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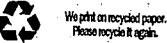
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Ban on dairy expansion expires

Bigger lagoons?
Dairy waste lagoons in some cases are being found to be too small, Twin Falls County Commission Chairman Gary Grindstaff said Monday.
Idaho Department of Agriculture ground-proofing of nutrient management plans submitted by dairies last summer has found that to be the case, he said.
Dairies wishing to expand their lagoons will be required under new county ordinances to seek expansion permits, Grindstaff said. The impact

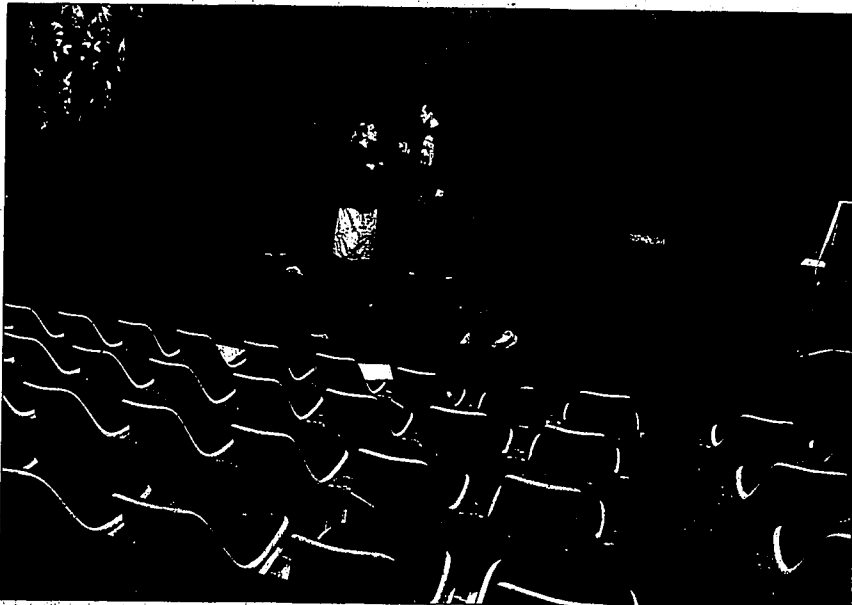
could be that dairies not meeting county regulations for expansion could be required to reduce herd size, he said.
Mary Patten, director of the Idaho Department of Agriculture's Dairy Bureau, said ground-proofing of the nutrient management plans continues and that there could wind up being quite a few dairies that need to make adjustments in their waste lagoons. Adjustments could include changes in management practices or lagoon size.

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS - Five consecutive moratoriums that for 18 months prohibited expansion of dairies in Twin Falls County will be lifted today.
Twin Falls County commissioners denied a request for a sixth moratorium Monday. The moratoriums targeted all confined animal feeding operations, but dairies were the particular, local concern. New county regulations governing the operations now will

go into effect - at least until a citizens group finishes its proposed ordinance commissioners have said they will consider.
Meanwhile, a lawsuit brought by dairy interests challenging the legality of the county's moratoriums is proceeding, said Lewis Eilers, executive director of Idaho Dairyman's Association. Even though the last county moratorium is lifted today, dairy interests still want a legal opinion should the issue arise again, Eilers said.
The dairy interests, which include several other parties to

the lawsuit, are seeking a ruling on the matter. They contend state law limits local moratoriums to two, each up to 120 days. County commissioners are fighting the lawsuit.
Environmental activist Bill Chisholm of Buhl and Dr. Mary Beth Curtis, a family practice physician at the Twin Falls Physicians Center, told commissioners about their concerns over dairies and their impact on human and animal health. Those concerns warrant cessation of the law.
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STOP-AND-GO EXPANSION



Charisse Strader and Dustin Birrell practice a scene of the play 'All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten' for the first time at the College of Southern Idaho Monday afternoon. Expansion of the Fine Arts Building is on hold as a result of state government funding woes.

CSI moves on project, waits on another

By Robert Mayer Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS - The planted student union addition is a go at the College of Southern Idaho, while the Fine Arts Building expansion remains on hold.
Because the proposed student union is being funded primarily through foundation money and state money "squirreled away" a while back strictly for this project, it's immune from the current state budget holdbacks that have brought the Fine Arts Building project to a momentary halt.

Mike Mason, CSI's vice president of finance, presented to the college board at its monthly meeting Monday a series of architectural drawings of the \$3.8 million student union building. The 30,000-square-foot facility will be an addition to the Taylor Building and will feature such amenities as two fireplaces, a fully windowed chapel, an expanded dining area, and several meeting rooms of varying sizes.
Plans for a student union came about three years ago when students complained about having the fourth-largest school in the state yet not being provided sufficient student space, said CSI President Jerry Meyerhoeffer.

"We think it's the right thing to do for the students," Meyerhoeffer said. "I think our students had a concern, and we've addressed that concern."
Bidding for subcontractors should begin late March or early April, and the addition is expected to be completed within 11 months.
While the Fine Arts Building expansion remains a victim of the latest budget crunch, construction could begin at the first sign of a state economic upturn, Meyerhoeffer said.

Meanwhile, among the proposals to deal with a holdback in state funding, student tuition will be raised this summer rather than in the fall as originally planned. A 10 percent increase will raise per-credit cost to \$77.50 from \$70.50 to raise \$30,000 of a \$472,500 holdback.
Funding CSI employees willing to retire continues as a cost-cutting measure to prepare for a \$2 million budget cut in the coming fiscal year. Meyerhoeffer has been able to trim all but \$304,800 from that deficit without mandatory
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U.S. won't send troops in as peacekeepers

Bush meets Karzai, promises military training for Afghans

The Associated Press
WASHINGTON - President Bush promised Afghan leader Hamid Karzai a "lasting partnership" including economic aid and training for a national military on Monday, but turned aside a request for U.S. troops as part of a peacekeeping force.
Americans will help build a new Afghanistan "free from terror, free from war and free from drugs," Bush told Karzai as the tricolor flag of the visitor flew in the White House Rose Garden for the first time in nearly four decades.
The president said the United States would help train a national military and police force for the central Asian nation that has weathered Soviet invasion, warlords, the terrorist-harboring Taliban and, most recently, battering U.S. military strikes.



President Bush listens to Afghanistan interim leader Hamid Karzai as he answers a reporter's question in the Rose Garden at the White House Monday.
Bush was not receptive to Karzai's interest in having U.S. forces remain in Afghanistan as part of a multinational peacekeeping force.
Ruling out such a direct role, Bush said the United States will

State of the Union
Network coverage plans for President Bush's State of the Union address Tuesday.
ABC - 7 p.m. to conclusion, anchored by Peter Jennings.
CBS - 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., anchored by Ben Bradlee.
NBC - 7 p.m. to conclusion, anchored by Tom Brokaw.
Bush will focus on corporate responsibility - Page A11

to help Afghanistan attract U.S. business investment and \$3 million from the Labor Department to create jobs.
In their joint appearance under an unseasonably warm sun, Karzai thanked the United States for its help in driving the Taliban from power and defeating Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida forces in Afghanistan.
Karzai said the goal of his impoverished country is to remain "a good partner" and never let terrorists re-invest Afghan funds.

Panel approves dairy odor guidelines

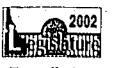
By Julie Pence Times-News writer
BOISE - Less than a week after Magic Valley dairy critics said state dairy odor rules were too "subjective, open-ended and vague," the House agriculture committee unanimously rubber-stamped them.

Last year the Legislature gave the Idaho Department of Agriculture the authority to monitor dairy odors and waste management for dairy operations. Those rules went into effect on July 1, 2001. Now the Legislature is charged with refining last year's legislation and rule-making.

The Joint House and Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee held a public hearing last week on the latest rules, and the House agriculture committee approved them on Monday.
Rep. Wendy Jaquet D-Ketchum, said her list for rejecting the rules was longer than her list for approving them. However, she explained that as a former executive director of the Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber of Commerce, she understood the value of the dairy industry in Idaho.
"I've had a life change, I guess," she said. "Dairies are good for the economy."
Jaquet represents parts of five counties, including Gooding and
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Term limits repeal moves to Senate floor

The Times-News and The Associated Press
BOISE - Two senators representing parts of the Magic Valley - one Republican and one Democrat - voted against a repeal of the 1994 voter-imposed term limits law Monday.
Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, and Sen. John Sandy, R-Hagerman, were in the minority of the 6-3 vote in the Senate State Affairs Committee that clears the way for a final legislative vote to repeal the limitation on elected government service at all but the federal level.
Both Stennett and Sandy said they favor a partial repeal, so that local office-holders such as school board members and county clerks, treasurers and sheriffs would not be termed out in May. Both said the will of the people is obviously thwarted when lawmakers include themselves in the repeal effort.
"It's a dumb idea, probably," Stennett said. "But this isn't about term limits. It boils down to whether this Legislature wants to listen to what the people

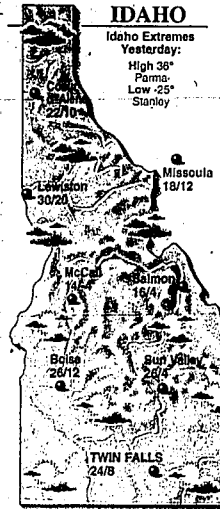


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FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

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Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday

Temperature
 High/Low: 24/17°
 Normal high/low: 37/20°
 High/Low last year: 27/9°
 Record high/low: 94°/1880°

Precipitation
 24 hours ending 6 p.m. yesterday: 0.00"
 Normal monthly to date: 1.17"
 Normal year to date (Oct. 1): 3.69"
 Normal year to date (Oct. 1): 4.24"

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
▲ 24°	▼ 8°	▲ 24° ▼ 14°	▲ 32° ▼ 22°	▲ 36° ▼ 22°	▲ 36° ▼ 22°

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 7:55 a.m.
 Sunset tonight: 5:47 p.m.
 Moonrise today: 6:56 p.m.
 Moonset tonight: 8:49 a.m.

Last New First Full
 Feb 4 Feb 12 Feb 20 Feb 27

CANADIAN CITIES

City	Today	High	Low	Wed.
Calgary	9°-15°	14°	10°	10°
Edmonton	10°-13°	15°	10°	10°
Grande Prairie	10°-13°	15°	10°	10°
Regina	10°-13°	15°	10°	10°
Saskatoon	21°-4°	18°	9°	10°
Winnipeg	21°-4°	18°	9°	10°

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	High	Low	Wed.
Boise	26	12	26	18
Burley	22	11	22	21
Coeur d'Alene	22	10	24	20
Idaho Falls	21	9	22	9
Jerome	21	9	22	9
Shoshone	21	9	22	9
Twin Falls	24	8	24	8
Walla Walla	24	8	24	8
Yellowstone	10	-16	16	-16

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	High	Low	Wed.
McCall	14	-4	15	14
Missoula, MT	18	2	18	14
Pocatello	18	0	18	8
Portland, OR	40	32	42	38
Richland, WA	35	23	35	29
Salmon	16	4	16	4
Salt Lake City, UT	26	6	26	11
Seattle, WA	38	32	40	38
Spokane, WA	28	13	25	20
Sun Valley	14	-5	14	2
Yellowstone, MT	10	-16	16	-16

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: A few spots will start this morning with low clouds or fog; otherwise, partly sunny and cold today. Highs 12-30. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight with a couple of flurries possible.

Boles: Sunny to partly cloudy and cold today. High 28. Becoming mostly cloudy tonight with the chance of a few flurries after midnight; cold. Low 12.

Northern Nevada: Cold today. Sunshine and a few clouds across the north, while the south will have times of clouds and sunshine as well as a couple of snow showers. Highs 18-32. Partly cloudy and cold tonight.

Northern Utah: A mixture of clouds and sunshine across the north today with a snow shower in a few spots; mostly cloudy in the south with snow accumulating a couple of inches. Highs 12-28.

Northern Idaho: A mixture of clouds and sunshine this morning, then becoming mostly cloudy this afternoon; a few snow showers might move into the north late this afternoon. Highs 12-32. A couple of snow showers tonight.

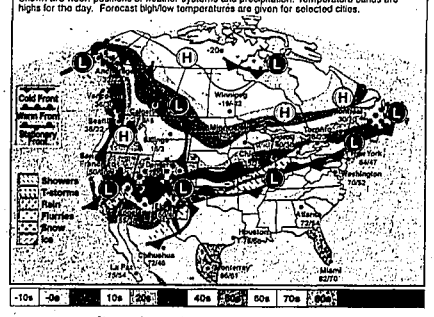
UV INDEX TODAY

Time	UV Index
8 a.m.	1.0
10 a.m.	2.0
12 p.m.	3.0
2 p.m.	4.0
4 p.m.	3.0
6 p.m.	1.0

WORLD CITIES

City	Today	High	Low	Wed.
Acapulco	89	70	81	72
Athens	68	49	66	50
Auckland	78	81	74	60
Bangkok	82	78	81	65
Beijing	48	19	40	22
Berlin	48	30	48	41
Buenos Aires	84	70	81	70
Calcutta	82	71	81	65
Hong Kong	64	54	66	68
Jakarta	80	68	81	68
Jerusalem	50	36	50	38
London	55	40	54	41
Mexico City	75	45	75	45
Moscow	39	23	41	27
Paris	54	40	52	38
Rio de Janeiro	86	78	87	75
Rome	63	48	65	47
Sao Paulo	82	67	81	68
Shanghai	83	67	82	68
Tokyo	45	28	45	32
Washington	45	28	45	32
Zurich	47	32	47	30

Randy Hansen AUTO PLEX
 Peline At Blue Lakes North



NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	High	Low	Wed.
Atlanta	72	54	73	55
Baltimore	68	51	60	40
Birmingham	72	59	78	61
Boston	60	40	63	29
Charlotte, NC	75	65	75	6
Chicago, IL	67	55	69	49
Cincinnati	43	25	43	29
Cleveland	48	37	48	27
Dallas	16	3	19	6
Des Moines	22	12	20	14
Detroit	40	30	38	23
El Paso	60	41	60	4
Fairbanks	13	-6	9	-10
Fargo	2	-10	7	-5
Fort Lauderdale	71	61	71	61
Houston	78	66	79	62
Indianapolis	48	38	40	35
Jacksonville	80	58	80	60
Kansas City	34	20	34	18
Las Vegas	44	29	46	26
Little Rock	72	55	67	52
Los Angeles	65	38	65	38

Limits

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ple said.

The bill overwhelmingly passed the House last week. Passage by the full Senate, possibly before week's end, is inevitable. It would be the first time that a legislature has voted to repeal statewide term limits.

It also sets the stage for Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's promised veto.

House leaders were confident that the 47 votes needed to override a veto were assured. But there remained a question about whether the Senate could muster the needed 24 votes for the first veto override since 1994 and only the third in 30 years.

Term-limits advocates argued the will of the people should not be ignored.

"If the state's elected officials simply deferred to every initiative that's passed, we'd have government by reaction," Coeur d'Alene attorney Jerry Mason said. "It is always wrong for anyone to prevail in an election by making it illegal for his opponent to run."

Post Falls stockbroker Don Morgan, the leading advocate of term limits in Idaho, has promised to have the last word. He and his allies intend to put the issue back on the November ballot. It would mark the fifth time in the last five elections that the issue has been submitted to voters.

While the original term limits initiative was adopted with nearly 60 percent of the vote, the majority of support has slipped over the years. The last vote on the issue - an advisory proposition on whether to retain the limitations - passed with barely 53 percent of the vote in 1998.

Another vote makes it incumbent on the state's top interest groups - the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry and the Idaho Farm Bureau Federation - to follow up their support for legislative repeal with an active campaign to convince voters this fall that lawmakers were right.

Critics point out that out-of-state interests, led by Washington, D.C.-based U.S. Term Limits, have pumped hundreds of thousands of dollars into Idaho to convince voters to accept the restrictions. They already have vowed to up the ante if repeal is successful.

The initiative's limits on congressional service were voided by the U.S. Supreme Court several years ago. But the Idaho Supreme Court late last year upheld the limits on state and local service - six years in the past 11 for county commission members and school board members and eight years in the last 15 for all other state, county and city officials.

The court challenge to the law gave several dozen county officials a second wind two years ago. But 158 county officials and Attorney General Al Lance would be barred from seeking reelection this year if the initiative withstands the current legislative assault.

Legislative terms will not be affected until the 2004 election, and they still could be if Morgan's ballot proposition is successful again in November.

A parade of local government officials went before the panel Monday, warning that turning out experienced officials - especially in the law enforcement area - would be devastating.

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Legislature and get their attention," Commission Chairman Gary Grindstaff said.

Commissioner Bill Brockman said he wanted to copy Curtis's written comments to the Idaho Department of Agriculture, the South Central District Health Department, and the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

Curtis said she was recruited in 2000 by the Physicians Center and Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. She bought a home in the Filer area.

"Part of the enticement to move was the 'pristine beauty' of the area and the 'quality of life' I would find here," she said.

"Ironically, I was 'steered clear of Jerome' by the Realtor because of the small dairies over there." Within two weeks of moving in, I

was treated to the quality of the putrid stench from a large dairy south of my place."

Like many of the people who are speaking out about the issue, Curtis said she is anti-dairy. She said she is anti-irresponsible agricultural practices. At this point, she doesn't know how long she will stay in the area.

"Whether or not this is solved will affect my decision," Curtis said after Monday's meeting.

She said she is concerned about the affect the "smell" has on patients with chronic lung diseases and allergies. Noxious odors can exacerbate their problems or cause migraine headaches, sleep disturbances and in some cases life-threatening asthma attacks. Increased stress, depression, poor work performance and missed work also can result. The economic

impact resulting from such consequences is unknown, Curtis said.

