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# County eyes cell phone fees

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Cellular phone users could soon see a new \$1 monthly fee on their phone bills. Twin Falls County Commissioners Bill Brockman, Gary Grindstaff and Marvin Hempleman Wednesday approved a resolution that would add the new fee. Money from user fees would help fund the Southern Idaho Regional

## \$1 charge would help fund 911 center

Communications Center, the regional 911 center serving Twin Falls, Jerome, Lincoln and Gooding counties. Jerome County commissioners have already signed a similar resolution, and Lincoln and Gooding County commissioners are also looking at resolutions. After all the resolutions are

passed, the next step is to sign contracts with cellular phone service providers. "SIRCOMM receives 45 percent of its calls from cell phones now," said Brockman, chairman of SIRCOMM's joint powers board. The SIRCOMM board recently learned the center is just squeaking financially and it's facing a

\$2.2 million payment on a loan in August 2005. SIRCOMM has received a \$1 user fee from land lines in its service area since it first opened in 1996. But land lines are increasingly being traded for cellular phones, Brockman said. Cell phone customers already pay two user fees each month. They're charged 52 cents a month.  
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# Idaho BLM chief resigns

## Tenure of Clinton appointee draws variety of reactions

The Times-News and The Associated Press

**BOISE** - The state director for the Bureau of Land Management said Wednesday she would resign rather than accept a transfer to the National Park Service in New York.

"After considering the position, I've decided to leave government service in search of other opportunities and adventures," Martha Hahn said in a statement. The BLM manages 11.8 million acres in Idaho. Hahn, who has been state director for the past seven years, leaves Friday. She has been in government service for 21 years.

"It often seems like everyone has a different point of view," Hahn said. "But I've learned that we all basically want the same thing - healthy and attractive lands that contribute to our economy and nourish our spirit."

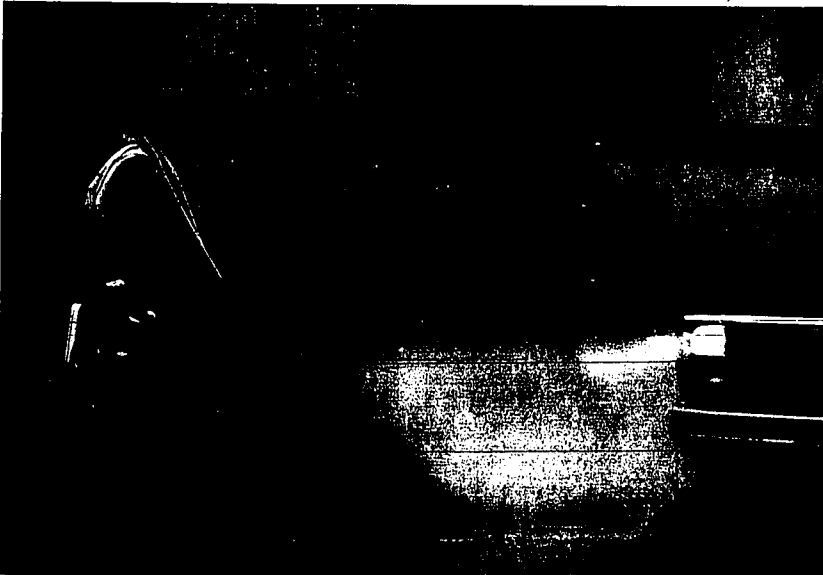
In Cassia County, a number of public land users said they have been pleased with the BLM during Hahn's tenure. On a local level, BLM has been working well with stakeholders, said Dale Pierce, a Cassia County rancher who has long been involved with public land issues.

The BLM has been fair and unbiased in listening to all parties involved in public lands decisions, said Paul Marchant, a rancher and president of the Cassia County public lands board. Though he does not agree with all the decisions made by the BLM, he thinks the organization has stood up to pressure from groups such as the Idaho Conservation League and the Western Watersheds Project.

Few local land users had contact with Hahn. "Hahn's leadership emphasized on-the-ground resource management," said Barry Rose, BLM spokesman. Some thought Hahn was not involved enough in Idaho, but she thought issues should be handled at the local level, said Rose.

"Some saw it as a sign of weakness; some saw it as a sign of inaccessibility. She saw it as putting the decisions back where they should have been all along," he said.  
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## WET TRAVELER



Makoto Kobayashi had a wet welcome as it was to Twin Falls on Wednesday, but the traffic on Blue Lakes Boulevard dousing him with water as he walked from the bus station to his hotel added to his grief. Kobayashi traveled from Japan to visit friends he made here while attending the College of Southern Idaho about eight years ago. Expect more rain today and tonight, then gradual clearing with highs in the upper 40s by the weekend.

# Panel trims scope of rim protection zone

## Two years of work still awaits hearings, official action

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - A proposal to protect the northern rim of the Snake River Canyon from development in Jerome County has been trimmed to a smaller preservation area.

### Protecting the rim

**Key definitions in the proposed Jerome County canyon rim protection plan:**  
**Setback** - 100 feet from the canyon rim.  
**Preservation zone** - 300 feet from the canyon rim, including the 100-foot setback.

**Canyon rim** - the highest brink of the canyon which consists of a slope which exceeds 30 degrees for a distance of more than 50 feet.

**Canyon** - a geological structure consisting of a deep gorge with various banks and plateaus that resemble a staircase, with the layers of harder rock forming cliffs and the layers of softer rock forming gentler slopes.

define the canyon rim and how wide to set the preservation zone were the tough issues finally decided.

County Planning and Zoning Administrator Art Brown said it boiled down to limiting restrictions on private property as much as possible while accomplishing Jerome County's comprehensive plan, which calls for protecting the uniqueness of the canyon area.

The seven committee members  
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Building within 100 feet of the canyon rim still would be prohibited under the plan.

Members of a citizens committee Wednesday finished two years worth of work. How to

# Reinforcements pour in as troops gain upper hand

Combined wire reports

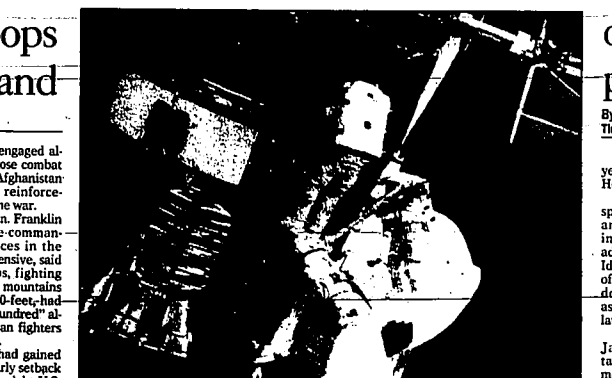
U.S. forces and their Afghan allies engaged al-Qaida and Taliban fighters in fierce close combat in the hills and mountains of eastern Afghanistan Wednesday as both sides poured in reinforcements for the largest ground battle of the war.

**A report from the field - A4, The soldiers who died - A5**

Hagenbeck said the United States had gained the upper hand in the battle after an early setback and initial round of casualties in which eight U.S. troops were killed. "Several hundreds of al-Qaida and Taliban terrorists are no longer with us. We truly have the momentum at this point," he said. "We believe that among the dead are some of the higher-ranking leaders."

The United States has brought in an additional 200 to 300 troops, boosting its ground presence to  
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## OUT OF THIS WORLD



Richard Linnehan, standing on the robotic arm at left, and John Grunsfeld install a new power unit in the Hubble Space Telescope Wednesday. The old power box had a loose screw that caused it to malfunction on and off. But putting in a new unit amounted to the riskiest repair job ever attempted on Hubble: The unit was never meant to be replaced. And once NASA turned off Hubble, there was no guarantee it could get the telescope working again. The telescope surged back to life after the four-hour operation.

# Livestock odor measure passes House

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** - Legislation tightening up last year's first-time-ever odor law passed the House Wednesday 37-32.

The new legislation defines the specifics of excessive agricultural odor and its areas of impact. It also addresses how the Idaho Department of Agriculture will document and assign penalties to violators of the odor law.

At the governor's suggestion in January, Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer, tacked on an emergency clause. That means if the bill passes the Senate, as soon as the governor puts his signature on it, the bill will be enforced. Usually laws don't go into effect until July 1.

All Magic Valley representatives approved it with the exception of Rep. Tim Ridinger, R-Shoshone, and Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Oakley. Those who argued against the bill were:  
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# FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

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### IDAHO

Idaho Extremes  
Yesterday:  
High 62°  
Parma  
Low 17°  
Ketchum

Missoula 28/14  
Bozeman 30/22  
Portland 32/20  
Seattle 32/16  
Denver 32/16  
Salt Lake City 32/16  
Twin Falls 30/22

### ALMANAC

Twin Falls through 8 p.m. yesterday  
Temperature  
High/Low 52°/32°  
Normal high/low 47°/27°  
High/Low for 2002 58°/27°  
Record high 67° in 1988  
Record low 10° in 1978

24 hours ending 8 p.m. yest. 0.19°  
Month to date 0.19°  
Normal month to date 0.24°  
Water year to date (Oct. 1) 0.40°  
Normal year to date (Oct. 1) 0.53°

Humidity  
Yesterday at noon 60%  
Barometric Pressure  
Yesterday at 8 p.m. 29.87 in

Pollen yesterday in Twin Falls  
Grass Absent Wolds Low  
Trees Absent Mold Absent

Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

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### FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
A few rain and snow showers.	A couple of snow showers, cold.	Windy and cold with morning showers.	Partly sunny.	Some sun; a shower possible late.	Cloudy to partly sunny.
▲ 40°	▼ 26°	▲ 36° ▼ 20°	▲ 42° ▼ 24°	▲ 48° ▼ 30°	▲ 48° ▼ 28°

### SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today 7:04 a.m.  
Sunset tonight 6:34 p.m.  
Moonrise today 12:32 a.m.  
Moonset tonight 11:32 p.m.

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### CANADIAN CITIES

City	Today	Hi	Lo	W	Fri	Hi	Lo	W
Calgary	48	52	41	70	58	61	70	W
Edmonton	48	52	41	70	58	61	70	W
Regina	3	6	3	3	3	3	3	W
Saskatoon	4	7	4	4	4	4	4	W
Toronto	20	28	18	47	45	45	45	W
Vancouver	34	38	28	38	32	32	32	W
Winnipeg	3	1	5	5	5	5	5	W

### REGIONAL WEATHER

**Southern Idaho:** Mostly cloudy, windy and turning colder today with some rain and snow; snow levels will lower to 2,500 feet in the west and 4,000 feet in the east. Highs 24-44; A few snow showers tonight.

**Bole:** Mostly cloudy, windy and colder today with rain and snow showers. High 38. 24.

**Idaho:** Mostly cloudy and cold tonight with snow showers that may coat the ground. Low 24.

**Northern Nevada:** Mostly cloudy, windy and chillier today with a few rain and snow showers. Snow levels will range from 4,000-5,000 feet. Highs from the 30s in the mountains to the 40s in the valleys.

**Northern Utah:** Mostly cloudy, windy and turning colder today with rain and snow showers. Snow levels will lower to near 5,000 feet. Highs mostly in the 30s and the 40s.

**Northern Idaho:** Cold today with clouds and snow showers; a couple of fresh highs will accumulate across the mountains. Highs from near 20 in the mountains to 38 in the lowest valleys.

### UV INDEX TODAY

0-6  
7-10  
11-12  
13-14  
15-16  
17-18  
19-20

6 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m.

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

### WORLD CITIES

City	Today	Hi	Lo	W	Fri	Hi	Lo	W
Acapulco	82	82	81	70	70	70	70	W
Athens	72	77	61	78	78	78	78	W
Auckland	69	56	66	58	58	58	58	W
Bangkok	83	83	84	83	83	83	83	W
Beijing	56	36	62	43	43	43	43	W
Berlin	46	41	48	43	43	43	43	W
Buenos Aires	82	82	82	82	82	82	82	W
Cairo	88	81	90	63	63	63	63	W
Hong Kong	66	57	68	59	59	59	59	W
Jakarta	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	W
Johannesburg	81	61	67	57	57	57	57	W
London	55	41	53	47	47	47	47	W
Mexico City	77	44	61	66	66	66	66	W
Moscow	43	34	35	17	17	17	17	W
Paris	54	39	52	42	42	42	42	W
Rio de Janeiro	80	74	80	74	74	74	74	W
Rome	64	52	59	48	48	48	48	W
Sydney	42	28	50	38	38	38	38	W
Taipei	77	68	73	68	68	68	68	W
Tokyo	51	32	45	36	36	36	36	W
Warsaw	46	37	48	36	36	36	36	W
Zurich	51	40	50	41	41	41	41	W

### REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Hi	Lo	W	Fri	Hi	Lo	W
Bose	38	24	38	24	38	24	38	24
Bonanza Ferry	42	19	42	19	42	19	42	19
Burley	42	19	42	19	42	19	42	19
Coeur d'Alene	28	16	32	22	32	22	32	22
Elko	42	20	42	20	42	20	42	20
Eugene, OR	42	20	42	20	42	20	42	20
Hagerman	41	19	41	19	41	19	41	19
Hamlet	38	18	38	18	38	18	38	18
Kalispell, MT	16	8	22	10	22	10	22	10
Lewiston	38	26	38	26	38	26	38	26
Malden	42	21	42	21	42	21	42	21
Malta	4	1	11	0	11	0	11	0

City	Today	Hi	Lo	W	Fri	Hi	Lo	W
McCall	28	8	28	10	28	10	28	10
Massoula, MT	40	22	40	22	40	22	40	22
Postville, OR	42	20	42	20	42	20	42	20
Portland, OR	42	20	42	20	42	20	42	20
Richland, WA	40	25	40	25	40	25	40	25
Shimone	32	16	32	16	32	16	32	16
Salt Lake City, UT	48	28	48	28	48	28	48	28
Salt Lake, WA	38	28	42	34	42	34	42	34
Spokane, WA	38	16	38	16	38	16	38	16
Stanton	27	11	27	11	27	11	27	11
Sun Valley	36	10	36	10	36	10	36	10
Yellowstone, MT	26	8	26	8	26	8	26	8

### NATIONAL EXTREMES

Yesterday (for the 48 contiguous states)  
High 83° in Winkler, TX  
Low -15° in Plentywood, MT

### NATIONAL WEATHER

Shows near station positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are shown for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.

### NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Hi	Lo	W	Fri	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	42	50	42	54	54	54	54	W
Baltimore	66	44	67	48	48	48	48	W
Birmingham	60	48	60	48	48	48	48	W
Boston	60	48	60	48	48	48	48	W
Buffalo	60	48	60	48	48	48	48	W
Charlotte, NC	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Chicago	62	40	62	40	40	40	40	W
Cleveland	42	28	42	28	28	28	28	W
Denver	60	30	60	30	30	30	30	W
Des Moines	61	50	61	50	50	50	50	W
Detroit	42	32	42	32	32	32	32	W
El Paso	76	48	76	48	48	48	48	W
Fort Worth	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Houston	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Indianapolis	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Jacksonville	72	55	77	57	57	57	57	W
Kansas City	61	44	61	44	44	44	44	W
Las Vegas	64	43	64	43	43	43	43	W
Little Rock	71	53	71	53	53	53	53	W
Los Angeles	68	53	68	53	53	53	53	W
Memphis	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Minneapolis	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
New York	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Oakland	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Philadelphia	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Phoenix	72	55	77	57	57	57	57	W
Pittsburgh	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Raleigh	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Rapid City	43	12	43	12	12	12	12	W
San Diego	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
San Francisco	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Seattle	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W
Tucson	71	46	71	46	46	46	46	W
Washington, DC	68	50	72	55	55	55	55	W

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### Battle

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more than 1,000 troops in the 60-square-mile area south of the eastern Afghan city of Gardez where U.S. forces are attacking al-Qaida positions. The United States also added 12 additional Apache helicopter gunships to the battle on the heels of five Marine Cobra attack helicopters that were brought in on Tuesday.

Hagenbeck, speaking to reporters from the U.S. base in Bagram, about 35 miles north of Kabul, said two Apaches were hit by rocket-propelled grenades, one "right in the nose cone."

Even after that and after one Apache was hit by small arms fire, he said, "they continued to re-fuel and get back in the fight, and they really made a difference for us."

At times the fighting on the ground was so close, with U.S. troops just 150 feet from al-Qaida positions, that close air support could not be used, he said.

After an initial assault Saturday was rebuffed, so aggressively by al-Qaida fighters that the Afghan troops were forced to retreat, coalition fighters said the momentum swung in their direction following heavy bombing Sunday.

U.S. servicemen involved in the fighting expressed surprise at the fierce response of the al-Qaida fighters.

Opposition forces also increased their numbers, Hagenbeck said. "The local fundamentalists have called a jihad against the Americans and their coalition partners, and they have been fueling, infiltrating fighters into this area," he said.

### Odor

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farmers and ranchers who rallied against more government regulation in a "right-to-farm" state.

But Jones, who said he is a third-generation farmer on the Salmon tract, argued that those in ag had better face up to the changing face of Idaho.

"There are going to have to be more regulations with a larger population," he said.

One argument against the bill was that odor problems come from food county planning and zoning ordinances. Rep. Wayne Kendall, R-Aberdeen, said all the laws in the world won't make strong ag odors go away. Only technology will, he said. He also contended that he believes the January promises of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne to Magic Valley residents about controlling the stench in the Filer area will not be fulfilled.

"I think the governor overstepped by promising to clear up the odors by next summer," he said. "The Department of Agriculture blames the odor problem on a lack of technology."

Jones acknowledged the legislators are not perfect. But he warned that redistricting will subtract the number of lawmakers from rural Idaho in the next legislative session, so it would be better to get some regulations in place now that the dairy industry has said it can live with.

"Remember, the dairies don't want to be regulated by DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality), but the public doesn't think the Department of Agriculture is being hard enough. There is even some sentiment on the Ag Committee toward that."

"If the industry and the gentleman on the second floor (the governor) can support this, it is better to vote for this now than to wait until there is less understanding."

The bill now goes to the Senate.

### Fees

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to the Federal Universal Service Fund, a federal telecommunications fund-and-And they're charged 8 cents a month which goes into the

### BLM

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"A fish out of water"

There were few local complaints about the conduct of the BLM in Idaho under Hahn, but politically she was a "fish out of water," said state Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Oakley.

Hahn was appointed during the Clinton administration and charged with carrying out the agenda of former Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt - policies that were unpopular in Idaho, Bedke said.

Though some of her decisions limiting grazing made her unpopular with ranching advocates, Hahn was not here for conservationists.

"I don't think the BLM has moved with lightning speed under Martha Hahn-to fix its problems, but they have made some honest evaluations," said Linn Kinnancan, central Idaho director of the Idaho Conservation League. Still, Kinnancan thinks the BLM will have several times more to political pressure to keep restrictions of grazing lands.

Some believe Hahn's unpopularity among Idaho conservative politicians led to her ouster.

The Public Employees for Environmental Restoration claimed U.S. Linn Larry Craig, R-Idaho, forced Hahn out because he didn't like her land management policies.

### Battle

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environmental health and some experience in timber, mining and oil exploration, said he discussed the job with members of Craig's staff "in an exploring whether or not that was even a viable proposal."

"I just hope the new director won't try to turn the clock back," said Kinnancan.

Jeff Buch, director of the Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility, said Hahn was notified in January by Deputy Interior Secretary Steven Giles that she was being transferred to the newly created job of executive director of the National Park Service New York Harbor operations.

Craig, whose former aide, Tom Fulton, is now the Interior Department's deputy assistant secretary for lands and mineral management, has been critical of BLM operations in Idaho. Most recently he took issue with the agency decision to restrict grazing on the high desert of Owyhee County.

"Martha Hahn's removal is part of an unfolding purge of principled professionals within the top ranks of Interior," Buch said. "The message is not subtle. Any federal manager in Idaho who displeases a cronny of Larry Craig risks a similar fate."

Others had expected to see Hahn go after Clinton left office.

"The word on the street was that she would move on once there was a new administration. It was somewhat expected - for good or for bad. I felt she was a good BLM director. At any rate, when I had any dealings with her, she was always helpful and well informed," said state Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly.

### Rim

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present didn't fully agree on setting the preservation zone at 300 feet from the canyon rim - the width eventually set at 200 feet. In its original size, the preservation zone's widest point would have extended two miles from the Perrine Bridge to Interstate 84.

Committee members Loren Bingham, Jim Turner, Kevin Roemer, Julie Thomas and Lowell Udy voted in favor of the 300-foot zone, although Udy said he thought it was 100 feet too short. Thomas, a member of the county Planning and Zoning Commission, struggled with her vote. She wanted a zone large enough to protect the canyon from encroachment by commercial development headed south from town but factored in limiting restrictions on private property rights.

Chuck Warren of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game voted against the 300-foot zone. It wasn't wide enough for the nests of wildlife, he said. Wendy Tegan abstained, saying she didn't feel prepared to decide whether 300 feet was adequate or not.

The committee also split on the definition of canyon rim. The prevailing choice described the rim as where the canyon sloped downward by more than 30 degrees for a distance of more than 50 feet. Committee members sought not to limit property owners from building homes in shallow plateaus that meet setback requirements.

The proposal now heads to the county commissioners, not for a deciding vote, but to determine whether the proposal addresses county goals. Brown said. Then the plan goes to the Zoning Commission. The commission will hold a public hearing before deciding whether to recommend it to county commissioners, who also will hold a public hearing before voting on the plan.

If the proposal is adopted, existing land uses could continue within the preservation zone, but future development within 100 feet of the canyon rim would be prohibited. Other building density and aesthetic guidelines would be required.

The planned preservation zone runs along all 35 miles of Jerome County's southern boundary.

The proposal is guided by Jerome County's comprehensive plan, which calls for preserving open space, recreational uses, migratory corridor for raptors, waterfowl and other wildlife, water quality and cultural and historical sites, unique geological features and scenic vistas.

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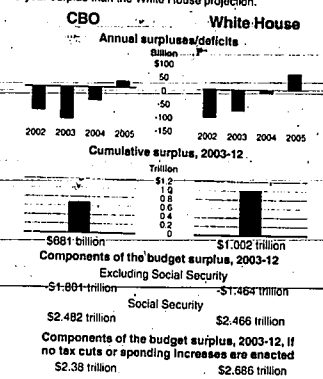
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# Analyst: Bush underestimates deficit

## Budget differences

The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) said on Wednesday that the Bush budget would leave a larger 2003 deficit and a smaller 10-year surplus than the White House projection.



WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's budget would dig a deeper deficit next year than the White House claims and tap \$1.8 trillion in Social Security surpluses for other programs over the next decade, Congress' top fiscal analyst said Wednesday.

Both political parties immediately drew the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office's report into their election-year fight over Bush's plans to cut taxes and boost spending for defense and domestic security.

Democrats said the analysis underlined the need to "restrain spending and tax cuts," while Republicans said it showed the budget's condition will improve as the recession fades.

