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Governor orders more cuts

Holdback plan spares education; lawmakers express mixed view on impact

The Times-News and The Associated Press

BOISE — Idaho's flagging economy has pushed the state's budget deficit to \$168 million, and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on Friday ordered a 3.5 percent spending cut for all government operations but public and higher education.

declined to estimate how many jobs could be lost. "I've had an ongoing discussion with all departments where I have said, 'We're not out of this yet,' and be ready," Kempthorne said.

force the elimination of entire programs in state agencies. Moreover, cuts to the Department of Water Resources, an agency already suffering, have the potential to do serious economic damage, he said.

"Agencies won't be able to move forward with as much vigor as they had hoped, but I don't see any agency being devastated by this," said Cameron, co-chairman of the joint House-Senate budget-writing committee.

longer than predicted, which in turn is causing diminished tax revenues, the numbers had to be revisited, Cameron said.

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GENTLE GIANTS



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Eric Lee guides his Belgian draft horses through a movement called fanning during his two-team performance competition at the Twin Falls County Fair Friday morning. Leo was accompanied by Jim Brooks and won the competition.

Draft horses still pull their weight in West

By Robert Mayer Times-News writer

FILER — Draft horses carry a certain mystique. It's hard not to be awed by their sheer size and strength. With paint can-sized hoofs, the 2,000-pound horses send the ground rumbling with each step.

Several draft horses were seen in action at a competition at the Twin Falls County Fair Friday.

Another event, Wagon Days in Ketchum, drew away potential competitors, keeping the number of participants at the Filer arena small.

The pace of the event matched that of the horses — slow. After several lengthy delays, those who

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Today at the fair

- 8 a.m. — Paint horse show, Centennial Arena, horse show ring.
- 9 a.m. — Junior division market lamb show, sheep show ring.
- 9 a.m. — FFA swine showmanship, followed by 4-H, swine show ring.
- 9 a.m. — 4-H dog show, llama show ring.
- 9 a.m. — All breed horse show (classes 45-79), Zobarth Arena, horse show ring.
- 10 a.m. — FFA/4-H district dairy goats showmanship, followed by quality goat show ring.
- 10 a.m. — Open to the World Steer Show, beef show ring.
- 10 a.m. — Magic Valley Dairy Heifer Show, dairy show ring.
- Noon — Hereford and polled Hereford, followed by Junior Hereford heifer, followed by Shorthorn Red Angus, followed by Simmental, followed by Charolais, Silvers, Gelbvieh, Piedmontese, Limousin and Maine Anjou, beef show ring.
- 1 p.m. — FFA/4-H Pygmy goat showmanship, followed by quality goat show ring.
- 1 p.m. — Antique tractor pulling contest, main arena.
- 1:30, 3, 4:30 and 6 p.m. — High action bikes, South of Tom Park's Pavilion.
- 2, 4 and 6:30 p.m. — Kachunga and the Alligator, the park.
- 3 p.m. — Open Pygmy goat show, goat show ring.
- 5 and 8 p.m. — Michael Mezmer's "Dreamcatcher" show, free stage.
- 6:45 p.m. — Magic Valley Dairy Heifer Sale, Twin Falls County Fair Sale Barn.
- 8 p.m. — PRCA Rodeo, main arena.



Fair admission
Admission is good for general admis-

sion access to all arena events. Reserve seats to arena events are available at the Twin Falls County Fair office or by calling 326-4398. The pre-sale ticket office closes one hour before that day's event.

General admission, adults: \$6
General admission, children 6-12: \$4
Free Family pass (will admit two parents, three children 18 and under): \$20, available at the gate only.
Reserve seats to arena events: \$3
Carnival: The carnival runs daily from noon to midnight. An all-day carnival pass costs \$20.
Public parking: Free
Livestock parking: Free

Fair attendance:

Here's how this year's Twin Falls County Fair attendance figures compare with past years:

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Wed. 19,300	14,052	12,281	14,509	14,806
Thurs. 11,889	11,709	8,908	9,793	10,605

Suspect in Smart case dies

Girl's family wants to hear from person who gave him a ride

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A suspect in the kidnapping of 14-year-old Elizabeth Smart died Friday at a hospital three days after suffering from a brain hemorrhage and collapsing in his jail cell, doctors said.

Earlier Friday, doctors had said Richard Albert Ricci, 48, had an irreversible injury to the brain stem after the hemorrhage Tuesday night.