Filers are another health concern, Curtis said. They can carry disease. Bacteria and viruses found in cow manure include salmonella, anthrax, tuberculosis, hepatitis and more. Also of concern to the doctor is the use of antibiotics by the livestock industry.

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Whether an onslaught of applications for livestock permit applications will besiege the county with the expiration of the moratorium remains to be seen. Grindstaff said that so far he has heard of just two or three dairies interested in seeking permits in the near future.

He also sees a need to establish penalties according to a matrix.

In addition, Jones said he's working on legislation to establish a nine-member board of directors for the Department of Agriculture that would provide guidance for the department as well as work as an advocacy group with the public. The group would have industry members as well as consumers and educators.

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those positions will remain vacant, trimming an additional \$50,000, which would reduce the unresolved figure to \$250,000.

State funding for the Promise Scholarship still remains in limbo.

Dismissed, Meyerhoeffer said this may make it harder to retain students - by both raising tuition and cutting scholarships; CSI could be placed in "double jeopardy."

"For us to make it through this, we can't lose a student," he said.

"There's no question that Promise Scholars are critical."

In other issues:

- Traffic: City officials will be extending existing trails that lead to the Boys and Girls Club to Falls Avenue so that pedestrians needn't use the roadway, reducing the risk of accident. Meanwhile, CSI officials are researching the possible installation of two safety islands in the middle of Falls Avenue to better control traffic flow, reduce average vehicle speed, and ultimately lessen the chance for further accidents.
- "It would take some real orientation to do this, since it's so different from what we had," Meyerhoeffer said.
- Before plans can go further,

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December. However, he said more than 900 of the complaints targeted only a few operations.

The conversion of the rules mandated by the Legislature last winter is a prohibition on odors exceeding those "ordinarily associated with accepted agricultural practices." What that means is left to department inspectors.

"We haven't had time to see if they will or won't work," Republican Rep. Bert Stevenson of Rupert said, urging his colleagues to give the rules a full year in place before reaching a conclusion about their fate.

Jones and Jaquet both said dairy odor rules are a constant work in progress. Jones said he's interested in defining intensity, duration and frequency of occurrence of foul agricultural odors.

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"We're very pleased. The fact is every body's Beck said. "It's right on schedule in fact, a little ahead of schedule for this hiring process."

MORNING BREAK

It's never too late to get teaching degree

DEAR ABBY: I feel compelled to respond to Veronica M. DeCrescio's letter about how she always wanted to be a teacher, but never went back to school to certify.

Please tell her to go for it! I am in a similar situation. I earned a B.A. in an unrelated field, but later realized I wanted to become an elementary school teacher. I am going after it - even though it means I will be a student teacher at 50.

I am in school now and have five more quarters to go. This time around, college is even more intellectually stimulating and satisfying than before. Most of the students in my program are under 30, and I am old enough to be "Mom" to several of them. Age can be an advantage - I have had life experiences these youngsters have yet to learn. Moreover, I have had the time to think about taking this life-changing step and am fully committed to my dream of becoming a teacher.

If I can do it, anyone can. We all have something of value to contribute to the field of education. Please assure Ms. DeCrescio that devotion and enthusiasm for the profession of teaching are more important than one's age!

-MS. RANDALL START, BREMERTON, WASH.
DEAR RANDALL: True. I'm pleased to see someone with your life experience going into ele-



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanDoren

mentary education. People who love what they do are usually very good at it. You'll be a terrific role model for your students to emulate. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Your response to the individual who got her degree but was not certified to teach school is incomplete. If you meant she should try teaching and see if she likes it, I agree. But she should realize that substitute teaching without proper certification will get her nowhere unless she's willing to work in a private school for low pay, or work in a position where there are no health or retirement benefits.

This wanna-be teacher could, however, check with her local schools and see if they help uncertified staff go back to school. In my district, many of our teaching assistants have obtained certification in this manner and are now working as full-fledged teachers.

She also needs to check the local colleges and find out exactly what is needed to earn her certificate. It might come as a pleasant surprise, since she already has a

bachelor's degree. Please wish her good luck from me, Abby. You were right when you emphasized the need for good teachers.

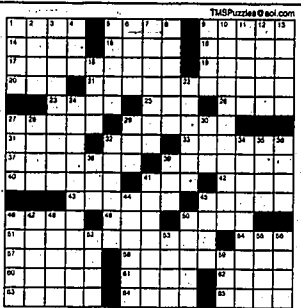
-VETERAN SCHOOL SECRETARY, SYRACUSE, N.Y.
DEAR SCHOOL SECRETARY: Let it be lost on no one that one of the most important jobs in this country is teaching. Teachers can influence and motivate an entire generation.

DEAR ABBY: I am a college freshman, extremely shy, and not the most popular guy on campus. There is a girl I like, but she

hangs out with a far more popular crowd. I talk to her often - in school, online and on the phone. I would like to ask her out, but I am afraid she'll say no. What should I do?

-HOPELESS FOREVER IN NEW YORK

DEAR HOPELESS FOREVER: Ask her out for coffee. It's non-threatening and it's not a formal date. It's two friends chatting and getting to know each other. Then ask her to a movie. If she's spending time talking to you on the phone and online, she's interested in you, too. Take a deep breath, count to three - and call her now!



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THIS PUZZLE BY BOB O'NEILL

Monday's Puzzle Solved

6 Direction for "deceitful" → **ARROW**
 7 One who is sparing with money → **LIBERAL**
 8 MIA Hamm's sport → **SOCCER**
 9 Cauliflower → **BEST**
 10 Subdivided → **RETAIR**
 11 Location or Mongolian → **ALBUQUERQUE**
 12 Spruce spruce → **WIND**
 13 Exotic gardens → **PARADISE**
 14 Yea garnish → **AMEN**
 15 20 Bumpy → **SHRIMP**
 16 Kentucky talk hero → **WILSON**
 17 Ukraine's capital → **KIEV**
 18 Florence river → **ARNO**
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Taurus: Dare to dream; Gemini: Create, invent

IF JANUARY 29TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you have changed your name on more than one occasion. You are intuitive, fascinated by the manic arts and sciences. You are unorthodox, willing to investigate subjects that other people might ridicule. Capricorn, Aquarius persons play important roles in your life, could have these letters in names: B, K, T. During February you complete project that could "put you on the map."

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): You will be busy. Some will seek your counsel regarding business and career. Personal relationship gets hot and heavy. Be serious or move on. Capricorn plays top role.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Look beyond the immediate. Dare to dream, perceive future. You could be involved in international humanitarian project. Don't waver - do it! Libra figures in scenario.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't be "trapped" by preconceived notions. This is the day to create and invent. Make new start; don't wait for others.

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

Imprint style. Create your own tradition.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Conditions are "just right" for putting across financial coup. You will be comfortable at home, and you will know for sure that your love is not unrequited.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Prove you are not a one-dimensional character. Highlight diversity, versatility and intellectual curiosity. You could land "acting role." Express humor, help others over rough spots.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Good news! What had been rejected could now be accepted. Revisions necessary; extra work will be worth it. Taurus, Leo and Scorpio individuals play major roles. Luck with number 4.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will experience greater freedom of thought and action. Flirtation

lends spice. You will have fun and be inspired. Short trip involves "hint of romance." Gemini represented.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You do not have to win every argument. Be lenient with loved ones. Make concessions to family. Hold tight to principles without being "impossible." Taurus figures prominently.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You receive glowing report of proposition in distant land. Remember, All that glitters is not gold! Utilize extrasensory perception; you'll earn truth even though hidden.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): What appears to be setback will boomerang in your favor. What you lost 24 hours ago will be recovered. You will have more confidence and could make new friend as result.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

Avoid controversy. Do what must be done in generous, loving manner. Legal aspects will be highly regarded and no longer alone.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Exercise independence. Begin creative project and give romance another chance. Focus on original thinking, inventiveness and willingness to make fresh start in new direction.

Don't fall for the old one about the guinea pig's tail

Among the earlier words uttered by babies, three quite common are said to be "ball," "dog" and "car." What do you make of that? Nothing? The scholars say it suggests that what gets the first attention of babies are things that move.

Q. Have there ever been any societies without the institution of marriage?

A. No, sir, not a one. That's also true of the common cold.

The State of Wyoming was named in honor of Pennsylvania's Wyoming Valley.

What's the most important thing you can teach your children? How to get along well with others? Maybe. At least, some experts so contend. That tycoon John D. Rockefeller, Sr., said, "I will pay more for the ability to handle people than for any other ability under the sun."

Q. Is it true a guinea pig's eyeballs will fall out if you hold it upside down by the tail?

A. Quite an antique, that one. Ain't no tail on a guinea pig. Not a one.

The first manufacturer of talking dolls was none other than the inventor of same, Thomas A.



REVISITED
L.M. Boyd

Edison. He didn't sell them, though. After making quite a munny, he was told he'd previously sold the manufacturing rights. So he gave a few of his dolls to friends and destroyed the rest. Two still exist today, I'm told. The firm that bought the rights never made such dolls.

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East End Providers continue giving tradition to needy

By Betty Taylor
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY - The East End Providers has a history of giving. This year was no exception. Thanks to its efforts, more than 200 east end families received holiday help. But the group also offers year-round assistance.

Incorporated in 1988, the non-profit organization is administered by an elected board that serves the Murtaugh, Hansen and Kimberly school district areas. It is supported by contributions from area businesses and residents.

Its primary purpose is to assist the needy through a year-round food pantry, distribute Christmas food and gift baskets, and supply clothes, coats, hats and gloves to children. No money is given to the families, said Cecille Griffith, who heads the organization.

The Providers' reach is extensive. More than 20,000 meal equivalents are provided annually, she reports.

Scout, school and church food drives provide a majority of staple goods, with assistance by a federal emergency management agency.

For this holiday, motorcycle riders organized a toy run for the East End Providers. In addition, the Snake River Bros donated a Fisher Price Harley Davidson Toy auctioned for \$600, with pro-



Jennifer Egbert, a former Kimberly resident home for Christmas, loads presents into van for delivery to local families as part of the East End Providers annual effort. "I love to see the faces of the little children when we show up with all the goodies," she said.

ceeds going to the Providers, said Lori Hostmaster with the motorcycle club.

Lamb Weston donated all the boxes and frozen potatoes. Cummins Farms donated fresh potatoes and Amalgamated Sugar contributed bags of sugar.

"All churches and schools work together as one unit," Griffith said. "Everyone begs to help each other and we always have people willing to donate their time to work."

All of the Christmas presents and clothes are stored and put together in packages in a house next door to the Kimberly Christian Church.

"The three bedroom house is

donated to the East End Providers by the Christian Church and without it we could not function," Griffith said. The food is stored elsewhere in Kimberly.

Visiting LDS missionary Jeff Tait from California volunteered for the holiday basket distribution.

"There's a lot here to do a lot of good and I am amazed at how many toys have been donated," he said.

"It is a wonderful opportunity to help others in need especially at Christmas time," added another missionary, Toy Brant of Arizona.



Look a Likes at the Harry Potter night at the Jerome Library were Kaln Sanchez, 5, son of Kristy Torres and Vince Sanchez; Patrick Hulme, 5, son of Darin and Lisa Hulme; James Petruzzelli, 7, and Jane Petruzzelli, 5, children of Paul and Susan Petruzzelli.

Pottermania!

Jerome Library celebrates popular book

By Betty Taylor
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - When Linda Henderson, the children's librarian at the Jerome Library, received a Harry Potter promotional package from Scholastic Books, she decided to organize a Harry Potter evening.

Helping her to carry out the Jan. 23 event was the Cherry

family of Jerome.

During the event, Lorna Irwin of Jerome told the group of parents and children about the new Harry Potter books by J.K. Rowling, the best-selling series about a young bespectacled wizard-in-training. After giving a rundown on the story, "The Sorcerer's Stone," the games were under way. Caroline and Marion Cherry headed the

Jeopardy-like game with all questions dealing with Harry Potter stories.

Three young boys dressed up like Harry Potter and one little girl dressed as his school friend for the look-a-like contest, and each received a prize.

Justin Kaiser, a Jerome high school student painted Harry's lightning bolt scar on those children who wanted one.

STORK REPORT

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Lynette Gloria Garcia and Lucia Edith Garcia, twin daughters of Gloria Margarita Gonzalez and Cervando Garcia of Shoshone, were born Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2001.

Madison Clair Hodge, daughter of Megan Marie Ruffing and Michael T. Hodge of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2002.

Miguel Angel Ortiz Cruz, son of Maria Erendira Cruz Marinac of Filer, was born Saturday, Jan. 5, 2002.

Virginia Brooks McDonald, daughter of Betsy Anne and Peter Damien McDonald of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2002.

Hayle Lynn Lancaster and Hannah Cristine Lancaster, twin daughters of Brandi Renee Lancaster of Twin Falls, were born Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2002.

Ty Jordan Silvas, son of Christine Sue and Bobby Dean Silvas of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2002.

Abram Avina Bon, son of Gloria and Jose Avina Biurrueta of Jerome, was born Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2002.

Mariah Mae Heil, daughter of De Anna Maria and Christopher Michael Heil of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2002.

Kellin James Howard Short, son of Jennifer Lee and Jeremiah Lee Short of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Jan. 17, 2002.

Alan John Taylor, son of Shauna and Douglas Brian Taylor of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Jan. 18, 2002.

Brogan Ross Wells, son of Denise Nicole and Bryan Scott Wells of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Jan. 18, 2002.

Suran Lex Nielson, son of Elisa

To have a birth announced in the Stork Report, Send a copy of the birth certificate to: Melissa Morgan at the Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Fax it to: 734-5538. Deadline for publication Tuesday is noon Friday.

LeSueur Nielson and Lex Elvin Nielson of Filer, was born Sunday, Jan. 20, 2002.

Hella Amelia Miller, daughter of Heidi S. and Lloyd Earl Miller of Twin Falls, was born Monday, Jan. 21, 2002.

Kody Skye Burbidge, daughter of Amy Joan and Christopher Ryan Burbidge of Jackpot, Nev., was born Monday, Jan. 21, 2002.

Trey Jackson Thomas, son of Jodi Dawn and William Allen Thomas Jr. of Twin Falls, was born Monday, Jan. 21, 2002.

Isaiah Cardian Giles, son of Megan ReaNea and Tyson Dean Giles of Castelford, was born Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2002.

Cassia Regional Medical Center

Jacoby Castro, daughter of Michael and Elisa Castro of Rupert, was born Friday, Jan. 18, 2002.

Demitri Nicholas Ruiz, son of Stephanie Smith and Fidel Ruiz of Burley, was born Friday, Jan. 18, 2002.

Karen de Alba, daughter of Blanca E. and Miguel de Alba of Burley, was born Sunday, Jan. 20, 2002.

Koby John Hale, son of Chelsey Jones and David Hale of Burley, was born Monday, Jan. 21, 2002.

Makayla Dawn Tolman, daughter of Brent and Cindy Tolman of Burley, was born Monday, Jan. 21, 2002.

Anna Gabrielle De la Rosa, daughter of Alex De la Rosa and Sara Oldham of Burley, was born Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2002.

Darrenger Paul Weigley, son of Darren and Maquel Wrigley of Burley, was born Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2002.

Emily Lucia Rebellozo Juárez, daughter of Jose and Rosie Juarez of Burley, was born Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2002.

Minidoka Memorial Hospital Autumn: Belt, daughter of Stephen and Lisa Belt of Burley, was born Monday, Jan. 14, 2002.

St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

Ruger Stamos, son of Cameron and Christopher Stamos of Arco, was born Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2002.

Aimee Ornelas Melendez, daughter of Olga and Rafael Ornelas of Hailey, was born Saturday, Jan. 19, 2002.

Jackson Paul Thomas, son of Diana and Lloyd Thomas of Bellevue, was born Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2002.

St. Benedicts Family Medical Center

Madison Marie Flick, daughter of Travis and Kim Flick of Jerome, was born Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2002.

Christopher Eugene Belem, son of Dani Sue Royce and Mario Belem of Wendell, was born Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2002.

Andrew Vincent Prince, son of Shane and Delta Prince of Gooding, was born Friday, Jan. 18, 2002.

A GROOVY KIND OF SPELL-A-THON



Paul Elementary School kicks off its party for the 'Groovy Groovy Spell-a-thon' by dressing in 60's styles at the assembly. The event is a PTO-sponsored fund-raiser. Money will be used for classroom projects and equipment, the Accelerated Reading program and any other needed items. Children obtain pledges for the words they spell correctly and receive prizes for their participation.

Eden group meets goal for fund

Youth director 'dresses' up for the occasion

HAZELTON - The Youth Group from Valley Assembly of God in Hazelton met its goal to raise \$3,000 during 2001 to give to the National Speed-The-Light Fund.

The fund raises money for Assembly of God missionaries to provide means of transportation (cars, trucks, vans, boats or animals; printing supplies and sound equipment while they are out in the field.

The group members set the goal in January 2001 and made a deal with Youth Director Dallas Bruderer that if they reached the goal that he would have to shave his face and preach on a Sunday in a dress, senior pastor Kent Sullivan said. The young people contributed each week and also had several fundraisers.

"I was behind the youth 100 percent. I knew this was a lofty goal for the youth. I help by raising just over \$1,100 in a golf tournament, and with the support of our entire church they did it," Sullivan said. "Now, their faith has been increased and they are going to be setting another goal for 2002."

Bruderer paid off on his bet at the Jan. 6 service, showing up in a dress.

