday.

The surgery was performed Sunday on the man's upper right arm. The prisoner was expected to regain motion in his elbow and shoulder but may have limited mobility in his wrist due to nerve damage.

It was unclear whether the man had been shot during the conflict in Afghanistan or in detention before being sent to Cuba.

The United States is holding more than 400 prisoners at Kandahar airport in southern Afghanistan. Ninety prisoners of Pakistani origin will be transferred to Pakistan, General Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said Wednesday.

## Algerian faces 24 years in prison for L.A. bomb plot

NEW YORK (AP) - An Algerian was sentenced to 24 years in prison Wednesday - the maximum - for his role in a plot to detonate a suitcase bomb at the Los Angeles airport amid the millennium celebrations.

Mokhtar Haouari, 32, who lives in Canada, was convicted last summer of federal charges he supplied fake IDs and cash to two others in the plot.

The plot was foiled when its mastermind, Ahmed Ressam, was arrested in Washington state in December 1999 while trying to enter from Canada in a car with a trunkful of explosives. Ressam had been trained in terrorist camps financed by Osama bin Laden, according to investigators.

At the attack, prosecutors said he was in the crowd of supporters in the days before Jan. 1, 2000, could have been the bloodiest act of terrorism against the

United States since the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing.

Haouari turned down the opportunity to speak at his sentencing and sat impassively.

"The defendant's conduct posed a great risk to the well-being of the American people," U.S. District Judge John Keenan said.

The jury found finding Haouari guilty of conspiracy to supply material support to a terrorist act. He was also convicted of conspiracy to commit fraud.

Haouari was accused of supplying Ressam with phony identification and \$3,000 used to buy bomb-making chemicals for a holy war against the United States.

The jury acquitted Haouari on a charge that he aided the airport bombing plot in particular. Prosecutors acknowledged that Haouari did not know the exact bombing target.

## Money

Afghanistan from 1996 to 2001. It was not known what information he has about the complex web of support of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida terrorist network, which was sheltered by the Taliban.

Marine spokesman Lt. James Jarvis said the man showed up Tuesday at the Kandahar airport, where thousands of U.S. troops are based and a detention center holds hundreds of al-Qaida and Taliban fighters.

The man remained on the base Wednesday but was not being detained, Jarvis said. A Pentagon official said on condition of anonymity that he was not on the U.S. list of wanted men, but Jarvis said investigators were "talking with joy."

At the Pentagon, Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said the man was being questioned. But Myers

would not give details on the man's identity or say how he came to the base.

U.S. officials initially said the man was an al-Qaida finance official but later Pentagon officials said he was a Taliban backer.

The nature of the man's purported donations were unclear. However, during the years the Taliban was in power, a major source of income for the Islamic militia purportedly came from kickbacks from big-time smugglers, including drug dealers, who were willing to pay in order to be allowed to continue their operations.

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# Ashcroft links shoe bomb suspect, al-Qaida

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal grand jury on Wednesday charged alleged shoe bomber Richard Reid with being an al-Qaida trained terrorist in an indictment Attorney General John Ashcroft hailed as fresh proof of the government's ability to prosecute terrorists.

Ashcroft said the charges "alert us to a clear, unmistakable threat that al-Qaida could attack the United States again."

The attorney general discussed the charges shortly after a federal grand jury in Boston handed up a nine-count indictment, saying, "We must be prepared. We must be ready. We must be vigilant."

The indictment alleges that Reid attempted to kill the passengers on American Airlines Flight 63 from Paris to Miami on Dec. 22.

"Richard Reid did attempt to use a weapon of mass destruction, consisting of an explosive bomb placed in each of his shoes, against Americans, said the 12-page indictment.

Ashcroft credited passengers and crew on that flight with stopping Reid from detonating the shoe bomb and bringing down the plane. "Our trust in the common sense of people who act in the face of terrorism was vindicated," he said. He said

# Yemen: Al-Qaida plotted to hit embassy

SANA, Yemen (AP) — Militants of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida terror network plotted to attack the U.S. Embassy in Sana'a, a Yemeni Foreign Ministry official said Wednesday.

The U.S. Embassy suspended most consular services Monday, citing what it said were credible security threats. The suspension remains in effect.

The Yemeni official, speaking on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press the government had received information from the United States that al-Qaida militants had contemplated carrying out an attack on the embassy.

The official did not say when the attack was to have taken place.

The Foreign Ministry official said the information received from the United States came from interrogations of a senior al-Qaida figure, Ibn Al-Shaykh al-Libi, who is in U.S. custody. Al-Libi is a Libyan who ran some of bin Laden's training camps. He was captured by Pakistan and turned over to U.S. authorities this month.

Asked about the alleged plot, a U.S. Embassy official in Sana'a refused to comment on Wednesday.

The Aden newspaper Al-Ayyam reported that one of the Yemeni al-Qaida militants detained by

# Secretary outlines plan for checking baggage

WASHINGTON (AP) — Airlines working with the government will meet Friday's congressionally-imposed deadline for screening all checked baggage for explosives, Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta said.

Reinforcing what the industry had said earlier in the week, Mineta said Wednesday that bags would be inspected by bomb sniffing dogs, equipment that can detect traces of explosives or by hand searches by security personnel. In cases where that isn't possible, he said, a bag would have to be matched to a passenger before being loaded.

"All of us here understand that we have entered a new era in transportation, an era in which a determined enemy has challenged one of America's most cherished freedoms — namely, the freedom of mobility," Mineta told the Transportation Research Board, an industry group.

Mineta said the department would meet another deadline in the aviation security law, developing a new training program for security screeners, including 40

# AIDS defeats vaccine in Harvard research

The Associated Press

Harvard AIDS researchers working with monkeys say the virus overcame an experimental vaccine by changing a single gene, killing one of the animals.

Scientists said the disappointment does not mean that AIDS vaccines are doomed to fail. But it illustrates how the virus remains a relentless opponent that will not be easily defeated or even contained.

HIV already is known to mutate and grow impervious to standard AIDS drugs in at least half of all Americans under care for the infection.

Now researchers have seen a similar outcome with an experimental vaccine that tries to stimulate immune cells to prevent the virus from multiplying. The mutation occurred in only one of eight vaccinated rhesus monkeys in the Harvard experiment.

"It is sobering to find that a single-point mutation within the virus can initiate a cascade of events resulting in a clinical vaccine failure and death," said Dan H. Baruch, a clinical fellow at the Harvard Medical School and lead author of the study.

More than one dozen experimental vaccines using different genetic strategies have been test-

# Preemies fare well as teen-agers

A study found that babies born prematurely were less likely to engage in risky behavior during adolescence than their counterparts of normal birth weight. The preemies, all born from 1977 through 1979, had more learning and neurological problems but fewer behavioral problems overall.

Percentage of 20 year olds reporting risk behavior

| Men   | Women |
|---|-------|
| Tobacco use   |       |
| 57  | 40    |
| 59  | 48    |
| Alcohol use   |       |
| 72  | 61    |
| 82  | 83    |
| Illicit drug use                                      |       |
| 42  | 30    |
| 53  | 44    |
| Violation of law (excluding traffic tickets)          |       |
| 37  | 24    |
| 52  | 23    |
| Crime conviction (includes driving while intoxicated) |       |
| 20  | 2     |
| 27  | 3     |
| Incarceration   |       |
| 28  | 6     |
| 28  | 6     |
| Pregnancy (for men, pregnancy of partner)             |       |
| 28  | 29    |
| 23  | 41    |

SOURCE: New England Journal of Medicine

# Studies: Preemies prove less troublesome as teens

The Associated Press

Ver, small premature babies born in the late 1970s turned out less intelligent than other youngsters their age, a study found. But to researchers' surprise, they got into less trouble as teens, perhaps because they had dotting parents.

As expected, the preemies in the study had learning difficulties and persistent neurological problems while growing up. But they also reported significantly less risky behavior as young adults than a comparison group.

Differences between the groups were found when it came to the use of alcohol, marijuana and other illegal drugs, conviction of a crime or other contact with police; and, for girls, having sex and getting pregnant by age 20.

"That was totally unexpected, because there's a lot of literature that criminality is related to lower IQ," said Dr. Maureen Hack, who led the study as director of the neonatal follow-up program at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in Cleveland. She said the researchers thought the preemies would have had more behavior problems.

She said one possible explanation is that the preemies' parents saw their children as particularly precious and watched over them more.

Dr. Henry Shapiro, chairman of the American Academy of Pediatrics' section on developmental pediatrics, said

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## EDITORIAL

# Supermajority prevents excessive tax increases

Amending the Idaho Constitution is never easy. Changing the Constitution's two-thirds supermajority requirement for school bond votes will be an even tougher wall to climb.

Some officials, including Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, want to make the attempt this year. Kempthorne has proposed reducing the vote requirement to 60 percent for school districts that use Idaho's primary and general election dates.

Giving school districts an incentive to stop using oddball election dates is a tempting idea. But don't expect enthusiasm voters to take the bait.

Any amendment to the state Constitution would have to pass both houses of the Legislature with two-thirds approval. After that, Idaho voters would need to pass it by a simple majority vote.

Prediction: The same penny-pinching voters whom educators usually blame for killing bond issues will probably reject any proposal that ultimately aims to raise their taxes. The two-thirds supermajority makes raising taxes difficult, and voters like it that way.

So here's an alternative approach. Maybe it's time school districts started making the supermajority requirement work for them, not against them.

A two-thirds supermajority is possible for a school district to attain. The state has seen bond votes pass in many areas, both urban and rural.

What it comes down to is whether a school district is able to persuade voters that their schools need urgent attention. If voters understand their school district's needs instead of its wants, the district has a good start toward passing a bond issue.

There are other ways to make the two-thirds supermajority more accessible. Kempthorne's idea about consoli-

dating election dates is one of them.

For decades, some districts have intentionally held their school bond votes on obscure, inconvenient dates. During harvest, for instance. The theory seems to be that a lower turnout will increase the chances of passage, by stacking the deck with "yes" voters.

This confusing game is an insult to the democratic process, it rarely achieves the desired result, and it teaches taxpayers to distrust school leaders. School districts would be better off holding their bond elections during the May primary and the November general election, when voter turnout is comparatively high.

Kempthorne's State of the State plea for trimming the two-thirds requirement was a good idea. The motivation is understandable: Fighting lawsuits from school districts that feel entitled to state construction funding must be tiresome.

But the Constitution's two-thirds requirement doesn't need to change. The Legislature took a good step to help local districts last year, by providing state aid for interest payments. That aid makes the total package more affordable and attractive for local voters.

Idaho should not lower the hurdle that school construction proposals must overcome. To do so would risk opening the floodgates to poorly conceived or poorly explained construction proposals. For proof, just look at the county governments that try to use judicial confirmations to skip around bond votes altogether.

Idaho's Constitution, quite appropriately, has a built-in bias against excessive taxes. When school bonds truly are needed, the process for approving them still works. Don't expect voters to change it.

*The two-thirds supermajority makes raising taxes difficult, and voters like it that way.*



## Statue's symbolism trumps the truth

Too soon I spoke when shortly after the 9-11 terrorist attacks I penned an obit for political correctness. Noting that we're again a serious people with serious purposes, I said we no longer had the time or inclination for political correctness, which I defined as "camouflaging Truth to protect the psyches of the silly."

Four months later, alas, we're at it again. This time we're reinventing a historic moment in a perfunctory bow to the gods of diversity. Specifically, we're reinventing the photographic instant when three New York City firefighters raised an American flag atop a pile of rubble at Ground Zero.

The scene was captured by photographer Tom Franklin of The Record of Bergen County, N.J. Franklin's image is now being reproduced as a 19-foot statue to be erected at the Fire Department's Brooklyn headquarters to memorialize the 343 fire fighters who died on Sept. 11.

With one notable difference. The three firemen are still men (an oversight, I'm sure), but they're no longer white. Now they're of various ethnicities and hues - white, black and Hispanic - to better reflect the ethnic content of the department.

Many New York City firefighters and their families are upset by the falsification of real events. It's not about race, they say; it's about reality. If the three firefighters had been black, would we have changed the faces to reflect more accurately the diversity of those who died that day?

Cry havoc, indeed. Jesse Jackson and

**KATHLEEN PARKER**

Al Sharpton would have to be sedated or possibly cryogenically frozen until, well, let's just leave that open, shall we?

The decision to alter reality was made by several groups, including the New York Fire Department, the studio making the statue and the company that owns the department's headquarters.

Not everyone sees a problem with the faux diversification. Some say the symbolism is what matters, not the actual people.

In all for symbolism. I love symbolism. But I love truth more. And the problem with changing the faces of the men who were photographed raising the flag is that it's not true. It's not factual. It didn't happen that way. Why does it matter? It matters because truth always matters. In fact, it's all that matters.

As for symbolism, changing the faces of the three firefighters is hugely symbolic. It makes clear that we value symbols more than we value truth. The truth includes the fact that of the city's 11,500 firefighters, 2.7 percent are black and 3.2 percent are Hispanic. Not to nuzzle over numbers, but even a mathematically challenged person such as myself knows that 2.7 isn't one-third of anything.

Once you start slicing and dicing truth, there's no end to it. And once you become comfortable with little adjustments to truth, a tweak here and a tweak there, you begin not to notice when truth disappears altogether. Where truth is absent, tyranny reigns.

Such, ultimately, is the lonesome promise of political correctness.

But it's only a statue, you say, just a little thing no worse than a white lie (pardon the exclusion). If it makes people feel better, what's the harm? It's not the symbol, darling. It's what the symbol stands for, which isn't truth. If not truth, then what if not a lie?

The firefighters captured by the camera - Dan McWilliams, George Johnson and Billy Eisengrein - have been prudently silent.

But their attorney, Bill Kelly, says the men are "disappointed," and has written a letter asking that production of the statue be halted.

In fairness, this may be a case of good intentions gone awry. The fact is, we are a diverse nation, and people of many races and hues died by the terrorists' hand that day. But honoring those people shouldn't require appropriating the glory of others.

Perhaps a more fitting tribute would be another sort of memorial like the Vietnam "Wall." Symbolically, that would say more about our nation than the faces of any man or woman. Names on a wall, without any other identifying features, say we're all essentially the same, one people, which, of course, we are.

What we are not are the three white guys who raised the flag on a 20-foot pile of rubble that day. And that's the truth, like it or not.

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## LETTERS

### Harry Potter teaches great lessons

Response to "Don't argue with God - you'll lose" printed Saturday, Jan. 12: Don't argue with a Harry Potter fan - you'll lose.

First of all, the book shop where Harry buys his books is referred to as "a shop called Flourish and Blotts." It is never referred to as "a wizard's shop." It is true that Harry is interested in a book titled "Curses and Counter Curses." But if you read on, you will see that Harry is disinterested in buying the book, reading the book or putting to use anything in the book. Harry is also reminded that he is not allowed to do magic outside of school.

Harry is not anxious to get a wand so that he could curse his cousin, Dudley. The book merely mentions "A magic wand... this was what Harry had been really looking forward to." Rowling says nothing about Harry wanting a wand so that he could curse Dudley.

There was no Dark Arts spell cast upon the area that housed the sorcerer's stone. In fact, the charms and spells cast were to protect the stone from falling into the hands of a dark wizard. And I don't recall anyone telling Harry and Ron that they "must keep putting spells on people."

This letter reminds me of a newspaper article I read recently in which the writer (I believe from Columbia University) told how terrible these books were for our children, and then admitted that he had not read any of the four books.

We need to focus on what this story is

really about: what Harry learns about himself and others, what Harry learns about friendship and loyalty, what Harry learns about self-confidence, and most of all, what Harry learns about the differentiation between right and wrong.

Recently, it was reported on the radio that 8 of 10 kids ages 11 to 16 have read at least one of the four books and 5 of 10 have read all four. In my opinion, J.K. Rowling has contributed more to the literacy of our children than any other single individual. Read the books and focus on the story, the real story, and you will find many good messages.

**BRAD DOTSON**  
Twin Falls

### Feed the suffering Afghan children

To our legislators: I would like to add my encouragement to feeding the starving children of Afghanistan.

Worldwide, parents are alike. Their children are their hope for tomorrow, and help for their children is their greatest desire. I realize some of the places are remote, but helicopters or food drops can get the job done.

Let us prove that we are the Christians we claim to be and deliver these children from pain and suffering. This would be absolutely the greatest statement we could make about our nation and its people.

**MATT SMITH**  
Twin Falls

### The drought may not be over

A relatively good start for Idaho's winter's snowpack is a cause for celebration. Especially when we compare it to last year's skimpy snow levels resulting from the drought that has plagued Idaho over the past two years.

But it clearly is premature for anyone to say that above-normal snowpack levels in some Idaho basins in the first half of January mean Idaho's drought is over. When it rains to Idaho water, it isn't over until Mother Nature sings. And she has yet to voice a single note.

Heavy snows starting late last year were a blessing for skiers and snowmobilers. Unfortunately, it also launched a wave of "the drought is over" comments, public and private.

But if you regularly monitor snowpack readings for Idaho's 16 major basins, you have noticed a trend developing. The number of basins with less than 100 percent of average has steadily increased.

Consider this:  
• Dec. 18 - the statewide snowpack average was 138 percent of normal. Not one of Idaho's 16 basins was less than 100 percent of normal.  
• Jan. 9 - the statewide average had

dropped to 108 percent of normal, and six of 16 basins had snow levels below 100 percent, and

• Jan. 13 - Idaho had 10 of 16 basins with snowpack averages below 100 percent, and the statewide average had dropped to 102 percent of normal.

Idaho's snow accumulation season begins in November and runs through the middle of April. That means there are still three months to go before we can really say just what we will have for a 2002 water supply.

Idaho weather is notorious for its quirky nature. One month's storm track bringing an unrelenting series of snow storms can quickly become the next month's high pressure bubble that works like an umbrella, keeping skies clear, snow out and stagnant air in. Chinook wind-powered warm snaps can shrink snow packs almost overnight.

Look at Idaho water like your own financial situation. A pile of overtime pay in the first couple months of the year doesn't mean you'll be on easy street with a pile of money in your bank account by summer. Especially in these times of unpredictable job security.

Don't let anyone tell you the drought is over. We simply don't know that yet. So

stay tuned, keep your fingers crossed and think snop.

**DICK LARSEN**  
Boise  
(Editor's note: Dick Larsen is the public information officer for the Idaho Department of Water Resources.)

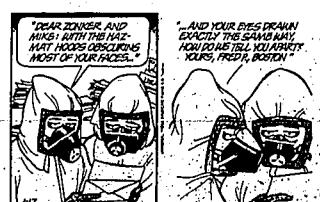
### Listener seeks kinder radio station

Quite sometime ago, I quit listening to KEST because of a comment one of the morning "personalities" made about diver Greg Louganis hitting his head on the diving board and seeing fairies. I believed this to be a slur reference to Greg's being HIV positive. Now, this morning while taking my 11-year-old son to school, the morning "personalities" on 52.5 making jokes about Brandon from CBS's "Survivor." Brandon made no secret of the fact that he is gay. I thought that we are trying to build a world without discrimination and gay-bashing.

I was personally offended by these comments, and worse, my son heard them. I truly liked the morning staff on 52.5. Now, I am going to be choosing a new station to listen to.

**ALISA MOON**  
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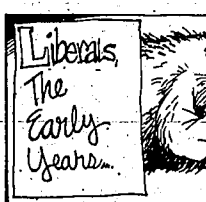
### Doonesbury



### By Garry Trudeau



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### By Bruce Tinsley



OPINION

John Ashcroft makes an astounding remark

When Attorney General John Ashcroft told this nation, "To those who scare peaceful people with phantoms of lost liberty, my message is this: Your tactics only aid terrorists. He wasn't blaring any new truths. He was merely doing what despots and would-be despots always do: attempting to intimidate into silence those who dare to question him.

Ashcroft's statement is one of the most astounding things to be said by a U.S. official in many years. Does Ashcroft have such a low estimate of the American people's intelligence?

Perhaps he needs to become acquainted with Thomas Jefferson, who said, "The natural progress of things is for liberty to yield and government to gain ground." That's precisely true during war — especially an Orwellian undeclared, open-ended crusade against an enemy as nebulous as "international terrorism."

Ashcroft is a perfect Orwellian character. In "1984" Big Brother told his people that "freedom is slavery." Ashcroft refuses to concede that the Bush administration is seeking to curtail liberty in the least. Those who see diminished liberty must be hallucinating, seeing "phantoms of lost liberty."

So when the president unilaterally abolishes due process for non-citizens, we are only imaging an erosion of liberty. And when Congress passes, without even reading, the administration's alleged anti-terrorism bill, which expands the government's powers of surveillance, permits secret searches of homes and weakens judicial oversight of law enforcement, again, we are deluded if we think freedom is evaporating.

This is a classic power grab under the cover of an emergency. Sept. 11 has given policy-makers a chance to bring down from the shelf every new police power they have wanted for years. The game is rigged in favor of power.

As Schumer puts it, "For the foreseeable future, the federal government will have to grow. ... The era of a shrinking federal government has come to a close." Of course, the senator was trying to

**SHELDON RICHMAN**  
enlarge it long before Sept. 11. Schumer insists that only the federal government "has the breadth, strength and resources" to keep us secure. Forgive me for asking, but did we not have a federal government on Sept. 11? Was it not in charge of our security on that date? Then what is the senator talking about? And if it isn't impolite to ask, just where does the federal government get all those resources? It simply took resources from the people who did produce them.

Schumer thinks that "the notion

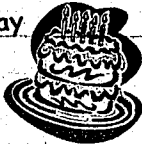
of letting a thousand different ideas compete and flourish — which works so well to create goods and services — does not work at all in the face of a national security emergency. Unity of action and purpose is required, and only the federal government can provide it."

But he's got it wrong. Security is a service. Competition and innovation are valuable in the effort to keep ourselves safe. The last thing we need is central planning.

That's what we had on Sept. 11.

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STARS

Whitney Martin  
Minico girls basketball

It's not such a hard thing to find the second best basketball player in the state. Just ask Minico junior Whitney Martin. She is the perfect complement to Clare Bodensteiner. "I don't mind the publicity Clare gets because I know how hard she works," Martin said. "She deserves to be put up to her because of how hard she works."

Martin said Bodensteiner's work ethic is contagious and forces her to push herself the extra mile. As a result, Martin has developed into a player who can "hit the interior or the outside and is a great ballhandler who understands her role opposite Bodensteiner. Like Bodensteiner, who will take her game to Stanford in the fall, Martin would also like to continue her playing days after high school. She is getting form letters from Pac-10 schools. Martin is also an exceptional student, who carries a 3.9 grade-point average.

At college, Martin said she is thinking of studying health sciences with the aim of becoming a doctor "because my aunt is a doctor and I see how much money she makes." In addition to basketball, Martin also excels in volleyball and track, in which she anchored the eighth-place medley relay team and placed ninth in the 800-meters at the state meet for the champion Spartans track team last spring. "But basketball is her first love. It's more competitive since there are more spectators," Martin said. "Volleyball is competitive but I like the physical competition." Martin also enjoys playing the piano and is learning the guitar. Her favorite kind of music is Christian rock and her favorite band is Deft Punk. On the court, Martin and the Spartans are coming together toward their goal of "taking regional and winning state," she said. "I think it's going good. We started out kind of slowly because we lost some good seniors last year. But I think we're coming together well."

