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Water users get nervous

Snowpack improves, but not enough to make up for low reservoirs

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The water year looks drier and drier as winter winds down.

Farmers and hydropower generators are placing bets on spring - the wild card, as Twin Falls Canal Co.'s general manager Vince Alberdi calls it.

A wet spring, or even a cool spring that reduces water demand, still could improve the

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picture.

The snowpack is better than last year's miserly offering, but it remains below normal. Last year reservoirs had ample storage. By the end of the 2001 water year, the reservoirs were "nearly empty."

"We're a lot more nervous than we were a month ago," said Mark

Croghan, a hydrologic engineer with the Bureau of Reclamation in Butte.

The net difference when comparing last year's snowpack and reservoir storage with this year is about the same, Croghan said. The better snowpack showing is forecast to make up for the nearly 1 million acre foot less of reservoir storage water on hand this year. That could result in a water year much like that of 2001 - a tough one.

The Twin Falls Canal Co. one of the oldest and largest irrigation projects, is sating a better position than many water companies. The bulk of its water comes from American Falls Reservoir, which fills from springs flowing into the reservoir. The reservoir is 66 percent full, while other key reservoirs that rely directly on winter snowpack are less than 30 percent full.

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Feds unveil new dam scrutiny

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE - A 57-mile stretch of the mid-Snake River is not environmentally healthy, conservationists say.

And as Idaho Power Co. comes closer to completing the re-licensing process of five of the dams from Shoshone Falls to Bliss, now is the time for the company to plan for changes in its operations.

Idaho Power is not the main culprit in reducing water quality and aquatic health, said Tom Stuart of Idaho Rivers United. Agriculture has had a far greater impact.

"It's been said that the Snake River stops at Milner," he said Thursday.

Stuart attended a meeting of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and Idaho Power officials, who held a hearing in Boise to get public comment on proposed improvements. Stuart said most of the stream flow from Milner, which is eight miles east of Murtaugh, to the Thousand Springs area that stretches to Bliss comes mostly from groundwater that breaks through the canyon.

That residual water is so precious in maintaining native aquatic life and wildlife in addition.

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D.C. urges Americans to marry

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Marriage, butt of untold numbers of jokes over the centuries, is back.

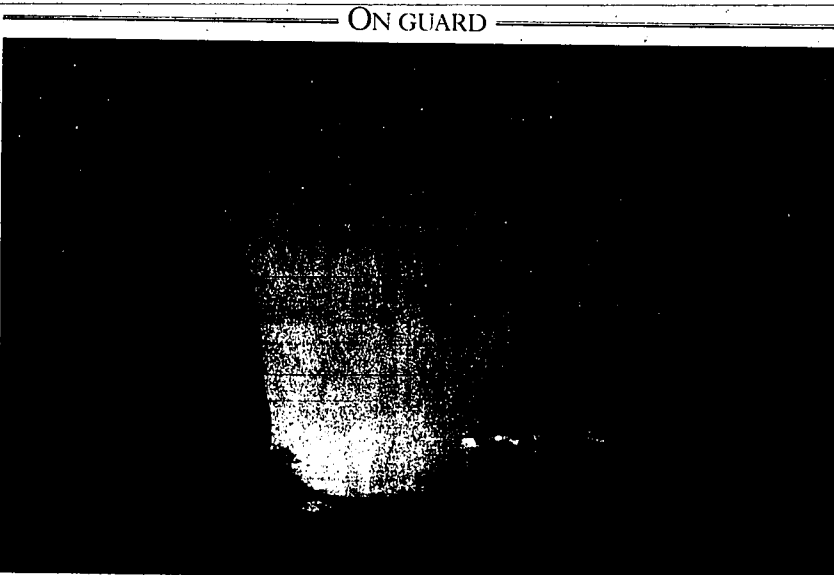
After years of what one researcher calls an "enforced spell of silence," marriage is the new mantra among Washington policy-makers who want to nudge unwed parents toward the altar to improve their lives and those of their children.

"We will work to strengthen marriage," President Bush proclaimed this week in announcing welfare reform proposals that include spending up to \$200 million a year on pro-marriage programs.

It's music to the ears of conservatives, who've waited decades to hear this tune.

Robert Rector, senior research fellow at the conservative Heritage Foundation, says talking about the impact of marriage on social problems became "politically incorrect" in the years after Daniel Patrick Moynihan, a

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U.S. Marines Pfc. Cory Kridge, from Cahokia, Ill., left, and Lance Cpl. Michael Charland, from Albany, N.Y., chat Thursday as the sun sets at Camp X-ray at the U.S. Navy base at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba. About two-thirds of the suspected al-Qaida and Taliban detainees at the base began a hunger strike Thursday after camp guards stripped a detainee of his turban. For more, please see page A3.

Area first-graders fare well in reading exams

By Robert Mayer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The Winter 2002 Idaho Reading Indicator scores released Thursday showed a wide range of scores through the Magic Valley.

The IRI measures the reading abilities of K-3 students. Results are displayed by the percentage of students who read at, near, and below their grade level.

In nearly every district, first-graders scored significantly higher than the other three grades. Hansen and Murtagh had the highest percentage of first-graders reading at grade level in the Magic Valley, at 92 percent

District by district - B4

and 94 percent, respectively. Those districts with a large percentage of migrant and English-as-a-second-language students tended to score lower than other districts.

The state's goal is to have 85 percent of third-graders reading at grade level. As the oft-repeated maxim goes, "Up to third grade, students are learning to read; after third grade, they're reading to learn."

Thus, those who don't have an adequate grasp of reading by that point will likely find school

increasingly difficult with each successive year.

Across the region:

Hansen
Hansen School District showed across-the-board improvement from winter 2001. In fact, 92 percent of first-graders are reading at grade level. Second- and third-graders feature 79 percent of students reading at grade level.

"Our teachers have taken the recent technology and research that is available in the last two to three years that is giving us suggestions on how to improve reading," said Tom Standley, principal of Hansen Elementary

School. "They've taken it and applied it to their classrooms."

Twin Falls

Twin Falls K-3 all showed marked improvement over last winter. First-graders scored the highest with 84 percent reading at grade level. Kindergartners jumped to 62 percent at grade level, up from last year's 54 percent.

Superintendent Terrell Donich said this improvement isn't happenstance. Rather, it's part of a three- to four-year effort to focus on K-3 reading, shifting resources, such as read-

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SPREADING CHEER



U.S. Marine Sgt. Ruben Ortiz, 26, from San Antonio, Texas, hands out candy Thursday to children at Kabul's largest orphanage. The 10 Marines also handed out teddy bears, wool hats and gloves. Conditions have improved a bit at the orphanage, which holds about 500 kids, since press coverage the past few months, but the facility still lacks electricity.

Democrats begin to take shots at status of war effort

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON - After months of studied solidarity behind the war on terrorism, increasingly skeptical questions about the campaign's goals and direction, as well as President Bush's proposed military buildup.

Questions came from the top of the Democratic Party Thursday when Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota told reporters the future success of the mission in Afghanistan was "in doubt" and that the military cannot yet claim victory because terrorist leaders remain at large.

"Clearly we've got to find Mohammed Omar (the head of the Taliban regime), we've got to find Osama bin Laden, and we've got to find other key leaders of the al-Qaida network, or we will have failed," Daschle said. "We're not safe until we have broken the back of al-Qaida, and we haven't done that yet."

Republicans immediately slammed Daschle for casting doubt on the war effort while troops are in the field.

"How dare Sen. Daschle criticize President Bush while we are fighting our war on terrorism," said Senate Republican Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi.

A spokeswoman for Daschle later issued a statement saying the senator did not intend his comments to be construed as critical of Bush and his campaign against terrorism.

But Daschle's remarks underscored a growing willingness on the part of Democrats to challenge Bush on security matters as the administration opens new, more uncertain fronts in the war

on terrorism. One point of contention has emerged over Bush's request for a hefty hike in the defense budget, which includes money for missile defense systems and other weapons

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FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

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Idaho Extremes Yesterday:

High 43
 Low 5
 Cascade

Precipitation
 24 hours ending 6 p.m. yesterday: trace
 Normal to date: 0.17
 Normal month to date: 0.37
 Water year to date (Oct. 1): 0.80
 Normal year to date (Oct. 1): 5.29

Humidity Yesterday at noon: 66%
 Barometric Pressure Yesterday at 6 p.m.: 29.92 in.

Pollen Hazard in Twin Falls
 Grass: Absent
 Weeds: Absent
 Trees: Absent

Source: Alltime and Allergy of Idaho

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

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Brisk and cold with clouds and sunshine.	Clear to partly cloudy and very cold.	Sunny to partly cloudy and cold.	Sunshine, a few clouds; milder.	Partly sunny.	Clouds and occasional sunshine.
▲ 28°	▼ 5°	▲ 28° ▼ 5°	▲ 42° ▼ 16°	▲ 46° ▼ 26°	▲ 44° ▼ 26°

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Cold today. Partly to mostly sunny in the west; a mixture of clouds and sunshine in the east with a passing snow shower. Highs 10-38. Clear to partly cloudy and very cold tonight. Lows -20 to 18.

Boise: Brisk and cold today with sunshine and patchy clouds. High 38. Partly cloudy to clear and very cold tonight. Low 14. Sunshine most of tomorrow; slight, High 36.

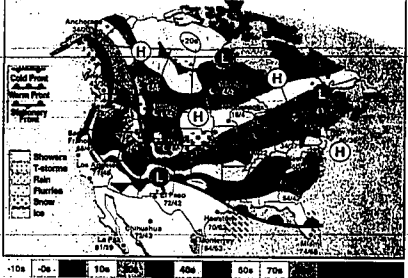
Northern Nevada: Plenty of sunshine today; a breezy afternoon. Highs from near 30 in the northeast to near 50 southwest. Mostly clear and very cold tonight. Lows -10 to -5.

Northern Utah: Brisk and cold today with clouds and some sunshine; a couple of snow showers, especially across the mountains. Highs from the teens in the mountains to the 30s in the low spots.

Northern Idaho: Cold today; a mixture of clouds and sunshine this morning with a stray snow shower, then mostly sunny this afternoon. Highs 20-42. Clear to partly cloudy and very cold tonight. Lows -5 to -25.

NATIONAL WEATHER

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



CANADIAN CITIES

City	Today	Sat.	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Calgary	6-5	27	24	an		
Edmonton	10-10	23	23	an		
Halifax	10-10	37	37	an		
London	-1	19	7	6		
Montreal	10-10	28	28	an		
Ottawa	10-10	23	23	an		
Quebec	10-10	37	37	an		
Regina	-1	19	7	6		
Saskatoon	10-10	28	28	an		
Vancouver	43	30	44	33		
Winnipeg	45	29	43	31		
Yellowknife	7	63	6	7		

WORLD CITIES

City	Today	Sat.	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Akron	69	55	74	41		
Albany	71	65	71	63		
Albuquerque	69	55	74	41		
Anchorage	54	34	38	28		
Atlanta	42	28	38	30		
Baltimore	60	36	62	46		
Boston	70	49	76	52		
Buffalo	75	65	74	65		
Butte	88	72	90	72		
Charlotte	69	55	74	41		
Chicago	71	65	71	63		
Cincinnati	69	55	74	41		
Columbus	69	55	74	41		
Dallas	69	55	74	41		
Denver	69	55	74	41		
Detroit	69	55	74	41		
El Paso	69	55	74	41		
Fort Worth	69	55	74	41		
Houston	69	55	74	41		
Indianapolis	69	55	74	41		
Jacksonville	69	55	74	41		
Las Vegas	69	55	74	41		
Los Angeles	69	55	74	41		
Madison	69	55	74	41		
Memphis	69	55	74	41		
Miami	69	55	74	41		
Minneapolis	69	55	74	41		
Mobile	69	55	74	41		
Montgomery	69	55	74	41		
New Orleans	69	55	74	41		
New York	69	55	74	41		
Oakland	69	55	74	41		
Omaha	69	55	74	41		
Orlando	69	55	74	41		
Philadelphia	69	55	74	41		
Phoenix	69	55	74	41		
Pittsburgh	69	55	74	41		
Raleigh	69	55	74	41		
Rapid City	69	55	74	41		
San Antonio	69	55	74	41		
San Diego	69	55	74	41		
San Francisco	69	55	74	41		
Seattle	69	55	74	41		
St. Louis	69	55	74	41		
St. Paul	69	55	74	41		
Tampa	69	55	74	41		
Tucson	69	55	74	41		
Washington	69	55	74	41		
Yonkers	69	55	74	41		

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Sat.	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Boise	27	14	36	18		
Burley	27	14	36	18		
Coeur d'Alene	27	14	36	18		
Elko	27	14	36	18		
Eugene, OR	52	26	52	28		
Hagerman	28	6	36	7		
Idaho Falls	18	-10	18	5		
Kalispell, MT	24	-2	26	18		
Lewiston	47	-11	44	24		
Mesa	15	5	12	8		
Matta	7	-1	20	8		

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Number of IRS audits begin increasing again

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Internal Revenue Service's audit rate is falling no longer, but the average taxpayer still faces long odds of being audited.

Last year, about one out of every 173 returns was subject to an audit. More than half of the returns audited in 2001 involved lower-income people who claimed the earned income tax credit.

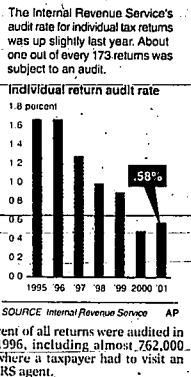
In a separate report Thursday, the IRS said that as much as \$10 billion in claims for that credit should not have been paid in 1999.

The reports come as millions of Americans prepare for this year's tax filing deadline, which is April. Through last Friday, about 38.9 million returns have reached the IRS.

The audit rate for the 127 million individual tax returns filed in 2001 was 0.58 percent, a slight increase from 2000. Most audits were done through the mail, with just over 202,500 of the returns requiring an IRS agent to meet with the taxpayer.

In contrast, more than 1.6 per-

Audit Increase



Feds seek anthrax data from labs

WASHINGTON (AP) - Federal authorities have subpoenaed documents and anthrax samples from the nation's scientific laboratories in their hunt for the origin of the anthrax used in last year's mail attacks.

Officials believe the attacks, which killed five people and sickened 13, were the work of a scientist who may have obtained the spores from one of a dozen labs that have the Ames strain on hand. They hope to narrow the source through complex genetic analysis now underway.

Subpoenas issued this week also sought documents to help the FBI piece together the movement of anthrax around the country. Labs were asked to detail where and when they got their anthrax samples and to identify labs to which they sent samples.

Teachers plan Boise rally

The Times-News

BOISE - The Idaho Education Association is organizing a teacher's rally on Tuesday to protest the \$23.3 million in state aid to schools that the Idaho Senate is proposing to cut from this year's budget.

The rally will be at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday on the steps of the State Capitol. Steve Hoy, president of the Twin Falls Education Association, said Thursday.

Roughly 230 teachers in the Twin Falls School District are members of the IEA, Hoy said.

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ing specialists, to accomplish that goal.

"There will always be students, for whatever reason, who may never learn to read, he said. "For the most part we'll feel satisfied when all those who have the intellectual ability to read, can read."

Griggs Ferry

While Griggs Ferry's first, second- and third-grade students showed an overall grade improvement, only first-graders had a majority of students reading at grade level, 59 percent. Kindergartners dropped to 18 percent reading at grade level from an already low 21 percent last year.

With a 46 percent Hispanic student population, Larion Billingsley, principal at Griggs Ferry Elementary School, said they're working hard to incorporate new programs to improve reading.

Teachers are now dedicating the first two hours of each class day to reading. Billingsley said they're also in the process of finding volunteers as part of organizing students into smaller reading groups.

In addition, students are being encouraged to read out loud at home for at least 20 minutes, regardless if it's Spanish or English.

"Things are moving in the right direction," he said. "I can see the attitudes of the kids changing; they're getting more excited about reading."

Jerome

K-3 students, save first grade, at Jerome elementary schools showed an average percent decline from last year. First-graders, the exception, improved to 65 percent reading at grade level, up from last year's 57 percent.

Interestingly, kindergartners showed a similar pattern both at near and below grade level were equally distributed. For this year's kindergartners, 34 percent read at grade level, 31 percent near grade level and 35 percent below grade level.

Dale Layne, principal at Jefferson Elementary said the school is in the middle of a planning improvement process of which the IRI will play a part. The school is looking at attendance as well, to see if that factors into IRI scores. Despite a 95 percent attendance rate, there's a large percentage of students who are missing 10 or more school days, he said.

Elison Elementary School is seeking changes at well, said Principal Ann Reynolds.

"We have been searching out a

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would allow a natural stream flow from March 15 through June 15. That would improve the spawning of the white sturgeon by 20 percent to 60 percent, a FERC study shows. The sturgeon is considered a "species of concern" by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. In addition, natural stream flow would help promote the re-establishment of five species of snail on the federal endangered species list that are found only in the mid-Snake.

But Stuart says his organization is recommending a fourth option. That alternative is called "run-of-river." "The best way to maintain the health of all the critters that live in the river is to let the stream flow naturally," Stuart said.

The FERC study indicates that a year-round natural flow would actually enable Idaho Power to generate more electricity through a slightly higher cost.

The run-of-river options would also include the maintenance of the properties the company has already purchased.

The alternatives are very general plans, but each includes many operations to improve the health of the river.

A comment period for interested parties will last until March 27.

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program to see if we can change something to make a difference," she said. "I'm not above going to anyone who has a good idea."

Filer

K-2 students in the Filer School District showed general improvement over last year. Second-graders scored the highest, with 80 percent reading at grade level. Third-graders registered a negligible 1 percent drop from last year, as 56 percent are reading at grade level this year.

"I'm very pleased with seeing these results," said Superintendent Bill Fuesabrenns. "I believe that our teachers have a very good phonics-based program. That has a lot to do with it."

He said most of the school day is spent on language arts and reading.

Kimberly

Kimberly first- through third-graders combined generally high scores with uniform improvement over the previous year. While kindergartners scored higher this year as well, only 40 percent are reading at grade level.

The generally favorable reading performance can be attributed to the implementation of numerous reading programs, said Wes Remaley, principal of Kimberly Elementary School. School officials try to employ as much as possible one-on-one, tutoring and small reading groups, he said.

"It's our main emphasis and we're going to continue doing that," he said.

Of course, it helps to have an "absolutely dedicated" K-3 staff, he added.

Buhl

First through third grade at Popplewell Elementary School showed high and showed improvement over the 2001 winter IRI scores. As was consistent with most school districts, first-graders scored the highest with 75 percent reading at grade level. Only kindergartners struggled a little, showing a 2 percent decline to 48 percent reading at grade level.

"We're celebrating because we're seeing progress," said Principal Helen Brown. "We're teaching key things in a timely fashion."

The school strives to have all students get caught up to the proper level, she said. In addition, pre-kindergarten screening is provided to help parents nurture their child's reading ability at home.

"If they're at grade level coming in, it's easier to keep them at grade level," Brown said.

NATION

Detainees refuse to eat after guards strip inmate of turban

QUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba (AP) - Incensed that two guards stripped a detainee of his turban during prayer, nearly two-thirds of the prisoners captured in the Afghan war refused lunch Thursday and chanted "God is great" in Arabic in their first mass protest since arriving at the base.

In addition, some detainees pushed sheets, blankets, sleeping mats and other items through the small openings in the chain-link walls of their cells in protest, Marine Maj. Stephen Cox, the detention mission spokesman, told reporters.

Tension has been building among the 300 inmates who have been held at Camp X-ray, the remote U.S. naval base in eastern Cuba, since January.

In recent days, some have been ignoring a taped call to prayer and instead have picked individual detainees to announce and lead prayer, which Muslims do five times a day.

"There is an underlying tension associated with the uncertainty of their future: What is going to happen?" Cox said. "Our honest answer is we don't know ... what the future holds for them at this time."

The detainees told a duty officer their protest was in response to an incident that took place Tuesday, Cox said. A detainee had fashioned a turban out of a sheet and was wearing it on his head during prayer. Two military guards ordered the inmate to remove the turban, but the inmate ignored the order, he

said. Even after a translator repeated the same order, the inmate refused to acknowledge it.

The guards shackled the inmate and then stripped off the turban, Cox said.

"We don't allow fashioning of a headdress that would allow them to shroud any type of item or weapon," he said. The detainees have been issue prayer caps or can drape towels over their heads, Cox said.

He said 159 detainees skipped lunch and 109 skipped dinner on Wednesday. On Thursday, 107 skipped breakfast and 194 refused lunch.

Medical personnel have been monitoring the detainees and are prepared to feed them intravenously if needed, Cox said.



Eric Schaeffer, director of the EPA's Office of Regulatory Enforcement, says energy industry lobbyists are helping to weaken air pollution regulations.

EPA official quits, citing interference

WASHINGTON - A top enforcement official with the Environmental Protection Agency has resigned, saying in a two-page letter that the Bush administration has failed to crack down on companies that pour 7 million tons of toxins into the air every year.

Eric V. Schaeffer ended his 12-year EPA career Wednesday with a missive accusing the administration of dragging its feet on lawsuits filed against nine power companies he blamed for one-quarter of the nation's annual sulfur dioxide pollution - a gas known to cause haze, acid rain and lung ailments.

Schaeffer, the agency's director of regulatory enforcement and a decorated civil servant, said he has been "fighting a White House that seems determined to weaken the rules we are trying to enforce."

Addressed to EPA Administrator Christie Whitman, the letter said the administration's 90-day review of clean-air laws had stretched to nine months, derailing negotiations with the nine power companies and weakening attempts to regulate coal-fired smokestacks built without the updated pollution controls required by law.

Two of those companies agreed more than a year ago to consent decrees that would have

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decreased sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide pollution levels by 750,000 tons. But those companies - Cinergy and Yepco - are now "hedging their bets, refusing to sign the decrees until they see where the White House lands on reforming the Clean Air Act," Schaeffer said.

"Fifteen months ago it looked as though our lawsuits were going to shrink these dismal statistics. Today, we seem about to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory," he wrote. "Other companies with whom we were close to settlement have walked away from the table."

"The momentum we obtained with agreements announced earlier has stopped, and we have filed no new lawsuits against utility companies since this Administration took office."

"The EPA rejected Schaeffer's contentions, saying it 'remains committed' to enforcement and to reducing air pollution from power plants."

"The administration believes that its 'clear skies' proposal will dramatically cut air pollution from power plants at a rate that is faster, greater and more reliable than under the current Clean Air Act," said EPA spokesman Joe Martyak.

Bush aide: Clinton's policy led to violence

WASHINGTON (AP) - The White House on Thursday suggested that aggressive diplomacy by former President Clinton triggered an increase of violence in the Middle East. "In an attempt to shoot the moon and get nothing, more violence resulted," President Bush's spokesman said.

Later, White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said he spoke in error.

"I mistakenly suggested that increasing violence in the Middle East was attributable to the peace efforts that were under way in 2000. That is not the position of the administration," he said. "The only people to blame for violence are the terrorists who engage in it. I regret any implication to the contrary."

Fleischer issued the statement after members of Bush's national security team privately expressed alarm over the characterizations of his initial remarks. They feared it would signal that Bush was not interested in becoming fully engaged in the peace process and might even think it would hurt to be closely involved.

In a morning briefing with reporters, Fleischer rejected the notion that Bush's Middle East policies have not worked, and noted that the violence began while Clinton was still in office. And he turned aside the idea of talking with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat as Clinton did, saying Bush does not want to create false expectations.

Clinton spokeswoman Julia Payne called Fleischer's criticism unfortunate. She defended Clinton's active role in peace negotiations, saying Clinton acted "at the strong request of the parties" and out of "our deep concern that the situation would descend into violence in the absence of peace."

During his last months in office, Clinton was heavily engaged in pressing Arafat and then-Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak to strike an accord, but his intensive diplomacy failed.

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that skeptics say are not needed for the war on terrorism.

The increasingly confrontational tone also reflects the political pressures on Democrats as they struggle to balance their general support for Bush's foreign and defense policies against the need to draw distinctions between the two parties in the 2002 campaign.

Bush himself has signaled that the season for political combat has arrived, as he has begun campaigning for Republican candidates around the country - most recently his fund-raising appearance in North Carolina Wednesday for Senate contender Elizabeth Hanford Dole.

"There's a frustration that as the election is clicking on, the base of our party is getting ready to engage," said Michael Meehan, a top Democratic political strategist. "We're ready to have a battle of political ideas and a lot of Democrats now are taking heart that we can engage."

Democratic leaders have been walking a political tightrope for months, as Bush's political standing has soared in the aftermath of his response to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. The administration's campaign in Afghanistan to rout the al-Qaida network - which is blamed for the attacks - has enjoyed broad public support.

Demonstrating the national unity behind the U.S. military campaign, Democrats initially refrained from any criticism of Bush. By year's end, they vented to criticize him on tax policy and other domestic issues, while remaining forcefully with him on foreign matters.

That has changed as the administration's war effort began to reach beyond Afghanistan. In his State of the Union address, Bush identified Iraq, North Korea and Iran as an "axis of evil." Daschle, among others, criticized Bush for linking the three countries indiscriminately.

In recent days, other Democrats have stepped up questions on other defense matters.

And while many Democrats last fall seemed ready to approve any defense budget increase proposed by Bush, they are more dubious now.

"We can't provide a blank check," Senate Budget Committee Chairman Kent Conrad, D-N.D., said at a hearing Thursday on Bush's defense budget. Serious questions deserve to be asked."

Senators seek new FBI oversight

WASHINGTON (AP) - Two senators called for sweeping changes in the FBI Thursday, including mandated lie detector tests of people working with sensitive information, letting Justice Department investigators independently look at the agency and protecting whistle-blowers.

A bill by Vermont Sen. Patrick Leahy, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, includes proposals to make clear that the Justice Department's inspector-general has jurisdiction over the FBI, inclusion of FBI employees under the Federal Whistleblower Act, creation of an FBI internal security division and additional reporting requirements to Congress.

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Officials: Body is that of missing girl

SAN DIEGO (AP) - An autopsy confirmed Thursday - using dental X-rays - that the body of a child found by a rural road is that of 7-year-old Danielle van Dam, who disappeared from her San Diego home nearly a month ago.

The cause of death could not immediately be determined because of the body's state of decomposition, said San Diego County District Attorney Paul Pfingst. Volunteers who had tirelessly searched for the little girl found the body Wednesday near a small grove of trees, just off a two-lane road 25 miles east of San Diego.

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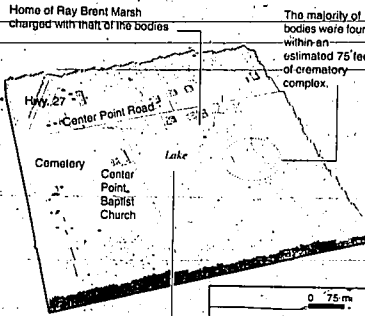
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NEWS

Hundreds of corpses exhumed

More than 300 corpses have been retrieved at the Tri-State Crematory in northwest Georgia since the investigation began Feb. 15.



Investigators have decided to drain the lake neighboring the crematory — an estimated 6 million gallons — after finding body parts in it.

Administration draws curtains around itself

The Baltimore Sun

WASHINGTON — In explaining recently why the White House was entitled to hold secret meetings with energy industry officials, Ari Fleischer, President Bush's spokesman, offered a lesson in American history. "The Constitution was of course drafted in total secrecy," he said. The Founding Fathers, Fleischer explained, determined that the best way "to make careful decisions" was "to do so quietly."

a lawsuit filed last week by the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress. The GAO wants the White House to release some details of meetings that energy executives had with a task force led by Vice President Dick Cheney to help draft an energy policy. White House aides counter that in order for a president to receive candid, unvarnished advice from citizens on important issues, some meetings must be held in privacy. The squabble with the GAO involves just one in a spate of recent steps by the administration to control the flow of information to the public and to members of Congress.

gation, and kept documents about decades-old criminal investigations out of Congress's hands. In another move, Attorney General John Ashcroft instructed government officials to be stingy about granting requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act. Many Democrats, presidential scholars, media analysts and even some conservatives call the trend dangerous. They say that while a White House has some right to preserve secrecy during a war for the sake of national security, the Bush administration is going too far. "If you control information, you can control a large part of the debate, and that is clearly what is going on here," said Anders Gyllenhaal, executive editor of the News & Observer in Raleigh, N.C., and chairman of the Freedom of Information of the American Society of Newspaper Editors. During a war, Gyllenhaal said, a government's occasional withholding of information can be "warranted, reasonable and important." But, he contended, the Bush administration has been taking much broader steps to operate in secret, drawing scant attention and little debate. "And it is very difficult to ask questions, or you'll be accused of being unpatriotic," Gyllenhaal said. "But there is a need for careful review of these things."

Larry Klayman, the head of Judicial Watch, a conservative watchdog group that made a business of attacking the Clinton administration for withholding public records, accused the current White House of ushering in "a return to the Nixon era." "They just don't want to be questioned," Klayman said. "This is like old-style government, where people should not question the sovereign and should take everything on its face because they are doing what needs to be done. Well, that's an old concept that no longer carries water."

Searchers at crematory turn to technology for help

NOBLE, Ga. (AP) — Investigators looking for more corpses at the Tri-State Crematory are turning to high technology, using ground-penetrating radar and infrared equipment that can detect whether the soil has been disturbed as far back as 20 years ago. So far, 339 bodies have been found at the property — discarded on the ground, stuffed in sheds, stacked one on top of another. Authorities say finding those bodies was simple. Now they are clearing acres of trees and brush and digging by hand in the soil, trying to locate what could be dozens more corpses. "Everything we recovered rapidly was easily surface-accessible," said Dr. Kris Sperry, chief state medical examiner. "What we have found so far has exceeded what we thought."

Judge criticizes efforts to have Cheney case dismissed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration was whirled on two fronts Thursday as it battled lawsuits seeking to pry secrets out of Vice President Dick Cheney's energy task force. U.S. District Judge Emmet Sullivan said "I assume the government is stalling" in one case, and U.S. District Judge Paul Friedman scoffed at the administration's argument that another case should be thrown out of court. Both suits were filed by Judicial Watch, a conservative group. The White House is trying to avoid having to identify business executives and lobbyists the Cheney task force met with as the administration formulated its energy plan a year ago. The judges' comments follow

criticism of the Bush administration by a third judge, U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler, who said the energy Department's Cabinet moving at a "glacial pace" in a lawsuit filed by an environmental group to produce documents of Cheney's task force. Kessler ordered the department to release documents starting March 25. Documents the department withholds must be identified individually in a list to be made public by April 25, which

would set the stage for a next round in the court battle. At a hearing Thursday, Justice Department lawyer Dan Bensing said Friedman should dismiss the Judicial Watch lawsuit seeking documents from all federal agencies that were members of Cheney's task force. Bensing said Judicial Watch should have waited 12 more days before suing. "So what! ... This is just gamesmanship," Friedman replied. Nine months later, he said, the Bush administration's Cabinet agencies have turned over almost no documents and are withholding tens of thousands of pages from public scrutiny. In another court session, Sullivan reluctantly gave the government seven additional days to

file written arguments on why the Cheney task force should be allowed to withhold all documents for 17 extra days. Sullivan's brief extension means that he could rule as early as the second week of April on releasing material. The administration has never disputed the necessity of producing documents which are properly subject to the Freedom of Information Act, Justice Department spokeswoman Barbara Comstock said in a statement. A fourth lawsuit also is pending for the task force records, the case filed last week by the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress.



Vice President Dick Cheney

Tapes: Nixon considered use of nuke bomb

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — A few weeks before ordering an escalation of the Vietnam war, President Nixon matter-of-factly raised the idea of using a nuclear bomb. The notion was quickly shot down by national security adviser Henry Kissinger. Nixon's abrupt suggestion, buried in 500 hours of tapes recorded Thursday at the National Archives, came after Kissinger laid out a variety of options for stepping up the war effort, such as attacking power plants and docks in an effort to cut off oil supplies. In 1972, conversation in the Executive Office Building. "I'd rather use the nuclear bomb," Nixon responded. "That, I think, would be too much," Kissinger replied. "The nuclear bomb does that rather you?" Nixon asked. "I just want you to think big." The following month, Nixon ordered the biggest escalation of the war since 1968. In a 1987 interview, Nixon acknowledged that he had considered "the nuclear option." He told Time magazine then: "I rejected the bombing of the dikes, which would have drowned 1 million people, for the same reason that I rejected the nuclear option. Because the targets presented were not military targets."

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Husband says he didn't consider wife to be a threat

HOUSTON (AP) — The husband of Andrea Yates testified Thursday that she never told him she heard voices and saw visions that she later claimed led her to drown their five children. "She kind of described it as a dark period, that she was in a dark place," Russell Yates said, referring to his wife's two suicide attempts two years before the Yates' 2001 slayings. On the day of the drownings, Yates said his wife was eating cereal out of a box as he left for work at the Johnson Space Center. "At the time, I didn't think she was dangerous, none of us did," he said in a second day of testimony at his wife's capital murder trial. Yates' 2.5-hour session on the witness was far less emotional than Wednesday, when he tearfully described his wife as a loving mother who was a victim of mental problems that worsened in the months before she drowned their children in a bathtub at their Houston home. On Thursday, Yates smiled at his wife as he entered the courtroom. Andrea Yates, 37, has confessed to drowning the children but has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity. She is charged with killing three of the children and could face the death penalty if convicted. The couple mouthed words of



Russell Yates

encouragement to each other on Wednesday as defense attorneys played home movies of their children watching butterflies and greeting their mother after the birth of her fifth child. The tape was an attempt by defense attorney to depict a nurturing mother who they say became so mentally ill that she killed her children. "She's wonderful," Russell Yates testified with tearful eyes. "She was so involved with the children. She loved them and read to them." Prosecutors say Andrea Yates suffered from a mental illness but knew the difference between right and wrong at the time of the drownings. To prove insanity, the defense must show the Houston woman didn't know the difference. The husband, who sometimes rocked nervously on the witness stand, recounted his wife's mental decline in the months before the killings, but insisted she posed no threat. He said his wife attempted suicide twice in 1999, following the birth of Luke, their fourth child.

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EDITORIAL

Huntley keeps school lawsuit on life support

Boise lawyer Robert Huntley seems determined to get his way and make Idaho taxpayers pony up for school construction. And if his goal goes down in flames, he apparently wants to drag legislators' reputations down with it.

Huntley bolted over last week, calling legislative leaders a "stupid in arrogance." His rant came after leaders counter-offered... his attempt to settle the lawsuit in which he represents a coalition of school districts that want Idaho's state government to fix needy schools.

The Legislature's school fix-up plan is starting to work, and Boise lawyer Robert Huntley seems desperate to keep the lawsuit alive.

But the lawsuit is losing its strength. Mindoko, Wendell, Troy, Fremont and Wallace school districts all are taking advantage of HB 315, last year's legislation that dedicates state funds for interest payments on school construction. All of those districts were either participants in the lawsuit or considered joining.

In short, the Legislature's school fix-up plan is starting to work, and Boise lawyer Robert Huntley seems desperate to keep the lawsuit alive.

up plan is starting to work, and Huntley seems desperate to keep the lawsuit alive. The lawsuit probably will head to the chambers of the Supreme Court.