On Wednesday evenings, the church also has Kids Klub with about 100 children, ranging in age from pre-kindergarten through high school.



Valley Assembly of God Youth Director Dallas Bruderer wore a dress to the Jan. 6 service as part of a bet. The church's youth group bet him they would raise \$3,000 over last year for a mission project. They met the goal and Bruderer dressed up.

NARFE OFFICERS

Twin Falls Chapter 1959 of the National Association of Retired Employees swear in officers for 2002. They are, from left, Bud Ruffing, past NARFE federation vice president; James Fischer, treasurer; Janine Chapman, secretary; Leo Urte, new chapter president; Kenia Williams, new second vice president; and Phillip Lively, new first vice president.



TWIN FALLS AREA COMMUNITY

FCCLA FOOD DRIVE

Twin Falls High School principal Ben Allen and students show all the food collected as part of the 'Can the Principal' food drive at the school sponsored by the FCCLA organization and the nutrition and foods class.



More than 6,000 food items were collected and donated to the Salvation Army. Judy Schroeder is the FCCLA advisor and nutrition and foods teacher.

MUSIC

Magie Valley Singers Square Dance Club - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at 218 W. Rail St. W. Shoshone; anyone over 18 years of age welcome; call 866-2360.
Magie Valley Singers - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Main Street in Kimberly. Anyone over age 18 welcome; call 424-3338.
Snake River Flats - 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Harmony Hall, 123 K St. in Rupert; 456-0497 or 428-1148.
Street Adelines Chorus - Members car pool to Boise choruses every Tuesday evening. Call 733-6238.

Golden Years Senior Citizens Center - 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at 218 W. Rail St. W. Shoshone; anyone over 18 years of age welcome; call 866-2360.
Appleseed Senior Center - 7 p.m. Thursdays at Main Street in Kimberly. Anyone over age 18 welcome; call 424-3338.
Magie Valley Singers - 7 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 126 2nd Ave. S. in Twin Falls, 736-1995.
Appaloosa Legion Hall - 7:15 p.m. Fridays 447 Seacrest St. in Twin Falls, doors open at 6:30 p.m. Must be over 18 years old; call 736-1722.
Jerome Senior Center - 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays at 212 First Ave. E. in Jerome, snack bar open at 6 p.m., early bird at 6:45 p.m., regular sing at 7 p.m. Anyone over age 18 welcome; call 234-5642.

Book discussion clubs
Classics Book Club - 7 p.m. second Tuesday at Barnes & Noble in Twin Falls.
Diner Book Club (books by new author) - 7:30 p.m. third Tuesday at Barnes & Noble.
Singles
Christian Singles Group - 7 p.m. on Oct. 1 and every other Monday, Christian Fellowship Center, 181 Morrison St., Twin Falls, 733-6255.
Singles Meet - 7:30 p.m. Saturdays at Spanbauer's Barn for dancing. For other activities, call 735-9044.
Men's Singles - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 1901 W St. in Heyburn, 678-5328.

Things to do
To retain a listing for your club or organization in Things to do, please send in a notice with:
 Name of the organization or club;
 Time, day and week(s) of the activity;
 Place of meeting and telephone number of a contact person. Send information to Pat Marcantonio at the Times-Herald, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83403.
 Or fax current information to 734-5538, attention Club Calendar.
 Or email to: palm@magievalley.com
 For more information, call Pat Marcantonio at 735-3388.

Writers Support Group - 6 p.m. Wednesdays at Chapter 1 Bookstore, 120 N. Main, Hailey, 735-5422.
Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club - Shooters welcome, 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at 253 Fifth Ave. W., moderate pistol caliber and .22, 324-5960, 734-4313.
Open House - 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, Take a Break Coffee Shop, 209 N. Lincoln St., Jerome, 324-8822. All levels welcome.
Magie Valley Life Club - meets for luncheon and meeting, Call Glenda at 733-0400 or Vicki at 733-0828. New members welcome.
Twin Falls Gun club - noon to dark Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays, call 734-0200.
Magie Valley Horse Society - 7 p.m. second Thursday at Lutheran church at corner of Maurice Street and Heyburn Avenue, Vicki at 734-0200 or Julie at 734-7303.
Writers of the Word, Christian writers group - 10 a.m. first Saturday at Twin Falls Reformed Church, Carolyn Lewis at 734-6115.
Pleasant Bottom - 6:30 p.m. last Friday of the month at Kimberly Public Library, Cyll Mayrho at 423-5525.

Castleford FFA brings home wins

CASTLEFORD - Castleford High School FFA members earned honors in recent competitions. Jill Brubaker won first in the South Magic Valley District FFA Public Speaking - Career Development Event. She will compete in the state event at the Idaho Leadership Conference in April in Twin Falls.

The event requires contestants to memorize and recite a seven to eight minute speech about any subject of agriculture, and answer questions pertaining to their speeches for three minutes. Students are judged on presentation, content, stage presence, voice expression and question answering ability.

Brubaker's speech was on excessive phosphorus run-off from agriculture when livestock manure high in phosphorus was applied to an irrigated field. Her speech was based on university studies and information on extension service research and her own personal experiences from her family farm and dairy.

The Castleford Chapter placed second in the annual district food product competition held Dec. 5 at the College of Southern Idaho. Tessa Burkhalter placed second high individual.

Members spent weeks preparing by tasting milk, reported Jorie Schorzman with the Castleford chapter. Members had to judge samples of milk, and identify defects, ranging from such as galactation to rancid and bitter, Schorzman said. They also learned how to tell different types of cheese.

Members also graded market eggs for interior quality and graded exterior quality.

Members graded seven ready-to-cook chickens, but were not allowed to touch the birds, however.

The point of the event is to aid students about deciding about a career in the milk industry or other food industries, and to help them as a general consumer, Schorzman said.

The Castleford chapter placed third overall and Jessica Hill received fifth place individually in



Castleford FFA members who competed in the agronomy career development event are, from left, front: Seth Bilek, Jessica Hill, Carl Kennison and Holly Haley; back row: Bobbie Schorzman, Tim Hill and Cory Genterman.

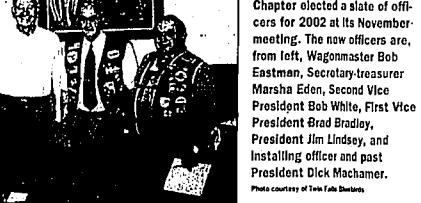


Jill Brubaker

the agronomy career development event at the district level on Dec. 5. Students identified agronomic crops, weeds, seeds, insects, diseases, plant nutrient deficiencies, plant disorders, and demonstrate skill in crop grading.

This is a fairly difficult event because of the amount of information, chapter members say. But they called the event a "wonderful experience" because they can apply their knowledge to what's going on in the world around them.

BLUEBIRD OFFICERS



The Twin Falls Bluebirds International Gd Sam Chapter elected a slate of officers for 2002 at its November meeting. The new officers are, from left, Waggonmaster Bob Eastman, Secretary-treasurer Marsha Eden, Second Vice President Brad Bradley, President Jim Lindsey, and Installing officer and past President Dick Machamer.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Baggett graduates from ISU with education degree

TAMME BAGGETT, the daughter of Glen and Elaine Connor of Buhl, graduated from Idaho State University in Pocatello with a bachelor's of arts degree in elementary education on Dec. 21.

She plans to teach in the Magic Valley. She received an associate of arts degree in elementary education from the College of Southern Idaho in 1999.

Baggett did student teaching at South Idaho Elementary School in Twin Falls and Wendell Elementary.



Tamme Baggett

Howell earns scholarship from Toyota Motors

KARISSA HOWELL of Buhl High School was nominated as a Toyota Community Scholar.

The program awards 100 renewable scholarships, valued at \$10,000 and \$20,000 to high school seniors.

The program recognizes academic excellence, leadership and encourages community service.

At Buhl High School, her activities include the National Honor Society, Key Club, hours and advanced courses, chess officer, band, drama and volleyball.

She also is president of her church youth group, piano accompanist for her church and school choir, in Who's Who Among High School Students and in Who's Who in Idaho leadership program. For community service, she participates in her church group, peer counseling, tutoring, a community improvement project and Spanish Club.

Howell is the daughter of the Morris and Maureen Howell of Buhl.



Karissa Howell

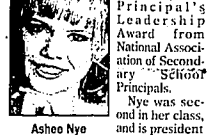
Nye receives honor from school principals group

ASHLEE NYE of Buhl High School has been nominated for the 2001/2002 Principal's Leadership Award from National Association of Secondary School Principals.

Nye was in her class, and is president of student council and activity coordinator with the National Honor Society, a HOBY youth leadership ambassador, and held leadership positions in Key Club and choir.

Her recognitions include DARE Role model; Girls State delegate; and Idaho Business Week, Idaho Association of Student Council Leadership Conference, Sun Valley Summer Symphony Music Conservatory and Rotary Youth Leadership conference participant.

She also is Buhl's Junior Miss, a student of the month, an Inline Top Scholar, Voice of Democracy essay winner and National English Merit Award winner. Her community involvement includes the senior citizen prom, Hand Start reading program, Johnny Horizon and church activities.



Ashlee Nye

Meeting focuses on restart of Pheasants Forever

TWIN FALLS - A meeting will be held for those interested in restarting the Twin Falls chapter of Pheasants Forever at 7 p.m. Wednesday at The Pressbox, 1749 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

For more information, call Rob Morris at 734-0915.

Snake River Elks Lodge 2807 holds annual fish fry

JEROME - The Snake River Elks Lodge 2807 will hold its annual fish fry from 7 p.m. Friday at the lodge, 400 E 200 S., Jerome.

Tickets are \$6 per person and may be purchased from any lodge member or at the door.

Kimberly PTSO serves potato chili supper

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly Parent Teacher Student Organization will hold a potato chili supper from 5-7:30 p.m. Friday in the Kimberly High School commons area.

The menu will include baked potatoes with chili and cinnamon rolls.

The cost is \$3 per person or \$15 per family.

Children under age 5 eat free. A drawing for the Kimberly Elementary School raffle will be held during the dinner. Tickets may be purchased at the dinner.

WinCo also is sponsoring the dinner.

Jerome Rec offers investment course, gym

JEROME - The Jerome Recreation District announced the following upcoming events:

Rules of the Road for investors will be held at 7 p.m. Feb. 5 at Edward Jones, 2716 S. Lincoln St., Suite B, Jerome. Participants will learn about the risks involved with investing and how to overcome these risks. The seminar is free. To register, call Gretchen Clelland at Edward Jones at 324-0174.

Adult open gym is held from 7:9 a.m. every Saturday at Jerome Middle School. The cost is \$12 per calendar year or \$17 for those outside of the district.

Noon open gym is held from 12-1 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Jerome Recreation Center. There is no charge.

TFHS cheerleaders serve food as fund-raiser

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls High School cheerleaders will serve food from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at McDonald's Restaurants.

The cheerleaders recently won a Universal Cheerleaders Association regional competition earning them a bid to the National Competition in Orlando, Fla. on Feb. 8.

The proceeds from sales at McDonald's will help cover their expenses on the trip.

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Boy Scout Troop 36 of Jerome holds annual fish fry

JEROME - Boy Scout Troop 36 of Jerome will hold its annual fish fry from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Friday in the Merchants building at the Jerome County Fairgrounds.

Admission is a donation to the troop. Tickets will be available at the door or from any member of Troop 36.

UI hosts 'Winterfest' gathering in Twin Falls

MOSCOW - The University of Idaho is hosting a "Winterfest" gathering on Thursday at the Turf Club in Twin Falls.

The social will begin at 6 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m. The menu includes steak and fish. Cost is \$25 per person, and \$40 per couple.

Magie Valley Mayor Arno Bilek of Castleford will receive the UI Jim Lyle Award for their long-term dedication and volunteer service to the university and its Alumni Association.

Guests include UI President Bob Hoover, Mike Behn, athletic director, Harold Gibson, alumni director, and Wright Waters, commissioner of the Sun Belt Conference.

"Winterfest" is sponsored by the Magic Valley chapter of the Vandal Scholarship Fund and the UI Alumni Association.

To attend, call Jeff Bick at 733-7653 or e-mail him at jlbick@westerrca.com. Those planning to attend should RSVP by today.

Essay Winner

Brianna Reith of Sawtooth Elementary in Twin Falls won first for her essay entitled, "What it means to be healthy." She won \$30 in the contest sponsored by Dr. Craig Manning and Canyon Springs Chiropractic. Second place and \$20 went to Rachel Scott, a Morningside Elementary student in Twin Falls.

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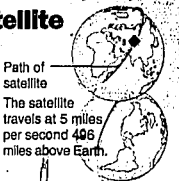
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Students' satellite holds up in space

Do-it-yourself satellite

Faculty and students at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., have built a communication satellite for \$50,000. Most of the cost went toward travel expenses to the launch site in Kodiak, Alaska. The satellite was constructed at the school using off-the-shelf parts.



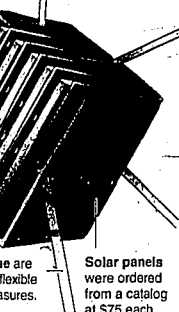
Computer was ordered out of a supply catalog

Transmitter, receiver are the type used by amateur radio operators

Battery box contains two-dozen standard AA batteries

Command board is a custom-made circuit board.

Structure is soldered aluminum.



SOURCE: United States Naval Academy

The Associated Press

ANNAPOLIS, Maryland — Once every 100 minutes, a bargain-basement satellite loops around the Earth, sending and receiving digital messages over antennas made from a metal tape measure.

A sailor on a solo crossing of the Atlantic bounces signals off the satellite to stay in touch with his family. New Zealanders on a cross-country hike use it to communicate with friends back home. And any ham radio user who has the proper transmitting equipment and is within 2,000 miles (3,200 kilometers) of the 25-pound (11-kilogram) satellite can use it to send single-line text messages.

After four months in space, the U.S. Naval Academy's "bird" is proving surprisingly resilient, to the delight of the midshipmen and faculty advisers who designed and built it.

The Prototype Communications Satellite, or PCSat, was the 44th amateur satellite put in orbit. It is one of more than a dozen built by university students around the world.

Six students put together the satellite last year with the help of a grant from Boeing Co. The Pentagon approved the project and put it on a launch list.

A tape measure from Home Depot provided the antenna. Power comes from two dozen AA batteries that are recharged by the solar panels. Parts built to withstand the effects of radiation from the sun would have been too expensive, so the students went with regular circuit boards.

Sept. 29 was launch day, and there were anxious moments at the academy as the cube-shaped satellite hitched a ride aboard an Athena rocket that was blasted into space from Kodiak, Alaska. It took nine hours before PCSat made its first pass over Annapolis and the midshipmen and faculty advisers could see for themselves that their satellite was working.

"I was thrilled. It was one of the most fulfilling experiences of my life," said Steven Lawrence, who helped build the satellite before he graduated in May.

In the following weeks, people in remote areas began to use the satellite as word of it spread among ham radio operators.

Except for the failure of one of the six solar panels, damaged when the satellite separated from the rocket, there have been no problems.

Salt Lake area ranks second in growth of Web use

Knight Ridder News Service

The Salt Lake City area has the second fastest growth in Internet adoption in the nation, according to a study released Thursday by Nielsen//NetRatings, an offshoot of the company that measures television-viewing preferences.

The study, which used a sample

of 60,000 people in the United States, showed the Salt Lake City metropolitan area experienced 20 percent growth in the number of residential Internet users in December compared with a year earlier. Only Pittsburgh, Pa., had more growth.

The Salt Lake area's rapid growth does not surprise Richard

Smith, who owns Utah Web, a Salt Lake City-based Internet service provider (ISP).

"We've made money from day one," he said. "There's been incredible growth. This year, we've more than doubled!" he said.

Smith cites the oft-used hypothesis that Utah's high education base and once-robust technology

sector created a population of computer-savvy people.

Jarvis Mak, a Nielsen senior media analyst, believes the number of users in the Salt Lake City metropolitan area may have peaked earlier — much like it did in Seattle and San Francisco — but people once hesitant to get Internet access are now catching on.

Improving technology makes digital the right camera choice

By Craig Crossman Knight Ridder News Service

Q. I'm ready to buy a new camera but can't decide whether to buy a traditional film model or one of those new digital versions. I would appreciate some suggestions on which to choose and what to look for in a digital model.

A. Up until recently, your quarry had a simple solution. If your objective was to have brilliantly clear and sharp images, then you went with film. The quality of images on film was vastly superior to any pictures taken by digital cameras. But technology marches on, and with the appearance of 4- and 5-megapixel camera models, the answer to your question has become somewhat blurred. The image quality of these higher-resolution cameras is beginning to rival those on 35-millimeter film. And now that these digital models are falling into the under-\$1,000 category, it appears your choice is really coming into focus.

Aside from image quality, the other important consideration can be summed up in all those other options to be found in a camera, such as interchangeable lenses, SLR, external flash, zoom, etc. Whatever features are important to you as a photographer using film should be just as important to you as a photographer using digital. The under-\$1,000 4- and 5-megapixel models still don't have everything, but they are getting closer. And

besides, most of those missing features are ones sought out mostly by professionals and not the everyday shutterbug.

Combine the high resolution, price and features with the additional abilities to be found in a digital camera, and the digital camera is the clear winner. Here's what you should look for in your digital camera:

If you plan to make prints no larger than 3 by 5 inches, then a 3.3-megapixel model will do just fine. Producing quality larger prints will require the 4- and 5-megapixel models.