Though the economy has shown signs of regaining strength, CBO Director Dan Crippen said Bush's budget would create a deficit next year of \$121 billion — \$41 billion worse than Bush has projected. The chief difference is that CBO believes the government will collect less revenue next year than the White House has forecast, Crippen said.

Bush's proposal — which Congress is only beginning to work on — would begin generating annual surpluses in 2005, yielding a total surplus of \$681 billion from 2003 through 2012, the report said. The figures assume the president's tax and spending plans become law.

That is in contrast to Bush's estimate of a \$1 trillion 10-year surplus. The major discrepancy is that CBO believes Medicare spending will be higher than the White House has estimated.

# Report: Prosecutors could have charged Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — A final report by Independent Counsel Robert Ray concluded Wednesday that prosecutors had ample evidence for criminal charges against President Clinton in the scandal-involving former White House intern Monica Lewinsky.

"President Clinton's offenses had a significant adverse impact on the community, substantially affecting the public's view of the integrity of our legal system," stated the report.

"The independent counsel's judgment that sufficient evidence existed to prosecute President Clinton was confirmed by President Clinton's admissions," the report stated. "President Clinton admitted he 'knowingly gave evasive and misleading answers'" about his sexual relationship with Ms. Lewinsky.

Former Clinton spokeswoman Jennifer Palmieri said, "It's not clear what the purpose of the report is other than to promote Robert Ray's Senate campaign, Monica Lewinsky's HBO special and the Paula Jones vs. Tonya Harding boxing match."

Ray acknowledges that he is considering seeking the nomination to challenge Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., but has not announced his candidacy, filed any paperwork or raised any money. He spoke last month at a Republican dinner in New Jersey.

A three-member panel of federal appeals court judges who appointed Ray and his predecessor, Kenneth Starr, to investigate the president and the first lady in 1994. The independent counsel's report on the perjury and obstruc-

tion probe involving Clinton and Lewinsky is to be followed soon by Ray's last report, on White-water. It involves the business partnership of Clinton and now-Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton with the owners of a failing Arkansas savings and loan in the 1980s.

Starr's investigation of possible perjury and obstruction by the president regarding his sexual relationship with Lewinsky led to the impeachment crisis that threatened Clinton's presidency and resulted in serious political damage to his second term in office.



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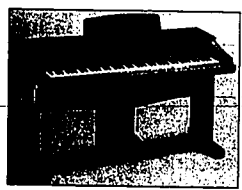
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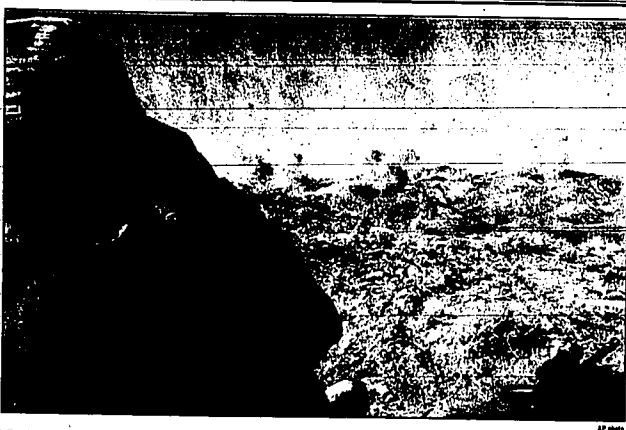


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Sgt. Stephen Waldon from Alpha Company of the 2nd Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division, watches as U.S. bombs drop on a ridge near Sirkankel, Afghanistan, on Monday.

# Al-Qaida fighters taunt U.S. forces – at a price

SIRKANKEL, Afghanistan (AP) – Capt. Kevin Butler couldn't believe his eyes. Just before the U.S. missiles would hit, al-Qaida fighters would duck into caves from their positions launching mortars at Butler's troops below.

### About this story

Associated Press Writer Jonathan Ewing spent five days about 30 miles south of Gardez in the battle zone of eastern Afghanistan with the 101st Airborne Division during Operation Anaconda. Here is his account of one confrontation.



Chaplain Capt. Mike Shelman helps comfort a soldier who was hit with shrapnel from a rocket-propelled grenade in Sirkankel, Afghanistan, Sunday.

When the F-15 Flight Eagles were gone, the enemy fighters would emerge – only to throw stones, wave and shout taunts at the Americans in a show of defiance. "I've never been so frustrated and angry," said Butler, 30, from Pattenburg, N.J. Frustration was coming easy to the U.S. troops of the 101st Airborne Division. They were facing a well-armed and well-entrenched foe. They'd had little sleep and were shivering in subfreezing temperatures that left many of their uniforms tinged with frost. The Americans were preparing to flush out enemy fighters on ridges overlooking their positions, their piece of action on the second day of the biggest joint offensive yet in the Afghan war.

The first sounds of incoming artillery and heavy machine-gun fire cut through the air. The mortar bursts came slowly at first, then intensified as al-Qaida fighters a few Taliban holdouts zeroed in on some 200 soldiers hidden in a deep stone riverbed that had dried up long ago.

The U.S. soldiers called headquarters to request airstrikes on the enemy in the caves. But the fighters were resilient.

"We were moving our command post to high ground," said Capt. Jeremy Gail, 25, from Marietta, Ohio. "When I looked out on the horizon I saw a flash of light and I saw a projectile coming and fall to the earth. It must have exploded no more than 30 yards away."

Butler requested another airstrike, watching through a scope. Again the enemy fighters disappeared into caves dug into the granite, snowcapped mountains at 9,000 feet. When the explosions ended, they emerged with wide grins, flailing their arms over their heads.

That's when Butler had enough. He sprinted forward, running uphill on the peak – a task made more difficult by the thin mountain air – and exposing himself to hostile fire so he could pinpoint his enemy.

Getting a read on their location, he raced 45 yards back to relay the coordinates to his radio man behind him. He needed six trips before he could make sure he'd gotten all the data he needed.

Now he was ready to put his own plan into action: His forces would launch 60 mm mortars just as the jets roared toward the caves – a risky proposition because it placed the planes in danger of being struck by friendly fire.

The jets roared ahead, and just like before, the enemy ducked into the caves, emerging for a third time to taunt the Americans.

But as they came out, the mortars detonated over their heads, spraying the al-Qaida fighters with shrapnel. Four of them died, said U.S. special operations soldiers who scaled the mountains and counted bodies.

"It was like a game of mortar pingpong," Butler said. "They might think twice before they try that move again."

# U.S. detects al-Qaida members communicating, planning attacks

WASHINGTON (AP) – U.S. intelligence has detected al-Qaida operatives communicating with one another in Pakistan with an eye toward regrouping for terrorist attacks against Western interests in Afghanistan and elsewhere, an American official said Wednesday.

These operatives, and some Taliban allies, are operating in small groups on the Pakistani side of the Pakistan-Afghan border, much like the "pockets" the U.S. is attacking the Gardez area, just across the border in Afghanistan.

They probably number in the hundreds, the official said, speaking in a condition of anonymity. Many fled the U.S. bombing but are showing signs of planning to regroup.

It's unclear who might be leading the effort, the official said. A number of senior al-Qaida and Taliban leaders, including Osama bin Laden and Mullah Omar, remain at large.

The New York Times, citing

unidentified government officials, reported on Wednesday that hints of al-Qaida's regrouping in Pakistan came from intercepted e-mails and other Internet traffic.

Attorney General John Ashcroft declined to discuss the e-mails during a news conference on Wednesday.

"I can just say that we use every tool and weapon in our arsenal to disrupt them and to learn about and prevent terrorist attacks and the activities of our enemies," he said.

Other officials were hesitant to divulge information about the sources of U.S. intelligence, fearing it could cause the al-Qaida to change their methods of communication.

"Every time we adopt or adapt some new ploy to identify them ... they attempt, as one would expect, to adapt their procedures," FBI Director Robert S. Mueller said last week.

Several Web sites purporting to have links to al-Qaida have sur-

facied in recent months, although they are usually quickly taken down by providers. It is unclear if operatives could use these sites to communicate.

Worldwide, U.S. officials have been working feverishly to get a fix on al-Qaida's surviving members and leaders since the war in Afghanistan. Many rank-and-file from the group have scattered, with some returning to their home countries throughout the Islamic world.

The activity in Pakistan doesn't yet appear to be a complete encircling of the group, officials said.

Cells remain active in the United States as well, Mueller said Wednesday before the House Appropriations subcommittee responsible for the Justice Department's budget.

"We believe that we are still targeted, that there are al-Qaida associates or individuals around the world and some in the United States that are intent on committing terrorist acts within the country," he said.

# U.S. presses case for Iraqi military moves

UNITED NATIONS (AP) – On the eve of the high-level talks between Iraq and the United Nations, the United States showed slides and video footage Wednesday purportedly showing that Iraq has converted trucks for military use in violation of U.N. sanctions.

Six senior U.S. State Department officials made the presentation to the Security Council committee monitoring sanctions imposed on Iraq after its 1990 invasion of Kuwait late Wednesday.

The committee met behind closed doors less than 24 hours before Iraq's Foreign Minister Naji Sabri was scheduled to open the first high-level talks in a year with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan on the implementation of resolutions dealing with sanctions, including the return of U.N. weapons inspectors.

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# Explosion kills five peacekeepers

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) – A Soviet-era anti-aircraft missile exploded Wednesday as international peacekeepers in the Afghan capital tried to defuse it. Two German and three Danish soldiers were killed and eight others were injured, officials said.

Brig. Gen. Carl Hubert von Butler, commander of German peacekeeping troops in Afghanistan, called the explosion a "tragic incident." Caring for the wounded, who were rushed to peacekeepers' medical facilities in Kabul, was the top priority, he said.

The soldiers were attempting to destroy two Russian-made SA-3 ground-to-air missiles with a controlled explosion at a munitions collection point about 3 miles from the German military's base in Kabul, said Gen. Harald Kujat, Germany's top military officer.

"Apparently, the explosion went off early," Kujat told a news conference in Berlin. "The soldiers were still in the area close to the two missiles."

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## EDITORIAL

# New redistricting plan has no room for error

If you thought members of the Legislature had a tough job this year, they've got nothing on the Idaho Commission for Reapportionment.

The six-person citizen panel, assigned to redraw Idaho's legislative districts, is headed into its second shift of overtime, after the Supreme Court mixed its latest redistricting plan. When the committee meets this Saturday, it will be the group's third effort in as many weeks.

Legislative candidates are staring at a filing deadline without benefit of district boundaries. So the pressure is rising to get reapportionment done right. Commission members should wisely follow court and state officials who are telling them how to get it done.

Idaho's Supreme Court rejected the commission's first plan last fall, saying the plan's 10.69 percent population differential between the most and least populated districts violated the 14th Amendment's Equal Protection Clause.

The committee's second proposal had an even greater population deviation of 11.79 percent. So it hired a lawyer to explain the rationale behind it. But again, it didn't pass court muster. The justices said the committee's reasoning for the deviation wasn't consistently applied in how it divided Bannock, Bingham and Power counties.

The urgency to finish the reapportionment plan has caught the attention of Idaho Attorney General Al Lance and Secretary of State Pete Cenarrusa. In a letter released

Wednesday, they urged commissioners to wind up reapportionment with a legal proposal by March 25.

If the commission members adopt a new legislative redistricting plan by this weekend, they can meet that deadline. But if they want it to be up to snuff for the state's high court, the commission is going to have to quit submitting proposals with population differences above 10 percent.

A few months back, those bigger differentials seemed justifiable. But now, with the clock running out and the court apparently immovable, the commission needs to abandon the idea.

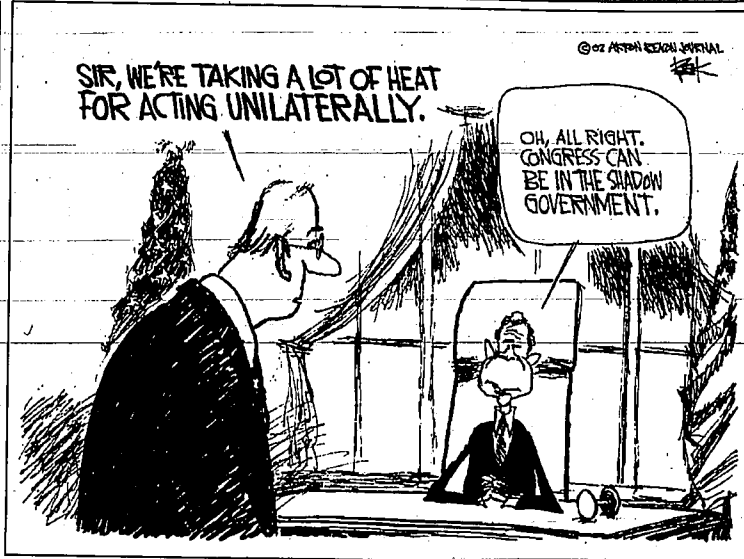
Equal protection is clearly the court's No. 1 priority, followed closely by avoiding split counties. The Supreme Court's last rejection gave that very guidance to the commissioners, who were just short of begging the court for a salomon.

In its findings, the court recognized that the commissioners were trying to maintain traditional communities of interest while avoiding oddly shaped districts.

Those are laudable statutory goals, but they are subordinate to the threshold standard ... (of the state Constitution), that counties may not be divided unnecessarily. That is the baseline for consideration within the state system - trumped only by the Constitutional need for equal protection.

If the commissioners want to avoid any further barriers - and they can't afford not to - they need to adopt a proposal that follows the court's instructions.

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# A short list of losers to leave behind

CLARENCE PAGE

It is both chilling and reassuring to hear that President Bush has been moving a "shadow government" of senior managers in and out of secret underground sites ever since Sept. 11.

It is reassuring to know that if, God forbid, the nation's capital gets creamed by a super-Big-Gulp-sized terrorist attack, the White House is taking steps to preserve the American way of life.

At the same time, it is chilling to think that, after years of wondering whether the sole survivors of a post-war world might be cockroaches, the only survivors actually might be federal bureaucrats.

The Bush administration has been deploying about 100 top officials from every executive branch department to live and work inside secret underground sites somewhere on the East Coast ever since the morning of the Sept. 11 hijackings, according to reports.

Key congressional leaders were not upset to hear that the president is doing this. They were upset that they weren't let in on it before reporters asked them about it.

I think the time has come for us to be asking a lot more questions. Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said on NBC's "Meet the Press." Right. Questions like, "Where's my bunk?"

I guess we should not be surprised that the White House would want to keep a lid on its secret cave schemes. After all, if you let the Congress and the Supreme Court in on the plan, pretty soon everybody wants to know what's going on. And here we thought Vice President Cheney was the only key official who constantly was getting whisked away to a "secure undisclosed location."

Depending on our level of alertness, preserving possible custodians of the American way of life in secure undis-

closed locations could become a trend.

Major news media, for example, might already be squirreling away a cave full of shadow grouchies of the right-wing and left-wing persuasions, so the nation's endless supply of punditry and pontification will not lose its ample wind. (I would volunteer, but I fear that someone would seal off the cave.)

On the culture side, who knows? The movie industry may already have a secret "Shadow Hollywood" somewhere up in the California mountains to make sure the nation's 14-year-old boys will not suffer a gap in the supply of new movies targeted to them.

Plus, the name "Shadow Hollywood" could be used to help fill the nation's hunger for restaurants with silly themes.

The NFL and NBA may already have shadow leagues warming up in a secure location in case of a terror attack or a prolonged labor dispute, whichever comes first.

Each of us has ideas as to who belongs at the top of the list of those we'd like to stick around and preserve the American way of life. It is even easier, after a glance at recent news, to think of who belongs on the bottom of the list.

Here are a few of my nominees for my Bottom-Feeding Losers List of those whose woebegone ways we least need to preserve:

Monica Lewinsky. After watching a few minutes of her HBO special, in which she chattered on and on about how she wishes everybody would just leave her alone, I was ready to help grant her wish. I turned off the television.

Paula Jones and Tonya Harding. Just when we thought we had enough of the

former sexual harassment plaintiff and the former figure-skating tabloid queen, Fox Television has booked them to punch each other out on "Celebrity Boxing," which airs March 13.

Jones agreed to step in after Amy Fisher, the ex-convict "Long Island Lolita" dropped out. That burst of good judgment grants Fisher a reprieve from my Losers List; at least for now. Maybe the dear girl is on her way to rehabilitation after all.

David Brock. Yes, after famously trashing Anita Hill and Bill Clinton as a reporter and author in the Vast Right-Wing Conspiracy, he's now renounced the right and his own writing to become a New York liberal who invites you to read about his fascinating life in his \$26 book. I hope it answers the big question: Why should anybody trust him now?

O.J. Simpson. In his latest incarnation, he is hosting hip-hop concerts around the country. In Cincinnati last weekend he defended rap music against its many critics, saying, "I know something about bad rap."

Right. I ask you, is this the man you want for a bunkmate in an undisclosed location?

Anonymous. I don't know who the unnamed lightweight ABC executive was who suggested to "The New York Times" that Ted Koppel's "Nightline," which the network suits are trying to replace with David Letterman, had "lost its relevance." But, whoever they were, they belong on my Losers List.

Yes, folks like these have helped make the American way of life what it is today. Too bad.

But there's always hope. We Americans are pretty good at learning from our mistakes.

Clarence Page writes for the Chicago Tribune.

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## Stand against Planned Parenthood

I have been following the articles in the newspaper within the last few months concerning the possibility of Planned Parenthood opening a second clinic in the area. If needs are not being met; Planned Parenthood is not the answer. I don't dispute that there are certain needs in the community (especially among those of lesser means) that need to be addressed. However, Planned Parenthood is not what it seems to be.

Its notion of "pro-family, pro-child, pro-life" is laughable. Considering that it is the leading abortion provider in the nation, performing as many abortions as it refers, then I would come to the conclusion that it is indeed pro-abortion. It has not presented anything to suggest it is not except mere words. Just because you say you are something doesn't make it so. Pro-family, pro-child, pro-life? Well numbers don't lie. The year 2000 was a

big year for Planned Parenthood, performing approximately 182,000-plus surgical abortions. Keep in mind that it refers as many as it performs - that is a lot of abortions and a lot of deaths. There are a lot of children missing right now that have been destroyed by Planned Parenthood's idea of a "pro-family, pro-child, pro-life."

Don't doubt that it will do its fair share of referrals from the Twin Falls clinic (should we permit it to open). It could be your daughters, your sisters, friends and family that may be faced with the decision between a life or death decision for their baby. Shouldn't we give them a little more time to think rather than have Planned Parenthood right here encouraging any woman who isn't sure to abort? We all have a voice; stand up and be counted.

LINDA YOUNGQUIST  
Twin Falls

## LETTERS

### Mindoka may mean lack of water

In Saturday's paper, a story by Nate Johnson regarding the renaming of the Mindoka Ranger District quoted Lalia Boone's "Idaho Place Names," saying the word Mindoka probably means "broad expanse" in Shoshone (or Shoshoni).

Mindoka's first use in Idaho was to name a railroad siding during the construction of the Oregon Short Line Railroad in 1884. Later, the name was used by a village that sprung up next to the siding, and later still given to the U.S. Reclamation Service's Mindoka Project which included the construction of a dam bearing the name and irrigation canals near the Rupert and Burley areas.

In 1991, while editor of The News Journal in Rupert, I became unsatisfied with Boone's statement that Mindoka "probably" meant "broad expanse" in

Shoshoni or Bannock. Did it or didn't it? And which Native American language was it?

I talked to a professor of Indian Studies at Idaho State University and two Native American teachers who taught Shoshoni and Bannock languages at the Sho-Ban High School on the Fort Hall Reservation. They all told me the same thing: Mindoka is not and does not sound like a Shoshoni or Bannock word.

Working on a hunch, I contacted Professor Carrie Shomer, a Dakotas Indian Language instructor at the University of Minnesota. The Dakotas is the language of the Sioux Indians whose tribal areas included the present-day states of Minnesota, and North and South Dakota.

"Mini means water in our language," Professor Shomer said me. "The mini sound in Minnesota is the same word." "Doka" sounds like the Dakotas word

'dokakum,' which means 'without any,' 'gone,' or 'not there,' Shomer said. "Mindoka or Mindokakum would mean 'a place of little or no water.'"

The description is appropriate if you imagine what that area of the Snake River Plain looked like when the Oregon Short Line was laid down 118 years ago. The siding must have been named by a railroad engineer or worker who had experience with the Sioux Indians or a Sioux working on the crew. We will probably never know which.

Incidentally, names of other railroad sidings in southern Idaho seem to be a smorgasbord of Native American names: Nappa, Wapi, Omani, Kimama, Owinka, Tikura, Picabo, Takab, Tunapa, Toponis and Ticska are just some examples. I wonder what they mean and what language they are from.

DOUGLAS JONES  
Rupert

## Doonesbury



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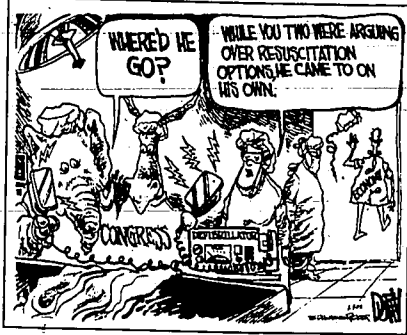
LETTER

**Dr. Telford served with a smile**  
 Thank you for your recent article on Dr. Virgil Telford. I am the director of the Southern Idaho Learning Center and first came to know Dr. Telford 10 years ago, when he was instrumental in helping to set up the center. He and other Scottish Rite Masons met together on several Saturdays and spent many hours identifying office space, collecting furniture, reviewing policies and procedures, etc. Subsequent to that, he served as a member of the volunteer Scottish Rite Management Team, meeting once a week for one to two hours to discuss children and make management decisions. And it didn't stop

there — when our garden tour needed someone to man the table, when the offices needed help repainting, when we needed getting ready for a garage sale, etc., he was there.  
 He also ran a small recycling center at the Masonic Lodge. He encouraged everyone to bring their old newspapers and aluminum cans to the lodge. When there was enough, he and a friend would drive the items to the recycling center. They donated the money they received back to the youth involved in Masonic activities and encouraged them to give it to a cause in the community, modeling community service.  
 All of these things, he did with a smile on his face and with

absolutely no need for recognition. In fact, he always brought his great sense of humor to every endeavor. He knew a story for every occasion and was good at telling it.  
 It is difficult to articulate the quiet, pleasant way that he gave of his time and energy. It was just his way of being — nothing out of the ordinary to him. But for those of us who were touched by his life, he was extraordinary. In

honor of what he stood for, the Southern Idaho Learning Center has set up a memorial scholarship in his name. We hope that in this way, he can continue "helping those kids" like he did so well throughout his life.  
**MELODY ALLEN LENKNER**  
 Twin Falls  
*(Lenkner's note: Melody Allen-Lenkner is the director of the Southern Idaho Learning Center in Twin Falls.)*



Middle class spending ushers out recession

**I**f this recession has now ended — as most economists, including Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan, apparently think — then there is a supreme irony in its passing. What has transfixed Americans these past few years has been the so-called New Economy, with its dazzling technologies, its visions of instant riches and its astronomical stock-market valuations. The excesses of the New Economy were the recession's underlying causes, which (to be sure) were compounded by Sept. 11. If the recession is over, the main engines of recovery will have been the workhorses of the Old Economy.

