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Senate OKs fetal protection bill

The Times-News and The Associated Press

BOISE - "Noah's Bill" is a step closer to becoming Idaho law. Co-sponsored by Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl, the legislation that gives a fetus the same protection as a person in assault cases passed the Senate easily on Monday. However, the unborn child would have to be one the mother had chosen to carry to term and would have to be con-

nected to murder, manslaughter or aggravated battery. The bill was prompted by July's beating of a pregnant Tampa teen-ager, Lisa Smith. Shortly after, she delivered a stillborn boy she named Noah. The attacker, who has never been arrested, could be charged with no more than misdemeanor battery for harming the fetus. Surprisingly, there was limited

debate leading up to the 28-7 vote, which sent the bill on to the House. Despite declarations that abortion was not the issue, All Magic Valley senators, with the exception of Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Keetchum, voted in favor of the bill. According to the National Council of State Legislatures, 27 other states have passed similar laws, and none has run afoul of the courts. The bill's sponsor, Sen. Hal Bunderson, R-Boise, said Missouri passed a law with lan-

guage similar to Idaho's and the U.S. Supreme Court refused to hear a challenge of the law, stating the language was constitutional. The Missouri law states that life begins at conception. The Idaho language uses the term "embryo" which according to many dictionaries includes language such as "from the time of conception until the third month of life." It is that sort of language that proponents warned could be

SLC airport bursts at the seams

Twin Falls escapes five-hour flight lines

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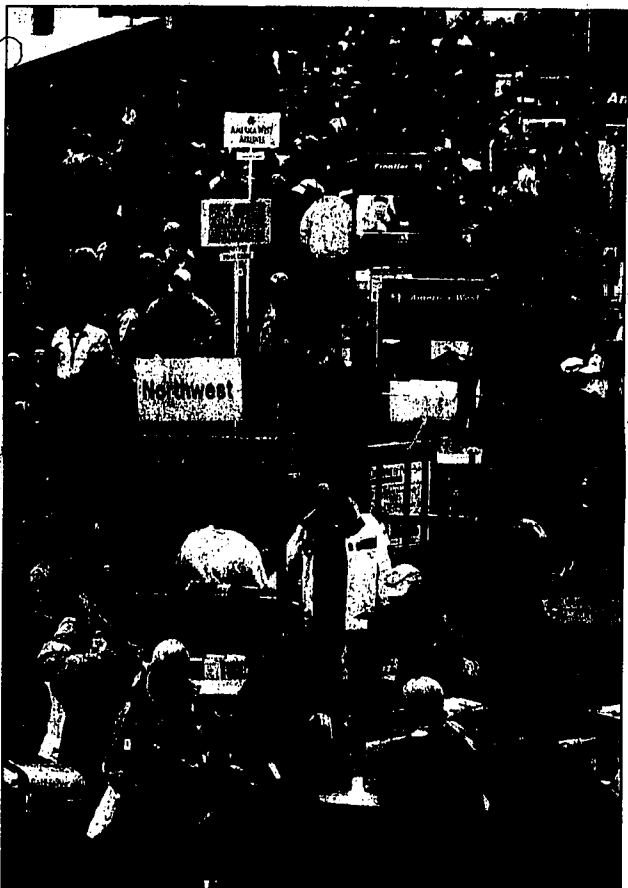
SALT LAKE CITY - Crowds of Olympic tourists trying to get home spilled out onto the sidewalks Monday and gave the Salt Lake International Airport its busiest day ever. Some waited for up to five hours - parts of it outside in near-freezing weather. Meanwhile, the effects of the Salt Lake overflow were minimal at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport in Twin Falls. "There's some spillover 15- or 20-minute delays here and there, but nothing major and no cancellations today," said airport manager Bill Carberry.

A flight out of Twin Falls late Sunday had to be canceled because a malfunctioning security device in Salt Lake held the whole system up, said Kathryn Syme, who manages the SkyWest airlines ticket counter in Twin Falls. SkyWest runs five flights to Salt Lake every day from Twin Falls, she said. And unless more problems popped up in Salt Lake, those flights were expected to continue smoothly Monday and today, she said.

At the Salt Lake airport, employees and volunteers did their best to distract irritated, bored passengers by providing free bottled water, gold medal-shaped chocolate candies and books of poetry. Bands of roving singers in costumes entertained those twiddling their thumbs. The general manager of American Airlines, Harry Bicchieri, looked at the United line and said, "Oh, that one - that's two days long." In contrast, American, with fewer flights, had a much shorter wait time.

Graham Richardson, 37, had been snaking toward the Delta Air Lines counter for three and a half hours. He was about to miss his flight home to Great Britain but appeared nonplused. "As long as I make it by half-past seven tomorrow to read my children a bedtime story, I'll be happy." Richardson said he and friend Paul Ledger, both support staff for the British bobsled team, established short-term goals. "First we wanted to get from cold to warm, now we take it lane by lane."

Reading the free book of poetry, Richardson stopped at a passage titled, "To an athlete dying young," and added the phrase "of boredom at the airport." The airlines have the capacity to handle about 74,000 passengers taking off and landing a day, said Barbara Gann, airport spokeswoman. On Monday, numbers were expected to exceed that amount, but Gann did not know by how much.



Above, thousands of travelers stand in line to check in for flights at the Salt Lake City International Airport Monday. Tens of thousands of travelers trying to fly home from the Olympics were greeted with lines longer than two football fields and waiting times of up to four hours. Left, airport helper Dean McAllott, right, assists Romanian bobsleists Alexandra Ruso, left, and her coach, Ioan Logocals, as they wait in line at Salt Lake International Airport for their flights home Monday. Ruso was unable to compete in the games after her rifle was lost during her flight here. It has yet to be found.

Singles now outnumber families in suburbs

The Associated Press

LEESBURG, Va. - Forget "Ozzie and Harriet." The married-with-children crowd no longer rules the suburbs. Monthly house-holds braced by a young, single professional or an elderly widow, for instance, now outnumber married couples with kids in the suburbs of the nation's biggest metropolitan areas. "It's incredible how things have changed since I moved up

here. The traffic has tripled. Everywhere we look there are a lot of townhomes going up," said retiree Christine Reed, who moved to this Washington suburb nearly three years ago after her husband died. The 2000 census finds they in the face of notions of suburbs dominated by families similar to the one popularized in the 1950s sitcom "Ozzie and Harriet." Just Allen, Ed and the kids living under the same roof. "This is a wave of the future,"

demographer William Frey said. "Suburbs are becoming much more diverse in terms of lifestyle." The transition also poses challenges for officials in many fast-growing counties struggling to balance the needs of their oldest and newest residents. "It's a tremendous drain on the available housing because we have different kinds of demands," said Jacqueline Ebers, research director for the National Association of Counties.

Overall, the 2000 census showed suburbs continuing to attract all types of families, especially in the older, industrial urban centers of the Northeast and Midwest. In the nation's 102 largest metropolitan areas, "nonfamilies" comprised 25 percent of households in 2000, up from 27 percent in 1990. While the number of married-with-children homes grew, too,

Officials raise fees for CAFOs

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Owners of new animal feeding operations with 100 or more animal units will now pay significantly higher application fees. County Commissioners Bill Brockman and Marvin Hempleman Monday approved the fee hike to help offset the costs of the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Department to process animal feeding operation applications and transcripts. Commissioner Gary Grindstaff was not present.

The application fee for new 100- to 895-animal unit operations will rise from \$250 to \$545 - a 118 percent increase - and the application fee for new 1,000-plus animal feeding operations will jump from \$250 to \$1,750 - a 600 percent increase. It will now cost unregistered existing operations \$250 to register, and planning and zoning appeal transcripts will now cost \$3.25 a page and require a \$25 deposit.

Some think the county is unfairly singling out dairy operators. "I can't understand why the county is trying to balance their planning and zoning books on the back of the dairy industry," said Lewis Eilers, executive director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association. "They clearly have the authority to set what they're going to charge, but is it the right thing to do? I don't think so. When they don't have any more dairy industry in Twin Falls County, they'll shake their heads and wonder what happened." But Hempleman said the county. Please see CAFO, Page A2

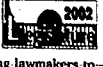
Groups push for delisting of wolf in Idaho

By Julie Panca Times-News writer

BOISE - It may have been a first: ranchers, the government and environmentalists on the same side. Organizations representing cattlemen, sheep producers and outfitters lined up with the governor's Office of Species Conservation and groups such as the Idaho Conservation League on Monday in urging lawmakers to get on with a plan to "delist" the Canadian gray wolf in Idaho.

In 1995, against the wishes of the Idaho Legislature, the federal government reintroduced 15 wolves into the state with the cooperation of the Nez Perce Tribe. It is now estimated that 264 wolves are in Idaho. Group leaders agreed that wolf recovery in Idaho is nearing the point of needing to take immediate steps to control the population. Members of the Senate Resources, and Environment Committee heard testimony before they vote on whether to accept the "Idaho Wolf Conservation and Management Plan," more commonly referred to

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# FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY



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**Idaho Extremes Yesterday:**  
 High 37°  
 Low 16°  
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**Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday**  
 High/Low 45°/20°  
 Normal High/Low 42°/20°  
 Record High/Low 68° in 1966 / 7° in 1984  
 Precipitation: 24 hours ending 6 p.m. yesterday: 0.00"  
 Month to date: 0.17"  
 Normal month to date (Oct. 1): 0.81"  
 Water year to date (Oct. 1): 3.90"  
 Normal year to date (Oct. 1): 8.17"

**Humidity**  
 Yesterday at noon: 63%  
 Barometric Pressure Yesterday at 6 p.m.: 30.59 in.  
 Pollen yesterday in Twin Falls

Source: Almanac and Atlas of Idaho

Shows today's weather. Temperature is today's highs and tonight's lows.

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## FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sunshine giving way to some clouds. ▲ 36°	Patchy clouds. ▼ 18°	Clouds giving way to sunshine. ▲ 38° ▼ 20°	Partly to mostly sunny. ▲ 42° ▼ 22°	Increasingly cloudy, maybe a shower. ▲ 44° ▼ 28°	Time of clouds and sunshine. ▲ 46° ▼ 28°

## REGIONAL WEATHER

**Southern Idaho:** Sunshine will be followed by increasing afternoon clouds in the west today. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight. Morning clouds will give way to sunshine tomorrow.

**Boise:** Morning sunshine will give way to increasing clouds today. High 38. Partly cloudy tonight. Low 20. Morning clouds will break for sunshine tomorrow. High 44.

**Northern Nevada:** Abundant sunshine across the entire area today. Highs will range from the 30s in the higher ground in the east to near 60 in the southwest. Clear to partly cloudy tonight.

**Northern Utah:** Sunshine will mix with a few clouds today. Highs will range from the upper teens in the far northeast to the upper 30s in the west. Partly cloudy tonight.

**Northern Idaho:** A cold front will spread clouds across the region today with a snow shower or two. Clouds will break tonight. Most of this week will bring tranquil weather with limited precipitation.

## NATIONAL EXTREMES

High 90° in Del Rio, TX Low -27° in West Yellowstone, MT

## NATIONAL WEATHER

Shown are north positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.



## CANADIAN CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Calgary	28	10	30	7
Edmonton	28	10	22	10
Kelowna	35	20	43	22
Victoria	12	10	11	8
Vancouver	44	32	46	32
Winnipeg	4	-9	15	-3

## SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 7:10 a.m.  
 Sunset tonight: 8:23 p.m.  
 Moonset tonight: 7:10 a.m.

Full Last New First  
 Feb 27 Mar 6 Mar 13 Mar 21

## UV INDEX TODAY



0-1, Minimal; 2-3, Low; 4-6, Moderate; 7-8, High; 10+, Very High. Values indicate the exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.

## NATIONAL CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Atlanta	55	24	34	19
Baltimore	54	44	48	24
Birmingham	65	43	44	24
Boston	24	12	33	17
Buffalo	22	12	35	17
Chicago	24	10	24	10
Cleveland	50	19	25	17
Denver	20	2	38	16
Des Moines	18	6	27	15
Detroit	34	19	26	15
El Paso	56	29	50	31
Fairbanks	20	1	-2	-2
Honolulu	14	-4	22	5
Houston	79	64	80	68
Indianapolis	48	20	52	24
Jacksonville	71	41	51	27
Kansas City	22	8	31	16
Las Vegas	58	42	70	42
Little Rock	38	28	38	24
Los Angeles	82	52	75	50
Memphis	34	17	36	22
Miami	81	60	88	48
Minneapolis	26	9	25	12
Moscow	37	17	28	15
New Orleans	67	47	52	35
New York	50	32	44	22
Oakland	28	12	40	21
Omaha	20	12	27	15
Orlando	75	49	55	32
Philadelphia	65	43	44	24
Phoenix	20	12	27	15
Portland, ME	49	39	48	24
Raleigh	70	48	48	20
San Diego	74	57	64	48
Reno	50	28	59	24
Sacramento	71	44	70	41
San Jose	24	12	27	15
St. Paul	19	4	25	10
Salt Lake City	39	21	39	21
San Francisco	69	50	65	48
Seattle	49	34	48	36
Tucson	74	58	64	48
Washington, DC	67	43	44	24

Weather (W): s=sunny, p=partly cloudy, c=cloudy, th-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, a=snow flurries, a-snow, h-haze.

## REGIONAL CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Boise	38	20	44	24
Bonanza Ferry	33	19	37	17
Burley	32	18	37	17
Coeur d'Alene	34	20	34	22
Elko	39	12	44	9
Eugene, OR	52	30	52	34
Hagerman	33	18	38	19
Idaho Falls	22	7	32	17
Kalispell, MT	40	28	42	30
Lewiston	22	12	30	14
Matawa	19	9	30	11

City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
McCall	24	2	30	8
Pocatello	22	14	33	19
Portland, OR	50	32	52	36
Richland, WA	46	20	48	29
Saltmon	22	12	28	18
Salt Lake City, UT	38	21	39	21
Seattle, WA	46	34	48	36
Spokane, WA	54	30	54	34
Stanley	30	9	36	21
Sun Valley	30	8	36	12
Yellowstone, MT	18	-6	18	-3

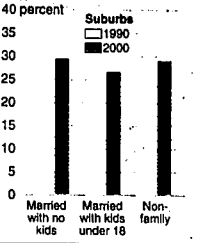
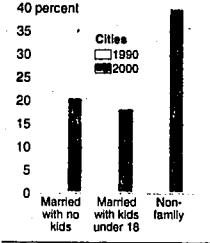
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 Poreline At Blue Lakes North

## Suburban shift

The conventional image of the suburbs as the domain of married couples with children has changed, according to a study of census data from the largest 102 metropolitan areas.

Cities are still dominated by nonfamily households, including homes headed by young, single people ...

... but now in the suburbs, such nonfamilies outnumber married couples with kids under 18.



SOURCE: Brookings Institution

## Suburbs

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 the share did not keep pace. It declined from 28 percent to 27 percent.

Married couples without children at home live in another 29 percent of suburban households. The remaining 15 percent are households such as single-parent homes.

Some of the demographic change came about because of divorce, a rise in single-parent homes, or because of the death of an elderly spouse, said Frey, an author of a Brookings Institution report that analyzed the metropolitan area data. Brookings is a

Washington-based think tank. Also, children of the giant baby boom generation have aged and many have left home, leaving "empty-nest" parents.

Meanwhile, young professionals have moved to escape high city rents or stay closer to jobs in sprawling suburban office parks.

Much of the change occurred over the last 15 years, with jobs at the heart of the transition, Byers said. In the Northeast and Midwest, singles and new families are not moving into older suburbs that had been quickly populated by baby boom families in the 1950s.

## Airport

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The long wait was the product of nearly every passenger needing to wait in line to check baggage, said airport executive director Tim Campbell. The airport's typical traffic load includes about 40 percent connecting passengers

— people from smaller cities such as Twin Falls who do not go through a check-in line in Salt Lake City. The delay ended, everyone originating in Salt Lake City, and hence lines seemed interminable.

## CAFO

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ty is not anti-agriculture and that the fees are just.

"I feel it's an attempt to make things work," Hempleman said. County Planning and Zoning Administrator Bill Crafton estimated the planning and zoning staff spends about 35 hours processing an application for a 100- to 999-AU operation, which includes time spent reviewing and evaluating an application, doing a site visit and other duties. Add to that the cost of supplies and miscellaneous

expenses, and it costs the Planning and Zoning Department about \$545 to complete the process.

He estimated it takes about 69 hours to process an application for a 1,000-plus AU operation, which includes additional time spent preparing and holding the required public hearing and the cost for an attorney to be present. The application fee for larger operations is being raised to \$1,750 to cover the entire process. The law allows the county to pass those costs on to

## County

county planners used to determine the fees to be fair.

"We just wanted to be confident in the methods they used to come up with the fees," Olmstead said. "We evaluated the hours they charged for the different steps in the application process and found that the process they used and the charges made are defensible and fair."

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## Fetal

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the first step in a renewed attack on abortion rights.

The anti-abortion group Idaho Chooses Life group was instrumental in developing the legislation, and Democratic Sen. Betsy Dinkins-Baise emphasized that.

"There's a lot of your men groups, if you want to talk about an abortion debate and the groups behind it," Dunklin said.

## Wolf

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ing tension between federal and state government.

Outfitters in particular are pressing hard to get the animal under the control of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Some outfitters have already been put out of business because of depleted elk populations in certain areas of the state, while other outfitters across the state are experiencing a 30 percent drop in

## State

state thinks they should.

Bunderson and his allies called such claims unjustified and argued that their measure defends a woman's right to choose by creating a significant penalty for anyone whose attack results in the death of the fetus.

"There is a price to pay," Bunderson said. "And this law prevents the price."

Since Idaho's divisive 1990

## Attempt

attempt to enact the nation's most restrictive abortion law fell to a gubernatorial veto, anti-abortionists are dropping direct assaults and focusing on indirect regulation of the procedure.

The Senate also approved a second bill 33-2, adding 15 years to the prison term of a person convicted of attacking a pregnant woman who then suffers a miscarriage or stillbirth.

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# Families help to identify corpses



Michael Bell, right, and Adams County Sheriff Tommy Ferrell, left, watch as Adams County Coroner James Lee removes an urn from the gravesite of Bell's mother, Louise M. Bell, Monday at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Adams County near Natchez, Miss. The contents of the urn are in question because Louise Bell's remains were handled by the Tri-State Crematory in Nobla, Ga.

NOBLE, Ga. (AP) - Distraught families lined up to give blood samples Monday in the hope their DNA might help investigators identify more of the scores of corpses scattered around a Georgia crematory.

Some people brought what they once believed were the ashes of relatives whose bodies had been sent to Tri-State Crematory. Elaine Bray angrily rattled a mugful of pebbles that she said were passed off as the remains of her brother.

"All I wanted to do is give him a proper death," said Bray, of Chattanooga, Tenn. "This is what I got."

Bray was among dozens of people who lined up to give blood samples at a clinic center down the road from Tri-State, where teams resumed a full-scale search for more bodies. Investigators said there was no end in sight.

The body count stood at 306, and only 65 of the corpses have been positively identified.

Eddie Young drove from Crystal River, Fla., because he feared the body of his mother, who died in November, was left to decompose on the grounds. He said he hoped a DNA match would bring her home.

"I know her soul went to heaven, but to think that my mother might be out there - it's so hard to accept," he said. "We had our closure through the funeral, and now it's like it's reopened."

# Ex-Enron exec faces more questions

WASHINGTON (AP) - Former Enron chief executive Jeffrey Skilling, whose testimony has been challenged by lawmakers, faces questioning before a skeptical Congress again Tuesday - this time along with other Enron officials whose versions of events conflict with his.

Sheron Watkins, the vice president who warned former chairman Kenneth Lay in August of potentially serious accounting problems, is testifying at the same time as Skilling - who has



Jeffrey Skilling

stated he knew few details of questionable transactions involving a partnership used to hide more than \$1 billion in debt.

Lawmakers want to bring together the Skilling, Watkins and Jeffrey McMahon,

Enron's current president and chief operating officer to put the same questions to each of them and compare their answers at a hearing of the Senate Commerce Committee.

All three testified, separately and under oath, this month before a House investigative panel. Other top Enron executives, including Lay, have invoked their Fifth Amendment right against potential self-incrimination and refused to testify.

# U.S. experts will inspect tunnel under embassy

ROME (AP) - Security experts from the U.S. State Department will inspect a utility tunnel running alongside the U.S. Embassy here in connection with an Italian probe of a group of Moroccans suspected of planning a chemical attack, Embassy officials said Monday.

Italian authorities will join the U.S. experts Tuesday in the inspection of the tunnel where a hole was discovered last week, an embassy official said on condition of anonymity.

