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Seniors clinch deal for facility

T.F. City Council agrees to dip into reserves for Old Towne site
and a deal must be clinched by June 5, said real estate developer Doug Vollmer.
"Some lenders have given up money to get the price down," Vollmer said.
The bargain-basement price is \$500,000. The estimated cost to remodel it and pave the parking lot is an extra \$100,000 to \$150,000, said Scott Reeves, a Please see SENIORS, Page A2

T.F. City Council agrees to dip into reserves for Old Towne site
one.
"I worked in the building they have now 15 years ago, and it was in bad shape then," said Councilwoman Gloria Galan.
After looking for a solution for more than three years, seniors finally found the right building at the right time for the right price: the Treasure Cove building in Old Towne. But there was a sense of urgency in getting the council to buy into their plan.
The building is in bankruptcy,

CSI board postpones building project

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TWIN FALLS - Plans for a student union at the College of Southern Idaho were postponed Monday in yet another defensive move to counter the continuing uncertainty in Idaho's economy.
With high college officials and state lawmakers worried that the state's financial affairs might be in worse shape than previously anticipated, now would not be a good time to begin construction on a new building, CSI President Jerry Meyerhoeffer told the board of trustees at its monthly meeting.
"I hope this is just a short-term delay," he said. "This is difficult for me, because I don't like to break my commitment to students, and that's what I feel like I'm doing."
Board member Charles Lehman was the lone dissenter. Because student enrollment growth is an essential factor in keeping the college afloat, not building the new student union could hurt student recruitment and retention, he said.
"I'm not sure this is the wisest thing to do," he said.
The lean times that have characterized the year so far might well continue into 2003, Meyerhoeffer said. It has been recommended to him to start planning for a budget 5 percent smaller than planned.
Thus, he's denying virtually all travel and purchase requests.
One recommendation he's forced to ignore, however, is a hiring freeze. Four faculty positions remain open in core subjects, math and English.
"That's critical for us," he said. "Next year we're to have those positions filled, or the fact is we're limiting our enrollment. It would be a death knell."
Much hinges on the May and June tax receipts. Should they offer bad economic news as did the April tax receipts, it's quite likely that Idaho's weak economic situation could roll into 2003 and perhaps even 2004.
In other actions Monday, the board agreed to lease CSI land to the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind for a 12-unit transition home. It would be built to house Idaho's deaf students, ages 18-21, and provide them with skills to live independently.
"Many deaf graduates are afraid to leave their parents' homes," said Carl Peterson, director of student services at Please see CSI, Page A2

Smell-a-thon



General Chemical representative Victor Johnson sets up his information booth on controlling CAFO odor at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds on Monday, Johnson is participating in the Idaho Agricultural Odor Technology Conference today through Thursday.

Dairy odor conference comes to Filer today

FILER - Cedar Draw resident Ginny Gunn has a 20-year-old rose hedge that is taller than she is.
"Every year it has thousands of roses," she said. But for the past two summers, she hasn't been able to open her windows to take in the scent of the blooms in the cool evening breezes.
"If I do, what I get is the smell of the Desert Rose," she said Monday, her voice conveying fatigue and sarcasm.

If you go ...
• **What:** Idaho Agricultural Odor Technology Conference.
• **When:** Starting 10 a.m. today, ending around 1:45 p.m. Thursday.
• **Why:** To find out about technology and services available to reduce odors on livestock farms.
• **Where:** Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer.
• **How much:** Free to everyone.
Over the past two years the Desert Rose Farms dairy has become the lightning rod for

complaints about odors from confined animal feeding operations in Idaho. Hundreds of complaints were logged with the Idaho Department of Agriculture in 2001 regarding odors from the dairy's lagoons.
The complaining eventually made such an impact with Gov. Dirk Kempthorne that he even visited the neighborhood in January and promised residents they would not have to spend another summer like the last. In addition, the governor hired one of the nation's foremost experts on CAFO odors. The expert, Ron Sheffield, arrived in early spring armed with his Ph.D. to help restore fresh air to problem dairies in one of the nation's fastest-growing dairy areas.
Today, Sheffield will deliver one of the opening speeches for the state's first-ever odor technology conference at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer. The purpose of the conference is to give the industry as well as the public a chance to see what is available to ameliorate obnoxious CAFO odors and how much it costs.
Sheffield has said he expects Please see ODDOR, Page A2

FBI chief warns U.S. will face suicide bombers

The Associated Press
WASHINGTON - It is inevitable that suicide bombers like those who have attacked Israeli restaurants and buses will strike the United States, FBI Director Robert Mueller said Monday as the White House answered criticism with fresh terrorism warnings.
"There will be another terrorist attack. We will not be able to stop it," Mueller told the National Association of District Attorneys meeting in suburban Alexandria, Va. "It's something we all live with."
Criticized for its response to previous information about possible attacks, the White House in recent days has increased the volume of warnings while spelling out a wider range of scary scenarios.
Mueller's sobering predictions Please see BOMBERS, Page A2

Robert Mueller
"I wish I could be more optimistic" - came one day after Vice President Dick Cheney said it was almost a certainty the United States would be attacked again by terrorists.
And, in a reminder of America's lingering vulnerabilities, the Justice Department's inspector general said Monday that the system for tracking foreign students is "significantly flawed" and won't be fixed by a January deadline.
Three of the Sept. 11 hijackers held student visas.
Under fire for his handling of terrorism intelligence before the September attacks, the Bush administration is fighting Democratic-led efforts to have an independent commission rather than existing congressional intelligence committees study its performance.
Calling for a commission, House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., said various branches of government possessed information last summer about the Sept. 11 terrorists. "Unfortunately, these and perhaps other documents were not

PRIORITY CHECK POINT



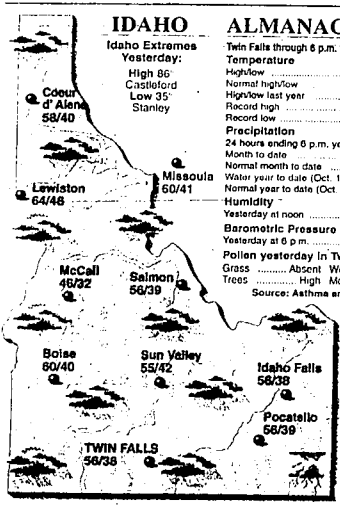
An off-duty police officer, left, watches Friday as passengers pass through security at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. Recent warnings have U.S. citizens bracing for more terror attacks, including the potential of suicide bombers. Please see WARNINGS, Page A2

Public can expect more terror warnings

The Associated Press
WASHINGTON - An FBI tip about a possible terrorist threat to the Orlando, Fla., water supply was so vague that officials did not know what contaminants to check for. They publicized the threat anyway.
"We didn't want to be caught with our pants down," said Lisa Akhavan, speaking for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.
Across the country, local officials are newly sensitive about sitting on information that could presage a terrorist attack, even when the leads are less than solid.
As a result, more public warnings may be issued, however vague, as authorities juggle intelligence that's disturbing but frequently unreliable.
No one wants to face the criticism now being leveled at the Bush administration - that it took insufficient action last summer when it heard the al-Qaida terrorist network was planning an attack that could include a Please see WARNINGS, Page A2

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FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY



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Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday

Temperature	
High/Low	62°/48°
Normal high/low	69°/42°
High/low last year	65°/40°
Record high	89° in 1964
Record low	29° in 1975

Precipitation

Hours ending 6 p.m., year	0.00"
Month to date	0.01"
Normal month to date	0.04"
Water year to date (Oct. 1)	5.72"
Normal year to date (Oct. 1)	8.30"

Humidity

Yesterday at noon	50%
Barometric Pressure	
Yesterday at 6 p.m.	29.98 in.

Plants yesterday in Twin Falls

Grass	Absent
Woody	Absent
Trees	High Mold

Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Windy; showers and a storm.	Cloudy with lingering showers.	Cool; it may shower early.	Partly to mostly sunny and milder.	Sunshine and a few clouds.	Sunny to partly cloudy.
▲ 56°	▼ 38°	▲ 56° ▼ 36°	▲ 62° ▼ 40°	▲ 68° ▼ 42°	▲ 72° ▼ 44°

CANADIAN CITIES

City	Today	Hi	Lo	Wed.	Hi	Lo	Thu.	Hi	Lo
Calgary	54	58	41	57	27	48	51	57	27
Edmonton	57	43	43	48	24	48	48	48	24
Regina	61	43	40	40	44	44	44	44	44
Saskatoon	70	38	38	38	28	38	38	38	28
Winnipeg	75	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Mostly cloudy and windy today; showers and a thunderstorm in parts of the area. Highs 44-59. Mostly cloudy tonight; showers will drop from west to east. Clouds will break for sun tomorrow; it may shower.

Boise: Windy and cooler today; showers and even a thunderstorm in parts of the area. High 60. A few more showers possible tonight. Low near 40. Clouds will give way to some sun tomorrow; it still could shower.

Northern Idaho: Rather cloudy, windy and cooler today with a few showers. Highs ranging from the 40s in the north and east to 50s in the southwest. A lingering shower this evening; otherwise, patchy clouds tonight.

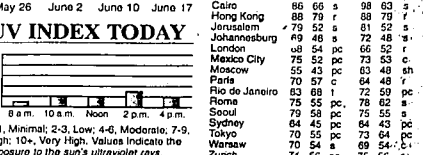
Northern Utah: A cold front will move through the state today, bringing windy and much cooler conditions. There will also be showers and a couple of thunderstorms. Highs in the 40s northeast to 50s elsewhere.

Northern Idaho: Cool and windy today with plenty of clouds and showers; a thunderstorm in parts of the area. Highs 42-62. Mostly cloudy tonight with more showers possible. Lingering showers tomorrow.

SUN AND MOON

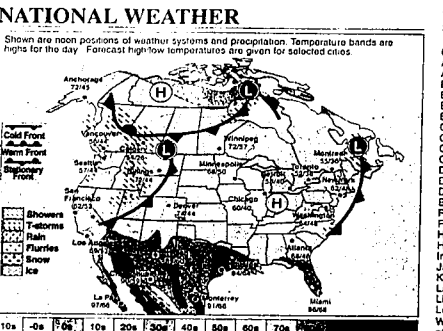
Sunrise today: 6:10 a.m.
Sunset tonight: 8:59 p.m.
Moonrise today: 3:23 p.m.
Moonset tonight: 3:49 a.m.

Full Moon: June 21
Last Quarter: June 10
New Moon: June 10
First Quarter: June 17



NATIONAL EXTREMES

High 99° in Chandler, AZ Low 16° in Embarrass, MN



NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Hi	Lo	Wed.	Hi	Lo	Thu.	Hi	Lo
Atlanta	68	48	53	53	79	59	79	59	79
Atlanta City	63	48	53	53	68	48	68	48	68
Baltimore	64	48	53	53	68	48	68	48	68
Birmingham	72	44	52	52	59	39	59	39	59
Boston	72	44	52	52	59	39	59	39	59
Charlotte, NC	74	53	62	62	74	56	74	56	74
Charleston, WV	57	38	47	47	57	38	57	38	57
Chicago	60	40	64	64	64	44	64	44	64
Cleveland	53	38	64	64	64	44	64	44	64
Denver	74	44	62	62	62	44	62	44	62
Des Moines	60	40	64	64	64	44	64	44	64
Detroit	58	40	67	67	67	40	67	40	67
El Paso	69	40	88	88	88	40	88	40	88
Fairbanks	77	48	79	79	79	48	79	48	79
Fargo	74	56	73	73	73	47	73	47	73
Honolulu	66	71	86	86	86	71	86	71	86
Houston	68	44	85	85	85	44	85	44	85
Indianapolis	61	41	71	71	71	41	71	41	71
Jacksonville	78	55	78	78	78	55	78	55	78
Kansas City	67	44	73	73	73	44	73	44	73
Las Vegas	75	54	82	82	82	54	82	54	82
Little Rock	72	53	79	79	79	53	79	53	79
Los Angeles	69	53	75	75	75	53	75	53	75
Memphis	68	48	65	65	65	48	65	48	65
Miami	68	48	65	65	65	48	65	48	65
Minneapolis	56	45	66	66	66	45	66	45	66
Nashville	64	45	70	70	70	45	70	45	70
New Orleans	60	42	82	82	82	42	82	42	82
New York	62	48	68	68	68	48	68	48	68
Oklahoma City	78	58	78	78	78	58	78	58	78
Omaha	74	57	75	75	75	57	75	57	75
Philadelphia	62	48	82	82	82	48	82	48	82
Phoenix	84	60	85	85	85	60	85	60	85
Portland, ME	69	49	73	73	73	49	73	49	73
Raleigh	72	39	68	68	68	39	68	39	68
Rapid City	65	45	65	65	65	45	65	45	65
San Antonio	68	48	74	74	74	48	74	48	74
San Diego	68	48	74	74	74	48	74	48	74
San Francisco	62	52	64	64	64	52	64	52	64
Seattle	68	48	74	74	74	48	74	48	74
Salt Lake City	68	48	74	74	74	48	74	48	74
St. Louis	65	49	72	72	72	49	72	49	72
St. Paul	67	51	73	73	73	51	73	51	73
Spokane	68	48	74	74	74	48	74	48	74
Tucson	83	53	84	84	84	53	84	53	84
Washington, DC	64	48	72	72	72	48	72	48	72

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Hi	Lo	Wed.	Hi	Lo	Thu.	Hi	Lo
Boise	60	40	50	40	50	30	50	40	50
Bonnars Ferry	55	41	52	37	52	37	52	37	52
Burley	52	38	58	34	58	34	58	34	58
Coeur d'Alene	58	40	56	38	56	38	56	38	56
Elko	51	32	57	34	57	34	57	34	57
Eugene, OR	60	44	54	44	54	44	54	44	54
Hagerman	54	37	55	34	55	34	55	34	55
Idaho Falls	56	38	54	34	54	34	54	34	54
Kamiah, MT	62	41	52	37	52	37	52	37	52
Lewiston	64	46	52	42	52	42	52	42	52
Madras	52	37	53	37	53	37	53	37	53
Malta	79	46	53	33	53	33	53	33	53

Randy Hansen AUTO PLEX
Poleline At Blue Lakes North

Court agrees to hear challenge to sex offender lists

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court said Monday it will decide whether to force states to evaluate cases individually before listing former sex offenders on registries meant to help people keep tabs on offenders living or working nearby.

The court's ruling on "Megan's laws" in more than 20 states could mean separate hearings to determine the risk posed by a sex criminal who has completed a prison sentence.

Each state has some form of sex offender registry named for the New Jersey child kidnaper, raped and killed in 1994 by a convicted sex offender who had moved in across the street. Her parents knew nothing of his history.

The Bush administration sided with Connecticut, as did each of the other states with similar laws, in asking the Supreme Court to restore or preserve public access to information about former sex offenders.

"Megan's laws serve vital government interests by assisting law enforcement and enabling American communities to better protect themselves, and in particular their children, the administrator's top Supreme Court lawyer wrote in court papers.

Connecticut set up an Internet list that grouped all convicted sex criminals together, based solely on their court records.

Lawyers for two anonymous former Connecticut sex offenders argued that the system vio-

lates the Constitution's guarantee that government will not take away "life, liberty or property without due process of law."

"It's important to remember that this case is not about preventing sex offender registries from existing," said Shelley Sadin, a lawyer representing the men.

They also are being defended by the Connecticut chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Seniors

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member of the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Federation.

The City Council agreed to acquire the building and work out the details later. The move the city will pay \$500,000 with the agreement that the federation will repay. City Manager Tom Courtney assured the council that the city is in good financial shape.

The seniors said they will ask Twin Falls residents to take on an extra tax. Or, they could lease the building from the Urban Renewal Agency, which might buy the building, and pay it off that way.

If they opt for the extra property tax, it would amount to an average of an extra \$2 or \$3 per month to each owner for two years, Volmer said.

On the other hand, if the senior federation chooses the Urban Renewal route, it should sail through easily, said the agency's director, Dave McAlindin.

Volmer noted he hasn't come across any city resident who wouldn't be willing to pay the extra \$20 or \$30 a year to make sure seniors have a place to gather for daily meals, health procedures and recreational activities.

"Sometimes coming to the senior center is the only social contact these people get," said Jacqueline Nix, the federation's director. "It might be the only thing keeping some of them alive."

In addition, the local center cooks and delivers about 150 Meals on Wheels each day.

Volmer said the federation has already taken several steps toward raising extra money to expedite the payoff. In addition, the seniors have money in savings to put toward the purchase.

The seniors' current building on Eastland Drive is the former KMTV facility. It was donated to the city in 1987. If the city can't find a use for building, it must go back to the former parent company of KMTV, City Manager Tom Courtney said.

Bombers

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compiled in a manner that enabled our counterterrorism experts to use them most effectively," he said.

Signals are mixed about the potential for a second attack.

The latest intelligence shows a marked increase in activity by Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network over the past few weeks, suggesting new attacks may again be in the offing, said a senior U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

And yet the White House has not elevated the level of alert from "code yellow" and has no plan to do so, several officials said. Yellow means there is a significant risk of attack, unchanged since the color-coded system was established in mid-March.

"The intelligence is coming from a variety of sources and doesn't conclusively point to a particular target, date or method of attack, the U.S. official said. While some reports do contain specifics about attacks in the

works, that information generally hasn't been corroborated, the official said.

There is an element of politics to the administration's warnings, officials acknowledged.

Stung by criticism, Bush advisers argued privately Monday that their terrorism warnings issued before Sept. 11 were not heard by the public and are now being conveniently forgotten by critics.

Thus, the blunt new warnings are designed to give Americans better notice and protect Bush against second guessing in the event of another attack, said a senior administration official with knowledge of U.S. intelligence and White House strategy.

A top White House aide said last week's criticism prompted a two-pronged political response: Bush accused Democrats of playing politics with the issue while his advisers — hoping to make politics even more distasteful than usual — reminded voters that America is still a target.

Odor

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to see some snake-oil as well as cutting-edge technology for sale at the problem lagoons. He is also hoping people will see that some of the technology is prohibitively expensive for most dairymen.

Gunn said she'll be there.

"I want to tell Mary-Patten (of the Ag Department) about what we've been smelling for the past four days," she said Monday. "Every night since Thursday it has started up at 10:30. You can set your clock by it."

Fatten said Monday that one problem lagoon has been covered, as was promised a couple of weeks ago when he spoke to Fatten residents. More significantly, the most troublesome lagoon — the infamous pond seven — has been emptying for several days. Patten said she'll call for the pond to dry up for the summer.

But that it still has solids in it. "We're going to clean out the lagoon," he said.

The solids have been determined to cause high rates of hydrogen sulfide, or rotten-egg gas, coming off the lagoon. They will be removed as soon as the liquids are gone.

In response to Gunn's complaints, Patten said, "I'm not sure if what they're smelling is coming from (Desert Rose) or some of the others nearby."

"I'm not sure if what they're smelling is coming from (Desert Rose) or some of the others nearby," Patten said.

Gunn said, "I check the difference between good old green cow manure and what comes off that dairy, and believe me — it's the same old smell."

Warnings

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hijacking

Recent warnings have included threats against apartment buildings, banks, shopping malls — even the Liberty Bell. Bush administration officials also have warned that some kind of terrorist attack is inevitable.

Striking the right balance will be tough, experts say. Too few warnings and officials will seem unprepared, incompetent or uncaring.

"Too many and the warnings will lose their punch."

The intelligence has to be researched before it's released or else the government will sound like the boy who cried wolf," said terrorism researcher Michael Scardaville of the Heritage Foundation think tank.