**ROBERT J. SAMUELSON**  
 phones increased, but at slowing rates. Cosmetics dropped 1 percent. Still, Sterne says, "this consumer recession was almost entirely a travel recession" — terrorism's aftershock. Luggage sales declined 2.1 percent; hotel and motel spending was down 12.7 percent.  
 Some commentators (including this one) feared worse: that consumers — worried by weak stocks, high debts and rising unemployment — would cut spending and deepen the recession. Their pullback would compound the drop in business — and especially high-tech — investment. There are many possible reasons that this didn't happen: American optimism (people simply kept spending); low mortgage rates (they stimulated construction and, through refinanced old loans, enriched homeowners); automakers' zero percent loans and other sales "incentives"; lower oil and electricity prices; tax cuts.

spending slowed. But the buying of the lower 80 percent prevented declines. Said Greenspan: "Moderate-income households have a much larger proportion of their assets in homes, and the continuing rise in the value of houses has provided greater support for their net worth."  
 Spending from the bottom, instead of the top, sustained the economy.  
 Some corroboration of Greenspan's thesis came last week. Target, the discount chain, announced that its last-quarter profits had risen 19 percent, meanwhile, the jeweler Tiffany said that its quarterly profits had declined 2 percent.  
 Of course, the recession could defy its obituaries. Dangers persist. The European and Japanese economies remain weak; the dollar's exchange rate remains strong. The combination bodes ill for exports. Many industries have surplus capacity. Commercial-real-estate vacancy rates are high. Corporate

lenders — banks and bondholders — have suffered big losses from tech borrowers and bankrupt companies like Enron.  
 As a result, lenders may be reluctant to lend and corporate investment may be slow to revive. Profits are depressed, and to improve them, companies may continue layoffs. Stock prices may still be overvalued. Higher unemployment and lower stock prices could weaken confidence and consumer buying.  
 Greenspan said he expected any recovery to be "subdued." Still, he noted that the economy's "recuperative powers" were "remarkable." Last fall there were legitimate fears that "a self-reinforcing cycle of contraction ... could develop."  
 Thanks to the Old Economy, the odds of that have now receded — even if they have not entirely disappeared.  
*Robert Samuelson is a columnist for Newsweek.*

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The role reversal is stunning. What was the wave of the future has suddenly, and perhaps temporarily, given way to the wave of the past. Consider Whippool: Last week it announced that its first-quarter profits will be up 15 percent to 20 percent from a year ago. In September, just before the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, it introduced a new top-of-the-line washer-dryer that sells for about \$2,500. Sales have been double the forecasts. It's no fluke.

Susan Sterne of Economic Analysis Associates compiles reams of data on consumer-spending patterns. Here are some comparisons between the last three months of 2001 and the same period in 2000: motor vehicles and parts, up 21.9 percent (all changes remove inflation); furniture, up 8.7 percent; beauty parlors, barber shops and health clubs, up 6.1 percent; china, glassware, tableware and utensils, up 5.5 percent; movie tickets, up 5.2 percent; casino gambling, up 4 percent; and even sewing goods, up 24 percent.

Of course, not everything improved. Computers and cell

In congressional testimony last week, Greenspan suggested another explanation, which might be called "trickle-up economics." It's something very different from what had been propelling economic expansion. By Greenspan's description and data, the richest fifth of Americans largely powered the consumption boom from the mid-1990s through early 2001. They disproportionately owned stock, and as their paper wealth rose, they disproportionately borrowed and spent. From 1995 to 2000, their savings rate — savings as a percentage of disposable income — dropped from 3.3 percent to negative 2.5 percent. Spending exceeded income. In this sense, it was traditional "trickle-down economics" that characterized the New Economy.

No more. As stocks dropped, wealthier households curbed spending. Their savings rate rose. In 2001 (through September), it rebounded to a positive 2 percent, says the Fed. Gains in overall consumer

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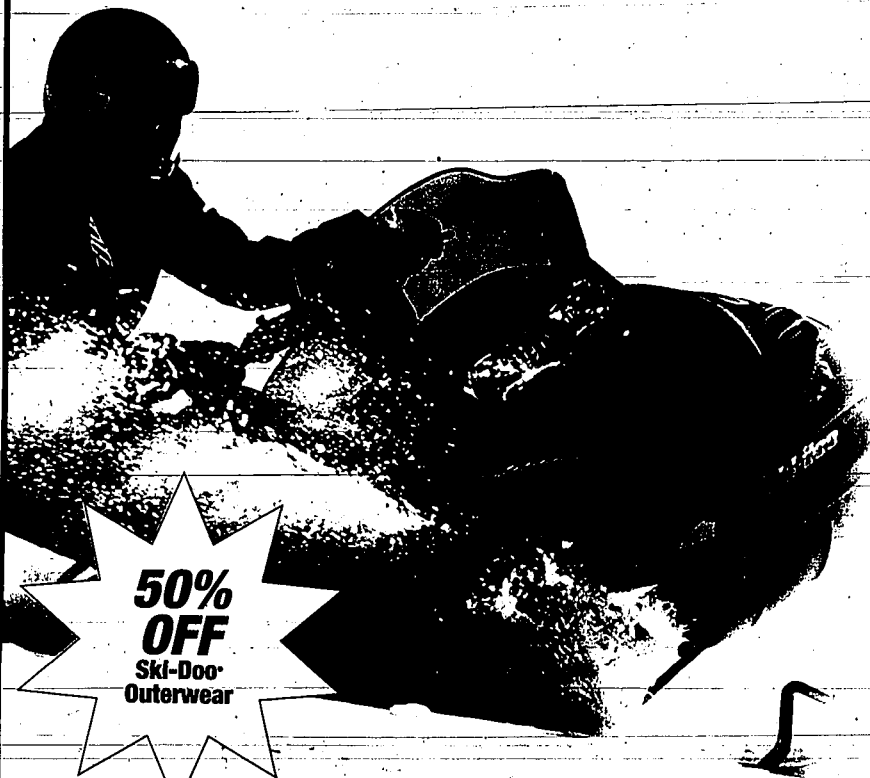
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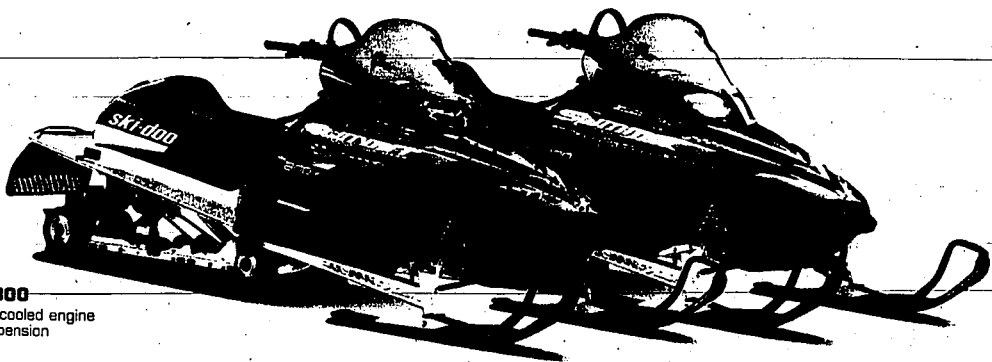
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Jazz surprise Shaq, Los Angeles

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The Utah Jazz had a surprise gift for Shaquille O'Neal on his 30th birthday: A decisive defeat.

Karl Malone scored 23 points and NBA - John Stockton added 19 on 7-for-12 shooting as the Jazz beat the Los Angeles Lakers 92-84 in Kobe Bryant's return from a two-game suspension.

Malone put the Lakers away by nailing a rare 3-pointer with 2.5 minutes left and the Jazz held on to improve to 2-12 against the top 10 teams in the Western Conference. Malone has made seven 3-pointers this season. O'Neal scored 28 points and had 12 rebounds and Bryant scored 26. But Bryant was held to three in the second half and the Lakers, whose 12.4 turnover average is the league's second-lowest, committed 24 - 14 in the first half.

rebounds for 76ers, who have defeated the Cavaliers 12 straight times. The defending Eastern Conference champions have won four of their last five games.

**Bucks 92, Clippers 86**  
MILWAUKEE - Glenn Robinson scored 22 points, passing Sidney Moncrief on Milwaukee's career scoring list, as the Bucks defeated the Clippers 92-86 Wednesday night to snap Los Angeles' three-game winning streak.

Robinson has 11,596 points, trailing only Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's 14,211 points. Ray Allen scored 20 points, Sam Cassell had 13 and Tim Thomas 12 for the Bucks.

**Heat 92, Bulls 87**  
CHICAGO - Red Strickland scored a season-high 23 points and Alonzo Mourning had 18 as the Miami Heat held off the Chicago Bulls 92-87 Wednesday night.

Eddie Jones added 14 points as all five Heat starters finished in double figures. It was the sixth victory in seven games for the Heat, who've also won four of five on the road.

Jalen Rose led Chicago with 23 points, while Travis Best tied his season-high with 18 points.

**Suns 89, Nets 87**  
PHOENIX - Jason Kidd's shooting was as cold as the reception he got from a large share of the Phoenix crowd Wednesday night as the Suns rallied to hand New Jersey its fourth consecutive road loss, 89-87.

The Suns' Dan Majerle missed two free throws with 4.7 seconds to go, then fouled Keith Van Horn with 0.4 seconds remaining. Van Horn, a 79 percent free throw shooter, missed the first of his two attempts, then had



Los Angeles forward Robert Horry blocks the shot of Utah forward Karl Malone Wednesday in Salt Lake City.

to purposely miss the second to give New Jersey any chance. Kidd got the ball and flipped it in, but well after the final buzzer.

Kidd, in his first trip to Phoenix since he was traded to New Jersey, had 10 points, 11 rebounds and eight assists but shot just 4-for-18 from the field, 2-for-15 after the first quarter and 1-for-10 in the second half.

Central Connecticut (27-4, 20-1) to its 19th straight win, the longest streak in the nation. The Blue Devils made the tournament for the second time in three years.

**Southland Conference**

**McNeese St. 71, Lamar 57**

At Lake Charles, La., Raynell Brewer had 12 points and seven rebounds for McNeese State (20-8) in the semifinal game.

Ron Austin had 17 points for Lamar (15-14).

**Louisiana-Monroe 64, Texas San Antonio 62**

At Monroe, La., Wojciech Myrda blocked three shots in the final 26 seconds as Louisiana-Monroe beat Texas San Antonio.

Wojciech blocked nine shots and scored nine points. Brian Lubeck had 14 points and eight rebounds for the Indians (20-11).

**Central Connecticut 78, Quinnipiac 71**

At New Britain, Conn., Damian Britties tied his career high with 27 points to lead

Dixie State faces CSI at 6 p.m. Friday and Ricks plays Snow at noon.

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**Celtics 130, Magic 110**

BOSTON - Paul Pierce scored 22 points and Antoine Walker had 16 points, 14 rebounds and seven assists Wednesday night as the Boston Celtics had their highest point total of the season and beat the Orlando Magic 130-110.

The Celtics scored in double figures as Boston topped its previous best by points and moved 2.5 games in front of Orlando in the Eastern Conference playoff race. The Celtics also took the edge in a potential tiebreaker with a 3-1 head-to-head record.

**76ers 85, Cavaliers 76**

PHILADELPHIA - Allen Iverson broke the 4-point barrier for the third time in four games, scoring 46 Wednesday night in leading the Philadelphia 76ers to an 85-76 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Dikembe Mutombo added 10 points and 13

**Atlantic 10**

**Massachusetts 73, George Washington 62**

At Philadelphia, Anthony Anderson had 16 points, including four 3-pointers, as Massachusetts advanced to the quarterfinals in Philadelphia, where it will play top-seeded Xavier on today.

**Dayton 90, Rhode Island 71**

D.J. Stelly had a career-high 19 points, going 7-of-11 from the field, for Dayton (19-9), which will play Saint Joseph's in the quarterfinals. Troy Riley led Rhode Island (8-20) with 17 points.

**La Salle 83, Fordham 63**

Mike Cleaves had a season-high 27 points for the Explorers (14-16), who will face local rival Temple today.

Fordham (8-20) finished the year on a 10-game losing streak and has lost 23 straight games in Philadelphia, dating to 1990.

**St. Bonaventure 81, Duquesne 66**

J.R. Bremer had 22 points and Vidal Massiah added 21 as St. Bonaventure beat Duquesne.

The Bonnies (17-11) snapped a three-game losing streak to advance to a quarterfinal game against Richmond. Marques Green had 15

**Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference**

**Hampton 93, Morgan State 70**

At Richmond, Va., Tommy Adams scored 21 points for top-seeded Hampton (24-6), which led 40-34 at halftime. Morgan State (3-25) was led by Reggie Windfield's 15 points.

**Northeast Conference**

**Central Connecticut 78, Quinnipiac 71**

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and 10 assists, and Bryant Northern scored a career-high 25 to lead Louisville (18-11) past Texas Christian (16-15).

Louisville made 15 of 30 3-pointers, as it made another breakthrough in coach Rick Pitino's first season.

**Houston 58, East Carolina 49**

Louis Truscott scored 11 of his game-high 15 points in the second half as Houston (17-13) overcame a 13-point deficit late in the first half.

Houston earned a quarterfinal matchup against Memphis (22-8) today.

**South Florida 65, UAB 62**

Altron Jackson scored 19 points, including a 3-pointer that gave South Florida the lead for good, at 61-59.

B.B. Walden had 13 rebounds and 12 points for South Florida (19-11), which will play regular-season champion Cincinnati in the quarterfinals tonight.

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Southern Idaho commanded a 46-31 edge on the glass, and it didn't even seem that close with the Rebels regularly hauling down two, three and even four times four rebounds to keep possessions alive.

Hardcastle, Kucheran and Belinda Stubbs accounted for half of the team's boards.

"We weren't going home," Stubbs said. "We were doing really well (rebounding) and we came out ready to play."

CSI never trailed in the game, jumping out to early leads of 6-2 and 13-7 before watching the Wolverines draw even at 15-15 with 9:24 left.

But the Eagles quickly went back on top 25-17 with a 10-2 run with Kucheran scoring six during the rally. CSI took a 31-24 lead into halftime.

The lead stretched to nine at 37-28 with 16:15 left on baskets by Kucheran, Hardcastle and a Stubbs putback.

After two free throws by Christensen made it 40-32 with 14 minutes left, the Eagles answered with a baseline jumper from Kristi Hill and a 3-pointer by Melanie Croser to make it a 45-32 lead. The teams went back-and-forth until it stood at 50-39 in favor of CSI with 7:47 to go when the Eagles decided to pick it up a notch.

Chennault began with a 3-point shot from the right side and Jodi Eber added back-to-back buckets for the 57-39 lead. Angela Williams earned a 3-pointer for 10 unanswered points, but CSI wasn't through.

Croser capped a fast break with a lay-up, Stubbs sank two free throws and Camille Porter drained another long 3-ball for the 67-39 lead. Utah Valley finally scored at the 3:21 mark to snap the 17-0 run, but by then it was too late. During CSI's run, Utah Valley went 0-for-10 with two missed free throws and a turnover.

For the second half, UVSC hit just 28.6 percent to finish at 36.7 percent for the game.

"The second and third looks were huge until we finally got shooting," Grant said. "One key in my mind was going in and playing that pesky defense that we had. We were chasing the ball and trying to keep them out of their rhythm."

Grant said the win was a positive step after a season of ups and downs.

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**Throws**

Twelve officials were chosen to work the tournament with four crews of three apiece working two games per day. Officials for the men include Bruce Palmer, Ken Sowby, Kent Condie, Mike Petty, Kelly Kinghorn and Chris Singer, with the latter three working CSI's game with Ricks College today. At today's presidents' meeting, Utah Valley State College is expected to announce that it's leaving the league to become a four-year institution possibly as soon as in the next two years.

**Other games:**

**Ricks 76, Eastern Utah 61**

Jessica Fowler poured in a game-high 19 points and Trina Peterson had 15 points and 10 rebounds as No. 2 Ricks College survived a game College of Eastern Utah 76-61 Wednesday at Burns Arena.

Megan Valgardson had 18 points and Julianne Orth added 16 to lead the Golden Eagles (12-19), who saw their three-game winning streak, along with their season, come to an end.

Ricks led virtually the entire way but Eastern made Ricks (25-4) work for the win as CEU

closed to within six, 49-43, early in the second half. But the quick-revving Vikings were able to put their transition game to work for them while also using the low post effectively to get cheap fouls and easy baskets.

Eastern made one final run, pulling within seven at 62:55 with just over six minutes left before an 11-2 Vikings run put the game away.

**Snow 83, Salt Lake 67**

In the day's biggest upset, Hillary Scott scored 14 points to lead five Snow College players in double figures as the sixth-seeded Badgers shocked No. 3 Salt Lake 83-67 Wednesday.

The loss concluded a late-season collapse by the Bruins (24-7), who dropped four of their last five games.

Trailing by three at halftime, the Badgers (16-13) outscored the Bruins 50-31 in the second half, shooting 48.4 percent on 15-for-31 after hitting for 52 percent in the first half, the Bruins made just 41.7 percent in the second half.

Brooke Hansen scored a game-high 18 points for Salt Lake and Candace Mattson added 11 points. Salt Lake committed 27 turnovers.

**Dixie State 71, North Idaho 36**

The top-seeded and host Lady Rebels held out to leads of 12-0 and 28-9 at halftime en route to their 11th consecutive win, 71-36, over eighth seed North Idaho College Wednesday night.

Stephanie Peterson and Aya Traore scored 14 points each to lead the Rebels (26-5), who shot 46 percent (29-of-63) on the game and ripped down 51 rebounds (15 offensive).

Sluggish NIC (14-16) shot just 10 percent (3-of-28) in the first half, finishing at 25 percent (15-of-60) for the game, led by Julie Bateman's nine points.

In the women's semifinals,

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**Louisiana Tech dumps Broncos**

TULSA, Okla. - Even before Louisiana Tech's first-round victory was complete, coach Leon Barmore was looking ahead to the rest of the Western Athletic Conference women's basketball tournament.

Barmore went to his reserves early Wednesday night as No. 8 Louisiana Tech beat Boise State 70-53.

Top-seeded Louisiana Tech (23-1) jumped out to a quick 15-4 lead and expanded its advantage to 30 points midway through the second half. Barmore said he was not concerned that his Lady Techsters shot only 38.1 percent for the game and committed 15 turnovers.

With one eye toward the semifinals and Saturday's championship game, Barmore didn't want any of his players to be in the game more than 27 minutes.

"The defensive intensity was very good," Barmore said. "But when you sub as much as we did, you're going to have some moments where the game is a little rough."

Boise State (10-20) lost for the third time this season to the Techsters, but took pride in outscoring Louisiana Tech 29-26 in the second half.

**Tyson moves closer to bout in D.C.**

WASHINGTON - Mayor Anthony Williams on Wednesday guaranteed the use of the MCI Center "a safe environment" for a Mike Tyson-Lennox Lewis fight, clearing a huge cloud that had threatened to derail the bout.

The meeting between Williams and Abe Pollin came one day after Tyson met with several doctors - both medical and psychiatric - and was interviewed by the D.C. Boxing and Wrestling Commission during a visit to the city.

The commission will hold a public hearing Tuesday on Tyson's application for a boxing license. If the commission grants the license, a Tyson-Lewis bout could be held June 8 at the MCI Center.

**Olympian's father gets new liver**

CHICAGO - Weeks after defying doctor's orders and going to Utah to cheer his daughter in the Olympic luge, Tom Wilczak finally got a new liver.

Wilczak surprised luger Becky Wilczak by attending her race despite autoimmune hepatitis. She finished fifth.

The 55-year-old Tom Wilczak has battled the disease since 1987 and had waited for a transplant since 1994. He was scheduled for a transplant five times, but the donor liver did not match.

He received the transplant Tuesday at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

**Linebacker Cowart signs with Jets**

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. - Linebacker Sam Cowart agreed Wednesday to a six-year contract to join the New York Jets from Buffalo after missing almost all of last season with a torn Achilles' tendon.

The Jets also officially re-signed middle linebacker Marvin Jones, who will line up with Cowart and Mo Lewis in what is potentially one of the NFL's best linebacking corps. It also almost surely means that James Farrior, who had his best season last year, will leave as a free agent and be replaced by Cowart, who will be switched from inside linebacker in a 3-4 to outside in the Jets' 4-3.

**Upstarts topple seeded players at Franklin**

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. - Two upstarts who spent most of last year on the Challenger circuit beat seeded players Wednesday to advance to the quarterfinals of the Franklin Templeton Tennis Classic.

6th Albert Portas reached his first career quarterfinal by beating No. 6 Albert Portas. And Ignacio Chela continued his torrid pace by stunning No. 5 Alan Corria 6-7, 6-5.

That left the tournament with No. 1 Andre Agassi, who was featured in a Wednesday night match against Greg Rusedski, No. 3 Pete Sampras and No. 7 Xavier Malisse among the eight seeded starters.

Chela, a finalist in Sydney and a semifinalist the last two weeks in Buenos Aires and Acapulco, pushed his remarkable comeback one step further.

**Kournikova falls at Pacific Life Open**

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. - Anna Kournikova took a backward step in her comeback, losing her opening match to American Lilia Osterloh on Wednesday in the Pacific Life Open.

The 20-year-old Russian is trying to rebuild her ranking, once as high as No. 8, after missing most of last season with a stress fracture in her left foot. She didn't help her cause in this tournament, losing 6-1, 6-4 to Osterloh.

Osterloh, who at No. 56 in the computer rankings actually is 11 spots higher than Kournikova, broke the Russian-at-love-to-open the match and lost only 12 points in the first set.

**Kevin Mitchell will manage Sonoma County**

ROBERT PARK, Calif. - Kevin Mitchell, a former San Francisco Giants and Oakland Athletics slugger who was NL MVP in 1989, has joined another Bay Area team - this time as manager.

Mitchell, 40, signed on Wednesday to lead the Sonoma County Crushers, an independent team in the Western Baseball League.

**Firing came as no surprise for Kerrigan**

FORT MYERS, Fla. - Joe Kerrigan was doing fine until he was asked what his first night of unemployment was like.

"Oh, it was hard, it was hard," the former manager of the Boston Red Sox said Wednesday. "My wife took it extremely hard. She loves the city of Boston."

Then Kerrigan, known for his passion for computerized analysis of baseball statistics, choked up. His eyes grew watery, he said "excuse me," and he walked away.

Just six days earlier, Dan Duquette paused at his farewell news conference to regain his composure after he was fired as general manager by Boston's new owners.

On Wednesday, with his son Joe Jr., a minor-leaguer in Boston's organization, Kerrigan walked away from the clubhouse where he sat in the manager's office until he was fired Tuesday afternoon.

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aren't going to get to pick the school they want to go to."