—Scott Thompson

Great expectations

Chances have never been higher for U.S. gold at Winter Olympics

The Associated Press

LAUSANNE, Switzerland — The United States never has won more than 13 medals at a Winter Olympics. Next month, it expects to almost double that record.

Buoyed by the recent performances of skater Michelle Kwan, skier Bode Miller and other athletes, U.S. Olympic Committee leaders predicted Wednesday that Americans would win at least 20 medals at the Salt Lake City Games.

U.S. medal prospects figured prominently as new USOC chief executive Lloyd Ward and USOC president Sandra Baldwin met

with International Olympic Committee head Jacques Rogge. "I am very optimistic that we will win our 20 medals," Baldwin said in an interview. "It was a real stretch when we started. But my personal count may even be a little higher than that. I have every confidence if a couple of key athletes don't get hurt that we'll be right there."

The United States, which often dominates the medals table at the Summer Olympics, is not a traditional winter sports power. American athletes won 13 medals at the 1998 Winter Games in Nagano, Japan, matching the total achieved in 1994 at Lillehammer, Norway.

But host nations traditionally experience an increase in medals, and the United States should also benefit from the addition of skeleton and women's bobsled in Salt Lake.

Kwan's scintillating victory at last week's U.S. figure skating championships and Miller's series of wins and podium finishes on the World Cup ski circuit this winter have added to the USOC's high hopes.

Baldwin also cited medal chances in snowboarding, freestyle skiing, speedskating and bobsledding. "It has been the expectation that the United States must get strong in winter sport and this is our showcase opportunity," she said. "We've invested a lot of time and money in having our winter sports do well and we'll have a great legacy with the facilities afterwards. Now we just have to watch it pay off."

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Michelle Kwan smiles after finishing her free skate at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships Saturday in Los Angeles. Kwan finished in first place.

Owners approve sale of Red Sox

The Associated Press

PHOENIX — On a historic day when baseball owners discussed trading teams instead of players, they voted Wednesday to approve the \$660 million sale of the Boston Red Sox to a group led by Florida Marlins owner John Henry.



Owners, who usually take six to 12 months to process franchise sales, acted in record time, ending a season dominated by their plan to cut from 30 to 28 teams. That plan, which calls for major league teams to be eliminated for the first time since 1899, has been stalled in court.

After lengthy negotiations between the Red Sox and the Marlins, attorneys general that ended just hours before the meeting's start, owners approved the Boston deal 29-0 with the New York Yankees abstaining.

"Baseball runs in our veins, just like it runs in yours," Henry said in a message to Red Sox fans.

The vote sets in motion plans for Henry to sell the Marlins for \$158 million to Jeffrey Loria, the current Montreal Expos owner, and for Loria to sell his team to the commissioner's office for \$120 million.

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Sweet revenge



Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban serves an ice cream cone at a Dairy Queen in Coppell, Texas, on Wednesday. Wearing a navy blue denim shirt and a manager's badge, Cuban took orders, made change and served soft-serve ice cream cones making good on a promise to the fast-food chain to be a manager for a day. The company's offer came in response to Cuban's criticism of the NBA's head of officiating: "I wouldn't hire him to manage a Dairy Queen."

Billionaire Mavericks owner dishes ice cream

The Associated Press

COPPELL, Texas — Trying desperately to perfect the curly tip on a soft-serve cone, Mark Cuban licked the remains of another failed effort from his fingertips and handed the messy treat to an excited 3-year-old boy.

One lick later, the kid dropped it. That was about the only thing

that went wrong Wednesday when the billionaire owner of the Dallas Mavericks worked two hours behind a Dairy Queen counter, making good on a promise to manage the fast-food restaurant.

The company's offer came in response to Cuban's assertion that he wouldn't hire Ed Rush, the NBA's head of officiating, "to manage a Dairy Queen."

The league fined Cuban \$500,000 for the comment, a record for an individual. For about \$650,000, Cuban could've

bought a starting DQ franchise. So, after doing the job himself, does he still think Rush couldn't do it?

"It depends on how he treats the customers. That's the hard part," Cuban said.

"Part of the point I was trying to make with the NBA is that you have to understand your customers and learn to get better as a business."

Cuban, fined more than \$1 million by the NBA in the two years since he bought the team, praised his boss-for-a-day, store owner

Parrish Chapman, and took another shot at the league. "I'd love to send Parrish up to the NBA to have him give them a lesson in exactly how to communicate," Cuban said. "When anybody needed to interact with Parrish, he was right there to answer the questions. That's the way you run a business. If Parrish just went up there and just took a look, we'd be a lot better off."

Cuban's presence created a carnival atmosphere at the suburban

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Ward is no hit with Baltimore's Woodson

The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — The first game left one of the best defensive backs in NFL history bloodied, the second game left him angry and vengeful.

In the game-within-a-game world of the NFL, defensive backs are supposed to punish wide receivers, not the other way around.

That doesn't always happen when Baltimore safety Rod Woodson takes on Pittsburgh wide receiver Hines Ward, and their third matchup this season adds an intriguing element to Sunday's Ravens-Steelers playoff game.

Ward, widely praised as the NFL's best-blocking receiver, put such a hard hit on Woodson on Nov. 4 in Pittsburgh that Woodson was seen bleeding.

In the Dec. 16 rematch in Baltimore, Ward provoked Woodson into drawing a personal



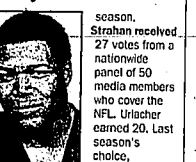
Steelers wide receiver Hines Ward can't make a fingertip catch during a passing drill Wednesday at the Steelers practice complex in Pittsburgh.

foul penalty on the second play from scrimmage, and leveled him later on Amos Zereoue's run. That led Woodson to confront Ward afterward, call him a dirty player and accuse him of intentionally trying to hurt him. Ward was later fined \$10,000 by the NFL for taunting Woodson during

Strahan earns Defensive Player of the Year

The sack has become the most glorified defensive play in the NFL. A major reason why Michael Strahan is The Associated Press Defensive Player of the Year.

Strahan, who set an NFL record with 22.5 sacks for the New York Giants, earned a seven-vote margin over Chicago linebacker Brian Urlacher in balloting announced Wednesday. "Only seven," Strahan said with a huge smile that showed off his famous goatee look. "I'm disappointed, but I'll take it. Nothing was disappointing about the defensive end's performance this



Michael Strahan Lewis, got two votes, and Cleveland linebacker Jamir Miller received the other.

play in which Ward was penalized for unsportsmanlike conduct. "I'm going to do whatever I can to win ballgames, and if he doesn't like the way I play the game, so be it," Ward said Wednesday. "I don't really care what he thinks. I'm not a dirty

player. My blocks are clean, and I don't care if you don't like it." Ward said he never intentionally targets an opposing player, but that most defensive backs simply aren't accustomed to a receiver being as physical as he is — especially

Spartans dominate wrestling rankings

The Times-News

Good things come in small packages. Or so the saying goes. Three area wrestlers — two at 103 pounds — head their respective weight classes in the latest state wrestling rankings, released this week by independent wrestling authority Rocky Bartlett.

Gene Hammonds of Minico and John Clark, of Declo, are the two 103-pound wrestlers, are ranked No. 1 in the 5A and 3A classes, respectively. Also listed No. 1 is Wendell's Mark Dimond, at 171 pounds in the combined 2A-1A class.

The No. 3 and well-represented Spartans listed eight individuals in the state rankings with Eric Adams (112), Josh Anderson (152) and Joey Wald (171) all holding No. 2 rankings and teammates Mark Harper (119) and Jeff Anderson (160) holding third-place showings. Nate McClellan (145) was tabbed fourth and Spartan Jose Vega (125) received a No. 5 ranking.

Topping the 5A ranks are Idaho Falls schools Skyline and Idaho Falls.

Bartlett ranks the top six teams and individuals for each classification.

Three Twin Falls Bruins all received No. 6 rankings with Leonard VonBerndt (189), Brent Faught (215) and Spencer Wilden (175).

At Class 4A, four Burley Bobcats received mention, with Gerardo Vega (171) and Jaxson Jones (275) tops among the team with No. 3 rankings. Tyler Thiessen (189) was Jerome's lone representative with a fifth-place ranking.

At Class 3A, a strong Gooding team dropped a spot in the team rankings to third behind Sugar-Salem and Snake-River, but seven Steamers were listed leading 21 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference wrestlers in the rankings.

And in the combined 2A-1A rankings, 10 members of the Raft-River-Oakley team were ranked along with Dimond and Trojan teammate Jason Blair, who was third at 189 pounds.

Raymond Miller  
TFCA boys basketball

Twin Falls Christian Academy junior guard Raymond Miller set a school record when he knocked down nine 3-pointers and scored 44 points in a loss last week to Murtaugh.

And that game may not even be his career highlight. Last year as a part-time varsity player who averaged about eight points a game in TFCA, said his scoring explosion can be attributed to increased playing time and a summer regimen that included playing basketball "at least once, if not twice a day."

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As for this year, Miller said the Warriors are hoping to win a few more regular-season games before heading to Pasco, Wash., for their regular year-end tournament, which features several Christian schools around the region.

"We need to win that," he said, adding that the Warriors played their two years ago and won it the two years before that. Outside of basketball and school, Miller said he enjoys playing the piano and teaching himself to play the guitar. He also enjoys camping and fishing with his family.

—Scott Thompson





SPORTS

Struggling Rangers fall to Blue Jackets, 2-0

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Tyler Wright and Grant Marshall scored goals and Marc Denis stopped 31 shots for his first shutout in a Columbus uniform as the Blue Jackets beat the New York Rangers 2-0 Wednesday night. The shutout was the fourth of Denis' career. The Blue Jackets won their fourth in a row at home and remained unbeaten in their last five (4-0-1) at Nationwide Arena where they have played before sellout crowds in their last 38 games. The loss was the Rangers' sixth in a row on the road. New York is winless in eight (0-6-1-1).

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MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Arnaud Clement, last year's runner-up, joined the list of players making early exits from the Australian Open, spraying shots wide and losing in a loss Wednesday to Argentina's Gaston Gaudio. Gaudio, who had lost in the first round in his last six Grand Slam events, advanced to the third round with a 6-4, 4-6, 6-2, 7-6 (3) victory. Clement, seeded 15th, missed on four of the last five points, netting a forehand in a short-range exchange at the end. All five of the men's top seeds are gone, and No. 8 Pete Sampras, the U.S. Open runner-

up, is the only player left from among the finalists at last year's four Grand Slams. No. 7 Tommy Haas and No. 9 Marat Safin, the 2000 U.S. Open winner, both advanced. Haas, an Australian Open semifinalist in 1999, made short work of French qualifier Jean-Francois Bachelot 6-1, 6-2, 6-3. The ninth-seeded Safin saved four set points in the second-set tiebreaker on his way to beating Belgium's Christophe Rochus 6-2, 7-6 (5), 6-1. The 31-year-old Russian is in the most difficult section, along with Sampras, who is vying for a 14th Grand Slam title, No. 13 Andy Roddick and Nicolas Pietrangeli.

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## Longtime bowlers offer game hints

**TWIN FALLS** - This week I spoke to some really great people and got their comments on bowling.

### Ralph Hann

Bowled for a couple of years in 1965-66 and then left the game, but came back and has been bowling regularly for the past 10 years. He is currently a member of five leagues and joins the pot bowlers on Monday afternoons.

Hann said his greatest accomplishment is, "Getting out of bed each morning."

"Now isn't that something that all of us senior citizens can relate to."

I wonder if Northwest Crane and Rigging knows how many times they have almost been called for help on that one.

Asked what he likes best about bowling, Hann said it was the people.



**LET'S GO BOWLING.**  
Thelma Tucker

"The association with the people. In bowling you meet a lot of people who are there for the same reason. It also gives me exercise," he said.

### Jake Wanhala

"Wanhala has bowled on and off for the past 12 years and currently bowls in one league. He likes getting out with people and also likes the competitive level that bowling provides."

He said he has been struggling with his game after an undisclosed surgery, but is now carrying a 170 average. He recently

rolled a 252 game and a 624 series. Sounds like he's on the mend.

### Phil Schell

Schell is in his seventh year of bowling after about a 20-year break, when he also bowled for about four years.

He currently bowls in one league; and when asked about his greatest accomplishment and what he likes about the game, he replied with the same answer for both questions: "The friendships that I have made and the people that I have gotten to know."

Whatever your desires are in life, friends are the greatest asset you can have.

Where better than bowling? So... let's go bowling!

Thelma writes a weekly column for *The Times-News*. Contact her by e-mail at [trucker@magidlink.com](mailto:trucker@magidlink.com).

## SITTIN' HIGH IN THE SADDLE.



Photo courtesy of TOOTIE BLACKBURN

### Two Gooding youths took top honors at the annual Southern Idaho Jackpot Rodeo

Association awards ceremony Jan. 6.

Cheyanne Robinson, left, the all-around pee-wee champion, took home the Wyoa's Out West Trophy saddle. Cady Mae Coates, right, won the Valley Co-op trophy saddle for all-around champion in the junior division.

In the open jackpot division, Kallie Jo Parker of Wendell claimed the all-around award. All three competed in barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying and break-away roping in a 10 rodeo series from March through September 2001. Emile Stevens Memorial champion buckles were present to all first place winners in the pee-wee and junior events.

## BOWLING

### TWIN FALLS - Bowling league scores reported

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## SNOWMOBILE RACING

Table with snowmobile racing results for various classes including 100cc, 150cc, 200cc, and 300cc.

## BASKETBALL

Table with basketball scores for various teams including Idaho State, Boise State, and other local teams.

Large advertisement for Grover Electric Plumbing and Heating. Features various products like AquaGlass microban faucets, portable baseboard heaters, lav faucets, economy fan wall heaters, pull-out spout kitchen faucets, 50 gallon electric water heaters, 200 amp main breaker panels, light alert flood assemblies, ultra-low flush toilets, period style kitchen faucets, tub and shower accessories, chrome bath accessories, shower stalls, single handle lav faucets, large economy fan wall heaters, big heat portable heaters, 200 amp mobile home panels, gas water heaters, and two-piece hi-style toilets. Includes prices and contact information.

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Hazelton City Council discusses sale of park

**HAZELTON** - Newly elected Mayor Kerm Douglas and Councilman John Holland took the oath of office at Monday's City Council meeting.

Among the items discussed were the city's pending sale of its old city park to the LDS Church for \$48,000. Douglas said the sale is necessary before the city breaks ground on a planned new park because state parks and recreation money was used for the old park. Proceeds from the sale could be used to provide equipment for the new park, he said.

Until the new park is finished, the city would still be able to use the old park for events such as the Fourth of July celebration, Douglas said.

The City Council also made plans to meet with the city Planning and Zoning Commission Feb. 11 to establish the structure for now the commission will operate.

### 'Voluntary Simplicity' classes start next week

**HAILEY** - The Environmental Resource Center is offering eight-week courses in "Voluntary Simplicity" and "Choices for Sustainable Living" beginning Tuesday and Wednesday.

The classes, offered in collaboration with the Northwest Earth Institute, are designed to challenge people's perspective of themselves and their places in their community, environment and world.

An introductory meeting will be held at noon Friday at the Blaine County School District Office in Hailey where participants can sign up for either course. Tuition fee of \$18 includes a book.

For more information, e-mail jeanne@ercsv.org or call Jeanne at 726-4333.

### Neurologist gives lecture on headaches tonight

**KETCHUM** - Dr. Kenneth Brait, a neurologist at St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center, will discuss headaches, what causes them, the use of herbs and non-prescription medicines in treating them and more in a free lecture today.

The lecture will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the hospital's Baldy Conference Rooms.

Compiled from staff reports

### Burley council lists projects

By Shelley Rideout  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** - Discussion of what projects and issues the City Council should address consumed more than an hour at Tuesday's council meeting.

In the end, the council tallied up a list of projects ranging from possibly selling some city property to building a new multimillion-dollar sewer plant.

The discussion was precipitated by Mayor Jon Anderson. He wanted to create a wish list and a must-do list for the city.

The first item the mayor mentioned was the need to construct a new sewer plant, terming it the most important thing the city needs to do. According to Anderson, the city has two years in which to comply with federal and state regulations regarding the plant. The city has already obtained a grant to evaluate the needs for a new plant, and an engineering study is underway, he said.

The city has obtained \$2.2 million in grants to be used for design work and construction, City Administrator Mark Mitton said. The city has contributed \$658,000 in matching funds to those grants. The city anticipates getting about \$5 million in federal grant support for the entire project, Mitton said.

It's not a question of whether the city will build a new plant, Anderson said. A new plant must be built. Rather, the questions are how much to build and how large a plant to build, he said.

The estimated cost to build a plant equal to what the city currently has is \$18 million, Anderson said. To build a plant large enough to handle additional waste created from some sort of new industry,

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## 'POWER PANTHER' PUSHES FITNESS



USA M. COLLARD/The Times-News

Cacilia Marzillo gives the 'Power Panther' a hug at Immanuel Lutheran School Wednesday afternoon in Twin Falls. The Power Panther is part of a U.S. Department of Education and U.S. Department of Agriculture program called 'Eat Smart, Play Hard,' designed to teach children and their caregivers about healthy eating and using physical activity to stay fit. According to the USDA, 27 percent of American children ages 6-11 are considered obese.

## Winter storms favor South Hills over Tetons

The Times-News

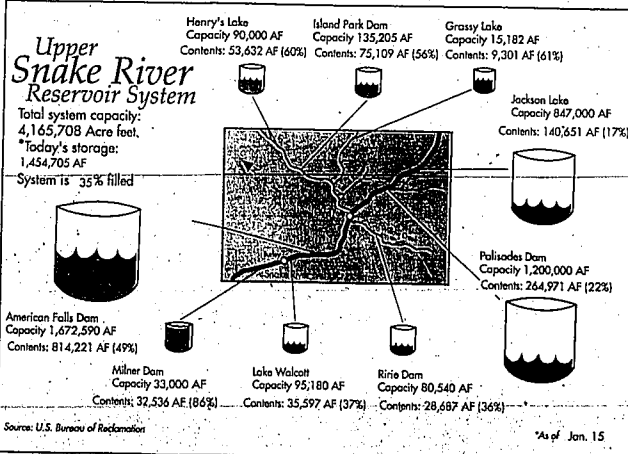
**TWIN FALLS** - More than half of the region's water supply comes from the Snake River above Palisades Reservoir, but it's not the area that has been seeing all the snow lately, a federal hydrologist says.

Mike Beus, a hydrologist with the federal Bureau of Reclamation in Burley, outlined the present water picture for the Twin Falls Rotary Club Wednesday.

Basins in the South Hills that provide some of the region's irrigation supply are above average, but the Snake River above Palisades is below normal for the time of year. "Things aren't getting better. Things are getting drier, particularly in the important watersheds," Beus said.

Normal for the region are northwesterly weather patterns that drop snow over the Tetons, he said. Southwesterly flows that favor snow in the South Hills instead have predominated.

The long-term forecast calls for equal chances of weather being wet, dry or in between, which means farmers could start placing bets on the neighbor with a trick knee.



Such a forecast is typical for the region, because of the unpredictability of its weather patterns, Beus said.

If an El Nino pattern turns out to develop, that could be favorable in terms of a wetter spring, he said.

"Almost as important as the snow supply is the spring weather," he said. A dry spring in 2001 required

## Schools ponder education act

### Idaho will receive federal funds

By Robert Moyer  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Uncertainty abounds for Idaho school districts as the state moves into a new era of standardized testing.

This month, President Bush signed into law the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, a massive 1,250-page document. The degree to which it will affect Idaho schools remains to be seen.

Meanwhile, in Boise, the Idaho State Department of Education is working almost daily with state lawmakers on an entirely new package of K-12 standardized tests to begin this year.

Hoping to clarify the changing state of affairs, Rich Mincer, bureau chief of technology services for the state

department of education, spoke to school officials at the Region IV Superintendent's Association Meeting at the College of Southern Idaho Wednesday.

It appears Idaho will receive an unprecedented amount of federal funds, but not without strings attached, Mincer said. The federal government is stipulating that the state must have standardized testing in place to receive its funds. However, the state is eliminating the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, applied to grades 3-8, and Tests of Achievement and Proficiency, applied to grades 9-11, in favor of levels testing which is designed to measure a student's progress.

But the federal government doesn't

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## M-C agriculture, water projections look good

By Nate Johnson  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** - The economic strength of Mini-Cassia may expand along with the growth of dairies.

"This is probably one of the bright spots in all of the economic outlook," said Richard Gerrard, Cassia County extension educator, speaking to an audience of more than 200 at the D.L. Evans Bank president's luncheon Wednesday.

Gerrard offered projections for agriculture product prices in 2002. The majority of projections were near those of 2001 and up from 2000. Gerrard put the price of milk at \$12.70 per 100 pounds. The price of milk will affect the profits of the existing dairies in the area, but the construction of new dairies will have the greatest impact on Mini-Cassia's economy as a whole,



Bill Hazen

Richard Gerrard

For every 300 dairy cows, \$1 million in new revenues comes into the area, Gerrard said. Work already under way to construct new dairies and expand existing dairies will bring 10,000 dairy cows into Mini-Cassia this year, he said. If the numbers are correct, the growth

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## Researcher discusses threat of radioactive poison in water

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM** - Mention the idea of poison in the Snake River Aquifer and people perk up their ears.

Mention plutonium and other byproducts of the work that's been done at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, and a few people's eyes glaze over as they contemplate a lot of technological mumbo jumbo.

But Arjun Makhijani says the threat of radioactive poisoning in the Snake River Aquifer is serious business -

serious enough to make him leave his home in Washington, D.C. and journey nearly 3,000 miles across the country; serious enough to prompt him to spend a week traveling through Idaho in temperatures cold enough to make his nose sting on a Paul Reverie-like ride from Idaho Falls to Mackay to Ketchum to Buhl to Boise to sound the alarm.

"Right now there are no large amounts of radioactivity in the aquifer," he says. "But if the plutonium that's in the ground at INEEL gets

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### Snowpack levels

| Watershed                  | % of Average* |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Upper Snake River          | 76%           |
| Salmon Falls Creek         | 121%          |
| Oakley Reservoir           | 137%          |
| Big and Little Wood        | 93%           |
| Henrys Fork                | 82%           |
| Big and Little Lost Basins | 76%           |

irrigators to tap into the reservoir supply earlier than they normally would. Lower stream flows combined with longer use of storage depleted the reservoir system. In October, the reservoir system held just 425,000 acre feet of water. Typical season-end carryover is 1.7 million acre feet. The system held 1.4 million acre feet as of Tuesday.

By April 1, the region needs a snowpack of at least 70 percent to 75 percent of average to reach 2001 water levels, Beus said. And that would be just scraping the bottom of the bucket, he said. Still, it would only take one good storm to catch things up. Half the snow season remains.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Utah legislators go after junk e-mail

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Even though the consumer chief gets piles of junk e-mail at her office, and Francine Gianni can't do anything to stop it.

Gianni, director of the Utah Division of Consumer Protection, could get some relief if lawmakers approve a measure that cracks down on "spammers" who jam computer servers and stuff consumers' e-mail with unsolicited advertisements.