If the case goes that far, the Legislature has a strong case. The state Constitution gives lawmakers the duty "to establish and maintain a general, uniform and thorough system of public schools." But funding school construction has always been up to local school districts.

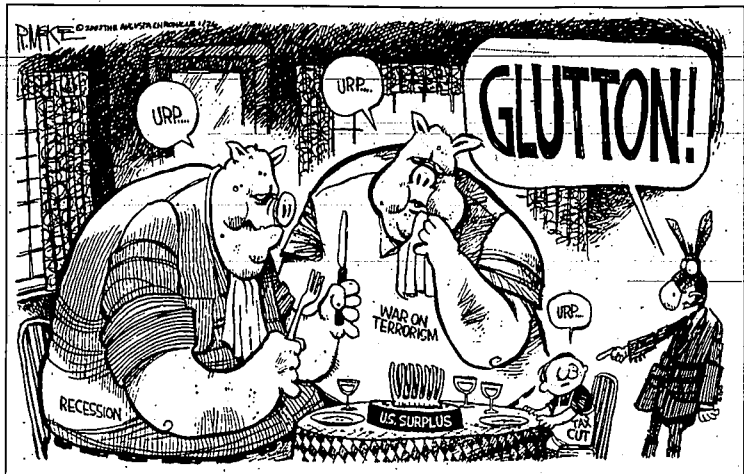
Huntley, who was the Democrats' unsuccessful candidate for governor in 1998, says the Legislature has evolved into a meaner crew of partisans. "There was a time when it contained statesmen and individual non-leadership mem-

bers who insisted upon their right to represent the people who elected them," he said.

But Huntley misses the point: By making sure the entire costs-of-school construction don't land on state taxpayers, legislators are representing their constituents prudently. Especially if those constituents have fulfilled their responsibility to pass bond issues in their own local districts.

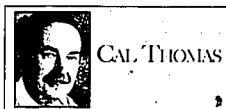
As we've said before, it's not fair to force taxpayers statewide - including those in districts with well-maintained schools - to pay for school repairs in communities where voters won't pass bond issues.

Huntley's stinging words are dividing the districts in the lawsuit from the legislators wrestling with a tight education budget. Maybe that's his intention. If so, he shouldn't be accusing other leaders of lacking statesmanship.



Dems test new methods to raise taxes

Democratic politicians know that when Republicans are successful in cutting taxes it generally provides a political boost to the GOP. That's why they're constantly looking for new ways to get our money without having to call a tax what they take from us and spend on their pet projects. The federal line subscriber charge on our phone bills (along with numerous other stealth charges) is one example of a tax disguised as something else. In many cases, these hidden taxes have the additional benefit of not needing legislative approval.



The new governor of Virginia, Democrat Mark Warner, who pledged not to raise state taxes when he was a candidate, thinks he's stumbled on a brilliant idea. Instead of raising taxes and having to defend himself against charges that he "hipped," Warner and some members of the Virginia legislature want the people to do it. Warner has proposed that state voters be allowed to decide through referendums whether they want to increase Virginia sales taxes.

Supporters are attempting to sell this tax increase in a familiar way. If the people decide not to ante up more money for government, essential services might have to be curtailed or ended. As always, it's the children who would supposedly suffer because new schools would not be built. Oh, and the traffic, already gridlocked during rush hour in the Virginia suburbs of Washington, D.C., would remain at a standstill for even longer periods.

This is a strategy made in political heaven. If Virginia approves a sales tax hike, politicians can report, "We didn't raise your taxes; you did." If citizens vote down a tax increase, the politicians can blame the people for any real or perceived decline in services and education - and escape accountability. Elected officials all over the country will be looking at what happens in Virginia to see if they might promote this scam in their states.

But wait. In Virginia, leading Republicans in the legislature are backing the sales tax hike referendum, even though the GOP enjoys a two-proof majority. Maybe George Wallace, the late Democratic governor of Alabama, was right when he observed, "there isn't a dime's worth of difference" between the two political parties.

Before Virginia politicians (or politicians in any other state where political pickpockets operate) are given more of the money we earn, the people should demand to see the books. In Virginia, as with too many other governments, the problem isn't taxes that are too low, but spending that's too high. According to figures compiled by the American Legislative Exchange Council, per capita general fund expenditures in Virginia were \$778 higher in 1999 than 1990, after adjusting for inflation and population growth.

National Taxpayer Union policy analyst Jeff Dirksen has called the proposed sales tax hike, "a clumsy attempt to cloak

the Commonwealth's massive spending growth in a mantle of legitimacy." Dirksen says taxpayers would be better served by addressing transportation needs within the current budget, reallocating funds from less important programs (good luck getting politicians to agree on that) and reexamining privatization and contracting-out services.

The answer to Virginia's problem and those of other state governments and the federal government is found in a study by the Congressional Joint Economic Committee. Between 1960 and 1993, the committee says, the economies of states with low or flat income taxes grew nearly one-third faster than those of states that imposed punitive taxes on income and investment. And, as it always, the case, economic growth produced more tax revenue for state treasuries because there was more money available to be taxed. The people should be allowed to vote on reduced spending, not higher taxes.

If Gov. Warner and the Republican legislature want to boost sales taxes for roads and education (there is no correlation between the level of spending on education and achievement), let them lower the income tax rate and finish the phase-out of the hated car tax, which former Gov. Jim Gilmore promised but was unable to eliminate.

One of the oldest economic truths is that taxes should never be raised during a recession. It's no surprise that a Democrat wants to raise taxes any time. Republicans who go along don't deserve the name.

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Now is the time for center

I'm writing in favor of the proposed professional-technical center. As the mother of six children, I am vitally concerned with the education my children receive in the Twin Falls School District. I have invested much of my personal time through parent-teacher-student organizations and other committees within the district to help increase opportunities for all children in our community.

In that capacity, I have listened carefully to the reasoning behind the proposal which is now before us. I am convinced that now is the time to take this step and build this center. Many of our students, after attending this center, will become better qualified at a younger age to improve their lives through hands-on education. The connection this facility will have with the college can provide a natural transition from high school to college and into the workplace of our own community. The funding for this project will not increase our taxes. I see this as a win-win situation for everybody.

I encourage all in favor of increased educational opportunities to vote "yes" on March 5.

MARINA NIELSON
Twin Falls

Exec favors district's plan

On March 5, all local registered voters will have an opportunity to greatly influence the direction of the economic vitality of the Magic Valley for years to come. I am referring to the bond election for a new professional-technical center in the Twin Falls School District.

As an executive at Glanbia Foods, I can tell you first-hand that the technically skilled employee pool in the Magic Valley is in short supply. As a company, Glanbia Foods wholeheartedly supports this bond initiative in an ongoing effort to upgrade our local work force to provide for the economic growth that is only possible with a highly trained work force.

Let's face facts. The majority of our high school graduates do not go on and get four-year college degrees. That is OK as long as other options exist for those students to get some valuable training, along with a certification, to equip them for the demands of the modern workplace.

This type of technical training, coupled with a job offer from a local company, would allow the applicant the flexibility of remaining in the Magic Valley instead of having to seek work elsewhere due to his or her lack of appropriate skills demanded of local companies. There are many Magic Valley companies that can provide a very fulfilling work career for the appropriately educated and trained employee. For those of us operating in the manufacturing sector of our local economy, we would like to see a much larger applicant pool that possesses some specific technical skills that they can bring to our companies.

Let's share the vision for the future of the Magic Valley. If you share that vision, vote "yes" on March 5.

JEFF WILLIAMS
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Jeff Williams is Executive Vice President of Glanbia Foods Inc.)

Tech center plan poses problems

Regarding: Favor a technology center on the present Twin Falls High School campus.

I like the concept of a technology center for high school students in Twin Falls. The citizen committee has volunteered much of their time and energy to affect changes.

My concern is the actual implementation of the idea and information that I have seen and heard. Several of the problems I see is building a new facility several miles from the high school. If the present vocational-technical building at the high school was remodeled and an expansion built on the available land, I can see many positives.

1. Students wouldn't be limited to half-day as presently proposed. They could take one or two classes if it were on the present campus, allowing students the option of experiencing other electives or continuing in the technical program.
2. Half-day would severely limit other electives - both for the student and for presently successful programs.
3. The health occupations class, which has been part of the curriculum at the high school for several years, has the latest in state-of-art facilities and has been taught by a medical professional voluntarily.
4. The student body wouldn't be

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"divided." A feeling of unity is an important factor in a successful school environment, "growing" students and citizens.

5. Transportation would not be necessary. High school students are not going to ride back and forth each day on a yellow school bus, and there would be liability issues if they drove their own cars. Also, ones without cars, licenses would be able to take the classes on the present campus.

Twin Falls property taxes would pay for the \$7 million bonds, but I'm baffled about the source of revenue required for additional staffing, administration and maintenance. Reimbursement from the state (ADA - Average Daily Attendance) would not cover these costs.

The beauty of having a community college is the availability of its resources. Those high school graduates interested in continuing technical training could enroll there.

All high school students would have access to the technical facilities if it were to remain on the present campus, and it would be possible for more students to take advantage of those opportunities and therefore increase enrollments in both areas.

CARL R. SNOW
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Carl Snow is a retired teacher and former principal of Twin Falls High School.)

High School

Reader questions district's tactics

The questionable tactics of School District #4.

Why is the school district trying to take the students away from their normal learning environment? For a student to take a technical class, he or she would have to devote half a day, leave campus and commute to the tech center.

Why do they say there is no room at the high school when there are empty shops and the buildings were designed for expansion on the school district grounds?

Why do they degrade the basic rule of education and try to get students in the high school government classes to convince their parents to vote in favor of the tech center? Students are not in school so the district can influence them to vote in a particular direction of a controversy.

Why do they try to tell us that it isn't going to cost us more in taxes when the bond will be increased and extended more than 10 years past its normal maturity?

What is the real intent of the administration in pushing the tech center ideas when experienced vocational teachers and counselors see its faults?

Vote no March 5.
DELOY BINGHAM
Twin Falls

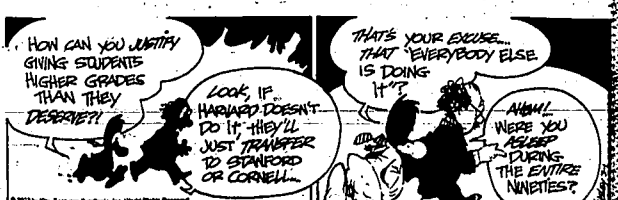
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Vote 'yes' on tech center

We write to encourage the public's support of the Twin Falls Professional/Technical Center and to ask for an overwhelming vote of approval of the proposed bond issue.

The training and education needs of our students have changed. What may have been adequate 35 to 50 years ago simply doesn't meet today's dynamic workplace requirements. The technical center allows our region to finally be ahead of the curve rather than playing "catch up."

Our son readily anticipates his senior year of high school and college thereafter. Not all of his friends plan on college. They all, however, want to be successful, contributing members of our community. They are good kids. They need and want the skills to enter the workforce. The technical center gives them that chance.

Please vote "yes."
THOMAS B. HIGH
PATTY L. HIGH
 Twin Falls

JFAC logic doesn't compute

A headline in The Times-News on Feb. 25 read: "Lawmakers reject extra tax collectors." The Joint Finance Appropriations Committee voted 14-6 to reduce auditors and collection personnel by 10 in the State Tax Commission budget. The article also stated that four years ago, the Legislature added 21 auditors, investigators and support personnel and that investment of \$10 million has collected \$65 million more in taxes. The tax commission was on pace to collect another \$20 million from tax evaders this year. Senate Finance Chairman Dean Cameron defended the vote by saying, "How can we say that we're cutting budgets, we're trying to live within our means and then send more auditors out there to collect money." The Rupert Republican said it sounded like the "days of Robin Hood," robbing the rich to give to the poor. Cameron maintained that the issue is how many auditors is enough.

Is government math different from my checkbook math? Would I not give someone \$1 if they would give me \$3? Should I be satisfied that I pay taxes while my government fails to make the effort needed to collect due taxes when the cost to collect them is far less than the income generated? Chairman Cameron characterizes tax collection as "robbing the rich to give to the poor." Excuse me, but in the real world, businesses stay solvent in part by collecting on bills they send out. We don't need political grandstanding. Idaho needs objective and reasoned leaders.

If the information in the newspaper article is correct, it sounds like there are 14 members of the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee that need to explain their math and politics to the citizens of Idaho. If these are the state's financial planners, maybe we need some new planners.

ROGER A. OLSON
 Halley

Dairy farmers need solution

During the past several years, issues related to the dairy farms and/or confined animal feeding operations have dominated the news around the Magic Valley

area. It is very sad to see that such issues are affecting the community.

I did my own little research and talked to quite a few dairy farmers. To my surprise, some of them were even apprehensive to say that they are dairy farmers. These guys were genuinely good and straightforward people who cared about their neighbors and water but did not know that lack of good management can easily cause big environmental problems.

Another group appeared very stubborn and flatly refused to recognize any potential problems. Unfortunately, it is very difficult to communicate with this group. This group also played the numbers game similar to the city of Twin Falls about the arsenic level in the drinking water. Instead of solving the problem or taking a problem-solving approach, they waste their time and everybody else's with meaningless regulatory numbers. To me that is misrepresentation of the facts and not being a good neighbor.

A third group was concerned about the cost of managing the dairy waste, including odor control. Fortunately, a number of technologies are available to manage their waste at a very reasonable cost. All they have to do is go on the Internet or even contact me, I will be happy to put them on the right track for free of charge. A common-sense cost consideration follows that a dairy farmer with 3,000 animals must have invested at least \$10 million. The one-time capital cost of waste management of such a farm should not be more than 1 to 2 percent of the investment and less than 0.5 percent annual cost after that. I challenge anyone that disputes the fact that it is a big-business cost for such a large operation.

It is really sad to see that simple issues are becoming a huge dividing factor. It is time to stop the confrontation and get together and solve the problem. The solution is right in front of our noses!

SAIID DABESTANI
 Twin Falls

Reader utters agreement

Amen! to Richard Meyer Sr. of Kennewick, Wash. (Feb. 25 issue).

VIRGINIA ANDERSON
 Glenns Ferry

Lawmakers play con game

In the Magic Valley section of Feb. 7, the headlines read, "Lawmakers face tough budget choices." Directly below that, they read, "State hires contractor to run state park farm."

Our state not only has had the nerve to pay \$6.4 million for 281 acres in Hagerman Valley but then turn around and tell the locals how "stupid" they are by giving it back to the people they bought it from because they're the only ones in the country with the "expertise" to operate it.

Mr. McFadden is quoted as saying, "as far as I'm concerned, we made them a pretty good deal." I would say so! The farm's business plan budgets for \$226,000 in expenses. That includes \$113,000 management fee to pay all personnel costs, which ends up being for two people. Farm revenue is projected at \$237,000. And then

they have the nerve to tell us after expenses, they will only net \$11,600. Can our representatives really think that we don't know what's going on here?

I am so tired of being taken by our local government, a little bit here and a little bit there, but this con is one of the biggest slaps I've had in a long time. Wake up, people, contact your representative and demand that something different be done with this state

park.

They're getting away with murder, and Mr. McFadden is laughing all the way to the bank!
BONNIE SMITH
 Bliss

Hurray! No more Games

The 2002 Winter Games are over - let the sanity begin!
TOM DAVIS
 Kimberly

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MAGIC VALLEY

Potato becomes Idaho's official state vegetable

BOISE - At the prompting of food graders, Idaho's famous potatoes have been elevated to the official state vegetable.

The Senate unanimously sent the House-passed bill to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on Thursday.

For decades, Idaho has led the nation in potato production, making spuds practically synonymous with the state. Most of the state's potato production is in the Magic Valley.

Now the potato joins other official state symbols like the mountain bluebird, syringa, cutthroat trout and Appaloosa horse.

The idea came from fourth-grade classes studying Idaho history at Grand View Elementary School.

The children wrote to 200 other fourth-grade classes around the state and to all 105 legislators for their support.

Senate stops sewer, water board compensation bill

BOISE - The Senate narrowly rejected legislation on Thursday authorizing local sewer and water district boards to raise member compensation from \$50 to \$150 per meeting.

The Senate voted 17-16 against the bill, which had cleared the House a month ago on a 40-28 vote.

Critics said the current economic atmosphere was no time to authorize such huge pay raises. They rejected arguments

Legislature in brief

from supporters of the bill that it only lifted the cap on compensation and that any raises would still have to be approved by the local boards.

They maintained that the issue was local control and any board abusing its authority would be voted out of office.

House approves continuing tax credit to create new jobs

BOISE - The desire to stimulate Idaho's economy overcame concerns about potential budget implications Thursday as the House approved continuing an income tax credit for creation of new jobs.

A 55-11 vote forwarded the measure to the Senate, where lawmakers traditionally are more cautious with legislation that effects the revenue stream.

A \$500-per-job tax credit was authorized a year ago as the Legislature was allocating a huge budget surplus. It expired at year's end.

Now that the state and nation are in a grip of recession, supporters said continuing the tax credit was more important than ever.

"It's needed to keep new jobs coming to Idaho and Idaho's economy moving," Republican Rep. Mike Moore of Star said.

The Idaho Tax Commission has said it would be unclear until late in the year just how much the credit cost the state in 2001. And backers of extending the credit

indefinitely said one year was not enough to evaluate its worth as an economic incentive.

"It doesn't cost us a red cent unless it's used," and tax money generated by the new jobs would more than make up any foregone revenue up front, said House Speaker and Taxation Chairman Dolores Crow of Nampa.

Others questioned the wisdom of providing a tax credit for new jobs that might pay little more than minimum wage, expanding the ranks of the working poor who need the help of tax-financed state assistance.

House OKs bill to change offensive place names

BOISE - The Idaho House on Thursday unanimously approved legislation encouraging changes in place names that some people find offensive.

The voice vote came without debate. It forwarded to the Senate a resolution stemming from last year's debate over changing the names of 33 geographic features in Idaho that include the term "squaw," which is offensive to some American Indians.

It would not have the force of law, but the resolution urges individuals and local governments to recommend changes to the State Historical Society when they identify place names that might be offensive.

The Historical Society then would consider forwarding the recommendations to the U.S. Board of Geographic Names, which last September officially changed the name of Chinks Peak outside Pocatello to Chinese Peak.

The National Congress of American Indians is pushing for legislation to remove "squaw" from federal lands and property.

Advocates of the change contend the word stems from a word for female genitalia, although some linguists dispute the claim.

The Idaho resolution seeks a broader assessment of potentially offensive names, including such geographic features as Dago Peak and Molly's Nipple.

Committee approves farm labor licensing legislation

BOISE - Legislation requiring bonding and licensing of farm labor contractors won unanimous approval from the House Agricultural Affairs Committee on Thursday.

The full House next will consider final legislative approval of the measure mandating that farm labor contractors carry bonds that ensure workers get paid.

The legislation reflects consensus among the industry, workers and regulators. It was endorsed by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne in his State of the State address.

In two last year's extension of minimum wage protection to nearly all farm workers, and would take effect next January.

Advocates argued that the proposed operating requirements would only seriously affect the handful of unscrupulous contractors who cheat workers out of their wages.

The state has about 80 farm labor contractors. The annual license will cost \$250.

—compiled from wire reports.

Maids discover transfusion bags at Austrian team house

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - House cleaners found used blood transfusion bags at a home where Austrian Nordic skiers stayed during the Winter Olympics.

International Olympic Committee president Jacques Rogge opened an investigation Thursday into the find, ordering that "all scientific techniques" be used in the probe, "including DNA testing."

The bags were found Wednesday along with blood transfusion sets, including tubes and needles. Wasatch County Sheriff Mike Spano gathered the evidence and turned it over to doping control officials for the Salt Lake Organizing Committee.

Spano said the transfusion bags were drained of all but residual blood, indicating they had been used.

"I didn't monkey with it," Spano said. "I had gloves on, we

stuffed it in a large bag, I washed my hands of it and immediately turned it over to SLOC. They are so up on this doping."

The home in Midway, Utah, near the Olympic Nordic venue at Soldier Hollow, had been rented to the Austrian team, which kept 10 athletes there.

Doping officials will analyze blood residues for any sign they contained banned substances.

Dr. Charles Rich, SLOC's chief medical officer and a member of the IOC medical commission, said he found it difficult to believe the Austrians had any legitimate medical reasons for using blood transfusions during the Olympics.

"Where oxygen-carrying capacity is so important" to winning, Rich said if it was doping, technicians could test the DNA of residual blood to implicate athletes who could be stripped of any medals they won.

FBI: Equipment failure didn't cause Salt Lake power outage

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The FBI said Thursday that an explosion that cut off electricity to thousands of customers Sunday morning was not caused by equipment failure. That left open the possibility of sabotage.

The agency also said in a news release that investigators do not think the explosion at a Utah Power substation was the work of terrorists or related to the Winter

Olympics, which wrapped up Sunday evening.

No injuries were reported as a result of the explosion. The substation received slight damage and all customers had power restored within two hours.

Investigators are considering the possibility that the explosion was caused by the actions of a disgruntled employee, a prankster or someone else.

OBITUARIES

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GOODING

"We will see you again down the road of life. Along with all that is dear and all that will not be daily. Because for you, your presence will always be here."

Mary has been preceded in death by her late husband, Floyd Goss; her parents and 5 brothers and sisters, in addition to a grandchild on an early date.

Surviving brothers and sisters are Albert (Jean) and Fred (Phyllis) Fall of Aurora, CO; Bernice Alderman of Honolulu, Hawaii; Ethel Strohwinkel of Waco, Texas; and Elaine Foster, Calistoga, CA. Surviving children include Ellen (Leroy) Traver/Gooding; Ethel (Art) Peterson/Jerome and Joe (Penny) Goss/Neer Plymouth. Surviving grandchildren are Dan (Rowena) Burnum/Boise, Therald Peterson/Idaho, Terri (Robert) Richway/Pocatello; Jim (Doris) Peterson/Salt Lake City; Ut; Mary Kay Demer/Wendell; Tony Goss (Mary) and Marie, Ill.; Jan Goss (Chacha) Ikoma City, Japan; Chad Peterson/Jerome, & Nichole (David) Heier, Pocatello. Mary is survived by 23 great-grandchildren as well as 6 great-grandchildren. Special friends that survive her and have continued to be by her side are Cory Roessler, Sally Bonwell, Margaret Rehmer, Taylor, Valdo Gray and his late wife Valma, and Mr. & Mrs. Harold Blades.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, March 4th, 2002, at 2 p.m. at the Gooding Methodist Church, with Reverend Michael Gregor officiating. Burial services will be at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding.

Viewing will be held on Sunday from 5:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the American Heart Funerals. In lieu of flowers, charitable contributions may be made to the Gooding Methodist Church or a charity of your choice in Mary Goss's name.

Mary Ann (Rehmer) Goss

Mary Goss of Gooding, Idaho passed on to greet her heavenly father on February 27th, 2002, at the age of 90, with family at her side. Her life was lived to the fullest with total appreciation for all the Lord provided her including health, happiness and a long fulfilling life. Her life began in Evans, Colorado, on April 3, 1911, born to Charles &

Mary Rehmer. Companionship of 11 brothers and sisters was a large part of her life. In addition to her own children, grandchildren, great and great-great-grandchildren. After a short marriage to Richard Gray which her heavenly divorce, she later met Floyd Goss whom she married in 1943. Floyd and Mary ultimately moved to and prospered with the farming community of Gooding and Lincoln Counties until the time of Floyd's death in 1991.

Mary continually gave of herself by volunteering and promoting many worthwhile charities such as Mental Health, The March of Dimes, The American Heart Fund, Cancer Society and Gooding Historical Society, as well as many others within the community. Her favorite pastimes, in addition to the pleasure of children of all ages and faucets in life, were gardening, campaigning and her commitment to, and association with various church organizations. She was always there and willing to lend a helping hand to all of those in need.

"We've all always loved you so and drew on your infallible strength. Your kindness, sharing and companionship had no end. And no ill did you ever speak

and Katherine Miller Pridmore.

They moved to Boise in 1908 and to Richfield in 1909. He grew up in Richfield and received his education there, graduating from Richfield High School. He and his brother, Glen farmed 40 acres north of Richfield where he was 19. Other work included herding sheep, hauling rock for the canal company, and working in the Richfield drugstore. On June 12, 1927, he married Priscilla Burdett at her home in Richfield, Idaho. Their daughter and two sons were born in Richfield. Going deer hunting in Idaho, he and Priscilla lived in Richfield for 45 years. From 1919 to 1939 he had the Dray delivery business. In the fall of 1939 he took over the cream route from Richfield to Jerome which he continued until 1942. He worked in the shipyards during WWII. For several years he was mechanizing in a Richfield garage and worked into a mechanic job with the state highway department, where he worked for 20 years. Retirement interests included fishing, being with his children and

grandchildren, hunting, and travels to see relatives in Nebraska, Colorado, and California. He also enjoyed helping his son, Harold and grandson, Rod on their dairy farm. He and Priscilla moved to New Plymouth in 1972 because of Priscilla's health and to be near their daughter and son-in-law, Phyllis and Jerry Vogt. Following Priscilla's death, he sold his place in New Plymouth in 1981 and went to live with Phyllis and Jerry in Fruitland. In 1988 he moved to a retirement home in Ontario, Oregon.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Phyllis and Jerry Vogt of Fruitland, a son and daughter-in-law, Donald and Mary Ellen Pridmore of Tonasket, Washington; a sister, Nell Dickson; two sisters-in-law, Elisa Pridmore and Lou Pridmore; 11 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, three step-great-grandchildren, and three step-great-great-grandchildren.

His parents, three brothers, Harry, Glen and Dick, a sister, Virginia and a son, Harold, preceded him in death.

Memorials may be made to the Idaho Youth Ranch or the Arthritis Foundation, care of, Shaffer-Jensen Memorial Chapel, P.O. Box 730, Payette, Idaho 83661. Friends may call Friday from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Shaffer-Jensen Memorial Chapel, Payette.

OAKLEY, ORE.

Eleanor Bouma

Eleanor Bouma, 74-year-old Oakley resident, died Wednesday, February 27, 2002, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

She was born October 31, 1927, in Media, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Howard and Elizabeth Dove Rainey.

She is survived by her husband, Calvin Bouma of Oakley; and one daughter, Vicki VanBatenburg of Ogden, Utah.

At Eleanor's request, there will be no funeral service.

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SERVICES

Rose Werner of Rupert, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. today at St. Nicholas-Gothic Church, 902 E. St. Rupert. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

Barbara E. Nelson of Hayward, Calif. and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Edna LuLena Sheer Jones of Shoshone, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Dr. V. V. Telford of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls.

John Henry Watland of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 1 p.m. Saturday at the First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls. Interment will follow at 3:30 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

Scott Elmer Holloway of Kimberly, graveside service at 1 p.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Sharon Ann Egbert of Caldwell and formerly of Filer, service at 3 p.m. Saturday at White Mortuary Chapel. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

Amber Michelle Brown of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Burley Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2050 Normal Ave., interment will follow at Gem Memorial Gardens; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley and from 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Vernon Eldridge Wilson of Phoenix, Ariz., memorial service and interment at 11 a.m. Friday, March 8, at the National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona.

Theresa Savala of Twin Falls, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Friday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel; burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

Wilbur I. "Tex" Norcross of Gooding, memorial service at a potluck lunch at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 9, at the Gooding Senior Citizens Center, 308 Senior Ave. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

DEATH NOTICES

Vicki Diane Udy

MALTA - Vicki Diane Udy, 48, of Katy, Texas, died Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2002, at her home. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 9, 2002, at the Malta First and Second Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, with Bishop Devan W. Tolman officiating. Interment will follow at Valley View Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Friday, March 8, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley and from 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday, March 9, at the church.

Eldon Duane Bingham

BURLEY - Eldon Duane Bingham, 80, of Georgetown, Calif. and formerly of Burley died Monday, Feb. 25, 2002, at Marshall Hospital in Placerville, Calif.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, March 8, 2002, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley. Interment will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, March 7, and from 12-12:45 p.m. Friday, March 8, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home.

Ennice Mae Davis

TWIN FALLS - Ennice Mae Davis, 84, of Twin Falls died Thursday, Feb. 28, 2002, at Heritage Retirement Center.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Connie Hansen

BURLEY - Connie Hansen, 80, of Burley died Thursday, Feb. 28, 2002, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Services are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Chapel.

Body found might be that of store owner

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Salt Lake investigators believe a decaying body found Sunday Interstate 80 near Wendover is that of Copperton store owner Chong Suk Allen, who disappeared in December.

Two rabbit hunters discovered the body, still clothed, in tall sagebrush near Exit 49.

Positive identification is still pending, but an autopsy concluded the woman had been murdered, probably within the past few months, said sheriff's spokeswoman Peggy Faulkner.

She would not say how the woman died. "The only people that know are us and the bad guy," she said.

Allen, 43, was last seen leaving her convenience store, Country Market, on Dec. 7.

Allen, who had black hair and lived alone in Copperton, was divorced and a mother of two, Faulkner said. Her ex-husband and children live out-of-state.

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Mary Ann (Rehmer) Goss, 90, of Gooding, Idaho passed on to greet her heavenly father on February 27th, 2002, at the age of 90, with family at her side. Her life was lived to the fullest with total appreciation for all the Lord provided her including health, happiness and a long fulfilling life. Her life began in Evans, Colorado, on April 3, 1911, born to Charles & Mary Rehmer. Companionship of 11 brothers and sisters was a large part of her life. In addition to her own children, grandchildren, great and great-great-grandchildren. After a short marriage to Richard Gray which her heavenly divorce, she later met Floyd Goss whom she married in 1943. Floyd and Mary ultimately moved to and prospered with the farming community of Gooding and Lincoln Counties until the time of Floyd's death in 1991.

Mary continually gave of herself by volunteering and promoting many worthwhile charities such as Mental Health, The March of Dimes, The American Heart Fund, Cancer Society and Gooding Historical Society, as well as many others within the community. Her favorite pastimes, in addition to the pleasure of children of all ages and faucets in life, were gardening, campaigning and her commitment to, and association with various church organizations. She was always there and willing to lend a helping hand to all of those in need.

"We've all always loved you so and drew on your infallible strength. Your kindness, sharing and companionship had no end. And no ill did you ever speak



Charles Millard Pridmore

Charles Millard Pridmore age 97 passed away Tuesday, February 26, 2002 at the Rocky Mountain Center. Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday March 2, 2002, at Richfield Cemetery in Richfield, Idaho. Funeral arrangements are under direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel, Payette, Idaho.

Charles (Millard) was born on April 19, 1904, in Danvers, Colorado, to Reynolds Wickham

Prairie Power customers will see new rates

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Idaho Power doesn't want former Prairie Power customers to be surprised when they open their electricity bills this summer.

On July 21, former Prairie Power customers living west of Fairfield almost to Bennett Mountain and north to Pine and Featherville will begin paying Idaho Power rates.

Customers using less energy might see lower bills, while the biggest energy users will probably see higher power bills. For instance, based on today's rates, a customer using 500 kilowatt hours of electricity per month now pays \$40.80. After July 21, that same customer will pay \$33.34. A person using 1,500 kilowatt hours of elec-

tricity per month will see his bill go from \$88.40 to \$100.62 after July 21. Those rates are subject to change when Idaho Power adjusts its rates again in May.

"We just don't want them (customers) to be alarmed or surprised," said Richard Astley, Idaho Power's delivery service leader for the Near East Region.

In 1992, Idaho Power bought the Prairie Power Cooperative, including its assets and customer base. As part of that sale, Idaho Power agreed to reduce Prairie Power customers' rates 15 percent and freeze the reduced rates for 10 years. That period will end July 21, and former Prairie Power customers will begin paying Idaho Power rates, Astley said.

Former Prairie Power customers will also not see their regu-

lar annuity credits this spring. The original annuity contract expired and the final credits were issued last year, Astley said.

Customers will also get new account numbers, and customers who participate in the Preferred Pay and Budget Pay programs may also see some changes, according to Idaho Power. Customers with questions can call the Prairie Power Transition Message Line at 1-800-482-3493.

Idaho Power will hold an informational meeting for former Prairie Power customers at 1 p.m. April 3 at the American Legion Hall in Fairfield.

"We just want them to know why this is happening," said Dennis Lopez, public information specialist for Idaho Power. "Our primary goal is that this goes smoothly for our customers."

Rate changes coming

Idaho Power will discuss new power rates for former Prairie Power customers at 1 p.m. April 3 at the American Legion Hall in Fairfield. Customers with questions can also call 1-800-482-3493.

New energy rates	
Energy (kWh)	Current Prairie Power rate
100	\$21.76
500	\$40.80
1,000	\$64.60
1,500	\$88.40
2,000	\$112.20
2,500	\$136.00
3,000	\$159.80
3,500	\$183.60
4,000	\$207.40
4,500	\$231.20
5,000	\$255.00

Note: These Idaho Power rates will change in May when Idaho Power adjusts its rates.

Source: Idaho Power Co.

Kimberly High School plans block scheduling

By Margaret Jones
Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly School Board voted this week to implement a block schedule at the high school.

The board voted at a special meeting Wednesday to accept the administration's recommendation to have an eight-period-rollover block schedule. The school will also go from being on a trimester to a semester system.

The students will have eight subjects a semester. One week, students will have four subjects on Tuesday and Thursday and four subjects on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The following week, the subjects that were on Tuesday and Thursday will be on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and vice versa. Each class will be 90 minutes long.

This scheduling will give students the opportunity to earn 64 credits, instead of 60 credits in a regular system, enabling students to carry more credits to col-

lege. Some high school credits can be carried over.

The high school has been on a trimester system for five years. However, new mandated testing schedules, problems facilitating student transfers, scheduling advanced technical training and increasing credits to meet new requirements, have made it necessary to go back to the semester schedule.

Next week, an informal informational meeting is scheduled for Monday to discuss a proposed early-day dismissal for elementary school students.

The meeting will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. in the library of the intermediate elementary school, the round building on West Center Street. Residents are urged to express their opinions on the proposed scheduling.

Changes in curriculum have made it necessary to send elementary teachers in-service time to work together. They currently have no opportunity for team planning.

New approach offers prospect of curtailing Medicaid costs

MERIDIAN (AP) - A new association offers some prospect of finally checking Idaho's escalating Medicaid costs while enhancing the lives of the disabled.

The Home Care Providers Association of Idaho is opening up dozens of homes and apartments throughout Idaho to provide residential settings for disabled people, such as Forrest Thompson in the place of expensive nursing homes.

"It's common sense," Thompson's mother, Sherrie, said. "To us in the trenches out here, it's very simple. This is where a big chunk of the savings could be."

Thompson, 23, is mildly retarded, autistic and diabetic. He lives in a Meridian apartment complex next to the insurance office where his father works.

Sherrie Thompson said there is a list of people waiting to sign up for residential care, and the state could cut its Medicaid bill if it adjusted the program to encourage more home-based care.