The camera should use removable flash memory such as Compact Flash, SmartMedia or Memory Stick so that if you run out of storage, you can simply pop in another card until you have offloaded the images to a computer.

The digital camera should have both an optical viewfinder as well as a color LCD display so you can immediately preview your pictures in case you took one with someone's eyes closed.

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Companies unveil gadgets that bypass the computer

The Washington Post

Some companies are trying to take the computer out of the consumer electronics equation — a recognition of the fact that, while the computer's capabilities have grown immensely, its ease of use hasn't.

Philips showed off a new portable CD player that, like many of its other models, can play MP3 files as well as regular CDs. But it can also read Kodak Photo CDs and, when plugged into a television, display their pictures onscreen.

Sony will be selling a small set-top box that, for \$899, connects to a digital camera and lets you view, manage and print photos using a TV — no computer required.

Hewlett-Packard showed off a printer designed along similar lines. It includes slots that accept the memory cards used in most digital cameras, plus a color LCD display that lets you inspect your picture before printing it.

Music-software developer RealNetworks talked up a set of deals it's signed with consumer electronics manufacturers to add support for its RealAudio digital-music format to their devices. Among them a \$999 set-top box from HP that can archive an entire CD collection.

Microsoft advertised an improvement in its Ultimate TV, a digital video recorder that stores TV broadcasts on a hard drive instead of videotape: You'll be able to visit a special Web site and instruct your Ultimate TV to start recording a show that starts in five minutes.

Most of Sony's newest line of digital camcorders can plug into a computer to broadcast either live video or a recording over the Internet. One "ultra-small" MicroMV camcorder can even connect to new cell phones wirelessly, and it can therefore let its users go online and upload short video clips to Sony's ImageStation Web site.

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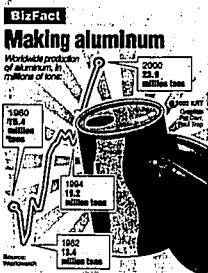
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Fewer will lose jobs than first thought

NAMPA - Nine of 44 Amalgamated Sugar Co. employees slated to be laid off will keep their jobs, and plant manager Joe Huff said the 35 employees who are losing their jobs will be rehired in June and September.

The sugar plant is the largest employer in Nampa with about 400 regular employees, in addition to nearly 400 seasonal employees hired during the sugar beet harvest.

Amalgamated announced the layoffs after a decline in the beet harvest. The plant expects to process about a million tons of beets this season, down from 1.5 million tons a year ago.

Huff said this was the first time in years the company has had to lay off some of its regular employees, but he expects to rehire when demand and production pick up again.

"It's not a permanent contraction," he said. This year's drop in the beet crop was related in part to one of the worst drought years in memory. Idaho Power offered farmers cash for their electricity to boost the utility's supplies for other uses. Many farmers sold the power that would have otherwise run water pumps for their crops. As a result, less acreage was farmed.

Prices paid to growers increased \$5 to \$7 per ton this season and plant water indicators suggest there will be ample water supplies for the next planting.

With electricity to run water pumps and prices high enough to harvest instead of destroy crops, the company expects more beets will be grown, sold at market and refined into sugar.

Amalgamated also has plants in the Magic Valley.

Developers look for new life for old facility

POCATELLO - The defunct FMC-Astaris phosphorus plant may soon be getting an energy boost.

Economic development professionals are looking at the possibility of building a power plant on the site.

"It sure makes sense," Arlen Witrock, a spokesman for FMC, said. "All the infrastructure is here."

Witrock said the plant is prominently situated on the Idaho electric power network. Before the plant's closure in December, FMC/Astaris was Idaho Power Co.'s largest customer and the largest power consumer in the state.

A natural gas delivery line, that could provide fuel to generate electricity, also crosses plant property. Witrock said the close proximity to the railroad and interstate makes the property ideal for a power plant fueled by coal.

"It's a natural fit, with everything right there, power production would be worth exploring," Witrock said.

Ray Bursted, executive director of Bannock Development Corp., a local economic development group that focuses on Pocatello and Bannock County, said the plan has been tossed about but no decisions have been made.

Bursted said representatives from the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes have expressed interest in the possibility of building a power plant on the site, most of which is situated on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation.

Compiled from wire reports

Plastics plant plans for more jobs

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls plastics plant expects to add 24 full-time machine operators by the end of April, and perhaps another eight later in the year.

That's a slightly smaller projection for job creation than Solo Cup gave in August when it announced its new contract to supply straws and cutlery for Costco Wholesale's store shelves.

That's because the manufacturer, starting in February, will add more-automated machines than it had expected to use to fill the Costco order, said Ken Becker, Solo Cup's Twin Falls plant manager.

The first of the three injection-molding machines left Toronto Monday on its two-week trip to Twin Falls. It and its mates are capable of producing 750 tons of injection pressure each.

"They're larger than anything that you've seen in this plant," Becker said.

Costco will buy all its heavy-duty cutlery from Solo Cup,

T.F. operation expects to add 24 full-time positions

Becker said. The contract calls for 20,000 cases of product in March (about 320 pieces of silverware per case), 40,000 cases in April and 60,000 monthly beginning in May.

Becker said he couldn't name the value of the Costco account. Solo Cup also is working on a contract to supply Costco's medium-weight cutlery as well, he said. If it's successful, that second contract would be as large as the Costco contract Solo Cup already has in hand.

The existing contract will increase the plant's total production by about 25 percent and add 24 full-time jobs - eight in the end of February or early March, another eight in mid- to late March and the final eight during April, Becker said.

Those people will start work at \$8 an hour, he said. Benefits kick in after 90 days of employment, effectively raising the compensation to \$10.67. After a year, the salary rises to \$9.10 (or \$12.29

including benefits), he said.

Solo Cup will post the new positions internally, as some of its 94 existing full-time employees might want to move to shifts with different work hours, he said. Then the plant will advertise for new applicants.

Solo Cup also is seeking approval to supply Costco's Canadian stores, Becker said. If it snags that business, the Twin Falls plant would install a fourth line of new equipment and add another eight jobs in mid-year or third quarter 2002 at the soonest. That would make a total of 32 new jobs.

Like other local manufacturers, Becker said, Solo Cup's Twin Falls plant has weathered business disruptions in recent months.

"Obviously there has been some economic downturn since Sept. 11," he said.

But the industry here is stabilizing after the fluctuations, he said. Overall, manufacturing in Magic Valley is prospering; it

was hurt less than manufacturing in many areas of the country and is likely to emerge in better shape than elsewhere.

"There has been no real feel of a massive recession, but there has been some slowdown" and business lull, Becker said. Greg Rogers, the Idaho Department of Labor's regional labor economist, agreed the local manufacturing industry is in good shape.

"We've not seen any major layoffs in that area at all," Rogers said. "We're not hurrying at all in that regard."

Food-processing demand has been strong, and processors haven't seen as many seasonal layoffs as in some years, he added. Magic Valley does not depend on the manufacturing sectors most affected by national recession and September's terrorist attacks, such as airplane or computer-chip making.

Solo Cup's Twin Falls facility was hurt less than the company's

locations elsewhere in the country, Becker said. And now it's expanding.

"As we have overcome that shortfall of what the recession has dumped on us, as well as the effect of the terrorist attacks, which went hand in hand with the recession and slowdown," he said.

As chairman of a Twin Falls-based, donor-funded campaign for economic development, Becker has an eye on expansion-minded employees elsewhere in town.

Becker leads the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Business Plus II campaign. He said Solo Cup has applied for a Business Plus II job-creation incentive grant, but he won't vote on that request.

Two other manufacturers already operating in Twin Falls are considering adding new equipment and 10 employees each, Becker said. Both applied for Business Plus II grants, but campaign leaders have yet to gather details on their plans.

So Becker wasn't willing to name the manufacturers Monday.

Qwest opts against info sharing



Qwest Chairman and CEO Joseph P. Nachio faces reporters in Denver Monday, where he announced that Qwest Communications International Inc. would withdraw plans to share customer information among its different divisions. Qwest services 22 million customers in 14 western states, including Idaho and the Magic Valley.

Firm will wait for new FCC rules before developing plan

The Associated Press

DENVER - Complaints have prompted Qwest Communications International Inc. to withdraw plans to share customer information among its different divisions.

Chairman and CEO Joseph P. Nachio said Monday that Denver-based Qwest - which provides local telephone service in much of the Magic Valley - will wait until the Federal Communications Commission issues new rules on customer records later this

year before developing another plan.

"When many of our customers tell us that they're concerned or don't understand what we're doing, it's time to stop the process and make a change," Nachio said.

He said Qwest will notify its 12 million local telephone customers that it will not be sharing account information such as phone numbers called and received.

Qwest included notices in December bills telling customers they had 30 days to con-

tact the company if they wanted to keep their information private. The move angered and confused many customers and some regulators in the company's 14-state region because it was not clear whether Qwest would sell the information to outside companies.

Qwest sent out another flier last week to explain that it was only planning to share information with divisions such as Qwest Wireless or Qwest Data.

Nachio said Monday the company did not do a good job

of explaining the policy. "Our communication was not something to be proud of. That's why we're pulling it back. We actually confused them," he said.

Customers trying to opt out of the information sharing program were also frustrated because they were unable to get through to the overloaded toll-free telephone number set up to handle privacy requests.

Less than 4 percent of customers had opted out of the program by Monday.

Micron, Hynix break off talks; no new discussions planned

The Associated Press

BOISE - A Micron spokesman said talks between Micron Technology and Hynix Semiconductor have broken down and no new talks are planned.

Boise's Micron has been negotiating for at least two months with Korea-based Hynix for some type of alliance or purchase that would have created the world's largest memory chip company. Micron is the world's second largest memory chipmaker, while Hynix is the third.

The latest round of talks took place last week at an undisclosed location in California and broke off Thursday, Micron spokesman Sean Mahoney said Sunday.

The most recent negotiations had been expected to end with a memorandum of understanding. "No agreement has been reached, and no further talks are planned at this time," Mahoney said.

In the past, Micron's strategy has been to expand in troubled eco-

nomies by acquiring competitors at bargain-basement prices. Micron officials have said that except for world-leading Samsung, they were approached in 2001 by nearly every memory-making competitor about some kind of possible alliance.

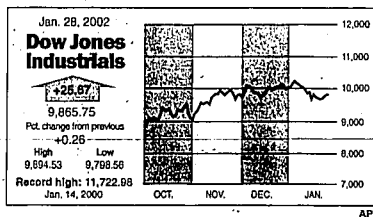
Micron officials declined Sunday to say whether they are negotiating with other companies besides Hynix or to comment on why the talks suddenly ended.

The Seoul Economic Daily reported another round of talks will take place next month. Mahoney disagreed.

"There are no further talks scheduled," he said.

Talks have been shrouded in secrecy, with Micron confirming only that talks were taking place but otherwise staying mum on the subject.

The meeting was the third round of negotiations since the two parties agreed in early December to seek a strategic alliance and were taking place but otherwise staying mum on the subject.



Stock prices hold steady

The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) - A burst of last-minute bargain hunting left stock prices little changed Monday as lingering doubts about the timing of a business recovery limited a broader rally.

Analysts said the market was waiting for the two-day meeting of the Federal Reserve's Open Market Committee, which begins Tuesday. Although the committee is not expected to reduce interest rates,

traders want to see what predictions the Fed makes about an economic turnaround.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 25.67, or 0.3 percent, at 9,865.75, recovering from a drop of as much as 41 points.

The broader market was mixed. The technology-dominated Nasdaq composite index rose 0.21, or 0.3 percent, to 1,943.91, while the Standard & Poor's 500 index slipped 0.22, nearly unchanged, to 1,133.06.

COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

BOISE - Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Romey Craig Allen, also known as Craig Alan Nelson, Craig Nelson and Craig Ramey, and Stacey Ann Ramey, also known as Stacey Ann Ortman, Stacey Orthman, Stacey Ann Radabaugh and Stacey Radabaugh, 224 W. Wayne St., Paul, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40096.

J.O. Shane Myers and Janice Marie Myers, 713 Second Ave. B., Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40094.

Dennise Ceja, also known as Dennise Anip, 630 S. Wallace St., Wendell, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40093.

Ronnie Adams and Tamara Kugler Adams, also known as Tamara Kugler, 1177 S. Adell, Filer, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40092.

Destina McCann and Elva J. McCann, 300 W. 154 S., Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40091.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

Mario Aguilar and Lourdes Aguilar, 816 First St., Rupert, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 02-40095.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

Troy M. Jensen and Jennifer K. Jensen, also known as Jennifer K. Lindsay, 2824 Hiland Ave., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 02-40102.

Crystal Belle Taylor, also known as Crystal Belle Brower, 2444 Falls Ave. E., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 02-40099.

Kevin G. Brown, formerly doing business as Jerome Wheel, and Pamela L. Brown, also known as Pamela L. Kuhlman, 333 E. St., Idaho Highway 25, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 02-40098.

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EDITORIAL

State salary cuts could solve our budget woes

Sometimes the best solution to a major issue is the one that's least popular. Now that the state is facing the cold, hard truth about budget cuts, Idaho lawmakers should consider the politically unpopular idea of temporary pay cuts to balance the state's books.

Although no one relishes the idea of a pay cut, reductions of 1 percent to 5 percent may be the easiest and fairest way to fix state shortfalls. Trimming salaries could easily cover the \$55 million in budget holdbacks that Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has ordered. Cuts should vary, depending on salary levels. High-paid agency administrators and college deans could absorb 5 percent cuts without much pain. State salaries below, say, \$50,000 might see much smaller cuts - 2 percent or less. Workers with the lowest salaries could be exempt.

This kind of step is common in the private sector. Companies that can't meet their revenue expectations sometimes reduce salaries, especially among top managers. By doing this, the company can avoid cutting positions, programs and services.

Ask any private sector employee which alternative is better: a temporarily reduced salary or a possible layoff. The answer would probably be unanimous.

That's basically the choice our state government faces this year.

This idea may not sit well with public employees, and especially with public school and higher education officials, whose institutions consume the biggest portions of Idaho's budget. Indeed, we've yet to see the idea proposed in bureaucratic circles.

But these are the same groups demanding that important school programs be maintained despite the economic downturn. The best way to do that may be with modest pay cuts.

Some state officials have already caught the spirit of sacrifice. Both Kempthorne and state Schools Superintendent Marilyn Howard are refusing this year's pay raise. That's commendable, as is Howard's decision to cut \$95 million from her initial \$1 billion budget request.

Imagine if other state and education officials made the same temporary sacrifice. The budget crunch at the College of Southern Idaho could be resolved quickly, for one.

A pay cut wouldn't last forever. Salaries could be restored once the economy rebounds, which could occur before next year's session.

Salary reductions may not be on the table yet, but they should be. Lawmakers should give the idea a serious look.

Faced with declining state revenue and budget holdbacks, the state should follow the private sector and consider reducing state salaries.

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LETTER

Respect should run both ways

In response to Ms. Kelly's letter on Jan. 23, "Elderly deserve more respect": Since when did respect become a one-way street? I thought that respect was a give-and-take type of relationship. I imagine that all of the "young adults" and their "children" waited for seating just like you did. Also, with such a well-known speaker making an appearance like this, don't you think getting a little earlier start would have helped your seating situation? Did you ask for someone if they would be willing to give up their seat because of your "problem"? If not, did you expect these "young adults and children" to be mindreaders and just get up and kindly hand their seat over?

What I could understand from this situation is that respect was neither given nor taken. What I see is a lack of common sense. If there is a well-known speaker making an appearance, get

there really early! Seating is generally limited and on a first-come, first-serve basis. As far as being "forced" to stand for two hours, I really don't think that there was someone holding a gun to your head instructing you to stand. You could have easily left and waited for the next appearance from this speaker. I also want to give a hand-to-the two managers of the facility who did exactly what a manager should do - nothing! It wasn't the manager's place to kick someone else out of his or her seat who got there first. In closing, standing for two hours on your own free will when you could have easily left, and saw the speaker another day, then to boot, complaining about it, that just takes the cake. "Here's your sign!"

JASON MALONE
Aurora, Colo.
(Editor's note: Jason Malone is a former Twin Falls resident for 20 years.)

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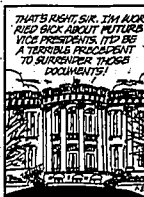
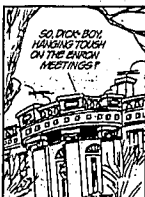
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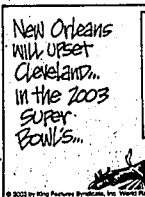
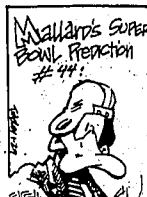
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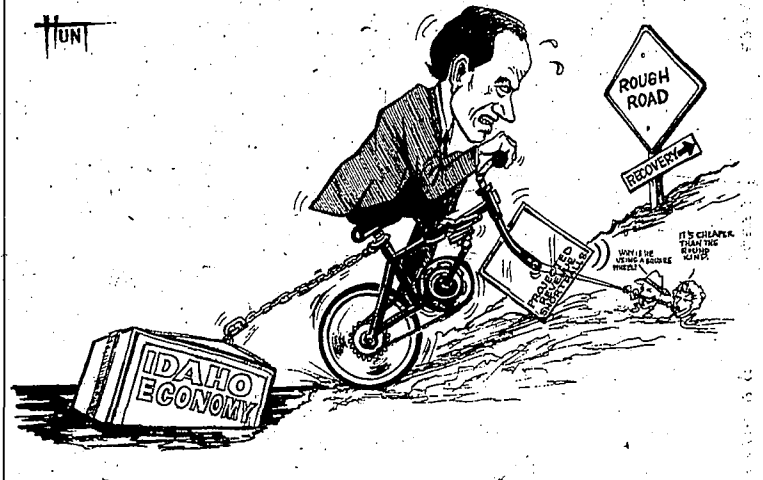


By Garry Trudeau

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Investors carry some blame for losses

It was Dec. 3, 1999. Internet stocks were higher for the third straight session and the Nasdaq finished at another record high. The Dow Jones Industrial Average closed just shy of its 11,326.04 record.