The tunnel, which runs under Via Boncompagni, a street flanking the Embassy compound, contains electricity and telephone lines, U.S. officials said. Italian news reports had said the tunnel also contains gas lines, but Embassy officials said that was incorrect.

Eight Moroccans were picked up in a police raid last week that also turned up nine pounds of a cyanide-based compound, firecrackers and maps of Rome highlighting the U.S. Embassy and the capital's water supply. A ninth turned himself in over the weekend in southern Reggio Calabria.

Italian news reports have said that investigators believe a chemical attack on the Embassy's water system was being plotted.

But the U.S. Embassy officials, who briefed reporters Monday, said there was "no hard evidence" of an attack being planned on the Embassy's water supply.

"There's a lot of circumstantial evidence," a U.S. official said. "We don't know the aim" of the Moroccans found with the chemical compound and the map.

Italian news reports said the hole was not in the tunnel in mid-January, the last time authorized work was carried out.

# Bush gives Afghanistan low marks in anti-drug efforts

WASHINGTON - President Bush said Monday that Afghanistan "failed demonstrably" in 2001 to cooperate in anti-narcotics efforts but that the country nonetheless is entitled to receive U.S. assistance because of vital American interests.

Bush made the announcement in a brief statement in which he evaluated the performance of 23 countries involved in drug trafficking as producers, transit points or both.

For years, Afghanistan had been disqualified from U.S. assistance because it did not fully comply with international drug control standards.

The period of the administration's review ended at about the time the Taliban militia was forced from office in December and replaced by a pro-Western interim government.

## Nation in Brief

**Nancy Reagan says letters are 'lifeline' to happier times**  
 NEW YORK - As their 50th wedding anniversary approaches, Nancy Reagan says she will miss at least one cherished tradition: a letter from her husband, former President Ronald Reagan.

"It's" one of the days that I most looked forward to every year, since I always knew I would receive a special letter from Ronnie," she writes in the paperback edition to "I Love You, Ronnie," the best-selling collection of letters between the Reagans.

"He wrote me letters all the time, including on ordinary days and sometimes more than once a day, but our anniversary was always special."

The new edition of "I Love You, Ronnie" comes out March 4, the Reagans' anniversary date.

**Bush gets his World Trade Center bullhorn back**  
 WASHINGTON - President Bush was presented Monday with the bullhorn he used during his visit to the World Trade Center

ruins after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Bush said the bullhorn will go on display in a father-and-son exhibit at his father's presidential library at Texas A&M University.

Bush received the blue-and-white bullhorn - still bearing two small black smudges - during an Oval Office ceremony with New York Gov. George Pataki and Bob Beckwith, the fireman who stood with him Sept. 14 atop a mound of rubble that covered a burned-out fire engine.

That day, a few rescuers complained that they couldn't hear what the president was saying. Bush raised the bullhorn and shouted: "I can hear you, and the people who knocked these buildings down will hear all of us soon."

government to better keep track of its finances, including billions of dollars in foreign aid, and monitor the banking system for evidence of money-laundering and other terrorist activity.

"The Bush administration is committed to rebuilding Afghanistan and this week is a creative way of doing that," said Treasury Department spokesman Rob Nichols.

Much of the Afghan government's equipment is out of date, some was pillaged during years of war and some was destroyed by the now-deposed Taliban rulers.

- compiled from wire reports

## Group asks clemency for man jailed since 1946

CHICAGO - A Northwestern University group is seeking clemency for a man imprisoned since 1946 in a sensational case in which the killer wrote "Catch me before I kill more" at one victim's home.

Claiming the case was marred by police and prosecutorial misconduct, law students and professors filed a petition last week seeking to free William Heirens, 73, the longest-serving prisoner in Illinois.

Heirens was 17 when he was arrested in the slayings of a 6-year-old girl, Suzanne Degnan, whose remains were found scattered through Chicago sewers, and of two women, Josephine Ross and Frances Brown. Heirens was eventually convicted and sentenced to three consecutive life sentences. He says he is innocent.

"At the time of the killings, newspapers frequently mentioned the message 'For heaven's sake, catch me before I kill more. I cannot control myself' found scrawled in lipstick on the mirror in Brown's bedroom."

**Bush wants to send IRS computers to help Afghans**  
 WASHINGTON - About 1,000 Internal Revenue Service computers would be shipped to Afghanistan to help that nation's government rebuild its finance ministry under a proposal by the Bush administration.

The 2-year-old desktop and laptop computers, which are being taken out of service at the IRS, would enable the Kabul

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# Shuttle will repair Hubble Space Telescope

The Washington Post

Since its famously flawed optics were corrected in 1993, the Hubble Space Telescope has become an icon of American science, one of the most productive astronomical instruments ever built and the flagship of NASA's exploration of the universe.

the cutting edge of science. If all goes well, the space shuttle Columbia will blast off Thursday on the most complex Hubble servicing mission to date, a crucial flight to refurbish critical systems and extend the Hubble's scientific reach.

more faint stars and galaxies during its first 18 months than have been detected with all of the previous Hubble instruments," said astronomer Holland Ford of Johns Hopkins University. "For astronomers, those stars and galaxies in the data archive are money in the bank."

To visualize the raw power of the new camera, consider one of the telescope's most famous photographs: the "Hubble Deep Field." In December 1995, the telescope was aimed at a presumably empty patch of sky that would appear to be about the size of a rice grain, held at arm's length.

Over the next 10 days, WFPC2 snapper 342 images that later were digitally combined in a single photograph. In that remarkable image, amazed astronomers counted some 1,500 discernible galaxies or galactic fragments dating back to within a billion years or so of the "big bang."

"The Hubble Deep Field, one of humanity's and Hubble's singular achievements, can be done in two days instead of 10 days," Ford said of the ACS. "A tenfold increase is especially important for finding rare objects such as

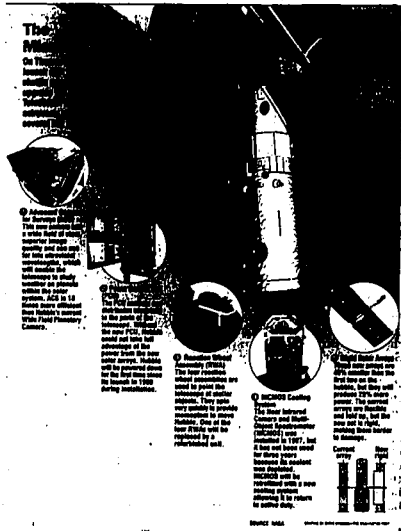
the first galaxies and distant supernovae."

With ACS, astronomers hope to detect light from galaxies that formed less than a billion years after the big bang, perhaps from the first galaxies that assembled.

The ACS, along with a revived NICMOS, also will play a major role in one of the hottest fields in modern astronomy: the hunt for exploding stars called type 1A supernovae.

The light from extremely remote type 1A supernovae indicates the expansion of the universe is accelerating, not slowing, as astronomers long believed. The mysterious force powering that acceleration has been dubbed "dark energy," and determining its nature is a top priority.

"What is the nature of dark energy? That may well be the most important question in the physical sciences today," said David Leckrone, Hubble project scientist at the Goddard Space Flight Center. "The beauty of these two instruments... is they give us very powerful tools for beginning to address these very fundamental and revolutionary new issues."



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## FBI still has no prime suspect in anthrax case

WASHINGTON - Months after anthrax-laced letters killed five people and sickened more than a dozen, the FBI said Monday that its investigators do not have a prime suspect despite conducting hundreds of interviews in the case.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said there are several suspects and the FBI has not narrowed that list down to one. "I wish it were that easy and that simple right now," he said.

President Bush wants the case resolved quickly, Fleischer said, but also wants the FBI to take its time and "build a case that would stand in court, that is thorough, that is conclusive."

The FBI - renowned for its behavioral profiles of criminal suspects - does have some clues about the suspected anthrax-mailer, according to an earlier letter from the lead FBI investigator to a group of scientists.

Treatment pushes up total of HIV-infected Americans SEATTLE - Doctors have been so successful in saving the lives of people with AIDS that the number of Americans with HIV is actually increasing again after holding steady for years and now approaching 1 million, according to government estimates.

Experts say the total number of Americans living with HIV is probably rising by about 25,000 a year - a testament to the power of AIDS drugs that have vastly improved treatment over the past six years.

The government estimates that 40,000 Americans catch HIV each year, a figure that has remained roughly stable for over a decade. However, until the turnaround in AIDS therapy, this figure was nearly offset each year by AIDS deaths, so the total number carrying the virus stayed level.

Now, AIDS deaths have plunged from around 40,000 annually to about 15,000. As a

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result, new infections are outstripping deaths.

#### Bush, Rumsfeld question need for information office

WASHINGTON - While his defense secretary considered shutting down a new Pentagon office that reportedly has proposed spreading false information, President Bush pledged Monday, "We'll tell the American people the truth."

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld has asked a top Pentagon official in charge of the new Office of Strategic Influence "to take a very, very hard look at it" and determine "should it even exist," spokeswoman Victoria Clarke told reporters.

Rumsfeld "was just as amazed as I was about reading some allegation that somehow our government would never tell the American people the truth," Bush said, adding that he's confident the defense secretary will "handle this in the right way."

Last week, reports surfaced that the office had proposed giving false information to foreign journalists as a means of furthering the U.S. war against terrorism.

#### Soldier dies in tragic mixup between exercise, real life

CARTHAGE, N.C. - Deputy Sheriff Randall Butler became suspicious when he spotted the pickup truck with someone crouching in the back.

Butler pulled the truck over and noticed a duffel bag with a disassembled rifle inside. When one of the three men in the truck came at him, Butler tried pepper spray. Then he opened fire, killing one man and wounding another.

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# Kosovo Albanian doctor describes execution

**THE HAGUE, Netherlands** — A Kosovo doctor recounted how Serb policemen gunned down six of his relatives and burned their house like it was their "daily business" as he testified Monday in the war crimes trial of Slobodan Milosevic.

Argon Berisha, an ethnic Albanian, described a rampage by Serb forces in the southwestern town of Suva Reka after NATO began bombing Yugoslavia in March 1999.

Berisha said he watched from across the street as police raided his uncle's house, forcing the 25 people hiding inside to run for their lives. His cousins Bujar and Sedat were in the terrified group.

"Police started to shoot at Bujar and Sedat, emptying all their magazines into their bodies," Berisha said.

He then saw police coming out of the house dragging the bodies of two more cousins, the wife of one of them and the mother of the other, Berisha said. Police later destroyed the corpses by burning down the house, he said.

**Iraq will resume dialogue with Kofi Annan, U.N.**

**UNITED NATIONS** — Iraq's foreign minister has agreed to meet with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan next month in a resumption of their dialogue, the United Nations said Monday.

Annan expects a discussion on the return of weapons inspectors to Iraq, said Annan spokesman Stephane Dujarric.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Najib Sabri and Annan will meet March 7. If more meetings are needed, they will be held after April 5 following an Arab League summit, Dujarric said.

"The secretary-general expects to have a focused discussion on the implementation of relevant Security Council resolutions, including the return of U.N. weapons inspectors to Iraq," he said.

The return of inspectors after three years is a key demand of the United States, which has accused Iraq of trying to rebuild its banned weapons programs and of supporting terrorism.

**Five die in day of violence between Israel and Palestine**

**JERUSALEM** — Palestinian gunmen opened fire on a bus stop in north Jerusalem late Monday, capping a day of violence in which five people were killed and two pregnant women, one Israeli and one Palestinian, were shot at roadblocks and then gave birth to healthy babies.

The bus stop attack took place in Neve Yaakov, a Jewish neighborhood in a disputed part of Jerusalem claimed by both sides. Two Palestinians started shooting at Israelis, wounding at least 10, including three policemen, police and witnesses said. Police shot and killed one of the gunmen.

Eyewitness Yulia Kirgila, 23, saw one of the gunmen. "He ducked behind a car and fired," and police fired back, she said. The car was hidden with bullets and the street was smeared with blood.

**Journalists deny that they threaten Thai security**

**BANGKOK, Thailand** — Two foreign journalists facing expulsion from Thailand denied Monday they were a threat to national security, and appealed against an order revoking their visas.

The Immigration Department canceled the visas of American Shawn Crispin and Briton Rodney Tasker on Friday after they wrote a Jan. 10 article claiming there were tensions between the prime minister and the king.

The Foreign Correspondents Club of Thailand, a professional journalists association, said it was "deeply shocked and dismayed."

"Should this deportation be carried out it will result in immeasurable harm to Thailand's reputation in the world community as a tolerant democracy and haven for free expression," said an open letter Monday from the club to Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra.

Crispin, Bangkok bureau chief of the Hong Kong-based Far Eastern Economic Review magazine, and Tasker, its longtime correspondent, were accused of being a threat to national security and social order.

**Mexican party elections remain too close to call**

**MEXICO CITY** — The two candidates to be the next president of Mexico's former ruling party said on Monday they were very close in the election results.

With 60.6 percent of the votes counted, **Josefina Bejarano** had 53.1 percent of valid votes while **Roberto Madrazo** had 46.9 per-

# Zimbabwe opposition leader faces charges

**HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP)** — The head of Zimbabwe's main opposition party said he was charged with treason Monday, less than two weeks before presidential elections, for allegedly plotting to assassinate President Robert Mugabe.

Police questioned Morgan Tsvangirai, president of the Movement for Democratic Change and Mugabe's main challenger, for two hours Monday. He was later charged with treason, released and told he would be summoned later by death.

Tsvangirai denied the allegations and pledged Monday to continue campaigning for the March 9-10 elections, the most contentious polls in Zimbabwe's 22-year history.

"This whole thing is contrived to damage me politically. The timing is obvious," Tsvangirai told reporters. "This was all along ZANU-PF's (the ruling party) strategy to eliminate me from the race."

Mugabe said last week he would not have Tsvangirai arrested before the elections, despite allegations of the assassination plot.



Morgan Tsvangirai, right, leader of Zimbabwe's opposition party, leaves his home Monday to go to police headquarters in downtown Harare to face questioning about an alleged plot to assassinate President Robert Mugabe.

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# Powell gives prince green light to work with Israel, Palestine

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Secretary of State Colin Powell is encouraging Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia to keep working on a proposal under which the Arab kingdom would recognize Israel and the Jewish state would give up all of the West Bank, Gaza and part of Jerusalem.

Powell telephoned Abdullah on Sunday. He told reporters Monday the proposal was an important step that he hoped would be fleshed out in the next few weeks.

Mugabe, who led the nation to independence from Britain in 1980, is fighting for his political survival as his nation's economy collapses and political violence rages.

Tsvangirai's lawyer, Innocent Chagonda, said it was doubtful the police would have time to put a case together before the election.

The government says Tsvangirai met with members a Canada-based political consulting firm last year to arrange for Mugabe's "elimination."

Ten days ago, the firm released a secretly recorded videotape of a Dec. 4 meeting in Montreal, which they said incriminated Tsvangirai.

Tsvangirai said he met four times with the Canadian consulting firm and hired them to lobby abroad for his party, known as the MDC. He said his recorded remarks were taken out of context.

Sharon has offered a statehood for the Palestinians and an Israeli pullback if violence is halted and negotiations reopen and succeed. But he is loath to give up all of the territories, and few Israelis are open to the idea of surrendering part of Jerusalem.

Powell said he thanked Abdullah for the initiative, which was floated through The New York Times. The kingdom's effective ruler offered full diplomatic relations, trade and guarantees for Israel's security in exchange for a complete pullback.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel

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cent after an unexpectedly heavy turnout in Sunday's election in the Institutional Revolutionary Party. But that count was unofficial.

Sen. Humberto Roque Villanueva, overseeing the election, said the official count was expected later in the week.

Roque said more than 3 million people voted in the PRI's first-ever open internal election. PRI officials printed 9 million ballots but only expected as few as 1.5 million voters to turn out.

Paredes said she received "firm data" showing her ahead late Sunday, when the early party counts were nearly even, but she would respect the results announced by Roque's commission.

## Indian president talks tough on Kashmir

**NEW DELHI, India** — India's president, speaking Monday at the first session of parliament since a Dec. 13 attack by militants there killed 14 people, promised more money for the disputed Kashmir region and called for separatists to lay down arms and negotiate.

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## Computer glitches bug every major software maker

By Elise Ackerman  
Knight Ridder News Service

Computer bugs are the digital gremlins of the software world — bits of errant computer code that wreak havoc in some of the world's best-known computer programs. And despite the best efforts of software companies to eradicate them, bugs seem to multiply.

Following a series of embarrassing incidents, Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates recently launched an all-out battle to eradicate security holes in Microsoft software and improve the programs' overall reliability. For 7,000 developers, the effort includes an unprecedented one-

month timeout to get special training on how to fight bugs.

But bugs are not just a Microsoft problem. Every software maker — whether database giant Oracle or videogame maker Electronic Arts — struggles with bugs. And everyone who uses software must deal with the glitches or even disasters they cause.

"Some of the recent missions to Nets have failed because of software," said Michael Lowry, a research chief at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Why do bugs occur and why are they so difficult to eliminate? The protocol often lies in both the nature of software code and the

### Some problems pop up relentlessly

circumstances of its creation.

Software engineering is still an evolving science, said John Pescatore, vice president of network research at the Gartner consulting group. Chemists faced similar problems when they first started making compounds. "It took hundreds of years before people stopped just mixing things together and blowing things up," he said.

The absence of well-known design principles means that programs are usually written on an ad hoc basis. That was OK when programs were only a few hundred or a few thousand lines long,

but complex programs like Microsoft's new Windows XP operating system contain millions of lines of code, multiplying the opportunity for errors caused by everything from typographical errors to major design defects.

Certain programming bugs, such as the buffer overflows that recently plagued Windows XP and America Online's Instant Messenger software, reappear relentlessly because programmers aren't trained in how to avoid them, said Alfred Huger of SecurityFocus, which provides threat management consulting. A buffer overflow occurs when

a computer program tries to store data in a memory space that is too small. A well-written program will ignore the excess data or allocate additional memory, but a poorly designed program will overwrite portions of memory that are used for other things. A skilled hacker can exploit the flaw to crash a machine or install malicious code.

"Secure programming is typically not taught in schools and it's not taught in the workplace," Huger said.

The incessant rush to finish the product and get it out the door also contributes to the problem, say security experts.

At Microsoft, an emphasis on quickly developing new whitening features undercut efforts to improve software security, said Gates in a memo to all employees last week announcing the new reliability push. "All those great features won't matter unless customers trust our software," Gates warned. "So now, when we face a choice between adding features and resolving security issues, we need to choose security."

Watts Humphrey, a fellow at Carnegie Mellon's Software Engineering Institute, helped create the development criteria used as the federal government's benchmark for secure code. Humphrey said the key is to focus on designing bug-free code at the beginning of a development project, rather than finding bugs at the end.

## New gizmo aims to bring everything together

Vikas Bajaj  
The Dallas Morning News

Remember the buzzword convergence? It's back.

The Motorola V200 is one of the technology industry's most recent attempts at jamming multiple functions into a single device.

Want a two-way pager with a full keyboard, cellphone and personal digital assistant rolled into one? The V200 is it.

Want all that in a convenient, compact device that has a bright, large screen with easy-to-press keys? This is not quite it.

The V200, which retails for \$299 and has a service plan and \$215 with a one-year contract with Verizon Wireless, has a lot of promise.

The thumb-operated keyboard is much easier to use than a telephone keypad for writing messages. But Motorola squanders this advantage by giving you small, pudgy keys.

Another flaw is the screen. The V200 screen is bigger than average cell phone screens, but not by much. Many devices it competes with, including the Handspring Treo phone, have much larger screens that can better display text and simple graphics.

The phone side of V200 works well. Users can talk on the device through a built-in speakerphone or with a headset.

## Making fiber optics even faster

Several researchers are working on new computer networks that can move information thousands of times faster than current connections.

### Comparing the old ...

Current connections use a single ray of light to send information; millions of bits of data move each second



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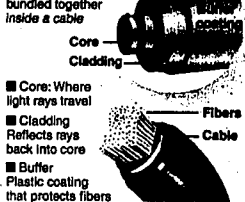
Newer networks divide light ray into a spectrum of more than 100 colors; each color of light can carry data; 10 billion bits of information move each second



Light broken into channels

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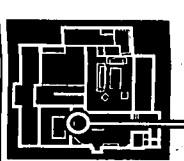


- Core: Where light rays travel
- Cladding: Reflects rays back into core
- Buffer: Plastic coating that protects fibers

### How the data is accessed

Current Internet is a document-and-Image-based system in which data is embedded into the files and cannot be altered

New system lets people interact with data; for example, a blueprint would allow a person to see the inside of a building



Example: Similar to a fax; person receives only an image of the blueprint



Example: Provides 3-D version of the blueprint

### How the network adapts

All of the information traveling through current networks is treated equally; text and video are moved at the same speed and share the same infrastructure

Information can be moved at different speeds according to the type of data; video, which needs faster connections to keep from breaking up, is moved faster than text

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## Changing setting fixes start-up problem

By James Coates  
Chicago Tribune

Q. Help. I am pulling my hair out. I just installed Windows XP Pro and Windows XP Office and upgraded my memory to 380 MB. Now I have so many programs before installing new software and upgrading my computer.