A legislative technology committee endorsed the bill on Wednesday and sent it to the full Legislature for consideration.

"We all hate spam," said Rep. Stephen Urquhart, R-St. George. The anti-spam bill has limited

reach — it can't be enforced beyond Utah's borders, advertisers can easily cover their electronic tracks and it would take a court action to recover damages or fines of \$10 per unwanted e-mail. But Gianni says it's a step in the right direction.

"It's costly, annoying and a major waste of time," Rep. Patricia Arent, D-Salt Lake City, said.

Her bill would require hackers to identify themselves and tag their pitches with "ADTY" for advertising in the subject line of a message. A consumer could order a stop to further messages, triggering fines for violations.

Utah's Internet service providers testified in support of the

bill because junk e-mail irritates their subscribers, overwhelms computer servers and forces them to add computer capacity. Some spammers hijack others' e-mail tags to make themselves appear familiar.

"This is a huge problem for Internet service providers," said Robert Galloway, a network security engineer for Internet service manager Ikonno.

No one testified against the bill Wednesday at the Public Utilities and Technology Committee, but David Farnsworth, vice president and general counsel for MyFamily.com, said it fails to discriminate between legitimate and fraudulent or unwanted advertising.

California rancher to give keynote address at annual poetry gathering

By Karen Terrell  
Times-News correspondent

ELKO, Nev. — California rancher and poet John Dofflemeyer will give the keynote address at this year's National Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko, and historian Alvin Josephy will give the Humanities Lecture.

Dofflemeyer, a fifth-generation rancher, has been attending the gathering for 14 years both as a poet and audience member.

Western Folklife Center (WFC) spokeswoman Debbie Fant said Dofflemeyer began writing at the age of 13 while in boarding school in an effort to reestablish his ranching connections.

**ELKO EVENT**

At the confluence of the Kaweah River and Dry Creek, their ranching operation is 30 miles east of Visalia.

Native American expert Alvin Josephy has been a newspaperman, historian and consultant on Indian affairs for several governmental agencies. He was the founding chairman and served on the board of trustees of the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian, which is scheduled to open later this year in Washington, D.C.

For more information, call the Elko Chamber of Commerce at 1-800-428-7143.

WFC Executive Director Charlie Seaman said Josephy was attending Harvard University when the Depression left him without college money. Leaving school, he pursued a career in writing by working as a journalist, screen writer and writer of short stories.

He served as the associate editor of "Time" magazine and eventually became the vice president and editor-in-chief of "American Heritage." He has written several works on the history of the American West and Native Americans. Seaman said Josephy is recognized for his support of Indian tribes in their struggle over treaty rights and sovereignty. His talk is sponsored by the Nevada Humanities Committee.

Tickets for the gathering are still available through the gathering's website at [www.nativeamericanpoetry.com](http://www.nativeamericanpoetry.com). Events are sold out or have limited seating available. WFC personnel said reservations should be made as soon as possible.

Elko Chamber of Commerce Director Elaine Barkdull-Seaman said most rooms are still available through the gathering. She said the chamber maintains a list of available rooms for those planning to attend the annual event.

SERVICES

Robert Kent 'Unc' Rigdon, memorial graveside service at 1 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Elliot Earl Randall of Jerome, service at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome LDS Stake Center (Tiger Drive; another service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Centerville Second Ward Chapel, 1475 North 50 East, Centerville, Utah; burial to follow in the Centerville Cemetery; friends may call from 9:35-10:45 a.m. today at the stake center in Jerome and one hour before the service Friday at the church in Centerville; Utah (Howe-Roberts Funeral Chapel, Jerome).

Harvey E. Wood of Gooding, memorial service at 1 p.m. today at Gooding United Methodist Church; interment will be held at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding).

Louis C. Hnanac of Kimberly, graveside service at 11 a.m. Friday at the Sunset Memorial Park Mausoleum in Twin Falls; interment will be held following

services in the family crypt; visitation from 5-7 p.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Lewis Alan Hatch of Twin Falls, service at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Park Avenue LDS Chapel; interment at 3:30 p.m. in Central Cemetery near Soda Springs; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary and from 8:45-9:45 a.m. Saturday at

the church.

Lovina C. Tuttle of Elba, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Elba Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; interment will follow at the Grandview Cemetery in Elba; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

DEATH NOTICES

Glady's Brandon

TWIN FALLS — Gladys Brandon, 95, of Twin Falls died Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2002, at Desert Rose Retirement Center in Twin Falls.

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

Robert Raymond Micek

FILER — Robert Raymond Micek, 74, of Filer died Tuesday, January 15, 2002, at his home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White

Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Don Stevens

TWIN FALLS — Don Stevens, 53, of Twin Falls died Monday, January 14, 2002, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, January 21, 2002, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls. Burial will follow at the Gooding Cemetery. Services and arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

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Buhl schools escape budget cuts

By Mary Lou Potts  
Times-News writer

BUHL — The Buhl School District won't need to make any budget cuts during its 2002-03 operating budget, but that could change if the district takes another hit from the state next year.

"No cuts will be made in the district programs or salaries for this term, but it may happen next year," superintendent Rick Hill said at Tuesday's School Board meeting.

The board approved Tuesday using reserve funds if needed. The district is losing \$13,500 due to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's recent holdbacks, which are affecting schools across the state. Hill said the district has enough money to carry it through the year, but if the district takes a 5 percent hit next year, budget cuts may be necessary.

In other school board business Tuesday:

- Bids for fixing the roof at the Buhl Middle School will go out in a two-phase request, one for the roof of the central building and one for the gymnasium.
- In addition to the roof, bids will go out for replacing the front door steps and walkway at the middle school. The high school will get

interior and exterior doors.

The district is in the fourth year of the six-year plant facility levy.

- Insight Inc. of Tempe, Ariz., awarded the bid for 50 laptop computers at \$62,500. The money was from a budgeted improvement levy and a state technology grant.
- District officials have written a contract for transportation bids and are waiting for approval from the board's attorney and the State Department of Education. The current contract expires June 30.
- Hill said a letter would be sent to the Twin Falls School District outlining the Buhl district's concerns about how a proposed technical educational center at the College of Southern Idaho would affect Buhl's established programs.

The Buhl district had received a letter from the Twin Falls district asking for support of a proposed center.

- The board approved two policy reviews. Under worker's compensation, employees' accumulated sick time will supplement worker's compensation payments not to exceed the regular pay amount in work-related accidents.
- Sick leave for administrators will increase from 75 to 90 percent in order to comply with state law.

Pam McClain volunteered to be the board liaison to the community committee on long-term planning of tax or fee increases. The committee was formed to improve communication among taxing authorities.

- Steve Kaatz from the Buhl Chamber of Commerce asked the board to support the Association of Idaho Cities' request to conduct an assessment. AIC will focus on schooling and housing. The board agreed to support the assessment.
- Dotte Hildeman and Yasmin Juker were hired as English-as-a-second-language instructors.
- The board accepted the resignation of Jon Jundt, who is retiring from education.
- A board training session will be held Feb. 8 at the high school library.
- An education law seminar will be held March 12-13 in Boise. Board members will have a chance to learn federal and state laws governing schools.
- The Idaho School Board Association is planning a day-on-the-hill on Feb. 12-13 in Boise. Board members will spend time with legislators.

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**BURLEY**

2 p.m. Saturday, January 19, 2002, at the Burley Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2050 Normal Avenue, with Bishop Jon Scarle officiating. Interment will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Burley Stake Center on Friday, January 18, 2002, from 6-8 p.m., and on Saturday from 1-1:45 p.m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley.

**GARRY TODD JAMES**

Garry Todd James, 17-year-old Burley resident, died Monday, January 14, 2002, at his home.

He was born August 1, 1984, in Burley, Idaho, the son of Michael Earl and Colleen-Kay Yost James. He lived all of his life in Burley, where he attended at Dorvoshak, the Mountain View and White Pine Elementary Schools, the Burley Junior High School, and was a senior at Burley High School. Garry had enjoyed the Ag Welding Class and Occupational Foods.

Garry was very likable and especially enjoyed being with his friends. As a young boy, he liked biking and later enjoyed snow and skate boarding and his Go-Ped. He was very quick witted and was quite the ladies' man.

He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, where he served as the Deacon's and Teacher's Quorum President and was currently a Priest in the Aaronic Priesthood. He was also active in the Seminary Program.

Garry will miss you greatly, especially the bounce in your voice, your great smile and those sparkling blue eyes.

He is survived by his parents, Mike and Colleen James of Burley; his siblings, Elder Michael Christopher James (currently serving an LDS mission in Charleston, West Virginia), Nicholas Scott James, Katie Michelle James and Emily Kay James, all of Burley; his paternal grandmother, Elaine Jane of Heyburn; his maternal grandmother, Marlene Yost of Burley; his maternal great-grandparents, William Charles (Myrtle) Beckstead of Murray, Utah; his aunts, uncles, cousins and his many close friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Denver James and Delano Yost.

The funeral service will be held at

**CHUBBUCK**

Billie Madge Barber, 80, a Gooding resident, passed away Wednesday, January 16, 2002, at his home.

She was born September 7, 1911, in Princeton, Missouri, to Henry Walter and Moriah (Constable) Baker. He was raised and educated in Missouri. He held jobs that led him first to California, then on to Idaho. He entered the Army National Guard and served there until the beginning of World War II, when he enlisted with the U.S. Army where he served in the 194th Field Artillery & Antitank Battalion

**GOODING**

**Billie Madge Barber**

Billie Madge Barber, 80, a Gooding resident, passed away Wednesday, January 16, 2002, at Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

Billie was born July 20, 1921, in Birch Creek, Idaho, the daughter of Otto H. and Nancy Bare. She was raised and educated in Birch Creek and graduated from Idaho Falls High School. She married George Barber in Dillon, Montana, on October 8, 1945. They followed construction work in the northwestern states for many years. They retired to Gooding about 30 years ago.

She is survived by her nieces, Wainie H. Miller, Esther Bramwell, Janet Evans, Jolene Crystal and Jerril Tavenor, and nephews Wallace Wagoner, Wendell Wagoner and Mac Wagoner.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two sisters, and one brother.

Memorial graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, January 19, 2002, at the Elmwood Cemetery with Rev. Michael Gregor officiating.

Services are under the direction of Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

**Eldon Clay Baker**

Eldon Clay Baker, 90, of Chubbuck passed away Tuesday, January 15, 2002, at his home.

He was born September 7, 1911, in Princeton, Missouri, to Henry Walter and Moriah (Constable) Baker. He was raised and educated in Missouri. He held jobs that led him first to California, then on to Idaho. He entered the Army National Guard and served there until the beginning of World War II, when he enlisted with the U.S. Army where he served in the 194th Field Artillery & Antitank Battalion

Moscow group gathers signatures against tax cuts

MOSCOW (AP) — A group is circulating a petition urging lawmakers to temporarily repeal tax cuts passed last year so the state's universities and public schools will not have to cut their budgets.

"It doesn't take a genius to figure out that these tax cuts are having an effect on local school districts," Jack Porter, a Moscow attorney and member of Friends of Neighborhood Schools, said.

The group organized last June to protest the school district's proposal to build a new Moscow High School outside of the city center, Porter said.

But its attention turned to helping the district find money to stay afloat after a Nov. 15 supplemental levy failed to pass by 77 per-

cent. The levy asked Moscow voters for nearly \$2 million to help get the district through budget shortfalls in 2002-03.

Porter said the group's petition to the Legislature was one suggestion that came out of the group's Thursday meeting, Porter said.

By late last week the petition was drafted and is being distributed by members of the group.

"It's just nuts for the Legislature to enact a tax cut now," Porter said.

Porter said the group has no formal plans for how many signatures they will gather.

Friends of Neighborhood Schools is working independently of state and local government, Porter said.

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# ACRES OF ART

## Groups look at city property for Sun Valley cultural center

By Pat Murphy  
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - The first small step toward creating a five-acre Sun Valley arts and culture campus was taken Wednesday by more than 60 representatives of local groups that would be expected to support the ambitious project.

They generally endorsed the concept, even proposing a wide range of names for the cluster of structures that would house performing arts and theater, an amphitheater for concerts, art galleries, open space, offices, housing for visiting performers and even underground parking.

The site of the proposed center is a vacant tract on Sun Valley Road adjacent to Our Lady of the Sacred Catholic Church and owned by the city of Sun Valley.

The city obtained the land in a swap with the Sun Valley Company, which was given the old St. Moritz hospital land and buildings in exchange for the Sun Valley Road property.

The five acres were part of some 50 acres owned by the Sun Valley Company on the north side of Sun Valley Road that's zoned for recreational use. The

company has made no plans for development of the remaining acreage.

Sun Valley Mayor David Wilson said at Wednesday's

meeting at the Elkhorn Resort that the city set aside the five acres for a cultural and arts center, but, "It's not up to the city to develop it. If the community doesn't come together, then the five acres can just sit there."

But he said Wednesday's large turnout of arts and culture group members is "a showing that it (the project) can be done."

Meeting moderator Dan Drackett, a semi-retired advertising consultant, unveiled a large schematic site plan of what the arts and culture campus might look like. It was prepared by architect Harry Teague, of Aspen, Colo., who has designed arts facilities in Aspen and Jackson Hole, Wyo., and who the city has retained to study the Wood River Valley's needs for a

culture campus. Drackett broke up the larger group into small ad hoc sessions for brief discussions on how an arts center could be used, what it should be named and its possibility of success.

In a statement of purpose, Drackett said the proposed project "will shelter and showcase education, creation, study, practice, presentation, performance, exhibition, discussion, celebration and critical assessment of the arts."

Possible names included the Arts Center at Sun Valley, Sun Valley Cultural Campus, Valley Cultural Arts Center, and Arts and Humanities Campus. Several in the group suggested that Sun Valley be incorporated into whatever name is ultimately chosen, since the name is known internationally.

Two subsequent meetings have been scheduled to continue discussing the project: a Jan. 29 town hall meeting at the city of Sun Valley and a Feb. 5 meeting of arts and culture groups.

One attendee, Paul Wilcox, a former resident of Aspen, said it would be a mistake if the art center weren't developed. He recalled that the town of Aspen argued over such a center for years and never built it - a "lost opportunity," he called it.

Several others suggested a non-binding referendum be held to get community approval for the project.

Drackett and Mayor Wilson said no discussions have been held on costs of the proposed project or how it could be funded and maintained. That would be part of later feasibility studies once a decision is made to develop the arts center.

The Sun Valley-Ketchum-Hailey area is renowned for its arts and cultural activities. Perhaps a dozen organizations are involved in year-round festivities that attract thousands.

But that is no guarantee of success. Another ambitious project, the Janis Activities Center, a place for a collection of youth activities including skating and hockey, has been in the planning stage for years and still hasn't received money for construction to begin on land donated by the city of Ketchum.

## Rupert seeks new water source

By Shad Chaney  
Times-News writer

RUPERT - The city of Rupert will begin looking into new water sources with the help of Sunrise Engineering, Inc. in Boise.

The City Council approved a water study Tuesday. Water superintendent Dennis Andrew told the council one of two main wells is showing it may need attention. The council study will investigate potential problems with well No. 1 as well as locate future well sites.

Well No. 1 has had a small drop-off in production, Andrew said. There could be several reasons for the drop-off, which is less than 10 percent.

"It appears something is not right there," Andrew said.

Andrew said it is easier to look at options and make decisions now rather than in the face of an emergency. It is also a good idea from time to time to reevaluate the water situation in any community.

"Most communities do this from time to time," Andrew said in an interview Wednesday.

Everyone is dependent on the wells, but "you know these things don't last forever," Andrew said.

"If it's trying to tell us something, we're going to listen."

At Tuesday's meeting, Councilman-Layne Rutschke said he can see the importance of starting now to find a direc-

tion to go in the future. Sunrise has the resources to investigate what is happening at well No. 1 and throughout the water system, Andrew said. Engineers will look into a new source of water as well.

"This is the first step," Andrew said. If something appears wrong with the well, engineers will make a recommendation about fixing it or replacing it, Andrew said, and the city can decide what they want to do.

The engineers' recommendations for a new water site will give the city a direction to go in the future, whether it be soon, five years from now or 10 years from now, Andrew said.

Money for the study has been budgeted, Andrew told the council.

Rupert will pay between \$9,500 and \$17,000 for the study, Sunrise Engineering's proposal for the study is estimated at \$17,000, but the city has applied for \$7,500 in grant money from the Idaho Department of Water Resources. The city will know if it received the grant money in February.

Andrew said he would assume the study would be completed in three or four months.

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## Burley

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such as a cheese plant, the price tag bumps up to \$24 million.

Whatever the size, Councilman Brent Kerbs said, the city will have to increase sewer rates and issue some sort of bonds to come up with enough money.

Anderson acknowledged that it's never popular nor easy to raise rates, but the city has no choice.

Other issues on the council's priority list:

• Annexation.

• There's a lot of population within a short distance of our boundaries," Councilman Gordon Hansen said. Those people benefit from many city services, such as streets, but don't share in the costs to maintain the benefits.

• "We've been lax and need to address annexation, Hansen said.

• Creation of a new water well and storage tank in north Burley. The city has already applied for a water right from the state to allow that, Milton said.

Many of the costs for that project are expected to be covered by grants or loans, rather than pulling money from the operating budget, Milton said.

• Law enforcement issues, including the possible creation of a city police department, were mentioned by Anderson.

He reiterated remarks made at the last council meeting by Kerbs, which indicate the \$120,000 a month which the city of Burley pays to Cassia County for law enforcement is 56 percent of the sheriff's office's administrative costs.

Revenues returned to the city through sales taxes are less than that amount, Anderson said. He met briefly with county commissioners Monday to tell them the council wants to discuss the price the city pays for law enforcement.

"The county is very receptive to meeting with us," he said. "I feel positive we can solve this."

After taking his seat on the council, new Councilman Dennis Curtis asked that establishing a good relationship between the city and county be added to the list.

• An airport study was mentioned by Anderson.

Many people believe the existing general aviation airport in Burley is landlocked, he said. Runways can't be expanded. And although there are two runways at

the facility, which many consider a plus, the Federal Aviation Administration has said the airport only needs one runway and will no longer provide money to maintain two runways. The city can't make up the lost money to cover maintenance of that second runway, he said.

With that discovery, the mayor said, opposition to building a new airport which would have only one runway is no longer valid.

• The Burley Public Library was mentioned by Anderson. The library is not operating at a break-even point, he said. The board has had a number of budget shortfalls, which now total \$80,000, which essentially the city has loaned the library.

But the library has no way to pay that money back, Anderson said. He suggested the council consider forgiving the past loans but stopping providing the library any more money than is taken in through taxes.

City residents pay taxes to operate the library. The money is collected by the city and turned over to the library board.

Or, Councilman Dave Ringle suggested, the council may need

to evaluate how much money is generated for the library and decide if the council wants to dedicate other city money toward the facility.

Kerbs hesitated somewhat at that suggestion, noting that the council has no oversight of money spent by the library board.

However, Councilwoman Adria Masoner supported the library's spending practices.

• Anderson wants the city to buy a new fire truck to replace a 1984 model. Money for a new truck needs to be included in the regular budget, he said.

Related to the truck, Councilman Curt Mendenhall suggested construction of a second fire station in south Burley. That would help the city get a better fire rating, which helps all property owners by reducing insurance costs, he and Anderson said.

• Recreation issues were mentioned by Mendenhall, Kerbs and Ringle.

The municipal golf course doesn't make enough money to be self-sufficient, Mendenhall said.

All recreation costs the city money, Kerbs said, but the golf course needs to come closer to being a break-even venture.

Ringle asked what the council considers its responsibility regarding recreation.

"Are we a facilities provider or a program developer?" he asked. "If our responsibility or someone else's?"

• Economic development was added to the list by Mendenhall. "That's big," he said.

Kerbs questioned why Burley shouldn't have an economic development employee.

Michele McFarland of the Mini-Cassia Economic Development Council said she's prepared to handle economic development matters for Burley. According to McFarland, the Rupert city employee in a similar position handles mostly community development and grant request projects and less economic development to McFarland.

Ringle suggested the downtown redevelopment effort for the list.

"What's the vision?" he asked. "Do we just give up on it, do we try to salvage it and renovate it?"

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recognized level testing as standardized tests, he said. With millions of dollars on the line, the state department of education and federal government, along with the Northwest Evaluation Association - the designers of the level tests - are negotiating a system to make everyone happy, he said.

A source of concern for some superintendents was the need for districts to carry over into the next fiscal year state funds appropriated for standardized test development without it being counted against the district's budget account.

When the state appropriates money, it's meant to be spent within that fiscal year. Whatever money remains unspent by June 30 is essentially "lost," as it becomes part of the starting balance for the next fiscal year on July 1.

But John Garner, Kimberly School District superintendent, said the summertime is a crucial part of the year for teachers to develop the standards, and, thus, the money slated last year by the state needs to be able to transfer into the next fiscal year without penalty.

Garner also expressed concern over the demise of the ITBS and TAP.

By eliminating those tests, which have been in the state for nearly a decade, school districts will lose their point of reference to measure student achievement.

"We're going to allow kids that body of knowledge," he said. "If you take that away, these scores are going to come in isolated and we're not going to know if we're doing better or worse."

Moreover, the current tests break the results down into subsections that allow teachers to see the subject areas needing greater attention. The proposed tests don't offer the same degree of diagnosis, he said, adding that the key to any successful test is the ability to adequately analyze where a student has learned and where that student can apply those skills, he said.

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## Poison

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out of hand and starts migrating, it would be death to the water. And death to Idaho's economy.

"It's extremely unlikely that this would happen overnight or in a few weeks or even a couple years, but it's not out of the question. An aquifer, for instance, could create new migration pathways. That's why you want to fix it now."

Makhijani, president of the Institute for Energy and Environmental Research, has spent most of his life researching the nuclear industry. At least ever since he received a Ph.D. in engineering from the University of California at Berkeley in 1972 where he specialized in plasma physics as applied to controlled nuclear fission.

He has written a number of reports and books on nuclear weapon-related issues, including the de-alerting of nuclear weapons, nuclear disarmament and environmental problems associated with nuclear weapons production and testing.

His latest report, "Poison in the Vadose Zone - Threats to the Snake River Aquifer from Migrating Nuclear Waste," has been circulating among concerned Idaho activists

Only 35 years ago, scientists estimated it would take 80,000 years for plutonium waste to travel ... to the aquifer. Now, scientists estimate it could take only 30 years.

ists as if it were a Stephen King bestseller since the report came out in October.

At stake, Makhijani says, is the most important underground water resource in the Northwest United States.

The Snake River Aquifer is the only source of drinking water for 200,000 people in southern Idaho, including the Magic Valley. It's a major source of irrigation water for Idaho's trademark potatoes, which make up a fourth of all potatoes eaten in the United States, and for Idaho's barley crop, used to make a quarter of America's beer.

What's more, it supplies the water for trout farms that raise 75 percent of the commercial rainbow trout eaten in the United States.

Only 35 years ago, scientists estimated it would take 80,000 years for plutonium waste to travel through the vadose zone - a region of rock and soil between the surface

and the water table - to the aquifer. Now, scientists estimate it could take only 30 years, he said.