I was invited to write for the Web page of a new dotcom company with promises of a big future. I would be paid in company stock and as a "charter member" could buy shares at a large discount. Dividends would be paid when the company showed a profit.

I declined the stock offer, accepting small cash payments for my essays instead. The company folded the following year. I lost nothing.

That experience came to mind when the Enron scandal broke. Top management appears to have behaved immorally, perhaps illegally, when they cashed in their Enron stock for maximum profits, while prohibiting most employees from selling their stock during a crucial company downturn. Many employees lost their life savings.

While Democrats hope the Enron business scandal can be converted into a political scandal to taint the Bush administration, one question has been largely ignored: Were Enron employees responsible for the financial decisions they made that put their savings and future financial security in jeopardy, or were they powerless victims?

A good financial adviser would have told Enron employees - as mine told me regarding the Internet start-up company - that they were foolish to put all their financial eggs in the Enron basket. Diversification is an investor's best protection. Instead, many Enron employees believed that past earnings were an indication of future performance. They bet the works and many lost their shirts.

Among those who got in trouble were Cathie and Wayne Stevens, of St.



CAL THOMAS

Helens, Ore. The Washington Post chronicled their sad story on Jan. 20. The Stevenses worked a combined 28 years for Pacific General Electric. Enron bought the company in 1997.

The couple had built up a retirement fund of \$720,000 in company stock through a 401(k) plan in which they could invest up to 15 percent of their income. PGE matched their contributions with company stock. The couple "never moved a lot but you could count on it," said Wayne Stevens. The Stevenses traded relative security for a try at the brass ring.

Dazzled by Enron stock (it was trading at \$85 per share in 2000, compared to PGE's stock price of \$27 per share), Wayne Stevens thought he could leap on the gravy train that would take him to lifestyles of the rich and famous. The Stevenses decided to invest 100 percent of their 401(k) money in Enron stock. They bought an additional \$600 in stock each month.

Like many other investors, they lost most of their money.

While Enron management deserves to be fully investigated (their practices are being looked at by 10 congressional committees and several law enforcement agencies), no employee was forced to invest all of his or her retirement funds in Enron stock. People who took the advice of financial planners and diversified lost far less money than those who cast their fate to the shifting Enron winds.

We can sympathize with those who've

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lost everything. If it is possible to tap some of the millions made by management who unfairly sold their stock and give it to employees prohibited from selling theirs, this should be done. But people who were seduced by the prospect of unending riches were ultimately responsible for what they did with their money.

In an age when everyone is a victim and no one is responsible for making bad decisions - whether about the consequences of cigarette smoking or financial behavior - most of those suffering from the Enron disaster put themselves at risk.

It may sound cruel but they were done in by their own greed. For the Stevenses, \$720,000 in a relatively safe retirement account was not enough. They wanted more - fast - and what they got was much less. It's very sad, even tragic, but the real tragedy is that this could have been prevented if their decisions had been based on sound financial principles rather than emotion and greed.

Some Enron investors were given that advice but ignored it. Is that Enron's fault or their own?

Cal Thomas is a columnist for The Los Angeles Times.

LETTERS

Get rid of current officials

Danger! Danger! What is going to happen to us? Are we going back to the terrible pre-dairy days when we lived under sagebrush and ate dirt?

What, you ask, is bringing on this cataclysm? Term limits, yes, term limits. If we lose the current elites who grace our political offices, doom is sure to follow. These worthies have given us one of the most complicated tax codes on the planet, a fish and game department run amuck, and a water policy that has turned our major river into an open sewer.

Could we live without these folks? I don't think so. Let's ignore the law or repeal it, keep the same snouts in the trough, that's the safe way.

MIKE THOMAS
Jerome

Harry Potter books are harmless

My 15-year-old daughter has read all the Harry Potter books three times and is now reading them out loud to me. It

has been a wonderful time together. We have had great conversations and have gotten closer. Her vocabulary has expanded greatly (actually, mine has too). She has gotten interested in reading other books because of it.

It has all been very positive, but I became concerned after reading in the newspaper the warning from someone who "knows" that Harry Potter books are just windchime manuals. Well, I couldn't find most of the ingredients for the potions, but I did try some of the spells and incantations. The Guess what? Nothing happened. Maybe it is because I'm just a Muggle or maybe it is because the books are just wonderful tales of imagination.

DIANE MEITLER
Twin Falls

Reader board money was donated

Regarding Mr. Lynn Dunlap's letter concerning Bickel's future reader board: There seems to be some confusion concerning our reader board. I would like to state the facts to the parents of Bickel

students and any other concerned citizens.

1. The cost of the board is \$3,350, not \$10,000.
2. The money that has been raised so far for this project is being donated by private businesses and the Bickel Parent Teacher Organization.

3. As do most of the schools in Twin Falls, Bickel Elementary will use its sign to communicate important information to parents of Bickel students.

4. Lytle Signs is required by city zoning laws to gain approval from the city council before erecting any sign. The public hearing on Jan. 29 is a regularly scheduled meeting of the Twin Falls City Council in which Lytle Signs will take one to two minutes of the agenda.

I hope this clears up the misinformation about the Bickel Elementary reader board.

By the way, Bickel is accepting donations. Please make your check out to Bickel Elementary and send it to 607 Second Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.
VERNAE FETTINGILL
Twin Falls

Bush will advocate corporate responsibility in State of the Union address

News in brief

WASHINGTON - President Bush, his administration trying to distance itself from the Enron bankruptcy, scandal, plans to denounce corporate irresponsibility in his State of the Union address, without mentioning the collapsed energy giant, aides said Monday.

The carefully measured remarks, which aides say were included in rehearsals of the Tuesday night address; reflect mounting concern at the White House that voters view Bush and Republicans as more sympathetic to big business than to average Americans.

The pitch for good corporate citizenship, a staple of Bush's campaign, also fits with a broader call in his speech for community service, said aides, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Bush plans to propose expanding a national service program started by former President Clinton, and open it to churches and other faith-based institutions, aides said.

U.S. forces end al-Qaida occupation of hospital

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan - Afghan troops backed by U.S. Special Forces wearing "I Love New York" buttons lobbed grenades into hospital Monday then stormed the burning ward, killing all six al-Qaida gunmen in a firefight.

The gunmen, who had holed up there for nearly two months, had repeatedly refused to surrender.

After the assault, the bloodied ward was littered with limbs blown off by the grenades. The bodies of the pale, thin fighters lay about the floor and under a bed, clothed in sweaters and uniforms. The attack on the al-Qaida holdouts was ordered after they repeatedly refused to surrender.

The wounded Arab fighters had been brought to the Mir Wais Hospital in Kandahar by their comrades shortly before anti-Taliban forces took over the city Dec. 7.

Test at Yucca Mountain enters cooling phase

LAS VEGAS - Government scientists have switched off an experiment that for four years turned

tunnels inside a proposed Nevada nuclear waste repository as hot as a pizza oven.

The experiment, which began Dec. 3, 1997, is testing how rock surrounding radioactive waste

storage tunnels at Yucca Mountain might act under intense, sustained heat as nuclear fuel decays.

Heating elements were turned off Jan. 14, and the experiment

entered a cooling phase. Studies will continue for four more years to let scientists see how the natural and engineered barriers perform as surrounding rock cools. - compiled from wire reports

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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.

SB1301 (Finance) - Diverts intended \$13.8 million budget reserve deposit to the general treasury to balance the budget.

Legislative Action Complete

HJM12 (Revenue and Taxation) - Urges approval of the Bush economic stimulus package.

Introduced in House

HJM14 (Brieter) - Calls for an end to violence and the start of a peace process in the Basque homeland.

HB470 (Trall) - Fixes the taxable property values at no less than Dec. 31, 1999, levels in school districts where the net value of timberland declines and creates a total decline in taxable value.

HB491 (Robison and Martinez) - Allows homeowners over 65 with annual income under \$35,000 to have the taxable value of their home and residential lot frozen for as long as they continue to live there.

HB492 (Revenue and Taxation) - Updates Idaho law to bring it into compliance with the Internal Revenue Code.

HB493 (Brieter) - Dedicates unexpended money in the Capitol Endowment Income Fund, except for \$3 million, to the four-year state college and universities in fiscal 2003, and delays renovation of the state Capitol until 2017.

Introduced in Senate

SJM110 (Judiciary and Rules) - Urges the addition of a third U.S. District Court judge to Idaho.

SB1330 (Judiciary and Rules) - Considers citizenship in the award of child custody in divorce cases.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Police say no alcohol was involved in death

TWIN FALLS - Investigators have decided that alcohol and gross negligence were not factors in the death of an 87-year-old Twin Falls man who was struck by a car late Friday.

Even so, it hadn't yet been determined Monday whether any charges or citations will be filed against Christy Harder, 19, of Twin Falls in connection with the death of Glenn Young, said Twin Falls police detective Scott Smith. A prosecutor's full review of the case was pending, he said.

Young was apparently in the roadway in the 700 block of Falls Avenue when he was hit at about 8:15 p.m. by a car driven east-bound by Harder, according to reports.

Young was almost immediately taken to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, but he succumbed to his injuries a short time later.

Boys face charges in connection with robbery

TWIN FALLS - Two Twin Falls boys were arraigned Monday and held in connection with the allegations of a woman who said they tried to rob her as she was delivering a pizza, according to court records.

Michael Anthony Pulizzi, 16, and Robert L. Dean, 15, were each arraigned on a charge of robbery, according to court records. Pulizzi was held in the Twin Falls County Jail Monday in lieu of \$10,000 bond; and Dean was held in the Snake River Juvenile Detention Center in lieu of \$1,500 bond, according to court records.

Members of the Twin Falls County court security services, Domino's Pizza delivery driver Melissa Meers told investigators she was approached by two young men while she was delivering a pizza late Friday on Locust Street in Twin Falls, according to an affidavit written by Twin Falls police officer Ron Futs and filed with court documents.

Meers claimed the two demanded money from her, and one of them brandished what appeared to be a knife, according to the affidavit.

Officers early Saturday arrested Dean and Pulizzi in connection with Meers' allegations, the affidavit says.

Cancer center holds open house today

TWIN FALLS - An open house for St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute will be held from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. today at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 656 Addison Ave. W.

"We have staff and officials from each hospital will speak about the cancer care program and provide tours of the facility. Refreshments will be served.

St. Luke's MSTI and Magic Valley Regional began a new partnership on Jan. 1 to provide cancer care services in the Magic Valley area.

"Working with St. Luke's MSTI, we'll provide enhanced cancer services, stability and longevity for cancer care in our community," said Jerry Hart, chief executive officer for Magic Valley Regional. "Their expertise and medical professionalism are a wonderful addition for local cancer care."

"We have been providing cancer care in this community for more than 20 years. This new relationship strengthens that history," said Dr. Thomas Beck, medical director for St. Luke's MSTI.

"We continue to support patients in the Magic Valley through the advancement of research, delivery of expanded services and support of physician services."

Compiled from staff reports

Watershed	% of Average
Upper Snake River	89%
Salmon Falls Creek	123%
Oakley Basin	133%
Big and Little Wood	102%
Honey Fork	88%
Wood River	93%

GOP leaders don't like term limits

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Besides driving many good legislators out of office and possibly flipping the balance of political power in favor of Idaho Democrats, the state's new term limits law could be rough on prosecutors, according to one prosecutor's comments.

"Few competent attorneys are willing to

lose eight years in the prime of their careers, that they could use to build firms and partnerships, to take the dead end paved by term limits," according to comments passed along by Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loeb and read by Marilyn Hempleman, president of the Twin Falls County Republican Women.

Loeb had planned to speak at the Republican women's meeting himself Monday, but he was called away to testify

about the term limits law before members of the Legislature in Boise. Loeb thinks limiting prosecutors to two terms would skew the court system in favor of more-experienced defense attorneys, Hempleman said.

Many also suspect the term limits law and a related plan for redesignating Idaho's legislative districts were deliberately designed to tip the scales in favor of urban districts where Democrats have more power, she said.

Even so, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, himself a Republican, has said he will veto any efforts to overturn the term limits law. Twin Falls County Republican Central Committee Chairman Mike Mathews said during the meeting.

The Idaho House recently weighed in favor of overturning the term limits law, and the Senate might soon take similar action, he said. But Kempthorne has taken

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Students return to damaged classrooms

By Robert Mayer
Times-News writer

JEROME - Teachers and students at Horizon Elementary School are relieved to finally return to their classrooms today.

Grades 3-6 were forced to conduct class elsewhere after a frozen sprinkler head activated on New Year's Eve, flooding seven classrooms. Some classes used the gymnasium; others were placed in the computer room and the music room. Two classes had to temporarily relocate at Central and Jefferson elementary schools.

Three weeks later, five classrooms have been repaired sufficiently for students and teachers to return.

"I am so grateful that the rooms are ready," Principal Ann Reynolds said Monday. "It would be so much easier on everyone."

The two hardest-hit classrooms are still rendered unusable. Workers need another week to week and a half to finish, she said.

With her arms full of boxes, Tina Rogers said that after three weeks of teaching her fifth-grade class at the temporary Central Elementary site, she was elated to return to her familiar classroom.

"We're ready to come back," she said. "Everyone's ready to come back. It's time to come home."

Helping Rogers move supplies from Central to Horizon, fifth-grader Melissa Hockenberry echoed her teacher's sentiments.

"I don't care what happens as long as we get our room back," she said. "I'm just disgruntled."

As of Monday afternoon, remnants of the destruction remained: the hallways were still missing wallpaper and ceiling tiles in spots, and desks and equipment were in disarray. Yet, Reynolds said she was determined to have classes resume as normal today.

Though the project was to only take two weeks, much of the delay was because of repeated quality tests, and the extra time needed to completely remove all excess moisture from the rooms. The first round of tests found fungus spores numerous enough to warrant closing



Student Melissa Hockenberry, fifth-grade teacher Tina Rogers and Sarah Climer move equipment back into their classroom at Horizon Elementary School in Jerome after having been displaced for more than three weeks due to flooding from a broken sprinkler system over Christmas break.

the entire week. The second results came back last Monday and were favorable.

"They've been working pretty hard since then," Reynolds said. Carpets in all classrooms save

one were replaced. The hallway carpet, only a year old, was also spared.

Panel relegates burning issue to back burner

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE - Southern Idaho prevailed over northern Idaho Monday when the House committee voted 73 to 20 to douse field-burning rules proposed by the state Department of Agriculture.

The rules would have pertained to fields of five acres or more. Farmers would have had to register fields a month ahead of time, get permission, on the days they want to burn and avoid burning on weekends and holidays, among several other stipulations.

Farmers and farm organizations from the northern part of

the state in general favoring the rules. Ag Department Director Pat Takasugi has explained that farmers should cooperate or "lose the tool." But that mandate is not of Takasugi's making; it relates to a 1970s federal law regarding clean air.

Northern Idaho is a prime Kentucky bluegrass seed area. Farmers must burn in order to stimulate seed production.

But the issue isn't going away, warned ag committee Chairman Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer. "There will be burning rules," he said. "The law was passed two

years ago. The question is 'What shape will they take?'"

The proposed rules were similar to those already in place for two northern counties, Benewah and Kootenai, which by state law are regulated by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

Smoke problems in northern Idaho are recognized to be as contentious as dairy odor is in Magic Valley, but northern farmers have been working toward resolution for more than a decade.

Farmers from the area spoke at an ag committee hearing on Thursday, and except for some

changes in wording, most favored the rules.

One farmer from Kootenai County, Rep. Wayne Meyer, had looked forward to their adoption. He grows about 3,000 acres of grass seed, and he said he actually looks forward to not having to burn on weekends. In fact, he said he doesn't burn on Fridays, either, because the smoke will linger over the weekend.

Jones pointed out that southern Idaho farmers have different crop patterns and different climate and meteorology than those in the northern part of the state. In northern Idaho the smoke

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Twin Falls elementary, junior high schools report improvement

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - By targeting areas of concern that were determined by state-mediated assessments, high reading goals are being met at Oregon Trail Elementary School.

According to the school's principal, Ted Poppelwell, kindergarten through third-grade students are given the Idaho Reading Indicator test three times a year, and those scores are helping to determine specific needs.

"We test in the fall, during the winter and again in the spring," Poppelwell told Twin Falls School

District board members Monday night. "And we use the data to improve our instruction."

The test covers different reading skills throughout the year and can be used as an indicator in areas of success and improvement.

"And when we see the successes, we can tell what techniques are working," Poppelwell said.

Test results can also be used as a guide "in decision making" by helping to determine "what instructional strategies will work when crossing over to another subject area.

The IRI test is "very much" based on research data, and "we

study the results before making decisions," Poppelwell said.

Oregon Trail's other assessment tool is the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. The school's math, reading and writing scores were above the goals set.

Robert Stuart Junior High School also looks to state assessment tools using student outcomes as a guide toward improvement. However, rather than using the ITBS, the school may be shifting over to the Measurement of Academic Progress as an assessment tool.

And according to the school improvement plan report presented to the board by five members

of the faculty, success was experienced in all subject areas.