After upgrading my Compaq computer, every time I open Word or Excel or Internet Explorer, it starts up, and then 10 seconds later a message comes up stating "not responding." I have tried talking to Microsoft tech support with no help, and even Compaq tech can't help me. I have no choice but to ask the master. I have been reading your column for three years, and this is my first time asking your help.

—Sajid Patel

A. If I am the master, we're all in deep trouble. Mr. P. But I do know how to fix this particular problem. It amazes me that those tech support folks didn't fix you up on the spot.

All you need to do is shut down your browser's current setting, which causes it to dial up an Internet connection whenever it detects that no connection is present. That is why you get that "not responding" message every time you start up.

So click on Tools in the menu bar of the Browser and pick Internet Options. Next, click the tab for Connections, and you will find the box that orders the computer to attempt to connect to the Internet whenever it senses there is no connection. Uncheck the box, and you can give your hair a well-deserved rest.

Q. I simply want to print out, on a sheet of paper, the names of selected files and folders on my PC and Windows won't permit it. I list my MP3 music files by going to DOS and redirecting to a .txt file, i.e. Dir Sinatra.Sinatra.txt. I then edit the file and erase all the extraneous data.

What happens if I get a new computer with the XP operating

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system where DOS is not installed? Can DOS be installed? Is there another way to list MP3 files?

Secondly, I laboriously edit the .txt file line by line, and I wonder if you could point me to an editor that would delete columns throughout the entire file. I used such an editor when I was doing numerical control programming but that was on DEC computers and years ago.

—Al Lopez

A. You need a freeware program called Printer Directory 1.0 that can be had at [www.downloads.com](http://www.downloads.com). Mr. L. It lets you create a list of all the files and folders in a Windows interface by pointing and clicking. You can order the software to either save the list in a text file or print it out.

Old computer hands like you and me never seem to shake that nagging need to get a hard copy of all of the files and folders on our computers, and the authors of Windows certainly went out of their way to make it difficult.

As to your other question, Windows XP does, indeed, permit those old-fashioned DOS commands and the authors of that old-fashioned Sinatra directory. Just click on Start and pick run and type in the word "command," and you'll get a DOS window.

Finally, you can use the search-and-replace feature in any word processor, including Windows WordPad, to get rid of all the repetitive garbage in a text file, like the name of the folder appearing before every entry. Just type in the garbage you want to lose in the Find box and then order each instance to be replaced with a single space.

The freeware Print Directory and Microsoft's own WordPad are all the tools you need to get these toadstool tunes listed on hard paper.

## Free services dwindle, but some can still be had

By Reid Kanaley  
Knight Ridder News Service

Where's the free stuff?

Free Internet access is fast disappearing. Once-free Napster is cranking up a fee-based service. BlueMountain.com, a popular Web site for seniors, free e-mail greeting "cards," is soliciting subscriptions for up to \$19.95 a year.

Is the online free-for-all really over?

Yes and no. Some freebies, such as Net access, seem to be on the verge of extinction. But many Web services for cheapskates, such as free Web e-mail, free news and free software, will stick around for the foreseeable future, industry experts and site operators said.

"It's very difficult to charge for content when an equivalent, or close enough, is available for free and is just a click away," said Dan O'Brien, e-commerce analyst at Forrester Research Inc.

O'Brien said paid-subscription music services PressPlay, MusicNet and the revived Napster are unlikely to put a dent in the operations of free, easy-to-use Napster clones such as Morpheus and Kazaa. For such services, where much of the trade is in pirated recordings, "the total traffic is higher ... than it was at Napster's peak," he said.

On another front, "I don't know

anybody who's charging" for Web-based e-mail, O'Brien said. Free e-mail from Yahoo Inc. and Microsoft Corp.'s Hotmail — each claiming tens of millions of users — charge for service upgrades such as extra storage space and custom addresses, but have no plans to bill for basic service.

"The standard (e-mail service) is free, and will continue to be free," Yahoo spokeswoman Mary Osako promised.

In electronic greetings, American Greetings Corp. in December began limiting the selection of free greetings at its [BlueMountain.com](http://BlueMountain.com) and [AmericanGreetings.com](http://AmericanGreetings.com) and EGreetings.com Web sites.

Since charges for unlimited use of the sites began, "traffic has declined slightly," said David D. Poplar, spokesman for American Greetings. "It's just an attempt to become more profitable. But we still have plenty of free cards and a couple of free sites."

From November to December, traffic at American Greeting sites fell by 2.6 million unique visitors, and a comparable drop took place at Microsoft's MSN Greeting sites, which also began requiring a subscription for unlimited use, according to Web audience tracker Jupiter Media Metrix.

Meanwhile, traffic at the all-free Yahoo Greetings site le-

jumped by 3.7 million visitors, to 9.1 million, and that site has no intent to charge customers, Yahoo said.

Reference, periodical and news sources such as the Wall Street Journal have charged from the outset, and others are considering or implementing paid subscriptions — but free is still the norm.

"Some of them are turning to a fee for service. The problem is, for the most part, there are still lots of free alternatives around," O'Brien said.

The New York Times has never charged for content at its Web site, [NYTimes.com](http://NYTimes.com). But since November, the Times has sold 3,300 subscriptions to an "electronic edition" that lets customers download the daily paper in a format that replicates the printed version for viewing on a computer monitor. Six-week subscriptions cost \$26.80, Times spokesman Toby Usnik said.

The paper has no plan to begin charging for its standard Web version, Usnik said.

Unlimited free Internet access, once offered by NetZero, Juno, BlueLight.com and others, was

"one of the first victims of the advertising recession," O'Brien said. "That business model never really made a lot of sense."

NetZero and Juno, owned jointly since September by United Online Inc., cut out unlimited free access about a year ago and have steadily trimmed the amount of time a user can stay online. NetZero still offers 10 hours per month of free access, but for more than that, the monthly charge is \$9.95.

Kmart Corp.'s BlueLight.com began offering free, advertising-supported Internet access in 1999. By the end of 2000, it had 6 million users.

But a bust in online advertising made the service a financial drain on the ailing Kmart, which filed for bankruptcy last month. Early last year, the free service cut back from unlimited usage to 10 hours per month per subscriber, a move that chopped the list of free subscribers to 600,000.

Then, in September, BlueLight.com abandoned free usage. It now has 200,000 customers who pay \$9.95 a month for unlimited Internet access.

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MORNING BREAK

Battle over shaving ends with mishap.



DEAR ABBY Algal Varburton

DEAR ABBY: Regarding the debate over whether a 10-year-old girl should be allowed to shave her legs, let me share my story. In 1952, I was also 10 years old. My parents were first-generation Italians. Women in my family did not shave their legs or underarms. My legs were hairy, but I knew better than to ask to shave. Instead, I asked if I could wear nylon stockings. My parents finally agreed. My mother said that I was, I wore the stockings, but they matted my hair against my legs - and the other girls made fun of me. When I got home, I locked myself in the bathroom. I found my father's razor and started shaving my legs using no water or shaving cream. My tender hair follicles couldn't take it. I started bleeding profusely. I became hysterical thinking I was going to bleed to death. My uncle happened to be visiting and heard my screams. He broke down the bathroom door, wrapped my legs in towels and carried me out. Not only was I embarrassed, but I was now in big trouble. I had done "the forbidden thing." To my parents' credit, after that day, I was allowed to shave my legs, but not my underarms. (I started shaving my underarms at 12, but that's another story).

DEAR ABBY: When I was 13 and playing basketball in the school gym, a classmate asked me why I didn't shave my legs. Looking down at them, I said, "Because I don't need to." Two weeks later I got my first pair of glasses. I was shocked to see that trees had individual leaves - not indistinct green clumps! I was horrified when I looked down at my legs and realized why my classmate had asked the question. More than 40 years later I still laugh at the memory. -MYOPIC BUT SMOOTH IN OREGON DEAR MYOPIC: Spoken like a true visionary. DEAR ABBY: As a single father of three girls (two grown and a 13-year-old still at home with me), I must say to all parents: Fitting in is part of life. Nobody wants to be poked fun at

because his or her family's views are different. Growing up today is hard enough. Why add pressure? There are many topics that should be openly discussed between children and parents; but if a parent feels uncomfortable about it, so will the child. I remember many times over the years I had to discuss, purchase or attend to things that a girl's mother would normally do. Some made me feel uncomfortable; however, I did them anyway. Parents should strive for open two-way communication with their children. We pass along the morals, values and rules we were taught so they can modify them and teach them to their own children - and so on. -JORDAN ROBERTS IN MASSACHUSETTS DEAR JORDAN: Right. It's a natural evolution.

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Nursery rhymes keep people from eating sheep



REVISITED L.M. Boyd

Nobody drinks her cats dog meat, drinks dog milk or wears dog leather. We don't worship dogs. We just think of them as pets. None of the Mogg people in Bengal cats beef, drink cow's milk or wears cow leather. They don't worship cows. They just think of them as pets. The attitudes are quite similar. It's just that the animals are different. The Smith word "roden," meaning "to encircle" turned into the Mexican word "rodne" meaning "roundup." Our Love and War man is collecting good-wife-good-husband lines. Example: "A good wife never overdresses, just underdresses." "A good husband never drinks straight out of the vat." Do you have any offerings for this

Q. If an astronaut on the moon flashed a light at us, how long would it take us to see it? If the sun somehow blinked out for an instant, how long would it take us to see that? A. Moon, one second. Sun, eight minutes. Five penguins in covered gear were flown 2,200 miles from the Antarctic to an inland place, banded, then released. It took them 11 months to waddle their swim all the way home. American Indians were forbidden to paint pictures in their native style until 1932. Scholars say the government ruling was a blundering attempt at cultural genocide - to extinguish traditions that seemed to prevent the Indian tribespeople from melding

into the general population. Nothing did so much to do damage to the sheep industry as nursery rhymes. Such is the claim of a marketing specialist. Children are taught early about cute cuddly lambs. They don't outgrow it. How can they ever be expected to eat same? It's like offering them roast Teddy Bear. Q. Why do the older Venezuelan Indians smoke their cigars backwards - with the lighted ends in their mouths? A. So they don't waste the smoke, they say. Hepatitis hits people and chimpanzees, no others. Q. What continent has the highest average altitude? A. Antarctica. Exact average uncertain. Ice.

Things go right for Scorpio; support comes from above

IF FEBRUARY 26TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you are accustomed to dealing with responsibility; you seldom do anything halfway, including falling in love. When pressure is on, you are up to it. Capricorn. Cancer natives play major roles in your life, could have these letters in names: H, Q, Z. During this cycle, questions concerning travel, variety of experiences and marital status loom large. Reading, writing and teaching are spotlighted. ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Focus on children, home and important domestic adjustment. If diplomatic, you win; if you force issues, you lose. Taurus, Libra and Scorpio will play dynamic roles. TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Attention revolves around handling material, design and color coordination. Define terms, realize that all that glitters is not gold. Deception involved, deliberate or otherwise. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Pressure because of adult responsibility. Relative insists on answer to "delicate question." Head your own counsel; take charge of your destiny. Capricorn figures prominently. CANCER (June 21-July 22): Trust "psychic" impressions; you will be capable of seeing beyond the immediate. Protect valuables, and refuse to give up "something of value for nothing." Aries proposes trip to foreign land. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make clear that you intend to act in original, unorthodox manner. You will be in leadership role; do not follow others. Imprint style, speak from the heart. Aquarius featured. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Correct past errors. Retrace steps

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

in order to assure future security. Proposals received could include business and marriage. You'll be dealing with hospitals, institutions and theaters. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Diversity; learn more about "modern fashions." Luck rides with you; stick with number 3. You could win contest tonight! Gemini, Sagittarius persons play fascinating roles. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Individual who attempts to "block your way" will be hopped off center stage. It will be proven that the law is on your side. Superior will back you to victory, possible riches. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): People express sincere interest in your "philosophical views." Be cordial without abandoning principles. Questions will concern cooperative efforts, marital status. Gemini represented. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will entertain at home; as result, you encounter charismatic individual. Listen and learn - astrology could be involved. Taurus, Libra and Scorpio figure in dynamic scenario. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Hold back, wait for second offer. You do not have complete story; there is more to come. You'll learn more and become "powerful" as result. Stick with number 7! PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): What appeared to be a detriment turns out to be an asset. You will be given authority to carry out unique policy. Relationship intensifies; don't play games with emotions.

Writers Guild of America plans to honor 'Frasier' co-creator

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The Writers Guild of America will posthumously honor "Frasier" co-creator David Angell, who died in a hijacked plane during the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. During its annual awards dinner on Saturday, Angell will be awarded the Valentine Davies Award,

which recognizes those who have "brought dignity and honor to the profession of writing." The award is named for the writer of "Miracle on 34th Street." Angell and his wife, Lynn, were among the passengers aboard American Airlines Flight 11 from Boston, which terrorists

crashed into the World Trade Center. The 54-year-old wrote for "Frasier" and "Cheers," winning eight Emmy Awards for writing and producing for both series. His former partners, Peter Casey and David Lee, will accept the honor.

McCartney sings as Liverpool marks Harrison's birthday

LIVERPOOL, England (AP) - The Beatles' hometown on Monday marked the birthday of George Harrison, the band's quiet and spiritual guitarist who died of cancer in November. Paul McCartney dedicated an a cappella rendition of "Yesterday" to Harrison during a tribute concert at Liverpool's Empire theater on Sunday night.

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Joe Theismann knows football. He was the winning quarterback in Super Bowl XVII, a two-time Pro Bowl player and the most productive quarterback in the history of the Washington Redskins. Since his retirement as a player, he has built a national reputation as an analyst of the game for ESPN. He joined ESPN in 1988 as a color analyst of all Sunday night nationally televised NFL games and he is a former co-host of ESPN's popular NFL Countdown and Primetime. His 12-year NFL career was highlighted by many outstanding performances, especially his leadership of the Redskins to a 27-17 victory over the Miami Dolphins in Super Bowl XVII. In 1982, he was honored as the NFL's Man of the Year for his work in community service. In 1983, he was voted Most Valuable Player of the Pro Bowl.



NFL Most Valuable Player Joe Theismann

Mr. Theismann lends a great amount of time to a long list of charitable causes, many of which are concerned with the health and welfare of children. His depth of understanding in dealing with stress management, as well as his understanding of teamwork and dedication to the job have made him one of the nation's foremost motivational lecturers.

William Shatner and Priceline.com will renew successful ad partnership

NORWALK, Conn. (AP) - William Shatner will resume his role as a spokesman for Priceline.com, but won't be singing in the next generation of ads for the name-your-own-price Internet company. The former "Star Trek" star will team up with what Priceline.com calls its super computer, which finds airline tickets, hotel rooms and other travel products at discounts. Earlier this year, the 70-year-old actor renewed his contract to appear in Priceline.com radio and television advertisements. "Given the futuristic side of William Shatner, the new campaign is a natural and lends itself to both radio and TV treatments," said Brett Keller, Priceline.com's chief marketing officer. Norwalk-based Priceline.com gained popularity in the late '90s from Shatner's quirky commercials. The original ads featured him singing offbeat renditions of

popular songs; including "Freebird" and "Age of Aquarius," while extolling the company's virtues. The company has said Shatner's commercials helped make it one of the most recognized brands in the travel industry.

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## EDITORIAL

### Twin Falls will prosper with new tech center

It's been a decade since Twin Falls voters rejected a \$21 million plan for a second high school with enhanced technical-vocational programs. The proposal was just too big for local taxpayers to accept.

But the demand for more intensive technical training among high school students has only grown since then. Now, it's not just the Twin Falls School District that seeks escalated professional training for students. Industries and businesses are pressing for it as well.

The district is proposing to build a \$7 million professional-technical center near the College of Southern Idaho. It deserves public approval. We encourage voters in Twin Falls to vote yes.

Investment in the community's future prosperity. Opponents of the professional-technical center have raised some significant questions about the need for this facility. But organizers have taken the right steps to answer them. The critics point to two main concerns: first, whether the district has fully utilized the existing space at Twin Falls High School, and second, the future role of traditional industrial arts.

In answer to the first question: Expanding technical education in Twin Falls is far more than a matter of utilizing existing space. The new classes and skills the district wants to pursue would far exceed the capabilities of the current facility.

In answer to the second: The traditional industrial arts have always been important in helping students develop skills. But many of those traditional wood shop/metal work courses yield limited benefits for 21st century workplaces. Furthermore, most of these classes do not offer students any certification of marketable skills, and the state does not fully fund them.

The \$7 million price tag for a modern professional-technical facility is reasonable and affordable. Though it will mean additional property taxes over time, the bond structure makes those taxes relatively painless. By refinancing existing debt and issuing new bonds at today's low interest rates, this plan will cushion citizens from any noticeable tax impact.

This will be a facility that serves Twin Falls first and the Magic Valley region second. (And rightfully so, since the Twin Falls School District will provide most of the funding and staffing.)

The tech center will attract students from around the region, providing a central location that has been lacking in our current regional technical educational efforts. As a result, the center will gain more funding from the state, as well as from outside districts that send their students.

Creating the right mix of programs will be a crucial goal for the district once the bond issue is passed. Students need more than a first-rate building to assure their futures.

The district should follow CSI's successful model of shaping curriculum to match the local job market. The district also should create a business advisory council to advise it on programs. That way, voters can be confident that the new tech center will always give students real-world skills.

The benefits of having a professional-technical center in Twin Falls far outweigh any doubts that anyone may have about this proposal. With the right collaborative effort, the district and local industries can create a training mecca that sets trends statewide, and which makes graduates our greatest economic resource.

The professional-technical center deserves the voters' blessing one week from today.

#### When and where to vote

Voters living in the Twin Falls School District can vote March 5 at any Twin Falls public school, or at the Taylor Building on the CSI campus. Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m.

## The Times-News

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The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Stephen Hartgen, Clark Walworth, Steve Crump, David Cooper and Shelley Ridenour.

## LETTER

### Teach students basic skills

An article written by Robert Mayer about the proposed technical center appeared in the Thursday, Feb. 21, issue of *The Times-News*. In this article, Linda Baird, spokeswoman for the Twin Falls School District, is quoted as asking, "Who wouldn't vote for this? Perhaps I can enlighten Ms. Baird by explaining why some persons are not enthusiastic about this project."

Ms. Baird, in an attempt to explain the need for a new facility, states that it is "simply because there's a variety of programs now that didn't exist back in the '60s..." Is she telling us that the Twin Falls School District is just now, some 40 years later, aware of the fact that the district must accommodate a variety of students, including the emotionally disturbed, severely handicapped and those who require English-as-a-second-language courses?

In discussing programs, Ms. Baird further states that the district needs "to be

flexible enough that we can respond to the community's needs." What about responding to the needs of the students, Ms. Baird? I believe that the Twin Falls School District's obligation to the community would best be met by graduating students who can competently speak and write the English language and possess a mastery of other basic skills. That background will adequately prepare a student for enrollment in college or a university or a vocational-technical school.

Please note that I am not commenting on the tax issue involved here; people can do their own math.

Neither am I commenting on the amount of time wasted each day by students during the transportation process.

I will not comment on the fact that much has been written in support of the center by people who do not live or pay taxes in this district.

JEAN EMERSON  
Twin Falls  
(Editor's note: Jean Emerson has taught for 35 years in public schools.)

### Deadline for bond vote

The March 5 local bond election for a new professional-technical center in the Twin Falls School District is quickly approaching, and *The Times-News* welcomes comments on the issue. All letters to the editor (400 words or less) must be received by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 27. Here's how to deliver your letter to the editor:

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### Pearl's death might separate media, loyalty

WAS THE Wall Street Journal's Daniel Pearl kidnapped and killed because his kidnappers thought his newspaper was too cozy with the U.S. government?

It is hard to piece together what those lunatics had in mind with their cowardly kidnapping and savage murder of Pearl. By all indications, he was a dedicated professional reporter who just wanted to get a story. But certain coincidences are chilling.

Late last year, the Journal reporter Alan Cullison happened to purchase for a reported \$1,100 on the black market in Kabul a hard drive and a laptop that turned out to be contraband from the abandoned home of someone involved with Al Qaeda. After sharing information from the disks with its readers, the Journal also shared the files with the Defense Department, which was delighted to receive them.