Tom Bering, chairman of the Home Care Providers Association, and others say housing Thompson in

an apartment, where he and another client are supervised while they are not out on a job or at a developmental center, costs about \$40,000 a year. That compares to \$100,000 in a more formal setting.

Rep. Bill Sali, R-Kuna, has worked to reduce Medicaid costs at a developmental center, one of the now association's leading legislative allies.

"There are a significant number of people who have chosen this," Sali said. "We need to have these providers at the table because they play a big role."

As long as the private homes are certified and the providers are willing to undergo regular inspections, Sali said, state should embrace the new trend in caring for the elderly and disabled.

Department of Health and Welfare spokesman Bill Walker said the number of elderly and disabled housed by certified home-care providers in Idaho has increased. But he said the state must monitor the homes to ensure the costs are no greater than for a nursing home and that the quality of care is as good

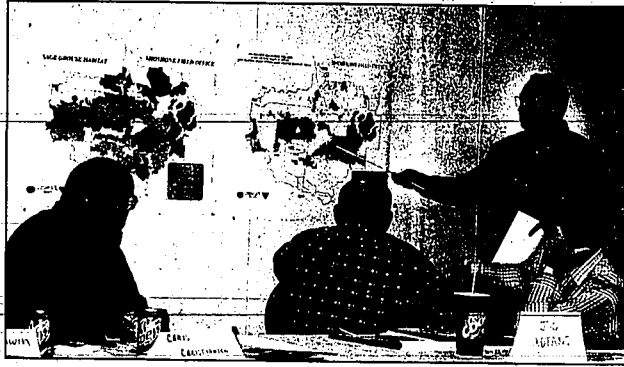
BLM seeks to improve sage grouse habitat

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Managers of the Upper Snake River District of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management want comments from the district's resource advisory council on sage grouse management.

Bill Baker, field manager at the BLM's Shoshone office, updated the advisory council about sage grouse at a Wednesday meeting in Burley. Baker spread out two maps showing areas of sage grouse habitat that fall under the jurisdiction of the BLM's Shoshone office. The maps indicate areas of sage grouse population and areas damaged by fires or overuse. BLM personnel use the maps to determine which areas are suitable for cattle grazing, Baker said.

Some people are concerned the sage grouse will be set back by the Endangered Species Act, Baker said. If the sage grouse were endangered it would present a problem to the BLM, because the birds could live in a large portion of BLM land, said BLM spokesman David Howell. Baker said BLM personnel would prefer to deal informally with sage grouse habitat issues before any such listing might occur. As well, he said, successful management could prevent the bird from being included on the list.



Bill Baker, field manager at the U.S. Bureau of Land Management's Shoshone office, indicates sage grouse habitat on a map. Baker spoke at a BLM resource advisory council meeting Wednesday in Burley.

Dealing with the problem of dwindling habitat for the sage grouse is no simple task. "We reseeded 32,000 acres this last year. I don't know what more we can do," Baker said.

The BLM sets aside land for the sage grouse during times of vulnerability. The BLM has identified mating leks, areas where the male and female grouse meet each spring. The male grouse "dance" in an elaborate

courtship ritual. No human activities are allowed in these places during the spring dancing period, Baker said.

The advisory council did not offer suggestions for BLM staffers regarding sage grouse management after Wednesday's presentation, which had been expected. The presentation was designed to educate council members about sage grouse. It's important for the council to

understand sage grouse management policies so it can respond to future problems, Howell said.

The advisory council will probably always deal with the sage grouse. Any management policy affecting sagebrush ecosystems will affect the birds, Baker said.

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Republicans meet to iron out budget problems

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The Utah Legislature was said to be hard at work Thursday tying up millions of dollars in loose ends in this and next year's budgets.

"You wouldn't know it to wander the Capitol's halls. All of the negotiating, infighting and coaxing is going on behind closed doors in Republican caucuses, well out of sight of the public.

Lawmakers have four days left in the 2002 general session to slash \$54.4 million more from this year's budget, after finding \$202 million to cut earlier.

They must also cut \$50.7 million from the 2003 budget by midnight Wednesday.

The lawmakers are said to need to find additional funds to cover about \$26 million in increasing Medicaid costs, school enrollment and benefits for state

employees. Appropriations co-chair Rep. Jeff Alexander, R-Utah, said most of the caucus debate was about bonding.

'Decisions as critical as the ones we're making now ought to be made in the full light of day.'

- Phyllis Sorenson, Utah Education Association president

He said they took no votes on budget items. That doesn't sit well with the president of the Utah teachers' union.

"Decisions as critical as the ones we're making now ought to be made in the full light of day," said Utah Education Association President Phyllis Sorenson.

The state's open-meetings-law allows political caucuses to close their doors to the public.

The majority Republicans take advantage this and have had their budget discussions in private with a guard at the door.

Cassie Dippo of Utah Common Cause, a government watchdog group, said the closed caucuses are more egregious in a state legislature that has such a lopsided majority of one party.

Republicans outnumber Democrats 51-24 in the House and 20-9 in the Senate.

University lands largest research grant

BOISE (AP) - The University of Idaho has received the largest research grant in its history, which will help fight disease and bolster a new industry in the state.

It is transforming the school into a leading research center for evolutionary biology and its marriage with computers.

The university has attracted a \$10.2 million grant from the National Institutes of Health. The new Center for Research on the Processes in Evolution at the Moscow school will focus on microbes' resistance to drugs and determine how certain viruses pick their hosts.

It follows a similar program established there in 2000 to study infectious disease that won a \$9.6 million grant, the

highest until now. Last fall, Idaho, Boise State University and Idaho State University won another \$6 million National Institutes grant for biomedical research.

"These three grants show that Idaho researchers and educators are doing leading-edge research and making significant contributions to solving important scientific problems," Idaho President Robert Hoover said Thursday, adding the grants ensured the school's major investments in faculty and building space.

"In turn, Idaho students will benefit and the state's economy will reap direct returns of \$25.8 million on those investments."

Larry Forney, biological sciences chief at Idaho, will direct the Processes and Evolution

Center. Biomedical researchers increasingly turn to computers to interpret their findings. That can reveal trends such as future threats by diseases and potential treatments.

One study at Idaho involves plasmids, or independent blocks of DNA that move from cell to cell and transfer drug resistance. Another is bioinformatics - a marriage of biology, computer science and mathematics.

In modern biology, the amount of data can easily overwhelm scientists' ability to understand it, Forney said.

"We need to use supercomputers and advanced mathematical analysis to see patterns that tell us what is happening," he said.

Cops

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with some false alarms and hoaxes, Lewin and Covington said.

Covington said the teams spend much of their time driving around the greater Salt Lake area in their bomb squad vehicles.

Boredom could be a factor sometimes," he said.

The Twin Falls Police Department has an old, converted ambulance for a bomb squad truck, but Covington said they left it behind and used other agencies' vehicles.

Covington said his team used a government-issue Chevrolet Suburban.

Lewin said he had better luck.

"We had this brand new, shiny red Salt Lake City Fire Department bomb squad truck," he said.

"I would not have traded our old ambulance for that Suburban," Covington said. "But I would have for that shiny red truck."

There were at least 160 bomb technicians from civilian police

agencies on duty during the Olympics, as well as many military bomb experts, Covington said.

Being around that many experts gave the Twin Falls officers a chance to network and gain tips, Lewin said.

"In my opinion, the bomb squad group is the tightest group I've seen in 15 years in law enforcement," he said. "We all know how dangerous this job is."

The networking should bring long-term benefits for the Twin

Falls department, Covington said. That's because smaller departments can often snag bomb suits and other expensive equipment from larger agencies as well.

Often, the small departments can get used equipment for free or just a few dollars, he said.

"It's all about who you know and who knows what you need."

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Hospital

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expected to be \$2.82 million, up from \$2.39 million in the original budget.

Non-operating revenue is expected to go down about \$10 million - from \$23 million to \$13 million - due to a reduction in reserves to buy the clinic and because interest rates are lower than the hospital originally anticipated, which means less

revenue from investments. Groesbeck said. The hospital expects to end up with a net income of \$4.14 million at the end of September, down from \$4.7 million in the original budget.

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Road

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some," the letter said.

"We are applying for the continuing permits to people, Jarbidge, the county bridge, and to the canyon environment. These permits persist because Mr. Vaught refuses to work the county plan for this repair in 200 feet of remote road. Apparently Mr. Vaught would rather allow these permits to threaten life, property, and the environment rather than to admit that repairs do not need NEPA."

The correspondence was signed

by Nevada Assemblyman John Carls and O.Q. Chris Johnson, both involved in the agreement that was reached more than a year ago after months of mediation.

Also adding their names to the letter were Mike Lattin, Bob St. Louis, Rick Schwarz and John Karr of the Jarbidge Shovel Brigade and road committee, and Mike Marsolf, president of a local off-road group.

There were in meetings this week and unavailable for comment, but Bill Van Bruggen, Ruby

Mountain district ranger, said the forest supervisor "is committed to working with the county to reestablish South Canyon Road."

Van Bruggen said the agency firmly stands by its decision that a NEPA study is needed if the county's repair proposal is accepted by the Forest Service, but Vaught will consider any proposals for minor repairs.

Van Bruggen indicated he had discussed South Canyon Road with Vaught in length this week, and the Forest Service will continue to meet the terms of the settle-

ment agreement.

St. Louis said this week the Shovel Brigade will take no action to violate the terms of the settlement agreement, but said his group had no control over others wishing to make repairs. Local residents are becoming anxious to get an agreement on the repairs so work can commence in late summer, he added.

Elko County Manager Rob Stokes said a discussion regarding the repairs to the roadway will be placed on the agenda for commissioners this month.

Trout

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the level of the stream channel would set the stage for sediment running off into the stream in the spring.

The survey, however, "failed to demonstrate any appreciable accumulation of fine sediment that would degrade significant amounts of salmonid spawning habitat in the West Fork Jarbidge River."

The survey was conducted by Parametrix Inc. of Kirkland, Wash. But surveyors said the report does not represent an accurate

measure of habitat or population because it was done in the daytime when it is better to survey at night.

Nevertheless, Forest Service officials said they were satisfied with the results.

Results from four additional studies conducted along South Canyon Road last fall should be available soon.

Despite a settlement agreement reached last spring, the road repair project remains in limbo as the county and Forest Service argue over interim work on a short segment of road.

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Idaho Reading Indicator scores

Winter 2001 scores on the Idaho Reading Indicator, which gauges the reading abilities of children in kindergarten through third grade. See page A-1 for the story.

County	At		Near		Below grade level		Students tested	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
Blaine County								
Kindergarten	55%	42%	26%	24%	20%	34%	200	182
First	64%	61%	24%	27%	12%	11%	233	210
Second	59%	56%	23%	24%	9%	19%	242	223
Third	61%	63%	17%	16%	21%	18%	231	233
Camas County								
Kindergarten	35%	70%	45%	20%	18%	10%	8	10
First	75%	50%	13%	40%	13%	10%	1	1
Second	80%	71%	20%	29%	0%	0%	5	7
Third	31%	67%	0%	33%	69%	0%	13	3
Cassia County								
Kindergarten	38%	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	72%	78%	19%	16%	30%	29%	351	355
Second	61%	62%	23%	23%	16%	15%	375	353
Third	54%	60%	18%	20%	28%	21%	375	368
Glenns Ferry								
Kindergarten	21%	100%	43%	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	41%	58%	48%	39%	36%	42%	33	33
Second	25%	44%	37%	24%	22%	16%	47	37
Third	19%	32%	14%	22%	50%	46%	35	41
Gooding County								
Kindergarten	53%	28%	25%	43%	22%	26%	2001	2002
First	65%	85%	32%	15%	0%	0%	98	87
Second	51%	60%	31%	25%	18%	15%	77	88
Third	39%	60%	24%	16%	38%	24%	88	82
Wendell								
Kindergarten	44%	39%	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	44%	81%	30%	30%	40%	29%	70	70
Second	55%	70%	35%	25%	13%	8%	83	83
Third	0%	71%	0%	17%	10%	12%	0	81
Hagerman								
Kindergarten	50%	29%	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	44%	70%	38%	57%	14%	14%	28	28
Second	43%	52%	48%	22%	8%	7%	25	27
Third	48%	50%	17%	20%	35%	30%	23	30
Bilas								
Kindergarten	42%	43%	50%	43%	8%	14%	2001	2002
First	91%	86%	9%	14%	0%	0%	11	14
Second	63%	25%	11%	50%	0%	25%	9	12
Third	75%	70%	17%	10%	8%	20%	12	10
Jerome County								
Kindergarten	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2002
First	35%	34%	30%	31%	31%	35%	213	214
Second	57%	65%	31%	28%	13%	7%	228	233
Third	53%	49%	22%	32%	25%	19%	222	236
Valley								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	26%	62%	32%	25%	42%	12%	31	32
Second	84%	84%	23%	16%	2%	0%	44	47
Third	86%	75%	9%	19%	1%	0%	44	44
Shoshone								
Kindergarten	29%	27%	19%	46%	52%	27%	2001	2002
First	38%	49%	45%	36%	18%	15%	40	39
Second	41%	36%	28%	33%	31%	31%	39	36
Third	19%	56%	36%	23%	1%	23%	37	43
Dietrich								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	36%	54%	38%	43%	21%	8%	12	12
Second	67%	75%	17%	25%	17%	0%	10	11
Third	80%	73%	10%	9%	10%	18%	10	11
Richfield								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	54%	44%	31%	44%	15%	11%	13	9
Second	81%	81%	13%	12%	0%	6%	8	15
Third	27%	14%	53%	57%	20%	20%	10	16
Minidoka County								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	42%	31%	28%	39%	30%	30%	286	320
Second	59%	58%	32%	24%	9%	8%	318	294
Third	44%	44%	23%	28%	28%	29%	332	336
Twin Falls County								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	54%	62%	30%	27%	16%	10%	481	481
Second	81%	84%	16%	13%	4%	9%	475	499
Third	72%	79%	19%	13%	8%	9%	515	456
Buhl								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	49%	48%	28%	34%	22%	18%	105	89
Second	66%	75%	20%	22%	10%	5%	108	104
Third	53%	57%	23%	22%	24%	20%	119	122
Filer								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	51%	64%	34%	25%	15%	11%	80	84
Second	71%	80%	25%	20%	3%	0%	87	87
Third	53%	58%	26%	27%	18%	13%	73	91
Kimberly								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	33%	40%	39%	35%	2%	4%	80	84
Second	71%	79%	27%	17%	2%	4%	89	82
Third	63%	64%	27%	25%	9%	11%	106	88
Hansen								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	46%	46%	27%	36%	30%	16%	30	28
Second	83%	82%	8%	17%	0%	0%	25	25
Third	71%	79%	25%	16%	4%	4%	24	25
Castelford								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	81%	61%	18%	15%	0%	11%	16	18
Second	95%	74%	28%	22%	4%	5%	25	20
Third	61%	43%	4%	23%	47%	4%	29	28
Miner								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	72%	64%	28%	36%	0%	0%	11	11
Second	71%	94%	14%	6%	14%	0%	14	17
Third	45%	80%	32%	10%	23%	10%	22	10
Statewide								
Kindergarten	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
First	45%	49%	27%	22%	21%	20%	80	84
Second	55%	59%	26%	25%	6%	5%	87	87
Third	53%	58%	20%	19%	27%	23%	73	91

T.F. centennial plans move ahead

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Centennial Commission moved another step forward Wednesday evening as committee leaders gave independent progress reports.

Though there were no concrete decisions made concerning celebrations or projects for the city's 2004 centennial, general overview reports showed that newly formed executive, activity and administrative committees were moving in the right direction in their efforts to develop proposals.

Committee heads are responsible for reporting to the centennial board what will be part of the centennial celebration.

"And with two years of planning, we now have an opportunity to do something nice for Twin Falls," said Centennial Commission Chairman Ken Edmunds. "We need to push forward - not so much to change, but to make or do something that won't just (last) though the centennial year, but beyond."

In keeping with historical significance and preservation, Paul Smith brought in the idea of "oral histories" to preserve the legacy of Twin Falls.

When volunteers for the project

can be found, the cost to the commission would be \$180 for tape recorders.

To promote more public involvement throughout the community, Doug Maughan and Tom Frank plan to use PowerPoint presentations to get the Centennial message of what needs to be accomplished to area groups and organizations.

In new business, Rich Crowley brought a proposal for renaming the downtown streets to the board for consideration.

Referring to the centennial's mission statement "to commemorate Twin Falls' 100th anniversary through a variety of appropriate activities, projects and community events which will create a lasting cultural and physical legacy," Crowley drew out a plan to simplify the downtown address system.

His idea is to substitute intersecting street and avenue numbers with intersecting letters and numbers.

The proposal was referred back to the executive committee for discussion.

The next meeting will be held April 24 at the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce board room.

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School official alleges attempt at influence

BOISE (AP) - The president of a group of school districts suing the state for money to ensure school buildings are safe alleged Thursday that a banker working with lawmakers on the issue tried to buy him out of the lawsuit.

But Thomas Pitcher, a vice president for Salt Lake City-based Zions Bank, said Cottonwood School District Superintendent Stan Kress "grossly misunderstood our conversations over the last couple of days."

"That's garbage," Kress responded during a Statehouse news conference. "I was made extremely clear to me what the offer was and what I'd have to do for it."

The former Democratic state senator and president of Idaho Schools for Equal Educational Opportunity distributed copies of a letter to Pitcher dated Tuesday. In it, Kress detailed what he said was an offer from Pitcher that left him "deeply concerned and troubled over its ethical, if not legal implications."

Kress alleged Pitcher sought his help defeating a package of proposals on the school safety issue pending in the Idaho Senate. The package, sponsored by Sen. Darrel Deide of Caldwell, a former school superintendent, "provides some benefits to all of Idaho's schools," and House leaders want it killed, Kress said.

In exchange for his help, Kress alleged, Pitcher said the Cottonwood and Orofino school districts would benefit from a proposed expansion of a state program subsidizing interest on school district loans to fix safety problems.

He said Pitcher assured him Cottonwood would qualify for more than \$1.6 million from the state and Orofino would get \$2.5 million to cover a share of the interest on safety-related school costs.

"Very few other districts in financial distress will qualify and the help provided will only be enough for the two school districts," Kress wrote.

He said he discussed the offer with Orofino School District Superintendent Al Arntzen and Cottonwood School Board Chairman Steve Friel.

Delegation seeks answers concerning clean-up plan

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Idaho's congressional delegation wants some questions answered before the Environmental Protection Agency goes ahead with a proposed cleanup plan for mining waste in the Panhandle.

The final plan is expected to be settled on this spring. After that, there is no chance for affected communities to modify it.

The National Academy of Sciences will independently review the agency's work.

The EPA proposes a 30-year, \$359 million cleanup to address heavy metal pollution throughout the basin from mining in the Silver Valley.

The delegation opposes expanding the 21-square-mile Bunker Hill Superfund Site in Kellogg to the Coeur d'Alene River Basin. They want to know if

"We do not believe that any place outside the 21-square-mile box has ever been listed as a part of the Bunker Hill Superfund Site," U.S. Rep. Butch Otter said. "He said he is skeptical about the science upon which the proposal is based."

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Sheriff says Montana militia planned assassinations

Authorities search for escaped convict

KALISPELL, Mont. (AP)—A Montana militia organization was planning to assassinate as many judges, prosecutors and police officers as possible, amassing a weapons cache that included 30,000 rounds of ammunition, a targeted sheriff said.

"It all certainly supports the theory that there was going to be big trouble," Flathead County Sheriff Jim Dupont said Wednesday. "The last I heard, it didn't take 30,000 rounds of ammo to kill a turkey."

He said the group, which called itself "Project Seven," hoped to kill enough officials to force the state to call in the National Guard. The militia then hoped to kill enough National Guard troops to catch the federal government's attention, beginning an unchecked escalation, Dupont said.

Among the items in the group's arsenal were fully automatic weapons, survival equipment, booby traps, body armor and explosives materials, Dupont said. The militia group also collected "intelligence files" on the officials and their families, Dupont said.

Dupont said charges were expected, though it was unclear how many people belong to the organization.

He said the group was headed by 38-year-old Dave Burgess, who was arrested earlier this month after an armed standoff that lasted nearly seven hours.

Burgess had been awaiting trial on charges of kidnapping a police officer in January 2001. He also faced charges of



Dave Burgess, center, with beard, is booked into the Flathead County Detention Center on Friday in Kalispell, Mont., by detention officer L.D. Gross, far left, deputy Ernie Froebury, second from left, and two unidentified police officers at right.

obstructing a police officer in a November 2001 incident.

Dupont said Burgess faked his own death and disappeared as a judge was ordering he be taken off house arrest and placed in

jail. He was nabbed after an informant member of Project Seven led officers to the home of Tracy Brockway, where Burgess was hiding out. Burgess and Brockway remain jailed.

Investigators said a search of property the two were sharing turned up "hit lists" containing the names of local law officers, a prosecutor and judges. The list included addresses,

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phone numbers and information on spouses and children. Dupont said he was among those on the list.

The group has circulated a "wanted poster" for the informant, but the man is safe and an investigation is under way by natural law enforcement agencies, Dupont said.

Brockway, 32, is charged with obstruction of justice for harboring Burgess. She also is suspected of using her job as a cleaning woman at the Whitefish Police Department to gather information about officers and their families.

The militia's name refers to Flathead County license plates, which all begin with the number seven. A similar cell, called Project 56, is believed to be operating in adjacent Lincoln County.

FORT HALL, (AP)—An escaped Arizona felon, Joseph D. Hidalgo, could be headed to Idaho to help his brother, law enforcement officers said.

Hidalgo's brother, Abel Daniel Hidalgo, 24, of Chubbuck, is a suspect in last month's triple homicide on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation.

Joseph Hidalgo, 23, was reported missing Friday when he failed to return to a halfway house in Maricopa County, Ariz.

"There is some concern and suspicion that he is in the area," Abel Hidalgo's public information officer with the U.S. Attorney's Office, said.

Convicted in December 1998, Joseph Hidalgo has been serving a 3.5-year sentence for theft.

Abel Hidalgo pleaded innocent Wednesday to a federal charge of being a felon in possession of a weapon. Trial was set for May 6 in Pocatello.

Margaret Fellows, 42, Leigha Tacuana, 21, and 18-month-old Deland Schmidt were found dead in Tacuana's home. The two women were shot multiple times and the baby died from blunt-force trauma.

During a probable cause hearing earlier this month, a Federal Bureau of Investigation agent testified that a witness said he took Abel Hidalgo to Tacuana's home to collect money.

Professor doubts letter blaming Brigham Young for massacre

OGDEN, Utah (AP)—A history professor says he believes a recently uncovered letter, purportedly written in 1872 and blaming Mormon leader Brigham Young for ordering the notorious Mountain Meadows Massacre of 1857, is a fraud.

"In writing to stake my reputation that this smells so much like a hoax. What's the saying? It smells like a duck, it sounds like a duck, it looks like a duck, it must be a duck. I believe this is a duck," said Gene Sessions—a Weber State University history professor, Gene Sessions and former president of the Mountain Meadows Association.

The supposed author of the letter, John D. Lee, was the only Mormon held accountable for the slaughter in southern Utah of 120 Arkansas men, women and children.

In the letter, dated in a sheet of soft lead and etched in 1872, Lee purportedly wrote that he and other Mormons carried out the massacre on orders from Young. Lee was executed 20 years after the massacre when Mormon leaders were under federal pressure

to solve the case. Lee was an officer of the Mormon militia and adopted son of Young.

The National Park Service said the letter was found Jan. 22 by a volunteer who was cleaning the floor of Lee's Fort on the Colorado River. The Park Service would not identify the volunteer and declined to speculate on the validity of the document.

The letter "has an enormous number of markings of a hoax," Sessions said.

"The language of the letter and the placement of the letter above concrete that likely would have been poured after the letter was written were among things that led Sessions to question its authenticity.

Verne Lee, a member of the board of directors of the John D. Lee Family Association and his descendant, said the spelling and grammar errors in the letter are

not evident in any of his great-grandfather's diaries.

"By this time John D. Lee was a pretty well-read man," he said. "The diaries show a marked difference between the person writing in the diary and the person who wrote on the plaque. The errors are not the kind that John D. Lee would make during this time in his life."

Additionally, John D. Lee indicated in a diary entry for the day after the letter was supposedly written that he was in "good spirits, even perky, and had just finished building two houses."

"He never, ever felt he was going to be executed until the end of the second trial when he finally realized that it looked like he was going to lose the case," he said. That was in 1877.

Pat Norris, a descendant of Capt. Alexander Fancher, one of the wagon train leaders, is awaiting the outcome of tests on the authenticity of the document.

"I would just hope they would get somebody who is unbiased and just wants the historical facts and truth out of it," she said.

Judge jails man in snowmobile death

BLACKFOOT (AP)—An Idaho Falls man has been ordered jailed for 90 days for his role in the snowmobile accident that took his girlfriend's life.

Leroy Cotterell, 29, pleaded guilty to misdemeanor vehicular manslaughter for the Jan. 7 accident in which Jennifer

Peterson, 26, died.

Authorities said Cotterell was driving a snowmobile west of Blackfoot when he tried to cross Idaho Highway 39 and collided with a pickup truck. Cotterell and another passenger jumped off the machine, but Peterson was still on it when it was hit by the truck.

"This was not intentional in any way," Peterson's mother, Julie Sunberg, told Magistrate Charles Roos before he imposed sentence on Wednesday.

Roos acknowledged that accidents happen. "People make mistakes and they do result in the death of people," he said.

Crew member's widow accepts settlement

SEATTLE (AP)—The widow of a man who died when a fishing boat sank in the Bering Sea has accepted a \$200,000 settlement, chiefly out of desperation, her advocates say.

Maria Sanchez Rendon of Cuatpec, a village in southern Mexico, is the first relative of the 15 men aboard the Arctic Rose to settle a claim against insurance companies and history. The settlement of Arctic Sole Seafoods Inc. of Lynnwood, Wash., which owned the 92-foot trawler.

Sanchez Rendon, who has a seventh-grade education and two children, ages 4 and 7, lost her husband, Justino Opoll Romero, when the Arctic Rose sank without warning April 2 in 21-foot seas.

Her case was among 11 wrongful death claims that have been filed by the victims' relatives following the worst loss of lives in the U.S. fishing fleet in half a century.

Investigation reports from the Coast Guard and National Transportation Safety Board are expected this spring.

A federal court file on the Opoll Romero case was sealed; but The Seattle Times reported Thursday that the settlement was open to the public in King County Superior Court, where some of the lawsuits were filed.

Court documents show an offer of \$150,000 to Sanchez Rendon

was rejected by a court-appointed guardian as inadequate.

Carol Bailey Medwell, a second court-appointed administrator who met with the widow in Mexico and negotiated the higher figure, wrote that she went along only because the grieving woman was desperate for money.

Sanchez Rendon will at least be "in a much better position financially than she would have been in had the deceased lived, and (the settlement) will provide lifelong security for the children," Medwell wrote.

Those attending a recent hearing indicated that, after the Opoll Romero settlement and payments to lawyers so far, about \$9.1 million remains from a \$10 million insurance pot for other settlements or verdicts.

Lawyers for Opoll and his company wrote that Opoll Romero's "frequent and lengthy absences from home" while working in the United States would likely mean a "relatively low award for the loss of nurture, care and guidance."

"I don't buy that," said Jim Beard, a maritime lawyer whose firm represents seven other victims' families, including two from Opoll Romero's village.

He and other maritime lawyers said wrongful death verdicts for the families of U.S. seamen generally run \$500,000 to \$1 million for loss of guidance, support and nurturing.

Boise hospital shows off new technology

BOISE (AP)—New technology is making surgery easier and less invasive.

St. Alphonsus recently unveiled its new \$1.1 million da Vinci Robotic Surgical System, which uses robotic arms fitted with surgical tools and a camera to perform hands-off surgery.

The surgeon sits away from the patient at a control console, peering into a three-dimensional monitor and manipulating the robotic arms with joystick-like controls. "The best way to describe it is that now you're able to insert your whole hand into a patient with a 1-centimeter incision," said Dr. Reese Vermer of the Boise Surgical Group.

Vermer said the da Vinci system is superior to laparoscopic surgery that used a two-dimensional monitor.

He said some surgeons were unable to master laparoscopic surgery because the movements with the instruments were not smooth and they had difficulty compensating for the lack of depth of field. The new system also is less invasive, allowing smaller incisions to be used and resulting in less trauma and pain and faster recovery.

Doctors said improvements in wireless communications could mean that someday surgeons will be able to complete a procedure on a patient who is hundreds or thousands of miles away.

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Hindu rioters attack Muslim homes; 58 die

AHMADABAD, India (AP) - A Hindu crowd set fire to a block of Muslim homes Thursday, killing at least 58 people, including a dozen children, amid riots across the Indian state of Gujarat sparked by a Muslim attack on a train full of Hindu nationalists.

The violence Thursday left at least 58 dead in the western state. The army was called out to help restore order in Ahmadabad, the commercial center, where outnumbered police firing tear gas and rifles were unable to stop Hindus from burning and looting shops and hotels.

Narendra Modi, the state's chief minister, said the army might also be deployed in some 25 other towns where a curfew was declared.

At least 50 buildings, most of them Muslim-owned, were smoked in Ahmadabad, sending smoke billowing over the skyline. Remaining groups of Hindus went through neighborhoods, chanting "Hail, Rama," in honor of one of their chief gods.

The rioting erupted after Muslims in Godhra, a town southeast of Ahmadabad, attacked a train full of Hindu nationalists Wednesday, killing 58 people.

Muslim tea vendors and their neighbors stoned the train, then set it on fire when Hindus, chanting nationalist slogans, refused to pay for snacks during a five-minute halt, station chief J.K. Katiya said. Fourteen children were among the dead. The Hindus were returning from the site of a mosque torn down in 1992 where they now want to



A man beats a burning motorcycle in Ahmadabad, India, Thursday a day after 58 people were killed in a train attack by a Muslim mob in the Indian state of Gujarat. The city of Ahmadabad was besieged by violence on Thursday to avenge the attack.

build a Hindu temple. The national government pleaded for restraint, fearful that sectarian violence could spread quickly in this nation of more than 1 billion, whose birth 54

years ago was marked by Hindu-Muslim fighting that killed nearly a million people.

The single most deadly incident reported in Thursday's riots came when a crowd of some 2,000 people stoned six Muslim-owned bungalows in a mostly Hindu neighborhood of Ahmadabad. The crowd then poured kerosene on the homes and set them ablaze, said P.B. Gondya, the deputy commissioner of police.

"We have taken out 18 bodies," M.K. Tandon, one of Ahmadabad's two police commissioners, told The Associated Press. Police saw the bodies of eight to 10 adults and 12 children still lying inside the smoldering remains of the homes in the Meghaningar neighborhood, the

Because of rioters' blockades set up in the streets, it took police two hours and fire fighters six hours to reach the scene in Meghaningar after they were called by Ehsan Jafri, a former Parliament member who lived in one of the burning homes.

Jefri had fired a gun in the air, trying to disperse the crowd of around 200 Hindus who had gathered around the bungalows. Instead, the crowd swelled to more than 2,000 and attacked.

Gujarat Chief Minister Modi Thursday said 20 rioters were killed throughout the state, including two people shot by police who opened fire on rioters in the towns of Nadiad and Godhra. The circumstances of the other deaths was not clear.

British teen spent 17 days as a hostage

By Kim Housego
The Associated Press

"What kind of books do you read? Spy stories?" asked my masked interrogator. "You are being detained because you are suspected of spying. How does your country deal with spies?"

Of course, it was all untrue. I was simply a British teenager on vacation, and the men who'd kidnapped me knew that perfectly well. They were just trying to terrify me and get me to break down. It was the fanaticism of my abductors that scared me most. Anything was justified in the name of jihad, or holy war, and their fanaticism seemed to make them capable of anything. They displayed little fear of dying.

Only a few of the 22 armed fighters who seized me and my parents as we trekked through an isolated valley in Indian-controlled Kashmir showed any sign of hesitation or of compassion.

The militants separated us, and put me in a small house with another kidnapped Briton, 36-year-old David Mackie. Then they left my parents behind, along with a crumpled note demanding that India free three of their top commanders.

As they led me and David away, I felt the butt of a Kalashnikov in my back.

"We are Islamic fundamentalists, and you are our guests - our guns are for the Indian army," said Rashid, an ethnic Pashtun from the Pakistan-Afghan borderlands who bore scars from the war against the Soviets in Afghanistan.

I was frozen - shivering from cold and fear - and I could not make out their faces in the blackness of the night. Rashid's calling us "guests" provided little comfort.

We walked all night, stumbling over rocks on steep mountain paths, our legs soaked from wading across icy rivers.

They had stolen all our jackets and sweaters - and Rashid was wearing my father's boots. I cried when I first saw the familiar footprints in the mud.

My kidnappers, I later learned, were members of Harkat-ul-Ansar, a group known for ruthlessness and its resources. The group, which later renamed itself Harkat-ul-Mujahideen, was branded a terrorist organization in 1995 by the United States because of its links with Osama bin Laden.

Some of my abductors spoke of meeting each other in Khost, a place in Afghanistan that meant nothing to me then but I now know as the site of a terror training camp run by bin Laden's al-Qaida network.

My abductors didn't name their leader. But a few months later, when Ahmed-Omar Saeed Sheikh was jailed for kidnapping an American and three Britons, those four hostages told me Saeed bragged he also was behind my kidnapping. Indian intelligence officials in Kashmir - a Himalayan region divided between Pakistan and India - also told me they thought Saeed had been involved in my abduction.



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My captors had been sent to wage holy war against what they see as the infidel, India, and unite Kashmir with Pakistan. They talked of going to Bosnia next, or fighting alongside the Palestinians against Israel.

Wahid, an ethnic Pathan with a badly pockmarked face, once jumped up in a frenzy and pushed me off the rock I was lying on. My backside had been toward Mecca, Islam's holiest site thousands of miles away in Saudi Arabia.

We slept in makeshift huts close to the snow line high in the mountains, wrapped in coarse blankets. The little food we had was taken from tribal herders, and usually consisted of lentil soup, rice and "chapatis," a flat, circular bread.

My captors once slaughtered an old sheep, but I couldn't eat it. The tough meat ripped out the wires on my teeth, and they snapped.

"Quick! Hurry up!" they snapped. One night, Hassan, a sympathetic 16-year-old Kashmiri, gestured to a nearby gun and indicated we should take it and run.

But where would we go? How

could we escape 22 pursuers? What if they opened fire? The risks were too great. And I was terrified about how they might punish us for trying.

Some days we just sat by a river, and I'd watch my captors clean their prized weapons. They questioned us about religion and world affairs. "Why don't you wear a beard, your prophet (Jesus) had one," Wahid asked David as he was about to shave.

They would sometimes demand that David take pictures of them, posing with their guns raised high, a battle cry on their lips - occasionally with me forcibly rigged up with guns and bandoleers as the centerpiece.

Though we spoke to each other in English, I was able to eavesdrop on my captors because I had learned some Urdu while living in India, where my father was a correspondent for the Financial Times. I never let them catch onto this.