He had not been listed as brain dead because he had still been breathing on his own, although he was on a ventilator, Dr. Richard J. Sperry said.

But Ricci's condition worsened Friday night, when he lost the ability to breathe on his own. His family, including his wife, Angela, his mother, brother and sister, decided to take Ricci off the ventilator at 7:16 p.m. and he died 12 minutes later, Sperry said.

The decision was made after a magnetic resonance imaging scan of Ricci's brain showed he had no chance of meaningful recovery, Sperry said.

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Baseball OKs deal on revenue sharing, steroids

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — They saved a season and ended a strike by choosing to play rather than picket.

With just hours to spare, baseball averted a strike Friday when negotiators pulled off a surprise by agreeing to a tentative labor contract.

Committee Bud Selig called the deal "historic." It was the

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Waste returns to Idaho

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — U.S. Department of Energy officials say they have yet to determine how a container of nuclear waste shipped to New Mexico became contaminated and how they will handle it now that it has been returned to Idaho for decontamination.

Activists want answers following accident

agency said it won't suspend waste shipments to WIPP," Energy Department spokesman Tim Jackson said Friday.

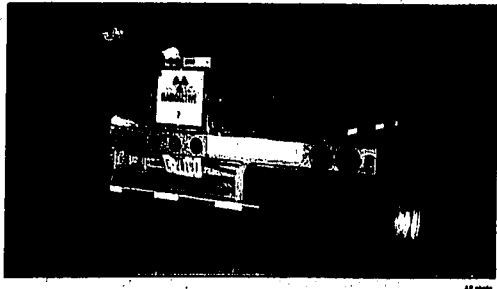
The shipment was involved in a collision Sunday, but officials say they can't determine whether the contamination resulted from the collision or another source. No radiation was released into the environ-

ment, the Energy Department said.

After a nearly 1,400-mile trip from the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory near Idaho Falls, the shipment was just 23 miles from its destination — the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant near Carlsbad, N.M. A pickup truck driven by a drunken driver struck the trailer carrying the shipping containers, the Energy Department reported.

This shipment did not pose hazards. The great thing is that the shipping container

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Officials inspect a Waste Isolation Pilot Plant transport truck, carrying waste from the INEEL, early Sunday after it was hit by a pickup truck near Carlsbad, N.M.

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FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

IDAHO ALMANAC. Idaho Extremes Yesterday: High 86, Low 34. Twin Falls through 8 p.m. yesterday: Temperature High 85, Low 49. Precipitation 0.00. ... Regional Cities: Boise 86, Coeur d'Alene 85, Idaho Falls 85, Kellogg 85, Lewiston 86, Malad 84, Meridian 85, Moscow 85, Pocatello 85, Shoshone 85, Teton 85, Twin Falls 85, Yellowstone 85.

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

Table with 5 columns: TODAY, TONIGHT, SUNDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges. Today: Partly to mostly sunny and warm, 82°. Tomorrow: Mainly clear and comfortable, 52°. Sunday: Plenty of sunshine and warm, 84°-54°. Monday: A good deal of sunshine and warm, 86°-56°. Tuesday: Sunshine and some clouds, 82°-50°. Wednesday: Some sun; chance for a shower or t-storm, 74°-46°.

CANADIAN CITIES

Table of Canadian cities: Toronto, Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon, Kelowna, Victoria, Vancouver. Includes Today and Sun forecasts.

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Partly to mostly sunny today with a pleasantly warm afternoon. Highs ranging from the upper 60s in the mountains to the mid-80s in the valleys. Clear and pleasant tonight. Boise: Sunshine and some clouds today with a seasonably warm afternoon. High 86. Clear and comfortable tonight. Low 56. Mostly sunny and warm tomorrow. High 86. Northern Nevada: Mostly sunny and pleasantly warm today. Highs generally in the 80s. Mainly clear and comfortably cool tonight. A good deal of sunshine tomorrow. Northern Utah: Mostly sunny today with a warm afternoon. Highs ranging from the 70s in the mountains to 86 in Salt Lake City. Clear to partly cloudy tonight. Northern Idaho: Sunshine and some clouds today with a seasonably warm after. Highs ranging from near 70 in the mountains to the mid-80s in some of the low spots. Mainly clear and comfortable tonight.