Kenkens said: "It's hard to get into school. At the same time, I think some people will be surprised to learn about the opportunities that exist at the smaller level-for those athletes that might not feel they are good enough to go on."

Kenkens also touches on the relationship and role of parents in the lives of student-athletes and the role of the coach and administration in the recruiting process. He also offers his four-year high school step-by-step reality process.

"I think a lot of times people don't want to go because they think it's going to be a lecture," Barron said.

Kenkens said, "Or maybe somebody they know has already been through the recruiting process. But this is fun and informative. It's all about assisting the student-athlete and their families with the process."

The seminar is open to all ages but is geared towards student-athletes in grades 9-12. Kenkens said. He is also the author of a book on the subject of athletic recruiting called "Recruiting Realities." The seminar lasts about 90 minutes.

"I think any student-athlete that has a desire to learn about the recruiting process and learn about opportunities to get some financial aid to attend college should attend," Barron said.



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## WARRIOR PRIDE



The Twin Falls Christian Academy Warriors were crowned champions of the Northwest Christian Schools Tournament over President's Day weekend. The Warriors were undefeated in the tournament with wins over teams from Oregon and Washington. Team members, from left to right, include: Ezra Miller, Jake Walker, Ben Ledbetter, Dana Brown, Ian Lait, Eric Melan, Tyler Jordan, Jacob Miller, Brent Lovell, Austin Nickens, Ray Miller, Pete McHollin. Not pictured is Coach Brent Walker.

## City tournament crowns champions

The Twin Falls city tournaments are over and several champions were crowned.

The team competition for the Twin Falls women's league was won by "The Sunday Nighters." Robbie Thompson, Laurene Trammell, Karen Plummer and Mindy Long combined to roll 2,715. Finishing second was the team of Ilene Hoisington, Meichelle Koepnick, Christina Castro and Rhonda Cristobal.

In the singles tournament, Pat Burton finished first with 745. Second was Thompson at 733.

The doubles championship went to Kristy Rodriguez and Karen Morano. The duo rolled 1,393. Finishing second was Trina McGurie and Stephanie Evans



with 1,376. Burton also won the all-events handicap title by rolling 2,104. Trammell finished at 2,072. The all-events scratch title went to Mary Cooke with a 1,781. Barb Reynolds was second with 1,754.

Payoff for the ladies tournament will be for the annual meeting of the Twin Falls Women's Bowling Association on March 16 in the Bowldrome meeting

room. Mark your calendars and come collect your money.

The Twin Falls men's league finished last week. The team title went to Bill Sterling, Bill Kimmel, Ken Hinton, Jody Bryant and Joe McClure. The five finished with 3,674 pins to win the title. John Hoogendoorn, Ray Van Holland, Gary Nite, Cory Holloway and James Whismore came in second. The team also had the highest scratch score with 3,127.

The men's doubles title went to Rocky Bennett and Ed Simler with 1,502. Van Holland and Whismore were second at 1,495. Bennett and Simler also had the high scratch score with 1,338.

Greg Stone took the singles championship after rolling 797. Leonard Harmonism was second with 795 and Doug Florke was third with 788.

The all-events handicap title went to Florke with 2,320. Mike Olson was second with 2,293. The scratch winner was Brian McGregor with 2,004.

The ladies bowled at the Bowldrome and the men were at the Magic Bowl.

Time to get on a league, practice begins now for tournaments next year. So... Let's Go Bowling!

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## YOUR SCORES AND STATS

### BOWLING

Bowling scores reported from the Magic Valley Bowling Center to the current week.

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WARRIOR PRIDE: SERIES Drew Buckingham 411, Bobby Poca 396, Mike Schab 355, Sandra Poca 400, Phana Phana 150, Stephanie Poca 177, Drew Buckingham 156, Stephanie Poca 133, Phana Poca 160, Sandra Poca 147, Stephanie Poca 130.

WARRIOR PRIDE: SERIES Ron McKee 490, Mike Mann 411, Russ Hutchings 428, Carol McKee 415, Dennis Martin 415, Corne Patterson 411.

WARRIOR PRIDE: SERIES Lou Harris 128, Home Chalkies 511, Kathy Coy 493, Dennis Scram 438.

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GAMES: Dale McCort 290, Trina Smith 262, Sam Sudek 254.

BOYS SERIES: Dale McCort 290, Bobby Cristobal 189, R.C. Perry 182, Nick Morano 182.

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SERIES: Bobby Cristobal 488, Dale McCort 472, Nick Morano 450, Shane Rachtan 450, Ryan Perry 420.

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Former M.V. man gets 30 on drug charges

**BOISE** - A former Magic Valley man a U.S. attorney described as a "monster" was sentenced in U.S. District Court Wednesday to 30 years in prison on drug-related charges.

Chief U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnill described the sentence he handed down as being essentially life imprisonment. Oscar Ortiz Sr., who is 61.

Ortiz was charged with conspiracy to traffic methamphetamine and marijuana, possession with intent to distribute, distribution of drugs and concealing knowledge of a felony.

Investigators and prosecutors claimed they had evidence he'd sold drugs in the Magic Valley for 20 years.

"This monster has spent 20 years preying on the community, and he's had more than enough chances to change his ways," said U.S. Attorney Thomas E. Moss. "He needs to be removed for good, and that's exactly what this sentence does."

### Candidate for governor to stop in Twin Falls

**TWIN FALLS** - Democrat Jerry Brady formally announces his candidacy for governor today in a series of news conferences - one of them in Twin Falls.

Brady, publisher of the Post Register in Idaho Falls, is scheduled to speak at 12:30 p.m. at the Reeder Flying Service office at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport, according to a press release.

He has also scheduled appearances in Idaho Falls, Pocatello, Boise, Coeur d'Alene and Lewiston. Brady is the only Democrat to officially declare his intention to seek the party's nomination for governor this year. Former U.S. Attorney Karl Shurtliff has also been considering the race.

Republican Gov. Dirk Kempthorne plans to formally announce his plans to seek re-election later this month. He easily won the state's top office in 1998 with nearly 69 percent of the vote over Democrat Robert Huntley, a former state Supreme Court justice.

Brady, whose great-grandfather served as governor in 1909 and 1910, serves as publisher of the Idaho Falls newspaper and president of the Post Co., which owns the Post Register and KIFI-TV8.

### Detective: Two missing girls ran away on own will

**TWIN FALLS** - Two Magic Valley girls reported missing under apparently suspicious circumstances were found Wednesday in California, a Twin Falls police detective said.

It's apparent the girls had run away from home on their own will, said detective Scott Smith.

Jerome resident Natalie Carrico, 17, was reported missing late Sunday. It was later reported that her friend, Sydney Powell, 17, of Twin Falls, was also missing.

The Jerome County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday issued a press release stating that Carrico was possibly endangered and asking for the public's help in finding her.

The girls were reported to be together and unharmed when they were found in California, Smith said.

### Twin Falls seeks opinions on airport's future

**TWIN FALLS** - Twin Falls City officials are seeking the public's ideas and opinions for the future of Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport.

The public is invited to a meeting with city officials and airport management at 3 p.m. today in the airport restaurant.

Topics will include the present level of quality and service at the airport and possible improvements in both the near- and long-term future.

Compiled from staff reports

### Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Average*
Upper Snake River	74 %
Salmon Falls Creek	87 %
Oakley Basin	102 %
Big and Little Wood	82 %

# Vocation education hits limbo

## Tech center's defeat puts future in question

By Robert Mayer  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - As the dust settles after Tuesday's trouncing of the proposed professional-technical center bond issue, the future of technical training for the region's high school students hovers in limbo.

Many people agree that there's a need for such training, and that it should be stepped up to meet the demands of both students and the business community. But just how to do it in a cost-effective manner remains uncertain.

Of those voting Tuesday against the Twin Falls School District's proposed \$7 million bond issue, many said they didn't like the idea of an off-campus tech center.

Carl Snow, former Twin Falls High School principal, said he likes the district's concept of a "seamless" education, with programs that articulate with those at the College of Southern Idaho.

"I think we need to hold hands with CSI," he said. However, he'd rather approach professional-technical training programs gradually. And rather than build a new \$7 million facility on

the CSI campus, the district should completely utilize the existing 15,000-square-foot structure at the high school. As demand and programs develop, then add extra structures as necessary, he said.

District officials had proposed a 60,000-square-foot tech center to meet the future needs of the community. Snow felt that was overkill.

"That doesn't mean you go build a big building to be flexible," he said. "You need to develop in phases."

It's estimated that it would take around \$1 million to bring the 1950s-era building at the high school up to current high-tech standards.

Jean Emerson, a retired school teacher and vocal opponent of the tech center, said she thinks that the voting public would be much more likely to pass a \$1 million bond issue, which she said is much more palatable than the proposal that failed.

Moreover, she'd like the district to reverse its trend during the last decade of slowly trimming away its vocational staff and begin to hire enough staff to meet the demands for tech training.

"If they need more help, let's get it at the high school," she said. Ken Becker, plant manager at Solo Cup, said the benefits of placing a tech center adjacent to CSI far outweigh those of keeping it at

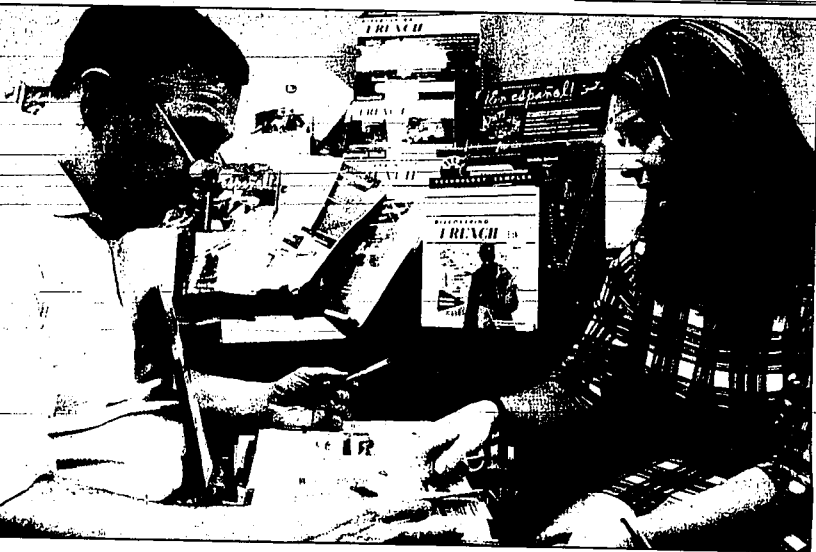
the high school. Still, he said he's willing to look into revitalizing the vocational center at the high school if that means the public would support it.

"I think more than likely, to get those programs going, I guess refurbishing would be the next best bet," he said.

Becker said the margin of Tuesday's rejection - nearly 60 percent of voters were against the proposal - caught him off guard. While the bond issue proposal emerged from a great deal of grassroots collaboration between members of the business community and residents, it quickly

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## TO CHOOSE A TEXTBOOK



Ed Richards, a teacher at Filser High School, talks with Lorena Lyster about a textbook. Lyster works for McDougal Littell, which publishes language texts. The display was part of a presentation organized by the State Department of Education and the Idaho Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development as a way of getting school districts and publishers together.

## Expo gives teachers their textbook pickings

By Robert Mayer  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - They're a far cry from yesterday's dry, stilted, black and white textbooks.

Vividly colored books - many designed for interaction with the Internet - were on display by education publishers at the College of Southern Idaho Wednesday as part of the CSI 2002 Curricular Materials Exposition.

It was sponsored by the State Department of Education and the Idaho Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development.

Now in its third year, the expo allows educators to see first hand

the latest offerings in education material, said Meritell Nystrom, curriculum coordinator at Filser School District. Before, districts would have to rely on the publishers to visit them. While that was true for bigger districts such as Twin Falls, which receives a steady flow of visits from representatives, many of the smaller districts were usually bypassed.

"For the teachers it means that they not only get to see the big publications but they all get to see the smaller companies, and sometimes those selections are critically important," she said. "It's a win-win situation for both the education system and the publishers."

Bill Sweet and Larry Larson, both music instructors at Filser schools, said they've spent more than an hour at the event, examining different music programs. Many featured a music curriculum that weaves computers and compact discs into the standard musical training.

"This is pretty much the first time we've gotten out of the building, so to speak, to actually view with publishing firms, to come and see this," Larson said. "We normally accept out of a catalogue, and so the human touch is nice."

All textbooks meet the new state standards, said Dan Prinzing, curriculum materials

and social studies coordinator for the State Department of Education.

"Since the students are going to be held accountable to the standards and assessed according to the standards, you also want materials that help them prepare for that material and what they're going to be tested on," he said.

But more importantly, the books have to appeal to students and teachers alike, Larson said. "The bottom line is if the teacher is excited about the material, that transfers to the kids. If we like what we're doing with it then that goes to the kids," he said. "That's the success of any program."

## Lawsuit mediation bill hits no resistance

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** - Idahoans involved in lawsuits under \$25,000 could soon be using an arbitration process as an alternative to going to trial.

A bill called the Small Lawsuit Resolution Act, introduced by Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls, passed the House almost unanimously and cleared the Senate Judiciary and Rules Committee unanimously Wednesday.

The bill's purpose is to reduce the cost and time of litigation while enabling both parties equal access to a fair resolution.

The idea is that those involved in a lawsuit would use an evaluator whose job it would be to determine the settlement. The process would allow three hours for each party to present a case, and the rules for collecting evidence would not be as stringent. Parties would be able to decide together who they want as an evaluator, or they could ask a judge to assign one. The evalua-

tor would be either an attorney or a judge.

The evaluator would have to have a working knowledge of the law, Smith explained. Either party could ask for arbitration, and either party could get out of the process before a settlement was handed down by asking a judge for release.

Smith points out that using an evaluator is much cheaper than going to trial.

A \$25,000 case that goes to a jury can easily run \$15,000 in just lawyers' fees, he said.

There is also a hammer8 to the proposed law. If a party were unhappy with a settlement, appeal would be an option, but he or she had better be ready to pay the lawyers, fees for both parties if the second judgment is less than a 15 percent increase. In addition, no settlement could ever exceed \$25,000, and no settlement would include anything other than money.

Smith had introduced a similar bill last year, but he said it

met with a defirstorm.8

But Smith is an attorney himself, and he said he could see the concept was worth nurturing. He gathered together lawyers and people from various organizations and came back with something that all sides can live with.

"We were still wordsmithing, this up to three hours before it went to committee," he said. He also said, "We're not the first state to do this.8 Oregon, Washington, Hawaii, and six other states have their own forms of the law."

Ken McClure, who spoke for the state's defense attorneys Wednesday, said he likes the proposal because it gives people without much money the ability to access the courts.

Besides making litigation cheaper, Smith said it should streamline the court process. "You measure success by the number of suits that you can fast track and get settled without clogging up the court system," he said.

The latest figures for Oregon show that in 1998, 1,875 cases

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## Jerome council bans skateboards downtown

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME** - It is now illegal to ride skateboards, roller blades and roller skates in Jerome's central business district.

The City Council adopted an ordinance Tuesday making the offense a misdemeanor.

Councilman Rob Lundgren said he felt all businesses and civic clubs need to get involved in solving the skateboarding problem.

"If kids were playing football or soccer in an inappropriate place an acceptable site would be found quickly," he said. "Just because the kids wear baggy pants and some dye their hair wild colors doesn't make them any less deserving."

The council removed language that would have included school property in the ban because the schools had not formally requested inclusion. If schools want in the future, the ordinance could be amended.

Councilwoman Darci Bobrowski asked if there would be a warning period for violators.

Travis Rothweiler, city administrator, said the ordinance would become effective 30 days after its publication. During those 30 days the city police will warn, youth and suggest alternate areas to skate or skateboard in.

A skateboarding area is located at the Jerome County Fairgrounds.

If there is physical damage to a business, the business owner must catch the offender in the act in order to prosecute. Otherwise, city police can issue warnings or citations to offenders. A judge determines the fine for violating the ordinance, Rothweiler said.

Other city business included: Crowder trust fund - Mayor Charles Corroll named Jerome head librarian Susan Jacobsen, library board chairwoman Melba Fisher and himself to a board to

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## No-fly zone?

### Twin Falls air show could be put off

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Without a full-throated performance on top, officials might decide to ground the Twin Falls air show this year.

"I think the consensus is that we don't want to have a mediocre air show. If we have one, we want it to be a good one," said Twin Falls City Councilman Chris Talkington. And that will take money.

Two years ago, Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport in Twin Falls put on a show that Talkington and others agreed was hardly mediocre. But it also left the city about \$20,000 in the hole, said City Manager Tom Courtney.

"The first air show in Twin Falls had only static displays - it didn't cost that much to put on. The air show in 2000 had live acts," Courtney said.

Air shows have been staged every two years.

Spectators weren't charged a gate fee in 2000, Courtney said, but boosters were counting on sales from such things as T-shirts and programs to make up the costs. It didn't happen, he said. The air show is funded only through donations raised by a committee of boosters, he said. But if the show loses money - as it did in 2000 - the city incurs the cost because Joslin Field is a city-owned airport.

The price for a good air show usually runs in the \$70,000 range, said air show committee member Bob Hampton.

But the estimated cost of the proposed 2002 show hasn't even been tallied, Hampton said. The cost and other details of a proposal will be hammered out during the committee's next meeting, which will probably take place next week. A gate fee might be considered, he said.

"The make or break decision time isn't here yet. Right now,

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# Barriers will come down at Capitol

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**BOISE (AP)** - The barriers are coming down. A triad of top state officials who recommended that Gov. Dirk Kempthorne take extraordinary security measures at the state Capitol last year say they are ready to reopen State Street, reduce security staffing and remove unsightly concrete barriers. "We have said all along that these measures are temporary and will constantly be reevaluated," said Kempthorne spokesman Mark Snider. He said the conclusion of the Olympic Games and other security improvements warranted the changes. "The announcement comes the day before Democrat Jerry Brady of Idaho Falls was expected to fly around the state announcing his candidacy for the governor's office. Snider said the timing of the two events were unrelated. Idaho Department of Administration Director Pam Ahrens said the new changes will begin when the Legislature adjourns, which could be next week. "We're moving back from where we were. If the alert level should go up, we could move back to where we were before," Ahrens said. Some of the measures will stay in place.

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**Looking for Services and Death notices? Please see pages C3 and C4.**

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Severville Tennessee and Margaret Allison of Maryville, Tennessee, and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, and a sister. At Richard's request, the services are planned. Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary, 221 West Main Street in Burley.



**Erma Mary Smith Simpson**  
Erma M. Simpson, 92, of Boise, died March 2 in a local hospital after a brief illness. Vigil service is scheduled for 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 6 at Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 7 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Erma was born June 9, 1909, in Wendell, ID. To Dr. Robert P. and Bernadette (O'Daniel) Smith. She graduated from Wendell High School in 1927 and also attended two years at Albion State Normal College, receiving her teaching certificate. She and Everett E. Simpson were married March 16, 1929. They lived in Wendell, Ketchum, Hailey, Jerome and Boise. Erma had worked at J.C. Penney's, Golden Rule in Hailey, Smith Drilling in Jerome, Idaho State Tax Commission in Boise, retiring at age 70.

Special interests were people, and people in need. She visited the sick and needy on a routine schedule and delivered baked goods, cheer and encouragement. Erma never met a stranger. She always looked for the best in each individual. Memberships included the Women's Catholic Alter Society, Sacred Heart Association of Retired People, Gathering of Retired State Tax Employees. She was a devoted patron of the Community Concert Circuit for over 45 years and attended the Boise Music Week Productions for many years.

Survivors include her son, Marvin Simpson of Boise; daughters, Rita Simpson of Twin Falls and Kathy Simpson Butler of Eagle, grandchildren, Susan Simpson Brandberg, Durrk Simpson, Cindy Edmunds, Pama Randa, Steven Simpson, Maria Heckenlively, Dana Bass, Anna Caspersen, Joseph K. Wagner, Niki Simpson-Michele, Scoggins-Carr Simpson Jr., Christopher K. William and thirteen great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, five brothers, her husband, two sons, Gerald and Earl, and one granddaughter Debbie Simpson Lytle.

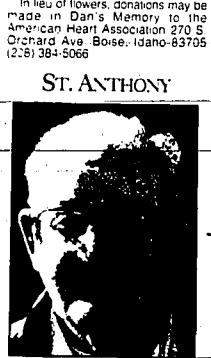
Memorials are suggested to The ARC, P.O. Box 1016, Boise, 83701; Sacred Heart Catholic Church; of the charity of your choice.

**BOISE**



**Addison Cecil Beaman**  
Addison Cecil Beaman died at home on March 5, 2002. Addison was born in Cherokee, Oklahoma, on

Twin Falls, Id. Lee Wayne (Gerr) Massie of Washington & Michelle Atkinson of Twin Falls, Id. Funeral Services for Dan will be held Saturday, March 9, 2002, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. Officiating will be Father Timothy Richey. Visitation for Dan will be held Friday, March 8, 2002 from 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Cremation and Private Inurnment are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Dan's Memory to the American Heart Association 270 S. Orchard Ave. Boise, Idaho 83705 (208) 384-5066

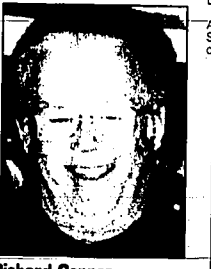


**Alex Klausner**  
Alex Klausner, 82, St. Anthony, formerly of Paul, died Monday, March 4, 2002, at the Pocatello Regional Medical Center. He was born July 20, 1919, in Paul Idaho to John and Katie Klausner. An early age his family moved to Colorado but in 1953 they returned to Idaho. The family farmed in both Cassia and Minidoka County, finally settling Paul, Idaho in 1940. He served three years in the Army Air Corp as a MP in England and France. He married Joyce Garrett in 1948. They were later divorced. He lived in Hamer, where he worked in the potato business, until he retired and moved to St. Anthony to live with his daughter Mary Lou Parke. He will be missed by everyone who knew him.

He is survived by five children, Alex (Joan) Jeal, London, England; Jim (Donna) Klausner, Longmont, Colorado; Mary Lou (David) Parke, St. Anthony; and Bob (Sue) Klausner, Beryl, Utah; eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild; one brother, Harry (Dorothy) Klausner and two sisters, Lydia Galassini, Ft. Morgan Colorado and Helen Eyer, Rupert, Idaho. He was preceded in death by his parents... and two brothers Ed and Albert.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 9, 2002, at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel. Burial will follow in the Paul Cemetery. Family and friends may call at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel on Friday evening from 6 to 8 p.m. and one hour prior to the service on Saturday. Local arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

**OAKLEY**



**Richard Connor**  
- Clyde Richard Connor, 65 year old Oakley resident died Sunday, March 3, 2002, at his home in Oakley. He was born September 28, 1936, in Alcoa, Tennessee, the son of Floyd West and Katie Lee King Connor. At the age of 17, he joined the U.S. Air Force, where he served for 22 years, until his retirement in 1955. Richard married Corinne Ross on August 10, 1973 in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Richard loved spending time outdoors, boating, fishing, and barbecuing. Richard has done a lot of mechanic work over the years. For the past 11 years, Richard has worked at Oakley Valley Stone. He loved being with his family and especially his grandchildren. During the holidays he was so proud that family and friends could all be together to enjoy one another's company, friendship, and love. Survivors include his wife, Connie of Oakley; three daughters, Marie Bradshaw of Heyburn, Mary C. Connor of Oakley, and Elizabeth J. Connor of Burley; a son, Richard M. Connor of Alcoa; a brother, Gary Connor of Skyland, North Carolina; two sisters, Barbara Lovley of

White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Family and friends may call at White Mortuary, 400 E. Broadway, and from 10 a.m. until noon on Saturday.