Makhijani's work has raised the angst of at least a couple of engineers with the U.S. Geological Survey - most notably, Joseph Rousseau and L. DeWayne Calk. They claim that the amount of plutonium in water off site is 300 times less than the maximum contaminant level set by the Safe Drinking Water Act.

But that's only because the standard is believed to be 100 to 150 times more lax than it should be, counters Makhijani. And the level of plutonium in the water would come close to setting off alarms under Colorado's more restrictive standards, he said.

Makhijani's statements rang an alarm with Girma Lagergren, one of a handful of Ketchum residents who turned out to listen to Makhijani at a hastily announced meet-

ing that followed other presentations around the state.

"Even if the aquifer wasn't actually contaminated, just the perception of contamination could wipe out Idaho's potato industry," Lagergren said.

The best fix, Makhijani contends, is to recover and stabilize buried waste, discontinue shallow land burials and solidify liquid high-level waste and store it properly.

Idaho and a handful of other states also face the threat of having high-level waste buried waste, and the state's other leading politicians, Sens. Larry Craig and Mike Crapo and Rep. Mike Simpson, have backed him up.

"We've never had this kind of political support before," said Margaret Stewart of the Snake River Alliance, a watchdog organization.

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of dairy farming will infuse Mini-Cassia's economy with \$33.3 million in 2002.

The agricultural economy will also benefit from the sale of feed local farmers will grow for the dairy cows, Gerrard said.

Careful zoning practices in the two counties will keep the problems of odor pollution and flies far away from communities, he said.

"We have got awful good planning and zoning boards and good commissioners," Gerrard said.

He cited a large dairy under construction near IdahoHome Road as an example of the effectiveness of zoning regulations in encouraging dairy growth in remote areas.

and retirement payments.

Whatever happens on the farms is going to happen on the streets of downtown Burley and Rupert," Gerrard said.

**Water**

Gooding County Extension Educator Bill Hazen spoke on the importance of area groundwater to the Snake River and the laws that could affect water use.

Groundwater from the Thousand Springs area keeps the Snake River flowing, he said. Spring water from this area, which extends from Milner, west of Burley, to King Hill, east of Glenn Ferry, makes up about 40 percent of the flow of the Snake at Weiser, on the Oregon border, during the fall, Hazen said.

Because groundwater from the Magic Valley is so important in keeping Snake River levels up, local groundwater users must be

| Agricultural projections  |             | Alfalfa hay prices (per ton)  |                             |
|---------------------------|-------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 2000                      | \$2         | 2000  | \$80 - \$110                |
| 2001                      | \$5 - \$9   | 2001  | \$80 - \$150                |
| 2002 projected            | \$13        | 2002 projected  | Depends on length of winter |
| Sugar beets (per ton)     |             | Milk (per hundred pounds)   |                             |
| 2000                      | \$38.13     | 2000  | \$9.37                      |
| 2001                      | \$40.25     | 2001  | \$13.41                     |
| 2002 projected            | \$42.05     | 2002 projected  | \$12.70                     |
| Beans (per hundredweight) |             | Number of dairy cows in Mini-Cassia                                       |                             |
| 2000                      | \$16.70     | 1996  | 17,700                      |
| 2001                      | \$22        | Today   | 28,200                      |
| 2002 projected            | \$19 - \$22 | Projected year-end  | 38,200                      |
| Wheat (per bushel)        |             | Source: Presentation by Richard Gerrard, Cassia County extension educator |                             |
| 2000                      | \$2.62      |   |                             |
| 2001                      | \$2.85      |   |                             |
| 2002 projected            | Good        |   |                             |

careful to not lower the water table, Hazen said.

"We need to keep in mind where the water comes from and

all the people and programs who turn their share," he said.

He noted the water needs of downstream irrigators, of end-

gered species and of Idaho Power Co., which depends heavily on the flow from the Thousand Springs area to generate electricity.

The courts are in the process of creating a water district for the area, called Basin 36. The district roughly encompasses the area from Minidoka Dam to Hagerman on the north and part of the south side of the Snake River, including most of the area in Cassia County utilizing Snake River water, Hazen said.

The state attorney general has filed a motion to create an interim water district in this area to protect senior water rights on the Snake River. The move to create the water district comes with a set of general water management rules, which are still under negotiation, Hazen said.

These rules may mandate the use of surface water before the use of groundwater. The rules

## Ag economy

The economic strength of agriculture usually is taken for granted in the national economy because farmers become more vulnerable to low-priced imports when the dollar is strong. A few years ago Canadian farmers increased the price of their best by 130 percent simply by importing their grain to the United States. When the economy is slowing these cheap imports are more common, Richard Gerrard said.

The current recession has boosted prices for some agricultural goods,

could also curtail groundwater irrigation on as much as 12,000 acres in south-central and eastern Idaho, Hazen said. These regulations would prevent groundwater depletion and keep water from the Thousand Springs area flowing into the Snake River.

## Sweet harmony enchiladas become recipe for life

By Coren Hart  
Times-News correspondent

**BURLEY** - In the Granados kitchen, there's a lot more cooking than enchiladas.

There's music. There's the mother-daughter cooperation. There's a heap of family memories.

At the stove, daughter Bobby Ann Granados fries tortillas. At the counter, mother Yolanda Granados makes enchiladas. Daughters Sona and Angelica are there, savoring the fragrance of the sauce.

The lure is irresistible, and anyway, it's fun to sing show tunes along with Mom and Bobby Ann. The family is preparing to feed 30 to 40 people at the church where Yolanda's husband, Eloy Granados, is a pastor. It's a potluck dinner, but the enchiladas are by special request.

"When my sisters come over, they look forward to the enchiladas. I don't make them often. It's a special treat," Yolanda says. Bobby Ann pours a little warm sauce into a saucer and dips a folded, freshly fried tortilla for a snack.

"I get hungry doing this," she admitted with a smile. "Enchiladas are my favorite food."

Yolanda never takes a break from the assembly job, and each enchilada is assembled with the same perfect care.

"I really enjoy cooking with my daughters because it's good quality time," she said. "We're usually pretty busy with school and work. But when we cook, we can talk about the Lord, sing, kid around."

"But we don't let Jeli (Angelica) cook," Bobby Ann said. "She can burn water. But she does make desserts."

Angelica just smiles. She's heard it all before.



When Yolanda Granados and her daughters make enchiladas, it is a total experience of fragrance and flavor, singing and kidding around.

To the tune of "The Sound of Music," Bobby Ann brings a plateful of golden, still soft tortillas to her mother. Yolanda has lined a jelly roll pan with aluminum foil, and carefully smears enchilada sauce over it.

"What do I get most out of this?" Yolanda asks. "I know that when they leave home, my daughters will make enchiladas exactly the way I do. And that's neat."

The following recipe is more a method Yolanda has developed over more than 20 years.

### YOLANDA'S CHEESE ENCHILADAS

For the sauce, Yolanda favors

McCormick's Schilling brand. She says it just tastes right to her.

Cut onions in fairly small pieces. Saute, but do not allow them to brown. Then refrigerate if you have to hold them more than a half hour or so.

Line a pan with foil to make clean-up easier. Fry the tortillas and stack them on the plate.

Assemble the enchiladas. Smear a thin coating of sauce in the pan to make a bed for the enchiladas. Next dip a few tortillas in the sauce and lay them in the pan. Allowing them to stand for a little while makes them soft-

er. Sprinkle a single layer of onions on the first quarter of the tortilla. Top that with grated cheese, which can be cheddar, jack or a mixture. If you want meat, add a teaspoon or two of that as well. Meat must be sauteed in advance, too. Roll up loosely. Position each enchilada a little way from the others in neat rows. When the pan is full, lightly sprinkle cheese over all.

Yolanda prefers to bake them about 20 minutes the night before they are needed. Then, she reheats them to serve. She says this allows the flavors to blend and the enchiladas come out better.

## Wendell Elementary sponsors parents, partners program

**WENDELL** - Wendell Elementary School will sponsor a Parents as Reading Partners workshop at 7 p.m. Jan. 24 in the multi-purpose room.

The workshop is the first in a series to help parents acquire strategies to read to and with their children.

Head Start, kindergarten, preschool and first-graders and their parents are invited. Prizes, refreshments, transportation, baby-sitting and a Spanish translation will be available.

For more information, call Wendell Elementary at 536-6611 or sign up the workshop.

On the agenda is the association's business directory, scholarships, and other upcoming events.

For more information or to make a reservation, call Alice at 322-7033; Ext. 242.

## Image of Idaho offers scholarship to students

**BOISE** - Image of Idaho has announced its annual scholarship award program.

Image of Idaho is a non-profit organization serving the interests of Hispanics in employment, training, education, civil rights and social issues.

High school seniors or college students enrolled in a two year or bachelor degree program are eligible.

Recipients must plan to enroll full-time in a post-secondary institution in the 2002-2003 academic year. Recipients are selected on academic performance, career goals, extracurricular activities, financial need and contribution to the development and progress of Hispanics.

Applicants do not have to include a Social Security number or provide information on residency.

The deadline is March 29. For an application, contact Ramon V. Silva, scholarship chairman, at 426-3038 or email him at rsilva@boisestate.edu.

## Twin Falls night spot features Latin music night

**TWIN FALLS** - "Latin Music Night," featuring dancing to DJ music will be held from 7 p.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday at Bar Bonz at 1539 Fillmore St. N. in Twin Falls. There will be a \$3 cover charge.

## Hispanic Business group plans to meet in Boise

**BOISE** - The Hispanic Business Association will meet at 6 p.m. Jan. 21 at Casa Mexico, located at the corner of Fairview and Five Mile.

## Hispanic has significant role in new TV series

By Charles Lane  
The Washington Post

In the mind of executive producer Don Bellisario, creator of the successful military law series "JAG," the issue-oriented "First Monday" with its graying justices and eager-beaver clerks, is just the show for a network seeking to hang on to its older audience while attracting a younger one.

James Garner plays Chief Justice Brinkman as a deceptively easygoing fan of Oklahoma football and other, mostly conservative, causes.



Randy Vasquez

es. Joe Mantegna is Joe Novelli, a middle-of-the-road justice whose penchant for deciding each case on the merits exacerbates both the four liberals and the four conser-

atives on Bellisario's ideologically polarized courtroom makes him the star of the show. Mira, played by Randy Vasquez, is Novelli's clerk.

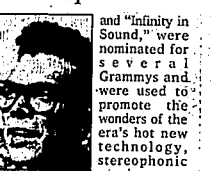
The very existence of "First Monday" suggests how large the post-Bush v. Gore Supreme Court looms in this litigious society's collective subconscious. ABC will soon air a court show of its own, starring Sally Field.

## Music icon Juan Garcia Esquivel dies

By Richard Cromelin  
Los Angeles Times

Juan Garcia Esquivel, who became a pop-music cult icon when his eccentric music from the 1950s and '60s was rediscovered in the '90s, died Jan. 3 at his home in Jutepec, Mexico, after a stroke.

He was 83. The pianist-composer-bandleader, who used just his last name (followed by an exclamation point) professionally, was known for bold, idiosyncratic orchestrations marked by radical dynamics, odd, wordless vocals and unexpected sounds such as steel guitar and whistling. His meticulously recorded albums, bearing such titles as "Exploring New Sounds in Hi-Fi"



Juan Garcia Esquivel

and "Infinity in Sound," were nominated for several Grammys and were used to promote the wonders of the era's hot new technology, stereophonic sound.

"What I tried to do was not follow the style that was popular at that time," Esquivel told the Los Angeles Times in 1995. "We had no synthesizers at that time, so I tried to get different sounds out of conventional and nonconventional instruments. I explored a little."

## NEWS FROM MEXICO



Coyuca Lagoon is a tourist site, but a squatter village is creating a clash between residents and the government.

"The person responsible for leading the invasion is in jail, and we are negotiating to relocate the squatters," said Guerrero Gov. Rene Juarez Cisneros. "We'll clear the area, but this is a social problem and people need alternatives. We can't take our guns and shoot at them; we have to find a solution."

The mayor of the small municipality with jurisdiction over the invaded land is Julio Cesar Diego Galeana. He said he could not stop the invasion because he has only 125 police officers and there were 1,000 people clearing the land. He said he has been coordi-

nating with the governor and is hopeful the people will be moved to another piece of land "in three or four months." Diego said the squatters, or "parachutists," who are truly poor will get government aid to build homes elsewhere.

"We can't jail them all," Diego said when asked why the eviction process is so slow. "That would provoke anti-government sentiments."

Officials at the jail where Molina is being held have not permitted him to be interviewed. But before he was locked up, he told reporters that greedy officials had taken this land, which rightfully should belong to the people. "If they want a war, they will get it," he said.

The land is owned by a bank and a former Guerrero governor, Israel Nogueira, who was ousted from office in the 1970s under a cloud of corruption. Nogueira said he came by the land legitimately.

## Fox adopts new tone; new focus on domestic issues

Polls show that a majority of Mexicans support Fox. Approval ratings that had been soaring above 80 percent still hover around 60 percent, thanks partly to the fact that while Argentina's economy is collapsing, Mexico's seems resilient, despite rising unemployment.

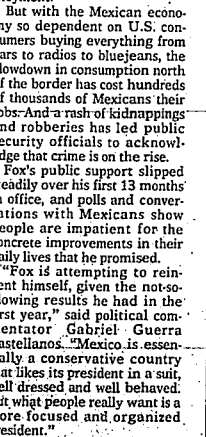
But with the Mexican economy so dependent on U.S. consumers buying everything from cars to radios to bluejeans, the slowdown in consumption north of the border has cost hundreds of thousands of Mexicans their jobs. And a rash of kidnappings and robberies has led public security officials to acknowledge that crime is on the rise.

Fox's public support slipped steadily over his first 13 months in office, and polls and conversations with Mexicans show people are impatient for the concrete improvements in their daily lives that he promised.

"Fox is attempting to reinvent himself, given the not-so-glowing results he had in the first year," said political commentator Gabriel Guerra Castellanos. "Mexico is essentially a conservative country that likes its president in a suit, well dressed and well behaved. But what people really want is a more focused and organized president."

Rather than talking about improved relations with the United States, a banner theme last year, Fox is now talking about the domestic economy.

"We are going to focus all our efforts toward achieving a sustained recovery of income," he said in a television address this week.



Vicente Fox

**MEXICO CITY** - President Vicente Fox, who favors bluejeans and has worn cowboy boots to state dinners, is famous for slang expressions and improvised remarks. His casual style was welcomed by many Mexicans as a sign of new times after he defeated the party that ruled the country with sole authority for seven decades.

But as serious problems mount in Mexico, the president now seems intent on returning some of the formality to his office. He's also promising to spend more time there. After a year of international jet-setting, Fox says he'll spend the second year of his term focusing more on such domestic issues as strengthening the economy and combating crime.

"I have to recognize the public and the media demand a very serious presidency that doesn't joke around, and I have learned - I am correcting that aspect," Fox said.

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## THANK YOU LETTERS

### Family appreciates local heroes in mother's care

We are very appreciative of the Twin Falls Clinic's emergency room staff and the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center ambulance staff.

My mother had a heart attack a few days before Christmas and their professional skills as well as their awareness of our family's frustration was exceptional. They provided my mother and family with care far beyond what is expected of emergency personnel on a daily basis.

New York, Washington and Pennsylvania had heroes on Sept. 11, 2001. The citizens of the Magic Valley are extremely lucky to have heroes of their own 365 days a year.

WALTER D. BALTZER  
Twin Falls

### Thank you letters

The Letters of Thanks column will publish letters of up to 150 words from:

- Organizations thanking contributors or supporters.
- Individuals thanking public agencies and businesses for extraordinary service.

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sure each child has at least one gift in their family's box. Seniors stayed after lunch and filled boxes. Rotarians and other volunteers wrapped the gifts. Richfield Lions Club arrived to pick up boxes that were delivered in Richfield. Head Start volunteers picked up food boxes for their clients, and Jerry Nance, Sid Edwards and Sue Thomas delivered Dietrich's boxes. Shoshone Rotarians and other volunteers delivered in Shoshone and North Shoshone.

Funds were received from Magic Lake Idaho West Recreation Club, Christ Church Guild, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Catholic Women's League, Idaho Power Co., Veiga Lund, Hazel Bate and Shoshone Rotary Club. Glambia Foods Inc. furnished cheese.

VIRGINIA CHURCHMAN  
Lincoln County Coordinator  
Shoshone

program. We look forward to seeing everyone at our spring concert performances on April 7 and 8.

Thanks again!  
BARBARA SCHROEDER  
Secretary, Board and Members  
Magic Valley Chorale  
Twin Falls

### Sponsors put smiles on children's faces for holidays

The Wishing Star Foundation would like to thank Joe and Kathy McClure of the Magic Bowl for helping us find sponsors for our Wish Families for Christmas.

Thanks to each of you who chose stars and bought gifts for the families who needed help during the holidays. Thanks for putting smiles on the children's faces! Your generosity is very much appreciated.

DIANA JONES  
Magic Valley Chapter  
Wishing Star Foundation  
Twin Falls

### Sponsors donate time, equipment for ski day

The staff at Malad Gorge State Park would like to thank all of those who participated in Green Country Free Ski Day on Jan. 12 at the Magic Mountain Ski Resort.

We also would like to thank all of the sponsors who donated their time and equipment to make it all possible.

Magic Mountain Ski Resort, High Desert Nordic Association, Mix 103 Radio in Jerome, Kat Country Radio in Burley, Elevation Sports in Twin Falls and the Outdoor Adventure Program at Mountain Home Air Force Base.

JACK YARBROUGH  
Hagerman

### Magic Valley Chorale celebrates performance

The Magic Valley Chorale wishes to thank all those who helped to make this year's production of the "Messiah" such a success. A special thanks goes to the College of Southern Idaho production crew, Moss Greenhouse, Kimberly Nursery and the Chorale Wranglers.

The chorale always enjoys performing this wonderful, inspiring

### Lincoln County residents deliver Christmas boxes

A big thank you to everyone in Lincoln County who helped with the Christmas basket program in 2001.

It all began with the Boy Scout food drive. The Rotary Club and KMYT "Toys for Kids" make

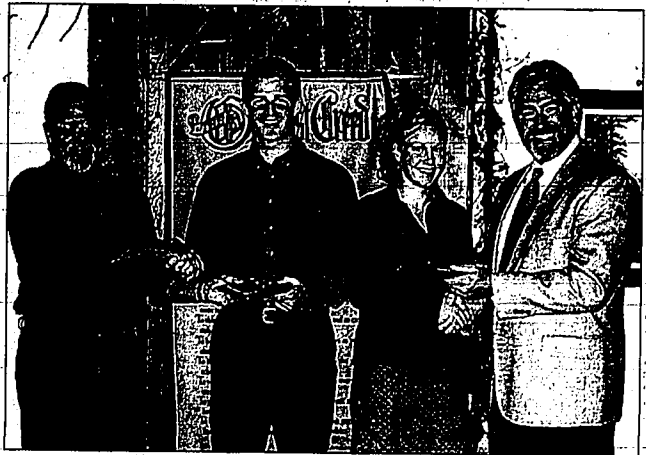
### Generosity brightens holidays for refugees

The staff at the College of Southern Idaho Refugee programs would like to thank all the individuals and organizations who contributed to our efforts to make the holidays enjoyable for our refugees families. We are grateful for the donations of time, money, food, clothing and toys given by the following:

Albertson's, the CSI Business Office, Fairlyland Park Puppeteers, First Security Bank, Great Harvest Bread Co., Keegan Inc., Kurt's Pharmacy, Lamb Weston, Lynwood Market, Randy Hansen Import Center, Jake and Gene Reichard, S&C Produce, Seneca, Smith's Food & Drug Center, Swenmart and Sugar Loaf Women's Club.

Their generosity helped make the season special for many refugees!

RON BLACK  
Director  
Twin Falls



Twin Falls Optimist Club President Archie Goodman, left, honors Seth Collins and Jodi Benson as Youth Appreciation winners for 2001. Far right is Barry Knoblich, Twin Falls Optimist Club Youth Appreciation chairman.

## Optimists laud award winners

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Optimist Club honored Youth Appreciation winners for 2001.

Seth Collins and Jodi Benson were nominated by Twin Falls High School counselors to receive

the annual award given by the Twin Falls Optimist Club. Collins and Benson are fine student examples of community involvement and volunteerism, club representatives said.

The award presentation is part of Youth Appreciation Week set aside by Optimist clubs around the country to celebrate the positive contributions made by young people to local communities.

## James loves to try new things

Personality: With crystal blue eyes that crinkle when he smiles, James will do his best to capture your attention. That's just what he wants most in life - someone who will attend to his needs and love him no matter what. James has survived many losses, numerous moves and feelings of frustration about the challenges life has handed him. His willingness to please is apparent as he helps around his foster parents' small farm. He especially enjoys working with his foster father. They often communicate in sign language, a skill James learned earlier in his life. This boy loves to learn and is not afraid to try new things. He would like to take swimming and guitar lessons. His foster parents are teaching him Spanish.

Interests: James likes to play



James  
Age 8

outdoors in a tree house. He likes riding his bike, in-line skating, playing T-ball and wrestling with his friends - though he worries

about other children being hurt. Needs: James needs a single parent or couple who will diligently access the services he needs. He receives medication, monitoring and treatment for self-destructive behaviors which have subsided. His adoptive family should build his social skills and self-esteem through his many strengths. Because James' emotional challenges are significant, his parent(s) must be realistic, patient and willing to delay their own needs. This child must have a chance to know satisfying relationships. Ask James' adoption worker about specific diagnoses, adoption subsidy and purchase of services.

James is available for adoption through the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. To find out more, call the Idaho CareLine, number, 1-800-926-2588.

## CAUGHT BEING GOOD



October Caught Being Good winners at Robert Stuart Junior High School in Twin Falls were recently recognized for practicing the agreements of mutual respect, responsibility and attentive listening. They are, from left, back row: Alona Ropp, Shannon Wray, Kynad Cogdins and Zenon Anderson; middle: Ashley Foukal, Natalia Pterros, Kelsey Patterson and Robyn Elsing; front: Garrett Anderson, Dusty Easter and Ian Fomhoff.

## CSI offers health-related classes

TWIN FALLS - Several classes start this month at the College of Southern Idaho for those considering health-related careers.

Client Centered Counseling for STD/AIDS will train health care workers in the fundamentals of HIV and AIDS education, and how to intervene in high-risk activities that contribute to disease transmission. The class will meet from 6-9 p.m. Tuesdays.

Introduction to Human Services, for non-majors, examines human services as a profession and a variety of situations where human services are utilized.

Medical Terminology meets at various times and can be seen via microwave at the CSI outreach centers in Burley, Gooding and Halley.

Certified Nursing Assistant course is 120 hours, and taught at the Twin Falls campus and televised to the CSI outreach center in Burley. Successful graduates are listed on a national and state registry. The class starts Tuesday. A new section meets all day Thursdays and Fridays. An evening section is held from 5-8:30 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Basic and Advanced Emergency Medical Technician curriculum

prepares the student to perform emergency procedures at a scene of an accident, provide life-saving procedures in a pre-hospitalization setting, and be employed by ambulance services or in factories or agricultural settings. Graduates are certified in handling of hazardous materials, and eligible for state and national registration as Basic and Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians.