The days we just sat and waited were sometimes the worst. There was too much time to think, too much time to wonder if we would ever be free. The cold and physical hardship of the night walks, at least, blocked out those thoughts.

My father believed that the only way to free us was to pres-

sure the Harkat, isolating them from their sponsors in Pakistan and turning public opinion against them.

He pitched a tent close to where I was held and told nearby residents "I don't understand how in the name of Allah these people can kidnap a 16-year-old schoolboy." Sunday grew.

My captors contacted him, and a meeting was arranged in the house of a respected cleric to discuss their demands - which included safe passage around the Indian military.

The cleric's bullet-riddled body was found in a ditch two days later. In retrospect, his death probably did not result from negotiating for our release. But the thought haunts me today.

On the 17th night, I was interrogated. They accused me of spying. The questioning lasted two hours, after which I broke down. For the first time, I believed I was going to die. But when they brought us new clothes the next morning, David whispered: "Why would they be going to shoot us?"

It was right - later - that day with no explanation, we were handed over to journalists on the outskirts of Anantnag, Kashmir's second-largest city. We posed for pictures, and the man who had interrogated me gave me a clock as a souvenir.

"With best wishes to Kim Housego from Harkat-ul-Ansar International," said the writer on the clock.

Palestinian death toll exceeds 1,000

BALATA REFUGEE CAMP, West Bank (AP) - The Israeli military attacked two West Bank refugee camps with helicopter gunships, tanks and paratroopers Thursday in a high-stakes attempt to break strongholds of Palestinian militants.

An Israeli soldier and 11 Palestinians were killed, pushing the Palestinian toll past 1,000 in 17 months of fighting.

It was the first time Israeli troops have stormed refugee camps in the current Mideast conflict.

The force, sustained gunbattles before dawn and carried on past sundown in the camps, on the edge of Nablus and the fringes of Jenin, Palestinian towns less than 20 miles apart.

A twelfth Palestinian was shot dead in a village outside Bethlehem in separate clashes, Palestinian doctors said.

By Thursday night, large numbers of Israeli troops had taken over several buildings and houses, and were going house-to-house in the Balata camp, though there was no sign of Palestinian militiamen were prepared to surrender.

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MORNING BREAK

Smokers' grave stones bear some famous names

DEAR ABBY: I think the poster idea for an anti-smoking campaign is fantastic. For a number of years I've had my own idea for a poster:

Imagine a cemetery arch with these words written across the top: "Welcome to Marlboro Country." In the background would be headstones. One reads "Virginia Slims," another reads "Joe Camel," then there's "Paul Mall."

What do you think about this idea of mine, Abby?

EX-SMOKER WHO GOT SMART
DEAR EX-SMOKER: Anything that gets the message out would be a public service. How about the additional headstones in the background engraved "Chestnut Fields," "Philip Morris" and "Benson Hedges"? Like smoking, it would take your breath away.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I built a house next door to his parents 35 years ago. The four of us farmed the land we were on.



DEAR ABBY
 Abby Cadabby
 VanBuren

took good care of his parents. It was never for the land. Not once did he demand anything from his folks. He always believed, "Honor thy father and thy mother."

Our son goes along with his wife and insists they will move and take their little boy away from us: My husband says no decent person would use a child in this way. He says to let them go, and if they make demands one more time, he will pack them up and move them out himself - then burn down the house.

I'm afraid of what might happen, Abby. Please help me handle this.

-SCARED TENNESSEE GRANDMOTHER
DEAR GRANDMOTHER: I don't agree with his methods, but your husband is absolutely right about not giving in to blackmail.

P.S. Try to persuade your husband not to torch the house. It might come in handy for visiting guests or even seasonal help on the farm.

DEAR ABBY: I am 21 years old and my boyfriend, "Domnie," is 34. I have three kids and he has four. We have become very close over the three months we have been dating.

We don't spend much quality time together, and I have a hard time talking about my feelings with him. I didn't plan on falling in love with Domnie - it just happened.

The problem is my family doesn't approve of him. After all, he is still legally married to his cousin "Dixie" - but they've been separated four years. The three kids I have are from his cousin "Dennis." What should I do?

-IN LOVE BY MYSELF
DEAR IN LOVE: You say you have fallen in love with your cousin's husband and your complaint is you spend little quality time together and can't confide in him? It's time to end this "family affair" and come back to reality. "Separated" does not mean divorced. The man is married.

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Sitarist lauds his Grammy as 'an honor for Indian music'

NEW DELHI, India (AP) - Sitar player Ravi Shankar described his third Grammy award - after a 30-year wait - as a tribute to the vast repertoire of Indian classical music.

"I'm thrilled. This is an honor for Indian music," Shankar, 81, said Thursday at his home in

New Delhi, hours after receiving news that his album, "Full Circle/Carnegie Hall 2000," had won a Grammy in the world music category.

Shankar, who greatly influenced the Beatles' especially the late George Harrison, said his six decades of performances had

opened the doors for younger generations of musicians to popularize different forms of Indian music.

"George's lyrics, his songs were all influenced by India's ancient scripts," Shankar said.

Although concerned about the fast-growing popularity in India

of Western music television channels, especially among teenagers, Shankar said he wasn't unduly worried.

"The onslaught of television channels is frightening. But, there are also so many young talents who are coming up," he said.

Aries: Complete your project; Leo: Be positive

IF MARCH 1ST IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you are creative, independent, can be stubborn. You are romantic and have sex appeal. You follow your heart more than your head. Leo, Aquarius individuals play important roles in your life, could have these letters in names: A, S, J.

During this cycle, you could become part of a huge financial transaction. September most memorable.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Complete project. Desires contrary advice, don't give up the ship. Do what you do best, and as result you receive added recognition.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Maintain aura of mystery while making fresh start in new direction. Highlight original thinking. Realize you exude aura of sex appeal.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Focus on realization that you are not alone. Questions concerning partnership, marriage will loom large. Domestic adjustment relates to Cancer native.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will locate more comfortable living quarters. Sense of humor brings you in contact with "celebrities." Sagittarius will play fascinating role.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Check equipment, be positive concerning measurements, working tools. Revise and rewrite; what was rejected could now be accepted. Scorpio figures prominently.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Financial gain indicated as result of written word. Individual you

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Sydney Omarr

taught will show appreciation. Hardships overcome; you win big. Gemini plays creative role.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You receive plaudits from family and practically "the world." Cycle high personality is overwhelming. Events transpire in your favor. Aries involved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Much activity occurs behind scenes. Play waiting game, keep out of sight. Don't be too available. Play role of "mystery person" tonight. Pisces represented.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Power-play day! Relationship "sizzles." Take charge, organize priorities. Capricorn, Cancer natives become staunch allies. Lucky number is 8.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Surprise announcement makes you director of a group. Communicate with individual in foreign nation. You will be going places." Libra figures prominently.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Make fresh start; emphasize independence and original thinking. Avoid heavy lifting. Speak from the heart. You could fall madly in love. Leo plays role.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Play waiting game; time is on your side. You will win public acclaim. Focus on marital status, where you live. Cancer native will play top role.

Married folk seek companions

"Companionship" always comes out first in those surveys that ask large samplings of citizens what they most want out of marriage. Generally listed after that, says our Love and War man, are reciprocal love, financial security and reliable sex. Intellectual stimulation is frequently tossed in, too, wistfully.

Why "strong as an ox"? A camel can carry twice as much weight as an ox. The young woman who habitually wears bright contrasting colors tends to be unsure of herself. Such were the conclusions of researchers who compared the usual costumes of numerous Penn State coeds with their psychological test results.

Birds don't sweat: To gossip - in Tibet - is to commit a profound moral offense. At the Orthlieb Pool in Casablanca, correspondents say, veiled women in traditional garb, their heads slightly bowed, slip humbly into the cabanas, and these same women, heads held high with eyes aflashing, splutter back out in their bikinis.

For most of the world it is a curiosity that U.S. television commercials encourage dogs to eat more and people to eat less. Takes 24 separate hand drawings for each second of a TV cartoon. A 30-minute show can chew up 30,000 such drawings.



REVISITED
 L.M. Boyd

That tuxedo of the swimming penquin is its superb camouflage. From above, it looks like dark sea. From below, it looks like the light sky.

World's most dangerous canoe trip is down the Dudh Kosi, which is the world's highest river. It's on Mount Everest. Jagged rocks break up the deadly 40-mph rapids. A few adventurers have taken the ride and lived to tell about it. And a few haven't.

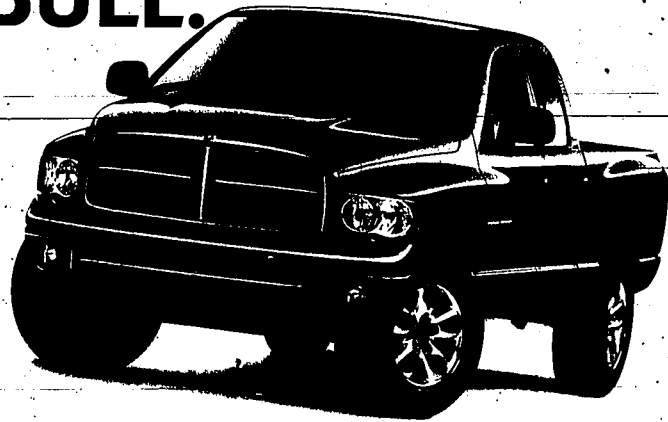
Most poor people don't shop for bargains. Most rich people don't shop for bargains. But most of the people in the middle do shop for bargains.

Big rodeo state, Florida. It has more rodeos than Arizona, Wyoming, Montana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon and Washington.

There are a lot of muscles in your hand and wrist together, true, but a cat's tail has three times as many. Greek history records that Socrates sometimes drained a half-gallon jug of wine in one long pull.



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Auction-house claims discovery of unknown Rubens

LONDON (AP) — Sotheby's auction house said Thursday it has identified a previously unknown painting by Flemish master Peter Paul Rubens, a find it describes as one of the greatest Old Masters to be offered at auction in decades.

A private owner brought the painting, previously thought to be by Rubens follower Jan van den Hoecke, to the company's attention, and Sotheby's experts determined it was a Rubens.

The painting, "The Massacre of the Innocents," from between 1609

and 1611, is expected to sell for anywhere from \$5.7 million to \$8.5 million when it is auctioned on July 11, the auction house said.

"He's an artist of enormous confidence and he's painting a picture of tremendous energy," said George Gordon, Sotheby's senior expert on the Old Masters.

"For such a work of genius by such a great painter to languish under a false attribution to a minor artist for so long is surely an injustice," he said.

The piece shows a gruesome,

action-filled scene in which soldiers begin to slaughter a group of women and children. Babies' bodies litter the ground, one soldier holds an old woman by the throat as he prepares to run a sword through her torso and blood runs beneath the figures' feet.

The painting has been owned by the same family since 1920, Gordon said.

They bought it from a dealer who had acquired it from the royal family of Liechtenstein, which had owned it since around 1700, he said.

The painting was identified as an early Rubens when the Liechtenstein family bought it, but was later misidentified by their curators and its original attribution forgotten.

Gordon said the painting's excellent condition added to its artistic importance and value.

"This picture will help to illuminate other pictures Rubens painted at the same time," he said. "It's a period in which he suddenly realizes he can do it, he realizes he's a great painter."



Sotheby's auction house expert George Gordon talks about the painting identified as Peter Paul Rubens' 'The Massacre of the Innocents.'

Former Serb president eludes troops

The Washington Post

BERLIN — A surprise raid by NATO troops in a remote, mountainous section of Bosnia on Thursday failed to turn up former Bosnian Serb President Radovan Karadzic, one of the United Nations war crimes tribunal's two most-wanted men, who has defied capture for years amid accusations that the alliance was unwilling to take risks needed to seize him.

Following a tip that Karadzic was in an area near the village of Cebelici, heavily armed troops sealed off the area, cut phone lines and electricity, and began to search homes and buildings, using explosives to enter some. Helicopters and armored vehicles backed up the soldiers.

"Karadzic was not found at this location," said a statement put out by the NATO-led peacekeeping forces in Bosnia, known as SFOR. "However, this operation demonstrates SFOR's capabilities and resolve to act in apprehending, by force if necessary, persons indicted for war crimes."

The fallout from Sept. 11, including the seizure of accused Islamic militants in Sarajevo by U.S. troops in January, spurred a new determination to "balance" those arrests by seizing Karadzic and his former military commander, Ratko Mladic, according to U.S. military and diplomatic officials.

Karadzic, 56, and Mladic, 58, were charged in 1995 with genocide and crimes against humanity for their role in the 1992-95 war in Bosnia, which led to 200,000 deaths, mostly civilian. They stand accused of the massacre in the Bosnian city of Srebrenica of at least 6,000 Muslim men and boys, among other atrocities.

After the arrest of former Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic last year, they became the two figures most sought by the U.N. court, known as the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. It is located at the Hague in the Netherlands.

Under the terms of the 1995 Dayton agreement that ended the war, Bosnia consists of a Serb state and a Muslim-Croat state that in theory cooperate as a federation, but in fact are largely separate. Both states are patrolled by an international peacekeeping force, which includes U.S. troops.

Milosevic debunks killing list as a fake

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Slobodan Milosevic angrily challenged a prosecution witness who showed the war crimes court a list of ethnic Albanians purportedly targeted for killing by Serbs in Kosovo, dismissing the document as an obvious forgery.

The former Yugoslav president tried to turn the tables on Halil Barani, a Kosovo politician who a day earlier showed the U.N. tribunal a list of 66 ethnic Albanians that was dated February 1999 and appeared to have been issued by a Serb military or police commander.

The document was labeled "Albanians to be Summarily Liquidated" and signed by Col. M. Markovic. Barani, a member of the pro-independence Democratic League of Kosovo party whose name was on the list, said it was found in the municipal building in Kosovska Mitrovica, a town in Kosovo.

Milosevic said the document was a fake, riddled with spelling and grammatical mistakes "that could not have been made by any Serb."

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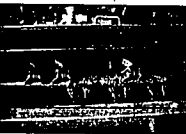
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Returning

Violinist Craig Purdy will perform for the second year with the Magic Valley Symphony in its third concert of the season tonight in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls.



Farm talk

KNITV's Agri-Action, the mother of all Magic Valley farm shows, runs all day today and Saturday in the College of Southern Idaho Expo Center in Twin Falls.

Stradivarius

Violin virtuoso Nadim Gluzman will play Monday night in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls, an Arts on Tour concert.

Mini-Cassia stars

Burley's Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation will present "Gala 2002: Celebrating the Anniversary of the King Fine Arts Center" Saturday night, a revue featuring the Snake River Flats, Alan Hanson, Marilyn McCall, Donna Mutschke, Jolene Hobson and Deanna Christensen; Children's Chorus, John Crancer, Alan Hale and Rob Newman and the Magic Philharmonic Orchestra.

Song and dance

The First Choice Hospice Association's second annual Benefit Variety Show, featuring singer Alaina Davis and Sargazers Dancers, will be held Saturday night in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls. Proceeds go to help those with terminal illnesses.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C-2, 6-7.

Paint it Black

Baxter Black brings Western wry back to T.F.

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — If it's possible to hone wit and wisdom from kidney-busting miles in a pickup truck, Baxter Black earned his on the road to Notland.

Or Declo. Or Murtaugh, Dietrich or Raft River, for that matter. Anywhere, basically, that J.R. Simplot owned a cow. "I lived in Grand View, but I got the cook's tour of the Magic Valley," said Black, who will perform in Roper Auditorium tonight as a fundraiser for the College of Southern Idaho Ag Club. "That's what you did back then if you were a traveling veterinarian and you worked for J.R. Simplot."

Along the way, Black, a New York-born, New Mexico-bred reformed bull rider, picked up a story or two. He heard some more managing a feed store in Twin Falls, or after hours at The Alley, a downtown boite now known as Honker's.

Crust for the mill of what would eventually become a multimedia enterprise in Western wry.

"I haven't been back since '97, so it'll be good to see some old friends," he said in telephone interview from his Arizona office earlier this week. "I still have a lot of them there."

Black, who's 56, does about 60 public appearances a year, mostly at ag shows and banquets, writes books and a newspaper column that's syndicated in more than 100 newspapers and does radio commentary both for National Public Radio and for commercial stations.

"My material starts with my newspaper column," he said, "I develop everything else from that."

Although he's broadened his audience considerably since he moved back to Colorado in 1980 and published his first item in the Record Stockman of Denver, his core consists of farmers, ranchers and others who make their living from agriculture. It's a good demographic for a storyteller, Black believes.

"When the Taliban were still running Afghanistan and we were about to bomb them, we were also sending in food aid," he said. "I heard an interview with a guy named Jar Mohammed who was condemning America when the interviewer asked about the plane being unloaded that was carrying food."

"Food aid is the politics of America!" Jar Mohammed said. "I thought that was remarkable."



Cowboy humorist and columnist Baxter Black has gone from Idaho veterinarian to Public Radio pundit.

He will never, Black predicts, run out of material. "I get a ton of mail and people tell me stories wherever I go," he said.

Black, who has reflected that he wants to be remembered as someone who didn't embarrass his friends, says his mother and Australian poet A.B. "Banjo" Patterson ("The Man from Snowy River") most inspired him.

"But there's no doubt he's still at heart a veterinarian with the soul of a cowboy, for which he has a firm definition on his Web site."

"A cowboy," he says, "is someone who can replace a uterine prolapse in a range cow in a three-section pasture with nothing but a horse and a rope."

Black is back

<p>What: Cowboy poet/humorist Baxter Black will perform tonight in a benefit for the College of Southern Idaho Ag Club.</p> <p>Where: Roper Auditorium, Twin Falls.</p> <p>When: 8 p.m.</p> <p>How much: Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 12 years of age and under. Tickets can be reserved in advance by calling the CSI Ag Department office at 733-9554, Ext. 2400. Credit card payments will be accepted or the tickets can be held for payment at the Roper Auditorium's call window.</p>	<p>Meanwhile, at the planetarium</p> <p>As Baxter Black returns to Twin Falls in person this weekend, his voice returns to the Faulkner Planetarium for one of their most popular and long-running shows, "The Cowboy Astronomer." Black is appearing at Roper Auditorium as a fundraiser for the College of Southern Idaho Ag Club tonight as well as an appearance at KMYT's Agri-Action at the CSI Expo Center. The world-famous cowboy poet and humorist narrated "The Cowboy Astronomer" a decade ago for worldwide planetarium show producer Lockheed Productions. The show follows</p>	<p>Black's experience comes from greenhorn to sage when it comes to reading the Western night skies. Along the way he rotates easy-to-remember ways of spotting constellations and even works in some fascinating astronomy lore told by Native Americans. The Faulkner Planetarium will show the Cowboy Astronomer at 4 p.m. Saturday. Thereafter, the show can be seen at 4 p.m. each Saturday through April 26. Regular planetarium prices apply: \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for students, and \$9 for families of up to two adults and five children.</p>
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CSI actors look into author's world

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When Robert Fulghum makes out a grocery list, Random House bumps its press run by 10,000 copies.

With the possible exception of Stephen King, no contemporary American writer is such an automatic best-seller as Fulghum, a 64-year-old Seattle whose combination of backyard-fence philosophy and gentle humor has sold 15 million copies of "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten," first published in 1988.

"He really is an exceptional writer, and this is a play that's ideally adapted to our circumstances this year," said Fran Tanner, chairman of the theater department at the College of Southern Idaho and director of the theatrical version of "Kindergarten," which opens Wednesday night. "We don't have a lot of students in the program this year, and this is a six-character play."

The show, written by Ernest Zula with words and music by David Caldwell and based on Fulghum books, is an evening of theatrical storytelling in a revue format, with monologues, dia-

'Kindergarten' stuff

- What:** The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present Ernest Zula and David Caldwell's "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten."
- Where:** Room 119, CSI Fine Arts Center.
- When:** Wednesday, Thursday and March 8 and March 13-16, 8 p.m.
- How much:** Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for students and senior citizens, are available by phoning 733-9554, Ext. 2788, or at the Fine Arts Center box office.

logues and multiple-voice narration.

"The essays in 'Kindergarten' reflect a mature, seasoned outlook on life, but we've discovered that the material has tremendous family appeal, even for children as young as 8 or 9," Zula and Caldwell have written.

"It's a play that's staged without a set," Tanner said. "But it's quite compelling."

Cast members are Charisse Strader, Jill Vaughn, Beau Davidson, Deane Mahler, Dustin Birrell and German Santana.



Robert Fulghum

They give a cook's tour of Fulghum's view of the world. He grew up in Waco, Texas, during World War II and lived at various times in France, Greece, Thailand and Japan (where he studied in a Zen Buddhist monastery). Before he sold his first story, Fulghum paid his dues as a ditchdigger, newspaper carrier, ranchhand, singing cowboy, IBM employee and theology graduate student. Now a Unitarian minister, he lives on a houseboat on Lake Washington with his wife, a family physician, and plays mandocello and sings backup vocals with The Rock Bottom Remainders, the literary supergroup of rock 'n' roll wannabes that includes Dave Barry, Amy Tan, King and Halley's Ridley Pearson.

"These are very human stories," Tanner said. "I think audiences will love them."

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A funny thing happened on the way to Oakley

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

OAKLEY — After all these years, Rachel Clark Dillon gets to come out from behind the piano.

"I've been the accompanist for a lot of these plays," said Dillon, who's directing the Oakley Valley Arts Council's production of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" that opens Thursday night in Howell's Opera House. "This year, I recorded it."

Dillon is the sister of Harlo Clark, the Oakley grocer who's long been a fixture of OVAC productions.

"It's a lot fun," Dillon said of her new role. "But a lot of responsibility."

The production in question is composer Stephen Sondheim's musical rendition of a 1964 Broadway farce co-written by Larry Gelbart, creator of television's "M*A*S*H."

"It has his touch," Dillon said. "It's a very funny play."

"Forum" is the story of a Roman slave (Clay Handy) desperately trying to win the hand

If you go ...

- What:** The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present Burt Shreve, Larry Gelbart and Stephen Sondheim's "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."
- Where:** Howell's Opera House, Oakley.
- When:** Thursday and March 8-9, 11, 14-16, 18 and 21-23, 8 p.m.
- How much:** Tickets, which are \$8, are available by reservation only by phoning 677-2787.

of a beautiful but slow-witted courtesan, Phylla (Ingrid Hansen) for his young master, Hero (Jared Davis) in exchange for his freedom. Zero Mostel played him on the Broadway stage and in director Richard Lester's 1966 movie.

"I got to Tevye a few years ago when we did 'Fiddler on the Roof,'" said Clay Handy, "who is the ingenious Pseudolus in this production. "Zero Mostel originated that role on Broadway, and he was the original

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WEEKEND

Janie Frickie will perform at Cactus Petes



Tonight, Saturday and Sunday

Janie Frickie will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$14.99 tonight and Sunday, and \$19.99 on Saturday. Tickets for the 11 p.m. cocktail show are \$7.50 tonight and Sunday and \$10 on Saturdays. For reservations and information, call (800) 888-TINX.

Saturday
Dusty and the Nomads will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at Spanbauer's Barn, 901 U.S. Highway 93, east of Jerome. Cover charge is \$7. Call 324-7366.

Sunday
Pure Country will play from 7-11 p.m. at the Pioneer Club, 1519 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. No cover charge.



March 8 - Utah
Asleep at the Wheel will perform at The Westerner Club in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$14 and \$16, can be reserved by phoning (801) 972-5447, or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Westerner Club is located at 3360 S. Redwood Road.

March 23 - Utah
Collin Raye will sing at 7:30 p.m. in the Dee Events Center on the campus of Weber State University in Ogden, Utah. Tickets, which are \$19.50 and \$27.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TINX.

May 11 - Utah
Brooks & Dunn will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Delta Center in Salt Lake City. Tickets, which are \$39.50 and \$49.50, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-7238 or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

ROCK 'N' ROLL

Tonight - Utah
Aaron Carter's concert at the Delta Center in Salt Lake City has been canceled.

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

Tonight and Saturday
Cobalt Blue will play from 9

EVENTS SPOTLIGHT

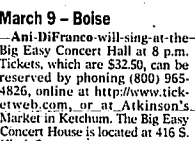
p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.



Wednesday - Boise
Bob Weir and RatDog will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$16.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Wednesday through March 10
Mitch Ryder will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$19.95 on Saturdays and \$14.95 on weeknights and Sundays. Tickets for the 11 p.m. cocktail shows at \$10 on Saturdays and \$7.50 on weeknights and Sundays. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

March 9 - Boise
Ani-DiFranco will sing at the Big Easy Concert Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$32.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4826, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.



March 13 - Boise
William Topley will play the Big Easy Concert Hall at 7:30 p.m. Free. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.



March 16 - Utah
Sno-Core 2002, featuring Adema, Glass Jaw and Earshot, will perform at Saltair and Esarhot in Moab, Utah, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TINX. Saltair is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City on Interstate 180 West, take Exit 104.

March 17 - Boise
Concrete Blonde will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

March 18 - Boise
Ben Folds will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at

416 S. Ninth St.

March 20 - Boise
Natalie Merchant will perform at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$27.50 and \$32.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

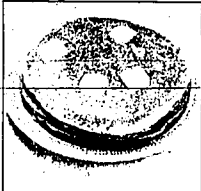
March 29 - Boise
Bob Weir and RatDog will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 1 - Boise
Phil Lesh, former bassist with the Grateful Dead, will perform at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

April 3 - Boise
Drowning Pool, Coal Chamber and Ill Nino will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$21.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.



April 7 - Utah
Phil Lesh, former bass player with the Grateful Dead, will perform at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TINX.



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The E Center is located at 320 S. Decker Lake Drive.

April 23 - Boise
Great Big Sea will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

CHRISTIAN

March 8 - Boise
Third Day and Bebo Norman will play the Pavilion on the campus of Boise State University at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20.50 and \$23, can be reserved by phoning (208) 426-1766.

April 3 - Utah
Delicious will perform at the Huntsman Center on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets,

which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TINX.

HIP HOP

March 10 - Boise
Wu-Tang Clan will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

JAZZ

Sunday
The Great Riff Jazz Society presents the Great Riff Jazz Players, in association with the CSI Jazz Studies Program, from 4-6 p.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls. The jazz quintet will play jazz classics and standards, show tunes, modern jazz

and the blues. Families and students are welcome. No cover charge.

March 15-16 - Utah
The Marcus Roberts Trio will perform with Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$22, \$27, \$35, and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

March 16
The Canyonside Orchestra will perform for Community Jazz Night from 8-10 p.m. at the Castleford School cafeteria. Social hour with desserts will be held from 7-8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students, are available by phoning Geianne Choate or any Civic Club member at 537-6511.

March 28 - Boise
The John Scofield Band will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22, \$27, \$35, and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

CITY OF TWIN FALLS WHAT'S HAPPENING

Public Awareness
CITY WOOD WASTE RECYCLING FACILITY 2002 SCHEDULE
PURPOSE: The purpose of the City of Twin Falls clean wood waste diversion and recycling facility is to reduce the amount of landfilled material by converting yard and wood waste into material suitable for alternative uses. The recycled wood waste will be available for anyone on a first-come, first-served basis. Only City of Twin Falls residential households are eligible to participate in this no-cost program.

ACCEPTABLE MATERIAL INCLUDES:
Unstained lumber (one bundle or pallet) or treated with preservatives, pallets (wood only), tree limbs up to 12 inches in diameter and 8 feet or less in length, stumps less than 12 inches in diameter with no root balls, cedar shingles (no tar paper), lawn mowers, leaves, shrubs, prunings, Christmas trees.

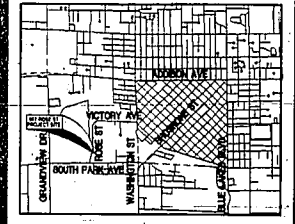
UNACCEPTABLE MATERIAL INCLUDES BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO:
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HOURS OF OPERATION

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March 6..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	July 10..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
March 9..... 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	July 13..... 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
March 11..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	July 17..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
March 20..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	July 24..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
March 27..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	August 1..... 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
April 1..... 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	August 7..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
April 17..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	August 14..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
April 24..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	August 21..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
April 30..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	August 28..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
May 7..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Sept. 4..... 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
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May 18..... 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	Sept. 18..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
May 22..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Sept. 25..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
May 29..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	October 2..... 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
June 5..... 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	October 9..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
June 12..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	October 16..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
June 19..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	October 23..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
June 26..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	October 30..... 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
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VICINITY MAP



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Virtuoso will play at CSI Monday

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - One of the young guns of violin virtuosity will pay a visit to the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center stage Monday night.

Vadim Gluzman, a 28-year-old protégé of the late Isaac Stern, has soloed with many of the major symphony orchestras in the world and made his Carnegie Hall debut last April.

Born in the Ukraine, Gluzman emigrated to Israel at age 16, and caught Stern's attention the same year when the great violinist gave Gluzman a five-minute audition.

Since then, he has played with the Chicago, Houston, Seattle, Utah and Tokyo symphonies, the Boston Pops, the Ravinia Festival Orchestra and the Orchestre de Colonne in Paris.

The Washington Post says Gluzman plays with "a commanding technique, spontaneity and visionary breadth capable of both delicate nuances and incendiary passion."

On Monday, Gluzman and his accompanist Angela Yoffe - she's also his wife - will perform Giuseppe Tartini's Sonata in G Minor, "Didona Abandonata"; Beethoven's Sonata in A Major, "Fretzler"; Brahms' Scherzo in C Minor; Dvorak's Romantic Pieces and Pablo de Sarasate's Zigeunerweisen from Gypsy Airs.



If you go ...

What: Arts on Tour will present violinist Vadim Gluzman in concert.

When: Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Where: College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls

How much: Tickets, which are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors, are available at Everybody's Business, The Homestead, Crowley's Old Time Soda Foundation, the Magic Valley Arts Council office and the CSI Community Education Center in Jerome. See "Doing in Buhl" and at CSI Outreach Center in Halley, Burley and Gooding.

BSU violinist solos with M.V. Symphony

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - For patrons of the Magic Valley Symphony, the second time is a charm.

That's because Craig Purdy will make his second appearance with the symphony tonight.

"This is my second season with the Magic Valley Symphony and I'm excited and grateful to have the opportunity to come back and perform with the Symphony for the Magic Valley community," said Purdy, assistant professor of music at Boise State University.

At BSU, he teaches violin and string pedagogy/literature, coach-



Craig Purdy

es chamber music and directs the University Orchestra Program. Purdy said he still enjoys the live performances.

"The whole notion of recorded performance takes the spontaneity out of things in an attempt to get things exactly right," he said. "Things will sometimes go wrong in live performances but there is much more intimacy with the audience."

Christian writers' group will meet on Saturday

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Writers of the Word Christian writers' group will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls Reformed Church on Grandview Drive North at Pole Line Road.

Richard Hagerman will present the main topic on writing poetry.

He has published his work in Decision Magazine, Upper Room and Daily-Guideposts as well as authored a book, "Eat, Drink, and Be Especially Joyful." He was awarded the

Persistence Award at the conference of American Christian Writers held in Boise in September 2001.

The meeting will include an open forum segment for questions about writing and a feedback session for manuscripts. Participants wanting their work reviewed should bring several copies of a short piece to hand out for feedback from members.

Writers of the Word meetings are open to Christians who are interested in writing. For more information, call Carolyn Lewis at 734-6115.

Purdy grew up around music and followed in the footsteps of his father, who was also a college professor and avid jazz pianist. Purdy went on to earn a master's degree from the New England Conservatory and studied chamber music with members of the Tokyo, Guarneri, Fine Arts and Cleveland Quartets. He has taken his talents on the road, performing as soloist and chamber musician across the United States and abroad. Today, he conducts the Boise Summerfest Orchestra.

Tonight, Purdy will conduct the prelude from Edvard Grieg's "Holberg's Suite" along with "The Moldau" by Bedrich Smetana.

At the symphony

What: The Magic Valley Symphony will perform its third concert of the season tonight.

Where: College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.

When: 8 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$7 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, and are available at CSI Bookstore, The Music Center, Everybody's Business, Big Printers and Crowley's Bookstores.

T. F. hospice service offers benefit concert

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The First Choice Hospice Assistance, a local hospice service, will sponsor a benefit variety show Saturday night in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, with proceeds to provide financial help to folks with terminal illnesses.

Ailana Davis, an 11-year-old country-western singer, and the Stargazer dance troupe will perform, along with the Old Time Fiddlers, Burt Huish, the Bob Nora Band, Maria Garrett and Peggy Walden, harpist Selby Kautman and Elvis Presley impersonator Lynn Rasmussen, among others.

Nora and Rasmussen will share emcee duties.

Song and dance

What: First Choice Hospice Assistance will sponsor its second annual Benefit Variety Show.

When: Saturday, 7 p.m.

Where: College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.

How much: Tickets, which are \$8 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and \$25 for families, are available at the Little Red Hen, Everybody's Business, The Homestead, Cios Office Supply, Crowley's Soda Fountain, the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center and First Choice Hospice in Twin Falls, or at the door.

Gala will take place in Burley on Saturday

The Times-News

BURLEY - On Saturday, the best Mini-Cassia musicians will sing to pay the rent.

Not their rent, exactly, but to raise operating funds for the Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation, the non-profit organization that brings entertainment to the King Fine Arts Center.

It'll be the third annual such

Music in Mini-Cassia

What: The Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation will present "Gala 2002: Celebrating the Anniversary of the King Fine Arts Center."

Where: King Center, Burley.

When: Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$8 and \$5 for reserved seats and \$3 for general seating, can be reserved by phoning 678-6868.

variety show-format revue, this time called "Gala 2002: Celebrating the Anniversary of

the King Center." The Magic Philharmonic Orchestra will perform under

the direction of Alan Hale, who will also serve as accompanist for Rob Newman and for 9-year-old vocalist Ryan Webster.

The Snake River Flats barbershop harmony group will sing, and Miss Mini-Cassia, Janelle Byington, will also perform on piano.

Alan Hanson will play the euphonium, the Children's Chorus from Declo will sing and a string trio will perform.

M.V. Chorale seeks soloists

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Chorale is springing solo auditions for its spring performance of Joseph Haydn's "The Creation."

Sopranos, tenors and basses are needed. Anyone wishing to audition should call Suzanne Phillip at 733-7454 or Joe Caspersen at 737-4654.

"The Creation" will be performed April 13-14.

New Century Sax Quintet plays Ketchum

The Times-News

KETCHUM - The saxophone, the indispensable tool of jazz, moves uptown Saturday night. The Sun Valley Center for the Arts will present the New Century Saxophone Quartet, a North Carolina-based ensemble that seeks to expand the saxophone's range into classical as well as popular music. It's the third concert in the Sun Valley Center's Chamber Artist Series.

"This is an evening in which you will hear incredible saxophone transcriptions of everything from Bach fugues to selec-

tions from Bernstein's 'West Side Story,'" said Amy Wigstrom, the Sun Valley Center's director of performing arts.

Soprano saxophonist Michael Stephenson, alto sax player Chris Hemingway, tenor saxophonist Stephen Pollock and baritone sax player Brad Hubbard play music from genres spanning four centuries, from the Baroque period to contemporary work with funk, jazz and rock influences.