Building goals to raise reading, language arts and math scores exceeded expectations. In a report presented by teacher Katy Dabestani, the average national gain in core total is 29 points. Robert Stuart for the past three years averages 40 points.

Much of the credit for high gains was given to regularly scheduled reading classes.

According to reading teacher Lynn Geer, the extra reading gives students more tools and added opportunity for understanding. Through a consensus process the school has seen a con-

Council closes in on sealing Dell deal

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The City Council Monday moved closer to sealing a deal expected to bring Dell Computer Corp. to town.

The council met jointly with the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency, and both groups voted unanimously to approve signing several documents related to the Dell deal.

The deal includes handing the old Albertson's building and surrounding property on Pole Line Road over to Dell. Dell will then lease the property under a \$3.2 million promissory note that the Urban Renewal Agency will issue. The city will maintain control of some of the parking area on the property.

The Dell deal is expected to be completed Friday, said City Attorney Fritz Wonderlich.

In other business, the council helped honor the memory of Twin Falls police Sgt. Jim Mildon, a 31-year veteran of the force who died unexpectedly in 1999.

Mildon's daughter, Brandy Mildon, presented the council with three body armor vests designed for dogs. The vests will be used for dogs serving the Twin Falls police and Idaho State Police, she said. Money for the vests was raised through the annual Jim Mildon Memorial Golf Tournament, she said. Brandy Mildon said her father was always fond of police dogs.

The council also presented the First Jim Mildon Traffic Safety Award to representatives of SOS Driving School and the Professional Driving School of Twin Falls. Mildon often spoke to classes at both schools, said Twin Falls police traffic division commander Matt Hicks.

Officers still keep close ties with the school, he said.

The council also:

- Agreed to provide about \$28,000 in matching funds from the city for a federal grant to improve the Rocky Cliff area of Rock Creek Park near Addison Avenue West. The project should help beautify one of the main entrances into the city, said Twin Falls City Engineer Gary Young.

- Approved the final plats for Stonebrook Subdivisions 5 and 6.

- Granted a one-year extension on the final plat for phase one of the Birch Creek Subdivision and Birch Creek Village Park.

- Approved contracts for parts and supplies for the water department during the coming year. The department's budget this year totals about \$144,000.

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RUPERT



Harold C. 'Swede' Reno

Harold C. "Swede" Reno, 71-year-old Rupert resident, passed away January 24, 2002, at St. Luke's Hospital in Boise, Idaho. Harold was born February 27, 1930, in Belfry, Montana, the son of Neil & Nioma Reno. As a child he was nicknamed "Swede" due to his white blond hair. He attended all his school years in Powell, Wyoming, graduating from Powell High School in 1948. At the age of 18 he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force with his first assignment at Larson Air Force Base, in Moses Lake, WA, where he met his future wife on August 7, 1949. Harold and Bertha Beckman were married October 27, 1950, in Fitzville, WA. In 1951 Harold was sent to Bantwair Air Force Base, England. While in England his first child Patricia Diane was born November 10, 1953. In 1954 he was stationed at Good Fellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, TX. While in Texas his second child Linda Kay was born February 21, 1955. In 1957 he returned to Larson Air Force Base for the 2nd time, while there his third child Robert Neil was born June 28, 1959. Harold worked on the name Neil for a third generation. Harold and his son Carl was on the name for the 4th generation. In 1960 he was sent to Tokyo, Japan, on assignment with the Military Assistant Advisory Group (MAAG). In 1962 he was assigned at Luke Air Force Base in Phoenix, AZ, and in 1964 he was sent to Lindsey Air Station, Wiesbaden, Germany. In 1967 he was stationed at Beale Air Force Base, Marysville, CA. In July of 1969 he retired with 21 years in the Air Force, as a Master Sergeant. He moved to Rupert, Idaho, where he performed various jobs to support his family until his employment with the Pur-Gro Company, in August of 1972, he was hired at J.F. Simplot Co. in Heyburn, where he worked in inventory and then as an Accountant for 19 1/2 years, until February 2, 1992. Harold retired for the 2nd time. During the past 10 years he enjoyed bowling, gardening, attending the youth Reno Family reunions in various states, country western music, playing cards, working on the computer, watching baseball on T.V., working on the Reno Family genealogy, and playing pool. He took great pride in and enjoyed his three children, five grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and anticipated with great joy the pending birth of his second great-grandchild in August. Harold and Bertha celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 27, 2000, with an open house provided by their children and grandchildren. He provided and cared for his wife all their married life and his main concern was that she was well taken care of. His wife was his life partner and his main care provider the last months of his life. He is survived by his wife Bertha of Rupert, three children, Pat (Steve) Johnson of Pocatello, ID; Bertha (Bill) Downs, Roy (Vivian) of Spokane, WA, and Robert (Debbie) Reno of Pocatello, ID; five grandchildren, Kori (Todd) Van Horn of Pocatello, ID; Nathan Gray of Sandpoint, ID; Lisa Gray of Stockton, CA; Erin Devine of Spokane, WA, and David Reno of Pocatello, ID; one great-grandchild, Konda Van Horn of Pocatello, ID; and five siblings: Roy (Vivian) Reno of Riverton, WY; Margie (Ned) Scholz of Centennial, CO; Dennis (Loretta) Loveland, CO; Helen (Leroy) Beckwith of Basin, WY; and Ken (Carmen) Reno of Scottsdale, AZ. He was preceded in death by his parents, Neil & Nioma Reno; three brothers, Ralph, Walter, and Lloyd Reno; one sister, Alice Roth; and one grandson. Funeral services will be held at 2

p.m. Tuesday, January 29, 2002, at Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel with LeRoy Beckwith officiating. Friends may call Monday evening from 7-8 p.m. at Hansen Mortuary, Rupert Chapel and one hour prior to the service on Tuesday. Burial will follow at the Paul-Cemetery, with military Graveside rites.

TWIN FALLS



Tom Eiji Koto

Tom Eiji Koto, 84, of Twin Falls died Sunday, January 27, 2002, at his home. Tom was born September 14, 1917, in Twin Falls, the son of Tojiro and Kei Sakamaki Koto. He graduated from Jerome High School in 1935. He worked for the Boston Cafe in Shoshone. In June of 1941 Tom was drafted into the U.S. Army and served until 1945. He returned to Shoshone in 1945 and married Matsuye Ishida on January 23, 1946. Tom operated the Boston Cafe in Shoshone until 1958. They moved to Twin Falls where they owned and operated Koto's Cafe until 1976. Koto's was well known throughout the Magic Valley and popular among hunters for the duck dinners the restaurant prepared. Tom enjoyed working with his financial investments. He also enjoyed the outdoors and gardening. He was a member of the Baptist Church. Tom is survived by his wife, Matsuye of Twin Falls; 3 children, Elizabeth Koto of Seattle, WA; Patricia Koto of Toppenish, WA; and Tom E. Koto Jr. of Boise; one nephew Mike Koto of Fruitland, Idaho; and two nieces, Laura Novassad of Denver and Grace, Ishida of Portland, Oregon. His parents, step-father, 1 sister and 1 brother preceded him in death. Funeral services for Tom will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 31, at White Mortuary. Viewing will be held on Wednesday evening from 4-8 p.m. at White Mortuary. Cremation will take place under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory. The family suggests memorials be given to CSI Foundation Tom Koto Endowment Fund at P.O. Box 1238, Twin Falls, ID 83303-1238 or to the Hospice Visions at 208 Shoshone St. #11 Twin Falls, ID 83301.

CHALLIS



Norma C. Larson

Norma C. Larson, 76, of Challis, Idaho, died Monday, January 21, 2002, at Bridgeway Estates in Twin Falls. Norma was born on April 19, 1925, in Lower Stanley, Idaho, the daughter of David and Carrie (Castro) Williams. She grew up in the Sawtooth Valley and was a 1943 graduate of Challis High School. On October 11, 1944, in Jerome, Idaho, she was married to Theron Larson. They lived in Stanley and then moved to Stevensville, Montana, and then to Twin Falls in 1961. In Twin Falls she worked as a cook at the Morningstars School from 1961 until 1974. She also worked as a cook

for the U.S. Forest Service during the summers of 1957 through 1963. Mr. Larson preceded her in death in Twin Falls in 1989. She moved to Challis in 1994. Norma loved the outdoors and especially liked to fish and collect rocks. She also enjoyed crocheting and square dancing. She loved to travel and traveled throughout the U.S. and Brazil. She spent the winters for many years in Arizona. She was a member of the Good Sam Club, the G.T. Card Club and the Mountain Valley Baptist Church in Challis. Her family was the most important part of her life especially her grandchildren. Survivors include one son, Gordon Larson of Idaho Falls; one daughter, Karen Clark of Buhl; two step-daughters, Carolyn Larson of Sacramento, California, and Shirley Hethorn of Oldtown, Idaho; one brother, Morgan C. Williams of Challis, Idaho; one sister, Marie Sullivan, also of Challis, Idaho; 6 grandchildren; 4 step-grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two brothers and two sisters. Private family graveside services will be held Saturday, February 2, at 11:30 a.m. in the Challis Cemetery. Public memorial services will follow at 1 p.m. in the Challis Veterans Legion Hall with Pastor Dave Morrow officiating. In lieu of flowers the family suggests contributions in her memory to the Mountain Valley Baptist church of Challis or to the Norma Larson Scholarship Fund at Challis High School. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary of Twin Falls, Idaho.

HAGERMAN



William Phillip Riedel

William Phillip Riedel, 84-year-old Hagerman resident, died Sunday, January 27, 2002, at his home. He was born in Altwood, Colorado, on Dec. 15, 1917. Bill received an Honorable Discharge after serving his country in World War II from Sept. 1940 to Sept. 1944. He is survived by his wife, Martha; three children, Gwendolyn (Richard) Hughes of Sandy, UT; Jacqueline (Wendell) Braun of Auburn, WA, and William Lloyd Riedel of Auburn, WA; 18 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; two sisters, Francis Maxfield of Tyler, TX, and Florence Thode of Denver, CO; and one brother, Anthony Riedel of Florida. He was preceded in death by one son James Vaughn Riedel, his parents, 4 brothers, and 1 sister. Funeral services for William Phillip Riedel will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 1, 2002, at the Hagerman LDS Chapel. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary Thursday, Jan. 31, 2002, from 4-8 p.m.

KIMBERLY



Willard Harry Mumm

Willard Harry Mumm, 75, of Kimberly, passed away at his home on Sunday, January 27, 2002. He was born June 16, 1926, in Yutan, Nebraska, the son of Harry and Elsie Frahm Mumm. On March 16, 1957, he married Erika Wohlt in Omaha, Nebraska. To this union were born five children. Willard worked as a farmer and a bus driver for Sun Valley Slaggs. He is survived by his wife, Erika of Kimberly; children, Marvin (Denise) Mumm of Kimberly, Marlys (Jim) Massey of Twin Falls, Mike (Row) Mumm of Kimberly, Monica (Daron) Mumm of Twin Falls, and Mark (Camella) Mumm of San Mateo, California; brother, Carl (Kathy) Mumm of Hartford, N.C.; sisters, Katherine (John) Nelson of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Marcia (Gene)

Evans, of Logan, Iowa; Betty (Harold) Ashworth of Omaha, Nebraska; and Joyce Larson of Omaha, Nebraska; ten grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. Willard was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Elsie Mumm, infant sister Wiebke Mumm and a brother, Leroy Mumm. Memorial services will be held Friday, February 1, 2002, at 10:30 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church with Pastor Lawrence Vedder officiating. Cremation was under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls. The family requests, in lieu of flowers, memorials be made in Willard's name to the Immanuel Lutheran School Athletic Fund.

TWIN FALLS



Marjorie A. Baughman

Marjorie A. Baughman, 85, of Twin Falls, passed away Monday, January 28, 2002, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls, Idaho. Marjorie was born September 17, 1916, in Colorado Springs, Colorado, the daughter of George C. and Vella Novik Parberry. On June 3, 1937, she married her sweetheart, Ralph Baughman and to this union were born three children. Marjorie and Ralph moved their family to Buhl, where they farmed and raised cattle. She was his helpmate and enjoyed their life together farming. She was active in the Northview Women's Club and a lifelong member of the St. John's Lutheran Church in Buhl. When she wasn't busy working or raising her family, she loved to play pinocle, traveling and socializing with her friends and neighbors. Marjorie was a devoted daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and friend. She was the apple of her husband's eye and will be missed by all who knew and loved her. Marjorie is survived by her loving husband of 64 years, Ralph of Twin Falls; sons Ralph "Bud" (Neola Weaver) Baughman of Ordan, Utah, and Ernest (Marlene) Baughman of Loma Vista, CA; daughter Sally (Carl) Guldun of Haden Lake, ID; 5 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, and by her brother, Clement Parberry. Funeral services for Marjorie will be held Wednesday, January 30, 2002, at 1 p.m. at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Buhl, Idaho, with Pastor Mark Latham officiating. Burial will follow at the West End Cemetery in Buhl, Idaho. Those wishing to make donations may do so at the St. John's Lutheran Church Building Fund.

FILER

Reinhardt Rickenberg

Reinhardt Rickenberg, 91, of Filer, passed away January 22, 2002, at 1 p.m. at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Buhl, Idaho. He was born January 23, 1910. He worked as a farmer all his life in the Filer area. He was well-known for his old fashioned ways and even used horses to plow his field. He also raised chickens and sold his eggs to area residents. Reinhardt is survived by his son, Lytle Rickenberg of Filer, Idaho, Oregon, as well as several nieces and nephews.

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Graveside services will be held Wednesday, January 30, 2002, at 4 p.m. at the Clover Cemetery. Services and arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

MALTA

Stelan Ryan Branch

Stelan Ryan Branch, two-day-old, infant son of Nick and Alicia Branch of Malta, died Saturday, January 26, 2002, at St. Luke's Medical Center in Boise. He was born January 24, 2002, in Twin Falls, Idaho. Though Stelan's time on earth was brief, we came to love him dearly. If he could leave us a message, we feel that this is what it would be. I am a child of God and he once sent me here but called me to my heavenly home to guard my family dear. Know that I watch over you and wait for you to come and join me in the Celestial realms when earthly work is done. Stelan is survived by his parents, Nick and Alicia Branch of Malta; one sister, Taylor Meckenzee Branch of Malta; maternal grandparents, Marvin and Ann Hall of Malta; paternal grandparents, Randy and Shawna Branch of Snowville, Utah; paternal great-grandparents, Bill and Elaine Branch of Wellsville, Utah, and Harvey and Mary Lou Groth of Ririe, Idaho; and paternal great-grandmother, Hettie Hunter of Ririe, Idaho. He was preceded in death by his maternal great-grandparents, Edward and Estella Hall and Thomas and Ellen Livingston, and paternal great-great grandfather, Earl Hunter. Funeral services will be held at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 30, 2002, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Malta Ward Chapel, with Bishop Todd Harris officiating. Burial will be in the Valley Vu Cemetery in Malta. Friends may call Wednesday morning from 10:30 until 11:15 a.m. prior to the services at the Church. Family suggests that donations from friends and family may be left with or mailed to Payne Mortuary, 221 West Main Burley, ID 83318. Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary.

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Jeffrey D. Sage

SHOSHONE - Jeffrey D. Sage, 33, of Shoshone died Saturday, Jan. 26, 2002, near Boise of injuries sustained in an accident. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray's Shoshone Chapel.

Sean Patrick McCormick

WENDELL - Sean Patrick McCormick, 29, of Wendell died Saturday, Jan. 26, 2002, at his home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

William 'Bill' D. Beck

HEYBURN - William "Bill" D. Beck, 66, of Heyburn died Monday, Jan. 28, 2002, in Heyburn. Services are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary-Burley Chapel.

Joseph Earl Shobe

TWIN FALLS - Joseph Earl Shobe, 88, of Twin Falls died Monday, Jan. 28, 2002, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls. Services are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Phil W. Crane

BURLEY - Phil William Crane, 83, of Burley died Saturday, Jan. 26, 2002, at Boswell Memorial Hospital in Sun City, Ariz. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 1, 2002, at the Burley Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2050 Normal Ave., with Bishop H. Scott Horsley officiating. Interment will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Thursday at 165th St., Burley Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley and from 10:10-4:5 a.m. Friday at the church.

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MAGIC VALLEY

Snow piles up in Wood River Valley

Season might break record

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - This is a bitter-sweet year of snow in the Wood River Valley.

The sweet part is that snowfall for this season may be headed for something of a new record, which means a deeper snowpack and ample water supplies for agriculture and ranchers next summer.

The bitter part is that the number of skiers for the winter won't be a record: Sept. 11 and the sinking national economy have cut into travel.

However, for those who live in the area or have decided to sample ski conditions that the regulars are calling "superb," this year will go down as one of the best in memory.

So far this ski season, beginning with the first snow in October, some 73.82 inches has fallen on or around Mt. Bald, the principal ski mountain, reports a spokesman for the Ketchum Ranger District of the Forest Service. That compares to 41.7 inches for the same period in the 2000-2001 ski season - 56 percent of this year's total so far.



Driving conditions in downtown Ketchum were hazardous, over the weekend. A storm dropped 14 to 17 inches of snow in two days.

Last weekend's dosing of an estimated 14 inches officially (but estimated to be higher at the top of Baldy) also created unusual avalanche conditions.

One slide trapped a Ketchum firefighter, David Bell, who was working off duty as a ski patrolman on Mt. Bald. He was buried for an estimated four minutes before being rescued.