On Jan. 16, the Journal carried a long article by Cullison and Andrew Higgins detailing similarities between the travels of an Al Qaeda agent mentioned in their computer files as "Abdu Ra'uf," whose itinerary closely resembled the movements of alleged shoe-bomber Richard Reid.

Pearl was investigating ties between Reid and Al Qaeda. That same day, Reid was formally charged with the attempted shoe-bombing of American Airlines Flight 63 on Dec. 22. The indictment included the government's first formal allegations of a connection between Reid and Al Qaeda, saying he trained with them in Afghanistan.

Less than a week later, Pearl was abducted in Pakistan after arranging to meet a Muslim fundamentalist sheik.

Messages from Pearl's kidnappers variously accused him of working for the CIA or for Mossad, Israeli intelligence. But

even that suspicion, bogus as it appears to have been, didn't explain why they had to kill him. The whole tragic episode appears to have gained the kidnappers nothing but a lot of heat from police authorities.

Unfortunately, for some people who come from political cultures where independent journalism is only a rumor, the difference between "journalist" and "spy" does not exist.

Which offers another reason, in the view of colleagues like my friend Salim Muwakkil, a senior editor at *In These Times* and a fellow Chicago Tribune columnist, why "journalists should keep their tribal colors concealed beneath their professional garb."

Does cozy information sharing like the Journal's throw "doubt on the fairness of some American journalists," as Muwakkil recently wrote? Or do we have any obligation to be "fair" to kidnappers and murderers, regardless of what their political excuse may be?

The emotional fires surrounding the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11 made some of our old journalistic conventions about "objectivity" sound more like an academic conceit. There was no need to embellish the facts that were so blatantly and horribly inhumane.

Before that terrible day, a newspaper voluntarily turning over such hot information to the government probably would have created a much bigger controversy than did the Journal's action. After all, journalists have gone to jail to hold onto their right to retain notes, tapes, source identities and other information.

But after Sept. 11, when the collapse of the twin towers forced *The Journal* to evacuate its office building, this was an easy call.

CLARENCE PAGE

"We decided that this was the right thing to do in moral terms and reporting terms," Paul E. Steiger, *The Journal's* managing editor, told the *New York Times* in late January. "In moral terms, we would have been devastated if we had withheld information that could have saved the lives of our servicemen or civilians. In reporting terms, we wanted to verify what we had."

Fair enough. When lives hang in the balance, the choice seems clear. As far as I was concerned, the deadly attacks of Sept. 11 put all Americans into the same foxhole, journalists included. I even wore my American flag lapel pin proudly for several weeks to show my defiance of the terrorists who attacked us.

Nevertheless, as the battle winds on and the age of terrorism becomes a part of our daily lives, the calls may not be as easy. As reports come in of fatal battlefield mistakes or questionable decisions by our government, it becomes more important that journalists try extra hard to be "fair" and "objective," not for the benefit of terrorists but for the benefit of Americans and everyone else who needs to know the truth.

Journalists will argue forever, I'm sure, as to what those simple words "fair" and "objective" mean when the country you love is at war and people you love are in harm's way.

The best assessment I can offer is that it means you must be willing to go anywhere and put personal feelings aside, no matter how deeply felt they may be, in your pursuit of the truth that, we hope, will make us all free.

That appears to be what Danny Pearl was trying to do. The best way that we, his surviving colleagues, can honor him is to try to do the same.

Clarence Page is an editorial writer for the *Chicago Tribune*.

## LETTER

### Ask legislators to vote 'no'

It appears that some legislators support bills and certain issues without knowledge nor being well informed. They vote for whatever paid lobbyists influence them to vote for. The Enron scandal is just one example of how paid lobbyists try to influence lawmakers' decisions and government policies. Fortunately, we do have some legislators of good conscience who are knowledgeable and well informed and are willing to defend citizens' rights from paid lobbyists.

This year, Idaho legislators are facing pressure from the dairy industry's paid lobbyists to pass Senate Bills 1426 and 1427, sponsored by Sen. Bertenshaw.

Senate Bill 1426 will strike out current language giving citizens the right to protest water transfers based on the public interest. This bill is intended to place

profit for a few above the degradation of our environment and the welfare of citizens. We live in a desert climate and water is the lifeblood of our existence. Therefore, it is vital that proper use of the aquifer be strictly controlled and enforced. Water transfers are a critical element in the use of the aquifer and, likewise, such transfers must be granted only after taking into account the full effects a transfer may have to include loss of high quality and winter quality. Citizens' involvement is crucial to be able to obtain all pertinent information. Is it morally right for citizens of good conscience who are well informed about the issues to be forced to look the other way when they know and believe that the result of a water transfer could be detrimental to their fellow citizens, their community and their state?

Senate Bill 1427 grants the Idaho Water

Resources director the absolute power to sanction citizens for filing a protest, petition or appeal and these sanctions may include monetary payments paid to the party applying for the water transfer. This is no different than a dictatorial form of government. It opens the door for corruption and abuse of power that can easily lead to intimidation of citizens who protest - especially for this sensitive and very important issue. If the language of Bills 1426 and 1427 passes and becomes law, then where is democracy in Idaho?

Citizens, let your legislators and all Idaho legislators know where you stand and ask them to vote against Bills 1426 and 1427. Otherwise, we will live with the detrimental consequence of laws created by paid lobbyists.

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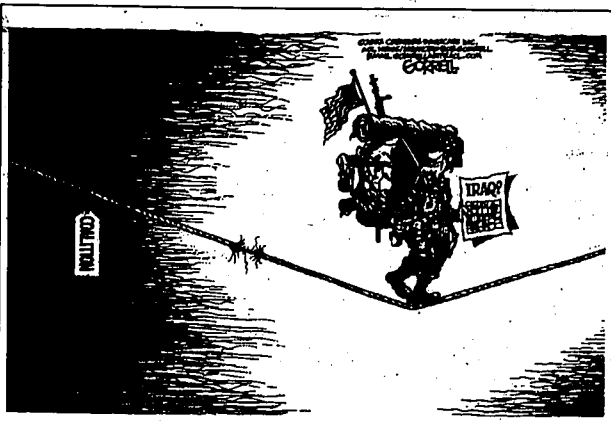
By Garry Trudeau

### Mallard Fillmore





OPINION



# Tech center is needed for new industrial arts

**A**s the election day for the proposed professional/technical center nears, we would like to address a concern that has surfaced regarding the programs to be offered at the center and the need for such programs.

During the first year of operation, technical programs already offered at Twin Falls High School will be moved to the center. As the state and national economies rebound and District budgeting permits, additional programs will be added. At full capacity, it is anticipated that 10 to 12 programs will be offered. This conservative implementation plan allows the center to become fully operational over a period of time and ensure it fits within the district's budget in 2003 and thereafter.

During the initial year, the programs offered will include information technology, health occupations, and agriculture sciences. It is important to note that these programs are different from the traditional industrial arts program offered even 10 years ago — a program that is no longer endorsed by the State Department of Education. Today, professional technical education concentrates on programs that lead to industry certification. This means that students exiting from high school can have in hand entry-level certification in a variety of areas. While the former program provided students with a great opportunity to receive hands-on learning in areas such as woodworking, metalworking, and leather working, these class offerings did not provide students with a comprehensive program that led to certification. They were targeted more toward avocations rather than careers. That was not a bad thing. It simply no longer meets the needs of today's students or employers.

While the new center is under construction, so too will be the program offerings. Twin Falls High School instructors will work with CSI instructors to develop curricula to ensure the programs offered at the center are in line with new State recommendations and industry needs. What are currently offered as vocational agriculture classes will be redesigned

**READER COMMENT**  
Dan Olmstead and Ken Edmunds

as new science courses — programs that embody much more than simply a name change.

The health occupations course will also be redesigned. The existing course provides students with a good overview of the health care industry and an opportunity to receive some basic levels of certification. This class will be expanded to include more certification opportunities that prepare students to enter the health care industry or to move into programs such as CSI's College of Health Sciences and Human Services programs.

Beyond the first year of operation, new programs have been targeted but not yet solidified. Programs such as electronics, drafting, and automotive are just a few that are anticipated. Determining which programs will be added, and in which order, will be done in a manner that responds to student and community needs. Labor market information, student interest inventories, and input from an advisory group will come into play in selecting future programs. With this input, the District will be able to begin new program planning and development soon after the center is opened.

The flexibility to develop programs in this manner is critical to the success of the center. Ten years ago, we could not have predicted that information technology would be in such demand on a high school campus. Likewise, it is difficult to project what will be in demand ten years from today. The District will aggressively create or adapt programs to be responsive to students and the job market and meet the needs of the future.

If you would like more information, please attend the next public information meeting on Feb. 28, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the O'Leary Middle School Auditorium.

Dan Olmstead and Ken Edmunds, are co-chairmen of the Professional/Technical Center Citizen Campaign Committee.

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# LETTERS

**Talk was thought-provoking**

I would like to thank College of Southern Idaho student Callie Blackwood, CSI Student Affairs Director Graydon Stanley and any others involved for bringing Bobby Seale to Twin Falls. CSI took a leadership role in the Magic Valley and proved itself to be more than an institution for tractor mechanics, welders and computer programmers. A college should be the academic leader in a community and, therefore, willing to cause the local citizenry to think and, horror of all horrors, even bring about change in thought and behavior. Bobby Seale's talk at CSI was thought-provoking, intellectual and touching. As Seale spoke, I remembered my own years of youth when blacks still were shut out of many hotels, restaurants and decent jobs across America. I distinctly recall when the great opera singer Marian Anderson made a singing appearance in Boise and was unable to secure a night's lodging at Boise's leading hotel, the Hotel Boise. A special thanks to Miss

Blackwood, a student who will eventually receive a university degree in engineering. She has taken some heat from local racists, including the editorial board at the politically right (and usually wrong) Times-News. Blackwood is what many of us expect of our college students — bright, positive, showing of leadership and a desire to change society for the better.

**JOE SKAUG**  
Jerome

**Look out for our students**

Where is the concern for the welfare of the students of Twin Falls High School? Where is the concern for the patrons of the Twin Falls School District in regard to spending almost \$10 million on a new technical building at the College of Southern Idaho?

As a former educator, I am concerned. I believe that the goal of any high school should be to provide its students with a general education. Patrons, ask yourselves these questions:

1. What is the curriculum for the proposed technical center?
  2. What is the criteria for placement of students in the center?
  3. Will state-certified personnel teach the courses offered?
  4. What courses are to be available that are not presently offered at the high school?
  5. Can the administration justify the time and expense required for transporting students to and from the proposed technical center?
  6. How will students possibly find the time for the required and the elective courses as well as extracurricular activities?
  7. Why not let the students decide whether they wish to attend a vocational-technical school — but after they graduate from high school?
- I would encourage the patrons of the Twin Falls School District to carefully consider these issues before voting on March 5.

**ELLA M. HILVERDA**  
Twin Falls  
*(Editor's note: Ella Hilverda served as a teacher, counselor, psychologist and administrator for 50 years.)*



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# Nez Perce tribe moves ahead with casino expansion plan

**LEWISTON** - The Nez Perce Tribe is moving forward with plans to expand its Clearwater Casino now that a project to bring a city sewer line to the facility is almost complete.

Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee Chairman Samuel Egan made the announcement during a meeting to celebrate the cooperation between the city and the tribe during the sewer project.

Since the Clearwater Casino opened in 1996 in a tent-like building there has been speculation about the future of the site.

The sewer project was a preliminary step in a plan to construct a 100-room hotel by June 2003, Margerie Zarate, enterprise director for the tribe, said.

The three-star hotel will cost approximately \$50 million and feature a convention center and a restaurant. It will replace the existing structure, which holds 450 gaming machines and a snack bar.

**Court upholds gang enhancement in sentence**

**SALT LAKE CITY** - The Utah Court of Appeals has upheld a nine-year gang enhancement added to the murder sentence of Tyrone "Trouble T" Smith who ordered a revenge killing from his gang mistakenly murdered a different man.

Smith, 27, contended the gang enhancement wrongfully had been tacked on to his murder sentence of five years to life. He argued that the jury did not specifically find that he had acted in concert with at least three other accomplices.

The appeals court ruled Friday that the burden of proof was met during the trial when Smith's three cohorts testified against him. Thus, the error by the trial court in "failing to specifically submit the factual questions relative to a group crime" was harmless.

"We're pleased that the gang enhancement was upheld, since the only thing the state could do was to operate in accordance with the statute, as it existed at that time," said Kent Morgan, assistant justice division chief for the Salt Lake District Attorney's Office.

**Plane makes emergency landing on Utah highway**

**FREMONT JUNCTION, Utah** - A private plane carrying a newly married couple and the bride's parents made an emergency landing on Utah 10 about six miles north of Interstate 70 and near Fremont Junction.

Highway Patrol spokesman Keith Squires said the plane struck a pickup truck parked along the road about 1 p.m. Sunday but there were no serious injuries.

Emery County sheriff's Sgt. Gayle Jensen said the 1978 Piper Cherokee Lance was en route from Duchesne County, where the newlyweds had had an open house, to Riverside, Calif., where the parents live.

Jensen said the pilot told a commercial airliner that he was having engine problems and was looking for a place to land.

"The engine eventually quit and he attempted to land the plane on (the road), but the left wing of the plane clipped a pickup truck," he said.

**School district, community group join biodiesel project**

**BOISE** - A community planning association and the Meridian School District are joining in a project to use biodiesel fuel and improve air quality in the Treasure Valley.

The school district and the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho are participating in the Idaho Energy Division's B20 Treasure Valley biodiesel project.

The project involves using up to 125,000 gallons of B20 biodiesel over the next six to eight months in the Treasure Valley. The fuel is produced by mixing 20 percent biofuel and 80 percent regular petroleum diesel. Program manager Dick Larsen said the mixture can be used in diesel engines without any modification to the engine.

The hybrid fuel burns cleaner than regular diesel, reducing harmful vehicle emissions. The U.S. Department of Energy said B20 fuel can reduce particulates in exhaust by up to 18 percent.

**Marker atop Kings Peak vanishes, will be replaced**

**VERNAL, Utah** - The brass plaque atop step 13,522-foot-tall Kings Peak for more than a year, a victim of theft,

**West in brief**

neglect or the elements, will be replaced, possibly as early as this summer.

According to information posted on the Internet from hikers to the summit of Utah's highest mountain, the plaque, probably disappeared sometime between July and August 2000.

Some 1999 photos of Kings Peak show that the large boulder it was attached to may have shifted and was poised perilously on the side of a cliff. The plaque, about 18 inches wide by 12 inches high, had been missing two of its four bolts for many years.

Bernard Assay of the Forest Service Ranger Station in Mountain View, Wyo., the closest station to Kings, said he's not sure if the plaque was stolen or fell off.

"I knew it was loose," he said.

**Nevada, Utah senators sponsor heritage area bid**

**LAS VEGAS** - Efforts have begun to preserve part of the Great Basin in Nevada and Utah, to record a pioneer history of mining, ranching and American Indian culture.

Four U.S. senators from Nevada and Utah are cosponsor-

ing a congressional measure to create a Great Basin National Heritage Area, overseen by an advisory board with \$10 million in federal funds to spend on tourism and conservation.

The measure would encompass Ely, Delta, Utah; and surrounding communities.

Sen. Harry Reid, D-NeV., introduced the measure with backing from Sens. John Ensign, R-NeV., Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, and Robert

Bennett, R-Utah.

Reid said Nevada's Great Basin has played an important role in the exploration and settlement of the West for hundreds of years.

The bill calls the area "a classic western landscape that contains long natural vistas, isolated high desert valleys, mountain ranges, ranches, mines, historic railroads, archaeological sites and tribal communities."

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Police arrest three suspects in beating

TWIN FALLS - A 23-year-old Twin Falls man underwent surgery at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise Monday after a beating that might have involved a baseball bat.

Justin Weaver was taken first to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls and then later to Saint Alphonsus, according to a police report. He was listed in critical condition in the hospital's intensive care unit late Monday, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Police at about 1:40 a.m. Monday responded to 260 Blue Lakes Blvd. in Twin Falls and found Weaver, according to the report.

Three Boise men were later arrested. Russell Parker, 44, Stephen Kingsley, 44, and John Cowie, 19, were arraigned Monday on one count of aggravated battery each, according to court records. They were held Monday in the Twin Falls County Jail in lieu of \$500,000 bond each, according to records.

The incident might have involved a fight over money, said Twin Falls police detective Scott Smith. A baseball bat was confiscated from the suspects, he said.

### Hospital releases stabbing victim; no arrests made

TWIN FALLS - No arrests have been made or charges filed in connection with a stabbing Friday in Twin Falls that left one man injured.

The victim - Joe Griffith of Twin Falls - suffered multiple stab wounds and was released Sunday from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, according to a police report. Griffith's age was not available Monday, but Twin Falls police detective Scott Smith described him as a "young adult."

Police at about 4:30 p.m. Friday responded to a report of two people fighting in the 1300 block of Eighth Avenue East and found Griffith wounded, according to reports.

A male, who was questioned in connection with the fight, but later released, Smith said.

Smith would not discuss the details of the case or say exactly why the juvenile was released. But the case was still under investigation and charges were pending Monday, he said.

"We still need to question some witnesses. There's some questions about who started what."

### Agencies sponsor prevention seminar

BURLEY - The Heyburn Police Department, in conjunction with the Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance and the Minidoka and Cassia Community Task Force Against Domestic Violence, offers a course titled, "Domestic Violence Prevention: Saving Our Future," at 8 a.m. Thursday at the King Fine Arts Center, 2200 Parke Ave. in Burley.

Cost is \$5 if registered before Thursday or \$10 at the door. Send payment to MC Domestic Violence Task Force, 1800 J St., Heyburn, 83336. Seating is limited to 200 people, so early registration is advised.

Class instructor will be Mike Gulyas from the San Diego Police Department, who will cover the threat of domestic violence and sexual assault response, effects of violence on children, teen dating violence, victim sensitivity and the criminal justice response.

Spouses are also invited to attend. For more information, call Cpl. Dan Bristol, Heyburn, 733-4545, fax 678-0428 or e-mail policemandan@calcone.net.

### Burley Library Board will discuss foundation

BURLEY - The Burley Library Board is scheduled to meet today at 5:30 p.m. at the library.

The board will discuss creating either a Friends of the Library group or a library foundation. Board members will also discuss the long-range and technology plans for the library's camera for patron ID and funding issues.

The board will also welcome City Council member Adria Measor, take a look at an acceptable behavior policy and hear about an Eagle Scout project by Nathan Milroy. Also on the agenda are interest reinstatements, April 18 training and a patron request for Boy Scout booklets.

The meeting is open to the public. Compiled from staff reports

# Council alters soccer complex plan

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The City Council Monday approved plans to widen streets near a proposed 12-field soccer complex on 2700 East Road.

The council last week in a split vote had decided to give the soccer complex project the go-ahead, but to not include plans to widen Sunway Street and Falls Avenue East.

Neighbors of the proposed complex have said they don't want the main access to the fields to be through the neighborhood on Sunway. They have pushed for a main access along an extension of Grandview Drive. But the Grandview Drive option doesn't jibe with the city's zoning plans

## Members decide to widen streets

and grant money requests. Mayor Lance Clow on Monday said he'd visited with some of the neighbors last week, and they had told him that if the city does go in through Sunway, they'd like the street widened.

The council voted unanimously to widen Sunway and Falls Avenue East near the complex by four feet as part of the project, which is expected to start this spring.

The council also approved a plan to install traffic safety islands and make other pedestrian safety improvements on Falls Avenue and Frontier Road near the Twin Falls Boys and Girls Club and the College of Southern Idaho. The improve-

ments would also include raised centerline delineation on Frontier Road, better curbing and the extension of a nearby pedestrian trail. The council put a \$13,500 cap on the project.

In addition to that project, Twin Falls resident Frank Mascari said he'd like to see more aggressive enforcement of pedestrian right of way ordinances all over the city.

In other business, the council approved the removal of eight of 20 apparently unhealthy trees from Twin Falls City Park within the next month or so. The city's tree commission recently reported that the 20 trees in question are all either standing

dead or suffering from past over-pruning, neglect, disease and beetle infestation. The trees might have to go over the next two years, according to the commission.

The commission and some area horticulture experts this spring will check on six more of the trees to see if there is a chance to save them, said Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Director Dennis Bowyer. The rest of the trees will probably also soon be re-evaluated, he said.

The council also approved the purchase of two new police patrol cars through Randy Hansen Chevrolet of Twin Falls for about \$20,400 apiece.