The foursome plans a free concert Saturday morning at the Blaine County Senior Center in Halley.

Whailin' sax

What: The Sun Valley Center for the Arts will present the New Century Saxophone Quartet in concert.

Where: Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, Ketchum.

When: Saturday, 8 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$17, are available by phoning 726-9491, or at the Sun Valley Center office at 191 Elm St. in Ketchum. Any tickets will be sold at the door. Children 18 and under in free.

'Corky Romano,' 'The Musketeer' reach-video stores

The Washington Post

New videos in Twin Falls-area stores this week:

'Corky Romano'

Although Chris Kattan had some very funny roles on 'SNL,' he's less than amusing as veterinarian Corky Romano who's unaware that his family - including Pops (Peter Falk) and Corky's brothers (Pete Berg) and Peter (Chris Penn) - is in the Mafia. When Pops needs a mole in the FBI to destroy some compromising evidence, he dispatches Corky. The apparently hilarious twist is that Corky becomes a great fed, impressing his colleagues and confounding his own family. This innuendo clutter of a story also throws in a romantic subplot between the diminutive Corky and tall, blond agent Kate Russo (Vinessa Shaw). It's depressingly enough to watch Kattan not being funny. It's worth to watch Falk, Penn and Berg having to earn a living like this. Contains some obscene language, as well as drug- and sex-related humor. PG-13.

'The Musketeer'

It's funny former fragrance model Kristin Chenoweth and saucer-eyes nymphet Mena Suvari star as young lovers D'Artagnan and Francesca in this unimpeachable (and very loose) film adaptation of Dumas' "The Three Musketeers." Although Chenoweth buckles a pretty good sword, she makes light of the workweek wizardry of Hong Kong action vet Xin-Xin Hong, his fancy footwork and smoldering good looks are upstaged by the repellant charm of over-killin' Tim Roth, who plays the psychopathic henchman of corrupt

New videos

Cardinal Richelieu (Stephen Rea). The sword violence is as bloodless as a Saturday-morning cartoon, but Rea's feverish gleam and unchecked it is as pleasurable to watch as his wicked chimp turn was in 'Planet of the Apes.' Contains an implied sexual encounter and copious, but virtually bloodless, swordplay. PG-13.

'Halku Tunnel'

Let's not waste any time: This movie is just awful. Prime problem: Josh Korbbluth, the chubby, wild-haired, bug-eyed star and co-creator of this comedy about office temps. In the movie, expanded from Korbbluth's one-man show of the same name, 'Josh Korbbluth' is a neurotic loser, who is tempting at a law firm known as Schuyler & Mitchell. (The company's acronym, as the movie mercilessly points out, is S&M.) When Josh offers the opportunity to go 'perm,' or full time, it sends him into a quandary.

Much of the movie depends on dizzily close-up shots of Korbbluth, as he addresses the camera directly. And Korbbluth (who co-wrote and co-directed with brother David) feels so compelled to give us time to appreciate his humor, he pauses eternally after his one-liners. In hell, they don't just make you suffer. They make you wait, too. Contains some graphic language and no humor. Rated R.

'Va Savoir'

This Jacques Rivette movie, whose French title translates as 'Who Knows?,' is an elaborately structured romantic drama full of

interview plot lines. Stage actor Camille (Jeanne Balibar), who's performing Pirandello in Paris, encounters a flame Pierre (Jacques Balleff). While she resolves her unsettled emotions with Pierre, her producer-husband and stage co-star, Ugo (Sergio Castellito) searches for a long lost play.

His quest takes him into the arms of a beautiful young researcher, Do (Helene De Fougerolles). There are other subplots, including another liaison between Do's possessive half-brother (Bruno Todeschini) and Pierre's wife. But there doesn't seem to be much to the movie except the slow-burning resolution of all these affairs, and director Rivette's obvious enthusiasm for extended scenes from the Pirandello play. In French with subtitles. Contains nudity. PG-13.

'Jay and Silent'

'Bob Strike Back'

When Jay (Jason Mewes) and Silent Bob (Kevin Smith) learn their old pal, Banky Edwards (Jason Lee) has sold Miramax the movie rights to their comic-book creations and counterparts for extended scenes from the Hollywood warpath. And when Jay and Silent Bob find the Miramax studio lot, they run into just about everyone who cursed, yelled or whatever'd in director Smith's "Clerks," "Mallrats," "Chasing Amy" and "Dogma."

With a proverbial cast of thousands, including Matt Damon, Ben Affleck and Chris Rock, this is a warm farewell to Smith's misadventure. The movie's very graphic, self-referential and funny. It's even charming, thanks to the relationship between Smith's most enduring characters, the crude but innocent Jay

and Silent Bob. It's sad to think we'll never again see Jay, a model of arrested emotional development, and Silent Bob. Protected by their blustery ignorance and self-confidence, they're almost blessed. Contains nudity and lewd, graphic remarks designed to offend almost everyone. Rated R.

'Bones'

Straight outta the grave comes Scooby Doo as Jimmy Bones, benevolent, mack daddy done wrong at the dawn of the crack era. Twenty years later, young hip-hop entrepreneurs decide to turn his spooky, long-abandoned brownstone into the after-hours Club Elbient. Before you can say "Boo!," they accidentally loose Bones' way-evil spirit and spark a cycle of bloody, maggot-fueled revenge against those who betrayed him. Everyone in the movie has some dark relationship to Bones, including the redoubtable Pam Grier as the neighborhood clairvoyant and Eddie Harris as the crack daddy. Director Ernest Dickerson fleshes out the bare-bones plot with spooky, sometimes disturbing special effects, caustic humor and frenetic, cut-eye point-of-view cinematography, but too much of 'Bones' feels transplanted from genre staples like 'Hellraiser,' 'Nightmare on Elm Street' and 'Evil Dead' Contains violence, gore, offensive language, sexuality and drugs. Rated R.

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"Forum" contains nearly a dozen songs, including the signature "Comedy Tonight."

Young writers contest accepts applications

The Times-News

JACKPOT - The third annual Carl Hayden Young Writers Contest opens to students in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades in the Twin Falls, Buhl, Kimberly, Filer, Gooding, Hansen, Murtaugh, Shoshone, Wendell, Minidoka and Jerome school districts.

Each grade will be judged separately. More than \$1,200 in cash prizes will be awarded to participating students, with another \$500 going to the school with the greatest number of winning

authors. Last year Acequia Elementary School and Kimberly Elementary School tied for that honor.

Contest rules and application forms can be obtained from participating schools, or by phoning 736-1626. Deadline is April 12. Winners will be announced May 10.

Some 200 young writers participated in last year's contest; 12 shared nearly \$1,500 in cash prizes.

Carl Hayden was a longtime publicist for Cactus Petes. He died in 1992.

Full Moon Gallery opens today

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Arts Council will open its Full Moon Gallery today.

The gallery is located in the Main Street Plaza Building, 132 Main Ave. S. Artists will display works in various media for show and sale.

Twenty-five artists will participate in Full Moon Gallery, displaying jewelry, painting, photography and pottery. A new show will open on every other full moon, and a different artist will be featured. The gallery will also host Twin Falls High School's annual art show this spring.

Regular gallery hours will be Tuesdays through Saturdays from noon to 6 p.m.

An opening reception is planned tonight from 7-9 p.m. Refreshments and entertainment will be provided.

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WEEKEND

Flawed system shadows Grammys

By Robert Hilburn
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — "O Brother"? On my goodness. Let's raise a toast to the "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" soundtrack for its victory in the most prestigious Grammy category, album of the year — and then start figuring out how to make the Grammy voting process more credible.

It's easy to feel good when the character and passion of American country and roots music are celebrated with five Grammys, especially when commercial country music has relegated this vintage sound to the outhouse.

But "O Brother" wasn't the most distinguished album of the year. It wasn't even one of the three most compelling nominees in that category.

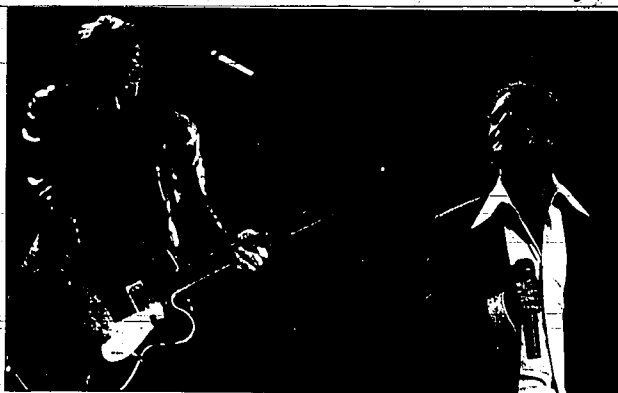
By most measures, Bob Dylan's "Love and Theft," U2's "All That You Can't Leave Behind" and OutKast's "Stankonia" were more substantial.

In the Village Voice's annual poll of more than 500 U.S. pop music critics to name the best album of 2001, Dylan was the easy winner with "O Brother" finishing No. 12. In the Voice poll for the best album of 2000, OutKast and U2 finished No. 1 and No. 7, respectively. (Albums from different years may compete in the same Grammys because the eligibility period runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.)

So how did "O Brother" beat three far more acclaimed albums? One possibility is that the 13,000 Grammy voters, who are often far more conservative in their choices than critics, simply thought it was the strongest work. But there is a second possibility — one that clouds the Grammy vote so consistently that the recording academy ought to consider changing its voting procedure.

Though I'd have voted for Dylan, U2 went into the competition the overwhelming favorite, thanks to the thoughtful, inspiring tone of its music, which took an added resonance and depth after the Sept. 11 attacks.

The only way the album wouldn't win, pundits said, was if Dylan drew enough votes away



Charlie Collin, left, and Pat Monahan, of the band Train perform "Drops of Jupiter" during the 44th annual Grammy Awards Wednesday in Los Angeles.

from U2 for a longshot — such as "O Brother" — to sneak in. And that is just what happened, one suspect.

Looking over previous Grammy contests, it's easy to see where strong albums may have drawn enough votes from each other to let a compromise choice win. In 1985, two of the great albums of the decade — Bruce Springsteen's "Born in the U.S.A." and Prince's "Purple Rain" — went head to head in the best album category, allowing Lionel Richie's far less memorable "Can't Slow Down" to get more votes.

Three years later, U2's deserving "The Joshua Tree" might have benefited from a voter split between two other commercial blockbusters, Prince's "Sign O' the Times" and Michael Jackson's "Bad."

And didn't Celine Dion's shallow "Falling into You" win best album in 1996 only because progressive forces, like the Fugees and Smashing Pumpkins canceled each other out?

It may be that all of these albums would have won under

any circumstances, but the chance of the voters' will being subverted leaves too much of a doubt over the voting system for it not to be addressed.

One solution is a weighted system. Instead of just voting for one artist, voters would list preferences one to five. The recording academy brain trust was smart enough in 1995 to put the final responsibility for choosing nominees in key categories in the hands of a special committee. The quality of nominees has improved greatly since then, but the final bottling now needs to be addressed.

It was encouraging to see so many quality acts receive Grammys at Staples Center Wednesday, including Dylan, Alicia Keys and U2, but a weighted system could do much to increase confidence in the integrity of the awards.

In addition, the academy ought to put a second item at the top of its Grammy telecast agenda.

Wednesday's show was a maddening mix of stirring performances by classy artists — from U2

and Dylan to Keys and OutKast to the "O Brother" ensemble — and tacky sidelights.

Emcee Jon Stewart's opening felt so flat — he stripped to his shorts as part of a skit involving heightened security precautions following Sept. 11 — that he never recovered. After failing to regain his comedic edge, he seemed at the end simply to be going through the paces, eager for the final curtain.

Even worse was the usual award-show clutter of TV personalities and other pop celebrities who traded inane comments while presenting awards. This celebrity obsession is obviously designed to lure viewers, but there ought to be a way to include celebrities without insulting the intelligence of the audience.

How absurd it is to cut short speeches by the night's key winners — U2's Bono, Keys and "O Brother" producer T Bone Burnett — while they let actor Ray Romano run around Staples Center endlessly handing out door prizes to confused audience members.

Oh my goodness.

Stars give their reactions to winning an award

By Jim Farber
New York Daily News

Grammys notebook

From sight gags like Lil' Kim to living monuments like Ralph Stanley, here's a sampling of their first impressions after the thrill of victory.

The sudden trendiness of traditional American country music took up the heavy chatter backstage.

Most of the stars involved in the projects — including the "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" soundtrack — believe their Grammys, led by Album of the Year, vindicate a musical style too long ignored, especially by the stars whom they claim to play country.

"If shows radio doesn't have the strangest hole it once had, to say the least," said T-Bone Burnett, who won as Best Producer, Non-Classical.

Yet Burnett said he wasn't surprised the album was a huge hit.

Burnett said the first release from his new label, DMZ, will recycle one artist from "O Brother," the 75-year-old bluegrass legend Ralph Stanley. Stanley, who won Best Male Country Vocal Performance, said he wasn't freaked out to sing a song about dying ("Oh Death") at his advanced age.

"We all have to live with that," he said.

Luke Lewis, whose company Lost Highway released "O Brother," pooch-pooled the notion that this album defied the Nashville establishment. "I am the Nashville establishment," said the man who, years ago, signed Shania Twain.

But Stanley had the best deadline — that the Grammy wins may signify for traditional country. "I guess it means this music may stick around a while."

Missy Elliott, who won the Best Rap Solo prize for "Get Ur Frenk On" and another award for her part in "Lady Marmalade," said the biggest struggle of her career had nothing to do with music.

It was "making sure I got my taxes paid," she said. The full-figured singer also said she has to have all her clothes custom-made because "designers make these little baby clothes. I can't fit into those things."

On a musical note, she said she'll collaborate on a new album with the rapper Eve, noting that hardly ever happens that two hip-hop women work together on a complete album.

The men do it. But for two women, it's rare because," she said with a laugh, "you know how women can be."

Eve credited her trouncing of all the men in her Rap/Sung Collaboration category to a very pop force: "girl power." She also revealed that "Let Me Blow Ya Mind" was the toughest project she has ever worked on — because of its producer. "Dr. Dre is hard to work with. His great-but-he's very critical."

There was talk backstage about the Recording Artists Coalition's movement to change the power balance between recording artists and record companies. No rap act has signed on as yet. "Unfortunately, the hip-hop community hasn't come together as the rock community has," Eve said.

But she made her own stance clear. "Contracts are horrible. Artists do all the work and the record companies get all the money."

A complete list of 44th Annual Grammy Award winners

Record of the Year: "Walk On," U2. Rap Album: "Stankonia," OutKast. Song of the Year: "Fallin'," Alicia Keys (Alicia Keys).	Mind, "Eve Featuring Gwen Stefani." Female Country Vocal Performance: "Shine," Bob Dylan. Male Country Vocal Performance: "O Death," Ralph Stanley, from the "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" soundtrack. Rock Performance by a Duo or Group With Vocal: "Elevation," U2. New Artist: Alicia Keys.	Mountain, "Various Artists." Contemporary Folk Album: "Love and Theft," Bob Dylan. Native American Music Album: "Beats Like 'People - Harmonized Peyote Songs," Verdell Primeaux and Johnny Mike. Reggae Album: "Halfway Tree," Damian Marley. World Music Album: "Full Circle/Comega Hall 2000," Rav Shankar. Pop Album: "Gone Polka," Jimmy Sturr. Musical Album for Children: "Eve and the Orchestra," Sesame Street Characters. Spoken Word Album for Children: "Mama Don't Allow," Tom Chapin. Spoken Word Album: "The Autobiography of Quincy Jones," Quincy Jones. Spoken Comedy Album: "Napalm and Silly Putty," George Carlin. Music Album: "The Producers." Original Broadway Cast with Nathan Lane and Matthew Broderick, lyricist and composer Mel Brooks. Compilation Soundtrack Album For a Motion Picture, Television or Other Visual Media: "O Brother, Where Art Thou?," Various Artists.	Dish, "Thank You (Deep Dish Vocal Remix)" (Dish). Engineered Album, Classical: "Bemstein (Ar. Boris Conjoint)," Alan Sirovsky. Loneley Town: Make Our Garden Grow, Etc." (Joshua Bell). Producer of the Year, Classical: Manfred Eicher. Classical Album: "Berlioz: Les Troyens," James Mallinson, producer. Orchestral Performance: "Boulez Conducts Varese: Khmeres, Jacare, Concerto (L'Orchestre), Pierre Boulez (Chicago Sym. Orch.)." Opera Recording: "Berlioz: Les Troyens," Sir Colin Davis, conductor; Ben Heppner, Petra Lang, Peter Mattei, Stephen Miling, Sara Mingardo, Kenneth Tarver; James Mallinson, producer (Various Artists; Lyric Opera, Chicago). Choral Performance Award: "Bach: St. Matthew Passion," Nikolaus Harnoncourt (Arnold Schoenberg Chamber Orch. and Wiener Sangerkammer; Concentus Musicus Wien). Instrumental Soloist(s) Performance: "Sixtus Vivat Conferences (Hom Concerto...), David Harrington, et al.; "Dole Clevenger, Hom; Larry Corbin, et al.; "The Goodbye Song," David McGill, bassoon; Daniel Barenboim, piano/conductor (Chicago Sym. Orch.). Instrumental Soloist Performance (without Orchestration): "Britten Cello Suites (1-3)," Tullis Mork, cello. Chamber Music Performance: "Haydn: The Complete String Quartets," The Angeles String Quartet. Small Ensemble Performance (with or without Conductor): "After Mozart (Raskafu, Shostakov, Scriabin, etc.)," Hemenata Bachlor (Gidon Kremer), violin. Classical Vocal Performance: "Dreams & Fables - Gluck Italian Arias (Tremo Far) Dobb! Miel; Di Quetta Cetina in Seno, etc.)," Cecilia Bartoli, mezzo soprano. Classical Cross-over Album: "Perpetual Motion (Scarlett, Bach, Debussy, Chopin, etc.)," Bela Fleck, banyo (Joshua Bell), violin; Evelyn Glennie, marmba; Gary Hoffmann, cello; Edgar Meyer, bass and piano; Chris Telle, mandolin; John Williams, guitar. Short Form Music Video: "Weapon of Choice," Fatboy Slim featuring Bootsy Collins. Long Form Music Video: "Recording the Producers - A Musical Romp With Mel Brooks," Mel Brooks (with Various Artists including Nathan Lane and Matthew Broderick). New Age Album: "A Day Without Rain," Enya.
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'Brotherhood of the Wolf' hits area theaters

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Movies playing in south-central Idaho this weekend:

'A Beautiful Mind'

This is likely the most successfully serious film director Ron Howard has ever done, but at the end of the day it's still too much a top-tidy Ron Howard project. Russell Crowe stars as mathematician John Forbes Nash Jr., who battled schizophrenia and later won a Nobel Prize, with Jennifer Connelly in a career-best performance as his wife. Ed Harris co-stars. (2.09, PG-13 for intense thematic material, sexual content and a scene of violence.)

'Big Fat Lie'

Prime-time dynamo Frankie Muniz and Amanda Bynes play a pathological liar and the schoolmate who abets him on a mission to seek justice, if not screen credit, from a jarringly Hollywood producer (Paul Giamatti). The stars bring vim and youthful verve to a broad but flaccid farce for undemanding adolescents. Directed by Shawn Levy. (1.28, PG for some language.)

'Black Hawk Down'

A triumph of pure filmmaking, a pitiless, unrelenting, no-excuses war movie so thoroughly convincing it's frequently difficult to believe it is a staged re-creation. Ridley Scott's film, based on Mark Bowden's fiendishly detailed nonfiction book of the same name, recounts 1993's fierce 15-hour battle between besieged U.S. troops and Somali fighters on the streets of Mogadishu. As much as a movie ever has, it puts you completely inside that event, brilliantly taking you where most people, even those who were actually there,

What's Playing

Twin Falls
 'A Beautiful Mind,' Twin Cinema
 'Big Fat Lie,' Twin Cinema
 'Black Hawk Down,' Twin Cinema
 'Brotherhood of the Wolf,' The Orpheum
 'Collateral Damage,' Twin Cinema
 'The Count of Monte Cristo,' Twin Cinema
 'Crossroads,' Odyssey Theater
 'Dragonfly,' Odyssey Theater
 '40 Days and 40 Nights,' Twin Cinema
 'Hart's War,' Twin Cinema
 'In the Bedroom,' Twin Cinema
 'John Q.,' Twin Cinema
 'Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring,' Twin Cinema
 'The Mothman Prophecies,' Odyssey Theater
 'The Other Side of Heaven,' Odyssey Theater
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 'The Shipping News,' Lamphouse Theater
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 'Super Troopers,' Odyssey Theater
 'A Walk to Remember,' Twin Cinema
 'We Were Soldiers,' Twin Cinema

Jerome
 'A Beautiful Mind,' Century Cinema
 'The Count of Monte Cristo,' Century Cinema
 'Dragonfly,' Century Cinema
 'John Q.,' Century Cinema
 'Shallow Hal,' Burley Theater
 'We Were Soldiers,' Century Cinema

Gooding
 'A Walk to Remember,' Gooding Cinema

wouldn't want to be. Edited by Pietro Scalia and shot by Slawomir Idziak. With Josh Hartnett, Ewan McGregor, Tom Sizemore, Eric Bana, William Fichtner and Jason Isaacs. (2.23, R, for intense realistic graphic war violence and language.)

'Brotherhood of the Wolf'
 Set in 1760s France, this knock-'em, sock-'em, throw-a-baguette-at-'em adventure incorporates a

lot of swash-buckling chop-socky-style action. Rife with galloping steeds, buxom vixens and grisly sequences in which women and children are gnashed to bits, the French-made extravaganza is the kickiest subtitled fare to come our way since 'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon.' But the monster, when it finally shows its mug, is really cheesy. R (violence, gore, sexual situations, Louis XV furniture)

'Collateral Damage'

If it weren't for the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, this Arnold Schwarzenegger action flick would have come and gone without much fanfare, but because it concerns a firefighter whose family is killed in an act of international terrorism on American soil, it received a degree of celebrity. Director Andrew Davis ('The Fugitive') does a solid job with its action sequences and the David Griffiths & Peter Griffiths script takes a few random stabs at being of interest. With Cliff Curtis, Francesca Neri, John Turturro, John Leguizamo. (1.50, R, for violence and some language.)

'The Count of Monte Cristo'

Jim Caviezel and Guy Pearce star in this adaptation of Alexandre Dumas' irresistible tale of revenge-with-a-capital-R. However, when screenwriter Jay Wolpert's thudding dialogue is combined with Kevin Reynolds' tendency to direct things in the most half-faced way, the results are not good. Even more perplexing than an ending that has more in common with 'The Bold and the Beautiful' than anything the author intended is how unable it is to take advantage of the talents of its co-stars. With Richard Harris and Bogomira Dominczyk. (2.11, PG-13 for adventure violence/swordplay and some sensuality.)

'Crossroads'

Pop goddessette Britney Spears makes her big-screen debut - without much embarrassment - in a tepid tale of three childhood friends who renew their relationship on the road to California. Lots of girly stuff and underwear. Not that we're complaining. With Taryn Manning,

Zo Saldana, Anson Mouni, Dan Aykroyd, Kim Cattrall. Written by Shonda Rhimes. Directed by Tamra Davis. (1.33, PG-13, for sexual content and brief teen drinking.)

'Dragonfly'

Appallingly manipulative, badly contrived and finally foolish romantic tale of a Chicago emergency room chief (Kevin Costner) who becomes convinced that his dead wife is trying to reach him from beyond the grave. With Kathy Bates, Linda Hunt, Ron Rifkin. (1.45, PG-13, for thematic material and mild sexuality.)

'40 Days and 40 Nights'

Josh Hartnett needed a comedy, after playing brooding teens in 'The Virgin Suicides' and '10,' and brooding soldiers in 'Pearl Harbor' and 'Black Hawk Down.' But he didn't need this comedy, which is inconsistent at best, and falls apart as it grows increasingly absurd. As a San Francisco doctor who gives up sex for Lent, Hartnett, and his chemistry with co-star Sherry Sussamon, are about the best things in the movie; the two actors are likable and great-looking and they look great together. But director Michael Lehmann achieves none of the social commentary that he found in his best movie, 1989's 'Heathers.'-R for strong-sexual content, nudity and language. 90 minutes.

'Hart's War'

Bruce Willis and Colin Farrell star in this film that attempts to update the World War II POW camp movie with limited success. Well-done aspects alternate with less successful ones, and the script by Billy Ray and Terry George throws so many twists

and surprises, at us that it becomes unconvincing. Only the reliable professionalism of director Gregory Hoblit keeps things from getting even more out of hand. With Terrence Howard, Cole Hauser and Marcel Iures. Based on a novel of the same name by John Katzenbach. (2.05, R, for some strong war violence and language.)

'In the Bedroom'

Actor Todd Field's impressive directing debut deals with what can happen when there are three in a bedroom, or even two. An unadorned, unflinching film about fierce and terrifying passions, with exceptional acting from Sissy Spacek, Tom Wilkinson, Marisa Tomei and others, tells a story of anger and grief, of grappling with the unthinkable. Based on an excellent short story by Andre Dubus. (2.02, R, for some violence and language.)

'John Q.'

Denzel Washington, in yet another formidable portrayal, plays an all-but-laid-off factory worker with \$1,000 to his name, and an HMO insurance policy that does not cover his small son, (Daniel E. Smith) who suddenly needs a \$250,000 heart transplant. Director Nick Cassavetes takes it from there in a provocative, pull-out-all-the-stops, no-holds-barred fashion. With Kimberly Elise, Robert Duvall, James Woods, Anne Heche and Ray Liotta. (1.58, PG-13, for violence, language and intense thematic elements.)

'The Lord of the Rings'

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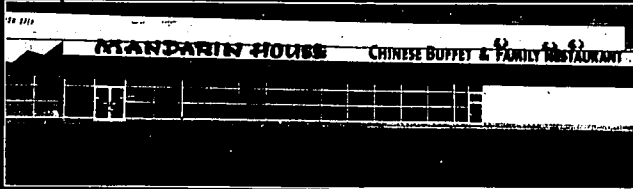
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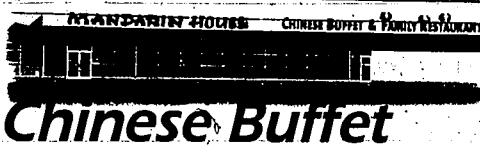
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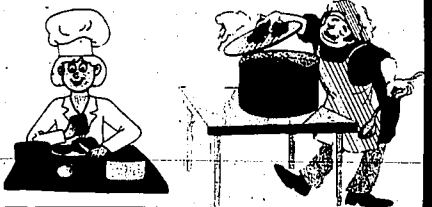
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\$19.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-5827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com> or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

April 5-6 - Boise

The Gene Harris Jazz Festival will play the Boise State University Pavilion at 7 p.m. The April 6 headliner will be Kevin Bubanks from "The Tonight Show." Tickets, which are \$20 for general admission, \$40 for reserved seats and \$10 for students, can be reserved by phoning (208) 426-1494.

May 1 - Utah

Diana Krall will sing at Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$35 and \$55, can be reserved by phoning (800) 888-TIXX. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.



COMEDY

Tonight

Bester-Black will do a fundraising performance for the College of Southern Idaho Rodeo Club at 8 p.m. in Roper Auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$15 for adults and \$5 for kids 12 and under, can be reserved by phoning 733-0554, Ext. 2400

CLASSICAL

Tonight

Magic Valley Symphony will perform its third concert of the season at 8 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$7 for regular admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are on sale at the CSI Bookstore, Crowley's Soda Fountain and General Store, Everybody's Business, The Homestead and Blip Printers in Twin Falls and at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome.

Tonight and Saturday - Utah

Utah Symphony will perform a program of Bruckner and Tchaikovsky, 8 p.m. nightly, in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$22, \$26, \$33 and \$43, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.



Saturday

The New Century Saxophone Quartet will perform at 8 p.m. at Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, Ketchum, the third installment in the Sun Valley Center for the Arts Chamber Artist Series. Tickets, which are \$16, can be reserved by phoning 728-9491, online at <http://www.sunvalleycenter.org>, or at the Sun Valley Center, 191 Fifth St. E. in Ketchum. Kids 18 and under get in free.

Monday

Violinist Vadim Gluzman will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, the fourth Magic Valley Arts on Tour concert of the season. Tickets, which are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students and children, are available at Everybody's Business, Crowley's Soda Fountain, The Homestead and Blip Printers in Twin Falls, at Sav-A-Mor Drug in Buhl, Arlene's Flowers in Jerome and at any of the CSI Outreach Centers in Hailey, Burley or Gooding. Senior tickets are \$43 for adults, \$35 for students and children and \$40 for senior citizens, and are available by phoning (208) 733-9554, Ext. 2288.

Utah Symphony will perform Dmitri Shostakovich's "Great War Symphony," 8 p.m. nightly, in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$22, \$26, \$33, \$37 and \$43, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

March 8-9 - Utah

Utah Symphony will perform Dmitri Shostakovich's "Great War Symphony," 8 p.m. nightly, in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$22, \$26, \$33, \$37 and \$43, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

March 19 - Utah

Violinist Joseph Silverstein will perform Sergei Prokofiev's Concerto No. 2 and Brahms' Violin concerto with Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$20, \$24, \$36 and \$39, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

March 22-23 - Utah

Utah Symphony will play Gustav Mahler's "Song of the Earth," at 8 p.m. nightly, in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$22, \$26, \$33, \$37 and \$43, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

March 23

Meredith Monk will sing in Ketchum's new Theater at 8 p.m., the final installment in the Sun Valley Center for the Arts Chamber Artist Series. Tickets, which are \$16, by phoning 728-9491, online at <http://www.sunvalleycenter.org> or at the Sun Valley Center, 191 Fifth St. E. in Ketchum. Kids 18 and under get in free.

March 29-30 - Utah

Pianist Nelson Freire will perform a program of Wagner, Chopin and Mendelssohn with Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$22, \$26, \$33, \$37 and \$43, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 122 West South Temple.

April 4 - Utah

Pianist Wendy Chen will perform Mozart's Piano concerto No. 21 in C major with Utah Symphony at 7:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$25 and \$32, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 12 - Utah

Pianist Louis Lortie will play Edward Grieg's Piano concerto with Utah Symphony at 10 a.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$9, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 19-20 - Utah

Utah Symphony will perform music from William Shakespeare's plays, by Dvorak, Prokofiev and Mendelssohn, 8 p.m. nightly, Abravanel Hall in Salt Lake City. Tickets, which are

\$16, \$22, \$26, \$33, \$37 and \$43, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

April 26-27 - Utah

Utah-Symphony will play Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, 8 p.m. nightly, in Salt Lake City. Tickets, which are \$16, \$22, \$26, \$33, \$37 and \$43, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.



MISCELLANEOUS

Tonight

Bob Nora Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Six Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Tonight and Saturday

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

Saturday

The second annual Benefit Variety Show, sponsored by First Choice Hospice Association to provide financial help to people with terminal illnesses, will be held at 7 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$8 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and children and \$25 per family, all available at Little Red Hen, Everybody's Business, The Homestead, Clos Office Supply, Crowley's, the Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center and First Choice Hospice, and at the door.

Saturday

Cold Shot will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Six Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Saturday

Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation presents Gala 2002: Celebrating the Anniversary of the King Fine Arts Center at 7:30 p.m. in Burley. The event will feature the Snake River Flats, Miss Mini-Cassia, Alan Hanson, Marilyn McCall, Donna Matuschek, Jolene Hobson and Deanna Christensen; Children's Chorus, John Craner, Alan Hale and Rob Newman and the Magic Philharmonic Orchestra. Cost is

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Monday

The Vuarnettes will perform at 5:30 p.m. each Monday through early April at the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Admission is \$8.

Monday

Jam session will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Six Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Tuesday - Boise

Ozomatli and Blackalicious will play the Big Easy Concert Hall as part of SNoCo Icele Ball 2002, 7-30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Wednesday

Bob Nora Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Six Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

March 29 - Utah

Julie de Azevedo will sing at the Golden Spike Events Center in Ogden-Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$5 and \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800)-888-TIXX. The Golden Spike Events Center is located at 1000 North 1200 West; take Exit 349 off Interstate 15.

DANCE

Tonight

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a dance at 8:30 p.m. at the DAV Hall, 459 Shoup Ave., Twin Falls. Archie Turner will provide the music.

Tonight and Saturday

Dance to disc jockey music from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. at Bar Bonz, 1539 Fillmore St. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge from 8-9:30 p.m. Cover charge is \$4 after 9:30 p.m.

Saturday - Boise

Ballot Idaho will present Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland" and Toni Pimble's "Silk and Steel" at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. at the Morrison Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets, which are \$17, \$29 and \$37 for adults, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1110. Half-price children's tickets are available. Please see SPOTLIGHT, Page C7

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Spotlight

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Sunday
The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will hold a dance with music from 2 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the center, 616 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls.

Wednesday
DJ music will be featured for ladies night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Bar Bonz, 1539 Fillmore St. N., Twin Falls. Doors open at 8 p.m. No cover charge for ladies.

Thursday
Dance to DJ music from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Bar Bonz, 1539 Fillmore St. N., Twin Falls. Alcohol-free environment. Cover charge is \$5 for 18 and older.

March 8-9, 13-14-15-16 - Utah
Ballet West will dance "An Evening of Ballet," 7:30 p.m. nightly and 2 p.m. on March 16, in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which are \$17, \$21, \$35 and \$50 for the evening performances and \$10, \$17, \$30 and \$40 for the matinee, are available by phoning (801) 355-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

April 26-27, May 14 - Utah
Ballet West will dance Tchaikovsky's "Swan Lake," 7:30 p.m. nightly, in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. For ticket information, call (801) 355-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

THEATER

Tonight and Saturday
New Theater Company will present Joe DiPietro and Jimmy Roberts' "I Love You, You Are Perfect, Now Change," 8 p.m. at the HexStage Theater, Ketchum. Tickets, which are \$20, are available at Chapter One Bookstore and Atkinson's Market in Ketchum, at Read All About it in Hailey, or online at <http://www.newtheatrecompany.org>, or at the door.



Tonight, Saturday, Sunday and Thursday
Company of Fools will present Richard Nelson and Shaun Davey's musical version of James Joyce's "The Dead," 8 p.m. tonight, Saturday and Thursday and 3 p.m. on Sunday. Liberty Theater, Hailey. Tickets, which are \$20 for the evening performances and \$15 for matinee, can be reserved by phoning 578-9122 or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>. The production continues March 8-10.

Wednesday and Thursday

The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present David Caldwell's "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten," 8 p.m., Room 119, CSI Fine Arts Center. Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for students and senior citizens, may be purchased at the Fine Arts box office between 1-4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by calling 733-9554, Ext. 2788. The production continues March 8-9 and 13-16.

Thursday
The Sun Valley Company will present Stuart Ross' "Forever Plaid," 7:30 p.m., Boiler Room. Tickets, which are \$15 for adults and \$12 for children 12 and under, are available at the Sun Valley Sports Center, or by phoning 2231. Doors open at 6 p.m. The production will continue every Thursday night through mid-March.