"If this happens every day, the

American people are going to start to ignore it, so that when a real threat comes through, people are going to think nothing is going to happen."

Federal officials make public warnings only when threats are specific and credible, said Gordon Johndroe, speaking for Tom Ridge, the homeland security chief.

But officials send more ambiguous information to local law enforcement authorities, who can decide, as Florida officials did, to disclose it.

Johndroe said that's what happened with an FBI warning about apartment complexes, issued twice earlier and made public

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CSI

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ISDB. "If we had a transition cohort of students and parents could be assured they'd have a support system."

The home would help young deaf adults understand unwritten social rules, how to deal with roommates, and how to manage time, Peterson said.

"We know that we can bridge these barriers," he said.

With CSI providing the land, a federal grant would cover the construction cost. Some of the operating costs would be covered by students' supplemental income.

Students would live in the home from nine months to three years.

If it's successful, the home would be expanded to blind students as well.

NATION

Bush refuses to lift Cuban embargo

MIAMI (AP) — President Bush said Monday he won't heed calls to lift the Cuban trade embargo unless Fidel Castro releases political prisoners, conducts independently monitored elections and accepts a list of tough U.S. conditions for a "new government that is fully democratic."

"Freedom sometimes grows step by step, and we will encourage those steps," the president said at the White House, outlining his new U.S. policy on Cuban Independence Day. He then flew to Miami, where he delivered a similar message and was raising \$2 million for the Florida Republican Party, which will use it to boost the re-election campaign of his brother Gov. Jeb Bush.

Bush declared to a boisterous crowd of Cuban Americans in Miami: "We are here today to proclaim loudly and clearly to the entire world ... that the Cuban people's love of liberty cannot and will not be denied."

Seeking to balance his hard-line policy with a sensitivity to Cuba's grinding poverty, the president outlined administration actions designed to make life better for the Cuban people. The initiative would resume direct



Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., left, Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif. and Sen. Chris Dodd, D-Conn., right, appear together Monday at a news conference in the Capitol to denounce President Bush's continued support for sanctions against Cuba.

mail service to and from Cuba. Bush's speech, which aides said has been in the works since January, came a week after former President Carter traveled to Cuba and urged the people to embrace democracy while calling on the United States to lift the 40-year-old trade embargo. Carter and other critics argue

that the restrictions have failed to end Castro's regime while making life tough on ordinary Cubans. Critics also note the United States maintains trade and diplomatic relations with other nations that hold political prisoners and prevent free speech and elections, such as China, Malaysia

and Saudi Arabia. Bush also has been accused of shaping his policy to win support of Cuban-Americans, a force in Florida politics and thus a key to his re-election hopes. Indeed, Bush was traveling to Miami later in the day to address Cuban-Americans eager to hear his anti-Castro rhetoric.

The Cuban government did not respond immediately to the Washington speech. But some leading Cuban dissidents did not approve of Bush's hard-line stand. "Changes have to be made but changes have to be made on both sides," said Vladimir Roca, who was released from prison earlier this month. "The prickly relationship between the two countries ... can hurt our hopes for advancing a transition to democracy."

Another human rights activist, Elizardo Sanchez, praised Bush for his support of the Varela Project to get a national referendum on civil rights. "The rest of (Bush's) speech was more of the same, the same prickly rhetoric from the time of the Cold War that has characterized the relationship between the countries for 40 years," Sanchez said.

Report faults tracking of foreign students

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government's system for tracking foreign students is inadequate and planned improvements won't be ready by a January deadline, the Justice Department reported Monday after examining the movements of two terrorists who flew hijacked jetliners into the World Trade Center.

The 188-page report from the department's Office of Inspector General faults "untimely and significantly flawed" procedures at the beleaguered Immigration and Naturalization Service. It indicates that a 10-month paper backlog allowed Mohamed Atta and his cousin, Marwan Al-Shehhi, to finish flight training at a Florida school more than six months before U.S. officials even could decide whether to give them permission.

But the report does not suggest that INS could have identified Atta and Al-Shehhi as potential terrorists before Sept. 11, or that INS acted improperly in allowing each to enter the country three times.

"As we have said many times before, there was not sufficient information available that these men were terrorists or a threat to the United States at the time of their admission," INS spokesman William Strassburger said.

The report describes computer

information that is at the heart of the method for tracking foreign students as "riddled with inaccuracies" and relying on information in paperwork from schools that is "incomplete and unreliable."

But a new system, dubbed "Sevis," will not be ready by a January 2003 deadline and so many questions remain unresolved about how INS will operate it that its impact "will be minimal" unless improvements are made, the report says.

Attorney General John Ashcroft asked the inspector general to investigate why the INS sent visa approval notices for Atta and Al-Shehhi to the Florida flight school in March, more than six months after the terror attacks against New York and Washington. The report faulted the INS for not pulling these follow-up notifications out of its system after the attacks.

"No one thought to even inquire" where Atta's and Al-Shehhi's paperwork was after Sept. 11, the report said. "This was a widespread failure on the part of many individuals in the INS."

The report also said the INS should not have formally approved the requests by Atta and Al-Shehhi for flight training because they left the country before the government gave them permission to become students.

Polygraphs await federal workers in anthrax probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department is preparing to give lie detector tests to hundreds of federal workers at two facilities where anthrax is stored, hoping to identify suspects in the letter attacks, a law enforcement official said Monday.

Beginning in June, the government will administer the tests to workers at Fort Detrick, Md., about 40 miles northwest of Washington, and Dugway Proving Ground, Utah, about 85 miles southwest of Salt Lake City.

The government will focus on workers who had expertise in preparing anthrax for use as a weapon and those who may have had access to it, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

ABC News, which first reported the plans for testing, said some former employees of both facilities may be given polygraph tests as well. The law enforcement official said the plan to test employees does not mean the government already has a suspect.

The investigation into who sent several anthrax-laced letters last year has produced few leads and investigators acknowledge the trail is growing cold. The government has begun a

strategy of focusing on possible sources of anthrax rather than identifying suspects from the few clues gained from the letters.

Officials at Fort Detrick and Dugway did not immediately return telephone calls seeking comment Monday.

Army scientists in Utah have been developing a powdered form of anthrax for use in testing biological defense systems, military officials have said.

The Army said in a recent statement that small quantities of anthrax have routinely been produced at Dugway, and then shipped to the Army's bio-defense center at Fort Detrick.

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Three plead guilty in fraud case

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Three of four men charged in a Tennessee driver's license fraud case pleaded guilty Monday in federal court.

The defendants were arrested Feb. 5 along with Katherine Smith, 49, a Tennessee driver's license examiner who died five days later in a car fire authorities say was intentionally set.

Mostafa Said Abou-Shahin, Khaled Otdillah and Sakher A. Hammad each admitted Monday that they tried to obtain licenses illegally. The fourth defendant, Abdolmuisen Mahmud Hammad, was to appear in court Monday

afternoon. Defense lawyers have said the men traveled to Memphis from New York because they heard it was easy to get driver's licenses in Tennessee, where Social Security numbers are not required.

The FBI investigated whether the men were linked to terrorists, but prosecutor Tim DiScenzo said Monday that there was "no proof of any terrorist activity."

Sentencing for the men is scheduled for June 27. Prosecutors have recommended leniency in sentencing, which has a maximum of five years.

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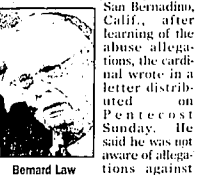
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Mom stops stripping so her daughter can return to school

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) - A Christian school that expelled a kindergarten student because her mother worked as a stripper decided to let the girl return to school for the last three weeks of classes.

Law says he heard reports of abuse in 1993

BOSTON (AP) - Cardinal Bernard Law denied allegations he ignored claims of abuse by the Rev. Paul Shanley, saying in a letter to parishioners that he did not learn until 1993 that the priest was accused of molesting boys.



Bernard Law

The archdiocese faces civil suits alleging it knew of those allegations before it assigned Shanley to a Newton parish.

Records released earlier this year showed the archdiocese knew of abuse claims against Shanley as far back as 1967 and that he had spoken out in favor of sex between men and boys, but it did little more than transfer him from parish to parish. Law did not arrive in Boston until years later.

Fifty new documents from Shanley's personnel file were released on Tuesday in what an attorney for alleged victims said represents "the strongest statement to date" that church leaders knew how dangerous the priest had become.

Law, who has been under pressure to resign as documents detailing the archdiocese's handling of priests accused of sexual misconduct have been made public, again apologized for past errors in judgment, saying there was never an intent to put children at risk.

"When I arrived in Boston in 1984, I assumed that priests in place had been appropriately appointed," Law said in the three-page letter.

"It did not enter into my mind to second-guess my predecessors, and it simply was not in the culture of the day to function otherwise. Despite the quantity of documents released and statements on the part of some indicating they know otherwise, before God I assure you that my first knowledge of an allegation of sexual abuse against this priest was in 1993."

The Diocese of San Bernardino confirmed Sunday that it received a letter from Boston in October 1993 informing them of allegations against Shanley.

Pope departs for Azerbaijan and Bulgaria

VATICAN CITY (AP) - Despite his frail health and advancing years, Pope John Paul II departs Wednesday for Azerbaijan and Bulgaria, a five-day trip intended to improve relations with Muslims and Orthodox Christians.

John Paul, who turned 82 on Saturday, has looked increasingly weak in recent weeks, slowed by the symptoms of Parkinson's disease and knee and hip ailments. But he has made clear he has no intention of stepping down or giving up foreign travel, one of the hallmarks of his 24-year papacy.

"His physical limitations don't weaken his dedication and the force of his ministry," Italian Cardinal Camillo Ruini, one of the pope's closest aides, said Monday.

Last week, two cardinals said they thought the pope would resign if his health deteriorated to the point that he could no longer govern the church.

Feds record \$66.5B deficit so far this budget year

WASHINGTON (AP) - The government is running a deficit of \$66.5 billion for the first seven months of the budget year, a reversal from the sizable surplus recorded for the same period a year ago.

The latest snapshot of the government's finances, released Monday by the Treasury Department, seemed to reinforce the view expressed by government and private analysts that the United States will post a hefty deficit for the entire fiscal year. Some predict the budget shortfall could total \$100 billion or more.

Red ink in 2002 would end a string of four straight years of budget surpluses.

For the first seven months of fiscal 2002, which started Oct. 1, government spending totaled \$118 trillion, a 8.7 percent increase over the same period last year. Total revenues this budget year so far are \$51.2 trillion, a 10.9 percent decline from the corresponding period a year ago.

The Bush administration has blamed the return of deficits on last year's recession and the costs of waging war in Afghanistan and battling terrorism at home. But Democrats said it was caused by the 10-year, \$1.35 trillion tax cut that Bush pushed through Congress in the spring.

The Congressional Budget Office said weaker federal tax collection is also a factor in the worsening budget picture. Revenues from individual income taxes have totaled \$56.5 billion this budget year, a 18.6 percent decrease for the same period in the previous fiscal year.

Corporate income tax receipts dipped to \$88.2 billion from October through April, down from \$103.3 billion recorded during the same period in the 2001 budget year.

In April - a time when the government is usually flush with cash because of income tax payments flowing into the nation's coffers - Treasury posted a surplus of \$67.2 billion, the smallest since 1995.

That compared with a \$189.8 billion surplus reported for the same month last year.

India and Pakistan appeal for intervention in Kashmir

NEW DELHI, India - Nuclear rivals India and Pakistan exchanged fire across their border in Kashmir on Monday, and the Indian military reportedly took control of the country's paramilitary forces and merchant marine in a sign of building tension over the disputed Himalayan region.

Each side in the simmering conflict sought to bring international pressure to bear on the other. India said it asked foreign help in isolating Pakistan, which requested international assistance in starting talks to settle the territorial dispute.

India has refused to negotiate until Pakistan stops its alleged support for Islamic militants who have launched attacks on the Indian side of the border in Kashmir.

Pakistan denies backing the militants but does support the goal of separating the Indian portion of mainly Muslim Kashmir from Hindu India.

East Timor builds up nation

DILI, East Timor - In its first day as an independent nation Monday, East Timor swore in a new Cabinet and signed a key oil treaty with Australia.

The United States looks forward to working with the people and government of the Democratic Republic of East Timor to foster the growth of democracy and prosperity in the first nation of the new millennium.

Former President Clinton raised the American flag at the new U.S. Embassy in the seaside capital of Dili - and while doing so acknowledged that the United States' record in East Timor has been less than sterling.

Car bomb kills son of Palestinian guerrilla leader

BEIRUT, Lebanon - A bomb placed under the driver's seat of a car exploded Monday, killing Jihad Jibril, the son of radical Palestinian guerrilla leader Ahmed Jibril and a senior military chief of a group the United States lists as terrorist.

The Syrian-based Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command blamed Israel and vowed to retaliate.

The PLO faction, which has long opposed the Israeli-Palestinian peace process and is on the U.S. State Department list of terrorist organizations, has focused its efforts on attacking Israel from bases in Lebanon in recent years.

Jihad Jibril, 38, who commanded the group's military operations in Lebanon, was driving his Peugeot sedan down a street off the busy Corniche Mzarra in west Beirut when the bomb detonated at midday. Lebanese police said.

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First Lady: Russia shouldn't join NATO

PRAGUE, Czech Republic (AP) - The first lady Laura Bush met Monday with Czech President Vaclav Havel at Prague Castle and agreed that Russia can be a "nice ally" to NATO but shouldn't be a member.



Laura Bush

Havel opined in The Washington Post over the weekend that Russia "for various historical and geographic reasons is such a clearly independent part of today's world, that its only relationship with NATO can and will be that of a separate entity."

As Havel's wife, the former stage actress Dagmar Havlova, led a VIP tour of the castle's gilded stairwells, reporters asked Mrs. Bush about Havel's thoughts on NATO expansion.

"I think, actually, his viewpoint is also what President Bush thinks - that Russia can be a nice ally to NATO, but not necessarily a member," she said.

The Czech Republic joined NATO with Poland and Hungary three years ago in the alliance's first post-Cold War expansion.

Suicide bomber blows up at busy intersection

JERUSALEM (AP) - A Palestinian militant detonated explosives at a busy intersection Monday as he was approached by police - killing himself, but causing no other injuries in the second suicide bombing in northern Israel in two days.

On Sunday, three Israelis and a bomber were killed in a blast in an outdoor market in the coastal city of Netanya.

The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, or PFLP, a radical PLO faction, claimed responsibility for Sunday's attack.

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Internet's free lunch isn't over

But portions are getting smaller

By Leslie Brooks Suzukamo
Knight Ridder News Service

One of the joys of using the Internet for Philadelphia transplant Rick Sharga used to be listening to free Webcasts of the radio play-by-play of Phillies baseball games from his California home.

But Sharga stopped listening last season when Major League Baseball took over the Internet sites for all of its teams and charged \$9.95 for the season to tune in. "It was hard for me to come to terms with paying for it free," he said.

Internet users are accustomed to free content. They expect to graze at a digital buffet to their hearts' content without paying a cent.

Well, the Internet's free lunch isn't over, but the portions are getting smaller.

More Web sites are starting to demand either your money - usually a credit card - or your life - in the form of personal information - before they let you dig in.

Yahoo, an Internet portal used by 219 million people worldwide, offers a highly popular free Web e-mail service, for instance.

But the portal recently began billing Yahoo Mail users who want to forward messages to other e-mail accounts or download them to e-mail programs such as Eudora or Outlook Express. Users must pay an annual fee of \$30.

Yahoo also raised a stir among privacy advocates when it modified user accounts so they would begin receiving a flurry of e-mail advertisements. To stop the barrage, users had to manually reset a series of controls on a new "marketing preferences" page.

Yahoo said the move allowed it

to inform users about a range of new services they might want. But junk-mail opponents derided the move as a blatant attempt to spam users.

Meanwhile, Orbitz, the online travel site formed by five of the largest airlines, including Northwest Airlines, last month tacked a \$5 service fee on all electronic tickets.

Ironically, Sharga, general manager of a consulting business called NeoBrands, easily explains the Net's move from free to fee.

"The reason is quite simple really: free turned out to be a bad business model," he said.

Well-known e-business flameouts such as pets.com exposed the weakness of selling stuff online for less than cost and trying to make it up on exorbitant shipping fees.

And the worst advertising market in recent history has torpedoed ad-supported free content sites.

By last winter, three out of four

consumer-targeted e-businesses were already charging a fee of some kind for at least some of their activities, according to a study by an Emory University business school professor.

Today Web-only businesses are moving toward instituting fees faster than the bricks-and-clicks sites, said Douglas Bowman, a marketing specialist in the Goizueta Business School at Emory.

The Web sites learned they can no longer survive economically by simply drawing visitors to look at advertising, Bowman said.

"Would Target and Wal-Mart evaluate success based only on the number of folks who go through their doors? Absolutely not. Foot traffic is not enough," he said.

The new model emerging, experts say, is reminiscent of cable television, which offers bare-bones basic channels for little or nothing but movie channels for a premium.

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Cyberspace pirates target 'Star Wars'

By Wendy Tanaka
Knight Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA - Thousands of people had seen the new "Star Wars" movie even before it opened in theaters last week.

More than a week before its release in theaters, bootleg copies of "Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones" began circulating over the Internet, where they could be obtained in exchange for other files and downloaded into computers for viewing.

One 17-year-old high school student said he obtained pirated copies of "Spider-Man" and "The New Guy," two other recent releases, for "Clones" more than two weeks ago.

"It wasn't so much that I was interested in 'Star Wars,'" said the student, who spoke on condition of anonymity. "It's like a power thing. You're one of the few selected to have gotten this. The rest of America is going to pay \$8, and you don't have to pay anything."

Not everyone can do it. Realistically, you need a high-speed Internet connection, such as a cable modem or telephone digital subscriber line, plus software that can download the film and a substantial amount of free hard drive space. Depending on the format used, a movie can take up two to three gigabytes of space - that's about 10 percent of the room on a typical hard drive today.

"The amount of technology you have to own to do this is kind of breathtaking," said the student, who has been exchanging files online since sixth grade.

Typically, a pirated version of a movie may be made during a private screening by someone who sneaks in a camcorder and points it toward the screen.

That copy is then downloaded into a computer, where it can be transferred to the Internet. "Clones" reportedly has been passed around by people using a technology called Internet Relay Chat, which lets savvy Web users type messages to one another and find and share files.

Apple promotes its new Mac OS X

By Suzanne Choney
The San Diego Union-Tribune

Steve Jobs recently held a mock funeral, putting a copy of Mac Operating System 9 in a coffin and giving it a nice eulogy. But he added, essentially, don't let the coffin lid slam OS 9 on its way to OS heaven.

Why the dramatic flair? Apple, like Microsoft, is pushing its newer operating systems on consumers.

For Jobs, Apple's CEO, the system is Mac OS X, which was released last spring.

Microsoft released Windows XP last October.

Windows XP is a more stable operating system than its predecessors - so good, one man wrote in an online chat room recently, that he would "marry it" if he could. (That is one guy you do not want to go out with.) Mac OS X (the X is for "10") is based on Unix, which makes it easier for developers to create software for the Mac. And because it is predominantly a Windows world, Mac users have long been frustrated with limited software choices.

Not matter how good Windows XP or Mac OS X might be, upgrading is still upgrading. Money, time and learning curves have to be factored in, as does the issue of whether your old software will work with the new system.

In the past, I've made the mistake of upgrading operating systems, which in turn led to upgrading everything from memory to the computer's themselves.