Times-News reporter Mark Heinz can be reached at 735-3238 or by e-mail at mheinz@magicvalley.com.

# A LITTLE HOMEWORK HELP



Para-educator Linda Nielsen helps fifth-grader Minela Baglo with her homework at the Harrison Elementary after-school study program aimed at boosting achievement of students. The program is open to any student needing extra study time from the third through sixth grades.

## Reading program helps boost achievement

By Loretta Burkhardt  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Reading for enjoyment is picking up the pace at the Harrison Elementary School, Principal Chris Gillette told the Twin Falls School District board Monday evening.

And much of the credit for the increased reading is going to the Accelerated Reader program - a reading improvement initiative adopted by the faculty three years ago - that gives children the opportunity to spend extra time with books of their own choosing.

According to the results of some recent national test scores, the extra time the students are spending with books seems to be paying off.

"More reading means more

learning," and according to the results of the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, "we are showing increases in all (subject) areas," Gillette said.

While the reading effort is credited with much of the positive data, there are other factors in Gillette's equation for higher test scores.

Even though 167 at-risk students receive special help in reading on a daily basis, the school is also conducting an after-school tutoring program to help 71 students who are not at grade level with homework assignments - including reading and math.

"Also, our teachers have a strong basis in phonics that really helps. With our (after-school) tutoring program and being able to work in smaller groups, plus

the extra time we can spend with the kids, there's a lot of improvement," Gillette said.

For the best results, it's problem solving on a daily basis.

"When you are consistent with setting goals and monitoring, you'll see results," Gillette said.

Test scores are also used for improving individual outcomes at the I.B. Perrine Elementary School, where learning strategies include the data provided by the Star Test of the Accelerated Reader program.

In a standards-based curriculum, Perrine Principal Kent Anderson makes use of accumulated data to address the needs and provide teachers with recommendations. And from the results of the test data, overall academic increases have carried

over to the junior high level.

"It's information that teachers can use to benefit the student," said Anderson, who with Vice Principal Terry Seelman presented the board with a full progress report of accumulated data over the past three years.

Reading goal strategies included daily drills of skills identified by the Idaho Reading Indicator and the district curriculum. Other goals included identifying students not reading at grade level and providing additional instruction, and planning activities to instill both extrinsic and intrinsic motivation in the students to learn to read.

Times-News correspondent Loretta Burkhardt can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3990.

## Agency wages weed war

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

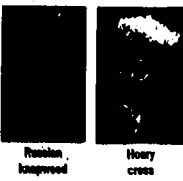
TWIN FALLS - The war against weeds can be a lonely fight with few local resources devoted to the cause.

Local agencies battling the spread of non-native, invasive plants recognized their joint efforts Monday, the beginning of National Invasive Weeds Awareness Week.

While the subject sounds about as interesting as spending a Saturday pulling weeds, it's a critical issue people responsible for tracking it try to bring to the public's attention.

The Idaho Department of Agriculture estimates it costs \$30 to \$70 an acre to control noxious weeds once they get a foothold.

"It's an overwhelming thing to do on an individual basis," said Stevia Zisker, superintendent of



Photos from the University of Idaho Cooperative Extension System's Invasive Plant Program.

the Twin Falls County Weed Bureau. Idaho has about 800 of the nation's 2,000 weed species. They aren't only a cancer to the farm or the range; they degrade wildlife habitat, choke streams and waterways, crowd out beneficial native plants, create fire hazards, poison and injure livestock and sometimes people, and

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## DUI proposal won't make it to floor this year

The Times-News

BOISE - A proposal to make a first-time offense for driving under the influence with a .20 blood-alcohol content a felony will not reach the floor for debate this year.

But the sponsor of the proposal, Rep. Gary Young, R-Moscow, said it will be back.

It failed Monday because several members of the House Judiciary and Rules Committee could not agree with making a youngster a felon for a first-time arrest.

Lawmakers also questioned the wording, saying that someone who really understood drunken-driving laws would choose not to blow into a breathalyzer.

They would likely choose to risk losing driving privileges for six months by not blowing rather than proving to be over the .20 limit, the legislators said.

A person can blow a .08 and still be considered too drunk to drive, but he or she would not qualify for a felony.

Young said committee members were interested in rewording the bill so that the offense

would be a misdemeanor on the first arrest over .20, but the offender would be forced into treatment immediately.

"I'm for two things - first, making the highways safer, and second, getting people help," he said.

## College weathers cuts in budget

By Robert Mayer  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Barring any surprises, the College of Southern Idaho appears to have positioned itself to handle Idaho's financial shortfall without further changes.

The Legislature's Joint Finance Appropriations Committee, by approving a \$18.8 million budget for the state's two community colleges, helped ease CSI's anticipated \$2 million shortfall, CSI President Jerry Meyerhafer told board members Monday.

Through staff reductions - both mandatory and voluntary - and increased student tuition and fees, among other cost-cutting measures, CSI officials had made up all but \$300,000 of the shortfall. That number has since been reduced to \$100,000. Of course, JFAC's recommendations are still pending the Legislature's and governor's approval.

"People recognized that the percentage we've been asked to bear was somewhat higher than everyone else's," he said. "People come to community colleges during tough times; that's when they try to get their skills up to get a job. It's really an affirmation of what we do at community colleges."

But CSI has 25 and 30 employees at CSI, victims of the layoffs. Please see CSI, Page B3

## County looks for drought aid

By Nate Johnson  
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Cassia County commissioners have scheduled a meeting to discuss the possibility of channeling more federal money from last year's drought disaster funds to the county.

Concerned ranchers are scheduled to meet with representatives of the Farm Service Agency and aides for U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson and U.S. Sens. Larry Craig and Mike Crapo at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the commission chamber at the Cassia County Courthouse.

The drought, declared last year by U.S. Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman, ended Dec. 31. Some ranchers, however, still feel the effects of last year's drought, Commissioner Paul Christensen said.

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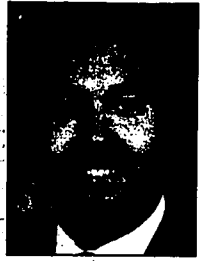
Watershed	% of Average*
Upper Snake River	77%
Salmon Falls Creek	101%
Oakley Basin	109%
Big and Little Wood	87%
Hempel Fork	87%

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## PHOENIX, ARIZ.



### William 'Bill' Smazal

William 'Bill' Smazal, 47, of Phoenix, AZ and former Twin Falls resident died Wednesday February 20, 2002, at his home in Phoenix.

Bill was born January 3, 1955, in Twin Falls, Idaho, to Vincent and Mabel Buchanan Smazal. He grew up and attended schools in Twin Falls graduating from Twin Falls high school in 1973. He graduated from the College of Southern Idaho and went on to attend Boise State University. Bill married Bonnie Gier at Clover Trinity Lutheran Church on December 13, 1978. He operated the family business, Smazals Office Supply, until 2001 when he sold the business to his partners. His hobbies included collecting guitars, model cars, and fire trucks, and enjoyed traveling. He was a past member of the Twin Falls Elks Lodge #1183 and, following his fathers footsteps he was active in the Democratic Party where served as a precinct committeeman and a state committee member. He was a member of the Clover Trinity Lutheran Church.

Bill is survived by his wife Bonnie Smazal of Phoenix, AZ. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, February 27, 2002, at Clover Trinity Lutheran Church with burial to follow in the Clover Cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Reynolds Funeral Chapel and Wednesday one hour prior to the services at the church.

The family suggests Memorials to the Clover Trinity Lutheran Church or a Charity of the donor's choice. Contributions may be left with funeral chapel staff at the services or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

## TWIN FALLS



### Dr. V. V. Telford

Dr. V. V. Telford of Twin Falls, Idaho died Saturday, February 23, 2002, at Magic Valley Memorial Hospital in Twin Falls of cancer. Visitation and services will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2002 at 2:30 p.m. at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2486 Addison Avenue East, Twin Falls. The family suggests memorials to the Southern Idaho Learning Center Virgil Telford Memorial Fund in Twin Falls, Idaho or the Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital, Salt Lake City, Utah. Contributions may be left with Reynolds Chapel staff at the services or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Virgil Telford was born December 11, 1920, to George Victor Telford and Anna Jane Sant Telford in a little grey house in Grace, Idaho. Dr. Hubbard attended his home birth and home delivery was usual in those days. He was welcomed into the world by his sister, Venice Telford, who was 3 years older, and a world smarter, with great wit (sometimes a trifle acid and almost always risqué) along with several cousins, and 18 aunts and uncles.

During his early years moved to Twin Falls in 1927. His father owned the first Frigid and Delco Light Agency in Twin Falls. He attended Washington School, Twin Falls Junior High School, and graduated from Twin Falls High School. He also completed a year of post-graduates at Twin Falls High School. He went to Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah in 1940 for undergraduate degrees in bacteriology and chemistry, graduating in 1944. He attended Northwestern University in Chicago from 1945 to March 1950 to get his medical degree. He taught bacteriology to nurse's classes at Northwestern while studying for his medical degree. His internship was com-

pleted at Denver General Hospital and started working with GTE. He performed with the Chicago Opera Company on several occasions. A long career, he and Frances helped start The Evanston Meeting for Friends. In 1941, he and Frances adopted a son, Paul Frederick, and in 1944 they then adopted a daughter, Ruth Elsie. In 1945 he was transferred to the Dominican Republic to help set up the phone system for the country. He was very involved in the missionary programs in that country and enjoyed the company of other Americans living on the island.

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After many years at GTE, he took early retirement. Not one to sit idle, he went back to college and finished his Master's degree at Northern Illinois University in Accounting. In 1969 he and Frances moved to Twin Falls, Idaho.

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He leaves behind his wife of 68 years, Frances, son Paul (Linda) Walland of Crown Point, Indiana and daughter Ruth (Kurt) Tadlock of Filer, Idaho, as well as two sisters, Leona Richmond of Twin Falls, Idaho and Beatrice.

Parkin of Elmhurst, Illinois. He is also survived by six grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. John was preceded in death by a son Phillip Ian Walland.

A celebration of John's life will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2002 at 11 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls, Idaho. Friends may call on Friday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. Memorials are suggested to First Choice Hospice in Twin Falls, Idaho or to the College of Southern Idaho. Contributions may be left with Reynolds Funeral Chapel staff at the services or mailed to Reynolds Chapel P.O. Box 1142 Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

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Smythe was ordained June, 1958 and retired in December, 1977.

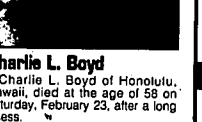
He enjoyed writing, speaking, PSI phenomena, travel, church work and his organizations. He was a 20 year member of the Masonic Lodge, currently Estero lodge #719 in Moro Bay and Corona Chapter #107 Order of the Eastern Star.

Dr. Smythe is survived by his wife Dr. Francis Parker Smythe, sons, Richard D. Smythe and Mark C. Smythe, daughter, Susan M. Smythe, step-sons, Robert T. Parker and William E. Parker, 11 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, one brother, Dr. Jerry Smythe of Oklahoma City, Ok. and two sisters, Barbara Schettler and Marian Bean of Rupert, Id.

Proceeding him in death were his parents and brother, Larry D. Smythe.

Bud will be missed by all who knew him for his generous heart and great sense of humor. His laugh and readiness to laugh will be missed most of all.

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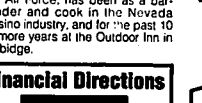
Charlie L. Boyd of Honolulu, Hawaii, died at the age of 58 on Saturday, February 23, after a long illness.

He was a resident of Jerome, Idaho, from 1975-1988.

He is preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Barbara Henage (Walter)-Jerome.

He is survived by two sisters, Alice Merkle (Ron)-Jerome and Joyce Cowley (Ray)-Jerome; His wife Sherry; Hawaii; one son, Roy Boyd (Jessica)-Jerome; three daughters, Suzanne Sarland (Robert)-Idaho, Mary Rose Phillips (Joel)-California and Barbara Takeuchi (Troy)-Hawaii; eight grandchildren; and many nieces & nephews.

Jarbidge, Nev.



Kenneth Allen 'Kenny' Heibert, 58, a resident of Jarbidge, Nevada, lost his fight with cancer last Friday, February 22, 2002.

His career, except for a tour with the Air Force, has been as a bartender and cook in the Nevada Casino industry, and for the past 10 or more years at the Outdoor Inn in Jarbidge.

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Kenny is survived by his Jarbidge Family and a host of friends from all over the west. Particularly, Kevin and Wanda Place and Dennis and JoAnne Dixon Amundson of Twin Falls who provided much of his care in his final months.

Cremation is under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho. A Celebration of Life service will be held this spring in Jarbidge, Nevada.

FILER

Paul L. Roberts

Paul L. Roberts, 88, of Filer, died Saturday, February 23, 2002, at his home.

Paul was born May 19, 1913, in Twin Falls, Idaho, to Altonzo Caleb and Hulda Ross Roberts. Raised and educated in Twin Falls, he worked for a time at the sugar factory. For many years, he owned and operated "Roberts Welding" in Twin Falls and later owned A-OK Trailer Park & Campground on Addison Blvd. On May 29, 1993, he married Edith Carroll of Filer, Idaho.

Paul loved to invent things and was always coming up with better and easier ways of doing things.

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He attended the Filer Church of the Nazarene and was a member of the Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center.

Paul is survived by his wife, Edith of Filer; a son, Phillip Roberts of Puyallup, Washington; a brother, William Roberts of Los Angeles, California; 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; and numerous step-children, step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, six sisters, 2 brothers, and 1 daughter Priscilla.

A memorial service will take place at 2 p.m. Wednesday, February 27, 2002, at the Filer Church of the Nazarene, with Pastor John Foster officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations in Paul's memory can be made to the Filer Senior Citizens Center, P.O. Box 288, Filer, Idaho 83228 or to the Filer Church of the Nazarene, P.O. Box N, Filer, Idaho 83228.

Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

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## DANCE ON



The Jerome High School dance team performs during halftime of a College of Southern Idaho game Feb. 1. The team's coach is Jenny Swan.

## Making memories



Linda Cutler teaches a beginning cake decorating mini-class to Danielle Tolman, Nicole Tolman, Kelsey Barrus, Michelle Lenkeradorfer and Sara Campbell.

## STORK REPORT

### Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Kai Tristen Smoke, son of Dusty Lyn Edwards of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Feb. 1, 2002.

Sierra Renee Bourn, daughter of Courtney Dawn Slane and Brian Dean Bourn of Hansen, was born Monday, Feb. 11, 2002.

Kristi Brooke Traugher, daughter of Shari Ruth and Richard Bryant Traugher of Jerome, was born Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002.

Nathan Kane Maxfield, son of Danielle and Robert Preston Maxfield of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002.

Jasmin Esmeralda Baeza, daughter of Teresa S. and Armando Baeza of Hansen, was born Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002.

Blake Andrew Moretto, son of Laurie Lyn and Andrew Bryan Moretto of Wendell, was born Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2002.

Dallion Mark McKay, son of Amberly Dawn Surphin and Mark McKay of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2002.

Jacob Kent Thornton, son of Alecia Jo and Jaren Kent Thornton of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2002.

Sheldon Elliott Weber, son of Stephanie Marie Weber of Elias, was born Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002.

Ethan Jakob Craner, son of Amanda Lane and Casey John Craner of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002.

Ivan Emanuel Posa, son of Maria Dolores DeLeon of Jackpot, Nev., was born Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002.

Bryan Frank Lopes, son of Leslie Duabe and Frank Martin Lopes IV of Gooding, was born Friday, Feb. 15, 2002.

William Martin Manker III, son of Gretchen Louise and William Martin Manker Jr. of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Feb. 15, 2002.

Emma Kate Madsen, daughter of Dorothy and Eric Guy, Madsen of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, Feb. 16, 2002.

Brayden Eugene Rich, son of Theresa Lynn Burroughs and Paul Eugene Rich of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, Feb. 16, 2002.

Taylor David Bench, son of Julie Ann and Justin R. Bench

To announce a birth: Send a copy of the birth certificate to:

Melissa Morgan  
 The Times-News  
 P.O. Box 548  
 Twin Falls, ID 83303  
 Or Fax to: 734-5538.  
 Deadline: noon Friday.

of Jackpot, Nev., was born Saturday, Feb. 16, 2002.

Alexander Michael Whitby, son of Amy Mariah and Carl Layne Whitby of Jerome, was born Sunday, Feb. 17, 2002.

Ethan Owen Johnston, son of Cara Dawn and Jeremiah Lonnie Johnston of Jerome, was born Monday, Feb. 18, 2002.

Emma Elizabeth Benites, daughter of Nidia Estela and Jose Manuel Benites of Twin Falls, was born Monday, Feb. 18, 2002.

Hunter Joshua Fivecoat, son of Heather Jill and Coby Duane Fivecoat of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2002.

Isaiiah James Jackson, son of Jennifer B. Marzittelli of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2002.

Alexis Lee Olsen, daughter of Alysa Lee and Gregg Samuel Olsen of Jerome, was born Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2002.

Kyle James Prestwich, son of Juanita Joyce and Kelsey Cole Prestwich of Wendell, was born Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2002.

Abbie Mae Stevens, daughter of Holly Jean and William Lyman Stevens of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2002.

Michael Eldon Malone, son of Carol and Scott Eldon Malone of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2002.

### Cassia Regional Medical Center

Marcus Moises Juarez, son of Ramiro Ofelia Juarez of Hazelton, was born Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002.

Alyssa Nickel Pena, daughter of Pette Pena Jr. and Nikki Baca of American Falls, was born Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002.

Abreea Lou Stephens, daughter of Clay and Shannon Stephens of Rupert, was born

Friday, Feb. 15, 2002.

Miguel Angel Almaras Valencia, son of Dora A. and Miguel Angel Almaras of Burley, was born Friday, Feb. 15, 2002.

Sam Aaron Rigby, son of Tony and Ria Rigby of Malta, was born Friday, Feb. 15, 2002.

Jayden D. Paul, son of John and Robin Paul of Burley, was born Saturday, Feb. 16, 2002.

Rylee Rasmus Pedersen, son of Camilla Lynn Pedersen of Burley, was born Saturday, Feb. 16, 2002.

Shayelin Ulysses Ceja, son of Carlos and Brenda Ceja of Rafi River, was born Sunday, Feb. 17, 2002.

Briant Magallon, son of Ramon and Margarita Magallon of Burley, was born Monday, Feb. 18, 2002.

Israel Jasso Jr., son of Israel and Veronica Jasso of Rupert, was born Monday, Feb. 18, 2002.

Kolby Blaine Bedke, son of Stuart and RoseMarie Bedke of Burley, was born Monday, Feb. 18, 2002.

Markayla Eileen Juarez, daughter of Veronica Juarez of Burley, was born Monday, Feb. 18, 2002.

Heiley Irene Chapa, daughter of Tony and Misty Chapa of Burley, was born Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2002.

### St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

Shaw Proctor Dean, son of Tina and Ryan Dean of Ketchum, was born Sunday, Feb. 10, 2002.

Elizabeth Louise Mann, daughter of Tinesy and William Mann of Ketchum, was born Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2002.

Lucas Gordon Elroy, son of Elizabeth and Lance Elroy of Pocatello, was born Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2002.

Shelby Lynn Sanders, daughter of Alicia and David Sanders of Fairfield, was born Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002.

Andrea Christel Che, daughter of Jacqueline and Ken Che of Halley, was born Friday, Feb. 15, 2002.

Angus DeForest Gilbert, son of Janessa and Andrew Gilbert of Halley, was born Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2002.

Austin Harold Rasmussen, son of Stephanie and Brandon Rasmussen of Halley, was born Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2002.

## 4-H leaders celebrate busy year

BURLEY - The Cassia County 4-H program had a busy year, says Maria Lowder, 4-H program administrative assistant for Cassia County.

It started last January with mini-classes, such as frozen bread dough, cake decorating, scrapbooking, tote painting, roping and more taught by leaders and office staff. They gave young people who aren't in a 4-H club a chance to complete a project, and allows 4-H members a chance to expand their knowledge and life skills in other areas their leaders don't offer, she says.

Throughout the spring, there were livestock weigh-ins, where young people had their animals' weight checked against pre-set guidelines. Then, the animal is tagged and each member signs a contract. Their job is working with their animal to get them ready to show at the fair.

In June, Cassia County hosted the Mini-Cassia 4-H activities day at the fairgrounds. Young people attended hour-long segments that

### Want more information on the 4-H program?

Call Maria Lowder at the Cassia County Office, 878-9461, or Jeni Bywater at the Minidoka County Office, 436-7184.

introduced them to a project or give them hints with ones they are already taking, Lowder says. Also that month was the tri-county 4-H camp at the South Central Idaho 4-H Camp above Sun Valley. Students in grades three to eight experienced hiking, swimming, crafts, games, campfires, survival skills and more. High school students worked as camp counselor positions. Cost for the camp was \$75.