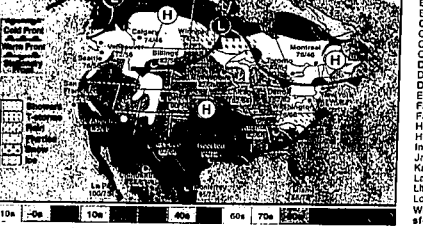
SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 7:01 a.m. Sunset today: 6:14 p.m. Moonrise today: 12:07 a.m. Moonset today: 3:34 p.m. Includes moon phase icons for New, First, Full, Last, and Super Moon. Includes a UV INDEX TODAY bar chart showing UV levels from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and a table of NATIONAL CITIES forecasts.

NATIONAL EXTREMES

High 115 in Goodyear, AZ Low 31 in Leadville, CO

NATIONAL WEATHER



NATIONAL CITIES

Table of national cities: Atlanta, Birmingham, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Miami, Minneapolis, New York, Phoenix, Portland, Raleigh, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Washington. Includes Today and Sun forecasts.

REGIONAL CITIES

Table of regional cities: Boise, Bonanza Ferry, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Elk, Eugene, OR, Haystack, Idaho Falls, Kellogg, Lewiston, Malad, Meridian, Moscow, Pocatello, Shoshone, Teton, Twin Falls, Yellowstone.

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Fair

Continued from A1. stuck around were treated to the unique sight of draft horses in action. Some events were simple tours around the arena, while others were more demanding, such as the log pull. The event requires the driver to walk behind the horse team, reins in hand, as horses pull a 60-foot log through a pylon slalom course. Maneuvering the large animals through such a narrow course from the ground requires precise control. Competitors direct the horses to weave left, then right, carefully threading the log through the pylon.

Baseball

Continued from A1. first time since 1970 that players and owners accepted a new collective bargaining agreement without a work stoppage. "All streaks come to an end, and this was one that was overdue to come to an end," union head Donald Forst said. The deal that pulled baseball back from the brink penalizes big spending on player salaries and gives owners a larger share of the wealth. In return, the union received a guarantee that baseball won't eliminate teams through the 2006 season. And for the first time, players agreed to mandatory, random testing for steroids. "It came down to us playing baseball or having our reputations and life ripped by the fans," said Steve Kirn, the St. Louis Cardinals' player representative.

INEEL

Continued from A1. functioned as designed," Jackson said. The Energy Department has had more than 1,500 shipments to WIPP without problems, he said. But the Snake River Alliance wants shipping stopped until more information is available. "We need to know the source of the problem so that it doesn't get repeated," said Gary Richardson, the group's executive director. The Snake River Alliance is urging the Energy Department to fully inform Idahoans about the returned shipment. A WIPP report said that New Mexico state police and the New Mexico Motor Transportation Division found no evidence of radioactive release from the accident into the environment and that the two stainless steel casks containing the waste were not damaged. But once the shipment began to be unpacked at WIPP, standard unpacking safety measures detected contamination within one of the casks. The outer vessels of the container survived clean, but an air sample drawn from the innermost vessel by vacuum before the lid was removed confirmed the presence of levels of airborne radioactivity, WIPP reported. The shipment had to be sent back to INEEL for decontamination. There is no way to ascertain at this time whether the contamination resulted from the collision, Jackson said. It is the first collision involving nuclear waste, said Michael Vermaut, operations manager for CAST Transportation. CAST has doubled the number of its drivers to meet the shipment demand by the end of the year, he said. The Energy Department is working around the clock seven days a week to prepare the waste for shipment to WIPP to meet a Dec. 31 deadline. The nuclear waste agreement brokered by former Gov. Phil Batt with the Energy Department requires 15,000 drums of Cold War-era lab coats, tools, equipment and other materials contaminated with plutonium to be removed from Idaho by the end of the year. The Energy Department is more than three-quarters of the way done. It would be a milestone to have all of that type of waste shipped by the end of the year. The repository in a room 2,150 feet below the ground, carved out of a 2,000-foot-thick bed of salt 225 million years old.