That gets very expensive. Upgrade-itis has even extended to handheld computers that use their own operating systems, such as Palm and Pocket PC.

Upgrade pressure can be as bad as peer pressure.

Sometimes we feel like everyone around us is doing it, so we have to, too.

When Windows 95 came out, people lined up to buy it. It was pretty much the same case for Windows 98.

When Windows Millennium Edition debuted in 2000, consumers - weary from days and nights of hunching over their computers, watching them freeze and crash - were wary.

By the time Windows XP came out, cynicism, exhaustion and compatibility concerns made for



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Stranded travelers encounter kindness of strangers

DEAR ABBY: On Sept. 10, 2001, my husband and I flew to Las Vegas for a three-day mini-vacation. Then 9/11 happened. Along with millions of other American citizens, any plans we had were changed.

Our three-day holiday extended into five days of utter confusion. Guards were stationed everywhere in the casino of our hotel. It was necessary to make many trips to our room to assure family members by phone that we were all right. Each time we used the elevator to go to our room, we had to show proof that we were guests of the hotel before being allowed to proceed.

We also had to rebook our flight, as our original departure had been canceled. Finally, on Sept. 15, we were able to schedule a flight home. As we left our room for the last time, I looked down and saw two shiny 2001 pennies lying in the doorway. Somehow, finding those pennies made me less apprehensive about flying. They are now tucked away along with the story of where we were on that fateful day.

When we got to the airport, we saw weary travelers standing patiently in line for blocks. I would like to offer special thanks to the airport employees who worked diligently to get people to their departure gates.

My husband must use a cane for any extended walking or standing, and a nurse in our line alerted airport personnel that he needed a wheelchair. One was provided as soon as possible. He was then



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

ongoing joke. On our 25th anniversary, he took me to dinner at our favorite neighborhood restaurant. The conversation that evening covered many topics — our pride in the accomplishments of our four children, their upcoming marriages, etc. He then asked me if I would be engaged to him for the next 25 years — and presented me with the engagement ring he couldn't afford 25 years earlier. We

planned to renew our vows on our 50th anniversary, but God called him after only 47 years together. "Abby, it certainly isn't the biggest 'sparkler' in the world — but it's the most precious possession I own."

— KAY BELL, WESTMINSTER, COLO.
DEAR KAY: I'm not surprised. It symbolizes the wealth of love and accomplishment you and your beloved husband shared together.

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directed to wait inside the terminal while I was told to go to the end of the long line and meet him when I got to the doorway. A wonderful young man close to the front offered to trade places in line so I could have his place. Abby, he had been waiting there for hours.

Whoever and wherever you are, thank you again.
— MR. AND MRS. GEORGE CULLINS, GRATEFUL OHIOANS
DEAR MR. AND MRS. CULLINS: Thank you for sharing your experience. It shows that sometimes tragedy has a way of bringing out the best in people.

DEAR ABBY: I debated, but I finally decided the woman who wrote about wanting a "sparkler" on her 25th wedding anniversary needs to know my story.

My friend, hero and love proposed to me by quoting Shakespeare in a valentine. He was finishing his master's degree and there was no money for an engagement ring. Instead, he gave me his fraternity pin, and we married with matching gold bands in 1953. Each year, on Valentine's Day, we would mention something about renewing our marriage contract for another year. It was our

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Superior will praise Sagittarius' role

IF MAY 21ST IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you are versatile and at times become interested in too many subjects simultaneously. Your wit and wisdom are becoming legendary. You exude a special kind of appeal and would not want to live without romance. Gemini, Sagittarius individuals play active roles in your life, could have these letters in names: C, L, U. During July, you experience a different kind of love. September also memorable.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Make necessary repairs at home; Inter expand activities to perform special services. You will be in demand; people at first will want plenty, but pay little. Scorpio involved.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): You will be sought after. Romance plays major role. Key is to read and write, to be discriminating where love is concerned. Do not lower standards; Virgo represented.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Attention revolves around sale or purchase of property. Lifestyle featured, is subject to change. Family member will make important concession.

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Libra plays top role.
CANCER (June 21-July 22): See people, relationships as they exist; avoid self-deception. Relative attempts to dominate. Say, "Thanks, but no thanks!" What was lost 24 hours ago will be retrieved tonight.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You get financial backing for "business project." Pressure is on due to added responsibility. Love relationship is no joke, becomes hot and heavy. Capricorn plays fabulous role.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Lunar cycle remains high; you will be at right place at crucial moment almost effortlessly. Kindness to loved one will be repaid, elevates morale. Aries is represented.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Provide enlightenment! You will help others overcome fear, suspicion and superstition. Face the unknown with humor and intelligence. Leo, Aquarius provide inspiration.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You might be asking, "Is this dig?!" Scenario features familiar places, faces. Question of your marital status looms large. Capricorn, Cancer natives play roles.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Have fun and others will laugh with you. Superior says your role is valuable. You could be compensated accordingly. Gemini, another Sagittarian figure in scenario.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Look beyond the immediate. Check advertisements relating to travel. You could be in charge of a "cruise party." Review, rewrite and rebind. Taurus figures prominently.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): People are eager to hear what you say and to read what you write. You will do amazingly well at word and number games. Your fortunate number for today will be 5.
PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Emphasis on public appearances, publicity and legal rights and permissions. Beauty surroundings, domestic adjustment restores harmony at home. Libra plays romantic role tonight.

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EDITORIAL

Local region benefits with Bedke, Darrington

The process of redistricting certainly has its drawbacks. Perhaps nowhere are those pitfalls more evident than in the new District 27, which covers Cassia, Bingham, Oneida and Power counties.

This wide stretch of territory doesn't add up to an easy mix of populations for any candidate. The needs and interests of voters in Malad are vastly different from those in Burley. To make matters worse, the Senate Republican primary for the district will force a long-time incumbent - either Ralph Moon or Wheeler of American Falls or Denton Darrington of Burley - out to pasture. Both men have served their constituents well during their years in the Senate.

Picking between them is almost a tossup. Both men stand firmly behind this year's frugal budget decisions and the repeal of term limits. Both are hesitant to raise taxes, considering the level of taxation already placed on Idahoans in comparison with per capita income.

Both men represent the fiscal conservatism that we like in the Legislature. But for Magic Valley voters, Darrington offers the advantage of being closer to home than Wheeler. And since Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl, is leaving the House, she also will leave her position as House Judiciary & Rules Committee chairwoman. Darrington holds the corresponding job in the Senate, and over the years the two have teamed up to give the state excellent leadership on law-and-order issues. Gould's departure makes Darrington's experience all the more valuable.

If Wheeler is elected, we are confident he will continue to be a fine senator, providing solid representation to his new constituents in Magic Valley. But Darrington looks like the candidate who deserves the hometown vote. Republican voters in District 27 have a second decision to make this month. In the GOP primary for House Seat A, incumbent Scott Bedke of Oakley is facing challenger Tim Willie of Malad.

Both men present solid views on the needs of rural development in southern Idaho counties, and both have sound understanding of agricultural issues that affect this region. The separation between the two candidates appears in education issues. Willie believes the last legislative session went too far in its budget reductions, while Oakley rightly defends the Legislature for acting prudently with the money it had.

Bedke has also shown more support for a key Magic Valley priority: a university center to house four-year outreach programs at the College of Southern Idaho. Willie is lukewarm to the idea at best. As a member of the House Education Committee, Bedke will be in a position to influence enhancement of four-year education opportunities in the Magic Valley, once the economy recovers. Bedke's stand on that issue, along with his understanding of agricultural issues locally, earns him our endorsement for the seat.

Willie probably would make a fine legislator for southern rural counties of Idaho. But with Bedke, Cassia County voters already know they'll be getting a good lawmaker who understands and appreciates their concerns.

9/11 probe will only hurt Dems

It is appropriate for the proper intelligence oversight committees in Congress to investigate the Sept. 11 terrorist attack, as the objective is to discover if there were intelligence breakdowns and repair any flaws to better protect us in the future. But if Democrats, especially, think this is the issue they've been searching for to deflate President Bush's high approval ratings (Enron, Social Security, education, tax cuts and political



Cal Thomas

fundraising through picture sales having failed them), they had better heed the advice of former Bill Clinton adviser Dick Morris.

After opening the door to Democrats that they would be doing Bush a favor by politicizing the war on terrorism. The president, said Morris, could then ask voters to send more Republican reinforcements to the Senate and House to replace those who won't stand united against America's common enemy. Having abandoned bipartisanship, Morris believes Democrats would then be vulnerable to a political counterstrike by Republicans on their strongest post 9/11 issue: patriotism.

Democrats need to "hug the opposition on their best issues," advised Morris. A 1997 essay for Studies in Intelligence by Defense Intelligence Agency analyst Russ Travers offered a balanced critique of the decline in American intelligence gathering. In his commentary, presciently titled "The Coming Intelligence Failure," Travers found fault in the Executive and Legislative branches, as well as the Intelligence Community. In the Executive Branch,



genge matters. He is the first president in memory not to receive morning briefings directly from the Central Intelligence Agency along with his daily copy of the written "President's Daily Brief." Even today, CIA briefers rarely see (President Clinton) personally.

Did this indifference to intelligence lead to the first World Trade Center attack in 1993 and the mistaken 1999 U.S. bombing of the Chinese Embassy in Belgrade, not to mention our "surprise" over India's nuclear testing in 1998? Did it make 9/11 inevitable? Inquiring congressional minds will want to know.

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Travers suggested that U.S. national security policy had been more reactive than anticipatory: "Any attempt to program resources according to consumer needs is a recipe for getting whipsawed from crisis to crisis and cannot be sustained."

Congress also "will bear some responsibility for our forthcoming intelligence failure," wrote Travers, four years before 9/11. He cited the congressional push for a division of labor in the IC which has "significantly diminished competitive analysis of data) within the Community and should, therefore, be seen as an acceptance of increased risk."

Travers added, "By operating under the premise that we can divide intelligence analysis into military, economic and political subcomponents and then parcel out discrete responsibilities to various agencies, we are sowing the seeds for inevitable mistakes." This "artificial distinction" had not existed before, Travers noted, and "we are setting ourselves up to do bad political, economic and military analysis; by implication,

support to all our consumers is going to get worse." Further, "a combination of bureaucratic politics and self-inflicted wounds within the IC will prove to be critical factors responsible for our failure," Travers wrote.

These are some of the areas where any investigation of intelligence failures should focus. To suggest, as some Democrats are, that President Bush put thousands of lives at risk by ignoring specific and credible evidence of an imminent attack on the United States by Islamic extremists flies in the face of the character and moral strength an overwhelming majority of Americans have come to admire in this man, especially since 9/11.

If Democrats want to pursue such a strategy, Republicans should not stand in their way. It might return the Senate to Republican control and probably widen the GOP majority in the House.

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Election deadline is near

The May 28 primary election is nearing, and The Times-News welcomes your letter about candidates and issues. All election letters must be received by 5 p.m. Wed., May 22. All letters must be 400 words or less and are subject to editing. (A suggestion: The shorter your letter, the more it will appeal to readers.) You can deliver your letter:

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The Senate stalls another 'man from Hope'

Bill Clinton used the fact that he was born in Hope, Ark., to campaign for president as the "man from Hope" - using the name of his birthplace to enhance his image. Levenson R. Smith, a trailblazing black jurist, is another son of Hope. Unlike the former president, Smith was not just born but also raised in Hope.

DAVID ALMASI

process. They want to be a partner in selecting nominees even though the Constitution gives that duty to the president. Until they get what they want, however, they are content to throw the American judicial system and the lives of nominees such as Smith into chaos.

It's not as if Smith isn't qualified. He once represented Arkansas' poorest residents as a staff attorney for Ozark Legal Services.

He later opened the first minority-owned and operated law firm in Springdale, Ark. He served on the faculty of John Brown University and was a regulatory specialist in the Arkansas governor's office. He was also an associate justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court in 1999 and 2000, in between his two terms on the Arkansas Public Service Commission, which he headed during his first term.

Arkansas NAACP President Dale Charles said: "He's a fine person individually, and in his time on the Supreme Court he represented himself and the court well." The state NAACP supports Smith's nomination.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., chairman of the Judiciary Committee, considered it a "crisis" when the number of backlogged Clinton nominees was lower than the current waiting list for Bush nominees.

During the 2000 presidential campaign, he sided with candidate Bush on streamlining confirmations, saying: "I have agreements with Governor Bush, who has said that in the Senate a nominee ought to get a vote, up or down, within 60 days."

After a year, Smith has yet to get a hearing, much less a vote. Since the presidency of Jimmy Carter, more than 85 percent of each president's circuit court nominees received full Senate votes within the first two years of the president's term. The percentage thus far for President

Bush is only 27.6 percent. The vendetta against Bush's judicial nominees is undeniable.

Democratic senators have made it clear they don't find conservative judicial nominees acceptable, and conservative nominees of color seem even more unwelcome.

Commenting on this prejudice, ranking minority member of the Senate Judiciary Committee Orrin Hatch of Utah said liberal senators "will simply not accept a Hispanic, an African-American or even women who do not toe the line of the left."

One thing is clear: Justice is not being served. President Bush has the constitutional right to nominate judges. For senators to refuse them a simple up-or-down vote is tantamount to throwing the Constitution out the window.

David W. Almasi is the executive director of the National Center for Public Policy Research.

LETTER

Grant gives help to families who can't afford child care

The need for quality child care and after-school activities is a daily concern for parents. More than two-thirds of women with children younger than 13 and more than half of mothers with infants under age 1 are in the labor force. Working is not optional for many American parents. Both parents must work to make

ends meet. In fact, the majority (55 percent) of working women in the United States now bring home half or more of their family's earnings. Parents know, and studies repeatedly have shown, that good quality child care - care that provides a loving, safe, and stable environment - helps children enter school ready to learn and succeed. The positive impact of good care is even greater for low-income children.

Yet, parents often face great difficulty finding child care they can afford. Child care for just one child can easily cost anywhere from \$1,000 to \$1,000 per year - more than the average cost of tuition at a public university. For many families, the numbers simply do not add up and they are forced to choose between rent, food, utilities and child care. The Child Care and Development Block Grant is the

primary source of help for families who cannot afford the quality child care that is critical to their ability to find and keep a job and to prepare their children to succeed in school. Nationally, only one in seven eligible children who need child care help are getting it. The president's proposal to increase work participation requirements for welfare recipients will create an even greater need for child-care assistance for

low-income families, making increases in funding for the Child Care and Development Block Grant all the more essential.

We have an opportunity to invest in a stronger future for America's children and families. The Child Care and Development Block Grant is up for reauthorization in Congress this year. Congress could invest \$20 billion over the next five years in child care to reach an additional 2 mil-

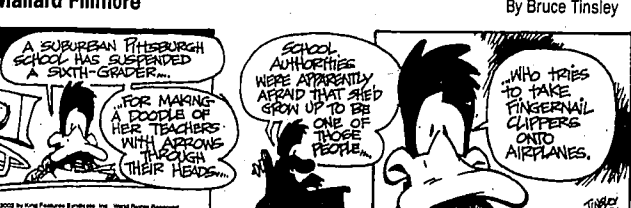
lion children and families who need help paying for child care. They must also support new incentives to bolster the quality of child care to help children get ready for school. Our children's future as well as our country's depends on it.

STACY MUDSEN
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Stacy Madsen is the director of Success by 6, a program funded by the United Way of South Central Idaho.)

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LETTERS

Sharon Block will provide positive representation

Sharon and Bill Block have been our friends and neighbors for 8 1/2 years. In that time I have seen Sharon as a lady with integrity, commitment and loyalty. I know Sharon will provide the citizens of Twin Falls with representation of a positive approach on all future planning and educational issues. She is my choice for representative.

BILL STROBEL Twin Falls

Let our students pray to keep America safe

Each year at graduation time, we read about school administrations telling students they cannot express their religious faith during their graduation ceremony. I understand this denial of freedom of expression can be based on misinformation disseminated by several organizations who wish to mislead students, patrons and school board members. Usually, there is the threat of expensive legal action, which all of us know wastes education money.

Legal history shows the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution protects our religious speech and expression. Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote in the 1992 Supreme Court case Lee vs. Weisman: "We recognize that, at graduation time and throughout the course of the educational process, there will be instances when religious values, religious practices and religious persons will have some interaction with the public schools and their students."

A federal appeals court has recently affirmed that school districts can permit prayer at graduation ceremonies as long as administrators, teachers, the graduating class and any student group are not involved in the decision of whether or not to have a prayer. The court also affirmed that an individual student chosen through neutral criteria such as academic excellence has the right to offer a prayer or some other form of religious speech and is protected by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

Court decisions also state that a school district has the right to exclude prayer unless it will substantially interfere with the education of others.

Our nation prayed for God to bless America for weeks after Sept. 11, 2001. Wouldn't it be great if this year's graduation ceremonies renew that "God Bless America" prayer.

RICHARD H. HAGERMAN Wendell

Twin Falls needs

a new animal shelter

Twin Falls is a beautiful and great community. We are just finishing a grand and beautiful entrance to the city at the bridge. We seem to have nice, modern and comfortable facilities for our city, state and county employees. We seem to be doing quite well aside from the sometimes ignored issue I would like to address.

We need to get forward with a new animal shelter. We cannot stop to get the money for the project. It needs to be done. The animals did nothing to be in the poor, dilapidated old facilities they are forced into. They need a good, clean, safe and visible place to be. It would be only an advantage for people working there, volunteers and people wanting to adopt animals.

Came on, Twin Falls and Magic Valley residents, business owners and all: Let's show we have a heart and get this up and running. MELINDA GAREY Twin Falls

Make a difference in the community - vote

We have an important election on Tuesday, May 20. I am encouraging everyone to exercise their right to make a difference in our community by voting.

I have worked with Gayle Erickson during her career as Cassia County treasurer. She is to be commended for the superior job she does. She consistently goes beyond the call of duty managing her complex duties and working side-by-side with her competent staff.

I will proudly cast my vote for Gayle Erickson. DEBBIE BINGHAM Burley

Sen. Wheeler listens to the public and keeps his word

I am writing in support for Sen. Moon Wheeler. Sen. Wheeler is a legislator that will listen to your concerns no matter what the subject is. And if he tells you that he will look into the matter, you can take it to the bank that he will follow through and get back to you. My main issues have dealt with

mental illness. I have tried to talk to the senator from this district on many occasions dealing with this issue and have never been heard. I have spoken with many other people who have other issues and get the same response from him.

I have had to go to different districts to be heard, and one of the senators that has responded to my concerns is Sen. Wheeler, and I have never been disappointed in him. He is always ready and willing to listen to my concerns and do what he can to help.

I hope that everyone will vote in the primary election on May 28. And I ask you to vote for the man who cares - Sen. Moon Wheeler. If anyone has any questions about the good senator, please feel free to call me at 673-6672.

KENTY "WOODY" WOODLAND Albion

Kempthorne used school for public relations

Gov. Kempthorne must feel no shame. That is the only possible explanation for his using one of our schools for a few good public relations appearances. Surely, he cannot be so self-deceptive as to believe that a mere one-hour appearance in a classroom, orchestrated for the media's benefit, "keeps me well grounded. It continuously keeps you in touch with reality." Really, governor? Were you in touch with the reality of the 13 school jobs lost as a direct result of the school funding cuts that you authorized? Or are you simply confusing being in touch with the media with being in touch with reality?