The Cassia County Extension Office hosted the Idaho State Youth Horse Contest in July. Young people who qualified at district competitions competed in horse judging, horse bowl, demonstration and public speaking. The Communications Rodeo

was held in July as a pre-fair event. The 4-H members participated in job interviews, public speaking, demonstrations, commercials and family values skits.

Another pre-fair event was the 4-H Style Showcase. Members not only displayed their projects at the fair, but had the chance to model them.

At the fair in August were the livestock, horse, rabbit and dog shows. All the home economics and miscellaneous projects were displayed in the 4-H open-class building. Lowder says. Afterwards, there were district competitions for the dogs, rabbits, horse, communications rodeo and style showcase.

"In 2001, there were 449 young people participating in the 4-H program in Cassia County, and more than 300 different projects for them to choose from.

"The 4-H program is a great place for children to learn many life skills such as, confidence, teamwork and compassion," Lowder says.

## OKLAHOMA!



Minico High School presents Rodger's and Hammerstein's musical class, 'Oklahoma!' at 7 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. A matinee performance also will be at 2 p.m. Saturday. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and seniors.

## Castleford volunteer keeps fired up

By Mary Lou Potts  
 Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD - Tony Aguirre has seen a lot of changes in the Castleford rural fire district over the past 10 years.

The most significant has been the equipment and training courses offered firefighters, he says.

"After the department started getting better equipment, more volunteers became interested," said Aguirre, who also is a fire commissioner, in addition to a volunteer trainer.

At the monthly fire department meetings, equipment is checked for good working order. Firefighters watch training

videos and Fire Chief Brigg Vulgamore talks to the men and listens to suggestions about how to operate more efficiently, Aguirre said. All the volunteers have pagers, which ring when 911 is called for the area.

Aguirre, 28, has lived in Castleford all his life, graduating from high school in 1992. A decade ago, he joined the volunteer force because some of his buddies in school were members, and they talked about the exciting things they learned.

"They had an idea to learn new techniques," Vulgamore said. Castleford residents voted to form the fire district in April 1991. The district, which is a sep-

arate rural entity, levies taxes to support the operation.

Aguirre became acting fire commissioner when one member had to step down. Last November, he won the seat in an election against a challenger. He joins Jim Knutz and Jerry McCormack on the commission, which oversees operations of the fire district. The fire district has the same boundaries as the school district, and serves the city of Castleford and surrounding areas and can serve in a county function, if called upon.

Now, Aguirre is busy recruiting some of his friends to join as fire volunteers. During most of the year,

Aguirre works for the Twin Falls-Canal Company as a ditch rider. During the off-season, he works in the siding business and drives truck.

Aguirre and wife, Kim have one son, Rick, who is 10-months old.

Fire fighting is an important part of his life. "I'd like to work my way up in the department and become chief someday," he said.

Tony Aguirre, with son, Rick, has been with the Castleford volunteer fire department for a decade. He is now a fire commissioner.



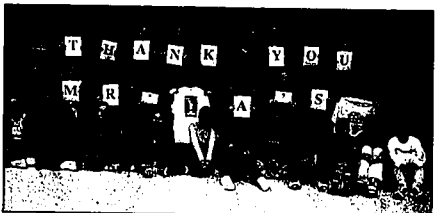
# TWIN FALLS AREA COMMUNITY

## O'LEARY STUDENTS SHOW CARING



O'Leary Junior High students in Twin Falls spent the third week in December collecting more than 11,500 canned food items for the Salvation Army. Along with this drive, called the Festival of Giving, students collected more than \$500 for the Valley House homeless shelter. Students include, from left, first row: Lindsay Treanor, Stephanie Packman, Kayleigh Ramos, Scott Thompson, Jessica Lupton, Susan Tanaka, Paul Riedi, Scott Guymon, Tyler Peterson, Kristopher Zigich and Wes Moraitakis; second row: Babina Stone, Ben Lahrch, Kyle Skvz, Alexander Harmon, Kampton Cox, Sarah Luce, Rhonda Peterson, Chart Griffith, Tara McClomonda and Nicholas Johansson; third row: Bradley Jacobson, Richard Stubbs, Chris Arenz, Andy Harris, Chris Steen, Aaron Dennis, Jason Peay, Matt Hawkins, Andrew Wilkin, Evan Crowley and Anne Wood. Not pictured are Derrick Daern and Shally Gardner.

O'Leary band students had the help of David Anderson and Mr. A's T-shirt printing business to help raise money for the New York Relief fund. Students took orders for patriotic shirts and Mr. A's printed them, with all proceeds going to the relief fund.



## Buhl Middle School lists honor students

- BUHL** - Buhl Middle School announced its honor roll for the first semester.
- Highest honors, 4.0 grade point average**  
Eighth grade  
Michael Bourmer  
Bethany Euresci  
Jessica Heaton  
Angela Hutchinson  
Ashley McClain  
James Osterkamp  
Anthony Owens
- Seventh grade**  
William Chivers  
Shala Fields  
Karrick Kelly  
Emily Pearson  
Adena Storey  
Eva Stutzman  
Janice Van Patten
- Sixth grade**  
Stephanie Ahlm  
Ashley Bartsch  
Michelle Hunter  
Emily O'Connor  
Michelle Tompkins  
Bradley Twiss
- High honors 3.50-3.99**  
Eighth grade  
Abbe Reynolds  
Alex Johnson  
Amanda Cox  
Angela Oglesbee  
Brid Montgomery
- Cassie O'Donnell**  
Cassie Tipton  
Daniel Heller  
Heather Scovel  
J.R. Kippes  
Judd Spencer  
Rachel Peterson  
Morgan Linderman  
Roxanne Struock
- Seventh grade**  
Amanda Combe  
April Jaynes  
Cheryl Geiger  
Drew Gabardi  
Erica Serrano  
Jake Busby  
Janna Lively  
Jenni Vanhooser  
K.C. Hulse  
Kyle Clements  
Lacey McGuire  
Larissa King  
Madeline Meiers  
Miranda Juker  
Misty Hanson  
Nicholas Baughman  
Samuel Tanner  
Sara Mason  
Summer Lyday  
Tanner Lechenby  
Tianna Robinson  
Trenton Craner  
Tyler Hutchinson  
Zakary Welch
- Sixth grade**  
Alex Finney  
Alicia Abshire  
Anna Medina  
Colton Jaynes
- Cori Flint**  
Courtney Holladay  
Jennifer Hedges  
Kary Stromberg  
Nicole Frey  
Nicole Thom  
Patrick Osterkamp  
Tiffany Bailey  
Trista Allen  
Tucker McCreey  
Zachary Montgomery
- Honor roll, 3.00-3.40**  
Eighth grade  
Jessica Adams  
Luke Alexander  
Trevin Belveal  
Shayla Cantrell  
Brady Irish  
Maricela Jimenez  
Kasi Klines  
Paeden Mabey  
Breann Mink  
Amanda Serrano  
Victor Soto  
Jeremy Thomas  
Anthony Tomkins  
Ruslan Vingert  
Marshall Wiggs  
Jarom Wray
- Seventh grade**  
Sonia Ayala  
Ashli Brown  
Alejandro Delgado  
Amber Gifford  
Monica Varela  
Brittany Harp  
Aaron Harvey
- Thomas Henson**  
Teala Herringer  
Anthony Hurley  
Cassi Hutchinson  
Austin Lutz  
Andrew Lunda  
Misha Leavell  
Amanda Lyon  
Catarina Marques  
Mikhaela Farland  
Marcela Munguia  
Yelene Nadochayeva  
Leticia Nevarez  
Adam Olsen  
Annelie Perez  
Cameron Seasons  
Traize Wuenisch
- Sixth grade**  
Allen Alfred  
Jeffrey Alfred  
Brook Combe  
Dustin Davidson  
Chelsea Forrest  
Whitney Grove  
Carly Hampton  
Justin Heaton  
Jordan Hicks  
Anli Kimball  
Chae Lee Lawrence  
Stretson Montgomery  
Aaron Nieto  
Shawn Nurtin  
Gaige Owen  
Robert Huffing  
Whitney Stocking  
Monica Varela  
Lillian Villaro  
Ashley Wilson

## STUART STUDENTS CAUGHT BEING GOOD

Seventh-graders at Robert Stuart Junior High receive a drawing ticket when they are 'Caught Being Good' by following the school agreements of mutual respect, responsibility and attentive listening. November drawing winners were, from left: Alena Roop, Ashley Hamilton, Yun Cheng, Shannon Wray, Halley Batsch, Mike Hayes, Abby McNeley and Alexandra Gray; front: Vilinda Fitch, Darren Czaplinski and Cody Wachal. Not pictured were Brody Mills, Robert Thomas, Blanca Garcia, Kaylee Candelaria and Ericke Craig.



## Murtaugh schools release honor roll

**MURTAUGH** - Murtaugh Middle/High School released its honor roll.

**Highest honor roll 4.0 grade point average**  
Twelfth  
John Silvers  
Stephanie Tolman  
Eleventh  
Lanett Andersen  
Monica Biggers  
Daniel Egbert  
Tanya Perkins  
Lacey Perkins  
Ninth  
Trant Cummins  
Whitney Funk  
Eighth  
Drua Tolman  
Jordan Funk  
Kristen Egbert  
Ell Andersen  
Seventh  
Danielle Cummins  
Tress Brown

Michael Adams  
Sixth  
Shailay Sievers  
Michelle Roseborough

**High honor roll 3.5-3.9 grade point average**  
Twelfth  
Denver Hunsaker  
Colby Dennis  
Lisa Funk  
Eleventh  
Kent Perkins  
Adam Stanger  
Vanessa Sandoval  
Ben Roseborough  
Jordi Stallings  
Tenth  
Katalen Perkins  
Ninth  
Coby Wright  
Jenilyn Perkins  
Amber Fundergraft  
Bridger Booth  
Eighth

Tanya Randolph  
Seventh  
Hope Harrigfeld  
Chelsea Capps  
Courtney Anderson  
Kendle Stallings  
Sixth  
Isaak Williamson  
Delanie Heworth  
Beatriz Carrillo

**Honor roll 3.0-3.49 grade point average**  
Twelfth  
Paul Buckley  
Andrew Castello  
Aimee Adolphson  
Jared Boley  
Jade Mecham  
Kellen Nebeker  
Eleventh  
Adolfo Arevalo  
Bryce Dennis  
Brigham Hurd  
Matthew Newkirk

Jose Luis Orozco  
Cody Perkins  
Delby Stanger  
Tenth  
Debbie Artega  
Janelle Bishoff  
Jillann Cutler  
Conley Dyer  
Ninth  
Hallee Roseborough  
Eighth  
Chandre Damian  
Seventh  
Charice Randolph  
Emma Johnson  
Carmen Anguiano  
Nathan Cantu  
Sixth  
Jo Anna Randolph  
Jose L. Orozco  
Randi Lovelace  
April Hughes  
Jared Gaxiola  
Selene Delgado  
Jesus Cabral  
Arien Bishoff  
Joel Martinez

## BETHEL GIFTS - SERVICE NEWS



Bethel 56, Twin Falls. International Order of Job's Daughters donated a portion of the proceeds from its Christmas wreath sales to the Ika Kistler Safe House and Southern Idaho Learning Clinic. Checks were presented at the Bethel installation of officers. Additionally, more than \$300 was raised for the safe house by the fall term Honored Queen Brooke Jardine by selling a denim quilt, which was won by Donna Britze. From left are Saralene Tillington, spring term honored queen; Val Stotts, safe house director; Melody Lankner, learning clinic director; and Jardine. Job's Daughters is a leadership organization for girls ages 11-20, which promotes love of God, family, country and service to community.

**Legg graduates from course at Fort Lee**  
Army Pvt. Michael C. Legg has graduated from the unit supply specialist advanced individual training course at Fort Lee, Petersburg, Va.  
The student was trained to receive, inspect, segregate, store, inventory, issue, deliver and turn in organizational and installation supplies and equipment; and secure and control weapons and ammunition supplies.  
Legg is the son of Cathy J. Legg and Charles A. Legg, both of Twin Falls. The private is a 2001 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

**Cliett graduates from basic Army training**  
Army Pvt. Charles R. Cliett Jr. has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.  
The soldier received training in drill and ceremonies, weapon, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid and Army history and traditions.  
Cliett is the son of Randy Cliett of Twin Falls.

## THINGS TO DO

- Music**  
Snake River Flute Bandship Chorus - 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 123 K St., Rupert. Men of all ages invited, call 436-6047  
Dance  
Magic Valley Singles Square Dance Club - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at S. Jerome's Parish Hall, 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome; call Vera at 734-6447 or Tom at 324-6440. Couples welcome.
- Bingo**  
Golden Years Senior Citizens Center - 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 218 N. Rail, W. W. Shoshone. Must be over 18; call 896-2869.  
Ladies Senior Center - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Main Street in Kimberly. Anyone over age 18 is welcome; call 423-4328.  
American Legion Hall in Twin Falls - 7:15 p.m. Fridays 447 Southeast St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Must be over 18. Call 736-1729.  
Jerome Senior Center - 6:45-9 p.m. Tuesdays, 212 First Ave. E. in Jerome, snack bar opens at 6 p.m., early bird at 6:45 p.m., regular bingo at 7 p.m. Must be over age 18; call 324-6542.  
American Legion Hall in Woodruff - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, 610 W. Main. Doors and snack bar open at 6 p.m. Must be over 18; call 536-6642.  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall in Burley - 7 p.m. Saturdays. Call Allen at 679-2981.
- To add listing, please send in a notice with:**  
Name of the organization or club;  
Time, day and place of the activity;  
Telephone number of a contact person.  
Send to: Pat Marcoraito at the Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303. Or fax to 734-5538.  
Or e-mail to patmarcoraito@csinews.com. For more information, call Pat Marcoraito at 735-2525.
- Singles**  
Christian Singles Group - 7 p.m. on Oct. 1 and every other Monday, Christian Fourquays Center, 181 Morrison St., Twin Falls 83305.  
Southern Idaho Twin Falls Singles - 8 p.m. Saturdays at Spambush's Barn for dancing. For more information, call 735-8944.  
Miss Camie Singles - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 1901 W. St. in Heyburn, 678-5328.  
Circles  
Brides - 1 p.m. Mondays at Magic Valley Bridge House, 246 Falls Ave., Twin Falls 733-6599. Newcomers welcome.  
Magic Valley Pilschke Club - 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Disabled American Veterans Hall, Harrison Street and Shoup Avenue, Twin Falls.  
Valley Vitas Retirement Center Pilschke Club - 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays in the community center at 653 Rose St. N. in Twin Falls, 733-5531.
- Other**  
Writers Support Group - 6 p.m. Wednesdays at Chapter 1 Bookstore, 120 N. Main, 346-7549.  
Magic Valley Tri Club - meets for 100-mile and triathlon training. Call Camela at 733-0430.  
Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club (volunteers) - meets at 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays.  
Writers of the Word, Christian writers' group - 10 a.m. first Friday of Twin Falls at the month at Kimberly Public Library, call Marylou at 423-5252.  
Magic Valley Astronomical Society - 7 p.m. second Saturdays in Post room at Heritage Valley High School, call 736-7417.  
Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club (volunteers) - 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at 253 5th Ave. W. Twin Falls. General public shooting, limited to 22, moderate caliber, call Eric at 734-5990 or Larry at 733-4231.  
Snake River Canyon Rowing Club of Idaho - 7 p.m. fourth Wednesday at upstairs meeting room at CSI Taylor building, call Debbie at 736-9118.

## BPA holds fund-raiser for student competitions

**TWIN FALLS** - The College of Southern Idaho's Business Professionals of America students are holding a raffle to raise money to attend state and national competitions this spring. Group adviser Karen Atwood said prizes are offered for students, including a dedicated parking space at CSI. Public raffles include a dinner show and one night's lodging at Cactus Pines and a \$35 gift basket from Nature's Best soaps. Tickets, which are \$2 each or three for \$5, will be sold until March 12. Winners will be announced March 14. Tickets can be purchased or donations can be made to the BPA fund-raiser by calling Atwood at 733-9554, Ext. 2308, or Teresa Sept at 733-9554, Ext. 2315, or by sending e-mail to katwood@csi.edu or

## irrigation equipment group offers scholarships

**BOISE** - The Idaho Irrigation Equipment Association expects to award more than \$14,000 in scholarships to students going into agricultural irrigation or turf/landscape irrigation fields. In 2001, the association awarded \$14,650 in scholarships to 24 students, ranging from \$300 to \$1,100 per student. The students were selected on the basis of academic accomplishments, leadership and interest in pursuing a degree in agricultural irrigation or turf/landscape related field. Graduating high school seniors or college students may contact their local association member irrigation equipment dealer or Tondee Clark at 377-8188 for an application form. All applications are due April 15.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

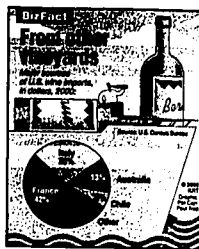
**Chamber, Head Start hold health, info fair today**  
BUHL - The Buhl Chamber of Commerce and West End Head Start will hold its annual health and information community fair from 5:30-8:30 p.m. today at Poppelwald Elementary School at 200 N. Sixth.  
Free dinner and entertainment will be offered. More than 50 information booths, ranging from health care to downtown revitalization, will be available.  
**Leaves a Legacy sponsors seminar for organizations**  
TWIN FALLS - Leave a Legacy will sponsor a seminar on planned giving for nonprofit organizations from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 7 in room 256 of the Taylor Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

Sister Mary Dernovek, the coordinator of the Oregon Statewide Leave a Legacy program, will speak. Dernovek is the executive director of Solutions for Non-Profits, and has been helping nonprofit organizations put together sustainable fund development programs for 25 years.  
The first session will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and devoted to helping organizations and their volunteers get ready to receive planned gifts from patrons, and obtain needed professional and technical support.  
The afternoon session, from 1:30-3 p.m., will cover planned giving marketing, office resources and record keeping, cultivation and solicitation techniques and board development.  
The cost is \$15 for cost session and lunch or \$25 for both sessions and lunch.  
For more information or to reg-

ister, call Kyla Kelly at 737-2432.  
**CSI shows off physical sciences curriculum**  
TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will show off its physical science curriculum in two identical open house gatherings from 2:50-3 p.m. March 8 and April 12, in room 277 of CSI's Taylor Building.  
CSI professor Bill Eberlein says the sessions are designed to show how CSI's math, engineering, chemistry and physics students benefit from smaller classes, accessible instructors, good articulation with other universities and modest tuition and fees.  
High school students and their parents, counselors and other instructors are encouraged to attend either session.  
For more information, call Eberlein at 733-9554, Ext. 2129 or e-mail him at

eberlein@csi.edu. Calls may also be made to Ext. 2101.  
**Inspirational singer appears at Filer High School**  
FILER - Singer, songwriter and inspirational speaker Robbie Bray will appear at 1:20 p.m. Wednesday at the Filer High School gymnasium.  
Latham Motors Inc. of Twin Falls and Bob Latham Jr. are the sponsors.  
Bray is a country/rock recording artist and author of "I Will go When." Bray's message is one of believing in yourself, having courage, developing a goal and living with humor, dignity and integrity, organizers say.  
Students, parents and faculty members are invited.  
For more information, call Robbie King at 733-5776 or Filer High School at 356-5944.





## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### State senator plans to put PAX back on air

TWIN FALLS — Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, is planning to put PAX back on the air as a nonable television channel, probably in early July.

Stennett, who has the PAX affiliation in Sun Valley, will operate PAX on Channel 43.

The station will be operated from Stennett's Sun Valley station, but the signal will be broadcast from Jerome Butte, as it was when PAX was on Channel 55, Stennett said. Programming will not change, except some Sun Valley news might be added about once a week.

Stennett applied for a license transfer recently, but it will take three to five months to get Federal Communications Commission approval, he said.

Stennett will not buy Channel 55, the station that operated PAX until last month when it went off the air.

### Ameristar Casinos sees management shake-up

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The president of Ameristar Casinos Inc.'s operations in Missouri no longer serves in that position, and the company's top executive in Iowa has resigned, the company announced.

The Las Vegas-based company which also runs Jackpot, West, properties did not say whether John V. Finamore had resigned or was fired. Nor did it say when his service as president ended or whether he remains with the company in another capacity.

"Finamore is no longer employed as president of Missouri operations," the company's statement said.

Neither Finamore nor company officials would comment.

Tony Teubel, general manager at Ameristar's riverboat casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa, has resigned, effective March 7, Ameristar said. Teubel reportedly has accepted a position with the Bostow Indian-owned Silver Star Resort & Casino in Philadelphia, Miss., one of the nation's largest tribal casinos.