All classes the week of Jan. 22. For more information, call the CSI Health Sciences department at 733-9554, Ext. 2700 or visit the office in the Aspen building.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Paul church serves German sausage supper

PAUL - The Paul Congregational Church will hold its annual all-you-can-eat German sausage supper from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at the church. A free will offering will be taken.

### Learning center registers for its fourth block

GOODING - The Gooding Accelerated Learning Center will offer its fourth block from Jan. 24 through March 7. The following courses will be offered: from 9:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m., English 11; English 12, health, careers and personal and social responsibility; from 12:30-3:30 p.m., speech, American government, accelerated math and from 3:40-5:10 p.m., accelerated math, computer application I and art. To accommodate all students and prevent delays, students are asked to register the week of Jan.

### American Red Cross offers CPR classes

RUPERT - The American Red Cross of Greater Idaho-Mint-Cassia Branch will offer classes in adult, infant and child cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid at the Mini-Cassia Branch, 707 F St., Rupert. First aid classes will be offered from 6:10-8:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday. CPR classes will be offered at the same time. The CPR classes may be taken along with the first aid classes. The courses meet OSHA-identified first aid guidelines. For more information or to sign up, call 733-6464 or 1-888-367-6321.

### 'Dr. Marty' leads coping with pressures workshop

TWIN FALLS - "Dr. Marty" Seidenfeld will lead a workshop on how to cope with pressures

calmly, and recognize and reduce the factors that produce stress. The event is sponsored by the College of Southern Idaho from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Jan. 25. The program will cover the physical, psychological and social costs of high stress; connection between stress and emotion; an A-B-C formula that enables people to control their emotions; basic communication styles that minimize stress and improve interpersonal effectiveness; major causes of on-the-job stress; and how to reduce them; attitudes that increase or decrease stress and how to change them; verbal formulas for improving relationships and coping with angry, unreasonable people.

Psychologist Seidenfeld has more than 30 years experience in the business, education and mental health communities. He is the author of "Talk About Stress" and numerous journal articles, well known from his "Dr. Marty" radio call-in program, and has conducted seminars throughout the United States and in Canada.

### Jerome library celebrates Harry Potter book

JEROME - The Jerome Public Library will celebrate the popularity of "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" by J.K. Rowling at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the library, 100 First Ave. E.

The event will include a look-alike contest, activities, book discussion, giveaways, trivia and more. The public is invited. Pre-registration is not required. For more information, call the library at 324-5427.

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WENDELL - The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 12:30-5 p.m. Jan. 25 at the Wendell LDS Church.

January is National Volunteer Blood Donor month. For more information or to make an appointment, call Mike or Shirley Albertson at 536-6151.

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# MORNING BREAK

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5 Ancient Yemen

10 Toll House

11 Morsel

14 Star State

15 Christmas tune

19 Way off

20 Chairman

21 Slick with a ...

22 Northern vessel

23 Brutality

25 Direary

26 Shows

27 Unapproach

30 Like a rainbow

34 Car on call

35 Gossipy Barrett

45 Brutality

37 Savory jelly

38 Assumed a ...

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42 Ground troops

43 Brutality

45 Perky plants

46 Caramell

47 North or South

48 Follow

50 New Mexico art colony

51 Afro

54 Light beige

55 Pronunciation

56 Give off

59 Boas of

60 Science magazine

61 Baseball star

62 Easy touch

63 Cheer (for)

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1 Quagbog

2 Ma, Chaplin

3 Odious of

4 Kausal souvenir

5 Quantities of, Joe cream

6 Pulp writers

7 New York state canal

8 Long scarf

9 Hypertension

10 Savory jelly

11 Pre-elope sound system

12 Perla, now

13 Pierre's father

14 Caught sight of

15 College cheer

16 Near that place

17 The South

18 Grammy Hall

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20 Table runner

21 Conductor

22 Comments from Simba

23 From a bond

24 Judging

25 Winter Palace

26 Captivates

41 Abyss

43 Kemal

44 Overcoat

46 Aspect

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51 Patron saint of

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56 GIVE OFF

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61 BASEBALL STAR

62 EASY TOUCH

63 CHEER (FOR)

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## Runaway hotline offers help to desperate kids, parents

**DEAR ABBY:** The holiday season is finally over — and a lot of people are breathing a collective sigh of relief. The pressure of trying to maintain a greeting-card kind of family facade is overwhelming for families already experiencing problems. Parents aren't going to stop fighting because it's suddenly the time for peace and love. And Johnny isn't going to stop acting out, no matter how much everyone wishes differently.

Family dynamics is the reason cited by nearly 43 percent of kids who have run away — or are thinking about running away from home.

Parents should be especially alert to changes in their child's behavior, including increased stress, withdrawal or overwhelming unhappiness. These are warning signs of a child in crisis, one who may run away to avoid



**DEAR ABBY**  
VanBuren

stressful situations. Open communication with children is vital to keep them from turning elsewhere. Taking the time to listen now may prevent a serious problem later.

The National Runaway Switchboard is the federally designated communication system for homeless, runaway and at-risk youth. It is confidential, volunteer-based and not-for-profit.

Please, Abby, encourage young people who are considering running away, and those who already have, as well as parents with children in crisis to call our

hotline, (800) 621-4000; before an act of desperation is committed.

**CATHLEEN CAROLAN, NATIONAL RUNAWAY SWITCHBOARD**

**DEAR CATHLEEN:** Thank you for a timely and important letter. The streets of major cities are often the only "home" young runaways are able to find. Once on the streets, they are at risk for physical violence, disease and exploitation. They become victims of crime or even resort to crime themselves in order to survive.

Since 1971, the National Runaway Switchboard has been a valuable tool for runaway youth, teens in crisis and concerned friends and family members. It provides confidential crisis intervention and referral services on a 24-hour hotline. It also offers message relay between runaways and parents or legal guardians, education and outreach services, and administers the Home Free program in partnership with Greyhound Lines Inc. (All services are free).

The National Runaway Switchboard publishes the Parent Information Guide, which helps parents identify signs that their child may be contemplating running away from home, what to do if a child runs away, and how to deal with the child's return. The guide is also free to anyone who contacts the hotline.

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## Pirates rarely buried treasure

**Q.** Although many pirates raided many ships, comparatively little buried treasure has been found. Why not?

**A.** They rarely got much worth burying, those pirates. And when they did, they didn't bury it, but promptly split it up, and turned it into cash, which mostly they invested in rum and women. Some squandered it, however.

A lot of women would rather be among the several wives of a rich man in luxury than the only wife of a poor man in poverty. You doubt that? Our Love and War man says it has been a common attitude in the



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L.M. Boyd

East, Near and Far, for centuries. There, many a wife encouraged her husband to take a second and third wife. To share the work. And to give her somebody to boss.

The real Pilgrims who had windows customarily threw their garbage out same. It was the thing to do.

## Virgo's obligations prevent fresh start; Libra: See Virgo

**IF JANUARY 17TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ...** when pressure is on, you are up to it. You have natural executive ability, and you are passionate. When you decide to do something, nothing dare stand in your way! Capricorn, Cancer natives play important roles in your life, could have these letters in names: H, Q, Z. During February music will play and you will dance to your own tune. Spotlight will be on home, marriage and increased income.

**ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19):** Obtain story behind the story. Something "very secret", is taking place. Don't fear the unknown. Exploit it by writing and talking about it. Gemini represented.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20):** Lunar position coincides with ability to make wishes come true. Be near water if possible. What begins as "light romance" is getting hot and heavy. Libra involved.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Define terms, check real estate proposition. Avoid self-deception. Individual who cares about you tells you, "Take your time!" Sound advice! Virgo figures prominently.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Long-distance communication verifies views. Individual appears out of nowhere to represent your talent and product in distant land. Capricorn will play dramatic role.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Reach beyond the immediate. Take charge of your own destiny. Delve deep and you could learn more than you care to know. Involves financial status of one who would be partner, mate.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Quinary exists; you want to make fresh start, but there are obligations yet to be fulfilled. Imprint style, check legal rights and permissions. Question of marriage looms large.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Obtain hint from Virgo message. Reach decision concerning direction and motivation; you will not be alone. Focus on home, marriage and greater emotional security. Diet important!

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**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Entertain and be entertained. You will exude sex appeal. Attractive individual declares, "I can hardly keep my hands off you!" Don't lose your head or common sense.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You'll be involved in sale or purchase of land or property. Focus on zoning rules, home and marriage. Revise and rebuild; this is your makeover day! Aquarius invited.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Short trip relates to promise made to relative. Read and write, teach and learn. Travel plans change; keep options open. Gemini, Virgo and Sagittarius will play top roles.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Money comes from surprise source. Perhaps it's back royalties; be assured that you earned it. Lost article recovered. Be grateful without being obsequious. Libra in picture.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):** Your kind of day! You will be at right place at special moment. Popularity on the rise, and you could win contest. Love is unrequited. You will get your share of affection.

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Joe Bonomo (R) Daily 7:00-9:00  
A Beautiful Mind (R)  
Daily 7:00-9:00  
Lord of the Rings (15) Daily 7:30

**Odyssey 6**  
Inside Magic Valley Mall near to Shoppo  
Twin Falls 734-2400

Opposite 11 (15) Daily 7:00-9:00  
The Matrix (15) Daily 7:10-9:00  
How High (R) Daily 7:10-9:00  
Not Another Teen Movie (R)  
Daily 7:10-9:00  
Nowhere (R) Daily 7:40-9:40  
Behind Enemy Lines (15)  
Daily 7:40-9:40

**Twin Cinema 14**  
140 East Main Twin Falls 734-2400

Jimmy Neutron (G) 7:00  
Residual King (15) 8:45-9:45  
Freaky Friday (R) 8:45-9:45  
Lord of the Rings (15) 7:15-9:00  
Venice (R) (G) 8:45-9:45  
The Matrix (15) 8:45-9:45  
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Orange County (15) 7:50-9:45  
The Hot Chick (15) 7:50-9:45  
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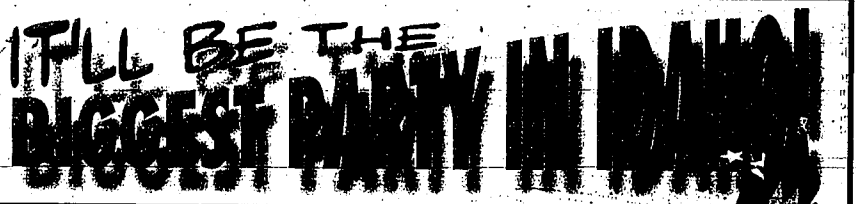
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**Friday, January 25**

**Blue Lakes and Pole Line "Four Corner" site**  
9:00 am – 11:00 am  
Celebrities, including singer Peter Cetera and actor Adam "Batman" West, will sign the Relay Corvette Signature Car and greet the public in the showroom at the Randy Hansen Chevrolet dealership on Blue Lakes Boulevard.

**West Coast Hotel**  
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
Reception for United States Army Parachute Team, "Golden Knights", open to the public.

**Saturday, January 26**

**Blue Lakes and Pole Line "Four Corner" site**

- Interactive sites and booths for kids
- VIP guests, including former Olympians from southern Idaho, political dignitaries and celebrities.
- An ice skating rink in the Dell Computer Corp. parking lot, weather permitting.
- Entertainment in a giant tent, featuring the music of:
  - 8:45 am – High Risk
  - 10:30 am – Standards
  - 12:30 pm – Renegade
  - 1:20 pm – Breached
  - 2:10 pm – Cold Shot
  - 3:00 pm – Breadshift
  - 4:05 pm – Elvis Impersonator
  - 5:00 pm – Mark Lindsey (Original lead singer for Paul Revere and the Raiders)
  - 6:15 pm – Eddy Haskell
  - 7:15 pm – Cobalt Blue

**Lynwood Shopping Center**  
9:00 am – 10:30 am  
Breakfast for the public with a breakfast sandwich and coffee or hot cider for \$3.00. Proceeds go to Magic Valley Safe House.

**United States Army Parachute Team, "Golden Knights"** skydiving from 12,500 feet, performing a 35-minute show and landing in the center of the Lynwood parking lot on the Filer Avenue side.

**The First Jump** – To bring in the Olympic Flame around 10:00 am.

**The Second Jump** – Around 2:00 pm to end the festivities.

**At the College of Southern Idaho**  
10:00 am – Noon

- CSI Jazz and CSI Band
- Salt Lake Olympic Committee welcome.
- Awards, Videos, patriotic singing with the CSI Choir and Band
- Lighting of the Cauldron
- Presentation by Lance Clow, Mayor
- Twin Falls High School Drum Corps
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FOR THE RECORD

The Times-News

**JEROME** - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Jerome County included:

**Arraignments and appearances.**

Charles Jason Bishop, 31, 250 N. 100 E., Jerome; driving under the influence; failure to stop at the scene of an accident; possession of drug paraphernalia; preliminary hearing Feb. 4; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Nick R. Calvert, 47, P.O. Box 3, Jerome; aggravated assault; use of a deadly weapon; pre-trial conference March 11; jury trial March 20; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Jordan David Denton, 22, 527 18th Ave. E., Jerome; robbery; aggravated assault; unlawfully exercising the function of peace officer; unlawful possession of firearm by convicted felon; sentencing March 11. Separate case: delivery of controlled substance; possession of a controlled substance; sentencing March 11; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

William D. Falconburg, 39, 109 S. 100 E., Jerome; battery on a correctional officer; possession of drug paraphernalia; pre-trial conference March 11; jury trial March 20; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Kasie Raquell Lee Larsen, 22, 94 N. 500 W., Jerome; check fraud, insufficient funds; sentencing March 11; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Nail Grant Peterson, 42, P.O. Box 571, Halley; driving under the influence; bond hearing Jan. 17; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Brent Arden Reece, 40, 932 N. Eisenhower, Jerome; driving under the influence; preliminary hearing Jan. 28; jury trial April 10; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Danny J. Briggs, 32, 405 Fourth Ave. E., Jerome; criminal contempt of court; status hearing scheduled Feb. 11; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Rebecca Ann Diaz, 34, 130 West Fourth, Jerome; check fraud, insufficient funds; pre-trial conference Feb. 11; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Cassy Ann Grove, 20, 515 N. 400 E., Jerome; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pre-trial conference Feb. 11; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Antonio B. Hernandez, 19, 66 S. 100 W., Jerome; driving under the influence; driving without privileges; underage possession of alcohol; pre-trial conference Feb. 11; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Brook G. Martens, 19, 693 Paradise Place, Twin Falls; reckless driving; pre-trial conference Feb. 11; Magistrate Judge Barry Wood.

Edwin A. Payano-Izaguirre, 26, 2160 Bob Barton, Jerome; driving under the influence; pre-trial conference Feb. 11; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

**Sentencings**

Alan J. Alves, 36, 220 Third Ave. N., Buhl; disturbing the peace; \$300 fine, \$300 suspended, 24 months' supervised probation, 90 days in jail, 80 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Julio C. Islas-Lastra, 27, 3117 N. 3600 E., Hansen; inattentive/careless driving; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, 12 months' supervised probation, 90 days in jail, 88 suspended. Transportation of open container, invalid/failure to purchase driver's license; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, 12 months' supervised probation, 90 days in jail, 88 suspended. Insurance, dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Juan M. Lopez-Olivares, 31, 1719 River Road, Buhl; driving under the influence; \$750 fine, \$750 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, 12 months' supervised probation, 180 days' jail, 101 suspended, 180 days' driver's license suspension, resisting or obstructing officers; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Floren G. Maldonado, 29, 96 W. 400 N., Jerome; driving under the influence; \$750 fine, \$750 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$50 public defender fee, 12 months' unsupervised probation, 180 days in jail, 110 suspended, 53 days credited, 180 days' driver's license suspension. Failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$150 fine, \$150 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, 12 months' supervised probation; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Wade Travis Stephens, 30, 361 Monroe Place, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$150 fine, \$100 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, six months' unsupervised probation, five days in jail, five suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Wallace Weber, 67, 450 Quast Lane, Corvallis, Mont.; driving under the influence; \$750 fine, \$500 suspended, \$78.50 court costs, 12 months' supervised probation, 180 days in jail, 178 suspended, 180 days' driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

MAGNIFICENT MONTANA



A horse eats hay on a ridge Tuesday near Kallispell; Mont. The Swan Mountains form the backdrop.

IDAHO LEGISLATIVE LOG

**The Associated Press**

**Legislative action complete**

SR103 (Risch) - Sets pay for Senate staff.

**Introduced in House**

HB433 (State Affairs) - Calls for legislative budget services to allocate money from the Idaho Millennium Income Fund only for tobacco prevention and control program efforts.

HB434 (Appropriations) - Makes an emergency \$2.7 million appropriation to finance tussock moth control.

HB435 (Appropriations) - Makes an emergency \$4 million appropriation for wildfire suppression.

HB436 (Appropriations) - Makes

an emergency \$11,200 appropriation for the lieutenant governor's expenses.

HB437 (State Affairs) - Increases from 5 percent to 7 percent the allocation from the excise tax on wine to support research for the Idaho Grape Growers and Wine Producers Commission.

HB438 (Revenue and Taxation) - Provides that the value of real property, in addition to the value of the land, be added to new construction rolls when there is a change of status from exempt to taxable.

HB439 (Revenue and Taxation) - Reduces the time period before which certain types of unclaimed property are deemed abandoned and subject to state custody.

HB440 (Revenue and Taxation) - Clarifies the existing disallowance of

deductions for net operating losses and capital losses incurred in activities not taxable in Idaho.

HB441 (Revenue and Taxation) - Increases the threshold from \$50 to \$100 above which the State Tax Commission must publish notice of newly acquired accounts under the Unclaimed Property Act.

HB442 (Revenue and Taxation) - Makes technical corrections to the Idaho Income Tax Act.

**Introduced in Senate**

SB1287 (Brandt) - Adds "knowingly or intentionally" to laws against selling, giving, furnishing or causing to be sold, given or furnished alcohol beverages to anyone under 21.

SB1288 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Changes legal require-

ments for and restriction on collection agencies.

SB1289 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Provides for licensing of farm labor contractors.

SB1290 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Extends unemployment insurance coverage to employees of Indian tribes and tribal units.

SB1291 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Deletes the age requirement for agricultural employees exempted from the state minimum wage because they are paid on a piece-rate basis.

SB1292 (Finance) - Makes an emergency \$157,400 appropriation for pest control.

SB1293 (Finance) - Makes an emergency \$32,500 appropriation for the Hazardous Substance Emergency Response Fund.

Kootenai County measures nation's highest levels of radon

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Radon is the second-highest cause of lung cancer, and many Kootenai County residents do not know some area homes have the highest levels in the nation.

"Spokane and Coeur d'Alene are pretty unique," said Sylvia Riddle, co-owner of Cavalier Corp., a radon mitigation contractor. "We're not facing a similar risk as the rest of the country. These two counties test five to seven times

the national average."

Kootenai County has no requirement for new construction to include at least a passive radon ventilating system.

Radon gas is formed by the natural breakdown of radioactive uranium in soil. Radon gas seeps into homes through cracks in foundations and concrete.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's "action level" is four picoCuries per liter, because

ventilation systems can readily reduce radon to below that level.

Since 1990, about 62 percent of radon tests in Kootenai County have met or exceeded that level. Statewide, the statistic is 35 percent.

The high readings are believed to be from large amounts of uranium in the granite-strewn glacial outwash of the ancient Missoula flood.

The EPA estimates up to 30,000

lung cancer deaths each year are from radon. But tying individual deaths to radon exposure is difficult.

"There's a higher number of smokers in Kootenai County than in other parts of the state," said Kara Stevens of the Idaho Indoor Environment Program, run by the Department of Health and Welfare. "There's no way to tell the difference between that and radon."

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# Idaho hot spring yields unusual underground microbes

DENVER (AP) — Scientists plumbing the bubbling black depths of a geothermal hot spring in Idaho have discovered a unique community of microbes that thrive without sunlight or oxygen.

Scientists say the organisms are very similar to life as it might exist on Mars and other planets.

The one-celled organisms, known as Archaea, grow by consuming hydrogen that is produced by hot water reacting with bedrock 600 feet below the Beaverhead Mountains. They produce tiny amounts of methane as a byproduct of their weird metabolism.

Although types of Archaea have been

found before, this community is unlike anything else on Earth.

Details of the discovery appear in Thursday's issue of the journal.

Most life on Earth flourishes not only in the presence of water, but also relies on oxygen, sunlight and organic carbon. But conditions on the rest of the planets — and perhaps beyond the solar system — are far more hostile.

Astrobiologists said these real-life microbes closely resemble what they imagine might be lurking beneath the dry, barren surface of Mars or the thick glaciers of Europa, one of Jupiter's moons.

"No self-respecting organism would want to be on the surface of Mars," said University of Arizona hydrologist Victor Baker, who did not participate in the study. "But if they are in the rocks below the permafrost, you could bring samples back to Earth and look for vestiges of them."

Microbes like these have been the subject of speculation for 30 years. But finding them was another matter. Just for this study, a team of seven government and university scientists spent more than a decade looking for promising locations. Some places, like hot sulfur vents on the ocean floor, support rich and strange life forms. But they're not entirely

devoid of organic carbon sources, since bits of decayed plant life drift to the sea floor and provide food.

The research team surveyed the volcanically active Yellowstone region, home to 80 percent of the world's geysers and half of its geothermal features. They were looking for a subterranean environment that had water but no sunlight, oxygen or organic carbon.

They zeroed in on the Lily Hot Springs, welling up near the Idaho-Montana line. With the help of landowner Charles E. Wilson, they sank specially designed instruments 600 feet down into the springs, where the subsurface water was

137 degrees. They collected the microbes with filters.

In light of the findings, researchers said the question should no longer be whether extreme life exists on Mars and elsewhere.

"Rather, did life originate there, or was it transplanted from Earth?" said University of Colorado planetary scientist Bruce Jakosky.

Other microbes found in the Yellowstone region and other extreme environments have been commercialized. Since they can thrive in high temperatures and even in battery acid, they are used to clean up pollution.

## Suspect has first hearing

NEWPORT, Ore. (AP) — A man who had been on the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted" list for allegedly killing his wife and three children made a brief court appearance Wednesday, his first in Oregon since his capture at a Mexico beach resort.

Christian Longo, 27, showed no emotion during the hearing, which he joined via closed-circuit television from Lincoln County Jail.

He gave brief answers to a judge's questions, saying "yes" when asked if he would like a court-appointed attorney and "no, I am not" when asked if he was in a position to hire one.

Longo was to be arraigned later Wednesday on charges of aggravated murder in the deaths of his wife, MaryJane Longo, 34, and children Zachary, 4, Sadie Ann, 3, and Madison, 2.

Bail has been set at \$2.5 million.

Longo arrived in Oregon on Tuesday night on a commercial flight to Portland from Houston, where he was initially held after his arrest Sunday in Tulum, Mexico, a resort town 60 miles south of Cancun.

Longo, who fled to Mexico using a stolen credit card and identification, waived extradition.

"He knew eventually he would have to go back," said Jeff Ludwin, Longo's court-appointed attorney in Houston. "He seemed very alert and was aware of the charges against him."

Lincoln County District Attorney Bernice said Monday she had decided whether she would seek the death penalty, but refused to disclose her decision.