This is only one more incident in the ongoing outrage that is Gov. Kempthorne's administration, one more example where he says that he stands with kids yet continually undercuts them. How can he be for kids yet not provide adequate funding for educating them, for protecting them from abuse, for medical insurance for the poor among them? Governor, even kids are smart enough to know that when someone says one thing yet does another, you believe what they do, not what they say. The only folks you're fooling are the ones who want to be fooled.

How did we get in this funding fiasco? It was because an irresponsible Legislature and governor transferred millions of dollars from schools to a select group of Idahoans. We all recently submitted tax forms to the state; I ask you, dear reader, to consider whether you noticed a tax cut when you paid your taxes. I didn't, and I'll bet you didn't either.

Consider who that money went to instead of educating our children and ponder whether this giveaway was to Idaho's benefit or not. Then consider finally what kind of conscience allows a politician to use a school classroom so cynically as a backdrop for exercising his villainous hypocrisy. DUANE REYNOLDS Twin Falls

Education board didn't show up at public meeting

The State Board of Education's hearings on the accountability plan for schools was well advertised. The hearing in Twin Falls took place on May 15. They said the public was invited because public input would guide the formation of the plan.

The state board failed to mention that as members of the state board would be at the hearing. Only the local member of the Assessment and Accountability Commission was present. They sent a tape recorder to hear the input of the 150 to 200 people who showed up to testify.

What would happen if 100 people went to a city council meeting to speak on zoning around the Boy Scout center and found no city council members at the meeting but a tape recorder was there to hear them?

I believe the public would be so

irate they might burn City Hall. They might even get so mad they would vote for a Democrat.

The State Board of Education members need to show more respect for the voting public. They cannot advertise a public hearing and then not appear. It is now obvious they do not care to hear what patrons have to say. State Board members need to apologize to the people of the Magic Valley for their brazen actions. It amazes me how they can devise a plan to hold teachers accountable but they do not have to be accountable to the public.

DENNIS SONTUS Twin Falls (Editor's note: Dennis Sontus is the principal at Morningside Elementary School.)

Marilyn Hempleman will make good commissioner

Marilyn Hempleman will be, if elected, an outstanding commis-

sioner for Twin Falls County. She is honest, energetic and competent. She is well versed in the issues facing the county; she understands how the county government works and believes in its ability to meet the diversified interests of each citizen in each county community.

Marilyn's outgoing personality and genuine interest in people is reflected in her ongoing service to the county community and to her political party for many years.

Marilyn is both an independent thinker and a consensus builder - a rare combination of talents - and one which will serve Twin Falls County well, given the opportunity. Please give her your support. WARREN E. SCHIOTH Wendell

Vote for Jim Risch; he's the best man for the job

It can be confusing. So many

candidates have filed for office. It is difficult to keep them all straight.

Nine candidates are running for lieutenant governor. Some we know. Others we know nothing about. But one stands as the best for the job - Jim Risch.

The lieutenant governor's office is important. We must have someone who is qualified to preside over the Senate and serve as governor in the governor's absence. And what if Gov. Kempthorne should have to take a job in Washington? We could be electing the next governor, and it could be someone that is not qualified to head the state.

That is why we need to keep Jim Risch by electing him lieutenant governor.

Senators from around the state have elected Jim Risch to serve as majority leader and as president pro tem, the top two posts in the Senate. That is a

strong endorsement to his leadership skills. Jim has served in both positions with distinction.

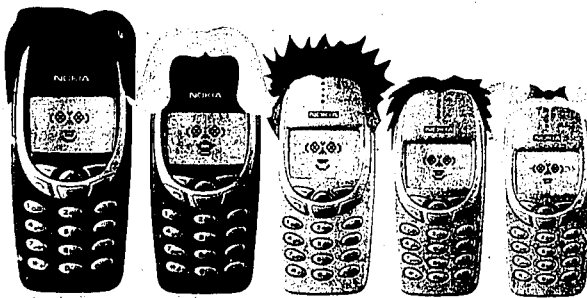
He is a man of unquestionable integrity and strong family values. He stands on his convictions - I know because I have served with him in the Senate.

He is a leader who took a stand in tough economic times by saying "no" to tax increases and special interest groups who want more of your hard-earned money.

Jim Risch demonstrates his leadership by giving education top priority - while keeping the interests of the taxpayer at heart.

We can feel comfortable knowing Jim Risch is there to lead in the governor's absence. As lieutenant governor, he will continue to be an active leader and a facilitator between the Senate and the administration. KEN BRADSHAW Gooding

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P195/75R-14	51.57	P205/70R-14	59.81
P205/75R-14	56.33	P210/70R-14	63.33
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Section B

AROUND THE VALLEY

Officials charge man in parking lot attack

JACKPOT, Nev. - A Jackpot man accused of attacking a 74-year-old Twin Falls woman with a fire iron in a casino parking lot was charged with assault with a deadly weapon and likely will face additional charges, authorities said.

Isauro Gonzalez Lujan, 21, was arrested shortly after the woman was attacked Saturday night in the parking lot of Cactus Pines, Elko County Sheriff Neil Harris said. Lujan reportedly works at a competing casino.

Elanor Robnett of Twin Falls was treated for a broken arm at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. The suspect allegedly was trying to take her purse, Harris said.

"We are going for additional charges of attempted robbery and abuse of the elderly," he said.

Witnesses saw the suspect and heard Robnett screaming, the sheriff said, and then a deputy successfully tracked down and arrested Lujan.

The booking sheet at the Elko County Jail indicated that Gonzalez Lujan was employed as a change person at Four Jack's Casino in Jackpot.

Glenns Ferry man pleads guilty in shooting case

MOUNTAIN HOME - A 50-year-old Glenns Ferry man charged in connection with the shooting of another man pleaded guilty in District Court to a charge of aggravated assault, a prosecutor said.

A sentencing hearing for Benjamin Caler is set for July 1, said Elmore County Prosecutor Aaron Bazzoli.

The charge stems from the April 27 shooting of Joshua L. Stritesky, 20, near Caler's motor home in Glenns Ferry, according to reports. Stritesky was hit once in the arm.

Caler on Monday told a judge the same story he gave to investigators, Bazzoli said. Caler said he had gone to his motor home - which was parked on property away from his home - to guard it after repeated break-ins there. When Stritesky and three juveniles came in, Caler said he confronted them. Caler claimed that when the confrontation moved outside and Stritesky started threaten him, he drew a revolver and fired a "warning shot."

"He said he didn't even know he'd hit Josh," Bazzoli said. "He was very apologetic."

Prosecutors have recommended that Caler be sentenced to three years of felony probation and ordered to pay half of Stritesky's medical bills.

A misdemeanor charge of unlawful entry is pending against Stritesky, Bazzoli said.

Feedlot grandfather rights will be checked again

KING HILL - The Elmore County Planning and Zoning Commission decided to review whether a King Hill feedlot operator is entitled to grandfather rights under county zoning regulations.

The commission last week decided to take another look at Rocky Mountain Land and Cattle LLC's grandfather rights, said Alan Sobtyak, commission vice chairman.

The commission will take up the issue at its June meeting, he said. At this point, the roughly 4,000-head feedlot still has grandfather rights recognized by the commission.

Commission Chairman Nick Nettleton said last week that he was surprised to hear questions about whether the cattle company legally could be grandfathered as a feedlot.

The King Hill Domestic Water & Sewer Users Association is appealing Rocky Mountain Land and Cattle's claim of grandfather rights.

The Planning and Zoning Commission's decision to take another look at the issue was made Thursday.

Also that day, the Elmore County Commission denied the cattle company a variance it needed before it could apply to expand its feedlot to 15,000 head.

Compiled from staff reports

Wendell remembers fire chief

Many remember him as gruff, caring, courageous

By Mark Holzn Times-News writer

WENDELL - It was a battle he knew he probably couldn't win, but they say he never stopped fighting.

When Wendell Rural Fire Department Chief Charles Francis "Red" Orr, 57, died Saturday, it came as a surprise to many, said Wendell City Clerk Marina Barr.

It was common knowledge that Orr had for some time been suffering from cancer, she said, but it wasn't openly apparent how dire his condition was or how quickly the cancer was taking him.

That's because Orr kept going as long as he possibly could. "He was still working for us. He is still on the city payroll," Barr said Monday.

Orr a week before his death

held a block party at his home in Wendell, said Orr's longtime friend and assistant fire chief Bud Bitterli. Hundreds showed up, he said.

"I think that was his way of saying goodbye."

Orr joined the fire department in late 1988. He took over the chief's spot - the only full-time job in the department - in October 1994.

He quickly raised the level of professionalism in the department, said acting Wendell rural fire chief Bob Bailey. And his reputation for bluntness sometimes preceded him.

"To those who didn't know him really well, he came across

as gruff. But he wasn't really that way," Bailey said.

"He served in the Navy for over 20 years. He still had that Navy attitude about things," Bailey said. "He had his way of doing things. Things had to be done his way. And that was his way and right now."

But Orr also cared deeply for people, especially children, Bailey said.

Orr never missed a chance to take children on tours of the fire house or teach them the basics of fire safety, he said.

"That's what it was really all about with Red - it was all about the kids," said Barr, who was also one of Orr's neighbors. "He did a

lot. He did a lot for the city."

Orr also lobbied the Idaho Legislature for a bill extending some of the benefits given previously only to full-time emergency personnel to volunteer firefighters. The bill passed during the latest session.

As bossy and gruff as Orr could seem, there was no hiding his true nature during the holiday season, Barr said.

"His house was like Disneyland at Christmas time," Barr said. "Christmas in Wendell was about Red. Oh, he loved to decorate. And he added to it every year. And you could see his house for miles."

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APPRECIATING THE PAST



Boyd Booth spends some time Monday morning sorting through his antique farm implements. Booth, 67, retired, has been involved in farming his entire life. He now collects old equipment at his Malta residence.

Voters will decide school board races today

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - While competition for Magic Valley school board seats is scarce, residents of a number of school districts go to the polls today to decide the handful of races.

And in at least two districts - Cassia and Shoshone - voters will decide whether to renew supplemental mill levies for schools.

Here's a rundown on what's on the ballot today. Polls generally are open from noon to 8 p.m.

Jerome School District: Incumbent Brian Capoe is challenged by Tom Bohroski for a three-year term in Zone 4. Voting takes place at Horizon Elementary School. Incumbents Jeannette Mitchell (Zone 1) and Kelly Bangerter (Zone 3) had no challengers.

Castelford School District: Zone 1 incumbent Keith Hulse faces challenges from Debbie Bothof and Troy Schland for a three-year term. Voting takes place at the school district library. Zone 2 incumbent David Smith, with no opposition, has already been declared the winner.

Kimberly School District: Incumbent Dick Rees is challenged by Burke Richman to fill a one-year term in Zone 3. Voting takes place at Kimberly Elementary School. Robert Champlin had no challenger in Zone 1.

Valley School District: Doug Carlquist and David Koltz are running for a three-year term in Zone 2. Polls are set up at the school. Incumbent Mark Okelberry went unchallenged in Zone 4.

Diatrieb School District: Zone 4 incumbent Wanda Aaker is challenged by Kelly Jenkins for a three-year term. Voting takes place in the high school cafeteria. Jarrett Porter in Zone 3 and Shannon Telford in Zone 2 faced no challengers.

Shoshone School District: A simple majority of "yes" votes is needed to approve a \$245,000 supplemental levy. Voting takes place in the board room. School officials say the levy is the same as in past years.

Gooding School District: Zone 2 incumbent Dale Thomas faces a write-in challenge from Mary Kren, while write-ins Becky Tanner and Kathleen Goincechea vie for a Zone 3 seat. Both are for three-year terms. Voting takes place in the district office.

Wendell School District: Zone 3 incumbent Doyle Hope is challenged by Cheryl Koppman for a three-year term. Voting takes place in the high school physical education building. Zone 4 incumbent Paul Kroeger is unchallenged.

Cassia County School District: Voters will decide whether to approve a \$623,435 mill levy. The money would be added into the district's maintenance and operations budget, school officials say, to be used mostly to boost technology and reduce classroom size. Polling places may be found at district schools and other sites in the community.

Gooding takes comment on CAFO ordinance

The Times-News

GOODING - A proposed confined animal feeding operation ordinance is up for public comment and possible adoption tonight.

Gooding County commissioners conduct the hearing at 6 p.m. as part of their regular meeting, then are scheduled to discuss and possibly vote on the proposed ordinance. It would replace a CAFO moratorium that is set to expire on May 31.

The proposed ordinance, which was approved by the county Planning and Zoning Commission, would require all CAFOs operating in the county to be registered or hold siting permits. If an operation wanted to increase in size, the owner would have to obtain a new siting permit.

Other provisions of the proposal:

- CAFO owners must notify the county within 30 days of ceasing or suspending operations. If an owner doesn't notify the county, and the CAFO is vacant for 10 years, the county can take away the owner's siting permit and grandfather rights.

- CAFOs can be transferred to a new owner if the new owner files a transfer statement within 60 days from the date of purchase. The new owner must sign a form saying the CAFO is in compliance with the Gooding County ordinance and that a nutrient management plan is in place.

- If a CAFO uses potable water to operate, it must hold a permit or license from the Idaho Department of Water Resources. If its water right becomes inadequate or is not in compliance, the owner will have 30 days to come into compliance by either obtaining a new water right or removing animal units.

- New CAFOs will only be able to operate in agricultural zoning districts, with the exception of aquaculture CAFOs, which will be allowed in all zones except residential zones. Siting permits will be required for new CAFOs.

- A waste treatment system shall not be located closer than 1,320 feet from a residence belonging to someone other than the applicant or closer than 300 feet from property lines. No new residence located in an agricultural zone shall be built within 1,320 feet of a waste treatment system. Aquaculture CAFOs are exempt from setbacks except for the storage of solid waste on land.

- No waste treatment system shall be located closer than 500 feet from a domestic well not owned by the CAFO. A domestic well for a new residence which doesn't belong to the CAFO must

meet the 500-foot setback from the waste treatment system.

- If a land-applied wastewater plan receives a "severe" rating, the applicant must have a detailed environmental plan showing how the problem will be resolved.

- All new or modified liquid waste systems must be designed by licensed professional engineers and constructed in accordance with regulations.

Violations of the ordinance could result in a misdemeanor and could be punishable by up to six months in jail and up to a \$300 fine.

According to the Idaho Dairymen's Association, Gooding County is home to more than 85,000 dairy cows, more than any other county in Idaho. Dairy operators have been pushing for the county to lift its CAFO moratorium for some time.

Jerome seeks grant for water, sewer project

By Dixie Thomas Reale Times-News correspondent

JEROME - The city hopes to get a \$350,000 block grant from the Idaho Department of Commerce to install water and sewer lines from 100 South Road to WOW Logistics.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend a 6:30 p.m. public hearing on the grant request tonight and make their views known.

At the regular City Council meeting scheduled at 7 p.m., the council will consider an ordinance to rezone St. Benedict's Family Medical Center as central business district.

St. Benedict's recently announced plans to build a facility at Crossroads Ranch near the

Meeting tonight

The Jerome City Council will hold a public hearing tonight at 6:30 to gather comment regarding a proposal to the Idaho Department of Commerce for a community development block grant in the amount of \$350,000.

The regular City Council meeting then takes place at 7 p.m. in council chambers 100 A Ave. E. The public is welcome.

intersection of U.S. Highway 93 and Interstate 84. A zoning designation has never been applied to the current hospital property located at 709 N. Lincoln St. A zoning designation will help determine future uses of the property.

A public hearing on the proposal was held on April 16. Other items on the agenda tonight:

- **Annexation** - The Mormon Church has requested the city annex property located at 100 South 50 East. The church plans to build a new meetinghouse at that location.

- **WOW Logistics** has also requested the city annex 40 acres located at 100 South 50 West where the company plans to build a 232,000-square-foot warehouse.

- **Drinking water** - The city will consider a contract with J-U-B Engineers for surveying the necessary control points for the city-wide State Revolving Drinking Water Loan fund water project in the amount of \$11,370. City Engineer Scott Bybee said city

staff can't do this work because a land surveyor is required. Staffers are trying to get the work started now to save several months' time later when the loan fund budget is approved. Awarding of the contract would be contingent on J-U-B Engineers agreeing to hold the billing until the state money is released or until the new budget year, whichever comes first.

- **Hiring** - The council will consider hiring five new employees for the pipe-laying crew at a rate of \$1,643 per month (\$9.50 per hour) effective May 28. This is the crew that will do all the water and sewer line projects. The proposed new hires are Danny R. Tharall, Darrel L. White, Richard L. Hamlin, Kenneth M. Vieu and Ron Chepa.

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Mark K. Craig of Eden, service at 11 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Edris Sears of Elba, service at noon today at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Elba Ward chapel; friends may call from 11 to 11:45 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Scott Martin Harper of Idaho Falls, service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Idaho Falls LDS Kearney 1st Ward chapel, 1860 Kearney, Idaho Falls; visitation from 7 to 9 p.m. today at the

Wood Funeral Home, 273 N. Ridge, Idaho Falls, and one hour before the service at the church.

Lorene Ella Ballard of Paul, service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St., Rupert; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the service Wednesday at the mortuary.

Lynden Garth Cook of Carey, service at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Carey; friends may call from noon to 12:45 p.m. Wednesday at the church (Wood River Chapel in Hailey).

Wayne Jolley of Heyburn, service at 1 p.m. Thursday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and before the service Thursday at Rasmussen Funeral Home.

Arthur Robert Emberton of Twin Falls, celebration of life at noon Saturday at the Sunnyside Court Recreation Center, 1779 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls.

Kenneth Allen (Kenry) Heibert of Jarbidge, Nev., celebration of life at noon June 1, at the Outdoor Inn in Jarbidge, Nev.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Some names are omitted at the patient's request

Admitted
John Kolielski of Twin Falls

OBITUARIES

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WENDELL



Ivy Christensen Chandler Mechem

Ivy Christensen Chandler Mechem, 90, resident of Wendell, passed away on Saturday, May 18, 2002, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

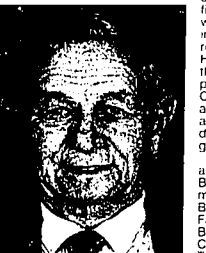
Ivy was born on Jan. 11, 1912, in Preston, Idaho, the daughter of Hyrum Willford and Lola Karen Jensen Christensen. She was married to Lorenzo "Tommy" Mechem on Feb. 12, 1930, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. They lived and farmed near Wendell for most of their lives. To this union were born two daughters, Donna (Neil) Anderson of Burley and Lola (Jill) Little of Wendell, and two sons, Rufon (Carolyn) Chandler, Jay (Sharon) Chandler and Wayne (Debbie) Chandler, all of Wendell. Farren passed away on April 16, 1998. Ivy married Lorenzo "Tommy" Mechem on Jan. 12, 1930. Ivy was an active member of her church, devoting her life in service to her family and others.

She is survived by her husband, Rennie, her sons and daughters; 58 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Erma Jopson of Boise; and one brother, Ray Christensen of Nulav, Idaho. She was preceded in death by one grandson, two granddaughters and three sisters.

Funeral services will be conducted on Wednesday, May 22, 2002, at 11 a.m. at the Woodrill LDS Stake Center with Bishop Kent Chandler officiating. Burial will be in the Wendell Cemetery.

Family members and friends may call on Tuesday, May 21, 2002, from 3 to 7 p.m. at Demaray's Wendell Chapel and on Wednesday from 10 a.m. until service time at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Ivy's name to the Boy Scouts of America Snake River Council and may be left at Demaray's Funeral Service.

EDEN



Henry Schwab Jr.