**BURLEY**

**LaRae N. Warr**  
LaRae N. Warr, 80-year-old Burley resident died Tuesday, March 5, 2002, at Aspen Grove Assisted Living. She was born January 24, 1922, at Oakley, Idaho, the fourth of seven children of Clarence and Ila Vera Poutton Nelson. She received her early education at the Dan School in Oakley and then attended Oakley High School. She married Quinten Warr on November 18, 1938, in Oakley, and they had three children, Pauline, Russell and Victor. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Idaho Falls Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. LaRae and Quint spent the early years of marriage on their little place in Oakley. In 1950, they moved to Idaho Falls, where she was privileged to raise her children and be a homemaker. In the early 1960's, she went to work at Tam's Drive in Idaho Falls. In 1964, she and Quint moved to Burley and opened Ray's Drive Inn, which they operated until 1972. She later worked at the Cassia County Assessor's Office until her retirement. Being a devoted member of the LDS Church, she served faithfully in the Relief Society Presidency on three different occasions and in 1986, LaRae and Quint were called as missionaries to the Albuquerque, New Mexico Mission.

Survivors include her husband, Quinten Warr of Burley, three children, Pauline (Shannon) Armstrong of St. Helens, Oregon, Russell (Maureen) Warr of Astoria, Oregon, and Victor (Diedre) Warr of Boise, Idaho; her siblings, Bea Smith of Burley, Betty Shelby of Farmington, Utah, Carol Handy of Glenns Ferry, Idaho, and Robert Nelson at Boise, 17 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren, and five great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, and three sisters, Wynna Franks, Wanda Crichtfield and Wilma Parish.

The funeral will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, March 9, 2002, at the Burley Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2050 Normal Avenue, with Bishop Reese-Mitchell officiating. Interment will follow at the Oakley Cemetery. Friends may call at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley, on Friday, from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m., and at the church on Saturday, from 10:00 until 10:45 a.m.

**TWIN FALLS**



**Daniel Dion Massie**  
Daniel Dion Massie, 49, passed away Monday, March 4, 2002 at his home in Twin Falls, Idaho. He was born December 23, 1952, in Twin Falls, the son of Claude & Goldie Fiske of Massie. He grew up and attended schools in Twin Falls, and graduated from Twin Falls High School. Upon graduating, he went into the Automobile Business in the Twin Falls area. Dan worked in Auto Sales for over 23 years. Dan was well known and had many friends. In his spare time, he enjoyed spending time in the outdoors. He felt that his greatest accomplishment in life was his son, David. He was very proud of David and would often speak of him. Dan is survived by his son, David of Twin Falls; Sisters: Carole (Ed) Gaugh of Twin Falls, Id; Betty (Ron) Ray of Twin Falls, Id; Carolyn Butler of Snake Lake City, Utah; Becky Pader of Twin Falls, Id; Mari Heines of Twin Falls, Id; Brothers: Clyda (Rita) Massie of Filer, Id; James (DeAnne) Massie of Filer, Id; Ron Massie of



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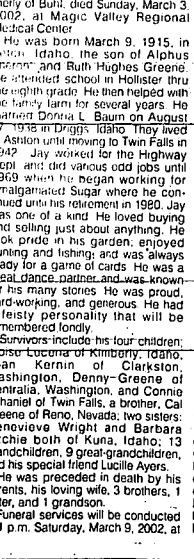
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**TWIN FALLS**



**Jay Greene**  
Jay Greene, 86, of Twin Falls, formerly of Burli, died Sunday, March 3, 2002, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. He was born March 9, 1915, in Teton, Idaho, the son of Alphas Freeman and Ruth Hughes Greene. He attended school in Hollister through the eighth grade. He then helped with the family farm for several years. He married Donna L. Baum on August 27, 1935 in Driggs, Idaho. They lived in Ashton until moving to Twin Falls in 1942. Jay worked for the Highway Dept. and did various odd jobs until 1963 when he began working for Annapolis. Suga where he continued until his retirement in 1980. Jay was one of a kind. He loved buying and selling just about anything. He took pride in his garden, enjoyed hunting and fishing and was always ready for a game of cards. He was a great dance partner and was known for his many stories. He was proud, hardworking, and generous. He had a feisty personality that will be remembered fondly. Survivors include his four children: Elsie (Lorna) of Kimberly, Idaho, Joan (Kerim) of Olathe, Kan., Washington, Denny (Greene) of Centralia, Washington, and Connie (Schaniel) of Twin Falls, a brother, Carl Greene of Reno, Nevada, two sisters: Genevieve Wright and Barbara Ritchie both of Kuna, Idaho, 13 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, and his special friend Lucille Ayler. He was preceded in death by his parents, his loving wife, 3 brothers, his sister, and 1 grandson. Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 9, 2002, at

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# Teachers say rally was positive, did not focus on salaries

By Shari Chaney  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** - While Minidoka County School District Superintendent Nick Hallett was refreshing his teaching skills at Paul Elementary School Tuesday afternoon, teachers from all over the state rallied for education on the steps of the Statehouse in Boise.

"I'm not a first-grade teacher," Hallett said, with a laugh.

Hallett continued laughing as he balanced fixing a zipper, stopping a bloody nose and keeping track of how many students were in the bathroom.

It was good to be in the classroom again and see the way things are, though, Hallett said.

Hallett covered for one of the 28 teachers from Minidoka County who traveled to Boise for a rally sponsored by the Idaho Education Association. About 30 teachers from Cassia County traveled to Boise for the IEA rally, said Cassia Superintendent Mike Chesley.

Neither superintendent reported any problems finding substitutes to cover classes for the absent teachers, and most teachers who attended the rally said it was a great experience.

"It was nice to see teachers joining together for a cause," said Minico High School government teacher Dennis Moses. "There was a unity haven't seen in the past."

It was "awe-inspiring" to see the support for educators, said

Heyburn kindergarten teacher Pam Webb. She was impressed with districts from farther away who chartered buses to take teachers to the rally.

Statewide, all teachers are interested in a good education system, said Rahele Knowles, third-grade teacher at Declo Elementary School.

"We all have the same goals," Knowles said.

The event, with speakers ranging from former Gov. Cecil Andrus to Superintendent of Public Instruction Marilyn Howard, was a rally for education, not a protest, said Pat Bollor, president of the Minidoka County Education Association and teacher at Memorial Elementary School.

The rally may not change the Legislature's mind on the education budget, but maybe the Legislature will take a look at other avenues, she said. Bollor wants the Legislature to "try to find some other areas ... instead of taking away from the children."

Paul Elementary School Principal Colleen Johnson said it is important to send a strong message to legislators.

"Education has to be a priority in this state," Johnson said.

If budgets are cut, skills and scores in programs such as the Idaho Reading Indicator may not be as high as they could be, Bollor said. Less funds will mean fewer aides to help teachers and more students in classes.

Teachers and school districts

are being held accountable for programs which they are not getting funds to pay for, said Sandy Darrington, a fifth-grade teacher at Declo Elementary School.

Other local teachers were happy about the rally, but not happy with the media's coverage of the rally.

Much of the media said salaries were the focus of the rally, but salaries weren't even mentioned, Darrington said. Serious teachers don't become teachers for the money, she said.

"That's never been an issue - at least for some of us," Darrington said. "We need the money in the classroom for the kids."

The rally focused on the overall picture of money for education, Knowles said, and was not about

teachers crying about their salaries. Although competitive salaries will keep good teachers in Idaho, the rally focused on "having the basic needs for our students."

"Our first concern is about the children," said Peggie Price, second-grade teacher at Declo.

Shirley Blumhorn, fourth-grade teacher at Declo, said she enjoyed talking with Speaker of the House Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, and Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, after the rally. Both sides have misconceptions, she said.

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## Buhl fire protection district awards substation contract

**BOHLE** - Buhl Rural Fire Protection District commissioners are making good a promise to area residents by awarding a contract to build a substation at the top of the Buhlway.

The construction contract last week went to J Bar S Construction of Filer for \$89,445.

The proposed fire station will have three bays for vehicles, a restroom, septic tank and well, all included in the bid.

The new address will be 19266 U.S. Highway 30 on a one-acre parcel donated by Doug Stewart.

District officials say the area will receive better response times and have a lower fire insurance rating.

An engine and tanker will be

stationed there, as well as a rescue unit.

No completion date was set, but officials said they want to open the station by summer.

Fire Chief Mark Grimes said volunteers are needed to start training as firefighters and should visit or call the Buhl Fire Department at 543-5664 for applications.

ored at Annual Community Awards Night.

The Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber of Commerce will honor five individuals and one business at the Friday event at the River Run Lodge.

Carolyn Nystrom, executive director of the Wood River Hospice since 1990, is being honored as the Citizen of the Year.

Joe Jesinger DiFrancesco, who has contributed more than 400 hours of community service in the past two years, was selected Youth Citizen of the Year. He developed a Kid Kit, which includes an ID card for each child, its part of his Eagle Scout project.

Barge Levy, director of the

Silver Creek Alternative School, was selected as the Youth Advocate of the Year.

Kate Wylie has been selected as the Arts Advocate of the Year for her work in the arts community.

Webb Landscape Inc. was selected Business of the Year. It is the third-largest employer in the Wood River Valley and the largest landscape business in the Northwest.

Les Reid, who retired in 1999 from a career in business, engineering and medicine, was named Chamber Volunteer of the Year.

Tickets to the dinner are \$35. To make reservations, contact Nester Trujillo at 725-2103.

—compiled from staff reports

## Tax-credit bill awaits final vote

**BOISE (AP)** - Legislation making the federal R&D one-year experiment with a \$500 tax credit for new jobs is a final vote away from the desk of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

The Senate tax-writing committee voted 7-1 on Wednesday to forward the House-passed legislation to the Senate even though there will be no assessment of the credit value to economic expansion until this fall.

Republican Sen. Joe Steger of Lewiston was the lone vote against the measure as an attempt to simply extend the experiment for one more year failed.

"Nobody can tell us what it cost the state," Steger said. "That's why we put a sunset clause last year. We thought it was prudent then."

increase the amount of the lawsuit headed for arbitration to as much as \$100,000 to \$125,000.

Idaho's new law, if it passes the Senate, will have a three-year sunset clause.

If it's not working after three years, we don't want it, said David Kerrick, who lobbies for the Idaho Trial Lawyers Association.

## West Minico Junior High students celebrate breakfast

**PAUL** - Students who eat breakfast have fewer discipline problems, earn higher test scores and have more energy throughout the day, school officials say.

Students at West Minico Junior High School are hearing about the virtues of eating breakfast this week during their morning announcements as part of national school breakfast week.

Cooks are adding new items to the menu and prizes are being raffled off to students who eat breakfast each day. At the end of the week a refurbished computer and a party from Gym-Mania will be raffled off.

The average number of students eating breakfast at school is 80, said Sandra Miller, coordinator of a grant to promote healthy eating and physical exercise. After promoting breakfast at school this week, those numbers rose to 113 students on Monday and 120 students on Tuesday.

Healthy eating and physical exercise have been a focus at both East and West Minico junior highs for the past two

years due to a grant from Team Nutrition.

That grant is designed to encourage students to eat a variety of foods, eat more fruits, vegetables and grains, eat lower fat foods more often and be physically active.

The grant was \$15,000 for two years, Miller said. The U.S. Department of Agriculture, through the Idaho Department of Education's child nutrition program, funded the grant.

Grant money also went toward a refrigerator that allows the school concession stand to provide healthier snacks, including juice and fruit. Microwaves allow students to make popcorn, a healthier alternative to nachos, Miller said.

The grant project helped students learn about nutrition and physical activities through classroom instruction in physical education, health and home economics classes, as well as through programs in the cafeteria.

## Malta council says no to new water system

**MALTA** - The City Council decided Tuesday to not apply for a grant to study the city's water system or pursue construction of a central water system.

While the city most likely does not have the capacity to fight a large fire, residents told council members in a telephone survey they don't think water problems are bad enough to warrant a study for a new central system.

Originally the city was looking at the possibility of a central water system mainly because there are no fire hydrants and the tanker truck is filled from a water main, said City Councilwoman Amanda Hitt.

"It takes quite a while to fill a truck," she said.

Steven Freiburger of Freiburger Engineering, who was working with the city on the possibility of getting a central water system, said the tanker truck holds about 1,000 gallons.

"The biggest wet they have pumps about 50 gallons a minute," Freiburger said.

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management had considered Malta for a grant for fire protection improvements under the bureau's cities-at-risk program, but the grant was turned down, he said.

Malta's water comes from private wells. Some residents recently had to drill deeper or put in new wells, Hitt said. A few of the wells were contaminated.

City council members contacted each household in Malta, which has a population of about 180.

"We talked to the citizens," Hitt said. "They didn't feel Malta was big enough for that kind of money." It was estimated it could cost about \$1 million for a central water system, Hitt said.

Leslie Howell, a community development planner for Region IV Development, said that entity was willing to help Malta find the grants necessary to finance a water system, but residents wondered how the city would pay for operation and maintenance once the system was installed.

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went to arbitration, and in 1999 that number went to 2,657. In 98, 12 percent of those were appealed, and the next year that number went down to 8.6 percent.

In addition, the process has been streamlined in the states that have arbitration that they are amending their laws to

Retired court Wendell Petty was one of the opponents who, in fact, would like to de-emphasize vocational training in high schools.

"These programs are fine as a way for students to sample trades and practices to get an idea of their interests," he said. But he wants to see schools stick to traditional education.

"I think that, basically, the public schools ought to be providing the majority of students with broad-based learning ... so that no matter what, they're informed citizens," he said.

If the business community needs a more qualified workforce, then it should provide on-the-job training, he said.

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became apparent that the majority in the area didn't support the idea.

"I don't think the entire education community was behind it," he said.

In addition to the huge expense involved in training employees from scratch - both in terms of productivity and simple dollars - many applicants lack the most basic skills, he said.

"We've struggled with trying to get quality trained workers for years," Williams said.

Instead, Glanbia has been discussing possible training options with local officials, which, perhaps, could be extended to high school students.

"We need to take the bull by the horns," he said. "Glanbia would be willing to kick in some money."

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## Hazelton mayor seeks comments on law enforcement

**HAZELTON** - The Hazelton mayor said he would like the City Council to initiate a survey to see if residents want to get their law enforcement from the county sheriff's department rather than the city police department.

Mayor Kerry Douglas said Hazelton's police department

costs the city about \$30,000 a year. He said he feels that Hazelton Police Chief Kelly Bangert is doing a great job, but that getting law enforcement from the Jerome County Sheriff's Department would save the city's money.

Councilman Wade Johnson said he feels that the police department should remain as it is.

Douglas urged any residents

who are interested in this issue to attend the next City Council meeting, which will be at Hazelton City Hall at 7 p.m. on Tuesday.

Another issue to be settled at that meeting is the selling of Hazelton's city park, Douglas said. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has made a bid of \$48,000 on the property.

On Feb. 28, the council determined that a public auction is necessary, Douglas said. On Tuesday, a date for this auction will be decided.

There has been a private donation of 16 acres to the city to be used for the new park, Douglas said. Valley Parks Recreation District will handle the building of the fields and facilities. The cost to the city for the new park will be minimal, Douglas said.

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

Victi Diane Udy of Katy, Texas, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Malheur and Second Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, interment will follow at Valley Vu Cemetery; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley and from 10-10:45 a.m. Friday at the church.

## Jerome

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oversee the use of the city library's share of Evelyn Crowder's \$1.9 million trust fund. Crowder died in April 2001 and left the money to the city and school libraries.

Jackie Fisher and Correll Jean Babcock, Kathy Lott and Rob Williams, who were named by Crowder in her will to oversee the use of the funds, Correll said the Friends of the Library, the library board and the city library foundation will be consulted on how to use the funds.

Wells Fargo Bank would continue to manage the Crowder trust fund, Correll said.

The city will continue to fund the day-to-day operation of the library, Rothweiler said. The Crowder money can be used for books, computers, construction or other library-related projects; however, the money can not be used for wages or employees.

Odor complaints - Rothweiler announced that all complainants

about odors from the city's sewage plant should go to him or city engineer Scott Bybee. Rothweiler's number is 324-8189, ext. 102, and Bybee can be reached through the public works department at 324-9669.

Community festival - A community festival is in the planning stages for May 10 and 11. The festival will be a fun run, food booths, street dances and a fiddle fest, Rothweiler said.

Bid specs - The council approved the specifications for a fire engine. The council will call to bid on the purchase of a Synergis scanner printer for the public works department.

The city has budgeted \$33,000 for buying a scanner printer for this fiscal year. In addition to state-of-the-art scanning and printing abilities, it will scan blueprints-of-subdivisions and buildings into the city's GIS mapping system. In the event of a fire, those blueprints can be called up for the firefighters' reference before they even get to the fire, Rothweiler said.

## SERVICES

Ilma Marie Krehmeyer of Wendell, service at 11 a.m. today at Farmer's Funeral Chapel in Buhl; the graveside service will be held Monday at the cemetery in Buhl, Colo.

Michael Glen Bagley of Rupert, service at 2 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Chapel; friends may call from 1:30 p.m. until the service time today; burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery.

Jess Sylvester Rolland Jr. of Ellet, memorial service at 1 p.m. today at the Buhl Community of Christ Church, 20264 Highway 30, Buhl.

Andrew Leon Christensen of Burley, service at 11 a.m. today at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Springdale First Ward, 200 S. 475 E. Buhl will be at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley; friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary, Burley).

Jesus Villalobos of Buhl, prayer vigil with rosary recited at 7 p.m.

today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel; funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Friday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Buhl; burial will follow at the West End Cemetery in Buhl; friends may call from 3 p.m. until the time of the rosary today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Roger Thomas Morris Oler of Twin Falls, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at Hillcrest Cemetery in Shely, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Cobalt Falls, Mont. LDS Church (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Tiffany Amber Nagel, infant daughter of Cary and Christy Ann Pierce Nagel of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Friday at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; interment will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery; visitation from 5-7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Lois Jensen of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Friday at the Burley West Stake Center of the Church

of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2420 Parke Ave.; interment will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery; 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. Friday at the church.

Bonnie Elaine Easterday of Castleford, memorial service at 11 a.m. Friday at the Castleford United Methodist Church (White Mortuary and Crematory, Twin Falls).

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

Eldon Duane Bingham of Georgetown, Calif., and formerly of Burley, service at 1 p.m. Friday 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. today and from noon until 12:45 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Phyllis Boley Jimenez of Burley and formerly of Morraugh, private family service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley; interment will take place at a later date.

Ralph J. Andree of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. March 19 at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.

## Air

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there's nothing to talk about, because we haven't had the meeting where we determine all those things."

"This is a budget-driven show," said air show committee member Jan Rogers. "So whatever the budget is we come up with, that's how big the proposal will be."

So air show plans haven't yet gone into a campaign, said Talkington, who acts as the City Council's liaison to the air show committee. But if they do, there might not be much time to pull out, he said.

"We are probably looking at a dropped date like a decision as early as this month," he said.

If there is a show, it would probably be set for June,

Talkington said.

Airport Manager Bill Carberry agreed that the time is right for making decisions about the air show. If the show falls through this year, then an alternative plan would probably be to do it up really big for the Twin Falls centennial in 2004, he said.

Either way, the city is going to need assurances that the bill would be left footing the bill again, Courney said.

"Because of the problem we had two years ago, we will use a much more formalized review process," he said. That will probably involve final approval hanging on a vote from the council.

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MAGIC VALLEY

# Blaine rec gets viewing

Residents' panel prepares guide for recreation's future

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - Since January, nearly 40 Blaine County residents have been huddled up talking fun and games.

Their meetings resemble a real-life version of Monopoly as they pretend to go up and down the Wood River Valley figuring out what properties they want, what kind of facilities they want to place on those properties and just how they're going to pass "Go" to get the money for those facilities.

"When they finish up in the next couple months, they hope to have a blueprint that will guide the Blaine County Recreation District as it attempts to get a teen center, indoor swimming pool, covered ice rink, golf course, additional hiking trails and other things residents say they want and need.

"We want to reach a consensus on 10-year facility projects and the order of development. This is not meant to design facilities but to decide whether the projects we go after should be singular-use or multi-use facilities," said moderator Mike Pepper of KMP Planning and Consulting.

The grassroots group is made up of financial wizards, planning consultants, hockey buffs, hiking enthusiasts and parents from throughout the county who indicated they wanted to help make sense of a needs assessment survey the recreation district sent out last fall.

Though they're talking fun and games, the sessions are anything but fun and games.

After all, they're talking about real money, not play money. And that means looking at complicated funding options such as bond issues and override levies, mandatory development impact fees and mixed public/private partnerships.

Complicating things are proposals already in the works by other groups.

"The Janss Center, which has been working on a facility that would include an indoor ice rink that could be converted to a 3,000-seat concert area, a cardiovascular and strength training area and an outdoor pool.

The SB Sports Center, which has proposed building a covered

## Blaine County perspectives

Here are some voices from the 10-year recreation planning group:

"The 10-year lease that the high school is offering gives the recreation district time to iron out details with the SB Sports Center. I would like to work with that group to see how they fit in."

- Steve Koeler, Hailey parent

"The idea of neighborhood facilities is vital to the community. I wonder if

there's not room for a short-term goal of acquiring playing fields and park space."

- Lili Simpson, volunteer board member

"The bond the recreation district proposed a few years ago failed because it was too big. Perhaps it could work if it were half the size. The fact that the Janss Center looks as if it's going forward takes a lot of pressure out of the picture. Maybe the SB Sports Center could drop its swimming pool since there's another one close by, and that would reduce the cost of the project (from about \$9 million to \$6.5 million)."

- Evelyn Phillips, Hailey mapmaker

ice rink/in-line skate rink on rodeo grounds that would adjoin a multi-use gym, indoor swimming pool and teen center.

Blaine County School District, which envisions the recreation district and College of Southern Idaho turning the current high school into a gym/teen center/college campus when a new high school is completed.

And the city of Hailey, which is scrutinizing a master plan that would extend the town's parks, open space and trail system.

"For the rec district to buy off on SB, for instance, we have to make sure it's doable and will provide recreation at an affordable cost," recreation district board member Tim Hamilton told the group. "The SB center is looking for support from the rec district, and the rec district is looking for support from you-to say that, based on such and such criteria, we recommend you buy off on this."