Thursday
The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart's "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," 8 p.m., Howell's Opera House, O a k l e y. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning 677-ARTS. The production continues March 8-9, 14-16, 18 and 21-23.



Thursday
Buhl High School and the International Thespian Society will present the play "Fairly County" at 7:30 p.m. at the Buhl Middle School auditorium. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens and students, and \$2 with Buhl High School activity card. The production continues March 8-9.

March 19-20-21 - Boise
The national tour of Neil Simon's "The Sunshine Boys," starring Frank Gorshin and Dick Van Patten, will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which are \$25, \$32.50 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1110.



March 22-24, 28-30
The Dilettantes of the Magic Valley will present Jerry Brock and Sheldon Harnick's "Fiddler on the Roof," 7:30 p.m. on March 22-23 and 28-30 and 2 p.m. on

March 24. College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$10 for adults and \$7 for senior citizens and children under 12, will be available next month at the Dilettantes box office in the Magic Valley Mall.

K A R O O K E

Tonight
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody, 502 Sixth St., Rupert.

Tonight and Saturday
Karaoke contest will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Mr. Bill's, 101 N. Alder, Jerome. No cover charge.

Tonight and Saturday
Full Moon Music Madness Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont, Rupert.

Saturday
P&D Karaoke will be featured at 8:30 p.m. at the Sagebrush-Landmark, 325 Main St., Hazelton. No cover charge.

Saturday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna, 9 E. Main, Declo.

Sunday
Full Moon Music Madness Karaoke will be featured from 6-10 p.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont, Rupert.

Tuesday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the George K's East Restaurant, 325 E. Third N., Burley.

Tuesday through Saturday

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub, 402 Main N., Twin Falls.

Tuesday and Wednesday
Full Moon Music Madness Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside Bar, 197 Highway 30 W., Burley.

Wednesday
Rabid Dog Entertainment will play for ladies night at 7:30 p.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Wednesday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Office Lounge on Idaho Street in Paul.

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Full Moon Music Madness Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Office Lounge on Idaho Street in Paul.

Thursday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside, 197 Highway 30 W., Burley.

FIGURE SKATING

March 13-17 - Utah

Disney on Ice Jungle Adventures will perform in Salt Lake City's Delta Center. Shows are at 7 p.m. on March 13-14, 4 and 7:30 p.m. on March 15, and 11:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and



7:30 p.m. on March 16, and 5:30 p.m. on March 17. Tickets, which are \$5, \$5-\$26.50 for the March 13 show and \$10.75-\$26.50 for the March 14-15-16-17 performances, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-2000 or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

F A R M S H O W



Today and Saturday
The 25th annual KVMV Agri-Action continues today from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Expo Center, Twin Falls. Free.

A R T S H O W

Through March 30

College of Southern Idaho fine arts faculty will display their work at the "Half Time" exhibit in the Jean B. King Gallery of the Herrert Center for Arts and Science. Free. Center hours are Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 1-9 p.m.

Through March 31.

"Labyrinths for Peace" will be on display at the Eighth Street

Center, Buhl. Free. An opening reception will be held from 5-7 p.m. tonight. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

March 8 through May 17

"The Ephemeral and The Organic," featuring the works of Andy Goldsworthy and David Nash, will be exhibited at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 191 Fifth St. E., Ketchum. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturdays in March from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. A gallery walk and opening will be held from 6-9 p.m. March 8 at the center.

P L A N E T A R I U M

Tonight, Saturday and Tuesday

The Faulkner Planetarium will present "Pink Floyd The Wall" Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Herrert Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. Other shows are "Larry Cat in Space," Saturdays at 2 p.m.; "The Dinosaur Chronicles," tonight at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 4 p.m.; and "WSKY: Radio Station to the Stars," Saturday at 7 p.m. and Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families. Children under 4 are not admitted.

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	Denzel Washington, "Training Day"	Jon Voight, "Ali"	
	Tom Wilkinson, "In the Bedroom"	Any other actor who should win?	
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Any other actor who should win?			
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Best supporting actress (choose one)			
— Jennifer Connelly, "A Beautiful Mind"			
— Helen Mirren, "Gosford Park"			
— Maggie Smith, "Gosford Park"			
— Marisa Tomei, "In the Bedroom"			
— Kate Winslet, "Iris"			
— Renee Zellweger, "Bridget Jones's Diary"			
Any other actress who should win?			
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How many times do you go to a movie at a theater in a typical month?			
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Tiebreaker: Best original screenplay (choose one)			
— "Amélie"			
Best actress (choose one)			
— Fállic Berry, "Monster's Ball"			
— Judi Dench, "Lord of the Rings"			
— Nicole Kidman, "Moulin Rouge"			
— Sissy Spacek, "In the Bedroom"			
— "The Lord of the Rings"			
— "Moulin Rouge"			
Any other movie that should win?			
Best supporting actor (choose one)			
— Jim Broadbent, "Iris"			
— "Gosford Park"			
— Russell Crowe, "A Beautiful Mind"			
— Ethan Hawke, "Training Day"			
— "Memento"			

Movies

Continued from C5

with an aged-in-oak sense of wonder by director Peter Jackson, the J.R.R. Tolkien trilogy's first film so thrillingly catches us up in its sweeping story that nothing matters but the vivid and compelling events unfolding on the screen. What a story it is, overflowing with invention, character and event, with hairbreadth escapes and heroism in the face of terrifying evil and violent battles. Elijah Wood, Ian McKellen, Liv Ullmann, Viggo Mortensen, Sean Astin, Cate Blanchett, Sean Bean and Ian Holm: (2.5). PG-13, for epic battle sequences and some scary images.)

'The Mothman Prophecies'

'The Mothman Prophecies' is an unsettling, unsatisfying thriller that doesn't so much explore the inexplicable as it exploits it for atmosphere. Though director Mark Pellington establishes a suitably creepy mood, and though the actors — who include Laura Linney as a small-town cop and Alan Bates as a haunted professor — something vital is missing here. PG-13 (violence, sexual horseplay, mild profanity)

'The Other Side of Heaven'

The adventures of a Mormon missionary from Idaho in Tonga. With Anne Hathaway and

Christopher Gorham. Rated PG.

'Queen of the Damned'

As directed by Michael Rymer and with the late rock star Aaliyah in the title role, it's a muddled limp bit of a movie, a vampire soap opera that doesn't make much sense even on its own terms. Though the previous film based on Anne Rice's popular novels, the Tom Cruise-starring 'Interview With the Vampire,' was far from a success, this brain-dead venture makes it look like a masterwork by comparison. Stuart Townsend takes on the role of the Vampire Lestat. (1.4). R, for vampire violence.)

'Return to Never Land'

Disney makes a so-so sequel to its 1953 animated version of 'Peter Pan,' updating it to Blitz-plagued London. Wendy, though all grown up, still believes in fairies, while her drowsy daughter, Jane, seizes herself as too, too old for such stuff and nonsense. Peter Pan, the Lost Boys, Tinker Bell and Captain Hook work to boss Jane's stiff upper lip. Not as magical as its predecessor, but it doesn't hurt your teeth either. Voices include Harriet Owen, Blayne Weaver and Corey Burton. Directed by Robin Budd. (1.12). G.

Events & Education at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center March 2002

4th Annual Baby and Children's Faire



Enjoy fun activities and interactive demonstrations designed for children age 13 and under and their parents. It is a unique opportunity to focus on quality parenting and learn about the latest health information and services available for expectant parents and young families.

Booths will include information on prenatal care, childhood development, immunizations, child identification and fingerprinting, health and safety, nutrition, reading and learning activities, child safety seat inspections, with information about healthy kids provided by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's team of medical professionals. Fun activities will take place in Center Court all day including a stroller parade, crawling derby, Daddy's diaper changing race, baby food eating contests, story time, dancing, and fashion show. Older children can participate in the scavenger hunt, and much more. Door prizes will be given throughout the day.

For a full list of activities log onto: www.mvrmc.com
Saturday, March 9, 10:00 am – 9:00 pm
Magic Valley Mall Center Court
1485 Pole Line Road East – Twin Falls

Five Miles

Twin Falls County HealthNet Coalition * This community coalition meets monthly to plan and implement strategies to increase the number of Developmental Assets in our county's youth. For more information call Melaine Shoosor or 423-5915.
 Tuesday, March 5, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
 KMYT Community Room
 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N – Twin Falls

SAFE KIDS * Baby and Children's Faire booth at the Magic Valley Mall. Stop by for a chance to win a free bike helmet. For more information call 737-2430.
 Saturday, March 9, 10:00 am – 8:30 pm
 Magic Valley Mall
 1485 Pole Line Road East – Twin Falls

SAFE KIDS * Buckle Up! Come in for a free inspection of your child's car seat. Purchase a new car seat and have it installed for free at SAFE KIDS. For more information call 737-2430.

SAFE KIDS Buckle Up Event
 Saturday, March 9, 10 am – 2 pm
 Randy Hansen Autoplex
 1654 Blue Lakes Blvd. North in Twin Falls

SAFE KIDS Buckle Up Event
 Friday, March 15, 10 am – 2 pm
 Workman GMC
 5th & E Streets in Rupert

SAFE KIDS * Come in for a free inspection of your child's car seat or purchase a new one and have it installed for free. SAFE KIDS also has low cost snow helmets and skate helmets for sale! For more information call 737-2430.

When the Going Gets Too Easy: Overactive Bladder at Midlife

This free education session will feature Dr. Lucie DiMaggio and Dr. Donald Weese. Learn about this important midlife issue and what you can do to gain back control. Come and enjoy refreshments and win door prizes. For more information call Women's Health Services at 737-2685.
 Tuesday, March 19, 7 p.m.
 Women's Health and Imaging Services
 224 Martin Street, Twin Falls

Breast Cancer Support Group * This is an on-going group open to breast cancer survivors or patients (male or female) and their families and friends. Special programs and guest speakers are offered periodically. The goal is to offer support, information, hope and humor to those dealing with cancer. For more information contact Lydia Gilman at 737-2979 or Mary Howard at 734-1766.
 Monday, March 25, 7:00 pm
 Cancer Center Reception area

Free Breast Screening Education Program. The Facts About Breast Care. Learn the facts about early detection of breast cancer, self breast exam, examination by clinical specialists, and information about mammography. This program is offered free to all women (no age limit) through MVRMC Women's Health and Imaging Services, 224 Martin St. For more information or to make an appointment call 737-2192.

Big Kids Klub

A class designed to help prepare brothers and sisters for the new baby. To Register Call 737-2900. Fee: \$7.50/family with one child — \$10/family with two or more children
 Saturday, March 2, 10:00 – 11:30 am
 Doctors Meeting Room

Childbirth Refresher Course * This class is designed for persons who have previously taken any prepared childbirth classes. Childbirth preparation and procedures are reviewed, along with a tour of the Women's and Infant Center. Pre-registration is required. Fee: \$15.00
 Tuesday, March 5, 6:30 – 9:30 pm
 Education Center Sage Room

Thursday, March 21, 6:30 – 9:30 pm
 Education Center Sage Room

Cesarean Childbirth Class * This class is available to anyone wishing to learn more about cesarean deliveries, post-partum care instructions, medications, hospital procedures, non-conforming labors. Pre-registration is not required.
 Tuesday, March 12, 6:30 – 9:30 pm
 Education Center Sage Room

Thursday, March 28, 6:30 – 9:30 pm
 Education Center Sage Room

Infant CPR Class * Offered as part of the Prepared Childbirth Course, new parents, grandparents and children are encouraged to attend this class to learn infant CPR, and what to do if the infant should choke. Child safety and prevention of injury are also discussed. Pre-registration is not required.
 Wednesday, March 13, 6:30 – 9:30 pm
 Education Center Sage Room

Tuesday, March 26, 6:30 – 9:30 pm
 Education Center Sage Room

Prepared Childbirth Course * A comprehensive program designed to prepare the expectant mother and support you for labor and childbirth. The course includes classroom instruction on wellness of the mother, the labor and delivery process with relaxation and breathing techniques, care of the post partum mother, care of the newborn including breast and bottle feeding, and a tour of the Women's and Infant Center. Pre-registration is required. To Register Call 737-2900. Fee: \$40.00
 Thursday, March 14 – April 11, 6:30 – 9:30 pm
 Education Center Sage Room

VBC Preparation Course * Mothers who plan on having a vaginal birth after a previous cesarean delivery have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with a childbirth educator. Safety is discussed, plus tools and information on coping with labor. Set an appointment by calling Karan at 737-2901.

Back School

Learn proper body mechanics and exercises to help prevent and/or treat common back injuries. Pre-registration is required. Contact MVRMC Physical Therapy Services at 737-2126 for more information. Fee: \$25.00
 Wednesday, March 6, 5:00 – 7:00 pm
 MVRMC Rehabilitation Services
 560 Sheop Ave W – Twin Falls

CPR Class * This class is offered to the community under the guidelines of the American Heart Association and includes emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking for adult and infant. The program includes both classroom instruction and hands-on practice. Pre-registration is required. To Register Call 737-2007. Fee: \$25.00
 Thursday, March 7, 4:00 – 8:00 pm
 Doctors Meeting Room

Saturday, March 16, 8:00 am – 12:00 noon
 Doctor's Meeting Room

Tuesday, March 19, 8:00 – 10:00 pm
 Doctor's Meeting Room

Volunteering is an energizing experience, providing many rewarding opportunities. Volunteer opportunities include: patient visitor, refreshment cart hostess/host, information desk attendant, gift shop associate, clerical support, emergency room assistant, outpatient surgery hostess, and hospice patient companion. Bilingual volunteers also needed. To volunteer, please call Volunteering Services at 737-2006.

Do you want to live independently? Lifeline gives you the confidence and freedom to live on your own because there's always someone standing by to help whenever you need it 24-hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week, at the press of a button. Call MVRMC's Community Connection at 737-2065 for information about Lifeline.

Prostate Cancer Support Group Join us for education and discussion topics about cancer. For more information contact Andy Hall at 737-2800.

Wednesday, March 20th 7 pm
 Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Downtown
 660 Sheop Street, Twin Falls

To register for any of the classes contact, 737-2900. If you require special accommodations, call 737-2102 or TDD 737-2980 at least 24 hours in advance of the event. Interpreter services are available, contact Malena Rodriguez at 737-2163. Servicio de Interpretes disponible, por favor comuniquese con Malena Rodriguez. Coordinadora al numero 737-2163.

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Section D

MORNING LINE

SPORTS QUOTE

“When John Madden is available and you can get him, you make the move.”

—Al Michaels, on John Madden joining *Monday Night Football* next season

TRIVIA

QUESTION: What year did CSI and Ricks first meet? How many games did it take the Vikings to earn their first win in the series?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- College baseball**
CNCC at CSI, 1 p.m. (2)
High school boys basketball
4A Real Dairy Shoot-Out, at Alberson College, Caldwell
Burley vs. Moscow, 8 p.m. (semifinal)
3A Real Dairy Shoot-Out, at Meridian HS
Filer vs. Bonners Ferry, 1:45 p.m. (loser out)
Declo vs. Middleton, 8 p.m. (semifinal)
2A Real Dairy Shoot-Out, at Capital HS
Wendell vs. Parma, 1:45 p.m. (loser out)
1A Real Dairy Shoot-Out, at Vallivue HS
Hagerman vs. Murtaugh, 11:45 a.m. (loser out)
Dietrich vs. Clark Fork, 1:45 p.m. (loser out)
Shoshone vs. Troy, 3:15 p.m. (loser out)
Castelford vs. Genesee, 6:30 p.m. (semifinal)

IN BRIEF

Buildring series hits Gooding Saturday

GOODING The Pepsi Buildring Challenge Series comes off at the Gooding County Fairgrounds Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Prices are \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students and children under-5 are admitted free. For information, call 934-0939.

Area archery club announces open range

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Bowhunters Archery Club is hosting two open nights on March 4 and 25 at the indoor range in the basement of the Elks building at 205 Shoshone St. The range is open to practice 7-9 p.m. Membership is required after two practice sessions.

Cable One shows boys state championships

TWIN FALLS - Channel 10 in Twin Falls will carry live the Class 5A and 4A boys basketball state championship games on Saturday starting at 6 p.m.

Muni Men's Association meets on Sunday

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Men's Golf Association will hold its Tee-Off Scramble on Sunday, March 3 with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. Entry fee is \$20 plus green fees, which includes complimentary breakfast and added money from association to the event. You must be a Twin Falls Men's Association member to play.

Park Avenue Driving Range opens Saturday

TWIN FALLS - Park Avenue Golf Driving Range opens for the season on Saturday and will remain open each day, weather permitting. PGA professional Mike Ceriello will be available for private lessons by appointment. Call 734-8165 for information. The range is at 380 Park Ave.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:
1966, 13 games

BOYS STATE BASKETBALL

Castelford escapes Dietrich

By Scott Thompson
Times-News writer

CALDWELL - The Dietrich Blue Devils' slow-motion game nearly upended the Castelford Wolves hopes for a state title and nearly pitched a gigantic upset.

More state - D2,3

But the Wolves (24-1), who came in as one of the pre-tournament favorites, were not to be denied Thursday in the second round of the Idaho 1A Boys Real Dairy Basketball Championships as they outlasted the Devils (14-13) for a 50-35 victory that was a lot closer than the

1A State Tournament	
at Caldwell, Vallivue high schools	Today's Games at Vallivue HS
Quarterfinals	Consolation
Castelford 50, Dietrich 35	Horseshoe Bend vs. Cascade, 10 a.m.
Genesee 45, Clark Fork 39	Hagerman vs. Murtaugh, 11:45 a.m.
Mackay 33, Troy 21	Dietrich vs. Clark Fork, 1:45 p.m.
Cole-Valley 48, Mackay 43	Shoshone vs. Troy, 3:15 p.m.
Consolation	Semifinals
Horseshoe Bend 79, Sho-Ban 55	Castelford vs. Genesee, 6:30 p.m.
Cascade 51, Notus 37	Mackay vs. Cole Valley, 8 p.m.
Hagerman 68, Lakeside 64	
Murtaugh 73, Council 65	

final score indicated as Castelford sealed the win with late free throws.

"We wanted to limit their num-

ber of possessions and keep it close," Dietrich coach Hubert Shaw said. "And with it 19-18 (in the Wolves' favor), we did it per-

"That team has improved a lot. ... They really had us frustrated."

—Castelford coach

Andy Wiseman

fectly."

Castelford blasted Dietrich 58-26 in an early season matchup between the teams.

But Thursday was a whole different story.

"That team has improved a lot," Wolves' coach Andy

Wiseman said. "With it a one-point game at half, they really had us frustrated."

Dietrich did a nice job of containing Castelford's Elvis Medina, who finished with just 10 points but also contributed three assists.

"You don't want to criticize him too much because he does so much," Wiseman said.

Wiseman added that at times he would like to see Medina become a bit more selfish under circumstances such as Wednesday's.

And Medina wasn't the only star not to have a great night as the Wolves harassed Chris

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Just getting comfortable



College of Southern Idaho's Tom Myers rips a pitch to left field for a double during the first inning of the Eagles game with Ricks last May during the Region XVII Tournament at Rural Field in St. George.

CSI baseball opens month-long homestand

By Joe Sunnen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Even with the grass a pale green and the dirt still frozen, Frontier Field never looked so good to the College of Southern Idaho baseball team. The Golden Eagles begin their longest home stand of the season today with a Scenic West Athletic Conference doubleheader against Colorado Northwestern Community College beginning at 1 p.m. Both teams meet again for two on Saturday at noon.

The contests mark the start of 16 straight games at Frontier Field during the month of March and a stretch that could either keep the Eagles (7-4, 3-1 SWAC)

in the hunt to host the Region 18 Tournament, or knock them out all together.

"If this team can't look at this and think we should win every game at home, then we aren't going to win the conference," CSI coach Jim Walker said. "Whether we do or not, we'll find out. But we have to go get every game. We found out it's pretty tough to win at somebody else's ballpark."

The Eagles started the SWAC

season by taking three of four from Snow College, but two of those games were forfeits. And in the one loss, a 12-8 decision, the Eagles committed five errors.

"We didn't play defense very well," assistant coach Boomer Walker said. "We had three errors and gave up eight runs in an inning. We could have been out of the inning real easy, but we booted some balls."

The Eagles are still off to a

faster start in the SWAC than last season when they began 0-4. Now they have a chance to build a comfortable cushion in the conference standings.

Over the past few seasons, playing CNCC (2-10, 0-4) has been like WD-40 for teams trying to shake off some rust.

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Eagle men win; women lose at Ricks

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

REXBURG - Tim Ellis posted a double-double of 23 points and 10 rebounds and Tony Bobbitt canned 18 including hitting 5 of 8 3-pointers as the College of Southern Idaho men won their Scenic West Athletic Conference regular season finale with Ricks College 78-49.

It was the fourth consecutive victory for CSI (24-5, 14-3), which closes out the regular season on Saturday at North Idaho College. The Men's Region X V I I I Tournament begins on Thursday, March 7.

Thursday's games

Men	CSI 78, Ricks 49
Women	Ricks 87, CSI 75

The CSI women weren't as fortunate Thursday, dropping an 87-75 decision despite getting 16 points apiece from Belinda Stubbs and Melanie Croser.

In the men's win, coach Guy Beach called it "maybe the best game we've played," as CSI held just a 35-26 lead at half-time but the Vikings (16-11, 7-10 SWAC) early to start the second half racing out to leads of 44-28 and 54-32 en route the win.

"The guys really played hard tonight," Beach said. "They really played well together. Tony was really good. Tim Ellis was incredible tonight at both ends of the floor."

The Eagles shot 46 percent for the game and outscored rebounded Ricks 41-29. Ricky Clemons and Josh Williams chipped in 10 points apiece.

Adam Hiatt led the Vikings with 11 points.

Women's game

Ricks 87, CSI 75

Red-hot Ricks closed out its regular season series with CSI holding off the Lady Golden

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John Madden moves to Monday Night Football

By Howard Fendrich
The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Boom! Just like that, John Madden is in, and Dennis Miller is out. Madden is carrying his inimitable mix of enthusiasm, opinions and analysis to "Monday Night Football," leaving Fox Sports and agreeing to a four-year, \$20 million deal with ABC Sports to pair with Al Michaels in a two-man booth.



John Madden

Miller - a comedian known for obscure references not football smarts - leaves after two seasons and declining ratings. Dan Fouts and Eric Dickerson also were taken off CSI's prime-

time NFL broadcasts, while Melissa Stark stays as a sideline reporter.

"I had this opportunity and I wanted to do whatever it took to get it done," the 65-year-old Madden said Thursday. "This is where I want to finish."

Madden had been paired at CBS in 1981, then moved to Fox in 1994, along with the way becoming the signature voices of NFL games. Madden had one year at \$7.5 million left on his contract with

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New Red Sox owners replace GM

The Associated Press

FORT MYERS, Fla. - A Boston Red Sox fan all his life, Dan Duquette knows what it's like to have his heart broken by the team.

Choking back tears as he said goodbye to his dream job, the former Red Sox general manager said he would be back at Fenway Park cheering on the team he ran for eight years before being fired Thursday.

"I'm most disappointed that I will not have the opportunity to realize the goal Red Sox fans and I have shared for too long: a World Series championship," he said. "No one loves the Red Sox more than I do. No one is more dedicated to the success of this organization."

Showing an emotional side absent from his tenure as GM, Duquette took a long pause to



Dan Duquette



Mike Port

calm a quivering lip before thanking those in the organization who supported him.

But those supporters did not include the team's new owners, who fired him less than 24 hours after closing their \$660 million deal to buy the team, its stadium and its television network. Former California Angels GM and Duquette assistant Mike Port will be interim general manager.

"This decision was not an easy

one to make, and we have nothing but good personal feelings for Dan," said team president Larry Lucchino, who met with Duquette at his hotel on Thursday morning along with new owners' John Henry and Tom Werner.

Duquette will continue to be paid until Jan. 26, 2004, as part of the \$4.5 million, three-year contract extension given to him by the club's owners.

Port, 56, is general manager of the Angels from 1984-91 and assistant GM in Boston from 1993 until he was appointed vice president of baseball operations in 1996.

"It comes very much as a surprise," he said. "It's an awesome responsibility." Lucchino declined to comment on manager Joe Kerrigan's future, saying only that he would be discussing it with the owners Friday.

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SPORTS

Shoshone falls to Cole Valley Christian

CALDWELL - Shoshone just didn't have an answer for the size. Despite hitting seven 3-pointers, the Indians could not contain Cole Valley Christian's two big posts as they fell to the Chargers 53-48 in the quarterfinal round of the Idaho 1A Boys Real Dairy Basketball Championships Thursday at Caldwell High School.

1A State Tournament
Mike Fitzgerald and Jackson Uhrig scored 12 points each to pace the Indians. Cole Valley played an extended man-to-man defense but Shoshone found the back door open. Twice Josh Craig scored inside, but the Indians trailed 10-4 late in the first period. Craig scored all seven of Shoshone's first-quarter points. Tyler McCowan converted a putback and Uhrig added a 3-pointer to cut the lead to three points midway through the period. But the Chargers shut the Indians down the rest of the way getting a 3-pointer from Bayless and an old fashioned three-point play from Meyer for a 26-17 lead at the break.

Richardson, officials discuss remarks
FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) - The drama surrounding Nolan Richardson deepened Thursday when he met with Arkansas chancellor and athletic director, canceled a news conference and skipped practice. The basketball coach had a 90-minute meeting with chancellor John White and athletic director Frank Broyles that ended without resolution of Richardson's status. Television station KATV in Little Rock reported that Richardson rejected an offer to buy out the remaining six years of his \$1.03 million-a-year contract. The university wouldn't say whether an offer was made. "The discussions from this morning are continuing," White's office said. "The university expects to resolve the situation soon and we'll have no further statements until that time."

conference Thursday, with assistant coach Mike Anderson meeting with reporters instead. Richardson's agent, Kevin Scanlon, had said Richardson would apologize at a news conference Thursday for an outburst against reporters and hard-pressed fans. At mid-afternoon, the school said Anderson would meet with reporters. "Coach Richardson was not at practice," Anderson said. "He was attending to some business of personal nature." After practice, junior forward Alonzo Lane said the university should keep Richardson as coach. "It would be the right thing to do to bring him back," Lane said. "They just don't know what he means to this program. He built this place and he's been treated rough."

A magazine's Internet site reported Wednesday that Richardson would be asked Thursday to quit for \$3 million. White and Scanlon disputed the report by Haws Illustrated, saying it showed no effort being made to buy out the last six years on Richardson's contract. At the end of the day, it hadn't changed its story. On Monday, Richardson criticized reporters and some fans, closed his practices and announced why only white reporters were assigned to cover his team. He said last Saturday in Lexington, Ky., after discussing the pressures on him and Kentucky coach Tubby Smith, that, "if they go ahead and pay me my money, they can take the job tomorrow."

White said Sunday that Richardson was just venting and said he expected Richardson to honor the remaining years on his seven-year pact. Wednesday, though, White said Richardson's future at Arkansas couldn't be guaranteed before he and Broyles met with the coach.

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SCORES AND STATS

IN THE BLEACHERS By Steve Moore



"Coach Dewey was fooling around and put on his game face, and now it's stuck that way!"

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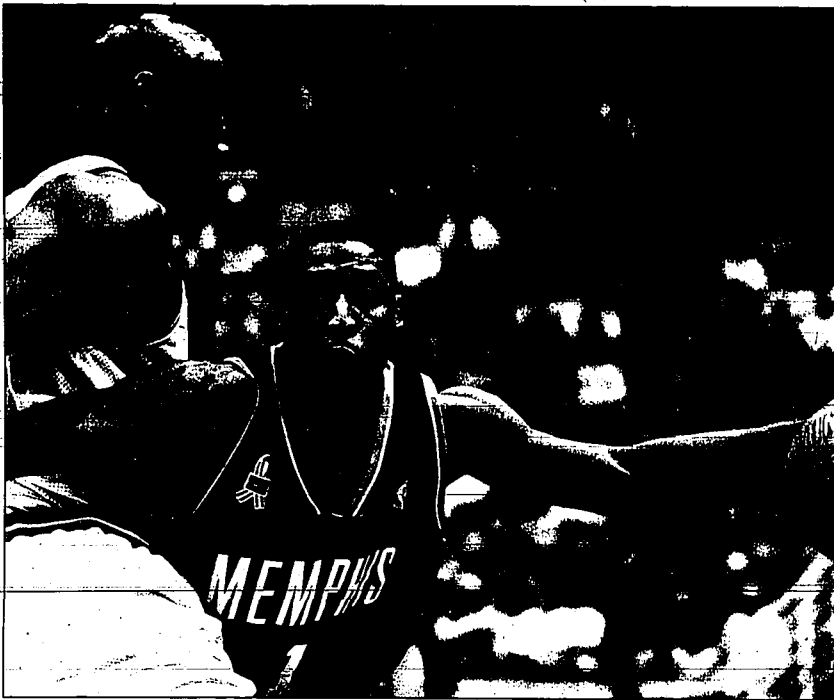
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Table showing scores and statistics for Sharks vs Capitals game.

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SPORTS



Memphis guard Will Solomon (1) has a tough time getting around Utah forward Karl Malone during the first quarter Thursday in Salt Lake City.

Virginia topples No. 3 Duke 87-84

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. (AP) — Virginia, desperate for a win to keep alive NCAA tournament hopes, wiped out a 12-point deficit over the final seven minutes and beat No. 3 Duke 87-84 Thursday night, giving the Atlantic Coast Conference title to Maryland.

The Cavaliers (17-9, 7-8) entered the game having lost seven of nine. It seemed another loss was about to come as Duke (25-3, 12-3) took a 77-65 lead.

But Virginia, which was ranked No. 4 in the country on Dec. 31 but had fallen out of the Top 25 this week, then held the Blue Devils scoreless for more than 6.5 minutes as part of the game-closing 21-7 run.

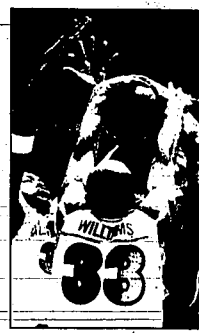
Maryland (14-1) won the league title outright for the first time since 1980. The second-ranked Terrapins finished in a four-way tie for first in 1995.

Duke had won the last five ACC titles, the first four of the streak all outright.

Keith Jenifer's floater with 3.3 to play gave the Cavaliers the lead for good at 78-77 and they were up 85-82 when Duke's Jason Williams had a chance to tie the game with 12 seconds left.

He was fouled as he converted his own miss, but missed the free throw that would have given him a second three-point play in the final 15 seconds.

Roger Mason Jr. rebounded the miss for the Cavaliers and his free throws made it 87-84. When the ball was knocked away from Williams heading up court, Watson grabbed, was fouled and missed both free throws, but Williams' halfcourt have missed badly.



Duke center Carlos Boozer right, gets fouled as he goes up for a basket by Virginia's Chris Williams (33) and Travis Watson (35) during first half action in Charlottesville, Va., Thursday.

allowed No. 21 California to pull away from Arizona State for a 91-80 victory Thursday night.

Legans, who had 20 points, five assists and four steals, made his fourth 3-pointer in as many tries with 2:45 to play, opening a 77-70 lead. Tamir, who finished with 18 points and seven rebounds, made his 25 seconds later to make it 80-72.

Joe Shipp also had 18 points for the Bears (21-6, 12-5 Pac-10), who remained in the race for the conference title.

Tommy Smith had 22 points and 10 rebounds for Arizona State (14-12, 7-10), while injured center Chad Frewitt had 17 of his 19 points in the second half.

Frewitt partially tore a ligament in his right elbow during practice on Tuesday. Cal, who finished 17-1 at home, rallied to win for the fourth time in nine road games.

Jazz return home to rip Grizzlies 114-70

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Donyell Marshall scored 20 points, and Bryon Russell added 13 on 6-of-8 shooting as Utah beat Memphis in its second home game this month.

The Jazz, who lost twice to the Grizzlies this season, played their first home game since Feb. 2 after being displaced for nine games by the Winter Olympics.

Utah, which averaged 35 percent shooting in its two losses to Memphis, shot 58.2 percent this time. Karl Malone (4,330 games) passed Moses Malone for fourth place on the NBA's career games played list.

The 44-point margin was the third-worst in franchise history for the Grizzlies.

Suns 107, Pacers 100, OT

PHOENIX — Stephen Marbury scored 26 points, including nine in the final 3.8 seconds of regulation and four in overtime, as Phoenix rallied past Indiana.

Shawn Marion had 21 points and 10 rebounds for the Suns, Tom Gugliotta tied a season high with 18 points and set a season high with 14 rebounds, and reserve Penny Hardaway added 18 points.

Phoenix trailed 92-83 with 1:12 left in the fourth quarter before charging back.

Brad Miller, playing only his

third game with Indiana after being traded by Chicago, scored 25 points — including 13 in the fourth quarter.

Cavaliers 114, Spurs 107

CLEVELAND — Andre Miller hit a last-second jumper to force overtime, then scored eight of his career-high 37 points in the extra session Thursday night to rally the Cleveland Cavaliers to a 114-107 win over the San Antonio Spurs.

Miller made four free throws and two short jumpers in the final 2:27 of overtime as the Cavs finally pulled away and won for the seventh time in 10 games.

Miller, who played 50 minutes,

forced overtime with a 3-pointer as time expired, tying it at 101 and capping a frenetic final five minutes when the Cavs made up a nine-point deficit.

Tim Duncan scored 35 points to lead the Spurs, who have lost three of four.

Heat 100, Knicks 86

MIAMI — With four reserves in the game, Miami sank nine straight shots and scored the first 16 points of the fourth quarter to rally past New York.

Eddie Jones had 32 points for the Heat, who have won 16 of 22 but are still eight games below .500 (24-32) as they try to pull into contention for a playoff berth.

Carolina whips Boston 6-2; Sens blank Rangers

BOSTON (AP) — Ron Francis scored a goal and added three assists and Carolina won for the third time in the last 14 games, beating the Boston Bruins 6-2 Thursday night.

Francis has made the Bruins his most frequent victim with 28 goals and 99 assists in 118 career games against Boston.

Carolina jumped to a 3-0 first-period lead courtesy of goals by Francis, Jeff O'Neill and Keyvin Adams. The Hurricanes, 5-1-1 in their last seven visits to Boston, also got two goals from Rod Brind'Amour and two assists from Bates Battaglia.

Brian Rolston scored his league-leading seventh short-handed goal with the Bruins two men short early in the third.



Carolina's Bates Battaglia (left) and Erik Cole (28) celebrate the team's sixth goal during the third period Thursday in Boston.

New York defenseman Brian Leetch played in his 1,000th game, but he and the rest of the Rangers' defense seemed out to lunch as the Senators scored their goals easily.

Sharks 5, Capitals 2

WASHINGTON — Alex Korolyuk scored the tie-breaking goal to spark a three-goal second

period as the Sharks won their seventh straight.

Korolyuk, Adam Graves, Owen Nolan, Scott Thornton and Vincent Damphousse scored a goal apiece for the Sharks, who last lost on Jan. 29 at Toronto. Washington had chances, but San Jose's Evgeni Nabokov made several good saves and finished with 25 overall.