Henry Schwab Jr., 81, of Twin Falls and formerly of Hazelton, passed away May 18, 2002, at the Twin Falls Care Center with his loving family by his side.

He was born March 25, 1921, in Hazelton, Idaho, the son of Henry and Mary Alpha Davis Schwab

throughout his life. He enjoyed farming, which he did in the Eden-Hazelton area as well as in Buckley, Arizona. Henry also enjoyed going to Jackpot, camping and fishing with his grandchildren. He was also a member of the Eden Senior Center and the Hazelton Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

He is survived by his son, Hank Schwab of Sedona, Arizona; daughters, Vickie Kline of Sacramento, California, Sharon Mills of Gila Bend, Arizona, and Roba Tolman of Twin Falls; son, Donald Anderson of Alvin, Texas; brothers, Howard Schwab of Medford, Oregon, and Floyd Schwab of Las Vegas, Nevada; sister, Alpha Rice of Hazelton, along with 14 grandchildren and numerous loving great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Richard Schwab, one daughter, Lana Joy Schwab, three sisters, Dorothy, Eleanor and Vera; three wives, Susanna, Margaret "Betty" and Thelma. Henry will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, May 22, 2002, at 2 p.m. at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho. Burial will take place at the Sunset Memorial Park, Friends may call Tuesday, May 21, 2002, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home. At Henry's request, memorials may be made to the Eden Senior Citizens Center, 210 E. Wilson, Eden, ID 83325, or to the charity of your choice.

Blanche McDowell
Her loving smile, great laugh and tremendous sense of humor brought great joy to his family and many, many great friends. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established in Aaron Boyd's name at Bank of America, 1040 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301. A memorial service will be held Thursday, May 23, 2002, at Sunset Memorial Park at 2:30 p.m. Cremation took place under the direction of the Ketchikan Mortuary.

"Serenity Prayer"
God grant me the serenity
To accept the things I cannot change.
The courage to change the things I can.
And the wisdom to know the difference.

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ.

Boyd Thietten

Boyd Thietten, retired Idaho game warden, died Monday, November 26, 2001, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Boyd was born in Kimberly, Idaho, Dec. 22, 1920. He served in the Army Air Corps from 1942 to 1945 and worked as a brand inspector and a Twin Falls County deputy sheriff until joining the Idaho Fish and Game Department in 1948. He served in Stanley, Idaho, for two years, then spent most of his career in Mackay (1950-1952) and Rigby (1952-1982). He was active in the rodeo associations in both Mackay and Rigby and served as president of the Salmon River Cowboys Association for nine years. Since leaving Rigby, Boyd and his wife Betty have lived in Yuma, Arizona, Hamilton, Montana, and most recently, Scottsdale, Arizona. They also share a summer home with their children in Guldhall, Vermont.

Boyd is survived by his wife of 53 years, Betty; his children, Lynne Ramey, Brent Maykuff and Jill Thietten, four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11:30 a.m., May 25, 2002, at Centennial Park in Twin Falls, Idaho.

PARMA

Hazel Jane Heezen Harmon

Hazel peacefully passed away at her home in Parma on May 16, 2002, surrounded by her children.

She was born Dec. 8, 1921, in Armour, S.D., to John and Margaret Heezen. She served in the U.S. Army Nursing Corps during World War II in England and France. She married Willis (Bill) Ludwig Harmon on Aug. 19, 1945, in Portland, Idaho. Hazel had a 50-year career as a registered nurse, working in various hospitals in Idaho.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill, in 1988; two daughters, Connie and Pam; one son, Bobby; her mother and father; six brothers and one sister. She is survived by one sister, Bernice Titze of Stickney, S.D.; four daughters and two sons, Sandra (Larry) Jennings of Richfield, Idaho, Leona (Shirley) Harmon of Nampa, Linda (Gary) Hamilton of Colorado Springs, Colo., Barbara (Jerry) Walgamott of Parma, Idaho, and Margie (Chuck) Burger of Caldwell, Idaho; 17 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; three sisters-in-law, Betty and Esther Heezen from South Dakota and Mary Harmon from Nampa, Idaho; and many nieces and nephews.

Hazel and Bill lived and farmed at Star, Idaho, for several years and then moved to a farm north-west of Gooding, Idaho, and then to Gooding for their retirement. Hazel moved to Parma, Idaho, two years ago to live with her daughter, Barbara.

Family and friends will gather to celebrate Hazel's life on May 25.

Commission OKs road access closure

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — Blaine County commissioners decided Monday to close Highway 75 access to Timber Way, which provides recreational access to national forest land southwest of Ketchum.

But a public hearing to vacate the street, which sits north of the Golden Eagle II subdivision about five miles south of Ketchum, is pending while details concerning a proposed cul de sac are ironed out with homeowners.

The plan is for a cul de sac to be built that would allow a turn-around for snow plows in winter. No hikers or bikers would be permitted to park on the cul de sac because the cul de sac is also required for a firefighter access road, according to Ketchum Rural Fire Chief Tom Johnson.

Blaine County Recreation District Director Mary Austin Crofts restated the importance of public access in the area, saying she'd gotten a number of phone calls from people who have felt intimidated about trying to access hiking trails. Crofts added that Golden Eagle developer Harry Rinker has been asked to reword some of the signs in Golden Eagle area to downplay intimidating overtones.

Tom Logan, who is overseeing the Highway 75 construction project, said closing the access to Timber Way is a good thing because of the road's proximity to a curve in the highway and to a stoplight that will be turned on later this summer at East Fork Drive.

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DEATH NOTICES

John Edward Kelso
BLISS — John Edward Kelso, 57, of Bliss, died Sunday, May 19, 2002, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital in Gooding.

Larry J. Laird
KIMBERLY — Larry J. Laird, 42, of Kimberly, died Sunday, May 19, 2002, from injuries sustained in a automobile accident south of Twin Falls.

Warren Koffer
TWIN FALLS — Warren Koffer, 81, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, May 19, 2002, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

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DOING THE DOGGIE DASH



Mindy Wolcott and her son Mason, left, participate with her pet Casey in the 15th Annual Doggie Dash and Parade at Waterfront Park in Portland, Ore., Saturday. There were more than 1,500 owners participating with their dogs.

Minidoka kindergarten meets Thursday for last day

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Kindergarten students will have their last day of school on Thursday, rather than Friday, which is the last day of school within the Minidoka County School District.

The School Board agreed Monday night with teachers who had voiced concerns to principals earlier about kindergarten classes meeting on Friday.

John Fennell, curriculum director, said principals agreed with the plan, as did transportation officials.

The board also looked to transportation officials with a proposal to begin school five minutes earlier next year. Superintendent Nick Hallett said schools in the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition want to align start times, making it easier to coordinate classes which need to be broadcast.

Transportation officials had no problem with moving school up five minutes, and school officials will open buildings five minutes earlier as well.

Other board business included:

- Language arts curriculum - The board approved the proposed curriculum and budget for language arts, but will review it further at the next board meeting.

Board members did not receive the information on the proposal, but materials need to be purchased.

Maren Oppelt, a Minico High School teacher, said the curriculum addresses low-scoring areas on recent standardized tests and emphasizes both reading and writing skills. The goal is to have each student pass the Idaho Standard Achievement Test by the 11th grade.

• Hebyburn art collection - The board took no action on a proposed agreement with the city of Hebyburn about the Hebyburn art collection. Hallett said he needed

to get back with the city on the proposal.

• Travel request - The board approved a travel request for students traveling to the National Vocational Industrial Clubs of America championships in Kansas City, Mo. However, no money was available to file the request for financial support.

"We wish we could help you, but we're financially strapped," said board Chairman Randal M. Matlock.

• Health Net awards - George MacDonald gave Hallett an award from the Mini-Cassia Health Net Coalition. The School Board also received an award from Health Net for supporting local youth.

• Service awards - Bob Stearns, Dave Borden and Randal Seer were each awarded a plaque for service to the district. Seer has been the student representative to the board of trustees his past year. Morgan Parker will take his place. Borden is retiring from his post as East Minico Junior High principal after 24 years, and Stearns will be superintendent in the Gooding School District effective July 1. He has served as Big Valley principal.

• Scholarships - Five Minico High School students earned nearly \$61,000 in scholarships at the Hispanic Youth Symposium in Sun Valley.

Mirella Silva earned \$400 at the college of her choice; Sam Nevarez earned \$1,000 at Gonzaga College of Idaho; Michael Garcia earned \$19,500 at Albion; and Berny Hurtado earned \$18,000 for the University of Montana; and Rosalina Artega earned \$22,000, also for the University of Montana.

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Suspect may have died from swallowing large amount of meth

WILDER (AP) - A 19-year-old man died after apparently eating a large rock of methamphetamine during his arrest for driving on a suspended driver's license, Canyon County officials said Monday.

Ryan Cordova of Wilder was pulled over by a city policeman on Saturday. He ran on foot but was apprehended, the department said. During the scuffle, the officer saw a rock of meth, or "crank," in his hand.

"After he had cuffed Cordova, the officer could not find the

drug. On the way to Caldwell, Cordova complained of being sick and the officer took him to the West Valley Medical Center instead of the Canyon County Jail.

It is believed Cordova swallowed the meth. He died about two hours later at the hospital.

Sheriff George Nourse said the county prosecutor's office asked his department to investigate the incident.

An autopsy was conducted Monday and toxicology tests will be done.

Poll: Olympics didn't significantly change perceptions of Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Utah's image didn't get much of a boost from the 2002 Winter Olympics, but it apparently didn't suffer, either.

A poll of more than 1,000 adults from across the nation earlier this month indicates that more people have a positive impression of the state and recognize it as a place with good outdoor recreational opportunities.

But the percent of people who consider Utah "provincial and backward" hasn't changed in three years, according to the copyright Deseret News/KSL-TV poll, which was conducted by Dun Jones & Associates.

of the May poll to similar polls taken in April 1999 and December 2000. Perhaps influenced by the prime-time slots of Utah's Olympic venues, nearly three-fourths of those polled said they agree that Utah is attractive for outdoor sports, up from 56 percent just three years ago.

Slightly more than half of those polled said Utah's image is improving, up from 37 percent in 1999. Sixty-one percent said they think Utah residents are hardworking and industrious, up from 52 percent three years ago.

But the coverage of Utah's liquor laws and dullness proved hard to refute, despite Mayor Rocky Anderson's pub crawling

Panel asks BPA to fund more for fish research

HAGERMAN - A \$3.3 million expansion for the University of Idaho's fish research station is in the works.

The University of Idaho has \$1.61 million committed toward the project. The Bonneville Power Administration is being asked to contribute another \$1.69 million.

BPA's contribution, requested by the Northwest Power Planning Council, would be on behalf of participating American Indian tribes interested in fish population restoration strategies, a news release from the council said. Participating are the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission and, by separate contract, the Shoshone Bannock and Shoshone Paiute tribes.

Working closely with Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, Idaho council members Judi Daniels and Jim Kempton advocated funding of the center as an opportunity to expand the role of research in addressing supplemental hatchery alternatives for salmon recovery in the Northwest, the news release said.

The expansion would enhance the Hagerman center's research of fish health when it comes to nutrition, genetics and raising

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hatchery fish, said Ron Hardy, center director. While the center studies rainbow trout, the findings can and are applied to Pacific salmon issues.

The expansion also will allow the center to connect to the state's growing distance learning network.

Interstate closes again

Monday due to wind, dust

BURLEY - About 50 miles of Interstate 84 were closed again Monday afternoon, according to the Idaho Transportation Department.

Strong winds stirred up dirt, and the blowing dust caused poor visibility for drivers, prompting the road closure. The road was closed from its junction with Interstate 86 to the Utah border at about 3:45 p.m., transportation department Public Information Specialist Mel Coulter said.

It's not known when the road would reopen, but Coulter said the strong winds have been dying down around sunset in

recent days.

The same stretch of the road was closed for about five hours Sunday, when blowing dirt led to its closure around 5 p.m., Coulter said.

The road was also closed for Tuesday afternoon. Tuesday because of strong winds blowing dirt and reducing visibility. And it was closed all night the Tuesday before, following a 16-vehicle accident blamed on blowing dirt which resulted in zero visibility.

Coulter said this number of closures of the road "is unprecedented."

Eight or 10 years ago, Transportation Department officials took some preventive measures to stop the dirt from blowing next to the highway from blowing around so much, Coulter said.

Based on this year's frequent road closures, he expects department officials will soon again address the situation.

Democrat candidates plan to visit Burley Thursday

BURLEY - Several Democratic candidates for statewide office are expected in Burley for

Thursday's "meet the candidates" forum.

The forum is scheduled from 7 to 9 p.m. at Burley City Hall. It is open to the public.

Among those who have said they'll attend the gathering are Jerry Brady, candidate for governor; Keith Roark, candidate for attorney general; and David Sneddon, candidate for U.S. Senate.

Legislative candidates expected to attend are Doug Jones, a candidate for Senate District 26; Ron Funk, a candidate for Senate District 27; Dan Ralphs, a House District 27A candidate; and Charlie Woodworth, a House District 27B candidate.

Raising trouble? Tell us your story

The Times-News is planning an article on the aches and pains and injuries associated with gardening and yard work. If you suffer chronically from the physical consequences of weeding and raking and would like to share your story, give us a call.

Call Steve Crump at 735-3223, or write to him at crump@magicvalley.com.

- compiled from staff reports

Cassia commissioners consider moving assessor's office

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Following the example of Minidoka County, the Cassia County commissioners might move the assessor's office out of the courthouse.

"It relieves a pressure we have in this building and the traffic we have in this building," Cassia County Commissioner Paul Christensen said at Monday's commission meeting.

The county recently bought a building on the southeast corner of the intersection of Albion Avenue and 15th Street in Burley, intending to move some office into it to reduce the number of people in the courthouse. The circulation of many people through the courthouse poses a security risk, Christensen said. With fewer people, officials can lock some courthouse doors.

Moving the assessor's office will divert people from the courthouse, but it might find the arrangement inconvenient, county officials said.

People often have to walk back and forth between the assessor's

and treasurer's offices, County Treasurer Gayle Erikson said. Because people are required to prepay taxes on mobile homes, for instance, the buyer of a mobile home must go to the assessor's office to pay taxes, then go to the assessor's office to change the title, she said.

Many of the people who come into the courthouse to pay their taxes are senior citizens, and some find it difficult to negotiate the stairs or the steep wheelchair ramp at the courthouse, Erikson said. The new building will offer better handicap access because it is a single-story building at ground level, County Assessor Mary Holland said.

Rather than build a new judicial building, Cassia County commissioners have tried to reorganize the courthouse to provide adequate space for expanding needs. Several years ago the Mini-Cassia Extension Office moved out of the courthouse basement and into the commission two-story building. Relocation of that office provided space to move probation offices and juvenile court offices downstairs, opening up three con-

ference rooms for District Court, County Attorney Al Burrus pointed out.

Cassia County bought the plot directly across from the courthouse. That land, now occupied by apartments, will be the site of a new county judicial building, if necessary.

Christensen asked Holland to find out how much it will cost to move the assessor's office to the new building.

Other commission business included:

- Land sale - The commissioners told the commission to sign a deed granting land he had bought at a Cassia County auction back to the county. Rodriguez said he was disappointed the commission had not notified him of its decision to buy back the land. County Administrator Tim Hurst apologized to Rodriguez for the oversight.

• Fire alarm - Sharon Higgins, county buildings administrator, informed the commission two companies had submitted bids to replace the courthouse fire alarms.

• Auction - The Cassia County

Sheriff's Office will auction off some equipment in about a month, Sheriff Jim Hignens reported. The sheriff's office will not auction off narcotics, Hignens emphasized.

• Jail numbers - The Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center has 149 inmates - 43 from Minidoka County, 33 from Cassia County, 32 from the state of Idaho, seven from the U.S. Marshal Service, three from Twin Falls County, 15 from Jerome County and four in transit, said Dennis Dexter, director of the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center. The jail has openings for two employees, and two other employees are on leave while they attend the police academy, Dexter said.

• Licenses - Commissioners renewed beer licenses for Polo's Cafe in Burley, Raff River Store in Declo and Elaine's in Albion.

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Attorney will investigate Idaho inmates' claims of innocence

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Nationally prominent defense attorney Barry Scheck has agreed to investigate claims of innocence by seven prison inmates in Idaho.

But Scheck, one of the founders of the decade-old Innocence Project and the DNA expert on the O.J. Simpson defense team, declined to identify the inmates until he gets their permission to do so.

Last summer, Charles Irvin Fain, who had spent more than 10 years in Idaho's death row for allegedly killing a 9-year-old girl, had his conviction and sentence voided and was freed after DNA testing showed that hairs critical to his conviction were not his.

Fain, 53, who had maintained his innocence throughout, was the first death row inmate in Idaho to be cleared by DNA evidence.

Scheck said the Innocence Project has represented or assisted in representing 108 men who have been exonerated through post-conviction DNA testing.

More than 80 percent of exonerations resulting from DNA tests

involve eyewitnesses mistakenly identifying suspects along racial lines, he said, but had forensic science also results in false imprisonment.

In Fain's case, the DNA test undermined testimony nearly two decades earlier that the hairs found at the scene were consistent with Fain's.

Scheck leads a task force of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers that is dealing with what it called "systematic corruption" in forensic laboratories across the country.

The association says forensic labs must work independently of police and prosecutors to avoid conflicts of interest.

Scheck wants to establish what he called "innocence commissions" that would determine what went wrong when a person is exonerated and freed from prison.

"This is serious because innocent people in prison means the real assailants are out there possibly committing more crimes," he said.

Poll: Olympics didn't significantly change perceptions of Utah

with out-of-state journalists. Thirty-two percent said their life is limited (up from 20 percent in 2000), and 27 percent said it is difficult to obtain alcohol (up from 19 percent).

The Mormon church still appears to dominate Utah's image in the rest of the nation.

Asked "When you think of the state of Utah, what two or three things come to mind," 42 percent couldn't come up with three things. But "Mormon religion/Temple/Choir" received the most mentions among those who could think of something about Utah (28 percent named it first).

percent of those polled; skiing by only 14 percent.

Hosting the Olympics doesn't appear to have helped the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, but it doesn't seem to have hurt, either.

When asked, "How familiar are you with the Mormons?" the percentages were essentially unchanged between 1999 and now (53 percent are familiar with the LDS Church). Asked if they agree that the times will be known as the Mormon Games, 86 percent said "No."

On the other hand 64 percent said they think the Mormon church influences Utah politics. The poll's margin of error was 3.2 percent.

Blinken, Sneddon spar over who best represents workers

BOISE (AP) - Democratic senatorial candidates battled over who can best represent Idaho workers Monday night in a race to take over the incumbent Republican Sen. Larry Craig and a sliding economy that pushed unemployment to a seven-year high.

Boise real estate agent David Sneddon tried to paint multimillionaire investment banker Alan Blinken as a carpetbagger elitist while Blinken accused Sneddon of joining Craig in attacking his success.

"I'm not an East Coast Democrat. I'm not a Washington Democrat," Sneddon declared after emphasizing that Blinken has homes not just north of Ketchum but also in Washington, D.C. "I'm an Idaho Democrat with strong western values."

"I'm also the true working families' candidate," he said

during the 30-minute debate sponsored by the League of Women Voters and the Idaho Press Club and broadcast statewide by Idaho Public Television.

But Blinken maintained that Sneddon, like Craig, has tried to divert attention from the real issues by focusing on his wealth and homes.