Not knowing just how the SB Sports Center would be funded or, even, if it and the other proposals would become reality, was frustrating for the group.

"I feel I have less than 2 percent of the information I need if you were to ask me to vote right now," said retired financier Bob Wilkins.

"What's the big hurry to make any kind of decision until we know how the SB and Janss are going to play out?" asked Bruce Norvell.

Pepper assured them it was something that has to be done. If one or both of those projects were to fall through, the recreation district needs to know how to move forward quickly to get something in place.

"Part of your challenge is to grapple with projects you recom-

mend the recreation district move forward on and existing proposals," he said. "You could say, 'We should move forward in partnership with one of these groups,' or you could say, 'We're going to let go and so move ahead with this, after which period of time we'll pick up the ball.'"

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# DEATH NOTICES

## John Strong Toupin

JEROME - John Strong Toupin, 79, of Jerome died Wednesday, March 6, 2002, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

The service will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, March 11, 2002, at the First Church of God, 131 East Ave. F. Jerome with Pastor Kenn Geslin officiating. A visitation will be held one hour prior to the services at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

## Thomas A. Peabody

RUPERT - Thomas A. Peabody, 77, of Rupert died Tuesday, March 5, 2002, at the Park View Care Center. Services are pending under the direction of Hansen Mortuary of Rupert Chapel.

## Richard Dedrick

RUPERT - Richard Dedrick, 86, of Rupert died Tuesday, March 5, 2002. Services are pending at Hansen Mortuary of Rupert Chapel.

## Tina Mitton

TWIN FALLS - Tina Mitton, 48, of Twin Falls died Tuesday, March 5, 2002, at Country Cottage Assisted Living. The memorial service will be held

at 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 13, 2002, at White Mortuary Chapel. A complete obituary will follow at a later date.

## Malda I. Gillett

DECLO - Malda Ingram Gillett, 92, of Declo died Wednesday, March 6, 2002, at Alta View Hospital in Sandy, Utah.

The service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 11, 2002, at the Declo Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 213 West Main St., with Bishop's Counselor Lynn Payne officiating. Interment will follow at the Declo Cemetery.

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

## Howard V. Allen

HAGERMAN - Howard V. Allen, 80, of Hagerman died Wednesday, March 6, 2002, at his home. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

## Scott Joseph Sterling

TWIN FALLS - Scott Joseph Sterling, 40, of Twin Falls died Monday, March 4, 2002, at his home of cancer.

A prayer vigil and rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Friday, March 8, 2002, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 9, 2002, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. A full obituary will appear in Friday's edition.

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## Hispanic networking group meets Monday at noon

**TWIN FALLS** - A representative of the Hispanic Business Association has been invited to speak at a networking group of Hispanic professionals and business people.

The meeting will be held at noon Monday at the Royal Restaurant on 645 Filer Ave. in Twin Falls.

Anyone is welcome to attend. For more information, call Pat Marzantonio at 735-3288.



### Noticias

**8 p.m. Friday at the Crossroads United Methodist Church, 205 Madison E. in Kimberly.**  
The cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under age 12. Tickets are available at the door. Take-out is available.

For more information, call Kathleen Clark at 423-5862.

### Michoacan group performs at Jerome County Fairgrounds

**JEROME** - Grupo Vennus from Michoacan, Mexico will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Jerome County Fairgrounds.

Grupo Zafiro and Corazones Vagabundos also will perform. Tickets are for sale at various Hispanic businesses for \$25.

### Los Vampiros plays at El Parralito in Jerome

**JEROME** - Los Vampiros will perform at 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday at El Parralito Salon on Lincoln Street in Jerome.

For information, call 324-8674.

### Hispanic Business Association meets Monday

**BOISE** - The Hispanic Business Association will hold its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. Monday at Casa Mexico, at the corner of Five Mile and Fairview Avenue in Boise.

Sandra Forrester of the Idaho Statesman is the guest speaker. For more information, call Alice at 322-7033.

### Committee extends deadline to sign up for queen contest

**RUPERT** - The Cinco de Mayo committee has extended its deadline for queen contestants.

If you or someone you know would be interested in competing for the title of Senorita Cinco de Mayo, drop by the Federal Programs office at 906 S. Oneida, Rupert.

Or call Sylvia Lujan, Federal Programs secretary, at 436-0264. The deadline is 6:30 p.m. Friday.

### Mothers' Day, Cinco de Mayo event takes place at park

**TWIN FALLS** - A Mothers' Day and Cinco de Mayo celebration is being planned for Mother's Day at Twin Falls City Park.

Events start at 1 p.m. and will include live music, dancers from Glenns Ferry and food booths, said organizer Rosa Paiz, owner of El Sombrero Restaurant in Jerome.

For more information, call Paiz at 324-7238.

### Scouts sponsors Mexican fund-raising dinner Friday

**KIMBERLY** - Cub Scout Pack 42 and Boy Scout Troop 42 will sponsor a Mexican dinner from 5-

## Former IMC manager starts new journey

By Amalza Figueroa  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** - Alex Castaneda is beginning a new journey.

After five years with the Idaho Migrant Council, he has started a new career in real estate.

But the decision was a difficult one, made in difficult times.

Castaneda was the Idaho Migrant Council regional manager in Twin Falls and also served the Burley office. The nonprofit organization focuses on promoting the well-being of farm workers and their families.

"I feel very good about those five years. I was very active with the community and I did a lot for them. I made lots of changes together with a great team of people that worked with me," he said.

Castaneda said he resigned because of the recent troubles involving the Idaho Migrant Council. He declined to discuss those in detail, however.

The controversy stems from the Oct. 6 firing of council director and one of its founders, Humberto Fuentes. In a lawsuit, the Caldwell-based council claims that Fuentes diverted more than \$10,000 from the organization that has never been accounted for. In his answer, Fuentes says that no discrepancies involving him have ever occurred, and that the allegations "are libelous and slanderous."

The council is considered one of the state's most powerful advocates for Hispanic rights and issues. Founded in 1971, it has fought for improved living conditions at migrant labor camps, and workers compensation and minimum wages for farm workers. It also operates low-income housing, job-training, health services, Head Start and educational programs.

"The decision to leave 'his family' at the Idaho Migrant Council, as he referred to the staff, was made after much thought, Castaneda said.

At age 14, Castaneda came from Mexico to Idaho to work and support his family. He did not speak any English.

Fate had great opportunities in store to challenge him, and he welcomed the challenges.



BETTY TAYLOR/The Times-News

Alex Castaneda chats with co-worker Peggy Connolly at the Gem State Realty office in Twin Falls. After five years with the Idaho Migrant Council, Castaneda is starting a new career.

His journey with the Idaho Migrant Council began as a teacher's aide in its Head Start program, and later as a counselor for its employment and training program. Castaneda holds an associate's degree in childhood development from the College of Southern Idaho.

He is well-aware of the difficulties faced by farm workers to access services, and of the importance of an adequate support system, he says.

In addition to his role as advocate for the Hispanic community, he is a member of the South Central Idaho Works, Magic Valley

Rehabilitation Services and Boys and Girls Club boards.

"Everything I did was always

in the best interest of the community," Castaneda said.

His new direction has taken him to the offices of Gem State Realty in Twin Falls, after training on real estate practices at the CSI.

"This is another service I can provide to the people. There's a huge gap for the Hispanic community in this area," he said.

He is eager to provide resources to first-time home-owners and the community in general.

"I've got lots of ideas, and I want to take this one step further than just sell houses," Castaneda said. "It's not about money, it's about the community. I want to make sure that our people are served."

## All work and no play? Not for this mayor

By Mary Jordan  
The Washington Post

**TULTITLAN, Mexico** - He has starred in one action movie and has another on the way. He favors travel by limo, a young model on each elbow. He owns beehives, flies his own Cessna and has written a self-help book. He recently traveled to Rome to try to schmooze with the pope. And when his Jeep flipped over on the highway, not long ago, he said, ominously, that he'd been fired upon by unknown assailants.

The rest of the time, Jose Antonio Rios Granados is the short, balding mayor of this small city. Most of his colleagues find it hard to make the national news. But Rios - biologist and action hero, author and model-magnet - rides the headlines as he would a Harley.

"I like challenges. I like to be bold. I like to think big," said

Rios, 42, who has done nothing small or dull in his first 18 months of running this industrial hub 14 miles north of Mexico City.

Some people here say Rios is refreshing, if eccentric. But national leaders of the buttoned-down, conservative National Action Party - to which both Rios and President Vicente Fox belong - are so unamused by Rios' antics that they've voted to throw him out of the party.

They also pressured him to return \$160,000 in municipal money they say he used to make his first film, "Bloody Orchid," in

which he plays a tough-guy sheriff fighting bad guys with an admiring blond bombshell at his side.

Rios claimed the money actually went to produce a short documentary promoting his city of 500,000 people, which was shown as a prelude to "Bloody Orchid," but wrote a personal check to settle things.

"People criticize me because I do different things than other mayors," said Rios, whose private collection of horses includes a sleek Arabian stallion named Centauro.

City Councilman Crispin Vazquez Garcia had a different

assessment. "He's crazy," Vazquez said. "He wants to be an actor. That is not normal. We are supposed to be solving the problems of the community."

Previous mayors here have focused their energy on perennial problems such as poor trash collection and the city's startling oversupply of mangy stray dogs.

Rios has gone global: He's talked up Tultitlan on trips to China, Cuba, Greece, Belgium and Italy. He's even persuaded Pope John Paul II to stop by when he visits Mexico this summer.

Vazquez and others on the 15-member city council said Rios has recklessly spent city funds, made illegal appointments to city jobs and left the city without conferring with them. They recently complained to the state governor that Rios has "seriously altered the public order and the tranquility" of their city.

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## Retailers begin targeting toys to diverse ethnicities

Knight-Ridder News Service

During the American International Toy Fair, the giant industry trade show in New York, Fisher-Price, a unit of top-toy-maker Mattel, introduced a new line of toys based on Dora the Explorer, the Latina star of a Nickelodeon series that teaches viewers Spanish.

But the toy fair panelists said the industry isn't keeping up with the dramatic changes in the

nation's population, which are particularly marked in the younger generation. Consider some figures culled from the 2000 U.S. Census: While 28 percent of American adults classified themselves as belonging to minority groups, 39 percent of children did. In five states: Hawaii, New Mexico, California, Texas, and Arizona, most children are members of so-called minority groups.

And while the total population of children increased only about

14 percent in the U.S. during the 1990s, the number of minority children rose almost 43 percent.

Even when they are fluent in English, many Hispanic shoppers and they want to enjoy a Spanish-immersed shopping experience, said Jack Randall, national sales manager for Univision, the giant Spanish-language network. In Los Angeles, for example, Randall said, Hispanic shoppers are flocking to Spanish-only

retailers for consumer electronics and toys. "They're hurting the major retailers," he said.

Sears was among the first retailers to market to the burgeoning Hispanic market. The company designates 180 of its stores, and plans to add 100 more, as Hispanic stores, with bilingual signage and workers, and products geared toward the Spanish-speaking market, such as a large selection of christening dresses.



Gov. Dirk Kempthorne congratulated Third District Judge Sergio Gutierrez after appointing him to the Idaho Court of Appeals. Gutierrez replaces Judge Alan Schwartzman, who retired Jan. 15.

## First Hispanic takes spot on appeals bench

**BOISE** - The first Hispanic appointed to the Idaho Court of Appeals was sworn this month in Boise.

Judge Sergio Gutierrez, 47, is a graduate from Job Corps, where he obtained his General Equivalency Degree. He received a bachelor's of arts degree in elementary education from Boise State University, according to his office.

He attended Hastings Law School at the University of California, where he obtained his

juris doctor degree. His law practice experience includes employment with Idaho Legal Aid Services Inc., the firm of Park, Costello and Burkett and operating a solo practice. He served as Third District judge from 1993 to 2002. He was appointed to the Idaho Court of Appeals by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

Gutierrez is married to the former Mary Cuevas. They have four children, a foster son and two grandchildren.

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# Bush backtracks on welfare/wage issue

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration said Wednesday that welfare recipients who are required to take community service jobs would be entitled to the minimum wage, backtracking on one controversial element of its welfare plan.

Under the welfare plan unveiled last week, the administration made it clear that these jobs should not be covered by minimum wage and other worker protections.

But on Wednesday, Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson said in a statement that "this administration has absolutely no intention of abandoning those very important protections."

Last week, the administration released a 36-page plan for renewing the landmark 1996 welfare overhaul. Its recommendations to Congress include a significant increase in the number of people each state must put to work, and an increase in the number of hours that each person must be at work.

## President promises closer contact with lawmakers

WASHINGTON — President Bush pledged Wednesday to do a better job of telling Congress about his foreign policy decisions, but he put to rest any suggestions over the way he notified lawmakers about his "shadow government" plan.

Bush met with the chairmen and ranking members of the Senate Foreign Relations and House International Relations committees to update them on foreign policy issues, including Afghanistan, Colombia and the Middle East. He assured them the White House would touch base with them more regularly, said Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., chairman of the House committee.

"We didn't hear too much of his view, but he listened to our view, which was very important, and resolved to have further and more frequent consultations with the Senate and the House on these matters," Hyde said.

The Senate chairman, Joseph Biden, D-Del., said the lawmakers now will meet with Bush's national security adviser Condoleezza Rice once a week, or at least every 10 days, to ensure smooth communication. He told reporters that he harbored no ill will toward the White House over the shadow government matter.

## Helms: AIDS comments referred to Africa, not U.S.

RALEIGH, N.C. — Sen. Jesse Helms says a comment he made last month that he was ashamed about his inaction on the AIDS epidemic didn't mean he had altered his views on homosexuality or his belief that government spending on AIDS research is excessive compared to spending on other illnesses.

During a Christian conference in Washington last month, Helms, R-N.C., said he was "so ashamed that I've done so little" and had been "too lax too long in doing something really significant about AIDS."

But on Tuesday, Helms said those comments were focused on the epidemic in sub-Saharan Africa and didn't apply to domestic AIDS issues involving homosexuals. "If it had extended to them, I would have said so. That conference was about AIDS in Africa," Helms said.

## Study: Stem cells may build tissue throughout the body

Researchers have found evidence that stem cells circulating in the bloodstream can grow new tissue in the liver, gut and skin.

The study is the latest to suggest the versatility of adult stem cells, the body's manufacturing equipment for new tissue. In

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adults — unlike in embryos — they have long been thought to be programmed to make just one kind of cell, such as liver or brain, depending on where they are located.

Stem cells found in the bone marrow were once believed to make only new blood cells. But recent studies have upset this dogma. The latest work, published in today's New England Journal of Medicine, suggests they, too, can morph into many different kinds of tissue.

## Studies: Test-tube babies run a risk of birth defect

Test-tube babies have double the usual risk of being underweight or having major birth defects, researchers say. But they say the findings should not necessarily discourage infertile couples from trying to conceive this way.

An Australian study found that almost one in 10 test-tube babies has birth defects, while a study by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that newborns conceived this way tend to be smaller than usual. Being underweight can lead to physical and developmental disorders.

Neither study looked at why this was so. But the researchers said the problems might be caused by the women's underlying fertility troubles or by the laboratory procedures themselves. The two studies appear in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

## Scientists claim life dated at 3.5 billion years ago

Researchers using a highly sensitive laser say they have detected microscopic remnants of life dating back 3.5 billion years — a

find that could push back by 1 billion years the earliest definitive evidence of life on Earth.

Other scientists dispute the claim, however. The apparent "microfossils" of bacteria were found in shale-like formations in western Australia in the early 1990s by a team that included J. William Schopf. The evidence consists of microscopic, filament-like strands in the rock.

In an article in today's issue of the journal Nature, Schopf, a paleobiologist at the University of California at Los Angeles, reported that he and colleagues at the University of Alabama in Birmingham further analyzed the samples.

In a separate paper in Nature, however, a team of researchers in England and Australia said other tests show no evidence that the formations were once ancient life.

## Israel promises relentless effort to crush militants

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Israeli planes, helicopters and warships pounded Gaza on Wednesday in one of the fiercest assaults of the Palestinian uprising. Twelve Palestinians and two Israeli soldiers were killed in violence in Gaza and the West Bank. Seven of the Palestinians died in fighting in Gaza. Five others died in separate incidents, including a Hamas activist killed in an explosion at his Gaza City home.

Amid the worst spate of violence since the start of the conflict 17 months ago, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon promised Israel would strike "without letup" until Palestinian militants' attacks on Israelis are reined in. Sharon's foreign minister, Shimon Peres, however, said force was not the answer. "A cease-fire cannot be achieved just by using fire," he told journalists in Jerusalem. Secretary of State Colin Powell

also criticized the heavy retaliation, and said both sides' policies were fueling violence that made peace efforts impossible.

## Saudi medical team reports first uterus transplant

LONDON — Doctors in Saudi Arabia have performed the first human uterus transplant, which produced two menstrual periods before it failed and had to be removed.

The experiment indicated a womb transplant is technically achievable, but experts say it is highly risky and ethically questionable. Some say it won't be practical until less toxic anti-rejection drugs become available.

The idea of uterus transplants was first explored in the 1950s. But after 20 years of failed experiments on dogs and baboons, many scientists considered it impossible because of the complex blood vessels that must be connected and because of fears that anti-rejection drugs could harm a fetus. The operation, reported this week in the International Journal of Gynecology and Obstetrics, failed because a blood vessel supplying the uterus developed a clot, which cut off the blood supply.

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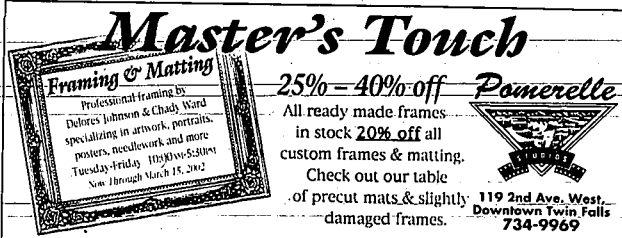


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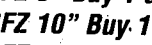
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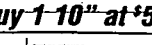
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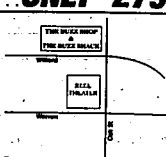
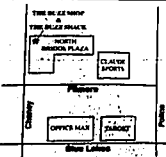
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## Oh, that blasted bluster

I remember my run-ins with the wind here like some people remember bad dates. Many an outdoor adventure has begun with high hopes, only to leave me annoyed, frustrated and sometimes close to tears. Don't get me wrong. I love living and recreating in this wonderfully diverse state - taking to the mountains on an impulse or launching into any horizon to explore the unlimited west, riding my bike through the golden evening light and inhaling the fresh sage in the hills, or pedaling down an endless country road at night, my headlight off and the full moon lighting my way until the occasional pickup barrels toward me.



CALLS FROM THE WILD Ruth Streeter

In my two-and-a-half years here, I feel I haven't even begun to see all that's beautiful about Idaho. But add the wind, and it might as well be the 5 o'clock rush hour. To natives here, that might seem insulting, or at least a bit self-centered. But people who have lived where I grew up, western Washington, feel the same about the incessant rain, which I miss dearly. While the wind always seems to beat me up, down me down and defeat me, I love the way the rain clings to me, drenches me and urges me on to someplace warm and dry.

So it's not that I'm just a literal fair-weather friend. I respect the wind, but I'd rather ignore it, and curl up on the couch until it's done its business. It was with great annoyance that when, on an otherwise beautiful sunny day for snowshoeing in the South Hills, we opened the car door to ferocious, bitter gusts of winter. But my delight with a rest for shrouded us and the air was chilly but calm. Above the tree tops, the savage beast flew, trying to find us in our solid, wooded fortress.

Daisy, the fun-loving Labrador-border collie mix with a zest for life, bounded through the snow like an Olympic hurdler. We soon shed scarves and unzipped shells. Thoroughly tippy, I welcomed the chill over my lips and into my lungs like mental vapor.

Unfortunately, we eventually came to where the forest ends. An expanse of hillsides opened in front of us, and as it did, the beast bore down. It hit us hard.

Or rather, I found it. The wind blasted over me, pulling my skin into a taut mask and freezing the cracks into my face. I felt like I could chisel away my hard, dead and have something healthy and new.

Still warm from the steep climb, my racing blood fueled a confrontation with this fiend. There was no inclination to turn my back, to lower my head or shelter to reward our trek wasn't terribly breathtaking. But the wind ... the wind felt - good.

Angela and Lisa tumbled to readjust the straps on a pair of wooden snowshoes that were causing great grief. Around us, the wind whipped up the snow into wispy fairies; dancing in circles, they linked hands and then scattered away.

"We tramped on like Luther and then, the weather growing in ferocity, turned back. Now head-on, the wind thrust needles into our eyes and once slapped me. "I like weather you can notice," Lisa said.

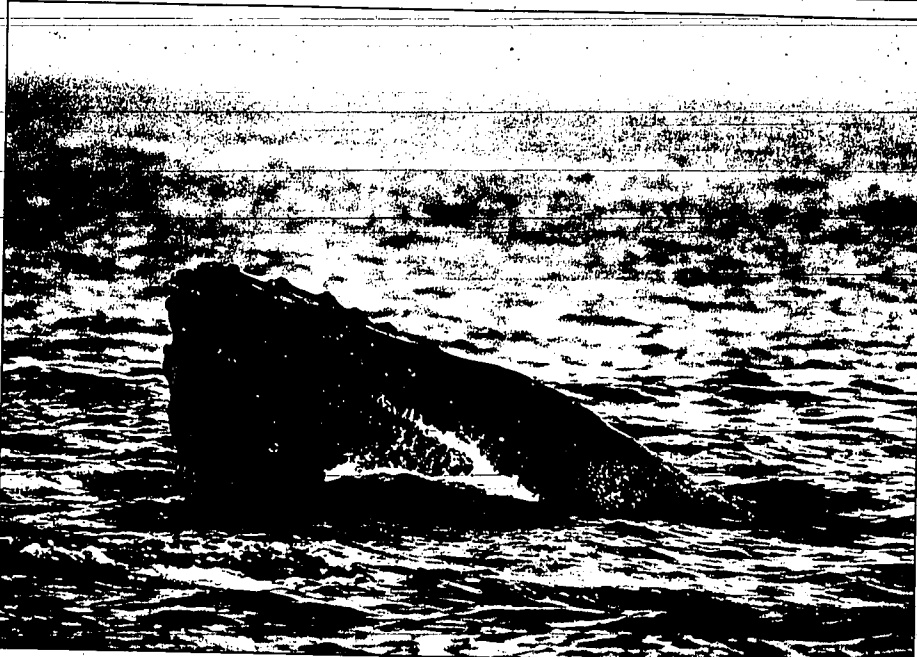
But my body was cooling and the air was no longer comfortably cold. I shivered. Once again, my irritable comfort level was making demands.

Renewed, we bounded. Daisy-like, back down the hill, practically falling through the soft, thick powder. Angela slid down the hill on her wooden snowshoes as if she were strapped to a pair of TV trays.