The bodies of Longo's wife and children were found in coastal inlets in Waldport and Newport between Dec. 19 and Dec. 27.

Longo fled on Dec. 27 from San Francisco International Airport to Mexico, where he first stayed at a youth hostel in Cancun and then moved to a beach camp in Tulum around Jan. 7.

The FBI placed Longo on its "Ten Most Wanted" list Friday. A Montreal woman noticed his picture and remembered having seen him at a hostel in Cancun between Dec. 27 and Dec. 29.

Longo, who owned a construction cleaning business in Ypsilanti, Mich., moved with his family to the Newport area about three months before the bodies of his wife and children were found.

They reportedly left behind \$60,000 in debts. Longo is named in six lawsuits seeking more than \$30,000 and is wanted on two warrants in Michigan for probation violation and a larceny charge.

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### Don't overlook the unlikely places and times

Even when the ground is clear and dry, it's not an easy place to get around in.

Mounds of lava rock pop up randomly and at vicious angles, creating countless pockets that can twist a foot or even swallow a whole leg.

In the flat spots, the sagebrush is thick enough to grab at you from every side, forcing a traveler to change direction every few steps.

During my most recent trip there, it was covered. An crusty snow with about the same consistency as block Styrofoam. So passage had gone from downright difficult to darned-near impossible.

I almost hadn't gone out that day. With plenty of ducks in the freezer, I hadn't the ambition to load up my boat and decoys. It was a cold winter Sunday, and I was content to just sit at home, reading, watching television and napping.

But my dog's pacing, sighing and whines of boredom forced me into action.

After a modest drive along back roads to the vicinity of Bliss, I found a good spot to pull my old sedan off the road.

Rabbits - both cottontails and jacks - are pretty plentiful in the brush and rock piles, and I've frequently gone there alone or with a friend to hunt them. But this time, I'd decided to try finding a coyote. The last time I'd been there, I'd packed a shotgun for rabbit hunting. And sure enough, I had spotted a coyote. He stood in a small clearing a couple of hundred yards off and stared belligerently - almost as if he knew I had only a short-range weapon.

So with my favorite high-pow-er over the hand, I got out of the car, called the dog to my side and started hiking.

The going was brutal and slow, but the day was gorgeous enough to make me glad I'd dragged myself out of the house. The sky was immaculate, and the air was just cold enough to keep me from sweating as I puffed along.

The dog was overjoyed to be outside. He dashed about, kicking up snow, huffing and amusing himself by snorting jackrabbits out of their hiding places.

Each time we reached a high spot, I would stop and make a careful survey of the land before us. Except for the sleepy hum of traffic on a distant freeway, it was calm and silent. No coyotes showed themselves. But the further on I went, the less I cared about seeing any game.

Several crows and ravens had passed at different intervals. So when I saw a large, dark bird winging in our general direction, I didn't think much of it. But as it got closer, its size gave me pause and I began to pay closer attention.

It was a fully mature Bald Eagle, the first one I'd seen in months. I watched with a smile as it passed overhead and continued toward the Snake River, obviously too seriously involved in its business to give my dog and I even a second glance.

Minutes later, we topped a small rise and I saw a flash of gray coat in the brush. But before I had time to even think about shouldering my rifle, I realized it was a mule deer doe that I saw.

It was a pleasant surprise because I'd never seen deer - or even deer sign - out here. My dog coiled as if he were ready to give chase, but I scolded him and he held ground. We stood stock still as another deer, and then several - then still more popped out of the brush and trotted past. No bucks, but they all appeared to be well-fed and very healthy.

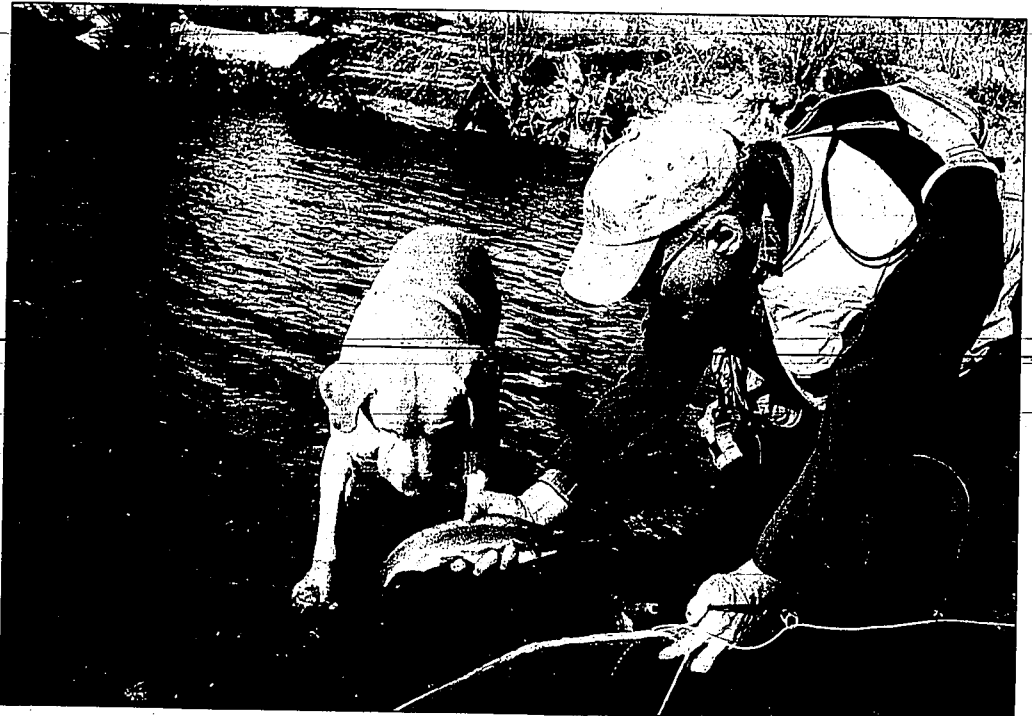
After the deer had passed and gone away, I let the dog run again and we wound our way back to the car.

For every trip that I came home from with a bag full of game, a mess of fish or a wild story to tell, there must have been a half-dozen like the little winter's day trip I took into the brush.

It was one of those weeks during which nothing really happened. And yet, everything did.

Mark Heinz covers crime and courts for The Times-News.

# Cold water morning



Boau and his angling owner wade closer to a winter catch. Layered clothing and a hat are key to staying warm under winter conditions.

JAMES L. KRUMKOPF/The Times-News

## Fishing in winter often leads to an unexpected, icy bath

By James J. Krumkopf  
Times-News correspondent

Preparing for those big and little chills and spills is simply just a part of winter fishing. What veteran angler hasn't taken an unexpected plunge into the icy waters of winter? Fishermen are often standing in water and are definitely surrounded by water, so a periodic plunge has just gotta' happen sometime. The way to approach winter fishing in regard to comfort and the dramatic possibility of hypothermia is in a logical fashion.

First, let's examine comfort. The general advice is to be certain to dress in a layered fashion so clothing can be added or removed as the day warms or cools. In conjunction with the layered advice comes the tip to keep the head covered under 80 percent of the escaping heat from a body can come from the head. This is sound and basic advice.

What about the layered clothing? Be certain that the materials worn will breathe easily and allow perspiration to evaporate away from the skin. A guy can be bundled up so he looks like the Pillsbury dough boy and still be freezing due to droplets of perspiration clinging to the

skin and cooling the body. Additionally, a person should examine the clothing to determine if the material will provide any warmth if it is wet. A good bet is to also pack some "old" clothing such as a wool sweater that will retain some warmth even if it is saturated.

Hands, since they are *The general advice is to be certain to dress in a layered fashion so clothing can be added or removed as the day warms or cools.*

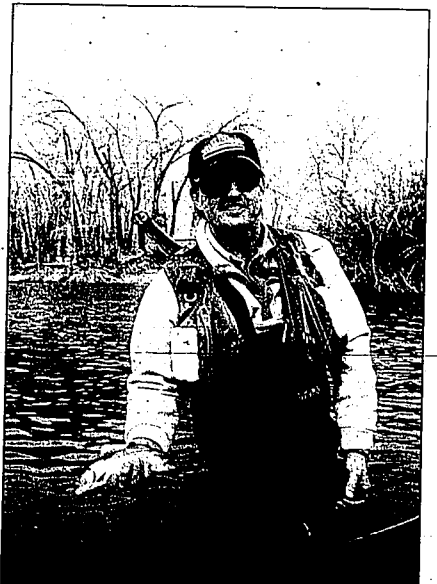
extremities, are one of the first areas of the body to become cold and stiff. While an angler's hands aren't often wet, they'll become at least a little moist when a fisherman handles a fish. One set of gloves is mandatory to allow the hands to warm. An additional pair of gloves is just a good idea. What if the first pair becomes wet?

Another great idea, in terms of keeping the hands warm, is to throw a small towel into the vest. Why put wet fish-slimed hands into dry gloves? It just doesn't make sense.

Most anglers will wear sunglasses, while fishing. Due to

fluctuating temperatures and factors such as humidity or rain and snow, glasses often become fogged or even icy. An extra pair of glasses will solve the problem, but another solution is to keep some Kleenex handy, preferably in an upper shirt pocket next to the body (the hassle of removing waders is avoided and no digging through the vest is required). If the Kleenex is placed into a plastic bag before being stashed into the pocket, it will remain warm, dry and effective when needed.

In terms of common sense and more along the lines of self-preservation, an angler should have a buddy along during this time of year. A slip into icy waters can leave a fisherman a little stunned, possibly on the verge of hypothermia and needing some assistance. A very good idea is to not only have a pal along for the outing but to make certain that there is an ability to communicate. Inexpensive handheld radios are the simple answer to that dilemma. That hand-helds are literally lifesavers in some situations, but they also solve minor problems such as "where do you want to meet for lunch?" and "what fly did you use?"



Tony Bryan of Twin Falls wears a warm winter smile after pulling in a stream fish.

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## Better late than never (or better never than late?)

A lot of folks who hunted big game in Idaho last fall are still a little late in filing their mandatory hunter harvest reports. But 26 years?

Shortly after Fish and Game issued a reminder letter in December to hunters whose 2001 harvest reports had not been recorded, the Department received a response in a form no one there had seen in quite a while. Postmarked Dec. 26, 2001, the self-addressed lime-green business reply card came from a hunter in Fresno, Calif. The hunter reported spending five

days not taking a deer near Tendoy. This deer hunt was noted on the "Nonresident Hunter's Report Card, Regular Deer" for 1975.

Wildlife biologist Lou Nelson said it "is nice this hunter hadn't lost his report form" since the fall of 1975 but wondered why he would file it in this particular year. "It just showed up," Nelson said, "with no explanation."

Biologists need information on last fall's hunt to evaluate the harvest and help make recommendations for this year's sea-

sons. "It's going to be very difficult to make use of this 1975 report to set the 1976 seasons," Nelson said, "but if hunters want to help set the 2002 seasons, they should report on last season immediately." Fish and Game biologists need to finish

compiling the information from tens of thousands of hunters before the Fish and Game commission sets big game seasons for next fall when it meets in March. The information is also supplied to the public so that interested hunters can use it to make a choice about where

they want to hunt this fall.

A second reminder letter will be mailed January 20 to the more than 60,000 hunters whose reports are not yet in the database.

Several methods are provided for filing the harvest reports:

- 1) Hunters can fill out the attached report and mail it to: Idaho Department of Fish and Game, P.O. Box 70007, Boise, ID 83707-0107
- 2) They can use the department website to complete the report electronically. The address is [www2.statc.id.us/fishgame](http://www2.statc.id.us/fishgame).

Look in the "Hunting" section and find "ONLINE HARVEST REPORT CARD" listed to access the reports. Hunters must have their hunting license number available, not tag number. Those who have reported and want to confirm it can look this up on the website also.

3) Reports can be called in toll free at 1-877-268-9365.

4) Reports can also be faxed to (775) 423-0799. Because of the volume of reports being faxed, you may have to try several times to find the line available to complete the fax.

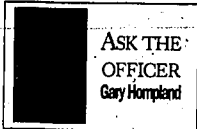
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## Hound hunters need permit to harvest mountain lion

**Question:** Please explain the rules for hunting mountain lions and black bears with hounds. When do I need to purchase a hound hunting permit?

**Answer:** The rules for hunting mountain lions and black bears with dogs (hounds) have changed over the years. They are less restrictive now than in years past.

Hunters who own pursuit dogs, are in control of dogs, own a hound, or who harvest a mountain lion or black bear using dogs must have a hound hunter permit, hunting license, and the appropriate game tag. Exceptions to this rule include: clients of licensed outfitters, unarmed party members, and bystanders not participating in the hunt. Outfitters are required to be permitted but their clients are not. Unarmed



**ASK THE OFFICER**  
Gary Hompland

party members or bystanders are not hunting and do not need hunting licenses or hound permits.

Anyone harvesting a mountain lion or black bear must, within 10 days of the date of kill, complete a harvest report by presenting the skull and hide at Fish and Game regional office or with a conservation officer. Remember to leave evidence of sex naturally attached to the hide. These requirements are necessary because all management units in the Magic Valley

have a female mountain lion quota.

After the female quota has been reached for a given area, the harvest season will close and dog training only (no harvest) will be allowed for the remainder of the season. To find out if the female lion quota has been met and the harvest season closed in a particular management unit, call 1-800-323-4334.

While many people enjoy the meat from black bears and mountain lions; the meat from mountain lions is not required to be salvaged. However, Fish and Game rules do require the meat from black bears to be salvaged.

**Question:** Can I use thimble sights on my bow or rifle to extend my effective big game hunting time to one-half hour after sunset, the end of legal hunting hours?

**Answer:** Yes and No.

The commission has specifically prohibited use of electronic tritium-powered sights on all archery equipment used for hunting big game.

The commission has also prohibited the use of any electronic device attached to or incorporated onto the firearm or scope of all firearms (including shotguns and pistols). Since tritium-powered sights are not electronic they are lawful to use on firearms.

In summary, you may use a tritium-powered sight on a rifle but not on a bow during a big game season.

Gary Hompland is a conservation officer at the Magic Valley Regional Office of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. E-mail your questions to him on the agency's Web site, [www2.state.id.us/fishgame](http://www2.state.id.us/fishgame).

## SHINE YOUR SNOWSHOES



Melissa Rood enjoys the fresh, crisp air and afternoon sun as she snowshoes. In early January near McCall, snowshoeing allows people to get out and experience wonderful winter scenery with minimal equipment and no special skills.

## Big southern Butte: Rhyolite eye in the sky

By Josh Manning  
The Post Register

**ATOMIC CITY** - Oregon Trail pioneers called the Big Southern Butte part of an inhospitable landscape.

Atomic City resident Ron Brown calls it today a lookout on one of the most scenic places in the entire world.

Last summer, Brown was stationed in a fire lookout station for the U.S. Bureau of Land Management atop the butte, 7,560 feet above sea level and 2,500 feet above the ground.

He has spent the past three summers in the small metal and concrete tower, eight hours each day looking for smoke columns.

"On a good day, I can see into Utah, Wyoming, and Montana," he said during an interview last summer. "Most of the summer I've been able to see the Teton Range."

"About towers like this one may soon be a relic in the history of firefighting. While the stations were the only way to get fire sightings 50 years ago, computer predictions, lightning monitors and thermal imaging give today's fire crews the first hints."

Because of those technological advances, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service will dismantle numerous fire stations on hills and mountaintops across the nation.

"Now we'll get cell phone calls before we get smoke reports," said David Howell, spokesman for the bureau's eastern Idaho office. The station on the butte, however, will be spared, he said.

The butte has a unique geologic and human history, Howell said. And even with the technological advances, Brown and other people who man the station still give fire crews an incredible vantage on grassland fires.

The butte's history is some 300,000 years old, said Michael McCurry, a professor of geology at Idaho State University.

"The Big Southern Butte is something with no precedent," he said.

The butte is made mostly from

large concentrations of rhyolite, a type of magma that is thick as tar. It also contains slabs of basalt, which was less viscous more like molasses.

Geologists figure part of the butte was created as huge piles of the rhyolite oozed out and the heavy magma could not explode like in normal eruptions. The other part of the butte came as the magma inflated from the under the earth. The top burst open and caused magma to pour out.

"It's a scientific wonderland out there," McCurry said of how the Snake River Plain came to be.

Most of the people who work at the station during the summer are residents of Arco or Atomic City. Because they are locals and familiar with the area, they often know whose land is on fire, Brown said.

He is not too worried about fires on the butte, though it has burned in past fires.

The lightning strikes a few hundred feet from the metal structure and antennas give him more anxiety.

Former workers tell stories about balls of electricity bouncing on the floor during thunderstorms. Brown wears earplugs during the storms because lightning cracks have left people deaf for a week.

"The thing that really scares you are the winds," he said. Winds average 30 to 40 mph on top of the butte but can kick up to 80 mph in no time.

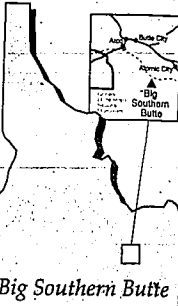
It sends him into the lower level to listen to the gusts whistle through and shake the station.

"The winds and thermals off the butte make it an attractive spot for hang gliders," Howell said.

In fact, many people around the area use the butte for recreation. About 1,000 tourists make the trek up the butte every year to take in the panoramic view.

Scout troops will camp there and four-wheelers enjoy the challenge of the dirt road with grades of up to 29 percent.

Congress made the butte a National Historical Landmark in 1976 because of its historical importance to American Indians and pioneers.



Big Southern Butte

## Fly-tying classes begin at CSI's community ed center

**TWIN FALLS** - The Community Education Center at CSI will be offering a class for those fishermen interested in perfecting their craft by learning to tie their own fishing flies.

The course "Intermediate Fly Tying" will provide young adult and adult fly fishermen further instruction on tying their own flies. This course will focus on major dry, mainly patterns used in Idaho, including Tricos, Callibaetis, BWO's, Mahogany Duns, Green Drakes, Western Quills, and Brown Drakes. Tying techniques will include tails, wings, hackling, and body types. The class will also include individual tutoring.

The class will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays, Feb. 5-26 in Aspect 180 on the CSI campus. Cost is \$40. The instructor is Ron Hicks. For information or to register, call 733-9554, ext. 2290.

### High numbers raise steelhead limits this spring

**BOISE** - Steelhead anglers can take more fish this spring than the official Idaho rulebook says.

Fish and Game Commissioners raised the limits on steelhead for the spring season, which began January 1, when the exceptional size of the hatchery run became apparent late last year. That was well after the proclamation booklet had been printed and distributed.

Instead of two fish per day, four in possession and 10 per season, the limits for the current season are three per day, nine in possession and 40 for the season if anglers buy a second tag. On the first tag, 20 steelhead are permitted.

All other rules and seasons pertaining to steelhead remain the same.

The actual count of hatchery

### Outdoors in brief

Steelhead coming into Idaho exceeded already high projections last fall and was about triple the 10-year average.

### Scout ski days scheduled for Monday at Pebble Creek

**INKM** - Scout ski days are scheduled for Martin Luther King Day, Monday, Jan. 21 and President's Day, Monday, Feb. 18, at Pebble Creek Ski Area.

On those days, a program is offered to assist Boy and Girl Scouts in obtaining their Snow Sports Merit Badge. In order to complete the merit badge program, scouts should be able to make linked turns and ski or board groomed runs served by the Sunshine Triple chairlift. All requirements for the merit badge and parts of the Interest Patch requirements will be covered during this one day program.

First time beginner lessons are offered for scouts who have never skied or boarded before. Scouts that already have their merit badge may choose to just have fun on the slopes. This allows troops with scouts of varying abilities to participate together.

Participants should register in the lodge by 9:30 a.m. with their merit badge clinic and first time beginner lessons scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. The program fee is \$15 for the lift ticket and the merit badge clinic or first time lesson. Rental skis are available for only \$7 with rental snowboards for only \$12.

For more information call 775-4452.

- compiled from staff and wire reports

## Hunter helps catch Moscow poacher

**BOISE (AP)** - A poacher who killed an elk out of season was caught thanks to a deer hunter who saw the man with the animal.

Stacy Clemm, 33, was fined more than \$1,600 and lost his hunting privileges after killing a bull elk a day after the season closed.

When confronted by Idaho Fish and Game conservation officers he claimed to have killed the animal the night before, but had not been able to locate the carcass until the next day.

The head and antlers were missing from the carcass. Officers took a temperature reading of 86 degrees from the

thigh of the elk. They said using that temperature they could place the time of death after the season had closed. The time also matched up with when the deer hunter who witnessed Clemm dragging the bull elk heard shots fired.

After more questioning, Clemm told officers where the rest of the elk was hidden. After examining the head and hide, they determined the elk was fatally shot in the neck.

"To be fair and ethical, all hunters need to follow the same laws," Tanna Ragan, a conservation officer, said. "The ethical hunter also plays a vital role in helping protect Idaho's wildlife from poachers."

## Fish

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Here's a common but rarely considered problem: Where are the keys? Most of the time the missing key problem isn't a major ordeal. But when the temperature is 28 degrees and the wind is blowing at 20 miles per hour and the fisherman is soaking wet, the keys are "key" to preventing hypothermia. The answer is to hide an extra set of keys. If a fishing companion is present, make certain that the other party also knows the location for the keys.

Always keep dry clothes and a blanket or sleeping bag in the vehicle. The quickest way to prevent hypothermia is to remove the dry clothes and try to raise

the body temperature as soon as possible. Along these lines, anglers should also bring some hot coffee or hot chocolate in a Thermos. A cold sandwich might provide some energy on a cold day, but it will do little to bring one's core temperature upward.

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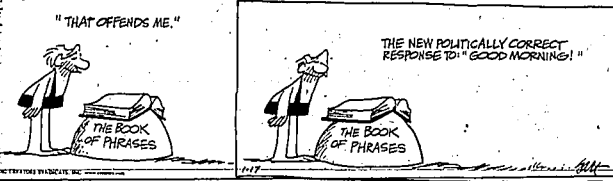
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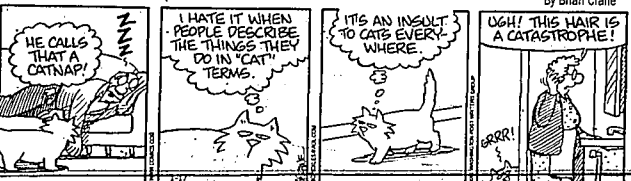
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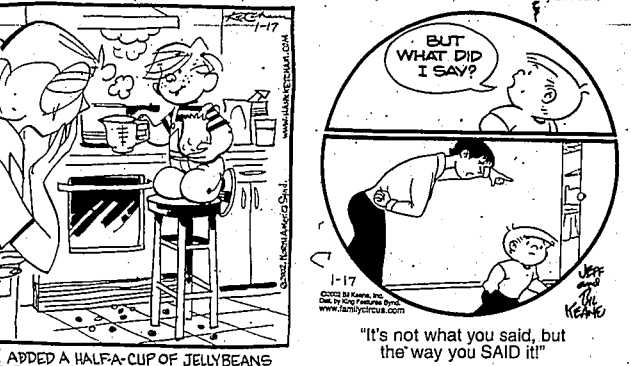


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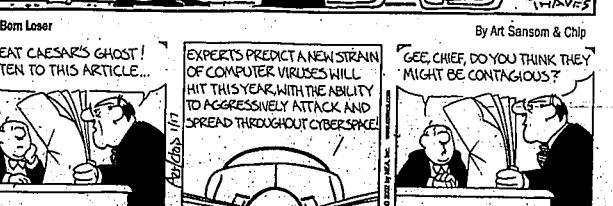
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# Colombia River Gorge enchants even in wet weather

By **TERRENCE PETTY**  
Associated Press



A hiker makes his way down a trail at Multnomah Falls in December near Cascade Locks, Ore. Moments of scenery-inspired enchantment are the rule, and not the exception, along hiking trails within the 75-mile-long Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area. That's even true during the Pacific Northwest's notoriously rainy winters.