Jack Sibbach, marketing director for the Sun Valley Company, said numerous avalanches were reported. This prompted mountain patrols to detonate explosive charges to

loosen snow and create slides to prevent skiers from being exposed to risks.

But the big story after last weekend's storm was the major removal operation in Wood River Valley communities that prevented the heavy snowfall from creating any sort of slowdown in traffic.

The largest clearing job fell to the city of Ketchum, whose street department reported that 600 huge truckloads of snow were carted away in two days - an estimated 18,000 cubic feet. In Ketchum, City Administrator

Jim Jaquet said half of the city's annual streets budget of \$1.2 million is devoted to snow removal.

During the storm, a large double-rig fuel tank truck had difficulty making a hill turn on Warm Springs Road where it merges with Main Street.

While police diverted traffic to side streets, the truck's driver shoveled dirt around tires to provide traction.

In Hailey, Alan Stowell, of the street department, said his crews hauled away some 271 truckloads.

The city of Sun Valley, however, uses a different snow removal system, according to the street department director, Steve Cole. The resort community's 19 miles of roads are cleared by plows, with snow deposited on rights of way.

The weekend storm also proved to be a bonanza for the valley's private snow removal companies. Mark Palmer, a manager at Webb Landscaping, said the valley's largest private snow removal company, said 2001-2002 snowfalls have been much larger than the previous year's. He said Webb crews have made 14 trips to the company's 450 customers' homes and businesses this year, compared to four trips this time last year, to clear snow of 4 inches or more.

Commissioners hear about drug program

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Minidoka County commissioners ate lunch and visited with residents of the Mini-Cassia Juvenile Detention Center Monday.

Earlier in their meeting, they heard drug court programs and contact from probation officers have had positive influences on the community.

Prosecution of Attorney Doug Whipple said the number of clients in his department is leveling out. With drug court programs in place and good contact with probation officers, people are being caught earlier and problems are dealt with, Whipple said.

Drugs, especially methamphetamine, are still a problem, Whipple said, but intervention programs are benefiting society.

Lisa Kamachi, with the juvenile probation office, said the drug court program has been effective, especially with those who have been in the justice system a long time or who are young.

Kamachi said she had misgivings about the program at first, but "I'm glad on it now."

"Whipple spread the drug court program to other areas. It is often more demanding than other options available, he said, with counseling, drug tests and meetings with a judge on a weekly or even daily basis.

"Some people thrive in that structure," Whipple said.

The commissioners also heard from Sheriff Paul Fries about securing a grant for a sign to tell people to slow down during accidents on the interstate. During a recent snowstorm, there was a crash reaction as people did not slow down, Fries said.

There needs to be something besides flares to slow people

down, Fries said. People don't know what to do with an officer waving a flare.

"They (officers) didn't appreciate running for their lives out there, let alone safety structures."

A grant would pay for a programmable sign which would tell people to prepare to stop or slow down, Fries said. Slowing people down on the interstate should probably be the state's responsibility, but if the department receives the safety grant it is applying for, it wouldn't matter.

"People just don't slow down," Commissioner Dave Teeter said.

Paul Aston gave a report to the commissioners concerning construction at Minico High School. Construction at the school was allowed because a project to provide adequate water was going to occur at the same time.

Aston said the school does not provide adequate fire protection for the buildings which are there now, let alone new structures. A project to bring water from the city of Rupert to the high school seems to have stalled, Aston said.

"We need something out there," Aston said.

Aston said he would write a letter to school district Superintendent Nick Hallett asking him to certify of occupancy will be issued until adequate fire flow is provided. An on-site water system could meet the requirements, Aston said, but hooking to a city water system is more reliable.

The school has had problems with nitrates in the water, Aston said. Hooking to the city of Rupert would help that problem as well.

"I don't think the school wants to be in the water business," Aston said.

Aston said the addition and upgrade to the high school is a positive move, and he is sure the water issue will be resolved.

Town Hall meeting will take place

SUN VALLEY - The city of Sun Valley will host its annual Town Hall meeting from 6:30 to 9 p.m. today in the Limestone Room of the Sun Valley Inn.

Topics include an update on plans for the five acres that the city wishes to donate for a cultural center or some other purpose.

Snacks will be served.

Fish and Game Department will hold open house today
TWIN FALLS - Idaho's

Valley in brief

Department of Fish and Game hosts an open house to discuss 2002 hunting seasons and other issues from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. today in the KMYT Community Room.

People with questions or comments about hunting seasons, as well as other wildlife issues, are encouraged to attend and speak with Fish and Game employees.

- compiled from staff reports

Cassia commissioners make offer on building

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Cassia County commissioners hope to buy a building near the courthouse to relieve crowded offices.

The building, on the southeast corner of the intersection of Albion Avenue and 15th Street, would house some offices now in the courthouse if the buyers accept the \$128,000 offer.

There are several renters in the building, said Commissioner Paul Christensen. The county would consider the possibilities for the renters later, he said.

Rather than build a new judicial building, Cassia County commissioners have tried to reorganize the courthouse to provide adequate space for an expanding population. Several years ago the Mini-Cassia extension

office of the College of Southern Idaho moved out of the courthouse basement and into the old Burley High School. Relocation of the CSI office provided space to move the probation and juvenile courts downstairs, opening up three conference rooms for district court, said County Attorney Al Barrus.

Cassia County has bought the plot directly across from the courthouse. This land, now occupied by apartments, will be the site of a new judicial building, if necessary. The commissioners hope to delay building a new facility through the purchase of the building, Christensen said.

The building has no interior load-bearing walls and could be remodeled to best serve the county, Christensen said.

In other business, heads of the county departments reported to

the commissioners.

• Jail: The Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center will take as many as 40 temporary inmates at a time from the Border Patrol during the Olympics, said Dennis Dexter, director of the justice center. The prisoners, who would usually go to Salt Lake City, will go to other facilities during the Olympics.

The jail has 24 inmates from Cassia County, 41 from Minidoka County, 25 from the Idaho State Police and 32 from other counties, Dexter said. Thirty of the inmates are women, he said.

The U.S. Bureau of Census has been interviewing some of the prisoners and has found there is a drug and alcohol problem in the area. Dexter was not at all

surprised by the findings. "It could have told them that," he said.

• Weeds: The number of noxious weeds in the Minidoka Wildlife Refuge, near Raft River, has risen since cattle have stopped grazing the area, said Gordon Edwards, Cassia County weed supervisor. Edwards was not sure why more weeds were growing but said he would check it out.

The Weed Advisory Board is working with the Department of Agriculture to establish a law to make the scattering of noxious weed seeds a crime. There is no law to stop people from scattering seeds on Forest Service lands. If too many noxious weeds grow in an area, the Forest Service suspends grazing rights, Edwards said.

Dog, officer team subdues man who rammed car

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Working together, a deputy and his dog controlled a man who crashed into a patrol car and forcefully resisted arrest, according to a report from the Sheriff's Office.

Officers checked out James Fairchild, 27, of Burley into the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center Sunday on charges of aggravated assault, battery on an officer, assault on a police dog, resisting arrest, driving under the influence, leaving the scene of an accident and domestic battery in the presence of a child. A \$5,500 bond was set for his release.

Deputy Chris Jensen and Sgt. Robert Nay responded to a report of domestic violence from Desiree Fairchild around 8:20 p.m. Sunday. Fairchild told officers her husband, Corey Fairchild, had hit her and broken down the doors of the bathroom and bedroom, according to the report. He had attacked her while she was holding her baby, Desiree Fairchild told officers. She told the officers her hus-

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The pickup pulled away, then turned around and accelerated toward Jensen. Pointing his handgun directly at the driver, the deputy ordered the driver to stop, which he did when he had

pulled up within about six feet of the officer, the report said. Jensen called for backup on his portable radio, unaware that the batteries were dead, the report stated.

Jensen instructed the driver to get out of the vehicle several times before he opened his door and stepped out, according to the report. As the driver walked the front of the pickup, he reportedly yelling obscenities, Jensen pressed the button on a remote control, opening the door to release "York," a police dog, the report stated.

At first the driver, identified as Corey Fairchild, complied with the request to put his hands on the hood of his pickup, but when Jensen told him he was under

arrest he turned and advanced on the deputy saying, "Go ahead and shoot me," the report stated. Seeing Fairchild had no weapons in his hands, Jensen holstered his gun and attempted to bring him to the ground with his hands. The dog, seeing the two men scuffling, leaped at Corey Fairchild and bit him, but the dog lost its grip and came down with a piece of T-shirt in its mouth. The dog struck again, this time biting solidly into Corey Fairchild's thigh and knocking him flat. Jensen put Corey Fairchild in a submission hold, with one arm behind his back, then commanded the dog to release. The deputy secured the man in handcuffs, the report stated.

Corey Fairchild told Jensen he had hit his car on purpose, the report said. Realizing his radio was not working, Jensen asked an onlooker to call 911. It took three police officers to get Corey Fairchild into the patrol car, the report stated.

Idaho State Police reported Corey Fairchild had driven into a mailbox, a parked car and several large trash cans before he rammed the patrol car.

SERVICES

Robert A. French of Caldwell, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Hagerman Cemetery (Dakam Funeral Chapel, Caldwell).

Lorene N. Clett of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m., Wednesday at White Mortuary; interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; viewing from 4-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Glenn W. Young of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls; friends may call from 1-5 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel; private family interment will follow the services in Twin Falls Cemetery.

Pattie 'Pat' R. Jeffries of Gooding, service at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Gooding United Methodist Church; interment services will follow at Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding; family members and friends may sign

the register book from 1-7 p.m. Wednesday at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Aline Pratt Kesterson of Twin Falls and formerly of Baker City, Ore., service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Coles Funeral Home, 1950 Place St., Baker City; burial will follow at Mr. Hope Cemetery in Baker City (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Elsie P. Allen of Burley, service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Burley United Methodist Church, 27th and Almo; burial will be at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley; friends may call from 1-4:45 p.m. Saturday at the church (Lays Mortuary, Burley).

Harold C. 'Swede' Reno of Rupert, service at 2 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel; friends may call one hour before the service today; burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery with military graveside rites.

Field

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from grass tends to burn slowly and dark and does not dissipate because the wind doesn't blow much. In addition, it becomes trapped in the narrow valleys between mountain ranges. In other words, on a no wind day, a 30-acre field of wheat stubble burns as if it had been lit with gasoline, and smoke is cleared out of state in 30 minutes because of the wind, one committee member said.

Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, is vice chairman of the committee. He said he couldn't figure

out why the entire state was being subjected to the rules. "Is it expediency?" he asked.

Department officials said the ag department has received calls from all over the state about smoke, so the agency decided to make a study of the entire state.

Stevenson also was concerned that the rules would wind up in place with no further attention paid to them. Rep. Wayne Kendall, R-Aberdeen, was particularly concerned about a bill being drafted that proposes up to \$10,000 fines and a year in jail for not obeying the burning rules.

GOP

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the stance that any repeal of the law would go against the will of the voters - who twice passed ballot initiatives favoring term limits, Matthews said.

Even so the Twin Falls County GOP central committee and other committees around the state have passed resolutions urging Kempthorne to change his mind, Matthews said. A copy of Twin Falls County's resolution was recently sent to Kempthorne's

office, he said.

Republicans against term limits acknowledge that voters passed the measure but think that voters might have been misled, Matthews said.

"There was a lot of misinformation. There was actually a national organization the came in and got it put on the ballot," he said.

The proposed legislative redistricting plan is likewise probably not best for local interests, Hempleman said.

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By Scott Adams



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By Johnny Hart



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By Jim Davis



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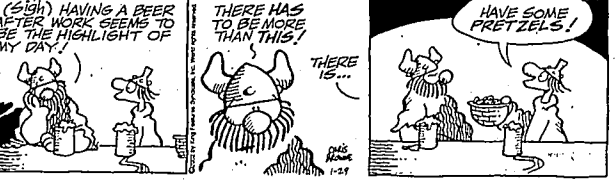
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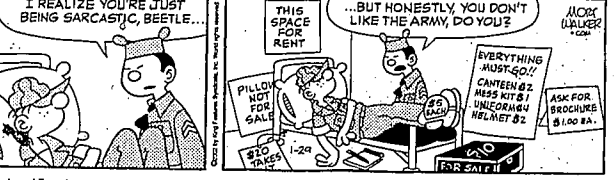
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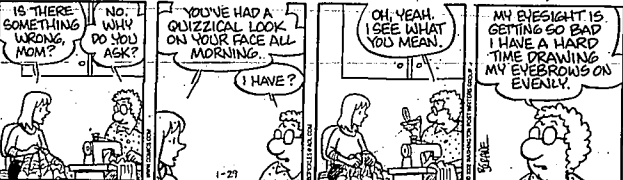
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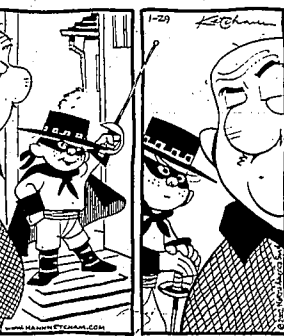
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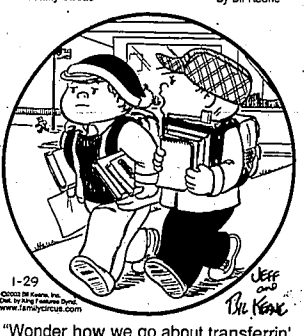
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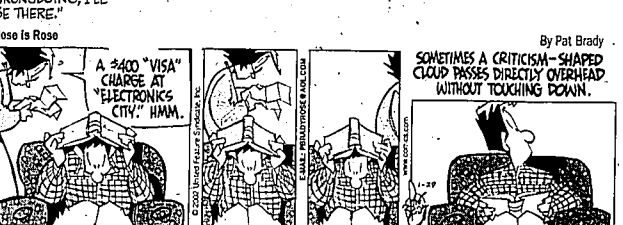
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By Bill Keane



Rose is Rose

By Pat Brady



Zits

By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott



Luann

By Greg Evans



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By John Deering



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By Wiley



MORNING LINE SPORTSQUOTE

“Because they play at Enron Field, this might be a good time for the Houston Astros to claim their record in the postseason is the result of accounting errors.”

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—Michael Ventre
of MSNBC.com

TRIVIA QUESTION:

Which city has hosted the most Super Bowl games?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High School boys basketball
 Bliss at Ketchum, 7:30 p.m.
 TFCA at Dietrich, 7:30 p.m.
 Carey at Richfield, 7:30 p.m.
 Hansen at Raft River, 7:30 p.m.
 Shoshone at Camas County, 7:30 p.m.
 Hagerman at Oakley, 7 p.m.
 Castledorf at Murtaugh, 7:30 p.m.
 Sugar-Salem at Declo, 7:30 p.m.
 Idaho Falls at Minico, 5:30 p.m.
 Twin Falls at Rigby, 7:30 p.m.

High school girls basketball
 5A District Four-Five Tournament
 Twin Falls at Minico, 8:15 p.m.
 Pocatello at Highland, 7 p.m.
 4A District Four-Five-Six Tournament
 Burley at Century, 7 p.m.
 Blackfoot at Bonneville, 7 p.m.
 3A District Four Tournament
 Filer vs. Kimberly, 7 p.m.
 2A District Four Tournament
 Glens Ferry at Valley, 7 p.m.

High school wrestling
 Filer, Fruitland at Gooding, 6 p.m.
 Kimberly, Wood River at Glens Ferry, 6 p.m.

High school bowling
 Twin Falls at Kimberly, 4 p.m.
 Hansen at Buhl, 4 p.m.



SALT LAKE 2002



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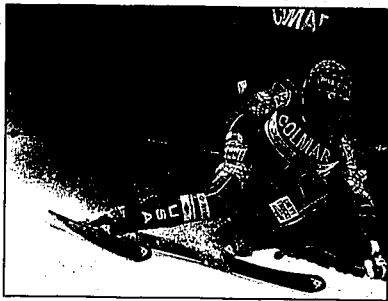
Opening Ceremony

The Torch Tour: Tuesday is Wyoming's day to host the Olympic torch. The flame passes through the cities of Kaycee, Casper, Wheatland and Cheyenne, capital of the first state to grant women's suffrage. March to the Medals: Aerialist Janet "Speedy" Peterson was added to the U.S. Olympic team Monday to replace injured Emily Cook. Cook, the defending U.S. aerials champion, withdrew Friday after doctors determined she wouldn't be able to compete in the games because of an injury to her right foot.

TRIVIA ANSWER:

New Orleans, the site of this year's game, with nine

Street will likely race only downhill



Picabo Street competes in the women's World Cup downhill Saturday in Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy. Street will likely not get a chance to defend her gold medal in the super-G, but will race the downhill in Salt Lake City.

Veteran skier won't get chance to defend super-G gold medal

The Associated Press

Picabo Street is the old-timer on the 22-member U.S. alpine ski team announced Monday for the Salt Lake City Olympics, but she almost certainly will not get to defend her super-G title.

The 30-year-old Street will compete in the downhill. In the super giant slalom, better known as the super-G, U.S. coaches have decided to go with four women who have far better World Cup results than Street in that event this winter.

Street can't be ruled out of the super-G because official entries aren't submitted until the night before the race. Still, the downhill

on Feb. 11 — the second alpine event of the Olympics — is expected to be her only competition in Salt Lake City.

"Picabo has a gold medal opportunity in the downhill. We do not anticipate her as a starter in the super-G," U.S. team spokesman Tom Kelly said.

Bode Miller, who ended an 18-year American drought with victories in World Cup slalom and giant slalom races this winter, heads the men's team and will compete in three events in Salt Lake City. The 24-year-old Miller, from Franconia, N.H., will be a favorite in the slalom, where he has three World Cup victories.