The San Jose victory also

ended Washington's season-best five-game unbeaten streak.

Penguins 4, Blue Jackets 3, OT

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Michal Rozival won it in overtime after Alexei Morozov jammed in a loose puck with 31.2 seconds left in regulation for Pittsburgh.

The Penguins made a dramatic turnaround after spending most of the night as though they were looking for injured and absent stars Mario Lemieux and Martin Straka.

Jan Hrdina had three assists, Alexei Kovalev had a goal and an assist and Randy Robitaille led the Penguins, who ended an eight-game winless streak (0-5-1-2).

Mike Silfvergren had a goal and an assist for the Blue Jackets winless in their last seven games (0-4-1-2) at home.

Earlier in the day, Lemieux announced he would not be returning for the Penguins this season due to chronic pain from a hip injury.

Straka missed 47 games with a broken leg and was accidentally hit in the left eye by teammate John Hedberg during Wednesday night's 5-4 loss to Los Angeles. Straka broke a bone around the eye and is out indefinitely.

Throw-ins

The North Idaho women's team secured the eighth and final seed to the tournament with an 80-66 win over Treasure Valley Community College. If the Chukars had won, they'd taken the berth. ... Thursday's games were the last in the SWAC for CSI at Ricks as the school drops intercollegiate athletics next season as part of its assimilation into Brigham Young University-Idaho.

Men's basketball conference tournaments

Conference	Location	Start
America East	Albany, N.Y.	March 1
Atlantic Coast	Charlottesville, Va.	March 1
Big South	Greenville, S.C.	March 1
Big Ten	Indianapolis, Ind.	March 1
Big West	Fullerton, Calif.	March 1
Colonial Athletic Association	Richmond, Va.	March 1
Mid-Continent	Omaha, Neb.	March 1
Midwest	Indianapolis, Ind.	March 1
Missouri Valley	St. Louis, Mo.	March 1
Mountain West	Las Vegas, Nev.	March 1
Northeast	Albany, N.Y.	March 1
Ohio Valley	Clarksville, Tenn.	March 1
Pac-10	Seattle, Wash.	March 1
South Atlantic	Charleston, S.C.	March 1
Southern	Greenville, S.C.	March 1
Sun Belt	Greenville, S.C.	March 1
West Coast	San Diego, Calif.	March 1

CSI

Continued from D-1. Eagles 87-75 Thursday at Hart Auditorium in Rexburg. Annie Anderson scored 16 points. Jessica Fowler had 15 and Sheila Hutchinson and Trina Peterson added 12 apiece as Ricks shot a blistering 55 percent (27-of-49) and kept alive its bid to host next week's Region XVIII Tournament with the win. The Lady Vikings (23-4, 14-3 SWAC) did it by shooting 55

percent for the game on 27-of-49 from the floor. CSI tried to stay with the Vikings, using a 12-0 run midway through the first half to get within one at 29-28. But the Vikings got it back to seven by the break, and eventually built a 16-point lead at 78-62 before the final score. The loss dropped CSI to 9-17 overall, 9-8 in the league. Head coach Kendall Grant said CSI's poor shooting hurt

the team's chances. "We know they're going to shoot that well (28 percent in second half)," Grant said. "We shoot 40 percent they shoot 55. But what really hurt us was the zero-for-five in 3-pointers." Ricks also shot 38 free throws but CSI won the rebounding battle 31-30. "You don't want to walk away with a loss from here," Grant said. "We played here better than anybody in the league."

Twelve-year-old joins LPGA event

WAIKOLOA, Hawaii (AP) — With 12-year-old Michelle Wie fighting to break par in her first LPGA Tour event, Catriona Matthew and Liselotte Neumann shot 6-under 64's on Thursday to share the early first-round lead in the season-opening Takefujii Classic.

Wie, the 5-foot-10 seventh grader from Honolulu, was 1 over after 11 holes on the Waikoloa Beach Resort course.

Wie, who began play on the 10th tee, birdied No. 11, but dropped three strokes with consecutive bogeys on Nos. 14-16. After three straight pars, she birdied No. 2 to get to 1 over.

Annika Sorenstam, coming off a playoff victory over Karrie Webb last week in the Australian Ladies Masters, was 5 under through 16 holes.

Defending champion Lorie Kane also was 5 under through 16, and Michele Redman and Mi Hyun Kim were 5 under through 17.

But most of the attention was focused on Wie, the youngest player to earn a spot in an LPGA Tour event through a Monday qualifier.

If she makes the cut in the 54-hole tournament, she will become the youngest to do so in an LPGA Tour event since Arree Wongkiet in the 2000 Nabisco Championship at the age of 13.

Her coach and caddy, Casey Nakama, said she is playing amazingly calm for her age because she doesn't know the magnitude of what she accomplished so far.

"She feels no pressure," he said. "If she misses the cut, she goes back to school."

The players said they enjoyed having Wie in the field.

"It's awesome," Neumann said. "I can't believe she's 12. She's so big."

Matthew, from Scotland, birdied five of her first nine holes — hitting approach shots within 10 feet on all five holes. Her only mistake of the day was on No. 12 where she lost her tee shot in the black lava fields for a double



Twelve-year-old Michelle Wie tees off on the 18th hole during the ProAm at the 2002 Takefujii Classic at the Waikoloa Beach Course in Waikoloa, Hawaii. Wie is the youngest golfer to qualify for an LPGA event.

bogey. "Unfortunately, that one bad shot cost me two shots," she said. "I hit into the lava, never to be

seen again." She is coming off her best season, earning \$704,123 and winning the Cup Noodles Hawaiian

Ladies Open for her first tour title. "There must be something about Hawaii," she said.

DiMarco cards 65, leads Genuity by one

MIAMI (AP) — The PGA Tour moved across the country to surprisingly chilly Florida, but one thing remained the same — Chris DiMarco is the guy everyone is chasing.

Opening with three straight birdies, DiMarco easily topped his best score on the Blue Monster at Doral with a 7-under 65 on Thursday to take a one-stroke lead in the first round of the Genuity Championship.

Ernie Els and Vijay Singh, both winless on the PGA Tour last year, were a stroke back. The group at 67 included Tiger Woods, playing at Doral for the first time since 1998.

DiMarco won in Phoenix and had a share of the lead at some point in the final round of the first three events.

Webb holds first-round lead at Women's Australian Open
MELBOURNE, Australia — Australian star Karrie Webb shot

a 4-under 68 to take a one-stroke lead over Sweden's Helena Svensson and Asa Gottmo in the Women's Australian Open.

Webb, the 2000 winner, had five birdies and a bogey on the Varra Yarra Golf Club course. She's coming off a playoff loss to Sweden's Annika Sorenstam in the Australian Ladies Masters.

Svensson, a 23-year-old amateur, is in Melbourne as part of an exchange program between Women's Golf Australia and the Swedish Golf Federation.

Defending champion Sophie Gustafson of Sweden had a 74.

Lane, Forsyth share Malaysian Open lead

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — England's Barry Lane and Scotland's Alastair Forsyth shot 8-under 63s to share the lead in the suspended first round of the Malaysian Open.

Play was delayed by rain for about two hours, with 36 players failing to finish the round.



Seattle's John Halama prepares to pitch against San Diego in the third inning of a spring training game Thursday in Peoria, Ariz.

Griffey says he's hurt by growing criticism

The Associated Press

Ken Griffey Jr. is nearly recovered from a stomach virus, but it might take a while longer for him to get over lingering criticism that his attitude has hurt the Cincinnati Reds.

The center fielder thinks part of the criticism might be based on the notion that his arrival from Seattle in 2000 meant the Reds would automatically become one of baseball's top teams.

Cincinnati finished .96-.67 in 1999 and .85-.77 in 2000 under former manager Jack McKeon. But the Reds fell to 66-96 last season under Bob Boone.

"They went from being not very good to good, and then I came and everybody expected us to go the World Series," Griffey said Thursday in Sarasota, Fla. "All I ever wanted to do was fit in."

Former Reds coach Ron Oester, now a minor league coach with Philadelphia, said this week that Griffey's habit of arriving late and skipping pregame practice irked other players and disrupted the team. Former Reds player Pokey Reese cited Griffey's special treatment by the front office as a factor in the team's decline.

"He's going to do his thing and they are not going to say anything," Reese, now with Pittsburgh, said last week. "I know he's Ken Griffey Jr., but someone should have said, 'We're all in this together.'"

Griffey hopes to return to the field Friday. He spent five hours in a hospital Wednesday night undergoing tests.

"I had symptoms of appendicitis but they ruled that out," he said. Aaron Sele probably won't be sore. His debut for the Anaheim Angels lasted just nine pitches Thursday.

Sale, a free agent who signed a three-year, \$24-million contract in the offseason, faced three Cal Poly-Pomona hitters in the first inning of a scrimmage in Tucson, Ariz. He allowed one hit and ended up getting a double play.

New York Yankees pitcher Mike Mussina was scratched from his scheduled start against the Reds on Thursday because of a slight middle ear infection. Mussina was examined in Tampa, and did not travel to Sarasota.

Yankees 8, Reds 3

At Sarasota, Fla., Mussina missed the offensive support that

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went to Sterling Hitchcock, who struck out four in two innings. New York's Drew Henson had a two-run single in a three-run first.

Marlins 3, Dodgers 3, 10 innings

At Viera, Fla., Mark Whiten gave Los Angeles a tie with a two-run homer in the ninth inning.

Cardinals 5, Mets 2

At Jupiter, Fla., Andy Benes, trying to win back a spot in the St. Louis rotation after a dismal 2001, pitched three shutout innings.

Pirates 6, Tigers 3

At Lakeland, Fla., Kevin Young hit a grand slam in a five-run fifth for Pittsburgh.

Braves 11, Georgia 3

At Kissimmee, Fla., Mark DeRosa homered, and Scott Sobkowiak and Billy Sylvester had two scoreless innings apiece against the University of Georgia.

Twins (ss) 6, Indians 4

At Winter Haven, Fla., David Ortiz had four singles and Jeff Smith homered for a Minnesota split squad.

Giants 5, Cubs 4

At Tempe, Ariz., Angel Pena hit a two-run homer in a three-run ninth inning as San Francisco beat Chicago.

Padres 10, Mariners 9

At Peoria, Ariz., AL MVP Ichiro Suzuki had an impressive start to exhibition play with a homer, two RBIs, two runs and a walk in the Seattle defeat.

Rockies 15, Arizona 1

At Tucson, Ariz., Juan Uribe drove in three runs with a triple and double as Colorado got 18 hits against the University of Arizona.

Athletics 16, Brewers 13

At Phoenix, Eric Byrnes' two-run homer off Ray King sparked a 12-run outburst that included eight in the sixth inning as Oakland rallied to win.



Chris DiMarco lines up a putt on the 18th hole during the first round of the Genuity Championship Thursday.

Baseball

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lucky against them last year in one game down there and they're a better team this season."

The injury bug has also hit CSI's pitching rotation. Sophomore Justin Frank's shoulder surgery sign took another bad turn over the week and sophomore transfer Maurice Powell is still experiencing soreness from a start two weeks ago.

The Eagles will start Nate Bumstead in the opener and follow with Brad Burrow in the nightcap. Saturday's Game 3 starter will likely be Ryan Davis. Who starts the fourth game is still anybody's guess.

"Our bullpen is going to really have come through," Jim Walker said.

Diamond Notes

Former Twin Falls standout Sean Bernhard, who is redshirting at CSI this season, was named the official statistician for the Golden Eagles. ... Former Golden Eagle Jarrod King listed on the Spartans roster. He hit .139 for CSI last season. ... CNCC coach George Fortunato is also the director of the Criminal Justice Department and Police Academy at the school.

Eagle Eye

College of Southern Idaho Baseball Statistics

Individual Stats:
Through Feb. 27

Hitting statistics		Sorted by batting average: minimum 10 at bats	
Player	AB	H	HR
Kirkland	32	13	4
Colone	36	14	3
Welker	28	10	3
Conner	23	7	3
Barnes	20	6	3
Ri, Johnson	14	4	2
Myers	32	8	2
Hurd	24	6	2
Fuss	18	4	2
Wolfgram	27	4	2
McNell	13	2	2
Gunning	35	5	1
Totals	329	87	24
Opp.	307	77	21

Pitching Statistics		Sorted by ERA: minimum 3 innings pitched	
Player	WL	ERA	IP
Miller	0-0	0.00	3.0
Bumstead	2-1	1.59	17.0
Henshaw	0-0	3.00	3.0
Smendley	0-1	3.00	3.0
Burrow	2-1	4.50	16.0
Powell	0-1	6.75	8.0
Conway	0-0	6.75	4.0
Davis	2-1	9.35	17.1

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Today vs. CNCC, 1 p.m. (2)	Saturday vs. CNCC, noon (2)
3/8: vs. UVSC, 1 p.m. (2)	3/9: vs. UVSC, noon (2)



Devers returns to indoor nationals

Idaho's Dragila pulls out, citing flu, injury

NEW YORK (AP) — The USA Track & Field Indoor Championships are back in a city that was their primary home for more than a century.

And Gail Devers is back in the Indoor Championships. After sitting it out the last two years, Devers will run in the 60 meters in the national meet, at the Armory Track & Field Center today and Saturday.

She's a two-time Olympic champion in the 100 (1992, 1996) and a three-time world champion in the 100 hurdles ('93, '95, '99).

How's that for versatility? After a hiatus from sprinting, Devers is returning to the flat races this season to prepare for hurdling.

"I jumped back into the 60 (dash) this year so I could work on my speed for the hurdles. I've been concentrating on the hurdles only," she said. "Then I'll have to figure out how to negotiate my hurdles with my speed. I haven't been doing that the past few years, and I believe my hurdles have suffered."



Gail Devers, right, shown with hurdler Felix Sanchez, will run in the 60 meters at the USA Track & Field Indoor Championships today and Saturday.

It's a tough transition between the two disciplines. When she sprinted at the Millrose Games on Feb. 1, finishing second to Chandra Sturup of Bahamas in the 60, Devers said, "My body was looking for a hurdle that wasn't there."

Devers isn't in ideal shape for these championships — she's had the flu since Sunday. Olympic pole vault champion Stacy Dragila withdrew from the meet Wednesday, citing the flu and a lingering left foot injury.

Olympic champions Maurice Greene and Marion Jones, who haven't competed at all indoors in 2002, also are sidelined. Jones will beat the Armory, however, working as a reporter and announcer for ESPN, which is airing the championships Sunday.

The meet is returning to New York after shifting to Atlanta from 1994-01. The world's oldest indoor track championships were first staged in New York in 1888, when the events included "kicking football for accuracy."

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SPORTS

Teams enter free agency in cap trouble

The Associated Press

The NFL free-agent period that starts today could be a strange one.

With the notable exception of expansion Houston, many teams have had to release players to get under the \$71.1 million salary cap. And with many of the league's best players signed to long-term deals, there will be relatively few prime players available.

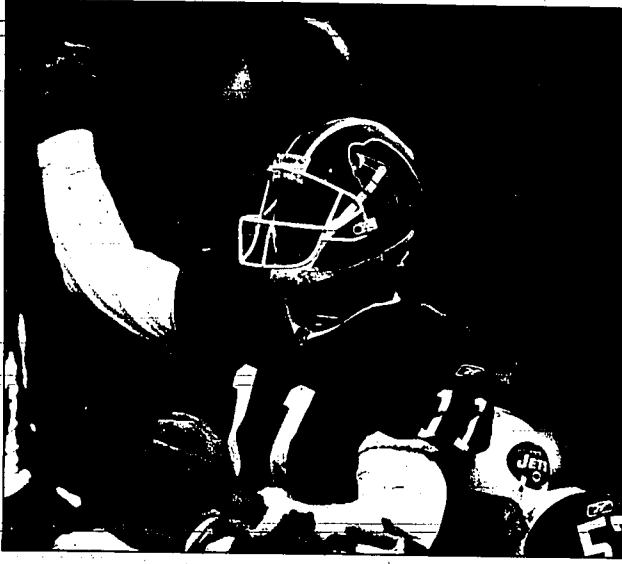
Some of the best, in fact, may be players released for cap reasons in the past week or so. "The trend at the beginning of free agency was to let your players go, then tell them to come back to you. But players didn't come back and teams lost them," says Charley Casserly, general manager of the Houston Texans, who have approximately \$30 million in cap room.

"Now it's come full circle. Teams will pay their own players to keep them and sometimes overpay them. That's why we have so many teams in the salary cap position they're in."

Marquee players either have been released, gone to Houston in the expansion draft, or had their salaries significantly slashed. One is Denver-running back Terrell Davis, who was MVP of the 1998 Super Bowl and then the league MVP the next season when he ran for 2,008 yards.

But because of injuries, he has played in just 17 games since and reluctantly redid his contract. Two examples of the current NFL are the Baltimore Ravens and New York Giants, who 13 months ago played in the Super Bowl. The Ravens have essentially dismantled the defense that carried them to the title. The Giants have lost four starters from that team and could lose a couple of others to free agency.

"As a coach, I'm concerned about the kind of players we're losing," said coach Jim Fassel of New York. "On Thursday cut five-time Pro Bowl linebacker Jessie Armstead among others. You're kind of shooting in the dark because you don't know what you can replace them with." The Ravens' linebacker Jamie Sharper and premier kicker



New York's forces Bills quarterback Rob Johnson to fumble Oct. 7, 2001. Johnson was released by the Bills Thursday, proving too expensive, inconsistent and injury-prone for the team to afford one more season.

returner Jermaine Lewis go to Houston in the expansion draft, then released safety Rod Woodson, tight end Shannon Sharpe, defensive end Rob Burnett and wide receiver Qadry Ismail among others. Defensive tackle Tio Siragusa retired and cornerback Duane Starches will become a free agent on Friday.

The first few days may not be busy — they coincide with the draft scouting combine in Indianapolis, which draws almost everyone involved in free agency — general managers, coaches, agents.

"Free agency typically is a bunch of rumors, a bunch of misinformation and then I just heard player X signed with Dallas for X amount million dollars." Then you find out that isn't

true," Tampa Bay general manager Rich McKay said Thursday. "This time you are inside of the RCA Dome, not in front of a computer, where there is actually information you can look up."

Most of the best available free agents are like Starches — good, but not the kind of impact player who can turn around a team.

One player who could elicit interest is quarterback Rob Johnson, released Thursday by the Buffalo Bills, who had hoped when they signed him that he would be their long-term quarter-

back offensive lineman Olin Kreutz of Chicago; Ron Stone of the Giants and Florin Adams of Dallas, and defensive backs Brian Kelly of Tampa Bay and Shaun Williams of the Giants.

More attractive to teams that think of themselves as contenders (and who doesn't these days?) could be veterans like Armstead, Sharpe or Woodson.

The NFL and the players association have agreed to count only \$450,000 (the veteran minimum) of the salary of a newly signed veteran against the cap. That will allow teams to pay veterans more without taking a cap hit as long as almost all the money is in salary.

The signing bonus must be \$25,000 or less to qualify for salary cap relief.

NFLPA tries to help combine draw prospects

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Bill Polian has done everything to motivate players at the NFL scouting combine to work out.

He's sent letters to reassure them. He's made personal appeals. He's even used testimonials. Every year, though, Polian, the Indianapolis Colts president, is disappointed by the same thing: many players show up and choose not to run, lift or jump.

This year, Polian and the NFL have added a new partner in the effort to change that trend — Gene Upshaw and the NFL Players Association. Upshaw, a Hall of Fame player and the NFLPA executive director, sent a letter to agents explaining that workouts can help their clients' stock and asked them to encourage clients to participate.

But will anybody listen when workouts begin Friday?

"No, I don't think so," Polian said. "I've tried over the years any number of different ways to ask players to work out, and there are always some who don't."

Those numbers seem to increase each year, although no statistics are kept. Usually the players' choice comes down to the advice he gets from his agent.

One of them, Leigh Steinberg, believes Upshaw's letter could change the counseling top prospects receive.

"This is your certifying body for agents and unless an agent has certification from the union, it's impossible to represent individual players," Steinberg said. "You have to keep in mind that what's voluntary in 2002 may become mandatory tomorrow."

In the past, players and agents such as Steinberg have cited minor injuries, an unfamiliar environment, the sequence of the tests, travel and a lack of sleep as reasons for not taking tests. Many

of the top agents run their own camps to get players in shape for the combine and hold private workouts for projected high draft picks.

Upshaw addressed those concerns by writing that NFL teams will use an athlete's "best workout" numbers to evaluate him.

To Steinberg, who has represented many of the NFL's top players during the past 27 years, the letter was a surprise.

"This is the first time I've seen a union-management partnership in trying to encourage participation in the combine for the draft," Steinberg said. "I think we'll see part of that this year and over time, we'll see a ripple effect."

Steinberg declined to say what advice he would give his clients this year.

Through the years, though, Polian said the NFL has attempted to adjust to players' concerns. The league now runs the weightlifting tests and sprints 36

hours apart so players do not produce slower than normal times. They've tried different running surfaces, to ease concerns about what is often called the RCA Dome's "slow" track, and each year, about 50 injured players return to Indianapolis in April for another medical check in what is dubbed "Indy 2."

Polian has even asked his own stars — like Peyton Manning, Edgerrin James, and Marvin Harrison — to lend credibility to what he believes are inaccuracies about the combine.

"I've sent letters from Peyton, Edgerrin and Marvin saying this is a fast track and then the agents just throw it in the waste basket," Polian said. "I'm always amazed how it goes from being a fast track during the season to a slow track at the combine."

Upshaw adds the example of former Marshall Faulk, who ran for 1,000 yards in four of his five seasons at the RCA Dome before being traded to St. Louis.

Madden

Continued from D1. Fox, but the network agreed to scrap that deal after Madden rejected a three-year, \$15 million extension and asked permission to talk to ABC, an industry source told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

Madden and ABC then hammered out a contract worth about \$5 million per season, another source said, also on condition of anonymity. It all happened in about six hours Wednesday.

"This is something that came very quickly. I'm numb, but even through the numbness I realize how lucky I am," Madden said. "Every broadcaster would love an opportunity to be part of Monday Night Football."

He'll also work for ESPN, appearing on NFL studio shows possibly "SportsCenter."

While with Fox and CBS, Madden was one of dozens of NFL announcers working each Sunday, and viewers didn't necessarily get his game in their

NFL color analyst it's ever had, along with the sort of buzz that Miller's hiring only initially generated and that "Monday Night Football" really hasn't held since the days of Cosell, Meredith and Gifford.

Mirroring a general TV trend, the show's ratings declined seven straight years, including a 9 percent drop this season to a new low of 11.5 (each rating point represents a little more than 1.05 million TV homes). Fox's NFL games averaged 10.2, down 4 percent from last season, while CBS stayed at 9.5.

"I don't want to put too much pressure on John — he's been with us all of 20 minutes now but," ABC Sports president Howard Katz said, "yeah, I expect the ratings to go up."

Madden "has a tremendous knowledge of football and of television," Michaels said. "I can't imagine the blending not working almost perfectly from the first telecast."

Madden's ABC debut will be at the Aug. 5 Hall of Fame pre-season game between the Giants and Texans. ABC will air the 2003 Super Bowl, Madden's ninth as a broadcaster.

Madden said Thursday that Sumner's departure from Fox and the network didn't renew his contract — played a role in his own move.

"I was going to be working with a new partner, anyway, and to have the opportunity to work with Al Michaels — you just can't beat that," Madden said.

Fox outbid other networks in 1994 to lure Madden and Summerall, thereby lending legitimacy to its new status as a sports broadcaster. So why let him go now? In part, Fox didn't want to keep an unhappy Madden for a year, then have to start its search for a new top announcing pair afresh in 2003.

Plus, Fox's parent, Rupert Murdoch's News Corp., took a \$909 million write-off this month on its NFL major league baseball and NASCAR contracts. Saving something by letting Madden go can't hurt.

Unlike Miller, Madden comes by his football bona fides honest-

ly. He coached the Oakland Raiders to the 1977 Super Bowl championship and his .750 regular season winning percentage is the highest in NFL history.

ABC has tried to get the NFL, CBS and Fox to agree to flexible scheduling to avoid poor late-season matchups. While the generally accepted theory is that viewers tune in to watch teams and not announcers, Madden could be an exception.

"When you have a lopsided game, someone like Madden can help keep the audience tuned in longer," said Paul Schulman, of media buying company Advansures PHD. "His personality, his knowledge of the game and his sense of humor is such that he can find something in a game that other color men might not see."

That, perhaps, is why Madden's \$5 million salary at ABC was surpassed by only 11 NFL players last season.

Fox is expected to make lead baseball announcer Joe Buck its new top play-by-play NFL broadcaster. He could be paired with former Bengals wide receiver Cris Collinsworth, who has been on Fox's NFL pregame show.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Pair found dead in former champ's car

BALTIMORE — An employee of former heavyweight champion Hasim Rahman and an unidentified woman were found dead Thursday with gunshot wounds to the head in a car registered to the boxer, police said.



Hasim Rahman

The man and woman were not immediately identified. Broward County investigators don't believe Rahman was involved in the shootings, and Sgt. Kevin Daniels, a police spokesman, said authorities "have no known suspects or motives."

Rahman held a brief news conference at which he said the man was an employee who was working with him to open a clothing store in Baltimore. He did not give the man's identity.

The employee had been using the car to make daily stock runs between Baltimore, Upper Marlboro and Virginia, and often used the car at night, Rahman said.

Mario Lemieux could miss rest of season

PITTSBURGH — Pittsburgh Penguins star Mario Lemieux is expected to miss the rest of the season because of the painful hip injury that has bothered him since training camp.



Mario Lemieux

Lemieux was advised Thursday by team physicians to undergo a period of rest and rehabilitation for the problem, which bothered Lemieux even as he helped Team Canada win the Olympic gold medal Sunday.

Recent tests and evaluation revealed chronic tendinitis in one of Lemieux's hip flexor muscles, as well as inflammation of the hip capsule. As a result, Lemieux was told that playing again this season would lead to further damage.

"While I'm disappointed I can't be in the lineup, I am satisfied that I have identified the problem with my hip," Lemieux said Thursday. Lemieux played Wednesday night in the Penguins' 5-4 loss to Los Angeles, getting two assists. He also lost a goal in the game's final minute when it was determined the puck was kicked in off a skate.

While talking to reporters Tuesday, Lemieux said doctors had been unable to pinpoint the cause of the pain.

NFL considering Thursday night start to season

NEW YORK — The NFL is considering breaking with tradition by starting the 2002 season on a Thursday night.

A league source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Thursday that a tentative schedule for next season includes an opener on Thursday, Sept. 5 at Giants Stadium between the New York Giants and San Francisco 49ers. It would be televised by ESPN.

The NFL source emphasized, however, that the schedule is not final — it's not likely to be released for two or three weeks at the earliest. It is not unusual for dates and matchups to be rumored before the schedule is released and then changed.

"If played, the game would be the first weekday opener for the NFL."

Messier expected to have shoulder surgery

NEW YORK — New York Rangers captain Mark Messier is scheduled to have shoulder surgery today, and could be sidelined for at least a month.

The surgery is pending a last-minute meeting Thursday evening between Messier, Rangers general manager Glen Sather, team surgeon Dr. Andrew Feldman and one of the developers of a high-intensity ultrasound machine Messier used in Toronto two weeks ago.

In the past week, the 41-year-old captain has been mulling surgery on his aching left shoulder. He finally decided Thursday morning to have the operation after talking with the team's medical staff, coaches and Sather.



Mark Messier

Judge OKs removing PSINet name from stadium

NEW YORK — A federal bankruptcy judge approved a deal Thursday to allow financially strapped Internet company PSINet Inc. to remove its name from the Baltimore Ravens' stadium.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Robert Gerber approved an agreement reached between PSINet and the Ravens to terminate a 20-year, \$105 million contract that gave PSINet the right to name the stadium, according to Robert Christmas, an attorney who represents PSINet.

The agreement also terminated \$76 million in sponsorship and luxury suite contracts PSINet, of Ashburn, Va., filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in May.

The deal came a day after the Houston Astros dropped the name "Enron Field" from their ballpark, severing the embarrassing connection to the bankrupt energy giant. The baseball team agreed to pay Enron \$2.1 million to buy back the naming rights.

Tyson to apply for license in Michigan

DETROIT — Mike Tyson is applying to have his Michigan boxing license reinstated in a possible attempt to fight heavyweight champion Lennox Lewis in Detroit.

Jerome P. Barney, chairman and chief financial officer of Detroit-based All World International Network LLC, said Thursday that Tyson's application was expected to be delivered Friday to the state Athletic Board of Control.

Barney said he was confident he could win state approval and persuade Tyson and Lewis to hold a June fight in Detroit.

Barney said Detroit's long history of boxing and the presence of downtown casinos make it an ideal place to hold what he called "a fight of the new millennium."

Manning: Memorabilia dealer owes \$105,000

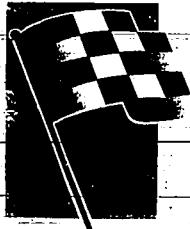
NEW YORK — Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning sued a Staten Island sports memorabilia dealer for fraud and breach of contract.

Manning, 25, said in court papers that Michael Bertolini and his Triumph Memorabilia & Promotions Inc. owe him \$105,000 for autographing 2,500 items, including footballs, helmets and jerseys.

Manning's agent, IMG, and Triumph contracted in July 2000 for Bertolini to pay Manning \$112,500 to sign the items. Manning said he's been paid only \$7,500, according to court papers.

The lawsuit, filed Wednesday in Manhattan's State Supreme Court, asks the court to direct Bertolini to pay the \$105,000 balance. Bertolini an accounting of Triumph's sales of the merchandise signed by Manning. Bertolini, reached Thursday at Triumph, said he had no comment.

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NASCAR NEWSWEEK

Roush Racing turns it around

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Coming off his worst season since 1996, Jack Roush is ready for his Winston Cup team to start winning again.

In 2001, drivers Jeff Burton and Mark Martin, both expected to be Winston Cup championship contenders, struggled just to be competitive. Burton came on strong and finished 10th in points, while Martin — never lower than eighth since 1988 — was 12th.

"We kept telling ourselves all last year, when one bad thing would happen after another, that we were a better race team than that," Roush said.

Roush's two other drivers, Matt Kenseth and Kurt Busch, were 13th and 27th, respectively. For the year, the team won just two races, both by Burton, and had 18 top-5 finishes over the 36-race season — easily the worst showing for Roush's team since 1996.

Heading into Sunday's UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400 at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, it appears bleak times may be over for Roush and his drivers.

All four drivers are in the top 11 in Winston Cup points after the first two races. There's one win — by Kenseth last Sunday in Rockingham — and four top-10 finishes.

"This business ebbs and flows," Roush said. "We certainly got less for our effort last year than we've gotten in the past for the same effort."

"I hope we'll continue to have the good fortune for the first half of the year that we've had in these first two races."

The longtime team owner is quick to point out that many of the top competitors in Winston Cup have had bad starts to the season.

"This is going to be a long year, and to be able to have a good start, rather than the start we had last year, boy, it's going to let me sleep good this week," Roush said.

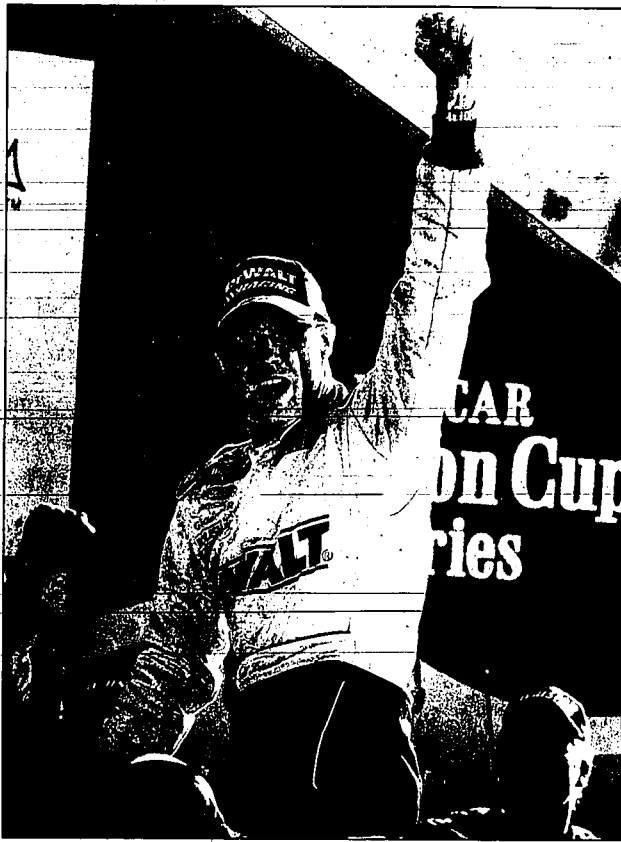
Not all of the contenders from other teams have struggled, though.

Going into Friday's practice and qualifying, Sterling Marlin leads the points after two top-10 finishes.

He is followed by Daytona 500 winner Ward Burton, Busch and defending series champion Jeff Gordon, who is also the defending race winner and the only other driver with two top-10s this year.

Burton is fifth in the points, with Kenseth ninth and Martin 11th.

"We knew last year, even with everything that kept happening to us — engines problems, stupid mistakes, getting into other people's wrecks — that we were a good race team," said Martin, who won the inaugural Las Vegas event in 1998 and is the only driver with four top-10 finishes in as



Driver Matt Kenseth celebrates in victory lane at North Carolina Speedway Sunday after he won the Subway 400.

UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400

Where: Las Vegas Motor Speedway
When: Sunday, 1 p.m. (FOX)

many races here.

"The thing is, racing is all about luck. No matter how hard you work, or how good you are, you still have to have some racing luck. Some years, it's with you. Some years, it isn't. We can only hope our luck stays good the rest of this year," Gordon, who hopes to win his

fifth championship this year, bounced back from two down seasons in 2001. He got a big boost with his victory in Las Vegas — a track that had not been good to him in previous years.

"We turned our whole program around here last year and went on to win the championship," said Gordon, who went on to win six races last season. "A lot of it had to do with the momentum that came off that event."

"To have struggled here in the past and win the race really pumped this team up for the remainder of the year," Gordon added.

Marlin, who finished third in the points last year, said he doesn't want to get too excited, yet, even though his Dodge has finished eighth and third in the first two races.

"If we kept doing that, we could damn sure win the championship. But it's a long season," Marlin said. "It's way, way too early to start talking about the championship, but we've got a good start out of the gate."

"We got close last year, but we had some bad luck along the way. We're going to keep working hard and try to stay focused and see what happens."

NASCAR drug rules don't draw much attention

By Dave Kallmann
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

MILWAUKEE — Ask three NASCAR drivers what the series' drug policy is and you'll get three different answers.

NASCAR is not the Olympics, where testing is a matter of course and the consequences of failure well-publicized. Nor is it one of the professional stick-and-ball sports, where second and third chances are a right negotiated by unions.

That's not to say NASCAR doesn't have a policy.

For a variety of reasons, the rules simply don't draw much attention, even from those whose lives could depend on them.