It was nice to return to our shelter in the forest. One can only take the beatings for so long. No, it's not weather that easily earns itself. But it is beautiful, how it makes the sagebrush tremble and shadows stretch and collide. It wouldn't be Idaho without it.

Times-News Assistant City Editor Ruth Streeter is hoping for a nice, gentle breeze when she's mountain biking in Moab, Utah, this weekend.

# Watching the whale debate



A humpback whale breaks the surface near the Palos Verdes Peninsula of California March 17, 2001.

## Animal activists, whalers square off as whale tourism booms

By Martha Mendoza Associated Press Writer

MOSS LANDING, Calif. - The barnacled gray whale breaks the clear surface of the Pacific Ocean and blows a fine mist over awed tourists, each of whom paid \$35 to board the boat that slips alongside the migrating marine mammals.

"The time for hunting these magnificent creatures is over," says Captain Steph Dutton, peering across the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary at two more boats filled with tourists. "If sharing them with people like this helps, then it's worth it."

But not all whale advocates - and certainly not those who hunt them - approve of the increased exposure.

"The problem for whales is they're dying the death of a thousand cuts," said Charlotte de Fontainebleau, Greenpeace Oceans coordinator in Washington D.C.

"Global warming, depletion of fish stocks, direct taking by Japan and Norway, are all making it tough for this species. Now if whales are learning to come right up to boats, or if boats are getting too close to them, that's another very bad sign."

From Vietnam to South Africa, virtually every country that a whale swims past is now cashing in with close-up boat tours, shoreline viewing, festivals and souvenirs.

A powerful new platform. "Anti-whaling activists often use whale-watching operations as an opportunity to impose their propaganda," said Rune

Frovik, secretary of the High North Alliance that represents whalers, sealers and fishermen from Canada, Greenland, Iceland and Norway and the Danish Faroe Islands.

People have, of course, been admiring - and hunting - whales for thousands of years, from ships and shores. But whale-watching as a commercial activity didn't begin until the mid-50s when fishermen in Southern California began charging for tours when fish weren't biting.

Now, whale advocates say surging interest in whale-watching brings both new security and new problems to the gentle giants which just 50 years ago were mostly appreciated for their high-protein flesh.

This year, approximately 10 million whale-watchers will pay more than \$1 billion on tours, travel, food and hotels in 87 countries and overseas territories, according to the International Fund for Animal Welfare in Yarmouth Port, Mass. That's up from about 4 million people spending about \$317 million in 1991, the group said.

The world's gray whale population migrates through the nutrient-rich waters of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, traveling between their summer feeding grounds in the Bering Sea and their winter breeding grounds in Baja, Mexico.

Surveys show that about 36,000 people paid to go whale-watching in the sanctuary in 2000, information that helped Dutton convince bankers to lend him \$1 million for a two-deck power catamaran that holds up to 149 tourists.

The industry has helped turn around depressed third world villages like Benito Juarez in Baja, Mexico, a farming and ranching community of about 50 families

who have spent the past decade taking tourists into a nearby lagoon where mother whales come to birth and raise their calves. Passengers pay about \$30, and community members share earnings from ticket sales equally to revitalize their town.

The whales in this area have become so accustomed to people they swim right up to boats and let tourists scratch their heads.

National and federal standards, as well as local codes of ethics, do provide some safety to the animals. But in many cases curious whales approach boats, clustering around their visitors.

Some animal rights activists say teaching curious whales to trust people can be dangerous. At times they are hit by speeders; it's unclear whether such contact with humans has any long-term effect.

That said, whale appreciation prompted Mexican government officials in 2000 to halt a \$150 million expansion of a salt

plant. Celebrities, many of whom lobbied Mexico in that case, have taken up the cause for whales during the past few years.

Musicians Bryan Adams, Olivia Newton-John, Peter Gabriel, Midnight Oil and Yohu Yindi have recorded soundtracks for an anti-whale-hunting film to be released this month, while actors Pierce Brosnan and Glenn Close were among those who went on high-profile whale-watching tours to draw attention to the issue. Hollywood stars Robin Williams and Kate Beckinsale, among others, have spoken out repeatedly as well.

Ron Mader, author of "Mexico: Adventures in Nature," said that while there are dangers in the rapidly expanding industry, "it's certainly safer than whaling."

Although the International Whaling Commission banned whaling in 1987 and eight species are designated as endangered, whales are still hunted in limited numbers around the globe, primarily by Japanese and Norwegian whalers.

Earlier this month, Japanese officials launched a campaign to resume commercial whaling, vowing to end the 15-year ban on whale hunts at an IWC meeting in Tokyo this spring.

Anti-hunting advocates hope whale-watching will galvanize the opposition, and point to studies that show the economic benefits of whale-watching outweigh those of whale-hunting.

But whalers dispute those studies, and Please see WHALES, Page D4

## Moonlight nordic trip makes for a night to remember

By Dale Stewart Times-News Correspondent

There are three requirements for successful moonlight skiing - good snow, lunar light and headlamps.

On rare occasions, Nordic night skiers will have all three. More often, they have only one or two.

So it was on the last Saturday night in February. A party of around 25 skiers joining in an outing arranged by the High Desert Nordic Association had the snow and the headlamps. The moonlight intermittently brightened the long loop of the Rock Creek cross-country ski trail in the South Hills when it appeared through breaks in wind-driven clouds. Skiers' headlamps helped navigation through timber-thrown shadows along the dim trail across open stretches.

It was apparent members of the party were enjoying the two-hour outing as they climbed away from the trailhead among conifers and aspen, lined out across the open ridge - at times pushed along by wind gusts - and swooped along the downhill track through the timber.

Following behind came the Light Brigade - a rear

guard making sure no one was left behind and gathering the dimly glowing lights hung in the late afternoon to mark trail junctions, turns or sharp drops in the track. The lights had been hung in late afternoon by several skiers familiar with the trail, which acquired a fresh cover of snow from sleet and snow flurries shortly before dusk.

As is traditional with High Desert Nordic Association moonlight ski outings, the moon was bright, although its light was filtered by clouds at times. When the group reached the open ridge, the skies cleared with stars and planets literally blazing, although the moon was only two days from full. But by the time the group returned to the trailhead, snow was falling.

In past years, the association's moonlight outings have been carried out in driving snow, over open trails and through dense woods. They have offered opportunities for skiers to play on open bowls and

Following behind came the Light Brigade - a rear



Jack Sears hangs a glowing marker to guide skiers along the upper loop of the Rock Creek trail who will be coming along after darkness falls.

Following behind came the Light Brigade - a rear

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# Discarded fishing line poses threat

**Question:** While fishing along the Snake River I noticed a lot of discarded fishing line and shotshell hulls along the riverbank. Isn't this littering?

**Answer:** Yes, it is definitely littering.

By definition, it is unlawful to "deposit on upon any public or private property within this state any debris, paper, litter, glass bottles, glass nails, tacks, hooks, cans, barbed wire, boards, trash, garbage, lighted material, or other waste substances on any place not authorized by any county, city, village, or the owner of such property, and is punishable by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding six (6) months, or by a fine not exceeding \$300, or both."

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line discarded along the banks of our rivers and streams is particularly disturbing because of its ability to entangle innocent wildlife. Song birds and waterfowl are particularly vulnerable. Hooks containing bait swallowed by birds attached to fishing line quickly become tangled in brush. Unable to escape they become easy prey for predators or suffer a lingering death impaled by a fishhook tangled in brush. Conservation officers observing

anglers discard fishing line along riverbanks and lakeshores will issue citations.

In sturgeon fishing areas monofilament line discarded can be 50 to 80 pound test. Pets and small children playing along the riverbanks while their parents are fishing can be seriously injured or fall into the river if they became entangled in this heavy fishing line.

Waterfowl hunting areas along the Snake River are used repeatedly during the season. Many conscientious waterfowl hunters are careful to collect their spent hulls after a day of hunting. Others carelessly discard their shells. As the season progresses, a large number of shotshell hulls accumulate around duck blinds. The plastic shotshell hulls really never decay but sun-

light does make the plastic brittle and break up into small pieces. Leaving shotshell hulls is also a case of littering along the riverbank, but it is a much more difficult situation, because some hunters are unable to locate their hulls.

I think these issues are more ethical in nature. They reflect individual's lack of moral fiber. If anglers and waterfowl hunters wish to continue the sport they so dearly enjoy, they need to clean up after themselves, and others.

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

# M.V. group honors fly fisherman of the year

The Magic Valley Fly Fishers Chapter of Trout Unlimited has selected Robert Norman of Twin Falls as its "Fly Fisherman of the Year." Norman has been a long time advocate of conservation and fly fishing and has contributed countless hours working with the Department of Fish and Game as well as other public and government agencies regarding habitat, restoration, regulations, and fisheries management.

In addition, Norman has served as the chapter's treasurer for several years. He also demonstrates substantial community involvement including serving as the President of the Snake River Council of the Boy Scouts of America and the Twin Falls Chapter of Commerce.

Norman is currently serving on the board of the Twin Falls Old Town Development Corporation and on the government committee of the greater Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. Norman and his wife, live in Twin Falls with their three children.

— compiled from staff reports



Robert Norman, right, receives the 'Fly Fisherman of the Year' award from Magic Valley Fly Fishers president Dale Quigley at their club banquet.

# High Desert Nordic Association holds meeting

**TWIN FALLS** - Members of the High Desert Nordic Association will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13 at Idaho Joe's restaurant in Twin Falls.

A video presentation on avalanche safety will be a feature of the evening, along with members' reports on ski outings and trail conditions in the area. Those attending will be invited to share memorable experiences while cross-country skiing.

Mary Ferrell, president of the association, said those interested in Nordic skiing are welcome to attend. For information call 733-1882.

## Pebble Creek hosts telemark, snowboard events

**INKBOM** - The Annual Telemark Festival is to be held at Pebble Creek Ski Area, this Sunday. The Festival is a time for telemark enthusiasts to get together and enjoy the slopes with fellow telemarkers. In addition, this gives a chance to increase awareness of telemarking to others.

The main event of the festival

## Outdoors in brief

is a Classic Terrain Race to be held at 1 p.m. This race brings together the skills of telemarking and cross-country travel. The course is a combination of slalom gates and uphill gates. A post-race party will follow, with an awards ceremony and draw prizes.

Race registration will be held in the office from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. the day of the race. Registration fees are \$15, which includes the traditional t-shirt, entry in race, and the post race party. Everyone is eligible for prize drawings. Entrants must have a valid lift ticket or season pass that day.

The Tenth Annual Snowboard rally is scheduled for Saturday, March 9, also at Pebble Creek. The event is billed as a Boarder Cross.

For the 1 p.m. Boarder Cross, racers negotiate a course designed with various terrain features and gates. Four races go in each heat, with the top two finishers advancing. An awards cere-

mony will begin shortly after lifts close. Draw prize winners must be present to receive prizes.

Registration fee for the rally is \$12. Entrance fee includes a shirt for first 100 participants, allows the rider to compete in the events and be eligible for draw prizes. All riders must have a valid lift ticket.

## State offers a choice of recreation passes

**BOISE** - Which statewide recreation pass is the best deal? That depends on your need, and a new Web page will help you decide, according to Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation Director Rick Collignon.

"We have three statewide annual passes, each designed to fill a specific need," Collignon said. "Sometimes it gets confusing, though. That's why we decided to show it graphically on our Web site."

The new section on the IDPR Web site [www.idahoparks.org](http://www.idahoparks.org), shows state maps to help recreationists decide which pass is

right for them. To access the section, click on Annual Passes at the opening page.

The \$20 Park N' Ski pass provides access to 13 cross-country skiing areas statewide, while the \$25 Idaho State Parks Annual Passport (\$30 for two cars) allows entrance to 26 state parks for day use activities. Meanwhile, the \$49 VIP pass covers all those areas, plus more than 60 other recreational day use fee areas across the state, including Craters of the Moon National Monument, and access to select Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and Bureau of Reclamation day-use areas.

While the Park N' Ski and State Parks Annual Passport are both window stickers, the VIP pass is a mirror tag that can be moved from car to car.

All three passes are available at Idaho's state parks and IDPR administrative offices in Coeur d'Alene, Meridian, Boise and Idaho Falls. The VIP pass can also be purchased online at [www.idahorec.org](http://www.idahorec.org) or by calling 1-800-877-4848.

— compiled from staff reports

# Snowmobile routes close

**MOOSE, Wyo. (AP)** - The snowmobile routes through Grand Teton National Park will be closed for the season at 8 p.m. Sunday.

The routes include Teton Park Road and the Flagg-Ashton Road in the John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Memorial Parkway, officials said.

Plowing Teton Park Road is scheduled to begin Monday morning. The road will open for nonmotorized use by April 1, possibly sooner depending on the weather and plowing progress. Grassy Lake Road in the

memorial parkway will remain closed to all use until June 1 due to springtime grizzly bear activity.

The Flagg-Ranch-Visitor Information Station is scheduled to close for the winter season on Sunday. Flagg Ranch Resort will close after breakfast Monday.

Winter car camping at the Colter Bay Visitor Center is scheduled to end April 15. Gros Ventre Campground, near Kelly, is scheduled to open for summer April 29.

# ANGLERS IN THE MIST



Fisherman congregate at Bennett Spring State Park near Lebanon, Mo., Friday for the opening of trout season.

# Fish and Game officials look for grant proposals

**BOISE (AP)** - Fish and Game officials are looking for grant proposals for a new conservation program.

Funding for the Wildlife Conservation and Restoration Program is from a one-year federal appropriation to address the unmet needs of wildlife and their habitats.

The department's Nongame Wildlife Program will accept proposals for projects that benefit wildlife conservation and improve or enhance conservation-related education on a quarterly basis. Officials said projects that generate revenue or involve land acquisition will not be accepted.

Groups awarded grant money are required to raise 25 percent of their project's total cost in matching funds, donations or labor. Projects must be completed by September 2004.

Grant requests of up to \$30,000 will be considered. Officials said most grants will not be more than \$10,000 per year.

# Bill would give Utah bird refuge \$15 million to make improvements

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** - The Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge would have \$15 million to improve wildlife habitat and develop trails under a bill that passed the Legislature on Wednesday.

"The idea is that the lands and waterways are held for the general public," said Sen. Peter Knudson, R-Brigham City.

It was the Legislature's second run at approving a deal between the federal government and the state to resolve a dispute over who owns the 70,000-acre bird refuge. Similar bills ran into trouble last year when conservative lawmakers balked at the agree-

ment's direction of how the \$15 million would be spent.

That proposed settlement was reached after more than a year of negotiations. But when the specific allocations of money were struck, negotiators had to start over again.

Under a resolution and bill that passed Wednesday, the state would spend \$10 million to buy wildlife habitat, wetlands and other for public purposes, and \$5 million for trail development, mostly for off-road vehicles trails.

The federal Fish and Wildlife Service and state Department of Natural Resources have to ratify the Legislature's actions.

# Know the score?

Read The Times-News sports pages to see how your favorite team is doing.

# Rails-to-trails project needs grant approval

**IDAHO FALLS (AP)** - A rails-to-trails project between Ashton and Tetonica could move forward this summer if the federal government approves a grant to the state parks and recreation department.

A \$78,000 grant from the National Recreation Trails Program would be used to build trailheads in Tetonica and near Lamont on the trail's southern leg. The trailheads would include signs, restrooms and gravel parking areas.

An answer is expected in April. If it is awarded, Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation Director Rick Collignon is hopeful the work can be completed this summer.

The project has been stalled for the past few years by increasing cost estimates to repair former railroad trestle bridges over Birch Creek and the Fall River.

The original project is funded by a \$500,000 grant, but estimates to repair bridges have pushed the costs higher.

The state is concentrating on the trail's 13-mile-long southern segment this summer.

Rails-to-trails projects convert railway corridors to public biking or hiking trails.

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Do you have a personal story of an outdoor adventure? If so, The Times-News would like to print it as part of our new 'Calls From The Wild' series.

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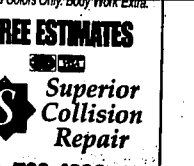
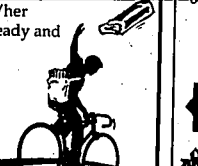
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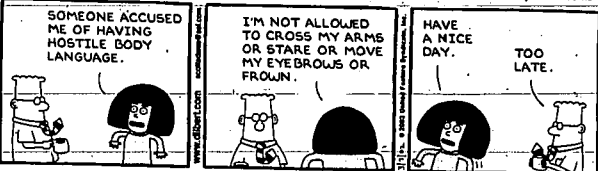
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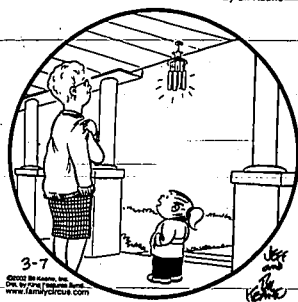


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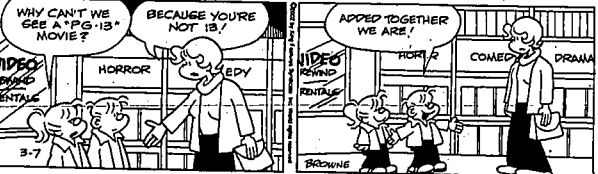


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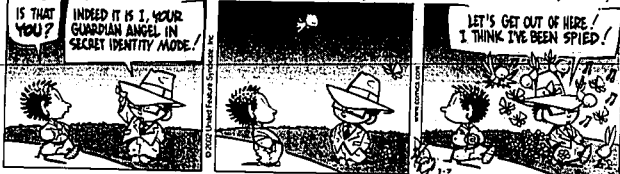
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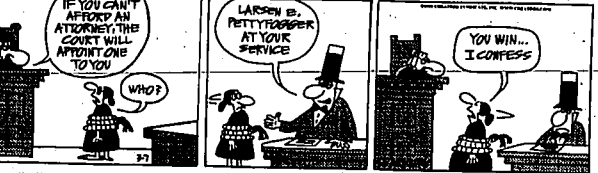
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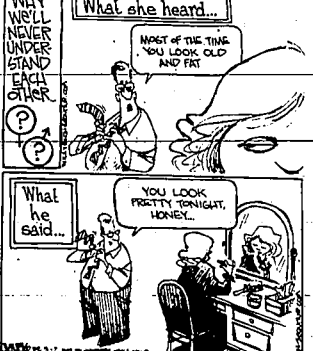
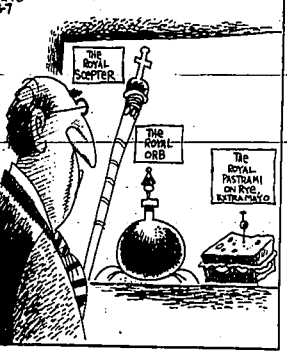


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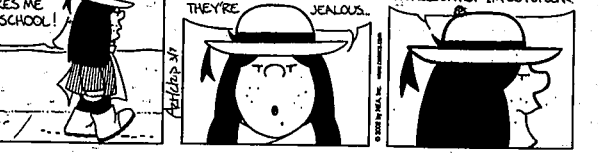
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OUTDOORS

# Washington lake is a hot spot for fat fish

By Rich Landers  
The Spokesman-Review

**LAKE RUFUS WOODS, Wash.** — If you see beauty in a sumo wrestler, you'll adore reeling in the rainbows from Lake Rufus Woods.

Like pigs at the trough, hatchery-raised sterile rainbows have learned to hang out near commercial fishery net pens and gulp the feed that drops through the nets past their captive brethren.

Columbia River Fish Farms started with a pilot project in 1991 and expanded in 1994 with two net-pen operations about 16 miles down the Columbia River reservoir from Grand Coulee Dam.

It's no coincidence that on Feb. 23, 1998, Robert Halverson of Republic, Wash., was fishing near the net pens when he caught the 25.45-pound junker that became Washington's grotesquely fat rainbow record.

That record was topped last month with a 25.72-pound rainbow caught in the same area by Dick Hill of Twisp, Wash.

The Colville Tribe has contracted with the commercial fish farmers to release 5,000-10,000 of the sterile rainbows into Rufus Woods each year. Many of the fish congregate within a mile or so of the net-pen feed lots, where they are particularly vulnerable to PowerBait, nightcrawlers and blade baits fished off the bottom.

Winter tends to be prime time. The feeding tapers in winter to 15 percent of what the fish farmers put out during spring and fall because the fish simply don't eat as much in the cold weather, said Ed Schallenberg of Columbia



An angler watches his pole in the parking area downstream from the Columbia Fish Farms net pens for a chance to catch one of the rainbow trout that have fattened up on the farm feed on Lake Rufus Woods, Wash.

**River Fish Farms.**

The dearth of feed might be a boon to fishing success by giving the trout a little more reason to venture from under the nets to feed.

But anglers fishing from the north shore last week said the fishing can be good on some days any month of the year.

"You can tell when somebody's new to fishing here because they'll keep the first five-pounder

they catch," one angler said. "We break those little one's off."

"Most of the fishermen are no problem to our operation," Schallenberg said, noting that there's a parking area provided just downstream from the lower net pens.

"About 5 percent of the fishermen are a pain in the butt," he added.

"There's a few guys who'll tie up to our system and walk

around the cages. We don't mind anglers if they stay clear of our gear and don't fish out of the ponds and keep their gear out of our anchor lines and nets."

Chumming for trout is illegal in Washington, but Schallenberg said some anglers have enough gall to ask to buy fish feed.

"These fish are smart," he said. "I can show you some 15 to 20 pounders with leaders sticking out of their mouths. Sometimes

they follow us in our boat." Schallenberg said his workers occasionally release rainbows

into the lake downstream from the net pens in addition to the thousands of fish purchased by the Colville Tribe for release into Rufus Woods in May or sometimes in October.

The trout weigh about 2 pounds when released, said Joe Peone, tribal fish and wildlife manager.

"They get around the pens and put on weight quickly," he said. The released fish don't end up in the fishery for about a year. By that time, they're running more than 4 pounds.

Various fishing techniques are used, but the most productive probably is fishing PowerBait off the bottom from a sinker.

Some anglers troll with flies behind leaded line. Crankbaits will work during winter.

Gordon Steinmetz, a fishing guide out of Coulee City, prefers vertical fishing with blade baits.

"I go downriver from the pens, nose the bow upstream into the current and hold it there with a trolling motor," he said.

Boat access isn't exactly convenient, with only two developed public boat ramps. One is at Seaton's Grove just downstream from Grand Coulee Dam near Elmer City and one is 50 miles downstream at the other end of Lake Rufus Woods in Bridgeport State Park.



Warming up before a two-hour moonlight ski at the Magic Mountain Ski Lodge are, from left, Doug Schwamb, Gaylord Wade and Jim Brennan of the High Desert Nordic Association.

## Moonlight

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ridges where the snow was solid enough to permit smooth gliding. In contrast, a year ago, seemingly bottomless snow presented a new range of challenges.

Night skiing, moonlit or not, produces memorable moments.