"You and Larry Craig have been on the same page the whole time," Blinken said. "This campaign is not about interior decorating. This campaign is about the future of our great state."

"I made it on my own," he said. "I worked hard."

The former Wall Street financier and Clinton administration ambassador to Belgium, pointed out that he has been endorsed by Idaho's teachers, the Teamsters union and the AFL-CIO.

Dam's water drops below leak

MALAD CITY (AP) - Intentional release of water during the past 10 days has dropped the level of the reservoir behind the Saint John Dam below a 12-inch hole and stopped a leak that had threatened one structure below the dam.

The 41-acre reservoir was lowered about 15 feet behind the 39-foot earthen dam that dates back to 1917.

About 210 acre-feet of water was left in the dam for summer irrigation.

Engineers released the equivalent

of 25 million gallons of water a day to bring the reservoir level down low enough that the leak no longer threatened to completely wash out in the inside of the embankment.

The Department of Water Resources notified the Malad Valley Irrigation Co. that it will not be allowed to refill the reservoir until the dam is permanently repaired.

The dam sprung a similar leak in the early 1980s, and the reservoir was drained then so the leak could be repaired.

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Orr about a year ago broke the news to those close to him that he'd been diagnosed with cancer, Bitterli said. But if he ever knew fear during his ordeal, he didn't show it.

"He knew what the inevitable was, and he was preparing himself for it," Bitterli said. "Up to a couple of weeks ago, he was coming down the firehouse every day

and going over what was to be done."

"He was still calling every day from his hospital room or his house," Burr said. "I was checking up on him and getting things done. He was a fighter."

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Blaine County Commission candidates

Incumbent Dennis Wright will face James Super for the District 1 Blaine County Commission seat in the May 28 primary election. Both are Democrats, and no Republicans filed. This is a four-year term.

Basic information	Goals	Transportation
<p>Name: James Super Age: 48 Occupation: Professional outdoor and guide City of residence: Bellevue Years in county: four Political experience: served two 4-year terms as Emmett city councilman</p>	<p>"First, I would like to get more of a management style of county government. The problem that I see here is the commissioners are spending a huge amount of their time doing day-to-day stuff instead of planning, prioritizing, looking at the issues and gathering of the facts and the things that they need. There is a backlog of hearings right now in the system. I support a county manager or administrator who would be like a human resource officer and do some of the day-to-day administrative tasks. Secondly, with the increasing population, there are huge pressures being put on development for housing, transportation issues, sheriffs and fire department, senior citizens center. One way to help would be to devise a higher density ratings supported within city limits and within the city's areas of impacts so growth can be consolidated around existing infrastructure."</p>	<p>"They have to expand the road between Halley and Ketchum. They have to get people up there safely, and it has to be done reasonably quickly. If you have a public transportation system, which I support, you can't have people sit in a bus for 30-40 minutes trying to get to Ketchum. So we need an expanded highway that has a high occupancy vehicle lane so the buses can move. There has to be an incentive to get on the bus and also have to be some disincentives for parking on Ketchum streets, or it doesn't work."</p>
<p>Name: Dennis Wright Age: 59 Occupation: Blaine County District 1 commissioner City of residence: Bellevue Years in county: 16 Political experience: Two terms as Blaine County commissioner, five years as Bellevue mayor, three years as Bellevue city councilman, four years as council member in Alma, Colo.</p>	<p>"I want to continue to fulfill some of the things we've got on the docket. We're planning \$2 million county annex, which will help create some much-needed office space for departments that are stuck in closets and hallways. We're still struggling with many land use questions up here, but I believe that we have a pretty good handle on where we want to go with the growth. We want to continue to try to manage it as best we can so that the quality of life that most people talk about isn't compromised."</p>	<p>"Obviously we'll never decrease the need for this highway. National Environmental Policy Act study is studying the full corridor from the Timmerman Junction to Sun Valley. And certainly as soon as we get that completed, and that may be another year before the ITD consultants complete that. But that will then aim the community and ITD in the direction that it</p>

Term limits group spends \$80,000 in Idaho

BOISE (AP)—U.S. Term Limits, the Washington, D.C.-based group that heavily financed past issue campaigns in Idaho, dumped \$80,000 into the state just 12 days before Idaho's May 28 primary.

Reprints filed with the secretary of state's office on Monday showed that U.S. Term Limits gave Citizens for Term Limits-Idaho Campaign \$50,000 last Thursday and the Committee to Repeal the Repeat \$30,000 the same day.

Citizen- for Term Limits got \$40,000 last year from another out-of-state group, Americans for Term Limits in Spring Green, Wis.

The cash comes as term limit activists campaign to defeat incumbent state legislators who

voted last winter to repeal the 1994 initiative imposing restrictions on service in every elected state, county, city and school board office in the state.

Term limit forces began a \$40,000 television advertising blitz in southwestern Idaho on Monday aimed at those lawmakers.

The Republican legislative majority made Idaho the only state in the nation to repeal statewide term limits this year when it approved repeal in late January and then easily overrode the veto of Republican Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

Legislative leaders contended the limit of six years in 11 for county commissioners and school board members and eight years

in 15 for all other elective offices would deny small rural communities the experience needed to run their governments.

They also complained that the votes in favor of the issue in 1994, 1996 and two in 1998 were the result of misleading campaigns financed almost exclusively by out-of-state interests like U.S. Term Limits.

Term limit promoters accused the legislative Republicans of arrogance in voiding the vote of the people, maintaining that term limits injects new ideas into government.

While the 1994 initiative passed with nearly 60 percent of the vote, the final test on the measure in 1998 barely won 53 percent.

N. Idaho gets taste of water rights issues

COEUR D'ALENE (AP)—In the one part of the state where water has never really been an issue—except when there was too much—it finally is.

Water rights and their adjudication have barely rippled the surface in the Idaho Panhandle, where it is not unusual for a month's precipitation to equal a year's worth in areas such as Boise.

But that ended a year ago when developers began lining up to build power plants that need thousands of gallons of water a minute to operate.

All of a sudden what had been a debate over the quality of water in the Panhandle became a debate over the quantity.

And it has left the Kootenai Environmental Alliance and other local activist groups scrambling to learn about the state's water allocation law, which is more than a century old.

Since the 1800s, Idaho has developed some of the most complex water laws in the country to address growing demand on an ever-dwindling resource. It is based on the order of claims—referred to as "first in time is first in right"—giving the oldest recorded rights the first shot at the water.

"It is a very harsh law because it is set up to function when there is not enough water to go around," Idaho Water Resources Department spokesman Dick

Larson said. But as planners look to the next hundred years and a time expected to be marked by increasing water shortages, some question whether the existing law can handle the challenge.

But when viewed in light of the law in other western states,

Idaho's looks pretty good, said David Getches, a water law expert at the University of Colorado Law School.

An example of Idaho adapting over the years, he said, is the addition of a provision requiring new water uses to be in the best interest of the local population.

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GUNS - MISCELLANEOUS
 New model 60 Marlin model 22 cal semi automatic rifle • Remington 870 Wingmaster 16 gauge pump action shotgun • 2 juv seabirds • assorted lamps • National Geo. Readers Digest • many other bird books • pictures • dishes • pots and pans • assorted glass ware • 2 sets of 10 piece settings of silverware and cases • serving trays • utensils • paper shredder • electric heater • assorted luggage • ironing board • folding table • step stools • fans • metal tub • and other miscellaneous articles too numerous to mention
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Session 3...June 17th - June 21st Session 4...July 15th - July 19th
Session 4...June 24th - June 28th Session 5...July 22nd - July 26th
Session 5...July 1st - July 5th Session 6...July 29th - Aug 2nd
Session 6...July 8th - July 12th Session 7...Aug 5th - Aug 9th
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High Crimes (R) 7:00 - 9:45 **Doco's Wild (M)** 7:15 - 9:30
New Guy (R) 7:15 - 9:30 **Sinister Intent (R)** 7:15 - 9:30
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Champion Leno (M) Today 12:15 - 3:00 • 5:10 - 7:20 • 9:30
The Sweetest Thing (M) Today 12:15 - 3:00 • 5:10 - 7:20 • 9:30
The Rookie (M) Today 1:00 - 4:00 • 7:00 - 10:00
Life or Something Like It (M) Today 1:00 - 4:00 • 7:00 - 10:00
Ice Age (PG) Today 12:15 - 3:00 • 5:10 - 7:20 • 9:30
Scorpion King (M) Today 12:15 - 3:00 • 5:10 - 7:20 • 9:30
SpideMan (R) Today 12:15 - 1:00 • 3:15 - 4:00 • 6:30 - 7:00 • 9:30 - 10:00
Star Wars 2 (PG) Today 12:00 - 12:45 • 3:15 - 3:45 • 6:30 - 7:00 • 9:30 - 10:00
Van Wilder (M) Today 12:15 - 3:00 • 5:10 - 7:20 • 9:30

Jerome Cinema 4 935 West Main Jerome 734-2400
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Star Wars 2 (PG) 7:00 - 9:40 **The Rookie (M)** 7:10 - 9:30

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Carey High School
Salutorian, 3.9 GPA, daughter of Craig and Linda Patterson of Carey.



Kira Olander
Wendell High School



Rick Mallos
Twin Falls High School



Carlos Jeronimo Ortiz Jr.
Shoshone High School



Shannon Lavon Brown
Minico High School



Shantel Whittle
Oakley High School



Chelsea Mayos
MagicValley High School

These are graduates whose photos were omitted from the 2002 graduation roundup published in The Times-News.

Women make quilts for children who need comfort

'Back room girls' are members of Project Linus

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - When the "Back Room Girls" get together, the result is a heap of blankets.

Under the auspices of Project Linus, a national organization, Ann Prouse, Mary Holmes and others stitch quilts for children who have been traumatized.

The high quality quilts are assembled from mostly new fabrics with lively juvenile prints, and range in size from baby to queen. They are a labor of love for the "Back Room Girls," as they call themselves.

"Most of our quilts go to local children who are seriously ill or have had some very traumatic thing happen," said Prouse, founder and coordinator of the Twin Falls chapter of Project Linus. "We heard of a family with five children who had lost everything in a house fire. We had five little quilts on hand. The mother told us later that each child had chosen the perfect quilt, based on color and style. She said it was as if we had made those quilts especially for them."

At Christmas, the group gave 32 quilts to local children. They

Want to help?

Project Linus also accepts crocheted and knitted blankets. To donate or become a part of Project Linus, leave a message for Ann Prouse at Stitchin Time, at 129 Main Ave. W. in Twin Falls, at 735-4094.

'She said it was as if we had made those quilts especially for them.'

- Ann Prouse about a mom's response to donated quilts

also sent 20 quilts to New York City for children suffering as a result of the Sept. 11 disaster. Their closet holds close to a dozen quilts in various stages of completion in a riot of color.

Six or seven women gather the first and third Saturdays of each month in a back room at Stitchin Time, a Twin Falls quilting shop. There's sewing machines, ironing boards and a flannel wall so unfinished

blocks can be laid out vertically.

"It's all volunteer," Holmes said. "We buy the fabrics or use donated fabrics."

Holmes has been attending since the inception of the chapter two years ago, and spent about \$600 on fabrics last year. She said she gets a great deal of pleasure from her time with the other women. They frequently go out to lunch, then return for a few more hours of sewing.

"We made six log cabin quilts because that was the only pattern we knew," Prouse said of when they started. "It took time, but we gradually branched out with other patterns."

"We're a quilting store, and they're quilting," said Cathy Reitz owner of Stitchin Times. "They're a nice bunch of ladies. And we do a lot of charity work. They fit right in."

Prouse said Reitz occasionally donates supplies as well as the back room to the project.

The Project Linus motto says a "blanket is like a big hug when you most need one." And the Back Room Girls have stitched up a lot of hugs.

Times-News correspondent Coreen Hart can be reached at 436-1186 or on-line at jimnrec@saflink.net.



It's all in a pleasant Saturday's work for Ann Prouse, left, and Mary Holmes. They're two of Project Linus' stalwart quilt makers who meet twice a month to stitch blankets for traumatized children.

SNAP SHOTS OF SPRING



Forrest Ray of Twin Falls captured the beauty of spring blooms in the Magic Valley.

Photos courtesy of FORREST RAY

STORK REPORT

Cassia Regional Medical Center

Madison Corinne Jones, daughter of Robin and Shauna Jones of Paul, was born Tuesday, May 7, 2002.

Ondrea Priya Franco, daughter of Mary Ann Delgado and Faustino Franco of Burley, was born Wednesday, May 8, 2002.

Alysiyah Maree Castaneda Ruiz, daughter of Jose Ruiz and Crystal Castaneda of Burley, was born Thursday, May 9, 2002.

Jessica Alyssa Gee, daughter of Chris and Nicole Gee of Burley, was born Thursday, May 9, 2002.

Koby Wallace Slagel, son of Dustin Slagel and Samantha Armstrong of Burley, was born Friday, May 10, 2002.

Kalies Marie Altman, daughter of Scott and Dalea Altman of Declo, was born Friday, May 10, 2002.

Marisol Hilario Flores, daughter of Martin Hilario and Corona Elva Arteaga, was born Saturday, May 11, 2002.

Aidan Ruin Robeson, son of

To announce a birth Send a copy of the birth certificate to: Melissa Morgan The Times-News P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83303 Or fax to: 734-5538. Deadline: noon Tuesday for Sunday's paper; and noon Friday for Tuesday's paper. More information? Call Melissa at 735-3278

Steven and Cathy Robeson of Jerome, was born Saturday, May 11, 2002.

Janica Tai Lee Anderson, daughter of Chris and Valen Anderson of Heyburn, was born Monday, May 13, 2002.

Jose Angel Rebolledo Jr., son of Jose Angel and Rachel H. Rebolledo of Burley, was born Wednesday, May 15, 2002.

Sayger Max Kidd, son of Kent and Kimberly Kidd of Declo, was born Wednesday, May 15, 2002.

Melissa Kate Garn, daughter of Steve and Sylvia Garn of Burley, was born Wednesday,

May 15, 2002.

Stevie Ruyanna Rendon, daughter of Stephen and Enriqueta Rendon of Burley, was born Thursday, May 16, 2002.

Turner Weston Anderson, son of Wes and Kandra Anderson of Fairfield, was born Thursday, May 16, 2002.

St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

Adela Margaret Pennell, daughter of Afton and Daren Pennell of Ketchum, was born Thursday, May 2, 2002.

David Sebastian Hanks III, son of Tiffanie and David Hanks II of Fairfield, was born Wednesday, May 8, 2002.

Ashley Jo Hancock, daughter of Renae and Brian Hancock of Challis, was born Friday, May 10, 2002.

Brigham David Parke, son of David and Tasha Parke of Carey, was born Saturday, May 11, 2002.

Daniel James Watts, son of Jennifer and Trace Watts of Hailey, was born Monday, May 13, 2002.

New post focuses on law enforcement

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT - "Badge" takes on a whole new meaning with a fledgling Explorer Scout post.

A two-county post of Explorer Scouts has just received its charter. It's designed for young men and women age 14-20 who are interested in a career in law enforcement.

LT. Randy White with Minidoka County Sheriff's Department said he has received phone calls from several students who are interested in joining Post 56.

"We are able to use them quite a bit in sheriff's department work," White said. "They get to do ride-alongs. They accompany deputies on their rounds. And, we put them to work in traffic control and parking at large events. They do security. They

Students: Interested in learning about law enforcement?

The Minidoka County Sheriff's Department has established a Boy Scout Explorer Post for boys and girls interested in law enforcement. Call Roy Graybill at 670-1156 or Lt. Randy White at 434-2324.

learn procedural things. It's pretty interesting."

Steve Nelson, Scout executive with the Scout Snake River Council, said the post gets reorganized every few years.

"Kids move away, but it goes in cycles," he said. "Then, the interest comes back and we get going again."

Shawn Martinez showed up at organizational meeting held May 8. He has an uncle in Idaho Falls who has worked security.

"I guess I've always wanted to work in law enforcement," Martinez said.

Right now, he's concentrating on graduation, and then he'll want to become active in the post, he said.

"This is an opportunity for students to really explore the career of their choice," said Roy Graybill, another council Scout executive.

In fact, there will be a week of camp for the law enforcement Explorers at Camp Bradley.

White cited another benefit of the program.

"It's so good to see self-esteem go up in these young people as they pile up a few successes," White said.

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TWIN FALLS AREA COMMUNITY

FFA members from around the Magic Valley competed in the South Magic Valley and North Magic Valley District FFA Dairy Judging and Evaluation Career Development Event on April 17. The event was hosted by the Desert Rose Farms near Filer.



Photo courtesy of Castelford FFA

FFA dairy students win contests

CASTLEFORD - Castelford FFA members won top honors at a district dairy contest.

Hank and Toni Haflinger, owners and operators of Desert Rose Farms near Filer, hosted the South Magic Valley and North Magic Valley District FFA Dairy Judging and Evaluation Career Development Event on April 17.

Terry Underwood served as the judge at the event, where 120 FFA members from 14 Magic Valley schools participated.

The Castelford FFA Chapter took 11 participants to the event, and its team placed first in the South Magic Valley District. Team members were Jill B. Baker, who won second place individual, Danielle Hoogland, Carl Kennison, Brent Hatch and Heidi Wiseman.

Alternates competing for Castelford were Jordan Kunkel, Melissa McCoy, Jorie Schorzman, Alycia Parks, Rebecca Newton and Jacque Newton.

Each FFA member was required to judge six classes of Holstein dairy cattle and one class of Jersey cattle, based on



their quality. The FFA members also judged a class of animals based on how thin or fat they were, called body condition scoring. The final class was questions on a set of cattle records.

In the past, the contest has been held at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds with various dairies providing animals for the event.

But because of the risk of spreading diseases and transportation problems, the Hafilingers volun-

teered their dairy and animals, Castelford FFA adviser Roger Walls said.

Besides judging animals, students toured of the operating dairy and heard a discussion about the economic importance of the dairy industry in the region.

The Hafilingers also donated ice cream sundaes, milk, coffee, cheese and crackers for all students and advisers participating in the event, Walls said.

BICKEL APRIL MANNERS STUDENTS



Photo courtesy of Bickel Elementary

Bickel Elementary in Twin Falls named its manners students for the month of April. They are, left from front: Brittan Oliviera, Olivia White, Austin Daleplane, Tanner Bingham, Edis Topic, Brenda Renner, Kylie Fara and Brittan Thornton; right from front: Anthony Lamb, Thomas Lanham, Reyna Cruz, Danielle Guerrero, Becca Weeks, Amanda Thelmont and Shelby Faines. Not pictured is Araceli Ramirez.

Hagerman school reunion turns into annual community event

HAGERMAN - It started in 1986, when four women who attended Hagerman School from the first grade through graduation decided to reunite with old classmates and friends, and renew old acquaintances and memories.

Anyone who had ever attended Hagerman Schools, whether they graduated in Hagerman or not, were invited, and the first reunion was a "howling success," organizers say.

The reunion this year will be held Saturday at the American Legion Hall with registration and cocktail hour beginning at 5:30 p.m. A smorgasbord catered by Kirt Martin of Snake River Grill will be ready at 7 p.m., followed by socializing, live music and dancing.

This year, more than 800 invitations were sent.

Want more information?

Anyone who wants to attend the reunion, more information or know of alumni who have not been notified of the gathering, can call Fony (Barlog) Madarieta, president at 837-4585; Wynara (Woodhead) Exon, secretary at 837-4516 or Betty (Barlog) Lindley, treasurer, at 837-6637.