**CASCADES LOCKS, Ore.** — Rain-swollen clouds caress towering walls of vertical volcanic rock that rise up on both sides of Eagle Creek Canyon, not far from the creek's confluence with the mighty Columbia River.

Heavy rain is falling on this recent winter day. Water is coming not just from the sky. It's also plunging over the 150-foot ancient rock walls — in the form of ribbons of runoff that can be seen up-and-down-the-precipitous valley.

On a rough trail high above Eagle Creek, my son and I are standing directly beneath one of these waterfalls. Above us, sprays of water leap off the lip of the canyon wall and hang for a moment in the air — like miniature swan-divers in suspended animation — before plummeting over us and into the depths below.

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As we stopped at the edge of a cliff to take a cautious look at Eagle Creek, raging far below us, Nate Wheeler came bouncing down the trail — his springer spaniel a cheery step or two behind him. With his floppy rain hat, rain pants and a rainproof parka, the 28-year-old Wheeler was well-protected against the deluge.

"This is one of the most beautiful hikes in Oregon, especially when it rains," says Wheeler, who lives in the Portland suburb of Beaverton.

"This is a rain forest, after all."

Wheeler's dog sprinted up the trail, stopped and then looked back — prodding his master to get a move on. Wheeler complied, a smile on his face.

Millions of people through the Columbia River Gorge each

summer, most to view stunning waterfalls that drop from basalt cliffs framing both sides of the Columbia River. Water sports also draw summer visitors, including windsurfers. Hood River, a quaint riverside town, is known as one of the world's best locations for windsurfing because of the wind tunnel created by the gorge's walls of rock.

The gorge also attracts herds of summer hikers, who follow trails that take them away from the Columbia River and into the backcountry of the Cascade Range. There are more than 40 marked hiking trails within the Columbia River Gorge. They lead hikers past (and sometimes beneath) spectacular waterfalls, into old-growth-forests, onto ridges that offer unforgettable views of Mount Adams, Mount Hood and Mount St. Helens.

All of this is within an hour of Portland.

Sunny days illuminate the gorge's black basalt cliffs,

flower-covered hillsides and the white-tipped Cascade peaks during the spring and summer. Autumn shows another side of the gorge, as foliage changes and the air turns chillier.

But winter is also a great time to visit the gorge. There are far fewer people.

*"This is a magical place. It's like a land forgotten by time."*

— Tristan Petty, hiker

tourists, and you can enjoy in solitude the awesome scenery — runoff plunging over the black cliffs, the gorge's ancient trees and fresh fields of snow lying on the gorge's wooded hillsides.

The Columbia River Gorge cuts through the Cascades, a string of volcanic peaks stretching from British Columbia into California. South of the gorge,

Mount Hood rises out of the forest, a 11,245-foot volcanic monster clad in glacial robes. North of the gorge is Mount St. Helens, the famous volcano that blew its peak off nearly 22 years ago.

The gorge is the creation of geological catastrophes that date back 12 million to 17 million years. Volcanic eruptions in what are now Oregon and Washington state spread lava over 60,000 square miles. The basalt forced diversions of the Columbia River, carving out the gorge. Floods caused by the end of the Ice Age gave the gorge its current shape.

This geologic violence left a string of high waterfalls up and down the gorge. The most famous, 620-foot Multnomah Falls, is the second-highest year-round waterfall in the country and Oregon's most-visited tourist site.

Recognizing the gorge's natural beauty, Congress designated it the nation's first National Scenic Area in 1986.

**GETTING WET?** You can enjoy the Columbia River Gorge in winter. The gorge is a scenic area with many trails and views. The gorge is a scenic area with many trails and views. The gorge is a scenic area with many trails and views.

**THINGS TO DO:** Drive the Columbia Gorge Scenic Highway, hike gorge trails, play golf, go windsurfing, tour the Columbia aboard art museum.

**LODGING:** There's a wide variety of lodging possibilities in the gorge, including campgrounds, RV parks, motels, lodges and hotels. A sampling includes: Hood River Inn, Hood River Bingen School Inn, in Bingen, Wash., says it offers affordable hostel-style lodging. Phone: (509)493-3363. Columbia Cliffs View Lodge, in Mosier, Ore., has views of the Columbia River.

**WEATHER:** Summers in Oregon can be glorious, with sunny weather on both sides of the Cascade Range. Fall is cool and pleasant. Storms traditionally begin moving in from the Pacific in early winter, dumping heavy snow onto upper elevations and sleet and rain at lower elevations — especially east of the Cascades. Storms last into the spring.

Many visitors view the gorge's wonders by driving along the Historic Columbia River Highway, a two-lane road that snakes past waterfalls, over hillsides and to the tops of 900-foot cliffs. The road was designed in 1913 specifically to spotlight the gorge's scenery.

You can get away from the masses and see the gorge's true wild side by stopping at a trailhead, lacing up your hiking boots and following one of the trails that leads away from the Columbia and into the wilderness.

One Saturday morning, as a cold rain ricocheted off the street in front of our Portland home, Tristan gave me an "are you insane?" look when I told him we were going for a hike.

It takes about an hour to drive from Portland to the Eagle Creek trailhead. We encountered six hikers on the trail, and every one of them beamed a smile of contentment. Although hiking in the rain may not be for everyone, the gorge rewards those who give it a try.

Looking down into Eagle Creek Canyon from the high trail cut into the walls of rock, Tristan and I were mesmerized. We marveled at the Douglas firs covered with saturated moss rising from the canyon floor.

Compact clouds, the color of smoke, moved fitfully through the canyon in a sort of meteorological dance. Protruding through the clouds, the wet rock walls looked like the vast sides of prehistoric beasts.

We followed a spur trail to Punch Bowl Falls, where Eagle Creek has carved out a deep pool in the shape of a bowl. Then we hiked to The High Bridge, a dizzying footbridge spanning the 100-foot canyon, and continued to Tunnel Falls.

We'd hiked six miles in the rain, and figured that was enough. We retraced our steps back to the car, taking our time to soak in — literally — the wet wonders of the rain forest.

"This is a magical place," my son said along the way. "It's like a land forgotten by time."

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### BRIEFLY IN MONEY

#### Businesses get extra time to apply for loans

WASHINGTON - Small businesses that were hurt by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks have an extra three months to apply for federal disaster assistance loans.

The U.S. Small Business Administration this week extended the application deadline for its Economic Injury Disaster Loans to April 22. The original deadline was Jan. 21.

"With this deadline extension, more small-business owners can get the help they need to get back on their feet," said Hector Barreto, administrator of the Small Business Administration in Washington.

The loans are available to companies directly affected by the terrorist attacks or the federal actions that followed. The SBA in October extended the scope of the program to include businesses outside the immediate disaster areas.

Loans are available for up to \$1.5 million at 4 percent interest. Terms of the loans can be extended for up to 30 years.

Idaho small businesses interested in applying may contact the SBA's office in Sacramento, Calif., at 1-800-488-5323.

#### Albertson's sells store in Mississippi to Kroger

TUPELO, Miss. - Albertson's Inc., which has been closing underperforming stores since September, plans to sell its Tupelo outlet to Kroger.

Albertson's expects to close the store by the end of the month.

Spokeswoman Jeannette Duwe said 100 employees at the Tupelo store were notified of the impending sale Tuesday and advised they would keep their jobs only until the end of the month.

But in a joint statement, Albertson's and Kroger said many current Albertson's employees likely will be retained by Kroger.

Boise-based Albertson's began closing 165 underperforming stores last fall, including one in north Twin Falls.

#### SkyWest co-pilot says pilot exposed himself to her

SALT LAKE CITY - A SkyWest Airlines co-pilot has filed suit against the company alleging a pilot exposed himself to her while on final approach to Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport last month.

Paula Manjarrez's suit, filed in U.S. District Court in Salt Lake City, claims that following a flight, SkyWest supervisors laughed and "highfived" the pilot for "his sexually degrading and obscene performance."

SkyWest "categorically denies that Ms. Manjarrez was unfairly treated in any way in connection with her employment," said Sabrina Suite, spokeswoman for SkyWest, which serves the Twin Falls airport. She declined other comment, saying the airline had not yet been served with the suit.

The suit by the Salt Lake County woman also claims she was unfairly demoted from pilot to co-pilot last May.

Last week, Manjarrez was placed on leave without pay and required to participate in the company's mental health or counseling program to prove her fitness to remain in a SkyWest employee, the suit claims.

The suit alleges gender discrimination, retaliatory discrimination and negligent infliction of emotional distress and seeks punitive and compensatory damages and attorney fees.

#### Citigroup names next company president

NEW YORK - Citigroup Inc. has named Robert B. Willumstad president of the company, making him next-in-line to succeed Sanford J. Well, the 68-year-old chief executive.

Willumstad, 56, will take over a position that has been vacant for more than three years. James Dimon, a Well protégé, held the position last until he was ousted in 1998.

Willumstad will keep his position as chairman and chief executive of the Consumer Group, which includes global credit cards, banking and electronic commerce, and will continue as a member of the company's management committee. He also will be responsible for the company's financial and human resources functions.

The promotion is another sign Citigroup - which has a Citifinancial office in Twin Falls - is turning toward consumer banking as opposed to far riskier capital markets businesses, analysts said.

Compiled from wire reports

## Sales rise in Magic Valley



Botty Morrill and Barb Allen, right, pick out fabrics for a quilt at Stitches' Time on Main Avenue West in Twin Falls on Wednesday afternoon. Third-quarter sales around the Magic Valley rose from year-earlier levels.

USA M. COLLARD/The Times-News

## Retail figures get boost from extra eight days in quarter

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County businesses rang up a remarkable 27.1 percent more in third-quarter sales than a year earlier - the county's best growth in years for that season.

But the most recent quarterly results were inflated by the Idaho State Tax Commission's accounting change, which added eight days to third quarter 2001.

Certain sales in the county - including taxable and nontaxable - totaled a remarkable \$482.46 million from June 23 to Sept. 30, compared with \$379.72 million in July 1 through Sept. 30, 2000. Twin Falls County sales subject to sales tax or use tax rose 34.5 percent from \$133.46 million in third quarter 2000 to \$179.46 million in the longer-by-

eight-days third quarter 2001.

Dave McAlindin, Twin Falls city's economic development director, said Twin Falls County's third-quarter sales haven't jumped that far in a long time.

His records show third-quarter taxable and nontaxable results in 2000 gained 25.3 percent over year-earlier sales; in 1999, just 2.9 percent; in 1998, 4.4 percent; in 1997, 1.3 percent; in 1996, 3.7 percent; in 1995, 2.3 percent; in 1994, 10.7 percent; in 1993, 12.3 percent; and in 1992, 13.4 percent. Those years' results are all for July 1 through Sept. 30.

Those totals and growth percentages exclude sales by businesses that have locations in more than one county. (Those companies each file just one sales tax return and aren't included in county-by-county numbers.) Also excluded from

county totals are sales by businesses headquartered outside of Idaho - including many major retailers with Twin Falls stores.

In the third quarter, Twin Falls County again was No. 6 in the state, trailing Ada, by far Idaho's biggest seller; Canyon; Kootenai; Nez Perce; and Bonnevill counties, in that order.

Each of the other seven Magic Valley counties saw sales rise in the third quarter. The tax commission's accounting change, however, might account for some of the improvement.

Here are other Magic Valley sales totals (including taxable and nontaxable) for June 23 through Sept. 30, reported recently by the Idaho State Tax Commission:

• Blaine - \$204.77 million, compared with \$177.72 million in

July through September 2000.

• Jerome - \$135.77 million, compared with \$123 million a year earlier.

• Minidoka - \$121.21 million, compared with \$98.26 million a year earlier.

• Cassia - \$117.48 million, compared with \$104.37 million a year earlier.

• Gooding - \$48.9 million, compared with \$32.37 million a year earlier.

• Lincoln - \$8.66 million, compared with \$5.61 million a year earlier.

• Camas - \$2.35 million, compared with \$1.33 million a year earlier.

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## Kmart stock dips to historic low

Company stays silent

Knight Ridder News Service

DETROIT - Kmart Corp.'s stock hurtled toward dollar store prices Wednesday amid heightened speculation the discount retailer would soon default on millions of dollars in debt, declare bankruptcy and close hundreds of stores.

Kmart's dire situation was made worse by its continued silence on rescue plans after a two-day meeting by its board of directors ended Tuesday and further downgrades by credit-rating agencies on Wednesday.

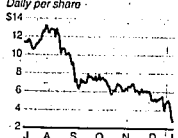
From its Troy, Mich., headquarters, the nation's second-largest discounter - which has stores in Burley and Twin Falls - said nothing as its stock tumbled, another beating on Wall Street, dipping to \$1.26 before closing at a historic low of \$1.60, down 34.6 percent, or 85 cents.

Analysts advised shareholders to sell at prices that resembled a Blue Light special.

### Blue light dims

The debt rating agency Standard & Poor's lowered its credit rating for Kmart Corp.

#### Stock performance



SOURCES: Yahoo.com; Commodity Systems Inc.; Quote.com

The value of Kmart stock could continue to swoon Thursday now that the company has been dropped from Standard & Poor's 500 index and institutional investors are considering dumping their holdings in the retailer. S&P, a



\* Excludes one-time charges

credit-rating agency, removed Kmart from the index after the close of trading Wednesday, citing its falling stock prices and financial instability.

Nicole Dowswell, spokeswoman

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## Review puts Qwest privacy plan into question

The Associated Press

PHOENIX - Qwest Communications could be forced to ask its customers for permission before sharing their account information.

A review by the Arizona Corporation Commission shows the state could create a new rule that would force the Denver-based phone company to abandon its current policy, which makes consumers responsible for preventing information about them from being shared by Qwest.

Last month, Qwest told 3 million customers in Idaho and 13 other mostly Western states that it would share their information unless customers requested by phone or online that the information remain private. The information to be shared includes phone numbers called, the phone numbers from calls received and the duration of calls.

Thousands of customers seeking to keep their information private overloaded Qwest's phone lines and Web site. Qwest extended the deadline for requesting privacy to

March 29. Qwest said this week that it will soon establish a new full-time automated phone system to handle the crush.

Arizona regulators were inundated with complaints from Qwest customers and planned a hearing to review Qwest's privacy policy.

Qwest says its actions are legal under a 1999 ruling of the U.S. 10th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Commission Chairman William Mundell, however, says that decision may not be binding on Arizona because Arizona is governed by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Other states also are trying to force Qwest to change as well. The Colorado Office of Consumer Counsel is studying how it can prevent Qwest from sharing customer account data by determining whether Qwest's notice to consumers was misleading.

Qwest maintains that customers can keep information private and that they plan to share information only with internal divisions, such as wireless and Internet.

## Washington Mutual builds up profit, but bad loans increase

Knight Ridder News Service

SEATTLE - Washington Mutual capped off 2001 with a fourth quarter that exceeded Wall Street expectations, but the recession has increased its exposure to bad loans.

The Seattle-based thrift said it earned \$84 million, or 97 cents a share, in the last three months of 2001, and \$3.11 billion, or \$3.59 a

share, for the year. Those results were each 2 cents higher than the consensus estimate reported by Thomson Financial's First Call.

With assets of \$242.5 billion as of Dec. 31, Washington Mutual - which has branch offices in the Magic Valley - is the nation's eighth-largest financial institution.

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## Wells Fargo reports rise in income

Knight Ridder News Service

SAN FRANCISCO - Wells Fargo & Co., which has branch offices around Magic Valley, said its fourth-quarter net income rose 5 percent despite continuing loan problems.

Lower interest rates and a surge in mortgage and other fees helped the San Francisco-based bank post quarterly net income of \$1.18 billion, or 69

cents per share, up from \$1.13 billion, or 65 cents per share, a year earlier. The per-share figure beat analysts' expectations by one penny.

Revenue for the fourth quarter rose 9 percent to \$5.88 billion.

The bank saw a record of \$72 billion in new mortgages in the fourth quarter, which contributed to a 168 percent increase in mortgage closing

and origination fees. This loan growth partly offset increasing bad loans in a weak economy at Wells Fargo and other banks.

Wells Fargo continues to see an increase in non-performing loans - those with potential problems - mostly in commercial, real estate and manufacturing loans, said chief financial officer Howard Atkins. Non-per-

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## Disaster loans are available

Businesses in some counties may qualify

The Times-News

FAIRFIELD - Small businesses in Blaine, Camas, Elmore, Gooding and Lincoln counties are eligible to apply for low-interest disaster loans, the U.S. Small Business Administration said Wednesday.

The loans are to offset economic losses because of reduced revenue to farmers and ranchers caused by drought and heat beginning Jan. 1, 2001, in Blaine, Franklin, Gooding and Camas, Franklin, Gooding and Power counties, said Alfred E. Judd, disaster area director of SBA.

Small businesses may qualify for Economic Injury Disaster Loans of up to \$1.5 million to help meet financial obligations and operating expenses, which could have been met had the disaster not occurred.

Eligibility for these working capital loans is based on the financial impact of the disaster only and not on any actual property damage. These loans have an interest rate of 4 percent, a maximum term of 30 years and are restricted to businesses without the financial ability to offset the adverse impact without hardship," Judd said.

Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman declared the agricultural disaster at the request of Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

Businesses primarily engaged in farming or ranching are ineligible for SBA disaster assistance. Agricultural enterprises should contact the Farm Services Agency about the U.S. Department of Agriculture assistance made available by the secretary's declaration. However, in drought disasters, nurseries are eligible to apply for SBA disaster assistance.

The deadline to apply is Aug. 19.

For information and application forms, write to SBA, P.O. Box 13795, Sacramento, CA 95853-4795; or call (800) 488-5323. The hearing-impaired may call (916) 566-7388.

MONEY

Moody's downgrades credit rating of ski areas

DENVER (AP) - Vail Resorts Inc. and American Skiing Co. had their credit ratings downgraded by Moody's Investors Service amid a drop in ski vacations since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The lowered ratings come after Colorado Ski Country USA reported a 14 percent decline in skier visits statewide during the first three months of the season. Officials at Vail Resorts and

American Skiing declined to comment on the downgrades, which drive up future borrowing costs.

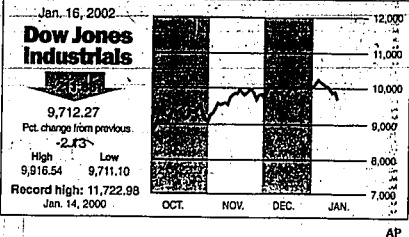
American Skiing Co. owns The Canyons resort outside of Park City. Moody's on Tuesday lowered the junk rate on \$200 million of Acon-based Vail Resorts debt and notched it "B2" from "B3," and the company's overall debt rating one grade to "B3"

from "Ba2." The ratings agency said its move reflects concern that Vail Resorts will continue borrowing money to pursue acquisitions in a bid to diversify its earnings base. Moody's rating outlook on the company, which made some major real-estate purchases late last year, is stable.

Moody's also downgraded junk ratings on \$280 million of

American-Skiing's debt, including notes and bank credit, to as low as "C," the second-lowest grade before default. The Maine-based company is trying to sell its Steamboat Ski Resort.

The ratings agency said American Skiing, which dodged bankruptcy last year, will most likely default on borrowings if it does not sell Steamboat and real-estate assets "in the very near-term."



Kmart

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woman for Kmart, said the company would have no comment Wednesday as Kmart's investors, landlords and vendors watched nervously as nearly 178 million shares changed hands.

The bad news kept getting worse for the chain of 2,114 stores that dates to 1899. On Wednesday:

• Rating agencies continued to slice away at the company's creditworthiness. Moody's Investors Service dropped its rating on \$4.7 billion of unsecured debt another notch as did S&P. Fitch Inc. downgraded its rating another two notches and said it appears increasingly likely that Kmart will choose to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. In making the downgrades, the company cited "continuing uncertainty as to Kmart's current financial strategy in the absence of any communication from the company."

• Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia Inc. can terminate a merchandising agreement with Kmart if it seeks Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. In June,

Kmart and Martha Stewart signed a new contract that keeps the doyen of domesticity on Kmart's shelves until 2008 with the possibility of another five-year extension. The relationship

between Stewart and Kmart began in 1997. For some shoppers, Martha Stewart products are Kmart's main attraction. A spokeswoman for Martha Stewart said the relationship with Kmart is solid.

• Investors are growing increasingly jittery about real estate investment trusts that have Kmart as the anchor tenant in their malls and shopping centers. With the most Kmart stores in its portfolios - 75 in all - Kimco Realty Corp. appears to be taking the biggest hit. Kimco's shares have been steadily ticking down from their Dec. 5 stock high of \$34.07 set on

at \$30.82. With investors continuing to bail out of Kmart, the stock is coming dangerously close to triggering the delisting process with the New York Stock Exchange.

Companies with share prices that trade for less than \$1 during 30 consecutive trading days will receive a warning to raise the share price in the next six months or be bootstrapped from the exchange.

The stock fall has reduced Kmart's market value, calculated by multiplying the number of shares outstanding by the stock price, to \$77.5 million. That's down from a market value of \$5.4 billion when Chief Executive Officer Chuck Conaway joined the company May 31, 2000.

Kmart has been struggling to reinvent itself and scrambling to compete against the lower prices of Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and the trendier Target Corp. The com-

pany is also battling recession while it mounts an aggressive, \$2 billion overhaul to upgrade an antiquated inventory system and lure more customers into its stores.

Kurt Barnard, president of Barnard's Retail Trend Report in Upper Montclair, N.J., which forecasts retail industry trends and consumer spending patterns, said Wednesday that Kmart was said to be reviewing a plan to draw down the balance of a \$1.6 billion line of credit line.

According to Kmart's third-quarter filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the retailer had already drawn \$1.46 billion of that credit line, leaving \$147 million.

The company could also default, within 30 days, if the company goes into default, when they cannot pay back many of the loans already extended to them."

Kmart's lenders could then renegotiate the terms of the debts. Or, they could say "mix to that" and push the company into bankruptcy reorganization and prompt it to close about 250 stores, Barnard said.

Dow drops more than 200 on worries over recovery

NEW YORK (AP) - A murky forecast from Intel sent stocks sharply lower Wednesday on worries that a recovery would take longer than expected and that the market had risen too high, too fast.

The Dow Jones industrial average tumbled more than 200 points as investors tried to gauge the direction of the economy and intensified late in the session. Analysts said investors were collecting profits rather than risk a loss if an economic turnaround is delayed.

An uncertain combination of an uncertain outlook and relatively high stock valuations over there right now," said Matt Brown, head of equity management at Wilmington Trust. "If the market were dirt cheap, investors might be more comfortable taking risks."