Seeing a full moon rise above a ridge and brighten the South Hills: Leading new skiers over humps and around sharp trail bends, cutting parallel tracks across a shallow bowl off the Wahlstrom Hollow Trail, looking at starts from openings in the pines, stepping sideways down a steep ridge, and on a weekend visit to Harriman State Park in eastern Idaho, the jeweled lights of Island Park several miles across meadows along the

Henry's Fork.

Veteran or neophyte, most cross-country skiers seem ready to strap on skis and headlamps and go out into the winter night. Under way, many snap off the artificial light to better enjoy the different view of their surroundings under the moon and stars.

Whether in groups or in pairs or solo, skiing at night brings a closer appreciation of nature's nocturnal beauty. It also can yield a surprise or two as well — perhaps a prowling owl or a streaking shooting star.

Dale Stewart is vice president of the High Desert Nordic Association, an organization of cross-country skiers from around the Magic Valley.

## Whales

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say increased tourism is no reason to keep the ban on commercial hunts.

"It is natural for many Japanese people to enjoy both watching and eating whales," said Joji Morishita, a deputy director at the Fisheries Agency of Japan. "It is like eating BBQ after a farm tour in New Zealand."

At the Japanese Embassy in Washington, first secretary Nobuyuki Yagi said whale-watchers who see giant humpbacks or massive blues are often under the misconception that these are the same whales that are being hunted.

"They don't realize that whalers tend to seek the abundant whale species like the minke whales, that swim fast and are relatively smaller," he said.

Japanese officials this month distributed leaflets to promote eating whale meat, including a color brochure, "Let's cook," which provided recipes for whale tempura and whale soup. "Delicious whares; eat them

properly," it said.

Japan catches about 400 whales annually under its research program. About 2,000 tons of whale meat is marketed.

Whale-watching is, however, keeping hunters away in the Philippines, said Alan White at the Coastal Resource Management Project in Cebu, where a very active whale and dolphin-watching industry has grown significantly over the last five years.

Although there are times when a large number of boats disrupt the normal swimming and mating patterns of the mammals, White said whale-watching has mostly been positive because it promotes conservation.

And in Mexico City, Hector Ceballos-Lascurain, the director general of the Program of International Consultancy on Ecotourism said the bottom line is this: "A live whale is worth more than a dead whale."

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Mutual fund investors hold onto faith

By Amy Baldwin AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - It's clear that mutual-fund investors, unshaken by questions about the economic turnaround, have held on to their faith in long-term investing. Even as the stock market wavered in January, investors made regular contributions to their portfolios and favored stock funds over the safer havens of bond and money market funds.



OF MUTUAL INTEREST

Investors put \$19.6 billion into stock funds in January, the strongest month of inflows since January 2001, when they poured in \$25 billion, according to data released Feb. 27 by the Investment Company Institute.

It should be noted that January tends to be a strong month for stock-fund-inflows as employees invest year-end bonuses and other investors reinvest cash raised from tax-payers' shares in December for tax purposes. December, by contrast, totaled \$2.9 billion.

Still, signaling that they believe business will indeed turn around soon, investors committed the bulk of their new stock funds rather than safer bond funds, which attracted \$9.1 billion in new money, according to the ICI. The safest fund choice of all, \$14 billion, was in money market accounts, pulled in \$1.4 billion.

Those in the industry credit much of funds' overall stability to regular investors such as 401(k) shareholders who continued to invest.

"The majority stayed—the course," said John Demming, a spokesman for the Vanguard Group, whose funds are part of many 401(k) plans.

Vanguard's stock funds attracted \$2 billion in new cash in

January, up from \$1.2 billion a year ago. Here too, stock funds beat out bond funds, which brought in \$2.1 billion, and money markets, which had an outflow of \$182 million.

Fidelity Investments also reported that stock funds garnered the bulk of January's new cash.

"We are seeing a renewed interest in equities," Fidelity spokeswoman Anne Crowley said.

Fidelity's stock funds raked in \$2.5 billion while bond funds added \$200 million and money market funds had outflows of \$1 billion.

Neither firm tracks or releases the investment trends of 401(k) investors.

But, Crowley said, "I can tell you anecdotally that we see our 401(k) investors staying focused on their long-term plans."

Investors' preference for stock funds, analysts say, is pegged to increasing confidence that the economy will soon turn around.

Analysts attribute stable mutual fund flows largely to a practice called dollar cost averaging, which involves investing a fixed dollar amount every month or from every paycheck, no matter the direction of the market.

"You still have those pratty

much in place. Those are the last things people kill," said Don Cassidy, senior research director for the mutual fund data service Lipper.

British investors were more likely to refrain from putting a new chunk of cash, such as a salary bonus, into the market than reduce the regular contributions that often are taken directly from paychecks by companies' payroll departments.

Dollar cost averaging is a common practice among mutual fund investors who buy fund shares through retirement accounts. The rationale of dollar cost averaging is that over time, the stock market's upsings make up for declines, producing a respectable return.

By investing regularly, investors are also less likely to commit a big chunk of cash at the wrong time, basically to the market's upsings make up for declines, producing a respectable return.

"If you are investing a fixed dollar amount each month, you are able to buy relatively more shares when prices are down, and you buy fewer shares when prices are high," Tyson said.

And that's a good thing. You want to do that.

Federal regulators approve HP-Compaq merger

WASHINGTON (AP) - Federal regulators on Wednesday approved the proposed \$22 billion merger of Hewlett-Packard Co. and Compaq Computer Corp., a deal that would be the biggest in high-tech history.

Announcing the decision, the Federal Trade Commission said it voted to close its antitrust investigation of the proposed deal. The 5-0 commission vote requires no additional action from the companies to meet antitrust requirements.

Bancorp

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6.9 percent from 2000: He also received no bonus, after taking in a \$1.5 million bonus in 2000. He was granted \$2.3 million worth of restricted stock in 2001.

Idaho

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Crist Grunfeld, vice president and commercial loan officer at Zions' new Twin Falls loan office, expects to be in the Canyon Park building in the third quarter.

Zions brought its Twin Falls audience a wide-ranging presentation Wednesday. These are some of the arguments, points and predictions Grunfeld made about the U.S. economy.

On recession: The U.S. recession - if the country actually had one - is over.

The economy has bounced back impressively, he said. His best guess is that it was a recession, but "the most mild recession in the post-war period."

On inflation: "Inflation is not going to be a problem for a long time to come."

There are four reasons: Excess capacity in many industries has bred fierce competition. Secondly, consumers are bolder

menis. HP, based in Palo Alto, Calif., and with a manufacturing plant in Boise, and Compaq, based in Houston, believe merging will improve the economics of their struggling personal computer divisions and generate \$2.5 billion in savings. The deal also would make them dominant in several growing technology markets, especially corporate computing and high-tech services.

The merger still faces a tough

shareholder vote, with Hewlett and Packard family interests opposing.

The FTC "conducted an extensive investigation of the merger's effect on competition in markets for personal computers, servers and microprocessors, among other products," the agency said. "The commission did not find reason to believe that the proposed transaction would impair competition in any relevant market."

John Grundhofer plans to step down as chairman at the end of 2002, and be paid more than \$2.9 million a year in retirement. Upon his death, his spouse is entitled to receive half

of that amount annually for the rest of her life, according to the company's proxy statement filed this week with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

fuel strength in the U.S. housing sector.

On U.S. dominance: The United States currently dominates six critical industries of the future: technology, transportation, telecommunications, financial services, entertainment and biomedicine.

On retirement: The practice of retiring completely at 65 will wane - because of tight labor markets and the less-physical nature of older workers - "bridging" in which older workers work back on hours when they're ready to.

On getting your kids to college: In 1980, the average U.S. college graduate earned 25 percent more than the average high school graduate. Today it's 90 percent more.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg, NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ. Lists various stocks and their performance.

MARKET SUMMARY

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

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HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 400 most active on the NASDAQ National Market and 100 most active on American Stock Exchange. Mutual funds are 1,115 large. Stocks in boldface changed 5 percent or more in price.

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NEW YORK (AP) - Key currency exchange rates

Table with columns: Currency, Bid, Ask, Bid, Ask. Lists exchange rates for various currencies.

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National Steel Corp. files for bankruptcy protection

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) - National Steel Corp. filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection Wednesday...

Factory order increase in January suggests turnaround

WASHINGTON (AP) - Orders to U.S. factories rose by 1.6 percent in January...

Most areas surveyed showed some signs of improvement

The advance followed a 0.7 percent rise in December and a third increase in the last four months...

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Mostly, Dell did what it does best: use its low-inventory, build-to-order strategy to outpace competitors...

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Table with columns: Fund Name, High, Low, Close, Change. Lists various mutual funds.

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Cast members rehearse for 'Arsenic and Old Lace,' which will be presented Friday at a dinner show. JOHN EVANOFF/The Times-News

## Filer High School drama presents comedy 'Arsenic and Lace'

**FILER** - Welcome to dinner and a comedy. The Filer High School drama department will present a dinner theater presentation of the classic comedy, "Arsenic and Old Lace" on Friday in the school cafeteria.

A chicken or fish dinner will be served. Reservations must be pre-paid and can be made at 326-3944. The cost is \$15 per person.

The cost of the performance only is \$4 and \$3 for students. The curtain goes up at 7:30 p.m.

The performance is directed by Peggy Carr and Jennifer Miller.

"Arsenic and Old Lace," by Joseph

Kessinger, tells the story of two elderly sisters who have an unusual way of dealing with misplaced older men.

The cast includes Angela Hayes as Abbey, Emily Hamman as Martha, Daniel Euresst as Teddy, Willie Potter as Mortimer, Lance Stevens as Jonathan, Amanda Wilson as Dr. Einstein, Elizabeth Benge as Rev. Harper, Jolene Waymire as Officer Klein, Randy Barnhart as Office Brophy, Rey Juarez as Officer O'Hara and Mr. Gibbs, Rosanna Jones as Lt. Rooney and Teresa Jones as Elaine Harper.

## LETTERS OF THANKS

### Contributions help keep senior center doors open

On Feb. 15, the United Way agencies and the United Way Allocation Committee met at the Health and Welfare building in Twin Falls. At this meeting, the allocation committee announced the allocations for 2002. The communities of Eden and Hazelton need to be contacted by their donor designate contributions made to the Silver and Gold Senior Center. In a year when the allocations and the donor-designated contributions were down, the Silver and Gold Senior Center were up 27 percent from last year.

As everyone is aware, the senior centers need these contributions to help keep their doors open.

Thanks again to all those who contributed to the United Way and for any other donations made to the Silver and Gold Senior Center in Eden.

**AIN BANTA**  
Site manager, and the Board of the directors  
Silver and Gold Senior Center  
Eden

### Information fair participants deserve recognition

West End Head Start and the Buhl Chamber of Commerce wish to thank those who participated in Buhl's Information and Health Fair. This event was attended by more than 700 participants and accomplished only with the support of many individuals, Magic Valley organizations, service providers and businesses.

The businesses that made this event possible were Idaho United Dairymen's Association, Costco, Wells Fargo Bank, US Bank, Farmers National Bank, First Federal Savings Bank, Buhl Kiwanis, West End Men's Association, Armand and Norman Eckert, Gietzen Electric, Seneca, Rangen's, Albertson's, R&B Grocery, Buhl Moose Lodge, Don's Thriftway, Duane's Market, Clear Springs Foods, Eighth Street Center, BASF, El Sombrero Restaurant, Northland Storage, Solo Cups, Gem State Paper, Mountain States Greenhouse/Plants, Fred Meyer, Swensen's Market and Riddle's.

Special recognition to the Popplewell Honor Choir and the Calvey Chapel Band for providing the fine entertainment and to all the Head Start cooks for the excellent dinner.

### Community provides valuable gift of blood

Cassia Blood Services would like to thank those who volunteered their time, blood and resources to the American Red Cross during the last blood drive on Nov. 12 and 13, 2001. You provided your community and nation with a very valuable gift - 157 pints of blood were collected.

J.R. Simplot provided refreshments; Culligan provided water; and the 2nd Battalion 163 Cavalry Armory was gracious enough to provide the Burley Armory. The Kiwanis club set up this event and the Unity LDS 2nd Ward high priests cleaned up afterward.

**SUSAN BIGGINS**  
Publicist  
Cassia Blood Services  
Burley

## Thursday's Child



Jeff  
Age 10

## Jeff uses humor well

"My name is Jeff and I'm all about games and music. I like to carry my CD player and earphones everywhere I go. One thing you need to know about me - I hate spinach!

People say I am a boy who cracks everybody up. I like to joke and make people laugh.

I love to hang out with my friends at recess. I also like to build stuff like boats and forts and jumps-for-my-bike. I also like to fix stuff.

Besides music, I like computers, soccer, basketball and riding

four-wheelers.

Needs: Jeff needs parents who will teach and support effective expressions of emotions, including anger, grief and loss. They will be successful if they appreciate and use the humor that is Jeff's strength. They will also need to establish firm guidelines and a reliable structure.

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

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Praise Chapel serves up spaghetti dinner fund-raiser

**RUPERT** - Praise Chapel will have a spaghetti dinner mission fund-raiser from 12:30-2:30 p.m. Sunday at East Minico Junior High School.

Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

Money raised will benefit three men from Praise Chapel who are going to El Salvador to help build a church for a needy congregation in the town of Apopa.

### Boy Scouts honor volunteers at recognition dinner

**TWIN FALLS** - The Snake River Council, Boy Scouts of America will celebrate its 77th annual recognition dinner at the Turf Club in Twin Falls on Friday.

To attend, make reservations at the council service center by calling 733-2067.

The event will honor hundreds of adult volunteers and include the presentation of the Silver Beaver Awards, the council's highest volunteer recognition.

This year's recipients are: Robert Adamson, Dennis Brown and Ron Jones, all of Twin Falls; Diana Baker and Terry Miller, both of Burley; Kent Womack of Buhl; Paul Henschel of Rupert and Ron Andersen of Muriaugh.

Al Nickels of Twin Falls, along with fellow board members, will be sworn in for his third year as the council's executive board president.

The council serves about 6,000 Scouts.

### Catholic women of St. Nicholas serve ravioli dinner

**RUPERT** - The Catholic women of St. Nicholas Church will serve a ravioli dinner from 5-8 p.m. Saturday at St. Nicholas Parish Hall, corner of F and 9th streets in Rupert.

Cost is \$11 for adults, \$5 for children ages 6-10 and free for children under 6.

The menu will include ravioli, antipasti, risotto rice, insalata, hard rolls, grotoli for dessert and beverage. Frozen ravioli and sauce also will be sold.

### Delta Kappa Gamma chapter discusses 'Blooming Ideas'

**TWIN FALLS** - Xi Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma International will hold its Saturday meeting at the Cafe Agape Lighthouse Christian Fellowship at 259 Main Ave. E.

The program will be "Blooming Ideas" presented by a Kelly Garden Center master gardener. There also will be an election of officers.

### Calvary Riders hosts 'Seasons of Refreshing'

**TWIN FALLS** - The Calvary Riders will host "Seasons of Refreshing" at 7 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. Saturday at the Christian Center, Four Square Church, 181 Morrison St., Twin Falls.

Chapters of the Christian Motorcyclists Association, from the Tri-State Region, Nevada, Utah and Idaho will attend.

Featured speaker will be Joe Maxwell, western region evangelist. Guests are invited.

### Wood River Bridge announces weekly winners

**HAILEY** - The Wood River Bridge winners were announced. Winners for Thursday at the Harker Center for north/south were: first, Miriam Rose and Marjorie Bathum; second, Marty Carnevale and Holly Lawson; and third, Charlotte Bodner and Bev Longley. Winners for flight C were: first, Shad and Mrs. Hartwell; second, Henry and Mary Ritter; and third, Jeanne and Roger Foreman. Winners for east/west were: first, Alan and Susan Greenberg; second, Suzie Finney and Cindy Fabian; and third, Alice Scully and Susan Bauwens.

Winners for Wednesday for north/south, first, Dee Overton and Marilyn Nesbit; and second, Ernest and Sue Binz. Winners for east/west were: first, Marilyn Walker and Vicki Currie; and second, Linda Edwards and Anne Zauner.

Winners for Wednesday at the Harker Center for north/south were: first, Eric Ahim and Timmi Praena; and second, Martha and Roger Conner. Winners for east/west were: first, first, Marilyn Walker and Jannette

### Johnson; and second, Craig and Lynda Saunders.

Winners for Thursday at the Harker Center for north/south were: first, Roger and Martha Connor; and second, Jannette Johnson and Bev Longley. Winners for east/west were: first, Anne and Fred Zauner; and second, Janet Prentice and Alan Greenberg.

Sunday Swiss Team winners were: first, Craig and Lynda Saunders and Ernie and Sue Binz; and second, Martha and Roger Connor and David Meyers and William Cassell.

### Burley woman celebrates 80th birthday

**BURLEY** - Barbara Dayley will celebrate her 80th birthday at an open house from 6:30-8 p.m. Saturday at the Springdale Church, 200 S. 475 E., Burley.

A program will be presented at 7:30 p.m. and refreshments will be served. The family requests no gifts, but well-wishes can be sent to Bob Dayley, 428 E. Hwy. 81, Burley, ID 83318.

Barbara Celestine Welch was born March 10, 1922 in Soda Springs. She married J. D. "Ted" Dayley March 3, 1938, and has lived in the Magic Valley for 75 years.

Dayley enjoys genealogy, and still works at J. D. Dayley's Inc., which she and her husband began in 1967. She plays the piano and has served many positions in the LDS Church. Hosting the event are her children, Bob (Jo) Dayley, Jay (Evelyn) Dayley, Dennis (Marie) Dayley and Rex (Nancy) Dayley, all of Burley. She has 27 grandchildren and 49 great-grandchildren.

### CSI offers Auto Body for the Hobblist

**TWIN FALLS** - The auto body program at the College of Southern Idaho will hold its annual Auto Body for the Hobblist classes from 6.9 p.m. Mondays, March 11 through May

### 13 or Wednesdays, March 13 through May 15.

The class is for people interested in their own auto body work without having to take a course for credit, tests or additional classes. This non-credit class will teach the basics of body repair, painting and refinishing as well as safety procedures. Students with some experience also are welcome.

The cost is \$140, plus the supplies used.

Students can sign up in the main office of the CSI Canyon building or at the Records Office in the Taylor building.

For more information, call Richard Frey at 733-9554, Ext. 2336 or e-mail him at rrfrey@csi.edu.

### Nursery offers course on basics of soils

**TWIN FALLS** - Kimberly Nurseries will offer a free seminar on understanding the basics of soils at 9 a.m. Saturday in the Garden Cafe at Kimberly Nurseries, 2862 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls.

The seminar is the second of 40 weekly seminars and workshops being offered through the Green Thumb University. For a complete listing, call 733-2717.

Participants are asked to sign up in advance in person or by phone.

### American Legion Fairfield Post holds birthday dinner

**FAIRFIELD** - The American Legion Fairfield Post 49 will hold its annual Legion birthday dinner at 6:30 p.m. March 16 at the Legion post in Fairfield.

For more information, call Gene at 934-5796.

### Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

**GOODING** - The Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announced its winners for March 1.

Winners for north/south were: first, Bobette Plankey and Beverly Burns; second, Peggy Hackley and Bev Clark; and third, Adelaide Gerard and Ruby Grimes.

Winners for east/west were: first, Eunice Anderson and

### Lonnie Burns; second, Barbara Burke and Lucy Gustofson; and third, Les Saunders and Joe Stasney. Refreshments were served.

The club meets at 1 p.m. every Friday at Gooding City Hall.

For a partner, call 934-8371.

### M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces weekly winners

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club announced its weekly winners.

Winners for Feb. 21 were: first, Renee Bulcher and Max Thompson; second, Eunice Anderson and Bobette Plankey; and third, Mike Mitchell and Sam Smutny.

Winners for Feb. 23 were: first, Peggy Hackley and Evelyn Meyer; second, Eunice Anderson and Bobette Plankey; and third, Mike Mitchell and Sam Smutny.

Winners for Feb. 25 were: first, Tom and Darlene Wagner; tied for second, Ise Hylton with Doris Watts and Mary Tucker with Dorothy Young; third, Harold Bulcher and Sam Smutny; and flight B, Steve Hale and Susan Morris.

Winners for Feb. 26 were: first, Betty Grant and Polly Mulliner; second, Mary Ann Siegel and Lee Woods; tied for third, Bonnie Aspitarte with Carmen Kevan and Betty Sabo with Doris Watts; and fourth, Doris Finney and Joyce Johnston.

Winners for Feb. 27 for north/south were: first, Harold Bulcher and Riley Burton; second, Peggy Hackley and Doris Watts; and third, Joye Astorquia and Betty Grant.

Winners for east/west were: first, Eunice Anderson and Bobette Plankey; second, Herb Burgess and Jan Fitzhugh; third, Lonnie Burns and Jessie Lingnaw; and flight B, Joe and Helen Stasny.

The club meets at 7 p.m. every Monday and Thursday and at 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave., Twin Falls. Refreshments are served.

For a partner, call 324-2000.

### Blaine County Senior Center plans trip

**HAILEY** - The Blaine County Senior Center is planning a trip to the Portland Rose Parade from June 7-11.

Participants will ride a bus to Boise and fly to Portland, Ore. They will then take a bus trip to Lincoln City.

The trip will also include visiting the Oregon coast, while watching the Pittcock Mansion, Chinook Casino and a Japanese garden.

A \$100 deposit is required. The price of the trip will vary according to the number of passengers. The more passengers, the less it will cost. Reservations are required no later than April 30.

For more information, call the center at 788-3468.

### Wood River Middle School schedules winter carnival

**HAILEY** - The Wood River



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TWIN FALLS Must sell 5 bdrm, 3 bath, 2 family rooms, living & dining rooms. Almost 1700 sq. ft. 1 1/2 bath w/ master. \$134,000. Located at 781 Campus Drive, 733-1615 for an appointment.

TWIN FALLS Rock Garden Condo for sale on 2nd level, 2 bdrm, 2.5 bath and fireplace. 4 car garage. Financing available. \$75,000. Call 734-0187 or 733-0290/737-6177

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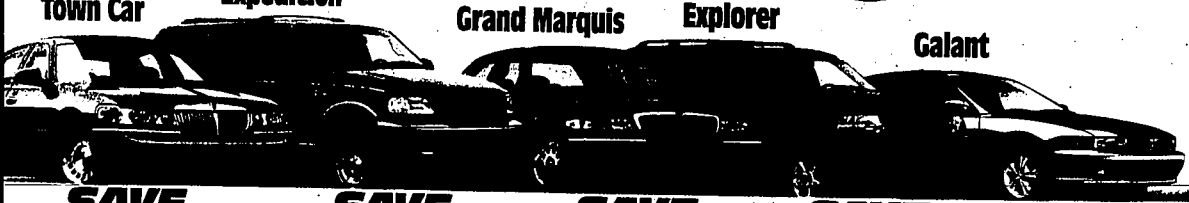
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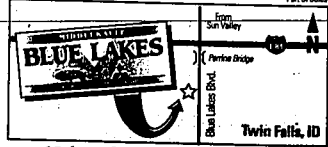
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