### S&P issues updates to list of five-star stocks

WASHINGTON — The analysts at Standard & Poor's have issued updates to their list of 84 five-star stocks.

"You should pay attention since these five-star stocks, over the past 15 years, have beaten the S&P 500 index by an annual average of more than 7 percentage points.

Here are the chosen few, a varied bunch, that were just upgraded: Kalleck & Saffa (symbol: KLSIC), which makes semiconductor assembly equipment; SCP Pool (POOL), swimming pool supplies; National Commerce Financial (NCF), regional bank; Regis Corp. (REGS), hair salons, including salons in Twin Falls and Burley; and Stryker (SYK), medical devices.

### Intimate Brands will broadcast conference call

TWIN FALLS — Ohio-based Intimate Brands, in conjunction with its fourth-quarter and year-end earnings release, will broadcast its conference call live over the Internet. The call will be at 6:45 a.m. Thursday with Debbie Mitchell, vice president, communications and investor relations.

Go to [www.IntimateBrands.com](http://www.IntimateBrands.com), or dial 1-877-518-7312. A reply of the broadcast will also be available by dialing 1-800-294-4342 followed by passcode III (or 424). The Web cast will be archived on [www.IntimateBrands.com](http://www.IntimateBrands.com).

Intimate Brands is a provider of intimate apparel, beauty and personal care products — has a Bath & Body Works store in Twin Falls and will open a Victoria's Secret store here this year.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

## Clear Channel: Empire built on deregulation

Los Angeles Times

To see how deregulation can turn an obscure businessman into a sudden power broker, look no further than Texas radio billionaire L. Lowry Mays.

Six years ago, his modest San Antonio, Texas-based chain Clear Channel Communications Inc. owned 36 radio stations, four under the legal limit. Then Congress did away with most radio station ownership limits and Mays went on a frantic shopping spree.

Today, his sprawling empire covers all 50 states with 1,225 radio stations, about 10 percent of the nation's total, plus the country's biggest live-concert promotions firm, 19 television stations and 770,000 billboard signs. In a decade, Clear Channel's sales have jumped from \$74 million to about \$8 billion last year, a stunning 100-fold increase.

In Twin Falls, Clear Channel has country radio station KEZJ-FM, news and talk station KLDX-AM and oldies station KLDX-FM.

But Clear Channel's rapid expansion is provoking allegations that the radio giant

### Billionaire turns modest radio station chain into nationwide communications giant

is bullying recording artists and skirting station ownership rules. Consumer advocates point to the conglomerate as a symbol of the results of media deregulation — one that should be examined following a federal court ruling last week that could open the door to more consolidation in the television and cable industries.

"Our worst fears have been realized," Andrew Jay Schwartzman, president of the watchdog organization Media Access Project, said Friday. "A lot of the things Clear Channel is doing are the traditionally questionable industry practices, now on steroids."

Clear Channel's executives say they have done nothing improper and tout the benefits of continued deregulation.

Last month, Rep. Howard L. Berman, D-Calif., urged the Justice Department and the Federal Communications Commission to probe reports that Clear Channel punished stars, such as Britney Spears, by

refusing to play their songs on Clear Channel radio stations because the musicians declined to hire the company as their tour promoter.

If the allegations are true, such acts would "exacerbate the negative effects consolidation has had on recording artists, copyright owners, advertisers and consumers," wrote Berman, a senior Democrat on the House Judiciary Committee.

Concern about Clear Channel's vast size also has spread to Wall Street. Struggling under \$9 billion in debt, Clear Channel has racked up four straight unprofitable quarters and will report its annual results today. Meanwhile, the company's stock closed last week at about half its record high of two years ago.

Clear Channel says that cost-cutting will cushion the company as it goes through the advertising slump and that it eventually will see increased profit.

One cost-cutting strategy Clear Channel is betting on is replacing radio shows across the country. The conglomerate is using so-called "voice-tracking" on a scale that would have been unthinkable before deregulation.

In 48 cities, millions of radio listeners each week tune in to a station in their market calling itself Kiss FM. Many of the disc jockeys are based in Los Angeles, working for Clear Channel's pop powerhouse KIIS-FM, but listeners in smaller markets across the country may hear Rick Dees joking about their local news or Sean Valentine trumpeting upcoming concerts at their local amphitheater, as well as a similar playlist laden with bands such as 'N Sync and Linkin Park.

KIIS programming recorded in Los Angeles is exported to Des Moines, Iowa, and Jacksonville, Fla., as series of taped moments, from phone calls to song intros, that are spliced together to sound as if the DJs are chatting from a studio down the street.

The so-called voice-tracked segments, music and commercials can be whisked

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## GM outlook spurs stock surge

### Dow sees highest close since Jan. 8

By Amy Baldwin  
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — An upbeat outlook from General Motors and a ratings upgrade of Sun Microsystems gave Wall Street a burst of enthusiasm Monday, propelling stock prices sharply higher.

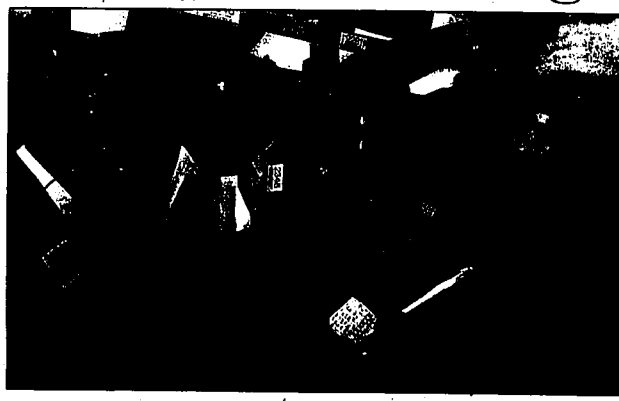
A strong housing report also contributed to investor buoyant mood and helped the Dow industrials surge more than 170 points to their strongest close in six weeks.

But analysts remained wary about the market's ability in the near term to hold onto gains, given last week's fluctuations and ongoing fears about earnings and accounting practices. Buyers have been enticed by cheaper prices following the market's yearlong decline rather than a belief that business is poised for improvement.

The Dow soared 177.56, or 1.8 percent, to close at 10,145.71, the Dow's strongest close since Jan. 8, when it finished at 10,150.55.

The Dow's recent sessions have been quite choppy as the blue-chip index alternated between triple-digit gains and losses all last week. The Dow rose 133.47 on Friday.

"This is an example of the market's bipolar behavior where



Specialist Douglas Shaw, second left, directs trades in shares of J.C. Penney on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange recently.

we can be up over 100 points one or two days in a row, and then get that back in the next day or two," said Alan Ackerman, executive vice president of Fidelity's Fidelity & Co. "There is no indication that this rally will continue."

The broader market also improved. The Nasdaq composite index rose 45.34, or 2.6 percent, to 1,769.88.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index gained 19.59, or 1.8 percent, to 1,109.43.

General Motors rose \$2.37 to \$55.48 after raising its first-quarter

and 2002 earnings estimates. GM, which cited better-than-expected sales in the United States, also said it is increasing planned production.

"That is the kind of news we need to start hearing, and then the market will focus on the economic recovery," said John C. Forelli, portfolio manager for Independence Investment LLC in Boston.

Other automakers benefited from GM's news. DaimlerChrysler climbed \$1.85 to \$39.73.

While economic reports have

indicated business is strengthening, the timing of an economic turnaround is still uncertain and investors are looking to company earnings outlooks as an indicator that business is indeed improving. Analysts have said that when more companies boost profit projections, stocks are likely to begin a more sustainable rally.

"What we need is just some positive news from companies. Companies are reluctant to react positively to the economic news until they have their orders firmly in hand," Forelli said.

## COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

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

### Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Jason Linn Perron and Vanessa Dawn Perron, also known as Vanessa Dawn Schroeder, 3836 Andrea Lane, Filer, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40255.

Elayne M. Jensen, also known as Elayne M. Martinez and Elayne M. Mendonca, 540 James Ave., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40252.

Manuel Jimenez, 1234 Alamo, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40250.

Robert Alan Adkins, 218 W. Ave. I, Space 44, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40249.

Richard Dale Self, 776 Sparks, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets not listed, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40244.

Richard R. Young, 135 1/2 Walnut St., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40241.

Leo R. Graham and Margaret E. Graham, 256 Crestview Drive, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40239.

Daniel Patrick Canfield, 240 Earl St., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-40238.

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

William John Dunsbergen and Donna Lorraine Dunsbergen, 506 Montana, Gooding, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 02-40234.

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

Kelly J. Smith and Michelle Smith, 854 W. Baseline, Paul, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 02-40253.

Darrell D. Olmstead, 116 E. Ave. D, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 02-40251.

Gregory J. Corliss, P.O. Box 3190, Hatley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 50-99 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 02-40251.

Case no. 02-40248.

### Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$500,000 to \$1 million

Charles W. Mogensen Jr., also known as Bill Mogensen, and Lori S. Mogensen, 746 College Drive, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$500,000 to \$1 million. Case no. 02-40242.

### Federal Court

**BOISE — Recent activity in Federal Court included this Magic Valley case:**

Griff Inc., an Idaho corporation, vs. Curry Bean Co. Inc., Residential Ag Inc., an Idaho corporation; D&G Land Development, an Idaho corporation; Gregory Hull; and Douglas B. Hull and Nancy S. Hull. The cause of action is removal of the case from 5th Judicial District of Idaho in Twin Falls County to the U.S. District Court for assignment to a bankruptcy judge. Civil case no. 02-CV-66.

## Rural group develops brochures

### Materials look to promote community

By Mary Lou Potts  
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — Each town and county member of the Rural Magic Valley Economic Development Association is preparing to showcase itself in colorful brochures that will highlight the community's outstanding features.

Field specialist James Scott is assisting in production, starting with Gooding County and city. That brochure will be a prototype for the others.

The brochures are meant to help draw economic development to the communities. A Web address for the coalition, [www.rmvda.com](http://www.rmvda.com), has been approved, and Scott soon will publish a page with information about the association and individual data on each community.

Scott has met with most of the cities and counties in the association. Each entity named a designated group and a contact person to work with Scott.

The groups have formed schedules and goals to benefit their cities or counties.

Hagerman, for example, formed a corporation called Hagerman Improvement, Development, Education and Appreciation, or IDEA, to attract new people from the valley who may invest in the community.

The Gooding area will try to find new tenants for vacant industrial sites, including the old tuberculosis hospital site.

Buhl is planning a community assessment to identify main issues and potential action on some objectives named by the Economic Development Council. The Buhl community pinpointed education and schools as a top priority.

Castletroff Men's Club will help the City Council plan goals. Bliss, Shoshone and Wendell designated Gen Teams as facilitators, and the groups are working on plans for attracting new developments.

In other news from the rural coalition, Scott attended the Sirolli Institute Enterprise Facilitation course in Clarkston, Wash., recently on a scholarship from Sustainable Agriculture Resource Education.

The course taught interviewing, consulting and business plan assessment techniques that can have a positive and long-lasting effect on job growth, community investments and social and community attitudes, he said.

The rural coalition's next meeting is planned at 6 p.m. March 14 in Bliss. The meeting place will be announced later.

Times-News correspondent Mary Lou Potts can be reached in Buhl at 543-8854.

The Associated Press

**POCATELLO —** Two months after the closing of the Astaris plant, Chris Hugues believes losing his job may be the best thing that ever happened to him.

Hugues, a former safety trainer and inspector at the phospho-

rous plant, will soon be a college student again and owner of his own business.

"I never realized how high the stress level was out there until I got away from it," Hugues said. The 52-year-old will start an 11-week program at the University of San Diego in

March to get Occupational Safety and Health Administration certification for safety training. He said it normally would take three and a half years to get certified, but the university will credit him for his current certifications and years of experience.

The cost of his education will be covered by the Warren Act, federal legislation that sends workers who lose their jobs to foreign markets back to school. Hugues believes he qualifies because cheaper phosphorus

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Section D

### MORNING LINE

#### SPORTSQUOTE

“My dad was a cop, and he always told me the best way to get killed is to have a gun in the house.”

—*Magic coach Doc Rivers*

#### TRIVIA

##### QUESTION

What former major leaguer grounded into only 33 double plays in 4,553 at-bats — the best in history with one for every 138 at-bats? Hint: He also played football for a local university.

...answer below

#### IN BRIEF

##### Jerome product earns weekly honor

LEWISTON — Jerome graduate Kendra West, now playing at Lewis-Clark State College, was named Athlete of the Week recently for her contributions to the 25th-ranked Lady Warriors.

West averages 5.3 points and 3.5 rebounds per game, as the NAIA Div. I Warriors enter Wednesday's Frontier Conference tournament as second seed.

West backs up former College of Southern Idaho player Katarina Gabanlova.

##### Sign up for co-ed volleyball tourney

GOODING — A co-ed volleyball tournament will be held March 9 at Gooding Middle School.

Cost to enter is \$75 per team with divisions open for all levels of play. To register or for more information, call Pam Penetra at 324-0354 or 735-4124 or Kenny at 536-6273.

##### Gooding hosts annual donkey basketball

GOODING — The third annual donkey basketball game will be held March 7 at 7 p.m. at the Gooding High gymnasium. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$4 for students and \$3 for children. Tickets sold at the door will be \$1 more. All proceeds benefit the high school's Dollars for Scholars program.

For ticket information, contact Seifert's Jewelers at 934-4119 or the district office at 934-4321.

##### Jerome Rec registers for softball, volleyball

JEROME — The Jerome Recreation District is taking registration for spring soccer and youth volleyball leagues. Soccer leagues will be offered for boys and girls in kindergarten through sixth grade. Volleyball leagues will be open to children in fifth through ninth grades. Fees for the leagues are \$15.

##### Jerome Softball Assoc. meets March 5

JEROME — An organizational meeting for the Jerome Softball Association will be held on Tuesday, March 5 at 7 p.m. at the Jerome Recreation District conference room. The meeting is for team representatives and coaches, but interested players who are looking to join a team should attend.

The meeting will cover bylaws, fees, game schedules and tournaments.

##### Golfer acs No. 5 at Clear Lake CC

BUHL — Kenny Ambrose made a hole in one with a pitching wedge on the No. 5 hole at Clear Lake Country Club on Monday.

Witnesses included Ron Thompson, Marta Thompson and Distie Jensen.

Compiled from staff reports.

#### TRIVIA ANSWER

Don Buford, who played for USC's baseball and football teams in the late 1950s.

## Williams surrenders, gets manslaughter charge



Former New Jersey Nets player Jayson Williams, center, leaves the New Jersey State Police Barracks in Kingwood, N.J., with his attorney Joseph Hayden, left, Monday.

The Associated Press

FLEMINGTON, N.J. — Former NBA star Jayson Williams surrendered to police Monday and was charged with manslaughter in the shooting death of a limousine driver — a crime punishable by up to 15 years in prison.

The NBC Sports commentator, accompanied by two men, walked through a back entrance into the state police barracks in Kingwood. He didn't comment as he entered or left.

Costas Christofi, 55, was found shot to death in the master bedroom at Williams' 65-acre estate in Alexandria Township on Feb. 14. According to the criminal complaint, Williams was the only person near

*"We are very confident that after a full, fair and thorough exploration of all the facts it will be clear that Mr. Williams is innocent of recklessness and innocent of any criminal conduct."*

—Joseph Hayden, Jayson Williams' attorney

Christofi when the gun went off.

"The death of Mr. Christofi was a tragic accident, but it was an accident," said Williams' lawyer, Joseph Hayden. "We are very confident that after a full, fair and thorough exploration of all the facts it will be clear that Mr. Williams is innocent of recklessness and innocent of any criminal conduct."

Acting Hunterdon County Prosecutor Steven C. Lember

would not discuss details of the case, but said he was convinced Williams caused Christofi's death by recklessly handling the shotgun.

"I agree it was tragic and it may even have been an accident. But at base, every reckless manslaughter is an accident," Lember said.

Lember said authorities want Please see WILLIAMS, Page D2

## Back to business

### Sosa arrives at Cubs camp; Matt Williams breaks leg

The Associated Press

MESA, Ariz. — Sammy Sosa arrived at spring training with typical fanfare Monday morning and his presence immediately livened up the Chicago Cubs clubhouse.

"Good morning America. I'm in the house," Sosa said as he greeted his teammates several days after the first full-squad workout but still ahead of the mandatory reporting date.

Sosa shook hands and exchanged hugs, laughing all the way. Minutes later, the boom box in front of his locker was sending loud, pulsating music across the clubhouse.

It was as if a party had suddenly broken out in the early morning. After greeting new teammate Moises Alou, whom he helped recruit to the Cubs, and giving another hug to manager Don Baylor, Sosa pulled on his uniform and began testing a new bat in front of his locker.

The Cubs are counting on him swinging one as well as he did a year ago.

Sosa's 2001 season was one of the best of his career, overshadowed by Barry Bonds' record-setting 73-homer performance.

Sosa had 64 homers, becoming the first player to ever reach 60 three times, batted .328 and led the majors in RBIs (160), runs scored (146), total bases (425) and intentional walks (37). He set team records in total bases, extra-base hits (103) and slugging percentage (.737).

And he was at his best down the stretch, hitting 24 homers, batting .385 and driving in 55 runs over the final 48 games.

Entering his 11th season with the Cubs, Sosa has missed just 11 games in the last five years.

For Matt Williams, spring training is becoming a series of bad breaks.

The Arizona third baseman broke his left leg and dislocated his left ankle during a routine fielding drill Monday and is expected to miss opening day.

"I worked hard to prepare myself, so needless to say I'm disappointed," Williams said. "I



Chicago outfielder Sammy Sosa tosses a ball to the infield Monday as he joined the Cubs at spring training in Mesa, Ariz.

can't do anything about it except heal up and do the proper rehab on the field as quickly as possible."

Such injuries usually take 4-to-6 weeks to heal. The World Series champion Diamondbacks open the regular season on April 1 at home against San Diego.

In March 2000, Williams broke his right foot with a foul ball. He didn't get off the disabled list until May 23 that season.

Arizona manager Bob Brenly said Greg Colbrunn, Danny

Klassen or second basemen Jay Bell, Craig Counsell and Junior Spivey were candidates to replace Williams at third.

At Tampa, Fla., New York Yankees first baseman Jason Giambi was scratched from an intrasquad game because of tightness in his left hamstring.

Giambi first felt the problem Sunday, though it's not considered serious.

"I don't think it's anything more than your normal spring training stuff," Yankees manager

Joe Torre said. "I think he's fine. I prefer to save him for the games."

"I could have went out there and played," Giambi said. "We're going to take it slow and precautionary."

Giambi played through a left hamstring injury most of last season.

"The most important thing is to be ready for game one," Giambi said. "Better safe than sorry."

Giambi signed a \$120 million, seven-year contract during the offseason. He hit .342 with 38 homers and 120 RBIs last year.

## Jayhawks remain on top perch

The Associated Press

Kansas became the first team this season other than Duke to be ranked No. 1 in the AP college basketball poll in consecutive weeks.

The Jayhawks (25-2) held the top spot in the national media voting Monday, a day after winning 88-87 at Nebraska, their 12th straight victory that clinched the Big 12 regular season title.

It is the third time this season Kansas has been No. 1. The first time lasted only a week as the Jayhawks lost at UCLA, the last time they lost this season.

Kansas received 51 first-place votes and 1,769 points, 43 more than Maryland, which held the No. 2 spot after beating Wake Forest 90-89 Sunday. The Terrapins received 14 No. 1 votes.

Duke (25-2), which had seven first-place votes and 1,686 points, was third for the second straight week. The Blue Devils are the only other team to be ranked No. 1 this season.

Cincinnati stayed No. 4, while Oklahoma and Alabama swapped fifth and sixth. Gonzaga, Florida and Marquette stayed seventh through ninth, respectively, while Pittsburgh moved up one spot to No. 10, the Panthers' first Top Ten ranking since the final poll of the 1987-88 season.

Kentucky led the second 10 and was followed by Oklahoma State, Oregon, Arizona, Illinois, Georgia, Stanford, Ohio State, Southern California and Western Kentucky.

The last five ranked teams were California, Miami, Connecticut, Wake Forest and Indiana.

California, which was last ranked in the 1998-99 season, and Connecticut, which was in the Top 25 last month, were this week's newcomers, replacing Virginia and UCLA.

Virginia (16-9) and UCLA (18-9) became the sixth and seventh teams this season to be ranked in the Top 10 and fall out of the poll. The others were Missouri, Iowa, Saint Joseph's, Syracuse and Boston College.