After expenses, the money from the event is spent on projects to help the Hagerman schools and community, including electric scoreboards for the gymnasium, a trophy case, athletics board, student of the month rewards, graduation party, Boys and Girls State delegate expenses, a curtain for gymnasium stage, donations to teams to attend state tournaments, Hagerman Quick Response

Unit, trees for the Hagerman Cemetery, Hagerman City Park benches and improvements to the American Legion Hall.

Starting in 1992, the reunion committee has given two \$500 scholarships to Hagerman graduates. In 2000, the scholarship was increased to \$1,000 each.

The reunion committee also says it administers a \$500 scholarship to a Hagerman graduate annually, which was set up by the Bostwick family in memory of their mother.

Martin also asked the committee to administer a \$500 scholarship in his name for a Hagerman graduate who wishes to attend the College of Southern Idaho in the field of culinary arts.

People also donate to help the committee's effort, representatives report.

SERVICE NEWS

Annis graduates from electronic course

Army Pfc. Adrienne E. Annis has graduated from the electronic intelligence noncommunications intercepter/analyst advanced individual training course at Fort Huachuca, Sierra Vista, Ariz.

The student learned to deploy, install and operate electronic intelligence gathering systems of tactical units, and operate strategic systems; search for selected categories of electronic intelligence information, electro-optical or foreign instrumentation

signals; operate communications equipment for signals intelligence/electronic warfare reporting and coordinating, and report enemy order of battle information.

Annis is the daughter of David H. and Carolyn Annis of Filer.

She is a 2001 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

Mendoza joins the U.S. Army under delayed entry

Jesus A. Mendoza has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program, which gives young men and women the

opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education, the Army says. After completion of basic military training, soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career job specialty.

Mendoza will report to Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga., for basic training.

He is the son of Adelina Rodriguez of Buhl.

THINGS TO DO

Music

SNAKE RIVER ELKS BARBERBROS CHORUS - 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 123 K. St., Rupert. Men of all ages invited. Call 430-6467.

Dance

MAGIC VALLEY SINGLES SQUARE DANCE CLUB - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at St. Jerome's Parish Hall, 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome. Call Vera at 334-4107 or Tom at 324-6440. Complex welcome.

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GOLDEN YEARS SENIOR CHAIRMAN CENTER - 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at 218 N. Hall St., W. Shoshone. Must be over 18, call 896-2309.

AGLEWEE SENIOR CENTER - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Main Street in Kimberly. Anyone over age 18 is welcome. Call 424-4338.

AMERICAN LEGION HALL IN TWIN FALLS - 7:15 p.m. Fridays. 447 Seacrest St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Must be over 18. Call 736-1729.

Jerome Senior Center - 6:45-9 p.m. Tuesdays, 212 First Ave. E. in Jerome. Snack bar open at 7 p.m., early bird at 6:45 p.m., regular luncheon at 7 p.m. Must be over age 18, call 324-5642.

AMERICAN LEGION HALL IN WENDELL - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, 610 W. Main. Doors and snack bar open at 6 p.m. Must be over 18, call 536-9442.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS HALL IN BURLEY - 7 p.m. Saturdays. Call Alice at 679-9881.

Snake River Elks 2807 - 7:15 p.m. at lodge 412 East 200 South, Call 324-0206.

West End Senior Center - at 7:30 p.m. first

To add listing, please send a notice with: Name of the organization, club, business, etc.; Time, day and place of the activity; Telephone number of a contact person. Send to: Pat Marcantonio, TheTimes-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83403. Or fax to 334-5538. Or e-mail to patm@magvalley.com. For more information, call Pat Marcantonio at 735-3288.

Valley Vista Retirement Center Pinocchio Club - 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays in the community center at 653 Rose St., N. in Twin Falls. 735-5511.

Free bridge lessons for beginners - 7 p.m. Tuesdays starting March 19 at Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave., call 735-4308.

Pinocchio Club - 1 p.m. Tuesdays Community Club House, 1729 Adams Ave. E., anyone invited, call Erica at 733-4993.

Writers Support Group - 6 p.m. Wednesdays at Chapter 1 Bookstore, 120 N. Main, Halley; 725-9425.

Magic Valley Iris Club - meets for luncheon and meeting, Call Glenda at 733-6000 or Vicki at 733-8018. New members welcome.

Writers of the Word, Christian writers group - 10 a.m. first Saturday at Twin Falls Reformed Church, Carolyn Lewis at 234-6115.

Pioneer Button Club - 6:30 p.m. last Friday of each month. Kimberly Public Library. Call Marylou at 423-5525.

Magic Valley Astronomical Society - 7 p.m. second Saturday in First room at Heritage Center on CSI campus, call 736-2147.

Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club - indoor range - 6:50 p.m. Wednesdays at 535 5th Ave. W. Twin Falls. Limited to 22 rifle, moderate pistol caliber, call Stu at 324-5960 or Larry at 733-4213.

Snake River Canyon Kennel Club of Idaho - 7 p.m. fourth Wednesday at upstairs meeting room at CSI Taylor building, call Debbie at 735-9118.

AUXILIARY GIFT



Rosie Stover, left, president of the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Auxiliary, presents a \$1,029 check to Kerry Koontz, CARES program coordinator, to purchase three wall-mounted magnetic boards for the CARES waiting room. CARES (Children at Risk Evaluation Services) is a service of the hospital, and provides services to children who may have been abused.

Photo courtesy of DOROT RUFFLE

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Twin Falls Music Club honors young musicians

Twin Falls Music Club held its annual music festival March 9, using 15 judges at six locations. More than 500 performances were given in voice, strings, woodwinds, piano and various ensembles. Judges chose outstanding Magic Valley students to present a concert that evening at Victory Bible Church.

Performers selected were: Karalynn Jensen, Annie Critchfield, Nyle Matsukoka, Sierra Seamans, David Beckers, Jake Paulson, Sarah Buhidar, Lynn Heinnemann, T'Haray Sicoek, Jeff Crandall, Emily Harris, Jessica Dougherty, Riley Browning, Corinne Casperson, Liz Stewart, Randy Brown, Jenny Jones and Andy Griff.

Boise State student fares well at BPA competition

A Magic Valley student was among five business technology students in the Boise State

University Selland College of Applied Technology who fared well in the national competition of the Business Professionals of America (BPA).

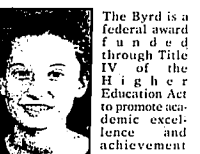
Melissa Frey of Castelford, was ninth in application/interview skills and 12th in legal office procedures.

The students competed in the BPA's national competition at the organization's National Leadership Conference, which was held in Chicago. The national competition annually attracts more than 3,000 secondary and postsecondary students interested in the business, office professional and technology fields.

Filer High School senior wins scholarship

Michelle Pospichal, daughter of Daja and Susan Pospichal of Filer, has been named a Byrd Scholar for 2002.

She received notification of the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship from Marilyn Howard, state superintendent of Education.



The Byrd is a federal award funded through Title IV of the Higher Education Act to promote academic excellence and achievement among students and recognize exceptionally able students who show promise of continued excellence. Pospichal will graduate from Filer High School on May 28, and will attend the University of Idaho, where she plans to major in elementary education.

Twin Falls student graduates from college

Saint Martin's College 2002 Commencement was held May 11 in Lacey, Wash.

Receiving a bachelor's of arts in criminal justice is Gregorio Martinez of Twin Falls.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bulcher and Howard and Mary Tucker.

Winners for May 13 were: first, Mike Mitchell and Sam Smutny; second, Gloria Hann and Joann Jackson; and third, Doug Strand and Tom Wagner.

Winners for May 14 were: first, Joy Astorquia and Betty Frantz; second, Faye Koehnelt and Madeline Sawaway; third, Jessie Lingnaw and Sam Smutny; fourth in flight A and first in flight B, Betty Sabo and Mary Ann Siegel; fifth in flight A and second in flight B, Marjorie Rainbolt and Vesta Roberts; and tied for third and fourth in flight B, Lorna Bard with Sue Borden and Dottie Miller with Mary Lee

Pfeifferle.

Winners for May 15 for north/south were: tied for first, Mary Kienlen with Evelyn Meyer and Herb Burgess with Riley Burton; and second, Renee Bulcher and Ada Burgess. Winners for east/west were: first, Joy Astorquia and Jessie Lingnaw; second, Rich and Shirley Hunter; and third, Wilma Driscoll and Ruth Rahe.

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.

Horse-bowl demonstration accepts registrations

GOODING - The AH District 3 horse bowl demonstration and public speaking event will be held at 6 p.m. June 5 in Gooding. Registrations and fees must be received by May 29.

For more information, call the University of Idaho Extension 4-H office at 934-4861.

Liberty Christian performs at veteran's program Friday

JEROME - The Liberty Christian Academy musicians will perform at a veteran's program at 7 p.m. Friday in the

Jerome High School auditorium. For more information, call the academy at 324.

Benefit flea market accepts booth applications

TWIN FALLS - The fourth annual Greater Twin Falls Board of Realtors Flea Market will be held June 8 in the Gem State Realty parking lot.

Booths are \$25, and the sale benefits Valley House homeless shelter.

The event will include entertainment and food booths. For more information, call Suzie at 420-3765 or Kathy at 737-3920.

CSI offers class for beginning golfers

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will offer "Golf - Fundamental Skills for Beginners" from 6-8 p.m. Tuesdays, June 4-25, at Canyon Springs Golf Course.

Golf pro Rob Jones will instruct new golfers in golf swings, rules, etiquette, putting, chipping and more. Clubs will be furnished for those students who do not own a set. The class has a limited enrollment and early registration is encouraged.

The cost is \$75. For more information or to register, call 733-9554, Ext. 2290.

Duplicate Bridge Club announces weekly winners

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club announced its weekly winners.

Winners for May 9 were: tied for first, Ched and Marilyn Botkin and Mike Mitchell with Sam Smutny; second, Glady Hartruff and Sue Skinner; and flight B, Steve Hale and Marjorie Rainbolt.

Winners for May 11 were: first, Herb Burgess and Rex Wood; second, Peggy Hackley and Evelyn Meyer; third, Matt Smith and Sam Smutny; and tied for fourth, Harold and Renee

Business district will propose street names

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Historic Old Towne leaders have selected 14 historical names they want to attach to streets in downtown Twin Falls.

But they're being secretive about the proposed names until tonight, when they hope to attract a crowd to the business improvement district's annual meeting.

The district wants the city to name 14 southwest-northeast streets after significant people or events - "extraordinary historical figures in the establishment of Twin Falls" - said Richard Crowley, Historic Old Towne's executive director. The names run in consecutive alphabetical order from the northwest corner of the downtown street grid to the southeast corner.

The proposal leaves landmark Shoshone Street and all of the avenues' names unchanged. It also leaves intact the numerical portion of every address.

The proposal aims to "cut in half the chaos" which has made directing customers to downtown business difficult, for years, Crowley said. Another phase of the renaming effort could follow.

Some district leaders - including Crowley - wanted to change more, all at once. But they conceded that a push for too radical a change might result in no change, and today's proposal represents a compromise.

"We think the whole thing will die if we push too hard," Crowley said. City Hall has heard from too many homeowners in the area who don't want an address change, he said.

Historic Old Towne is asking the City Council to approve its

Historic Old Towne plans its annual meeting at 6 p.m., today in the meeting room above Muggers Brewpub. The public is welcome. A social gathering with snacks and a no-host bar starts at 5:30 p.m. Historic Old Towne's leaders intend the meeting to end no later than 8 p.m. The agenda includes:

- President Steve Soran, telling basic information about the business improvement district.

- Two City Council members, who were asked to respond to six proposals the district presented earlier this year.

- Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's president, Dan Olmstead, who was invited to speak about chamber events and his organization's cooperation with Historic Old Towne efforts.

An example of a cooperative project:

street-name proposal now, providing a couple of years' notice before changing the names during its 2004 centennial celebration.

"There are some members of the community that aren't as excited about changing the names as others," Mayor Lance Clow said Monday.

The City Council hasn't had any serious discussions on the type of compromise the business district is supporting, Clow said.

Historic Old Towne leaders hope to hear something more specific - though not final answers - from Clow and another City Council member tonight.

The two were invited to respond to the street-name issue and five other projects for which Historic Old Towne in February request-

Old Towne meeting

the hanging flower baskets along Shoshone Street.

- Tom Ashenbrenner, Historic Old Towne treasurer, presenting financials for downtown and neighboring Old Towne.

Richard Crowley, the district's executive director, said he sees just one surprise in the budget: "All of a sudden our revenues are up."

Leaders discovered that a few businesses, legally inside the business improvement district, didn't know they were part of the district, hadn't been assessed dues and hadn't been included in district activities, Crowley said. His office has tried hard, he said, to get everyone in the district to pay dues and to communicate better with them and include them.

This money will go toward improving business climate downtown, he said. Crowley and the district's board are pushing physical, visible changes as a

return on the investment and emphasizing promotions less. Not every one's happy with that, he said, but retail promotions don't benefit the members who are professional offices, for example.

- Several district Design Committee representatives, speaking on proposed street-name changes, landscaping and design guidelines for the historic district.

- The district's Economic Development Committee, speaking on employee training seminars, the Idaho Prime loan program, parking changes and high-speed Internet connections.

- The district's Promotions Committee, speaking on the Twin Falls Tonight event and other topics.

be an easy call for the council, he said.

- Extending time limits in public parking areas.

"We need to do all we can to make our parking better downtown. Customers need to know where they can park and for how long," Crowley said.

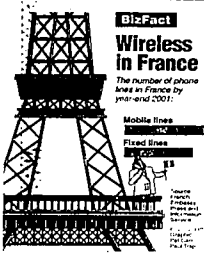
In December and January, 90 percent of downtown's one-hour parking meters were swapped for two-hour meters. Historic Old Towne today will propose extending the two-hour limit in city-owned parking lots to three hours.

Altering rules for the city's parking lots downtown probably won't be a problem with the City Council if Historic Old Towne members support a shift, Clow predicted.

- Dressing up the intersection of Main Avenue and Shoshone Street.

"It just doesn't look like it's vibrant and new," Crowley said. Sprinklers, landscaping and the intersection's brick overlay are dilapidated, and people in wheelchairs have difficulty negotiating the bumps, he said.

Clow said he supports using city resources to improve that section of city street. That will probably



Big Fact!
Wireless in France
The number of phone lines in France by year-end 2001.

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Lee Enterprises reports revenue

TWIN FALLS - Iowa-based Lee Enterprises Inc., The Times-News' parent company, reported Monday that same-property publishing revenue decreased 1.9 percent for March and April combined.

Lee said that reflected "a continuing gradual improvement in the advertising climate."

For the two months combined, excluding the effects of acquisitions and divestitures, advertising revenue decreased 2.1 percent from a year earlier.

Overall revenue grew 37.3 percent for April. The acquisition of The Times-News and the 15 other Howard Publications newspapers closed April 1.

Lee's revenue report does not specify the performance of individual newspapers.

"We continue to be impressed with the talent and enthusiasm of the people at our new papers," said Mary Junck, chairman and chief executive. "We've also been impressed with the good condition of the properties, the quality of the newspapers and their strong market positions."

She said Lee has "had vigorous revenue performance even during this downturn in the economy, and we've again posted circulation growth that stands out in the industry."

In the Audit Bureau of Circulations six-month average for March 31, Lee's newspapers posted gains of 1.8 percent daily and 0.4 percent on Sunday compared with a year ago, Lee said.

Statistics service: Hired worker numbers rise

TWIN FALLS - In Idaho, Montana and Wyoming there were 28,000 hired workers on farms and ranches the week of April 7-13, compared with 23,000 hired workers the week of April 8-14, 2001, the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service said.

Those people worked an average of 43 hours during the survey week at an average wage of \$8 per hour, up 52 cents from last year.

There were 1.08 million hired workers on the nation's farms and ranches the week of April 7-13, up 6 percent from a year ago, the statistics service said. Contractors hired directly 890,000 workers. Agricultural service employees on farms and ranches made up the remaining 189,000 workers.

Migrant workers nationwide accounted for 8.8 percent of the April hired work force compared with 8.9 percent in April 2001.

U.S. farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage of \$8.83 per hour during the April survey week, up 52 cents from a year earlier. Field workers received an average of \$8.06 per hour, up 45 cents from last April. Livestock workers earned \$8.43 per hour compared with \$8.01 a year earlier, the statistics service said.

College-age Dell ad star attracts following

AUSTIN, Texas - Steven, the hipster doofus who's been promising in ads for more than a year that "Dude, you're getting a Dell," has plenty of fans.

The quirky Steven, played by an acting student at New York University, has been credited with giving a big push to Dell's consumer business. Dell, a Twin Falls employer - is even having a line of Steven accessories.

But, Bill Fleckenstein, a money manager who's been shorting Dell stock - betting it will fall - says Steven is dumbing down the art of the high-tech sales pitch. However, Fleckenstein is more offended by Gateway Inc. CEO Ted Waitt, who talks to a cow in commercials.

"The talking-cow thing is nonsense. It's totally asinine," Fleckenstein recently told Bloomberg News. "The Dell dude is marginally above that."

Compiled from staff and wire reports

BLONDES PREFER DIAMONDS



Options trader Ian Gallego gives a hug to a Marilyn Monroe look-alike on the floor of the Chicago Board Options Exchange on Monday. Decked out in diamonds, "Marilyn" rang the opening bell for the launch of options of DIAMONDS, which are shares in an exchange-traded fund designed to track the performance of the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

Terrorism worries pull stocks lower

NEW YORK (AP) - Disappointed by a report on the economy and uneasy following warnings of more terror attacks, investors cashed in profits on Wall Street Monday and sent stocks sharply lower.

Stocks were already expected to retreat somewhat after last week's big rally, during which the tech-dominated Nasdaq composite index had its biggest weekly percentage gain in 13 months. But statements about terrorism by Vice President Dick Cheney and the FBI, as well as a disappointing Index of Leading Economic Indicators, prompted additional selling.

"The market was ripe for profit taking. We had a very good week last week, a very encouraging week. So traders probably jumped on the Cheney thing as a triggering event, another reason to sell. And the economic news, although (the economy) is healthy, it is not as robust as people would hope," said Bill Barker, investment strategy consultant at RBC Dain Rauscher in Dallas.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed down 123.58, or 1.2 percent at 10,229.50, still managing to hang onto much of its advance from last week when it climbed 413.16, or 4.2 percent.

The market's broader indicators also pulled back. The Nasdaq fell 39.80, or 2.3 percent, to 1,701.69, having on Friday claimed 11 consecutive winning streaks, its first since early October. The Nasdaq ended the week up 140.54, or 8.8 percent. It was the Nasdaq's biggest weekly percentage gain since the week that ended April 20, 2001, when it rose 10.3 percent.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index dropped 14.71, or 1.3 percent, to 1,091.88, after rising 51.60, or 4.9 percent, last week.

The selling was intensified by fears of more terror attacks and economic news.

If you tap an IRA early you'll have to pay taxes, penalties

Question: I was laid off 18 months ago and last year rolled over my 401(k) account and my cash-balance retirement account into new, separate IRA accounts. My cash-balance retirement account was a pension plan funded solely by the company. If I need to access my funds, would my cash-balance retirement fund be subject to the same 10 percent early-withdrawal penalty as my 401(k), or would I just pay normal taxes on it?

Answer: The source of the



money in your IRAs doesn't really matter. It's subject to all the rules, taxes and penalties that apply to IRAs. If you needed to tap that money, you would pay income

taxes on your entire withdrawal, and you might owe federal and state penalties for early withdrawal as well. The federal penalty is 10 percent, and the state penalty varies.