The Dow closed down 211.89, or 2.1 percent, at 9,712.27, its lowest close since Nov. 28, when the index was at 9,718.86. The loss was the biggest point drop since Oct. 29, when the index fell 275.

The decline was more focused on the technology sector, as Nasdaq composite index, which slid 56.47, or 2.8 percent, to 1,944.44. The Standard & Poor's 500 index lost 18.62, or 1.6 percent, to 1,127.57.

The selloff extended what has been a frustrating string of sessions for Wall Street this month as investors try to gauge the direction of the economy and the market. Stocks advanced rapidly during the last quarter of 2001 on a rebound from the post-terror attacks selloff and on rising expectations that business was improving.

With the onset of fourth-quarter earnings season, investors have become "cautious" again, reluctant to extend themselves too much in a market that many analysts say reflects expensive, rather than realistic, short-term expectations.

Wednesday's downturn was prompted by Intel, which reported fourth-quarter results better than estimates but which also indicated it's too early to tell if an economic recovery has started.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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# Dieters line up for new weight loss capsule

**PatentLEAN™ awarded U.S. Patent for weight loss. Clinical results confirm safe and effective use of the new oral capsule can be 200% more effective than exercise and diet alone.**

**By Laura Fisher, Media Services\***  
People who need to lose weight fast are lining up at drugstores lucky enough to have the impressive new pill called PatentLEAN.

*"PatentLEAN is a huge breakthrough with a powerful compound for weight loss. It's safe, sensible and is backed by clinical science."*

John L. Zenk, MD  
Internal Medicine,  
Certified American Board of Internal Medicine

"PatentLEAN is so hard to get because drugstores can't keep it in stock," said Matthew Woods, company spokesman.

"We have drugstores selling over 250 bottles in just one day. Since restocking is taking several weeks, we opened a National Direct Order Line (1-800-704-6467) so anyone who doesn't want to wait can immediately have PatentLEAN sent to their home."

New PatentLEAN is a potent natural Thermogenic Regulator for the loss of body weight. Using readings from the 7-point caliper method, the results are so stunning that on average, 80% of the weight lost is from body fat. Results quickly showed losses of up to 9.2 pounds of just fat.

That means PatentLEAN promises to help overweight people reduce not just their body weight, but the vast majority of the loss is fat.

"PatentLEAN will outlive all those fad diets people have tried," according to Dr. John L. Zenk, former Chief of Medicine at St. Francis Hospital. "PatentLEAN is a huge breakthrough," he said.

PatentLEAN's powerful compound has been awarded a United States Patent for use in weight loss and weight management. PatentLEAN has also been awarded six additional health related U.S. patents.

PatentLEAN's weight loss method enhances effective and healthy Thermogenesis.

Many of today's popular weight loss products claim they boost metabolism but are actually stimulant based and have no beneficial effect on metabolic rate.

Metabolism is your body's way of converting the foods you eat to energy (heat) and waste products. The time it takes for this process to

occur is called the metabolic rate.

The primary mechanism of action for these stimulants is suppression of the appetite center in the brain. Other weight loss products have also been associated with negative side effects.

In contrast, two separate clinical studies have shown that PatentLEAN was used safely and caused no adverse side effects when used as directed.

Dr. Henry Lardy, a prominent researcher at The University of Wisconsin, discovered that the active ingredient in PatentLEAN (3-Acetyl-7-Oxo-Dehydroepiandrosterone) is naturally found in everyone's body. To duplicate the ingredient, the active ingredient in PatentLEAN is extracted only from natural organic plant material.

PatentLEAN results show that there is a statistically significant reduction of both body weight and body fat. The study noted our differences in exercise, diet and body water for PatentLEAN's impressive weight loss. One clinical study showed that results were obtained in just eight weeks with twenty-three

overweight men and women, nine percent males and ninety-one percent females. Consumption included one thousand eight hundred calories each day and utilized exercise for just one hundred eighty minutes during the week.

*"With PatentLEAN we've seen significant weight loss and body fat loss in overweight people and clinical studies report no adverse side effects."*

PatentLEAN is now available directly to the general public, yet it is always recommended to consult a physician before using it or any weight loss supplement.

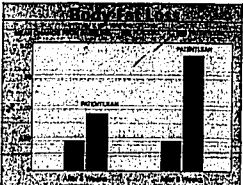
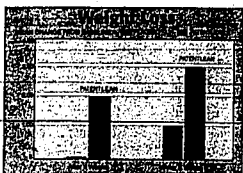
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"People who have not seen you for a while will gaze at you with their mouths open. You will get compliment after compliment. You'll display new zest for life," Dr. Zenk said.

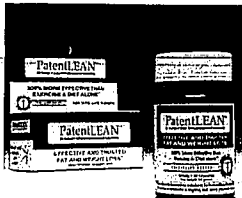
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These charts confirm there is a statistically significant reduction in body weight in the PatentLEAN group which was far greater than changes in the placebo group. Proper caloric consumption and exercise are recognized for effective weight loss. Individual results vary with the weight loss ranging up to twelve and one-tenth pounds over eight weeks.

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| 5'3"        | 101-136 lbs   | 137-183 lbs      | 164 lbs >     |
| 5'4"        | 104-140 lbs   | 141-169 lbs      | 170 lbs >     |
| 5'5"        | 107-145 lbs   | 146-174 lbs      | 175 lbs >     |
| 5'6"        | 110-149 lbs   | 150-179 lbs      | 180 lbs >     |
| 5'7"        | 114-154 lbs   | 155-185 lbs      | 186 lbs >     |
| 5'8"        | 117-158 lbs   | 159-190 lbs      | 191 lbs >     |
| 5'9"        | 121-163 lbs   | 164-196 lbs      | 197 lbs >     |
| 5'10"       | 124-168 lbs   | 169-202 lbs      | 203 lbs >     |
| 5'11"       | 128-173 lbs   | 174-207 lbs      | 208 lbs >     |
| 6'0"        | 131-178 lbs   | 179-213 lbs      | 214 lbs >     |
| 6'1"        | 135-183 lbs   | 184-219 lbs      | 220 lbs >     |
| 6'2"        | 139-188 lbs   | 189-225 lbs      | 226 lbs >     |
| 6'3"        | 143-193 lbs   | 194-232 lbs      | 233 lbs >     |
| 6'4"        | 146-196 lbs   | 199-238 lbs      | 240 lbs >     |
| 6'5"        | 150-203 lbs   | 204-244 lbs      | 245 lbs >     |

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# Putin visits Polish memorial

WARSAW, Poland (AP) - Russian President Vladimir Putin paid a surprise visit to a monument for Polish World War II resistance fighters on Wednesday, honoring soldiers who were persecuted and discredited by the Soviets.

Putin's visit to the Home Army monument underlined that he is serious about improving Polish-Russian ties left in tatters after the end of communist rule in 1989.

"It is a significant gesture," said Marek Borowski, speaker of Poland's parliament, who accompanied Putin. "In our talks with President Putin, President (Aleksander) Kwasniewski and myself, I underlined that the past for Poles is important."

Putin, the first Russian president to visit Warsaw as he laid a bouquet of pink carnations at the monument, erected near the Polish parliament in 1995.

But his paying homage is sure to have a powerful effect on Poles, who regard the Home Army as a national symbol of resistance.

Many Poles remain bitter about the Soviet decision to halt its forces outside Warsaw while Nazi troops crushed a Home Army uprising and destroyed much of the city in late 1944.

The strategy facilitated Stalin's consolidation of power in Eastern Europe and the installation of a communist regime in Poland.

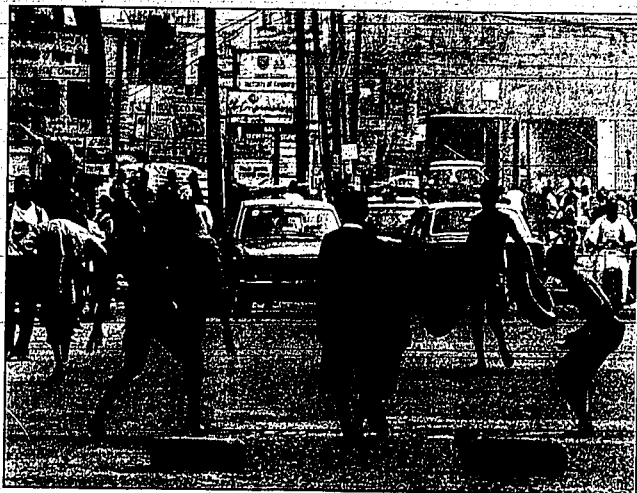
Home Army members were persecuted and denied credit for their struggle against the Nazis. As Europe's strongest resistance movement, the Home Army had about 350,000 soldiers in 1944 and took orders from Poland's government-in-exile in London.

"We view this visit as a milestone in relations between our countries," Putin said Wednesday after talks with Kwasniewski. "Today we have good possibilities to expand our political contacts."

Kwasniewski said their conversation was "very sincere and open" and called Putin an excellent partner for whom there were no "taboo subjects."

Moscow was furious when Poland, along with fellow former Warsaw Pact allies Hungary and the Czech Republic, joined the NATO alliance in 1999. Warsaw and Moscow expelled diplomats accused of spying, and high-level contacts all but ceased.

Since Putin came to power in 2000, Moscow has taken a more accommodating view of Poland's tilt to the West.



Local boys use tires to make goalposts as they play soccer to block traffic on a main road in Lagos, Nigeria, Wednesday. Labor unions launched a general strike Wednesday after Nigeria's government outlawed protests over rising fuel prices.

# Strike paralyzes Nigerian cities

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) - Rioters smashed windows and blocked streets with burning tires in Nigeria's commercial capital of Lagos as labor unions launched a general strike on Wednesday to protest high fuel prices.

Demonstrators hurled stones at police and attacked taxis and buses that ventured onto the streets. In several neighborhoods, police responded with tear gas and by firing bullets into the air.

Banks, markets and gas stations were closed following threats by the unions to shut down or be prepared to "give out free cash." Demonstrators chanted and waved palm fronds as they marched through the city.

The government of President Olusegun Obasanjo on Tuesday declared the strike by the 29 union Nigeria Labor Congress illegal and warned that security forces would use force to keep

the economy moving. The strike comes after the government raised gasoline and diesel prices - among the world's lowest - by 18 percent on Jan. 2. Kerosene prices went up 40 percent.

The government contends the price hikes are necessary to stabilize supplies in a country where consumer shortages are common despite Nigeria's status as the world's sixth-largest oil exporter.

The move was also part of a government plan - backed by Western creditors to whom Nigeria owes \$30 billion - to privatize the market and stem oil industry corruption, including smuggling of Nigeria's cheap fuel to neighboring countries, officials said.

Unions argue that low fuel prices are among the only government benefits from oil production enjoyed by the majority

of Nigerians, who remain desperately poor.

It was not immediately clear if there were any deaths or serious injuries from Wednesday's violence.

"How will I get home today?" cried Ufor Ekinda, a 45-year-old butcher, who she gave her last \$6 to rioters who threatened to rob her stall full of meat. Bus and taxi service was largely paralyzed.

By noon, calm had returned to streets, although businesses remained closed and few vehicles had returned to the streets.

There was less traffic than usual in the capital Abuja, where most shops and filling stations were closed. Schools, however, remained open. The strike also appeared to affect commerce in several other major cities, including Port Harcourt, Kaduna, Kano and Ibadan, where riots were also reported.

# Pakistan cracks down on Islamic extremists

LAHORE, Pakistan (AP) - He seemed certain, and he told his followers not to worry: This was lip service, another attempt at appeasing India and the international community.

"Nothing will happen," Abu Bakar assured supporters about Tuesday's crackdown on Islamic militants. "They're criticizing us just for international consumption."

Days later, the Lahore commander of the militant Lashkar-e-Tayyaba organization sits in a cell at a police station in eastern Pakistan, worried that this time, alarmed by the threat of war, the government means business.

"Now, it seems, the action is serious," he said from his cell, according to colleagues who spoke to The Associated Press.

As part of a sweep ordered Saturday by Musharraf, authorities have rolled across Pakistan, climbing compound walls, breaking down doors and arresting men they say are Islamic militants.

Since Musharraf banned two anti-Indian groups and three other organizations, police have seized 615 offices and arrested 1,957 suspects, across Pakistan, Wednesday. India has demanded action to prevent terrorist attacks like the Dec. 13 assault on its Parliament, which New Delhi blames on militants operating from Pakistan.

In Lahore, the raids began at dawn Sunday - many in well-to-

do neighborhoods. Two dozen officers screamed up in vans, guided by a plainclothesman that detainees said was an intelligence agent.

In one neighborhood, authorities raided a house they say contained a secret office of Lashkar-e-Tayyaba. The banned group is fighting what it says is a jihad - a holy war - against Indian rule in disputed Kashmir.

"We had no idea that jihadis were living here," said Mohammed Ali, 56, who lives several houses away. Other neighbors who emerged in their bedclothes to check out the hubbub said they, too, had not known.

India has tentatively welcomed the moves, and war talk between the two nations has ebbed a bit. But to some Pakistanis, the boundaries between terrorism and freedom fighting remain unresolved.

"These steps are being taken by Gen. Musharraf just to appease his foreign masters and avoid war with India," said Maulana Sarfraz Khan, an Islamic cleric in Lahore.

Lahore police officials confirmed that information from Inter-Services Intelligence, Pakistan's spy agency, has been used to identify offices of the five banned groups.

ISI officials were unavailable for comment; phones at their offices went unanswered Wednesday.

# Doctors Without Borders appeals for help for refugees

NAZRAN, Russia (AP) - The top U.N. refugee official on Wednesday visited people spreading their third winter in bleak camps after fleeing the war in Chechnya and called for greater efforts to find a political solution to the conflict.

Meanwhile, a top Kremlin aide said Moscow would not rule out further talks with rebel leader Aslan Maskhadov, who on Wednesday denounced several rebel warlords in an apparent attempt to win Russian trust. The first tentative talks on negotiations last fall failed to lead to a breakthrough.

"It is shortsighted to say that all contacts with Maskhadov will stop forever," Kremlin aide Sergei Yastrzhembskiy said in an interview published in the Izvestia newspaper.

U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees Ruud Lubbers' trip, during which he toured tent camps in the southern Russian republic of Ingushetia and visited

refugees living with families, was the latest of several recent high-level visits to the region.

Attention to the 28-month-old Chechnya war is increasing again after slipping off the international agenda after the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States. Criticism of the war was toned down after Russia's enthusiastic support for the U.S.-led anti-terrorist campaign.

The aid group Medecins Sans Frontieres, known in English as Doctors Without Borders, urged Lubbers to use his influence to improve conditions for refugees.

"The plight of the displaced population lost the attention of the international community," the group said Wednesday.

About 180,000 refugees remain in Ingushetia, Doctors Without Borders said, many living in abandoned cowsheds, schoolhouses and factories. Ingushetia and Chechnya were joined as one republic during Soviet times.

# IMF grants Argentina one-year extension on debt

WASHINGTON (AP) - The International Monetary Fund on Wednesday granted debt-strapped Argentina a one-year reprieve on repaying a \$933 million IMF loan that was coming due on Jan. 17.

IMF Managing Director Horst Koehler announced the decision of the agency's 24-member executive board in a brief statement, saying the action represented the IMF's "desire to help Argentina overcome its difficult economic

and social situation."

Koehler said that the IMF welcomed the commitment of the government of new President Eduardo Duhalde to work closely with the 183-nation lending institution in developing "a comprehensive strategy to restore sustained growth."

He said that the IMF, along with the World Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank, stood ready to assist Argentina in putting together an

economic program to stabilize South America's second largest economy.

The IMF sent a second fact-finding team to Argentina this week to consult with the economic team assembled by Duhalde, who became Argentina's fifth president in a two-week period.

Argentine officials have said they hope to receive \$15 billion in support from the IMF and other lending agencies for the coming year.

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On the 11th day of April, 2002, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. of said day, (recognized local time) in the Office of First American Title Company...

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On April 24, 2002, at 2:00 p.m. of said day, in the lobby of First American Title Company, 280 Third Ave. North, Twin Falls, Idaho, CHARLES C. JUST, Esq., Trustee, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, all of the money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 15 in Block 7 of Kingsgate Subdivision No. 2, Twin Falls County, Idaho, recorded in Book 10 of Plats, page 16.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the above description is given for the purpose of notice. Forest Vale Drive, Twin Falls, Idaho, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by and for R. RUDOLPH and BETTY R. RUDOLPH, husband and wife, as Grantors, on a Deed of Trust recorded March 8, 1999, in the records of Twin Falls County, Idaho, as Instrument No. 1999-000428. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to First Union National Bank, as Trustee for Frat-2001 Home Loan Owner Trust 1999-2; recorded May 23, 2001, as Instrument No. 2001008949, records of said county.

The above Grantor(s) are named to comply with Section 45-106(a) Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay property taxes due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in and to the amount thereunder as follows: monthly payments in the amount of \$342.30 for the months of April 2001 through and including November 2001, with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The total amount of the obligation payable by said Deed of Trust is \$62,339.37, as principal, plus late fees, service charges, attorney's fees, and costs of this sale, to wit: \$1,000.00, to be paid by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 11.99% from March, 2001, to the date of sale.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. DATED this 30th day of November, 2001. /s/ Paula Peterson, Trust Officer for Charles C. Just, Esq.

PUBLISH: January 9, 16, 23 and 29, 2002

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On April 23, 2002, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock p.m. of said day at the lobby of Trustco, 163 Fourth Avenue, Twin Falls, Idaho, TITLEFACT, INC., an Idaho corporation, as Trustee with public authority, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 15 of 150, PLEASANT VALLEY RANCHES No. 2, Planned Unit Development (Phase 1), Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the official plat of said lot, recorded in Book 15 of Plats, page 42, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust from LARRY LAIRD and ALLICHA LAIRD, husband and wife, to TitleFact, Inc., Development Company, Trustee, and Pleasant Valley Development Company, Beneficiary, dated August 7, 1997, recorded August 7, 1997, as Instrument No. 1997-012860, and under said Deed of Trust was assigned to said Trustee under said Idaho corporation by Assignment recorded January 6, 1999, as Instrument No. 1999-000381, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

The above Grantors are named to comply with Section 45-106(a) Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation. Default for which this sale is to be made is a failure to pay: (a) Accumulated deficiency in payments of \$279.00 per month, for the month of October, 2001, and all subsequent months; (b) Late charges in the amount of \$15.00 on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$16,493.27, plus 10.25% interest and foreclosure costs. DATED this 15th day of December, 2001. TITLEFACT, INC. /s/ R. Todd Bliss, Vice President

PUBLISH: December 27, 2001, January 3, 10 and 17, 2002

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION Case No. CV-01-1370 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of VIRGINIA L. COREY, Deceased. YOU ARE HEREBY GIVEN THAT BARRY ECKERT has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate of the decedent are to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the 31st day of January, 2002. Claims must be presented to or undersigned at the address indicated in the address filed with the clerk of the court. ST PHAN, KWANVING, STONE & TRAINER /s/ Kevin F. Trainer Attorneys for Personal Representative P.O. Box 83 Twin Falls, ID 83303-0083 Telephone: 208-733-2721

PUBLISH: January 10, 17 and 24, 2002

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEROME AMENDED SUMMONS VOLCO, INC., an Idaho corporation, does FRANKLIN BUILDING SUPPLY, Plaintiff, vs. DAN TAYLOR and BRENT M. HYATT, Defendants. TO: DAN TAYLOR YOU have been sued by VOLCO, INC., an Idaho corporation, does FRANKLIN BUILDING SUPPLY, Plaintiff, in and for the County of Jerome and in and for the County of Jerome. The nature of the claim against you is an open account collection. Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that

throughout the District. Plaintiff includes predominantly residential claims. In various forms of one-half interest, the Cratman bungalow, in a comparison to other twentieth-century neighborhood homes, it also contains the best representation of additional residential styles associated with the geographic area of this city. Although the townsite has suffered more recent incompatible development, overall, the streetscape and individual buildings retain a high degree of historic integrity. The nomination was produced by the City of Twin Falls through efforts of the Twin Falls Preservation Commission and was partially funded by a grant of Department of Cultural Affairs, State of Idaho funds administered by the Idaho State Historical Society. For more information, contact the Idaho State Historical Society, 210 Main, Boise, ID 83702 (208-334-3631).

PUBLISH: January 17, 2002

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS Case No. CV-01-4108 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of DIANA KOEPIK, Plaintiff, vs. RANDALL ROLAND CYR, Defendant. YOU ARE HEREBY GIVEN THAT PAMELA L. ROLLER, Attorney for Personal Representative of the estate of DIANE A. ROLLER, has been appointed personal representative of the estate of DIANE A. ROLLER. All creditors of this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the 31st day of January, 2002. Claims against the decedent or the estate may be presented as follows: (a) The claimant may deliver or mail to the personal representative of the estate, LYNN DUNLAP, attorney at law, PO Box 2754, Twin Falls, ID 83303 a written statement of the claim, calling the name, the name and address of the claimant, and the amount of the claim. (b) The claimant may file a written statement of the claim, in the form prescribed by rule, with the clerk of the court. (c) The claimant may commence a proceeding in the court by filing a representative in any court where the personal representative may be subjected to the jurisdiction of the court and the payment of his claim against the estate, but the completion of the proceeding must occur within the time limited for presenting the claim. DATED this 27th day of December, 2001. M. LYNN DUNLAP Attorney for Personal Representative of the Estate of PAMELA L. ROLLER

PUBLISH: January 10, 17 and 24, 2002

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able for inspection and review at Kimberly City Hall, 132 Main North, Kimbly, Idaho. City residents and interested persons shall have the opportunity to appear and be heard on the above request at the hearing prior to the request being acted upon by the Planning and Zoning Commission. /s/ Kelly Weaks Zoning Administrator

PUBLISH: January 17, 2002

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE KIMBERLY CITY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 5, 2002, in the City Council Chambers located at 123 West Main, Kimbly, Idaho, to consider the request of Stephanie Habel and Andrew Habel, to use a permit to operate a day care and preschool facility on the real property located at 423 West Main, Kimbly, Idaho. The property is described as follows: Lot 12 West 1/2 of Lot 1 Block 12, Hamlet Addition, Records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. The property is zoned Residential Single-Family. City residents and interested persons shall have the opportunity to appear and be heard on the above request at the hearing prior to the request being acted upon by the Planning and Zoning Commission. /s/ Kelly Weaks Zoning Administrator

PUBLISH: December 27, 2001, January 3, 10 and 17, 2002

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Highland Estates is accepting applications for the RN approx. 10 hours per week.  
Please contact Natalia or...

**MEDICAL Billing/Coding Specialist**  
Must be able to work in a fast paced office.  
Apply in person...

**MEDICAL NA or CNA needed for 24 hour care**  
Call Sandra at 733-0341...

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Home care in Twin Falls, ID.  
Call Garden Cafe...

**MENTAL HEALTH**  
Access Point Family Care  
Work with professionals in a supportive environment.

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Idaho company since 1958 has opening for a Sales Representative.  
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Taxes coming due? Are you looking for a great part time job? Great benefits and we're able to work evenings.  
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**DRACO INVESTMENT CORP.**

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**502 HOMES FOR SALE**

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