He also should challenge for a medal in the combined event, which features two slalom runs and one in the downhill. No American has won an Olympic gold medal in the men's slalom since Phil and Steve Mahre finished 1-2 at the

1984 Sarajevo Games.

Besides Miller, the only U.S. team member to win a World Cup event this winter is Kristine Koznick, who tied for first in a slalom last week in Germany and also has two seconds.

Street was the only American alpine skier to medal in the 1998 Nagano Olympics, but U.S. coaches expect a much better showing in Utah.

That Street is the team at all is remarkable, considering the horrific crash she survived a month after she won the gold in Japan. She shattered her left leg above the knee and tore every major ligament in her right knee. It was two years before she was able to ski again.

Street will retire from competition this year, though she has not decided whether to quit immediately after the Olympics or race at the U.S. championships March 11-19 at Squaw Valley, Calif.

Hornets slam Senators

Declo dominates after sluggish opening minutes

By Scott Thompson
Times-News writer

DECLO — The Declo Hornets were happy with all but the first five minutes of their performance Monday, while the visiting Gooding Senators were pleased with just those five minutes of theirs.

And the scoreboard showed that kind of differential in the Hornets' 53-24 victory over the Senators in the opening round of the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference girls basketball tournament.

Even after those five minutes, it was the top-seeded Hornets who had the 2-0 lead and it looked as though the Declo defense might not need the offense since that Amy Allen bucket came from the defense when junior Lana Moss got a steal and the assist.

But the offense, led by senior post Jamie Chatburn's 16 points, decided to show up anyway.

"We played five minutes tonight and that's it," said Senator coach Andrew Moretto, who was visibly upset with his team's performance. Neither team could get anything going early, even from the foul line as the Senators and Hornets combined to miss all eight free throw tries in those opening five minutes.

The Senators accounted for six of those misses and went on to miss their first eight charity shots, going just two of 10 in the game.

Moretto just shook his head and grimaced at the thought of his team's performance from the line.

It was Chatburn who finally got the Hornets (20-1) rolling, scoring six of the next nine points for Declo as the Hornets took an 11-5 advantage into the second quarter.

The Senators (3-19) finally scored when senior guard Carin Patterson hit a 3-pointer with just under two minutes remaining in



Declo's Carin Blakeslee goes in for a lay-up against Gooding's Carin Patterson Monday. The Hornets won the game 53-24 in the first round of the SCIC tournament.

the first quarter.

"Chatburn started hitting some shots and that really got us going," Declo coach Kim Johnson said. "And Lindsey (Smith) came in and gave us a spark."

Smith corralled an offensive rebound and scored a bucket in the midst of Chatburn's run at the end of the first quarter, and then nailed a pair of free throws

to start the Hornets on a 10-4 run at the beginning of the second stanza to put Declo up 21-9.

The final basket of the run was a putback by Chatburn.

"They must have outbounded us three to one," Moretto said. "They just beat us fundamentally."

The rebounding differential was actually 10, with the Hornets

holding a 37-27 advantage.

However, many of Declo's rebounds were on the offensive end and resulted in easy scores for the Hornets.

Senior All Nelsen, a 5-foot-10 post for the Senators, battled foul trouble all night and her absence helped contribute to Gooding's rebounding problems.

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Disabled star shifts gears in Sun Valley

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY — Paul Martin has already made his mark on the world of sports.

A member of the USSA Disabled Cycling Team, he holds the national record in the half-marathon for below-the-knee amputees. He's also the reigning national triathlete champion, voted the most inspirational disabled athlete in the country and a former member of the USSA Disabled Alpine Ski Team.

And he competes regularly in Iron Man competitions, those events that have athletes swim for miles, bicycle over 100 miles and run marathon distances — all in one day.

But this week Martin shifted gears, slipping his flex-foot prosthesis into a skate ski boot mounted on an in-wide cross country skate ski.

Then, under the watchful and hopeful eye of USSA Disabled

Cross Country Ski Team coach John Kreamelmeyer, Martin took his first few tentative glides down the corduroy skating lanes at Sun Valley Nordic Center.

It was what Kreamelmeyer hoped would be Martin's first steps toward earning a spot on the team.

"I have all the ingredients to be pretty good at cross country skiing. And it's something I can do to keep fit," said Martin, who also is considering the new sport of standup amputee hockey.

But Martin's first few shaky scissor cuts across the snow signified more than that.

They signaled the start of the first recruiting camp the seven-member USSA Disabled Cross Country Ski Team has ever had.

All goes well, the team hopes to make Sun Valley its development center. The team participated in Sun Valley's International Spring Series races two years ago and returned for the Boulder

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Belichick promises to answer QB question Wednesday

The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Tom Brady or Drew Bledsoe?

New England Patriots coach Bill Belichick promises he'll answer the Super Bowl's biggest question by announcing after practice Wednesday who will be the starting quarterback.

"I'm really not trying to keep anything from anybody," he said Monday. "But I'm not going to say anything if I'm not 100 percent. You can ask it 50 different ways, and I'll answer it Wednesday, that's the best I can do."

But this question won't go away easily, not after Bledsoe replaced the injured Brady late in the first half of the AFC championship win over Pittsburgh.

In fact, the first seven questions for Belichick on Monday were all variations on the same theme. He smiled and shrugged, knowing what a huge deal this is

leading up to Sunday's game against the St. Louis Rams.

When Brady got off the plane, he showed no signs of his sore left ankle.

In a season filled with adversity and surprises, Bledsoe played on Sunday for the first time in 126 days and guided the Patriots to a 24-17 victory.

"The hardest thing for me has been not playing," said Bledsoe, who ran the field and completed three passes on his first four plays, including an 11-yard touch-down pass to David Patten. "To be kneeling on the ball at the end of the game, and going to the Super Bowl, it's just a little overwhelming," he said.

The Patriots had been AFC champions for just an hour, and Lawyer Milloy already knew that legions of doubters weren't convinced that they belong in

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KAREN BOSSICK/The Times-News
 Paul Martin, of Chico, Calif., tries out skate-skiing with a prosthesis in the USSA Disabled Cross Country Ski Team's first over development camp. The camp was held at Sun Valley this week.

SPORTS

Huskies, Pirates advance in tournament

Magic Valley Conference
MURTAUGH - Top-seeded Hansen needed a big third quarter to get by...

responded after the break taking the lead while shutting down the Trojans.

trained that led the rest of the game."
The game was also the 200th career win for Sheppard, who's coached the Lady Indians for 15 years.

CANYON CONFERENCE
Glenns Ferry 43, Wendell 41
GLENN'S FERRY - Jessica Simons scored 15 points to lift Glenns Ferry Monday night...

Bobcats look for surprise; Tigers want to regain form

BURLEY - "One win can make a season."
That is according to Burley girls basketball coach Gordon Kerbs, who would love for his first-seeded Bobcats (4-16) to test that theory and win a shocker against the powerful and top-seeded Century Diamondbacks (18-2) today in the opening round of the Great Basin Conference tournament.

Great Basin Tournament
Today's games
No. 5 Burley (4-16) at No. 1 Century (18-2), 7 p.m.

Hansen 54, Oakley 47
Bonnie Freestone led the Huskies with 14 points as Hansen kept it close...

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Daniella Cotta tossed in 25 points as the Castelford Wolves stayed alive with a rout of Magic Valley Christian.

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Hagerman 41, Raft River 35
Teressa Owsley scored 19 points as Hagerman recovered from an early deficit to advance to the championship game.

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Russell helps Jazz beat Heat, stop losing skid

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Bryon Russell scored a season-high 20 points to break out of a NBA shooting slump as Utah ended a three-game losing streak with a victory over Miami.

The Jazz had lost five of six games, including back-to-back blowout losses to Sacramento.

had 12, but shot just 3-of-16 from the field for Miami, which lost for just the second time in its last nine games.

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Mushers

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The Super Bowl. He knew however they played next would be big favorites.

NFC title about three hours later, the Patriots were made 16-point underdogs against the Rams by the Las Vegas oddsmakers.

Marshall Faulk, dangerous receivers and outstanding defense. And the Super Bowl will be played on artificial turf and in a dome, just as the Rams had at home all season.

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"This is not a glory sport. It's a hard sport, and for wheelchair athletes it's even more brutal. Just imagine going out, and double poling on your skis all day instead of using your legs," said Stewart, who lost his arm in a construction accident at the famed Watergate Building in Washington, D.C.

Service's let-burn policy from his home in Chico, Calif., was among those trying the ski. He's been an alpine monkster, a wheelchair triathlete, but now he had to learn new skills, like collapsing on his chest as he dug his poles in to get a longer glide. And how to turn on the flats, a feat that resembles a complicated parallel parking maneuver on cross country skis.

After several turns around the track, Portland attorney Greg Mallory, decided that cross country skiing would be a good adjunct to his summer sport of kayaking, which has taken him to the Gorge Games and other competitions.

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SPORTS

Tampa edges Rangers on late score

NEW YORK - Nikolai Khabibulin stopped 42 shots, tied in the third period, and Vincent Lecavalier scored on a power play to lead the Tampa Bay Lightning to a 3-2 victory over the New York Rangers on Monday night.



Igla scored on a tip-in 46 seconds into overtime, leading Calgary to its second victory in nine games.

Roman Turek held the Wild scoreless for the final 43 minutes and finished with 31 saves. In three victories over Minnesota this season, Turek has stopped 67 of 72 shots.

Denis Gauthier scored midway through the third period, tying it at 2. The goal was Gauthier's first in 29 games since Nov. 15.

Andrew Brunette had a goal and an assist for Minnesota, which has one victory in 10 games.

Coyotes 4, Thrashers 2 ATLANTA - Daniel Briere scored the tiebreaking goal for Phoenix midway through the second period as Sean Burke led a fairly easy night in goal against Atlanta.

Burke, who missed seven games with a groin strain, faced 16 shots and had to make only a handful of tough saves in his first appearance since a Jan. 9 loss to St. Louis.

Phoenix peppered Atlanta goalie Milan Hrnjic with 36 shots. Landon Wilcox, Teppo Numminen and Ossi Vaananen also scored for the Coyotes.

Jiri Slegr and rookie Ilya Kovalchuk had Atlanta goals.

Brins 2, Blackhawks 1 BOSTON - Bill Guerin scored with 2:11 seconds left and Byron Doreau scored 26 saves as Boston edged Chicago, 2-1, on Monday night.

Josef Stumpel assisted on both Bruins goals.

Jocelyn Thibault made 20 saves for Chicago, 6-2 in its last

Tampa Bay Lightning center Vincent Lecavalier scores the game-winning goal on New York Rangers goalie Mike Richter in the third period Monday in New York.

10 visits to Boston. The Blackhawks are 10-12-5 on the road this season despite starting the night with the second-most points in the NHL.

Glen Murray gave the Bruins a 1-0 lead, before Michael Nylander tied it at 13:08 of the first period.

Mighty Ducks 1, Blues 0 ST. LOUIS - Paul Kariya scored late in the second period, and Jean-Sebastien Giguere stopped 15 shots for his seventh career shutout to lead Anaheim over St. Louis.

Giguere's third shutout of the season extended the Mighty Ducks' winning streak to a season-high four games.

St. Louis, which had defeated Anaheim in their last five meetings, lost its third straight game after winning 10-1 in their first.

Kariya scored his 19th goal of 17:28 of the second when he lifted the puck over the shoulder of

Fred Brathwaite, who made his first game since Jan. 1, a span of 12 games.

Stars 4, Blue Jackets 2 DALLAS - Rob DiMaio broke a tie with 7:04 to play, leading Dallas past Columbus - the Stars' first win under interim coach Rick Wilson.

Scott Pellerin added an empty-net goal with 42.7 seconds left for Dallas, which snapped a three-game losing streak.

Grant Marshall's second-period goal against his former team moved Columbus into a 2-2 tie. Deron Quint had a power-play goal late in the first period and the Blue Jackets, 1-5 in their last six and 1-14 in their last 16 road games.

Martin Rucinsky and Richard Matvichuk had first-period goals for the Stars.

Flames 3, Wild 2, OT ST. PAUL, Minn. - Jarome

Kings 6, Avalanche 4 DENVER - Craig Johnson scored twice as the Los Angeles Kings beat the Avalanche 6-4 Monday night, snapping Colorado's six-game winning streak.

After Joe Sakic ended a career-worst 18-game scoreless streak with two goals in the second period, Jason Allison scored the game-winner at 14:34 in the third to put the Kings up 5-3.

It was the first time in nine games the Avalanche allowed more than two goals. Patrick Roy had 21 saves for Colorado, while Felix Potvin stopped 25 shots for Los Angeles.

Red Wings 1, Oilers 1 EDMONTON, Alberta - Tomas Holmstrom scored a power-play goal at 14:42 of the second period to lift the Detroit Red Wings to a 1-1 tie with the Edmonton Oilers on Monday night.

Holmstrom got his seventh of the season when he redirected Bryan Shanahan's one-timer past Tommy Salo to extend Detroit's unbeaten streak to six games (4-0-2).

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Seattle looks to sign veteran right-hander

SEATTLE - The Seattle Mariners are close to finalizing an agreement to sign right-handed starter James Baldwin.

Baldwin was scheduled to take a physical examination Monday, one of the final steps in completing the deal, a person involved in the talks said on condition of anonymity.

Baldwin went 10-11 with a 4.42 ERA with the Los Angeles Dodgers and the Chicago White Sox last season. He is expected to join a starting rotation that will include Freddy Garcia, left-hander Jamie Moyer and Paul Abbott this season.

The Mariners, who set an AL record with 116 victories last season, will report to spring training Feb. 14.

New Jersey Devils fire coach Robinson

WEST ORANGE, N.J. - No more Mr. Nice Guy, and the New Jersey Devils have only themselves to blame.

Larry Robinson was fired as the Devils coach on Monday with the club struggling to make the playoffs less than a year after coming within a victory of winning consecutive Stanley Cups.

The coaching and well-known Robinson was replaced by former Pittsburgh Penguins coach Kevin Constantine, a noted disciplinarian. Constantine, who considers himself a teacher, will make his debut on Tuesday at the New York Islanders.

Perennially one of the NHL's strongest teams, the Devils (21-20-7-3) are in ninth place in the Eastern Conference, one spot out of a playoff position with 31 games left.

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Salt Lake City - The Utah Jazz placed guard John Croty on the injured list with tendinitis in his left knee on Monday, and planned to sign Rusty LaRue to a 10-day contract.

Pending a physical Tuesday, LaRue is expected to be in uniform Wednesday against the Chicago Bulls.

LaRue, a 6-foot-3 guard who spent parts of three seasons with Chicago from 1997-2000, averaged 7.3 points in six preseason games with Utah before being placed on waivers. He averaged 12 points with the Asheville Altitude of the National Basketball Development League.

Croty, averaging a career-best seven points and 3.5 assists, has missed four of Utah's last six games with tendinitis after playing in the first 38 games of the season.

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

"He may well win the race that runs by himself."
— Benjamin Franklin

In a team contest, a "push" is a tied result of a particular deal. Some are hard-fought; others are not. In today's example, declarer at one table deserved a win 12 IMPs. Unfortunately, at the other table, two players traded blunders, "earning" a tied result on the deal.

At both tables, West led a heart to East's king and East returned the queen, forcing dummy to ruff. Choosing an inferior line, South led a club to his ace and ruffed his last heart with dummy's trump jack. After he cashed dummy's trump king, he ruffed a low club and drew trumps. With five cards led in each hand, South took a losing spade finesse to dummy's jack. Had East returned a spade, South would have lost another spade trick. However, he blundered and forced South to ruff a heart. In the process, he placed West in a merciless vice. If West discarded a spade, South's spades would run; if he discarded his club king, dummy's queen would score.

In the replay, South chose a much better plan. After ruffing the second heart in dummy and cashing his club ace, South led a diamond to dummy's jack instead of ruffing a heart. Then he led dummy's club queen and discarded a heart when East didn't cover. West won, but he had no effective response. His switch to the spade 10 went to South's king, and South led a trump to dummy's king. South then ruffed a low club, drew trumps, and claimed the remaining tricks without the need of a spade finesse.

NORTH 1-2-A
 ♠ A J 7
 ♥ K J 9
 ♦ K J 8
 ♣ Q J 8 7 6 5

EAST 1-2-A
 ♠ K Q
 ♥ A K Q 9 7 3
 ♦ A 10 5 3
 ♣ 9 2

SOUTH 1-2-A
 ♠ K 6 5 4
 ♥ J 5 2
 ♦ A Q 8 7 6
 ♣ A

Vulnerable: North-South
 Dealer: North

The bidding:
 North East South West
 1♣ 1♥ 2♦ 2♣
 3♦ 3♥ 3♠ Pass
 4♦ Pass 5♦ All pass

Opening lead: Heart four

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:
 ♠ A K
 ♥ A Q K 9 7 3
 ♦ 10 5 3
 ♣ 9 2

North South
 1♣ 2NT ?

ANSWER: Three no-trump. Your six-card suit may be just as useful as no-trump as at hearts.

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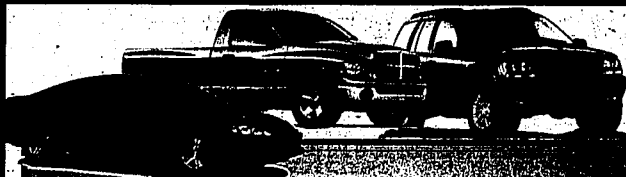
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