"I guess they can test you if they want to test," driver Sterling Marlin said last week in Daytona Beach, Fla. "Ain't got to worry about it."

Marlin's attitude reflects what

seems to be the prevailing opinion among competitors — Test me if you want; I'm clean — even if his handle on the subject is incomplete.

In applying for a NASCAR license each year, every owner, driver and crew member must submit to urinalysis as part of a physical examination. Also, each is required to sign a form giving NASCAR permission to order another test either based on suspicion or at random. A positive test can result in banishment.

Jim Hunter, vice president of the Daytona Beach, Fla.-based sanctioning body, would not divulge the number of tests NASCAR has done but said he was not aware of any positive results in the top divisions: Winston Cup Series, Busch Series or Craftsman Truck Series.

"It would seem to me to be preposterous for a guy to think that he could enhance his driving abil-

ity with some kind of drugs," Hunter said. "The guys who drive these race cars, they'll drink a beer as a social function, but as a general rule of thumb ... they just absolutely despise drugs."

In recent years, the few racers who have been caught with illegal drugs have found their problems in the legal system rather than with the sanctioning body.

In late 1997, occasional Winston Cup competitor Steve Seligman of Lake Forest, Ill., was sentenced to 27 years in prison for selling cocaine. Jamie Skinner, son of Winston Cup driver Mike Skinner and a part-time competitor in the Busch and Craftsman Truck Series, was charged in Randolph County, N.C., in late 2000 with possessing cocaine and other drugs with intent to deliver.

In mid-February, Winston West regular Sammy Potaschnick, who intended to race in the Busch

Series this year, was charged with possession of crack cocaine after a near-accident with a sheriff's deputy in Flagler County, Fla. NASCAR has suspended him.

The sanctioning body implemented its formal drug policy in the mid-'80s, according to Hunter. It may be no coincidence that around that time, the flamboyant lifestyle of driver Tim Richmond was raising questions among fellow competitors.

Richmond, who took some time off in 1987 while ill, passed the required testing and returned to win two more races but died in 1989 from complications of AIDS.

A handful of drivers interviewed on the topic point to three specific reasons why they think drug use is not as prevalent in racing as in other sports: the physical requirements of the sport, peer pressure and the nature of the business.

Your Turn

Letters From Our Readers

Dear NASCAR This Week,
Apparently some folks interpreted Sterling Marlin's comment on Jeff Gordon "stepping right into a top ride" as downplaying Jeff's ability as a driver and the effort it took him and his crew to turn into a winning team. That's preposterous. Sterling Marlin knows from next experience that figuring out what you need to have to go faster, and having the backing to implement those changes don't always go hand in hand. His point was that Jeff has been pretty fortunate in that regard.

Warren Sancken
Emington, Ill.

We appreciate the clarification and feel like Sterling would appreciate your remarks as well.

Dear NASCAR This Week,
I have a complaint to NASCAR officials about Sterling Marlin. Why is it that Sterling thinks the out of bounds rule doesn't apply to him? I think he should have been (punished) on both the driving below the yellow line and getting out of his car to pull his tender away from his tire while under the red flag during this year's Daytona 500. All he could say is Dale Earnhardt cleaned his window under the red flag. All I have to say is, "Sterling, take responsibility for your mistake and do what being one of NASCAR's greatest drivers into it." Dale Earnhardt had nothing to do with it.

Brian Conner
Carlsbad, Ind.

Dear NASCAR This Week,
Well, it's the start of another season of racing and as nice as that is, it's unfortunate that after the Daytona 500, it will also be another half-season of listening to the two blowharts of Darrell Waltrip and Larry McReynolds. I for one do not care to listen to commentators who seem to think they are the ones deciding it all. But wait a minute, I think I may turn on the TV, turn off the sound and turn on the radio to listen to the race. I think that's the only way I can stand it.

Wayman Reinhardt
Lincolnton, N.C.

Fan Tips

Driver #8, the story of Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s rookie season (2000), was written by the driver along with his publicist, Jade Gurs.

Published by Warner Books, it sells for \$23.95 and is widely available in bookstores.

It is a frank account of Junior's "down-home modesty, rock 'n' roll lifestyle and blinding intensity on the racetrack."

This book is more controversial than most self-penned racer stories. Its honesty is admirable, but beware: You might want to review the language before you buy it for the kids.

CREW OF THE WEEK

Robble Relsor's DeWalt crew won the NASCAR pit-crew competition last fall at Rockingham, and the team came back to the track to prove the victory was no fluke.

Matt Kenseth's crew performed flawlessly in the pits, giving Kenseth a huge boost en route to his first victory since May 2000.

Kenseth led 152 of 393 laps at a track where the management is critical to the performance of the car.

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Who's Hot... Who's Not

- HOT:** Sterling Marlin, despite some hard luck, leads in points.
- NOT:** Robert Yates Racing teammates Dale Jarrett and Ricky Rudd, 29th and 30th in points.

Trackside Trivia

- How many racers, in all forms of motorsports, have been killed at Daytona International Speedway since it opened in 1959?
- How many drivers have been killed in the Daytona 500?
- Who won the last Grand National (now Winston Cup) held at Greenville-Pickens (S.C.) Speedway?

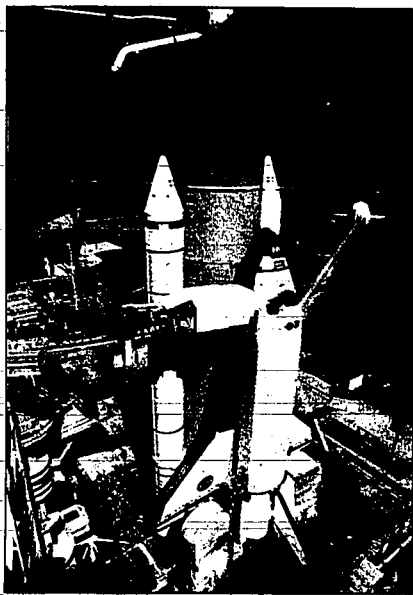
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The shuttle Columbia sits on the launch pad Wednesday in Florida.

NASA aims to launch Hubble mission today

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—With near-freezing temperatures no longer a concern, NASA aimed for a predawn-launch-today-of space shuttle Columbia on a mission to rejuvenate the Hubble Space Telescope.

A rare cold snap had prompted a one-day delay.

As it turns out, NASA would have been within its safety limits for launching Columbia Thursday—barely. It was 38 degrees as predicted at sunrise, but the combination of humidity and wind bringing in warmer air made the cold acceptable, NASA spokesman George Diller said. "We were as low as we could have gone. Why push that margin if you don't have to?"

A relatively balmy 55 degrees was expected for today's attempt. NASA's coldest launch-time temperature for a space shuttle was on Jan. 28, 1986, when Challenger took off in 36 degrees after freezing temperatures overnight. O-ring seals in the right solid-fuel booster rocket deteriorated because of the cold and hot gases leaked from the joint, resulting in an explosion that killed all seven astronauts on board.

As for last-minute concern about improperly manufactured wheel bearings in Columbia's main landing gear, engineers deemed them

acceptable after two days of analysis. The steel rollings in all eight bearings were tempered at a temperature lower than desired, but are still considered strong enough to support a 200-mph shuttle touchdown.

Columbia, fresh from a 2.5-year overhaul, is loaded with new scientific power and steering parts for Hubble.

Spacewalking astronauts will go out a record-tying five times to install all the equipment on the 12-year-old telescope: stronger solar wings, more robust power-control unit, more reliable steering mechanism, a refrigeration system to resuscitate a disabled infrared camera and a camera to increase Hubble's capability for discovery by 10 times.

NASA considers this the most complicated Hubble servicing mission yet because of the heavy workload and a pair of unprecedented spacewalking jobs. Neither the power-control unit nor infrared camera repairs were meant to be tackled in orbit.

Hubble program manager Preston Burch said the extra day gave everyone time to "tidy up things here and there," even though "they didn't really need it." "We are so well prepared for this," he said.

Court rejects verdicts in N.Y. torture case

NEW YORK (AP)—A federal appeals court overturned the convictions of three white police officers in the Abner Louima torture case Thursday, finding insufficient evidence they obstructed justice.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Manhattan reversed the conviction of Charles Schwarz, 36, who was accused of taking part in one of the worst police brutality cases in U.S. history. The three-judge panel, which was unanimous, returned the case to a lower court for a possible retrial.

The appeals court also overturned convictions against Schwarz, Thomas Wisese, 37, and Thomas Bruder, 34, on charges that they helped cover up the crime.

The ruling did not affect the guilty plea of the main attacker, former Officer Justin Volpe, who is serving 30 years in prison after admitting he sodomized

Louima with a broken broomstick in a police station bathroom.

Prosecutors said a handcuffed Louima was pinned down and brutally assaulted following his arrest in a melee outside a Brooklyn nightclub Aug. 9, 1997. Charges against Louima were later dropped.

Louima suffered a ruptured bladder and colon in the attack and spent two months in the hospital. The attack caused the Justice Department to study whether the New York Police Department fosters brutality through lax discipline of wayward officers.

The appeals court said Schwarz's convictions for civil rights violations must be thrown out and a new trial ordered because he was denied effective assistance of counsel and because the jury was exposed to prejudicial information during deliberations.

Class enjoys two-headed salmon

SILVERDALE, Wash. (AP)—For Terry Donison's science class, the two-headed salmon was an oddity that everyone expected would be temporary. But a month later, the fish, dubbed Sam and Ella, is alive and swimming.

"It appears to be very healthy and very active," said Donison, whose classroom at Ridge-top Junior High School is home to Sam and Ella's tank.

About a month ago, shortly after several eggs hatched in the

tank, Donison discovered a baby salmon with two heads. The oddity became the focus of her class and an extra point of study. But the prognosis was grim: Two-headed animals born in nature usually die soon after birth.

Shortly after Donison's salmon were born, the fish settled into the gravel at the bottom of the tank. This week, as Donison was moving rocks at the bottom of the tank, she was shocked to find Sam and Ella alive.

Mobster's son pleads guilty after FBI taps into his computer

NEWARK, N.J. (AP)—The son of Philadelphia's former mob boss pleaded guilty to bookmaking charges Thursday in a landmark case in which FBI agents tapped into his computer with a surveillance system that has national-security uses.

Nicodemo Scarfo Jr., 36, relented after losing court battles to suppress the gambling records that the FBI secretly obtained from his computer through the "key-logger" system.

The case attracted attention from privacy

advocates, who said the system could be used to spy on computer users.

Scarfo faces about three years in prison at his sentencing June 10.

As part of the deal, the government dropped a loan-sharking charge, letting Scarfo plead to running a sports book operation.

Agents broke into Scarfo's office in Belleville and installed the system on his computer. The system unlocked encrypted files and let FBI agents record keystrokes, yielding a record of the entire gambling and loanshark-

ing operation.

Scarfo maintained the government needed to disclose all of the details of the system to determine whether the bugging was illegal. He got some relief in the fall, when authorities were forced by a federal judge to release an unclassified summary of the key-logger system.

The judge did not require full disclosure, after authorities claimed that would "jeopardize both ongoing and future criminal and national security operations."

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Sales results
Here are county-by-county results for Dec. 1 through Dec. 31. Total sales include both taxable and nontaxable.

County	Total Sales	Taxable Sales
Blaine	\$44,471,705	\$27,174,253
Camas	\$738,165	\$316,965
Cessia	\$35,696,200	\$11,693,620
Gooding	\$9,140,530	\$2,497,288
Jerome	\$27,105,060	\$13,388,748
Lincoln	\$1,510,468	\$1,271,527
Minidoka	\$21,389,698	\$8,049,299
Twin Falls	\$126,355,542	\$38,833,810
TOTAL	\$266.41 million	\$98.63 million

These exclude sales by some businesses that have locations in more than one county. If those companies each file just one sales tax return, they aren't included in county-by-county numbers. Also excluded from county totals are sales by businesses headquartered outside of Idaho.

Source: Idaho State Tax Commission

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Intimate Brands says profits rose in Q4

TWIN FALLS - Ohio-based Intimate Brands - which has a Bath & Body Works store in Twin Falls and will open a Victoria's Secret store here this year - on Thursday said comparable-store sales for the fourth quarter were flat, but profits rose.

"Inventory discipline across the brands, coupled with an outstanding holiday performance at Victoria's Secret, led to a 33 percent increase in fourth-quarter earnings per share at Intimate Brands Inc.," said Leslie H. Wexner, chairman and chief executive, in a statement.

Net sales for the quarter were \$1.936 billion, compared to \$1.938 billion a year earlier. Excluding sales from the extra week in the fourth quarter last year, the sales increase was the comparable-13-week period last year was 4 percent.

Earnings per share were 61 cents for the quarter, up from adjusted earnings per share of 46 cents last year. Operating income was \$501.6 million, up 30 percent from adjusted operating income of \$387.3 million last year. Net income was \$299.9 million, an increase of 32 percent from adjusted net income of \$227.5 million last year.

These adjusted results exclude a fourth quarter 2000 charge of \$9.9 million, or 1 cent per share, to close Bath & Body Works' nine stores in the United Kingdom.

Intimate Brands said earnings per share were 80 cents for the year, down 9 percent from adjusted earnings per share of 88 cents last year. Net income was \$393.2 million, a decrease of 10 percent from adjusted net income of \$438.4 million last year.

Cheese maker Suprema Specialties closes sites

BLACKFOOT - The downward spiral of Suprema Specialties Inc. continued this week, with production at its four facilities ceasing after a losing day in court.

A Bankruptcy court judge in Manhattan ruled against the New Jersey-based cheese maker's bid to use cash as collateral, which "puts us out of business," said Douglas Hopkins, who was named CEO of Suprema this week.

Suprema was petitioning Judge Cornelius Blackshear to return about \$2 million that was seized from its accounts after Suprema defaulted on \$130 million in loans, according to news reports.

"Right now we're trying to negotiate a budget for an orderly wind-down," he said.

The production staff at Suprema's four facilities - in Blackfoot, Paterson, N.J.; Manteca, Calif.; and Ogdensburg, N.Y. - were sent home. About 270 people are employed by Suprema.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Burger King aims to roll out new products

Restaurant chain hopes new ads fend off five-year slide

Knight Ridder News Service

MIAMI - Burger King wants you back. The chain is hoping a 20 percent drop in visits since 1996, the Miami-based fast food operator is pulling out all the stops starting next week in a campaign to reverse the decline.

"This is a rallying cry for the system," said Burger King chief executive John Dasburg, who has been working to refashion

Burger King Corp. since he was named to the job a year ago.

The chain includes several Magic Valley restaurants. Now all of the changes Dasburg has set in motion are about to be unveiled to the franchisees.

They include:
• New television ads featuring Los Angeles Lakers center Shaquille O'Neal.

"The whopper is my favorite sandwich," says the 315-pound O'Neal.

• Rollout of several major new products this spring, including a Chicken Whopper that is the first extension of the Whopper name ever.

• An initiative to recruit new

franchisees for the first time in five years.

• Installation of a new \$10,000 kitchen cabinet system at all 8,300 restaurants in the United States.

• A loyalty program in which customers earn points to be spent at an online auction site run by e-Bay.

• A new ad slogan, "You Got It."

• Strategic marketing partnerships with AOL-Time Warner, Dreamworks, Universal Studios and others.

• New employee aprons and in-store promotional banners.

Of all the improvements, Dasburg and chief marketing

officer Chris Clouser said menu changes are the ones they have spent the most effort on. They said research showed that Burger King suffered from a lack of variety in its menu compared to other fast food operators.

"Where we spent most of our time is what food do you offer and how do you get it served right every day?" Clouser said.

The most important new product debuts April 1, when the Chicken Whopper, and a Chicken Whopper Jr. arrives in stores to replace the BK Broiler. The Whopper name is considered one of Burger King's crown jewels, and it has high hopes for the new sandwich.

Also new will be a BK Veggie

sandwich, to be rolled out March 18. It will compete with Boca Burgers and other such fare that is becoming more mainstream, Clouser said.

A third sandwich called a Back Porch Grill will debut June 3, offering a smokehouse flavor and a heart-healthy bun. Suggested prices are \$3.99 for the Chicken Whopper, \$2.59 for Chicken Whopper Jr. and \$1.99 for the BK Veggie. The Back Porch Grill has not been priced.

Burger King is trying to build traffic at its restaurants after a five-year slide. Per-store monthly visits peaked in 1996 at about 25,000 and have fallen to about 20,000 this year, Dasburg said.

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Modernizing the matron

Betty Crocker coupon program updates itself

The Associated Press

GOLDEN VALLEY, Minn. - After helping generations of homemakers collect sets of traditional flatware and dishes, the Betty Crocker catalog is taking a slightly different tack: selling trendy kitchen ware.

So along with Oneida knives and forks and English Rose tea sets, consumers leafing through the catalog are now finding silicone spatulas that withstand high heat and stainless steel ball-pit whisks, some of the most popular new kitchen gadgets on the market. They're also finding well-known kitchen brands including Oxo and KitchenAid.

The changes are part of an attempt by General Mills - which has grain elevators in the Magic Valley - to boost declining participation in the Betty Crocker Catalog Points program by making it more appealing to younger consumers.

The catalog's target audience is women between the ages of 24 and 49, but the company says 60 percent of its customers, who clip coupons from General Mills products and redeem them for discounts on merchandise in the catalog, are at the high end of that age range or older.

"As we introduce new products, they are geared toward the younger end of that spectrum, but still have great appeal to people 45-plus," said Lincoln Davis, who leads the company's direct marketing.

The catalog also has a new "What is it?" explainer for Betty, who had a makeover herself in 1996. For example, Betty tells consumers that with the whisk, the extra weight of the balls makes the wires more independent, creating more mixing action that reaches the bowl's edge.

The changes are putting the program back on the growth track, Davis said.

The coupon program dates back to 1931, when General Mills began tucking an offer for a free trial unit into bags of Gold Medal Flour and boxes of Wheaties, thinking it would be a good way to boost sales.

The response was so great, the company said, that by the next year General Mills was offering an entire set of flatware that could be purchased piece-by-piece with coupons plus a few cents.

The coupons were moved to the outside of packages in 1937, and by the 1940s, housewives around the country were cutting them out and mailing them in with a little



Lincoln Davis, who is in charge of direct marketing for General Mills, shows some of the new items that can be purchased with Betty Crocker coupons early last month, at the General Mills headquarters in Golden Valley, Minn. The coupon program now in its seventh decade is among the longest-running loyalty programs in the country.

Points program

Some facts about the Betty Crocker Catalog Points program:

- Started in 1931 with a single Wm. Rogers & Son silver-plated teaspoon (Friendship pattern) offered in bags of Gold Medal flour and Wheaties cereal boxes; expanded in 1932 to offer entire set of flatware.
- More than 12 million orders placed since inception.
- Oneida Silversmiths assumed flatware production in 1936, taking over from Wm. Rogers & Son.
- More than 150 million Oneida spoons sold.
- Largest seller of Oneida Community flatware and Fiesta dinnerware.
- No flatware offered from 1942 to 1946, when metals were needed for war effort.

spoon to \$229.95 plus 350 points (\$385.95 without points) for a 16-piece set of Denby Harlequin dinnerware.

Few customers use the cash-only option because the prices are generally higher than what retail stores routinely charge, Davis said. Customers who use the cash-and-points plan pay up to 25 percent less than a particular item might run at retail, he said.

To reach busier consumers who don't want to bother with clipping coupons, the company also has added a discount housewares catalog that's separate from the points program. That catalog carries some higher end items such as Cuisinart food processors, KitchenAid mixers and hand-painted Toscana ceramics from Italy.

But a savvy shopper often can find some items featured in either catalog for less money at discount chains such as Tuesday Morning and T.J. Maxx.

One way General Mills sweetens its offerings is by arranging exclusive rights to many items, including flatware patterns created by Oneida for General Mills, which is the largest distributor of Oneida Community stainless steel flatware in the country.

Up to 2.4 million customers receive at least one of the catalogs annually, Davis said. About 11.5 percent of sales volume now comes from Internet orders, which include a grace period of 90 days before customers need to send their coupons and money.

the money to build sets of flatware.

It was a 10-cent silver-plated teaspoon that attracted, Martha Reuben, 73, to Betty Crocker coupons when she was a newlywed more than 50 years ago.

She wanted more. So Reuben, of Dayton, Ohio, started cutting out the coupons and redeeming them.

"I can remember, I just couldn't stand it until it would come. I would run to the mailbox hoping my spoon or my fork or my knife would be there," Reuben said.

With the support of customers like Reuben, who went on to buy multiple sets of flatware for her three children and baby dishes

and silverware for her grandchildren, the Betty Crocker Catalog Points program became one of the longest-running loyalty programs in the country.

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customers looking for bargains in the recession. The company stocked up quickly on goods in demand, helping to boost sales and profit as many other retailers had their worst holiday season in about six years, analysts said.

The company has about 687 T.J. Maxx, 582 Marshalls, 112 HomeGoods and 45 A.J. Wright stores in the United States. It also has 131 Winners and seven HomeSense stores in Canada, and 101 T.K. Maxx stores in Europe.

Back in the black

Nursing home operator comes out of bankruptcy leaner

Knight Ridder News Service

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - Sun Healthcare Group, the parent of a Twin Falls care center, was expected to emerge this week from more than two years operating under bankruptcy court protection.

SunBridge Care & Rehabilitation for Twin Falls, a member of Sun Healthcare, is a 135-bed facility that provides skilled nursing and rehabilitation therapy services.

The nursing home operator will be a smaller but still considerable company, with its headquarters in Albuquerque. Its officers estimate Sun Healthcare could reach \$2 billion this year.

And while jobs were lost and creditors and investors burned, bankruptcy expert Peter A. Chapman gives Sun fairly high marks for its performance, especially compared to the now-extinct Furr's Supermarket Inc.

"When Sun filed for bankruptcy, Sun had a real business at its core," Chapman said. "When Furr's filed for bankruptcy, it did not have a real business at its core. That's the difference."

Chapman owns Bankruptcy Creditors' Service Inc. of Trenton, N.J.

Furr's shut down last year, costing 5,000 people their jobs. It paid two executives \$1.5 million in bonuses for selling the company's assets for \$84 million at the same time workers charged they were owed severance pay.

In contrast, three Sun executives will be able to keep an estimated \$420,000 in success bonuses, according to the company's reorganization plan. Sun still employs 400 people at its Albuquerque headquarters, down from 600 before it filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in October 1999.

Sun's founder and former chairman, Andrew L. Turner, left the company in 2000, leaving behind bonuses and other compensation that could have totaled \$2.5 million in return for an agreement allowing him to work elsewhere in the health care industry.

Nationally, Sun shed more than 100 nursing homes, plus

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T.J. Maxx parent's profits rise in Q4

Knight Ridder News Service

FRAMINGHAM, Mass. - TJX Cos. said fiscal fourth-quarter profit rose 15 percent as the owner of T.J. Maxx and Marshalls stores sold more clothing and home furnishings and managed inventories better.

Net income in the quarter ended Jan. 26 rose to \$155.3 million, or 56 cents a share, from \$135.2 million, or 48 cents, in the year-earlier period, said the company, which is preparing to

open a T.J. Maxx store in north Twin Falls this year. Sales rose 12 percent to \$2.1 billion from \$2.75 billion. Sales at stores open at least a year rose 6 percent.

"On a consolidated basis, worldwide, we expect a 12 percent increase in sales for the year," said Sherry Lang, vice president of investor and public relations.

TJX, which sells brand-name clothing, jewelry and home goods at lower prices than department stores, attracted

Clear Channel loses \$1.14B

Knight Ridder News Service

SAN ANTONIO - With assurances of a better future, radio and entertainment giant Clear Channel Communications Inc. posted record losses for 2001, blaming them on the recession's weak advertising environment.

The San Antonio-based company with several Twin Falls radio stations reported a net loss of \$1.14 billion on revenue of \$7.97 billion for the year. That compares to a 2000 profit of \$248.8 million on \$5.35 billion in revenue.

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

In the fourth quarter, which ended Dec. 31, the company's net loss was \$365.6 million on revenue of \$1.86 billion. The loss for the comparable quarter in 2000 was \$192 million on revenue of \$2.02 billion.

After-tax cash flow, an indication of performance, was \$303 million in the fourth quarter and \$1.54 billion for all of 2001.

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Qwest delays deadline for choosing ISP

DENVER (AP) — A deadline for Qwest net customers to choose another internet service provider is being delayed until late April before the company automatically transfers the remaining accounts to MSN, officials said.

Qwest Communications is quieting its residential Internet access business as part of a three-year agreement announced last year with Microsoft. Under the agreement, Qwest is to market only MSN Internet access and in return, Microsoft will buy capacity on Qwest's network.

The original deadline was the end of 2001. The company also said it is waiving all fees for customers changing from MSN to another ISP in Qwest's 14 local service states, which include Idaho.

"Our priority is to put a safety net around our customers who are being required to go through the process of selecting an ISP so the experience is easy," said Steve Starliner, vice president of Qwest's consumer product management. He also said customers will be shifted to MSN only when there is assurance that the customers will not lose Internet service.

Economy grew at 1.4 percent rate during the fourth quarter

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy, propelled by the biggest surge in consumer spending on big-ticket goods in 11 months, grew at an annual rate of 1.4 percent in the final quarter of 2001, the government reported Thursday.

The bigger-than-expected increase in the gross domestic product, the broadest measure of the economy's health, could mean that economists will date the end of the recession around the end of last year or the beginning of this year.

"I think the reality is that we just finished the mildest recession that we've ever had, but we may have something of a mild recovery as well," said Carl Tanenbaum, chief economist at LaSalle Bank/ABN AMRO.

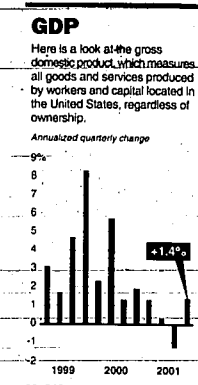
The revised reading on fourth-quarter GDP as reported by the Commerce Department is much stronger than the 0.2 percent growth rate estimated by the government a month ago.

Many economists were forecasting a revised 0.9 percent rate of advance in the GDP, which measures the total output of goods and services produced within the United States.

The 1.4 percent growth rate marked the economy's strongest performance in a year and came after the economy shrank at a 1.3 percent rate in the third quarter.

The latest reading on GDP comes one day after Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told Congress the country is recovering from the recession that began in March. Though the recession may turn out to be one of the mildest, Americans shouldn't anticipate a robust rebound, he cautioned.

That's because consumers, the lifeblood of the economy, kept buying throughout the slump, so they will have less pent-up demand, meaning that prices probably won't rise as quickly as in past booms.



Report decries capping employer stock in 401(k) plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — One in five people with a 401(k) retirement plan has more than 20 percent of the assets invested in his employer's stock, says a new Treasury Department report opposing limits on such investments.

There could be big administrative problems and a potential disruption of the stock market if Congress imposed a cap on how much company stock workers could have in their accounts, the report released Thursday.

California and Jon Corzine of New Jersey would limit to 20 percent the amount of any one stock a worker could have in a retirement account.

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Some Democrats in Congress have proposed limiting employees' holdings of company stock. A bill by Sens. Barbara Boxer of California and Jon Corzine of New Jersey would limit to 20 percent the amount of any one stock a worker could have in a retirement account.

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Burger King

One result is that Burger King's market share among fast food hamburger restaurant lags its competitors.

1,247 franchisees want to boost sales 23 percent by Dec. 31, 2004.

To do so, they have recruited 100 new franchisees. He will appear in ads starting this month and scheduled for heavy exposure in the NCAA college basketball tournament. Clouser said Burger King will step up its media buy in March and April from "medium" to "heavy."

Burger King also plans cross-marketing with AOL. Time Warner. Examples range from a Burger King-only access area on AOL for certain new music titles, to ads for AOL service on Burger King tray liners to product placement on Time Warner movies.

Burger King is already working on similar synergies in movies by promoting its products, such as the Sony Pictures title Men in Black 2.

In the movie, actors Tommy Lee Jones and Will Smith reprise their roles as galactic Secret Service types who must save the earth from space creatures in disguise.

"Aliens are stopping at Burger King in the movie. I can assure you," Daburg said.

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Clear

There are some indications already that there is pressure on advertising inventory, Kupinski said. That means that available advertising spaces and airtime fill up, the prices Clear Channel can charge on its radio and television stations and billboards will begin to creep up.

Radio revenues for the company year-to-year increased 42 percent to \$3.46 billion, but declined 8 percent when compared to what combined revenue of Clear Channel and AMFM would have been for all of 2000.

Sun

Continued from E1. operations in Europe and Australia and subsidiaries in a variety of health care businesses.

Unlike Enron, which is also in bankruptcy court, Sun HealthCare group never halted its employees to purchasing a company stock for their 401(K) retirement plans, said Deborah Hileman, corporate communications vice president.

Two other major operators - Manor Care and Beverly Enterprises - avoided Chapter 11 and have fared well in the stock market, Mains said. 'I don't know if the industry will be the growth vehicle it is in the mid-'90s,' he said.

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Matros was CEO of California-based Resound Health Services Inc. before Sun bought the company in 1997.

Assisting Matros is new Sun chief financial officer Wallace E. Boston.

Matros once employed about 80,000 people worldwide. It now employs about 38,000 people and operates about 25 nursing homes and other facilities in 27 states.

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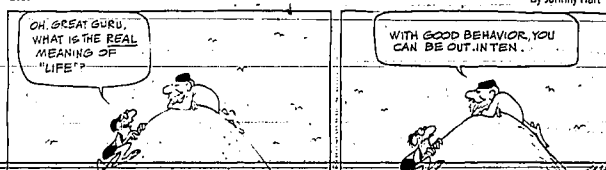
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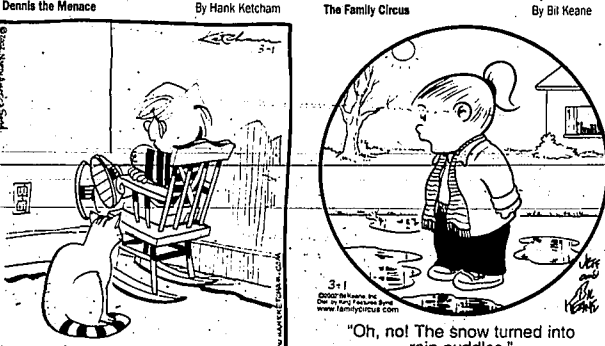


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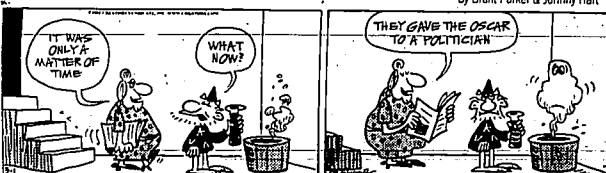
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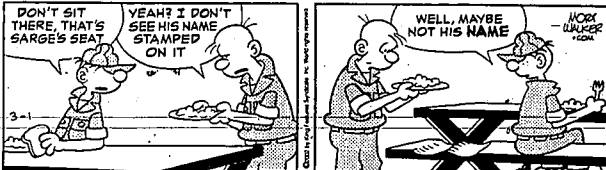
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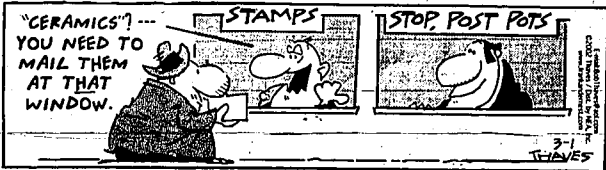
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RESOLUTION NO. 2002-2 A RESOLUTION SETTING ZONING APPLICATION FEES

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of Twin Falls County have the authority to set the zoning permit fees under the authority of Idaho Code; and WHEREAS, it is necessary to the zoning permit fees is required to offset the costs of the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Department to process zoning requests; and WHEREAS, the adoption of Ordinance No. 159 establishes guidelines and procedures for appeals of any AFO permitting decision from the Zoning Administrator, or any decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission including but not limited to an Annual Feeing Operation, variance, or special use permits;

- The following fees for a zoning application are as follows:
 - Levelock Confinement Operation(LCO)-Animal Feeding Operation 100 animal units to 999 animal units...\$45.00
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 - Register Existing (Unregistered Grandfathered) Animal Feeding Operation...\$25.00
 - All Planning and Zoning Appeal Transcripts...\$25.00
 - Deposits...\$325 per page
- All previous resolutions regarding zoning fees, conflicting with the above fees are hereby repealed. DATED this 26th day of February, 2002.

PUBLISH: March 1, 2002

INVITATION TO BID

ALL sealed Bids will be received and opened on March 12, 2002 AT 2:00 P.M., at the Idaho Transportation Department, Purchasing Section located at 3311 West State Street, Boise, ID. Bidders and other interested parties are invited to be present at the bid opening. This is to furnish (equipment) and all materials for REPAIRING AND REPLACING RIGHT OF WAY FENCING, as directed in the designated areas, as per the specifications contained in requisition number D-141580.

The Idaho Transportation Department reserves the right to reject all bids or to accept the bid deemed best for the State of Idaho. Dated this 20th day of February, 2002. ROBERT L. OWENBY, PURCHASING AGENT, IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT.

HERSHEL C. KERNER

HERSHEL C. KERNER, Husband and Wife, and BOO/JACK DAIRY INC., Plaintiffs.

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DOROTHY PRESNELL

DOROTHY PRESNELL has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of ROBERT L. OWENBY, in the Matter of the Estates of ROBERT L. OWENBY and MARY PEARL OWENBY, husband and wife.

PUBLISH: February 22, 2002

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: MARY PEARL OWENBY, Plaintiff, versus ROBERT L. OWENBY, Defendant.

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with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court. DATED this 12th day of February, 2002. CLERK OF THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF IDAHO: JERRY D. DEWITT, Deputy.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEROME

Case No. CV-01-00521 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION SUNSHINE HEALTHCARE CORPORATION, a New Mexico corporation, d/b/a SUN BRIDGE CARE & REHABILITATION FOR TWIN FALLS, Plaintiff,

ESTATE OF FLORENCE LOINE KOELLING, a/k/a LOINE KOELLING

Defendants. The name of the estate of FLORENCE LOINE KOELLING, a/k/a LOINE KOELLING, Plaintiff, and RICHARD KOELLING, Defendant.

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PUBLISH: March 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2002

LEGAL NOTICE

Changes to the Idaho Rules of Certification for crop year 2002 are ready and available for review in the office of Idaho Crop Improvement Association, Inc. during regular business hours.

business hours. Mr. Gregory H. Lowry Executive Vice President:

PUBLISH: February 22, March 1 and 8, 2002

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LOST in Jerome, 1 mile N of Golf Course on 500 S.

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ROUTE 543

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RUPERT ROUTE 480
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ROUTE 824
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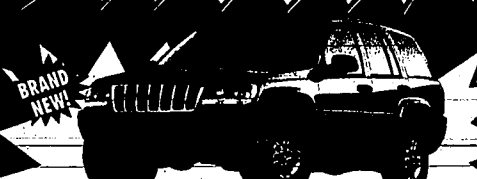
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