That ties the most Top 10 teams to fall out of the rankings since the poll expanded from 20 to 25 for the 1990-91 season. It also happened in 1992-93.

## Protests will be Salt Lake legacy



Witnesses had placed the truck in downtown Salt Lake City Monday, one day after the end of the 2002 Winter Olympics.

By Bonnie DeShone  
Chicago Tribune

SALT LAKE CITY — Organizers of the 2002 Winter Olympic Games spent \$300 million to ensure peace within the competitive perimeter. By that measure, Salt Lake City has been a splendid success.

But no metal detectors, bomb-sniffing dogs or camouflage-clad soldiers could have prevented the skirmishes that broke out inside the barricades, a conflict waged with the modern weaponry of e-mail, affidavits and press conferences.

"I think Americans will remember these Olympics for the great performances of American athletes."

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## Quest for the Cup resumes

By Mark J. Cozwinski  
The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

All the shiny Olympic trinkets become accounted for in Sunday, and the NHLers can get back to the pursuit of the one piece of hardware that matters most to them.

So now is a good time to hand-cup the races in both conferences, realizing that everything can change with a deal or two before the March 19 trading deadline.

Twenty-three of the 30 teams enter the seven-week stretch drive in or within seven points of a playoff spot, which means a five-game winning streak can do some major shuffling in the standings.

"But it's all paper speculation,"

#### NHL calendar

- Today — NHL regular season resumes
- March 29 — NHL trade deadline, end of NHL season
- April 24 — 2001-02 regular season ends
- April 27 — Stanley Cup playoffs begin
- June 4 — Stanley Cup finals, latest possible start date
- June 22-23 — NHL Draft, Toronto

said Devils center Bobby Holik. "Philadelphia seems like the team most likely to end up on top of our conference, but that doesn't mean much. We went through the same thing for four years before we realized that success in the regular season is not

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**SPORTS**

**Idaho 2002 Boys Real Dairy Shootout**

<b>First-round pairings</b> Class 1A at the Idaho Center, Nampa Madison (19-5) vs. Lewiston (14-21), 1:45 p.m. Timberline (19-3) vs. Centennial (14-8), 3:15 p.m. Highland (14-8) vs. Eagle (15-7), 6:30 p.m. Lake City (20-3) vs. Idaho Falls (14-11), 8 p.m.	3:15 p.m. Moscow (13-10) vs. Bonneville (15-9), 6:30 p.m. Burley (15-10) vs. Bishop Kelly (11-11), 8 p.m.	<b>Class 2A tournament</b> at Capital High School, Boise Firth (22-1) vs. Parma (17-8), 1:45 p.m. Wendell (20-3) vs. Lapwai (22-1), 3:15 p.m. Gracie (17-5) vs. Challis (12-9), 6:30 p.m. New Plymouth (18-4) vs. Potlatch (17-8), 8 p.m.	Castlerock (22-1) vs. Horseshoe Bend (15-9), 3:15 p.m. Genesee (22-2) vs. Cascade (15-7), 6:30 p.m. Clark Fork (14-6) vs. Notus (16-8), 8 p.m.
<b>Class 4A tournament</b> at Albertson College, Caldwell Emery (8-15) vs. Post Falls (17-7), 1:45 p.m. Century (18-4) vs. Vallivue (18-6), 3:15 p.m.	<b>Class 3A tournament</b> at Herndon High School Shelby (20-3) vs. Bonners Ferry (18-5), 1:45 p.m. Snake River (18-4) vs. Fler (14-11), 3:15 p.m. Declo (13-12) vs. Preston (13-11), 6:30 p.m. Emery (21-1) vs. Lakeland (11-11), 8 p.m.	<b>Class 1A tournament</b> at Caldwell, Vallivue high schools, Caldwell at Vallivue HS Sho-Ban (N/A) vs. Dietrich (13-12), 1:45 p.m.	<b>at Caldwell HS</b> Lakeside (8-13) vs. Mackay (11-5), 1:45 p.m. Troy (20-3) vs. Hagerman (15-10), 6:30 p.m. Shoshone (17-7) vs. Council (17-6), 6:30 p.m. Cole Valley Christian (18-4) vs. Murtaugh (20-6), 8 p.m.

**Szczerbiak leads T'wolves past Charlotte**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Wally Szczerbiak scored **NBA 24** points, and Kevin Garnett added 21 to lead the Minnesota Timberwolves to a 97-92 victory over Charlotte on Monday night, the Hornets' third straight loss.

Rasho Nesterovic tipped in Garnett's miss with eight seconds to play to seal the win and give the Timberwolves a 3-1 mark on their road trip.

Joe Smith scored 16 points for Minnesota. Nesterovic added 14 and Marc Jackson — acquired last week in a trade with Golden

State — had 12 rebounds in 22 minutes.

Elden Campbell led the Hornets with 23 points.

Baron Davis, Charlotte's leading scorer, left after the first quarter with a bruised chest.

**Trail Blazers 89, 76ers 83**  
PHILADELPHIA — Rasheed Wallace had 22 points and 10 rebounds as Portland won its season-high sixth in a row.

Scottie Pippen led a four-quarter comeback for the Trail Blazers, scoring 11 points in an 18-2 run that helped Portland

overcome a nine-point deficit.

The Sixers, who have lost four of six, were 4-of-23 from the field in the fourth quarter. Eric Snow and Allen Iverson each scored 18 points, and Derrick Coleman had 16 points and a season-high 15 rebounds.

Pippen finished with 17 points for Portland, which has won 19 of 25.

**Clippers 90, Grizzlies 77**  
MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Elton Brand had 27 points and a career-high 23 rebounds as Los Angeles won for the first time in three

games.

Jeff McInnis added 19 points and 12 assists for the Clippers, and Brand was 10-of-12 from the field.

It was the third straight loss for injury-depleted Memphis, which dressed only eight players. Eddie Gill, who signed a 10-day contract with the Grizzlies on Saturday, started at point guard and played all 48 minutes.

Paul Gasol led Memphis with 21 points and 13 rebounds, and Gill added 20 points on 7-of-12 shooting. He also had seven assists.

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much of a story."

**The favorites**  
The Detroit Red Wings are running away with the Western Conference, but a lot is going to depend on how they approach the stretch drive. This is an older team with more than its share of Olympians, and it will be interesting to see how the Wings respond to a schedule that has them playing 14 of their final 22

games on the road.

In the Eastern Conference, the Flyers do seem like the team to beat. Their defense seems smarter than it has been in years, and the offense is deep with talent. It all boils down to goaltending, and whether or not the Roman Cechmanek/Brian Boucher tandem can win playoff hockey.

**Ones to watch**  
Keep a close eye on the

Ottawa Senators. They have more talent than Boston — especially if the Bruins do something stupid like trade Bill Guerin — and more depth than the Toronto Maple Leafs. If they make the right moves at the trading deadline, the Senators could steal the Northeast Division crown and second seed in the playoffs.

The San Jose Sharks have established themselves as the team to beat in the Pacific

Division, and should be tough in the playoffs. Their success will depend on how the Teemu Selanne situation plays out.

**The dark horses**  
The Devils and Dallas Stars are both better teams than they've shown so far, yet both are on the cusp of an early vacation.

Both would be a tough first-round draw in the playoffs, but they can't pull off any upsets if they don't find a way in.

**Olympics**

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letes, which are numerous and legitimate," said Olympic historian David Walsh. "It's important to remember these Games for their own athletes, as they always do, but also as the grumbly, complaining, protest Games they will be the Games in which protesting was acceptable. Why? Because it worked."

Leaving aside the boycotts of 1976, 1980 and 1984, Walsh says, "I think these are the most contentious Games." He technically agrees, many others view the International Olympic Committee's decision to award a second gold medal to Canadian pairs skaters Jamie Sale and David Pelletier after a controversy involving a French judge as a first domino falling. The move preempted the established judicial procedures of the Court for Arbitration in Sport and may have encouraged the heap of disputes that followed.

The Russian Olympic Committee, whose own pairs skaters had to make room on the top step of the podium, threatened to pull out of the Games after voting disapproval with officiating decisions. It was motivated by the fear that her athletes' achievements would be overshadowed by the sniping, may have contributed to just

that, as the bickering dominated Olympic coverage on many days.

"I thought these were great Games until the time when people started to play tit for tat," said American filmmaker Bud Greenspan, whose Olympic documentaries are noted for their balance. "This is the Cold War starting over again in the Olympic arena."

However, Bjorn Daehlie, the retired Norwegian cross-country skier who won 12 Olympic medals during his unparalleled career, said he did not think the atmosphere of the Games had been spoiled by high-level feuding.

"The racers are concerned with their own form," he said. "They don't think about politics or developments."

Some federations are inevitable when the citizens of several dozen countries gather in one place in the name of anything. One is that a lot of folks will catch cold. Another is that certain items, such as commemorative food pins and fleece berets, will acquire disproportionate value. A third is that people will disagree on what is fair to the athletes who, for the better part of a month, become surrogates for entire cultures.

The Olympic Games also invariably reflect the tenor of the

times and the personality of the host. It's easy to forget now that the U.S. team itself was rent with litigious action before the Olympics. Speedskater Tommy Davidon pressed arbitration cases in attempts to gain spots on their squads. Both failed, but in the current U.S. culture of using the courtroom to assign blame, their efforts didn't seem as outrageous as they might have 20 years ago.

Aside from basic security, the biggest potential source of tension headed into the Games was whether the emotional aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks would promote jingoism that would make non-U.S. athletes feel uneasy or, conversely, put undue pressure on the home team.

The definitive comment on the subject may have come from U.S. skier and double silver medalist Bode Miller, who spoke plainly where many snow angels feared to tread.

"It was a terrible tragedy that can't be rectified by anyone winning a gold medal," he said.

Reviews of the hot-button moment when the U.S. flag found in the World Trade Center rubble was carried into the Opening Ceremony by eight U.S. athletes

were generally positive. The gesture was seen as dignified and leavened by the fact that the Olympic flag, generally borne by representatives from the host country, was instead conveyed by international luminaries.

Snowboarder Chris Klug, a member of the athletes' color guard and winner of a bronze medal 19 months after surviving a liver transplant, said conversations with his competitors led him to believe that Americans filled the official conference rooms with the official "patriotic but not obnoxious."

As the allegations flew last week, athletes continued to compete and mingle in the Olympic Village without the rancor that filled the official conference rooms. The cease-fire extended even to short-track speedskating, subject of some of the most serious second-guessing.

Cregarious, goateed Apollo Anton Ohno got special protection after winning his gold medal courtesy of the disqualification of a South Korean skater. Korean fans made death threats and shut down the U.S. Olympic Committee's Internet server with a barrage of e-mail taking issue with the decision.

But things were different on an individual level, said Ohno, who offered up a story about one of his rivals, Fabio Carta of Italy. Carta, accompanied by a translator, approached Ohno to explain a report that he had said Ohno should be shot.

"He said he was sorry, that he didn't actually say that," Ohno said. "I guess it was really an Italian saying that means, 'He's so strong, the only way to stop him is with a rifle.'"

**SPORTS IN BRIEF**

**Detroit's Shanahan breaks thumb in Olympics**  
DETROIT — Brendan Shanahan, who had an assist in Canada's run to the gold medal, broke a thumb during the Olympic tournament.

Shanahan, who leads the Detroit Red Wings in scoring with 30 goals and 27 assists, confirmed to The Detroit News that his thumb was broken. Red Wings spokesman John Hahn said Monday that the Detroit medical staff will look at Shanahan's thumb when the left wing returns to the team.

Shanahan, who was held without a point in Canada's 5-2 gold-medal clinching win over the United States Sunday, took a slash on his first shift against an earlier game against Finland, fracturing a bone in his right thumb, the News reported.

**McDaniel retires, started 12 straight Pro Bowls**  
One of the most celebrated and durable offensive linemen of the past 20 years is leaving the game, as Tampa Bay left guard Randall McDaniel announced Monday night that he is retiring, bringing to an end a 14-year career that could eventually earn him a Hall of Fame berth.

McDaniel, 37, played the past two seasons with the Bucs but is most remembered for his dozen campaigns with the Minnesota Vikings. He signed with Tampa Bay in 2000 after being released by Minnesota for salary cap reasons.

The former Arizona State star was selected as a starter for a league-record 12 consecutive Pro Bowl games and his 202 straight starts were the most ever by an active player in 2001.

**Sore knee could put Jordan on injury list**  
WASHINGTON — For 17 years, the only thing that kept Michael Jordan off the court for an extended period of time was his two retirements. Now a chronic knee injury, which him thinking about a spell on the injured list, and it couldn't come at a worse time for his slumping Washington Wizards.

Jordan's knee was so sore he couldn't play the final 6:27 of a 92-80 loss Sunday night at Miami — even when the outcome was still in doubt. After the game, Jordan seemed resigned to his fate and even talked about the possibility that the injury could force a "closure" to his career.

Jordan and the Wizards had the day off Monday, with their next game Wednesday at home against Portland. He said there was a "very strong possibility" that he'll go on the injury list, which means he would miss a minimum of five games.

**Fired Devils coach returns as assistant**  
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Recently fired coach Larry Robinson is returning to the New Jersey Devils as an assistant coach while John Cunniff undergoes treatment for a recurrence of throat cancer.

Cunniff, who became an assistant under Kevin Constantine when Robinson was fired on Jan. 28, spent the past two weeks as an assistant coach for Herb Brooks and the silver medal-winning U.S. Olympic hockey team.

Devils president Lou Lamerello said Cunniff was told about the cancer before the Olympics, and that he wanted to go Salt Lake City, anyway.

**Falcons cut Chandler, others to get under cap**  
ATLANTA — The Falcons cleared \$10.375 million of cap room on Monday to get \$833,000 under the salary cap, but it cost them their starting quarterback, their all-time leading receiver and a starting free safety.

The Falcons informed quarterback Chris Chandler that he will be released. They also cut all-time leading receiver Terance Mathis and free safety Ronnie Bradford.

**Rusedski, Sanguinetti, Ferreira win in first round**  
SAN JOSE, Calif. — Defending champion Greg Rusedski beat Germany's Lars Burgsmuller 6-4, 7-5 Monday in the first round of the Siebel Open.

Eighth-seeded Wayne Ferreira of South America needed three sets to defeat Spain's Juan Balcells, 6-3, 5-7, 6-3, and Italy's Davide Sanguinetti beat qualifier Justin Gimelstob 6-3, 6-4.

In their first round matches, Kristian Pless of Denmark beat Hyung-Taik Lee of Korea 6-2, 6-2, and Kenneth Carlsen of Denmark defeated American Taylor Dent, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (2) on the hardcourt at the Compaq Center. Also, Paradorn Srirachpan of Thailand beat Ramon Delgado of Paraguay 6-3, 6-1.

Michael Chang was to play Australian Wayne Arthurs in Monday night's final match.

Compiled from wire reports

**Williams**

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to interview more witnesses. Christoff's death was initially reported as a suicide but later ruled a homicide.

Williams' brother and 11 other guests, including four players from the Harlem Globetrotters and a 74-year-old and 6-year-old, were at the house on the night of the shooting.

Williams was released on a \$250,000 bail and required to turn over his weapons to police. His first court appearance in the case was scheduled for March 4 in Superior Court.

Man-slaughter, commonly referred to as reckless manslaughter, applies under New Jersey law when a death is "committed recklessly." It carries a penalty of five to 15 years in prison.

Lember told the New York Daily News that his office also was investigating whether Williams allowed Christoff to

bleed to death before authorities were notified. Lember said Monday that after speaking to the medical examiner, he believes Christoff died quickly.

Published reports have said Williams was playfully twirling a shotgun while giving a tour of his 30,000-square-foot home when the weapon fired, hitting Christoff. Hayden has denied there was any horseplay.

Lember would not provide details of the shooting while the ongoing investigation. He said authorities were investigating reports that Williams had been drinking.

"Every day we learn more and more on this investigation and we are getting closer to the clear truth," Lember said.

Christoff had been hired to drive Williams' friends from a Bethlehem, Pa., charity event to

the mansion, about 30 miles northwest of Trenton.

The 6-foot-10 Williams was once among the NBA's best rebounders, but leg injuries ended his basketball career. He retired from the New Jersey Nets in 2000 and now works for NBC Sports as an NBA studio analyst.

NBC Sports Vice President Kevin Sullivan said the network would not comment. NBC Sports spokeswoman Cameron Blumhard would not say whether Williams was scheduled to appear when NBC resumes broadcasting NBA games this weekend.

Williams, 34, has freely admitted past mistakes, describing them in a 2000 autobiography as "a lot of beers and barroom brawls and some scrapes with the law and too-many fights and some yelling matches with coaches and a bunch of headlines."

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SPORTS

Undeclared Schoolcraft cruises into state tournament

Ocelots coach points to weekend in Twin Falls as key to season

By Jack Saylor Detroit Free Press

DETROIT - Schoolcraft College owns a distinction that can be claimed by few schools in this country. Like California-Irvine (Anteaters), Amherst (Lord Jeffs), Centenary (Gentlemen) and a few others, Schoolcraft has a nickname all its own for its athletic teams. And even if another basketball team called the Ocelots could be unearthed, Schoolcraft has another distinction that wouldn't be matched. The Livonia, Mich., school has a 26-0 record heading

into this week's state junior college tournament not only as the top seed, but rated No. 1 in the nation. Three of the Ocelots' wins came in Twin Falls Nov. 15-17 when the team won the annual K&T Steel Invitational Tournament, including a 98-85 overtime win against the College of Southern Idaho on the tournament's opening night. At the Michigan tournament, Schoolcraft, which received a first-round bye, will open at 7:30 p.m. (EST) Wednesday against Monday night's Maconac-Alpena Community College winner. But a state title is only one goal for the

Ocelots. They want to return to the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division I Men's Basketball Tournament in Hutchinson, Kan., where they reached the quarterfinals last season. Only two players - 6-foot-1 guard Javon Clark and 6-6 swingman Emir Medunjanin - are back from that team, which finished 32-4. But coach Carlos Briggs, in his fifth year at Schoolcraft, has assembled a high-scoring collection of newcomers, led by 6-8 Mike Williams of Detroit City; 6-8 Yaku Moton-Spruiell from Westland, Glensy and 6-7 Rulon Harris out of Detroit Mumford. Schoolcraft is averaging 97.2 points and outscoring opponents by 38.5 points a game. Harris is only the team's third-leading scorer, but he leads in assists with a 7.6 average. He

already has committed to Detroit Mercy for next season. "He's really our leader," Briggs said. "We run everything through him, offensively and defensively. He brings toughness to us and is definitely a guy we wouldn't be 26-0 without." Williams is the team's leading scorer and rebounder, averaging 21.8 points and 10.9 rebounds. Lending scoring support are Clark (14.7) and Moton-Spruiell (14.3). Briggs uses a nine- or 10-man rotation, with an up-tempo game always foremost. "We try to score off turnovers or forcing opponents into bad shots," said Briggs, an All-American at Schoolcraft, where he led the nation in scoring two seasons (30.9 and 33.4). "We have good offensive efficiency because we have a good halfcourt game. We don't get the fast break. We

really good road wins," he said, pointing to the overtime game at CSI, a 90-84 victory vs. Hagerstown, Md. at the CSI tournament, and a 69-67 nail-biter at Kankakee, Ill. "The Idaho team was ranked 13th in the country and we ended its (29-game) home winning streak. They hadn't lost that tournament we played in 19 years. Those games will help us because to get to Hutchinson we have to win on the road. Those kinds of games may wind up helping us at the end."

NCAA Top 5

- 1. Schoolcraft College, Livonia, Mich. 26-0
2. Coffeyville CC, Coffeyville, Kan. 25-1
3. San Jacinto College - Central, Pasadena, Texas 25-1
4. Dixie State College, St. George, Utah 25-1
5. South Plains College, Levelland, Texas 25-2

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Major League Baseball

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Box score for Trail Blazers vs. Rockets. Includes stats for players like Scottie Pippen, Steve Nash, etc.

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By Steve Moore



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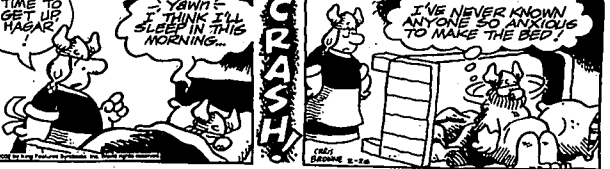
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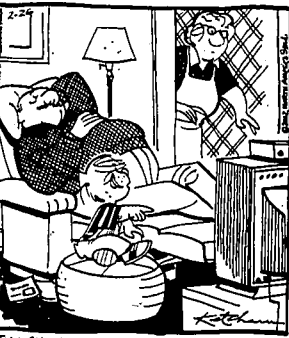
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