As you can see, it would be easy to lose at least half of your withdrawals to taxes and penalties. Once you've taken the money out, there's no way to put it back. You will have lost those retirement funds, and all their potential future earnings.

Your best bet is to avoid tapping

J.C. Penney CEO: Changes get results

Knight Ridder News Service

PLANO, Texas - J.C. Penney Co. is seeing solid improvement in its department stores after its first full year using a centralized merchandising system, Chief Executive Allen Questrom says.

Questrom told investors at the Plano-based company's annual meeting recently that although the new system is in place, it will take some time for the company's associates to adapt fully to the changes.

"We've transitioned from teams of generalists to teams of specialists," he said. "We are deep into the process of turning around our business."

Penney has stores in Twin Falls and Burley.

Questrom said that the complete department store turnaround will take about five years. The task of shaping up the company's Eckerd drugstore chain is expected to take three years.

Still, Eckerd has made progress, he said, citing a strengthened marketing program, better inventory management and higher sales at stores that have been converted to a new layout.

In 2001, Penney earned \$98 million, or 32 cents a share, from continuing operations. The company lost \$705 million, or \$2.29 a share, in 2000. Sales in 2001 rose slightly to \$32 billion from \$31.85 billion. Sales at department stores open more than one year increased 3.3 percent.

Now that Penney has revamped the way merchandise is selected for its department stores, it has advanced to reconfiguring the way merchandise gets to the stores. The company

is introducing a network of warehouses that will help cut costs and delivery time to stores.

Penney's positive momentum has continued into the first quarter this year. It earned \$86 million, or 29 cents a share, in the quarter ended April 27, compared with \$41 million, or 13 cents a share, in the year-ago quarter. Penney's earnings in the year-ago quarter included a one-time gain of 2 cents a share.

Shareholder Steve Siegerist - who acquired Penney shares when he was around \$50 a share - said he is not disappointed in the progress Penney has made recently, but wonders whether the company has done enough to get customers to choose its stores over competitors such as Kohl's.

Siegerist used as an example a Penney's coupon - reading off the back a litany of excluded departments and brands - when he questioned Questrom about the company's marketing tactics.

"This kind of thing doesn't get people into stores," he said. But Penney says its profits have been helped by improved gross margins, better inventory management, better merchandising assortment and a strong marketing program associated with the company's 100-year anniversary.

The company's first-quarter department store sales were up 7.9 percent at stores open more than one year; it was the company's fifth straight quarter of same-store sales gains. Same-store sales measure the change in sales at stores open more than one year and are considered a good measure of retail performance.

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Your best bet is to avoid tapping

retirement funds prematurely. If you have no other options, however, you might consider taking what's called "substantially equal periodic payments," which will help you avoid the early-withdrawal penalties.

Under this system, you make regular withdrawals based on your life expectancy. The withdrawals must continue for at least five years.

If you haven't reached age 59 1/2 by the time the five years are up,

you have to continue taking the payments until you do. If you want more details about how this works, check with the IRS or pick up the book "IRAs, 401(k)s and Other Retirement Plans: Taking Your Money Out" by Twin Falls' Steve and John C. Suttle (Nolo Press, 2002).

Questions can be sent to Pulliam Weston at asklizweston@hotmail.com or mailed to her in care of Money Talk, Business Section, Los Angeles Times, 202 W. First St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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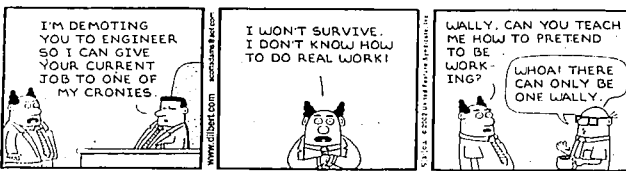
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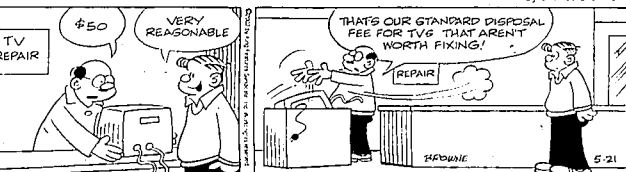
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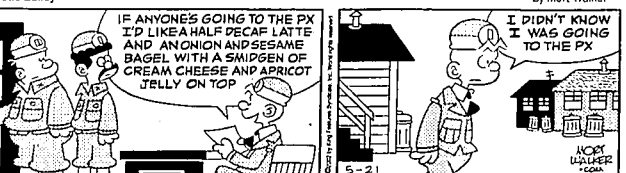
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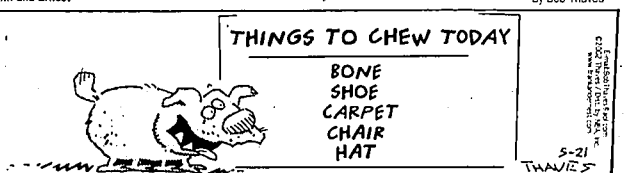
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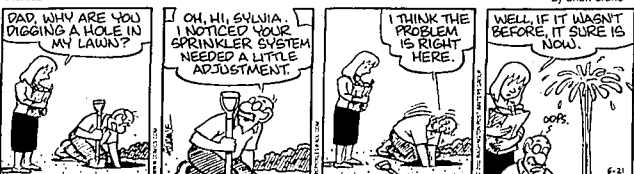
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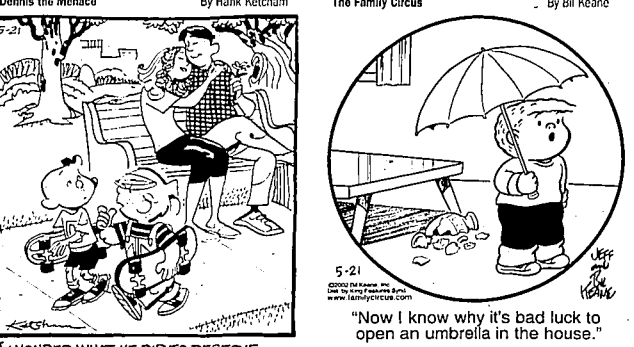


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SPORTSQUOTE

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David Schultz, president of Pony athletic shoe company, is backing Pete Rose in his bid to reach the Hall of Fame with advertisements in magazines and on billboards. Rose is laying 2-1 odds the campaign will pay off.

—Comedy writer Earl Hochman

TRIVIA

QUESTIONS
Who holds the NBA playoff record for least time played before fouling out?

.....answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school golf

Class 5A State Tournament, at TF Muni
Class 3A State Tournament, at Clear Lake CC, Buhl
Class 2A-1A State Tournament, at Homedale GC

IN BRIEF

Best Ball tourney is this weekend

TWIN FALLS — The Hovey Wide Open Best Ball is slated for Friday and Saturday at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

The tournament is played in honor of Larry Hovey, former *Times-News* employee and sports editor from 1955-1996.

All proceeds from the sponsors go to the Larry Hovey Memorial Scholarship at the College of Southern Idaho.

It is the intent of the donors that the scholarship be used to fund a person interested in a career in writing, journalism and/or sports reporting.

Latham Motors is the presenting sponsor this year and the hope is to raise \$2,500 or more for the scholarship this year with their help.

The format is a two-person bestball, with a men's and women's division.

The tournament entry fee is \$150 per team, which includes a flexec vest and a Saturday Tex-Mex dinner that is sponsored by the Muni Men's Association and Mike Hamblin.

The entry deadline is Thursday at 6 p.m.

For more information, call Twin Falls Muni at 208 733-3326.

Meyerhoeffer takes Gooding amateur title

GOODING — Jason Meyerhoeffer tallied a 136 to capture first place in the Gooding Amateur golf tournament Sunday.

Meyerhoeffer finished two strokes better than Bob Lutz and Aaron Curtis who tied for second.

Chris Inglis (142) finished fourth while Gilbert Livins took fifth with a 145.

Taylor Goble shot a 147 to lead the first flight gross scores while Russ Arnold's 132 took net honors.

John Wandland (157) led the second flight gross while Jack Solonga finished first with a net 135.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Travis Knight of the Lakers, six minutes against San Antonio on May 23, 1999

2002 Idaho High School Golf Tournaments

Filer's Shetler shoots 67 for state medalist

Wildcat boys are second going into today's final round

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

BUHL — Sometimes it pays to hit the ball lousy. At least it did for Filer's John Shetler.

After his tee shot "barely cleared the tee box" on No. 1 at the boys 3A high school state golf championships Monday at



John Shetler

Clear Lake Country Club in Buhl, the Filer senior recovered to birdie the 271-yard par 4. He went on to fire a 5-under 67 and win the individual boys medalist title by three strokes over runner-up Nick Higham of Shetler.

"I absolutely just duffed that tee shot. It was just an embarrassing start in front of everyone," Shetler said.

His red face was soon forgotten, however, when he lifted a wedge to the green and dropped his third shot into the cup for



State Golf

the birdie.

"After the horrible start, everyone's thinking, 'He's going to get double bogey or something,'" Shetler said. "But to come back and birdie, that got my confidence up. I just played solid from there."

So solid that after making 3-under at the turn, Shetler went 2-under over the final nine. It might have been an even better day had he made his 8-foot attempt at eagle on the par 4 18th.

As it was, Shetler settled for birdie on No. 13 en route to the win. Just a week ago, Shetler stormed the field to capture the District Four crown at Valley Club in Sun Valley.

"I was real focused today and played well," he said.

Shetler credited his play on the par 5s and his consistent approach shots for the victory.

"I hit 17 of 18 greens and I played the par 5s 4-under today," he said. "The only mess-ups I had was I three-putted two greens in a row and made two bogeys."

Shetler's round helped keep Filer in the running for its first state team title. The Wildcats are 10 strokes behind defending

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CdA, Eagle golfers take titles

Bruin teams lead after day 1 of team competition

By Scott Thompson
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Coeur d'Alene golfer Blake Lugar and Eagle's Courtney McCracken blistered the field at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course Monday to claim the individual Class 5A state titles, while both the Twin Falls boys and girls teams are leading going into the second and final day of the team competitions.

Lugar shot a 1-under-par 67 to top four other golfers by three strokes for first prize in the boys tournament, while McCracken's 4-over-par 75 was four shots better than the rest of the field.

The Bruin girls team, which holds a 9-shot lead over Lewiston going into today, is seeking to become just the second Idaho team ever to win three straight titles.

Freshman Mandi Hedberg shot an 8-over 79 to lead the Bruin charge, finishing second after a three-way playoff when she drained a 5-foot putt to beat out Lewiston's Jenna Huff (third) and Coeur d'Alene's Kelsey Nagel (fourth) on the first hole of the playoff.

"I didn't really have anything going for me today," said

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5A Team Title Chase
Today's pairings
At Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course

Boys

Twin Falls 289

Mendon 293

Coeur d'Alene 293

Capital 297

Borah 299

Girls

Twin Falls 336

Lewiston 345

Eagle 361

Lake City 361

Mendon 369



Twin Falls boys No. 1 golfer Brett Klöinkopf sinks his putt on the ninth green during the Class 5A State Golf Championships Monday at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. Klöinkopf didn't win the individual medalist, shooting a 74, but both Bruin boys and girls lead the tournament heading into today's final round.

Kings rebound to even the series

The Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — After their first road playoff loss in nearly two years, the Los Angeles Lakers finally might have a challenge on their hands.

Chris Webber had 21 points and 13 rebounds, and Mike Bibby scored 20 points as the Sacramento Kings evened the Western Conference finals 1-1 Monday night, weathering Shaquille O'Neal's biggest game of the postseason to beat the Lakers 96-90.

The Lakers' NBA-record streak of 12 consecutive road playoff victories ended in an ugly game in front of another delirious A arena crowd. It was just the third defeat in 27 playoff games for the two-time champions, who hadn't lost on the road since Game 5 of the 2000 NBA Finals.

The best-of-seven series shifts to Los Angeles for Game 3 on Friday night, with Game 4 on Sunday at Staples Center.

The game wasn't exactly a classic. Sacramento led 89-74 with 6.5 minutes left, but the Kings managed just one field goal after that. The Lakers gradually rallied despite poor shooting and turnovers by both teams in the closing minutes.

Trailing 92-82, the Lakers scored five straight points, missed a free throw, then came up short on an easy hook shot. Los Angeles missed five straight shots in the closing seconds before Kobe Bryant's 3-pointer with 12.5 seconds left cut the lead to 93-90.

The Lakers eagerly fouled Webber, who missed seven of his

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Los Angeles' Shaquille O'Neal, left, and Kobe Bryant double-team Sacramento's Mike Bibby in the first quarter in Game 2 of the Western Conference finals in Sacramento Monday.

Drury's overtime goal ties Avalanche-Wings series

The Associated Press

DETROIT — Chris Drury did it to the Detroit Red Wings again.

Drury scored 2:17 into overtime Monday night as the Colorado Avalanche beat the Detroit Red Wings 4-3 to even the Western Conference finals.

Peter Forsberg had a goal and three assists for the Avalanche, and Patrick Roy made 30 saves.

It was the third career playoff overtime goal for Drury, who leads the Avalanche with four postseason game-winning goals against the Red Wings. Colorado improved to 2-1-1 this season when Drury scores.

Steven Reinprecht got a rebound of Forsberg's shot and set up Drury to tie the best-of-seven series 1-1. Game 3 is Wednesday night in Denver.

Detroit won the series opener 5-3 on Saturday, but again Roy was able to shake that off. Roy is 10-0 with the Avalanche following a playoff loss in which he allows at least five goals.

Detroit had won nine of 10 playoff games and five straight in Joe Louis Arena. Dominik Hasek made 22 saves.

Colorado took a 1-0 lead in the first, a 2-1 lead in the second and a 3-2 lead in the third. Each time, the Red Wings answered later in the period to tie it.

On a power play, Nicklas Lidstrom's slap shot from above the circles rebounded off the boards behind Roy. As Roy tried to kick the shot away, the puck bounced off his right blade and in with 6:35 to go.

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Bull riders hang on in Fifth District rodeo

By Terrell Williams Times-News correspondent CAREY - Bull riders had a good grip on their bulls Friday and Saturday nights at Fifth District high school rodeo...

Wyatt Prescott were an instant behind with their time of 7.85, while W Walker and Tyler Brown were third with another good time of 9.80.

On Saturday, Wess Kerr and Dan Webb stretched their steer out in just 35 seconds, followed by Cody Coates and Ted Walker with 8.14.

Table with 4 columns: Name, Time, and other details for the Fifth District High School Rodeo Results at Carey High School, May 17-18.

Low leads Boston shutout of White Sox

BOSTON (AP) - Derek Lowe allowed two hits in eight innings just 23 days after pitching a no-hitter, leading the Boston Red Sox over the Chicago White Sox 9-0 Monday night.

Yankees 6, Blue Jays 3 NEW YORK - Robin Ventura homered in his third straight game, a tiebreaking drive starting the seventh inning that led the New York Yankees over the Toronto Blue Jays for their 12th win in 13 games.

Tigers 4, Indians 3 DETROIT - Wendell Magee's tiebreaking single in the seventh inning gave the Detroit Tigers a victory over the Cleveland Indians and their first four-game winning streak of the week.

Thome's record with two outs in the ninth inning gave Kansas City two runs and the Indians lost 5-4.

Kings

Continued from D1. first nine free throws on the night. Webber hit one of two, and Rick Fox missed a 3-pointer to seal it.

Golf

Continued from D1. state champion Shelley 308-318. Led by Higham, the Russetts shot consistently, tossing out an 84.

Chipp

Buhl graduate and University of Idaho freshman Ty Poppelwell, older brother to current Idaho golfers Nick and Joe, was helping officials with scores Monday.

3A Idaho High School Golf Tournament

Table with 4 columns: Team, Score, and other details for the 3A Idaho High School Golf Tournament.

Bruins

Continued from D1. Hedberg, whose older sister, Jennifer, led the Bruins the past couple of years before going to Boise State. "I could have played a whole lot better."

Borah's Nick Travers

was fifth after the playoff. "It's a little bit 20-footer," Vedder said. "He deserved the championship."

Hockey

Continued from D1. Steve Yerzaman was credited with 100th career assist on the play while Roy just shook his head as the crowd taunted him with, "Pat-trick! Pat-trick!" chants.

Major League Baseball

Table with 10 columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB, L10, Str, Home, Away, Infr. All Times MDT Eastern League.

National League

Table with 10 columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB, L10, Str, Home, Away, Infr. East Division.

American League

Table with 10 columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB, L10, Str, Home, Away, Infr. West Division.

Monday's Games

Detroit 4, Cleveland 3; Boston 9, Chicago White Sox 0; Cleveland (Nagy 0-0) at Detroit (Rostman 0-5), 5:05 p.m.

Today's Games

Pittsburgh (Johnson 3-5) at Chicago Cubs (Bere 1-4), 3:05 p.m., 1st game Pittsburgh (Wilone 2-5) at Chicago Cubs (Cruz 7-1), 6:05 p.m., 2nd game.

Lancaster

Continued from D1. state medalist, beating Homedale teammates Kevin Kushlan (92) and Shannon Batt (93).

Celebrating a birthday doesn't just have to be a piece of cake.

Advertisement for a birthday celebration featuring a cake and a photo of a child. Text: "Make more of the Celebration with a Times-News Happy Ad!"

MORNING BREAK

Moneyless marriages make for good nights, sorry days; kissing dates back 4,000 years

Greek rainmakers dipped oak branches in water when praying for rain, and sometimes it rained thereafter. The Romans threw clay imones into the Tiber River, and that, too, was oftentimes followed by rain. Teutonic rainmakers poured water over nude girls. That never did produce rain, but they clung to the ritual.



REVISTED
L.M. Boyd

Q. How old is kissing?
A. First written evidence of a couple pressing lips together was recorded in India about 2000 B.C. The practice was not widespread,

however. It was totally unknown to the natives of North and South America, Africa and the South Seas. Explorers' logs indicate it started to go international at just

about the time Christopher Columbus was making a name for himself.

In France, some correspondents will insist, more men than women use cosmetics.

Q. First kitchen utensil invented is said to be the ladle. What was the second kitchen utensil invented?

A. The apple corer, probably. Early specimens made from animal bones date far back. Scientists think such instruments were needed by prehistoric elder-

ly who'd lost their teeth.

Q. How long would it take a frontiersman, covering 1,000 acres a day, to explore all of Alaska?

A. About 1,000 years.

"Just a few good men" is all they'd need, say the U.S. Marines. Mighty good men, historically. They'd rejected Audie Murphy before he became the most decorated soldier in the U.S. Army.

Item No. 811C in our Love and War man's file is the line written in 1670 by one John Ray: "Who

marrieth for love without money hath good nights and sorry days."

Out of every 25 persons bitten by the world's most venomous spider — the Black Widow — one dies. Knowing this, few crime novelists anymore use the spider as a murder weapon. Before such statistics were refined, however, some fictional villain was always sticking a deadly spider into some fictional victim's bed.

Anxiety is weird. It tears up some people so badly they'll do almost anything to get rid of it.

Like get drunk and stay drunk. It

enlivens other people so greatly they'll do almost anything to generate it. Like gamble everything until everything is gone. Both extremes respond to treatment. And curiously, the treatment — group therapy — for both extremes is almost identical.

Where is she now, do you suppose, that Honolulu lady called Gwendolyn Keikino, whose middle name is Kulekikailatanoapilani-wai-laukekonulumaniehiekealao-nanoapilaea?

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