Ricci

Continued from A1. His body was turned over to the state's medical officer. Doctors tried to save Ricci in a Tuesday operation to remove a blood clot in his brain and alleviate pressure on his brain stem, but the damage had already been done. Police had said Ricci's death could make it difficult to ever find Elizabeth or determine what happened to her. "What he knows goes with him," police Capt. Scott Atkinson said Friday night. Ricci has maintained his innocence throughout the investigation. Ricci, a former handyman for the Smart family, had not been charged in the girl's June 5 disappearance. He was in prison for a parole violation. Salt Lake City Police Chief Rick Dinsie this week reaffirmed that Ricci remained at the top of the list of potential suspects in Elizabeth's abduction. However, investigators were not closer to finding the missing 14-year-old than they were June 5, when a gunman took her from the bedroom she was sharing with her young sister. On Friday, Elizabeth's family offered \$3,000 rewards for information on who picked up Ricci when he left his white Jeep Cherokee at a repair shop on June 8, three days after the abduction, and information regarding a July 24 attempted break-in at the home of Elizabeth's aunt. A \$250,000 reward was posted in June for information leading to Elizabeth's safe recovery. A separate \$25,000 reward was offered for information leading to finding Elizabeth or contributing to the arrest and conviction of her abductor. Neither has been claimed. Salt Lake City Police Chief Rick Dinsie on Wednesday reaffirmed that Ricci remained at the top of the list of potential suspects in Elizabeth Smart's abduction. Ricci has not been charged in relation to Elizabeth's disappearance, and has maintained he had nothing to do with it. Friday morning, Elizabeth's family turned to the public to assist questions Ricci no longer can. They said they want the answers to two questions, and are willing to pay \$3,000 each for those answers. If anyone knows who picked up Ricci when he left his white Jeep Cherokee at a repair shop on June 8,

Budget

Continued from A1. Ketchum, was pleased that education was spared. "I'm glad that he figured out that he shouldn't be making any more cuts to education," she said. Both Twin Falls School District Superintendent Terrell Donich and College of Southern Idaho President Jerry Meyerhofer were relieved. "We're very grateful," Donich said. "If that's all there's going to be, that's great." Donich continues to hold his breath, still fearing that this isn't the last of the holdbacks. "At least he spared us this round, but none of us feel that the downturn is over," Meyerhofer said. Kempthorne's plan In addition to the \$26 million spending cut, Kempthorne on Friday built on the budget-balancing contingency plan he announced in June to include the remaining \$5 million in the budget reserve, \$35 million in building maintenance and repairs dating back as far as four years, and a fund used as \$5 million from the state's rainy day fund to cover damage claims against the state. He had earlier diverted all of the tobacco trust fund and new construction cash to keep the state in the black. Lawmakers also cut \$100 million from basic state spending before the year began to accommodate the eroding economy. "This is as realistic as we can get," the governor said. "This will get us through fiscal year 2003." The budget-balancing package must be approved by lawmakers, but Kempthorne rejected suggestions for a special legislative session to deal with the financial crisis before the November election. He also said there is no need to cut any of the state's major programs. "You don't tax your way out of a recession," he said, repeating his comment to past tax-increase proposals. But the governor said he was appointing a special bipartisan panel to assess every aspect of state government for increased efficiencies and review the viability of Idaho's tax structure. He wants the report by Dec. 1. He will use the panel's recommendations in determining how to deal with the 2003-04 budget, which has a potential \$200 million gap between revenue and expenditures. Democrat Jerry Brady, who is challenging Kempthorne's bid for a second term, has said government efficiencies could generate \$40 million. Kempthorne declined to say whether he believed efficiencies could generate \$40 million, but could generate \$40 million, but could generate \$40 million. Brady has proposed his own plan to return \$40 million to the state's rainy day fund, but he has also proposed to cancel \$10 million in state aid to public schools and enacting a 10 percent reduction in higher education support. But he has targeted cuts for the Medicaid program for the year, which has been growing rapidly in the weak economy, and the prison system, where the inmate population has skyrocketed. As a result of the state's tough stance on crime dating back more than a decade. Brady has proposed his own plan to return \$40 million to the state's rainy day fund, but he has also proposed to cancel \$10 million in state aid to public schools and enacting a 10 percent reduction in higher education support. But he has targeted cuts for the Medicaid program for the year, which has been growing rapidly in the weak economy, and the prison system, where the inmate population has skyrocketed. As a result of the state's tough stance on crime dating back more than a decade. Brady has proposed his own plan to return \$40 million to the state's rainy day fund, but he has also proposed to cancel \$10 million in state aid to public schools and enacting a 10 percent reduction in higher education support. But he has targeted cuts for the Medicaid program for the year, which has been growing rapidly in the weak economy, and the prison system, where the inmate population has skyrocketed. As a result of the state's tough stance on crime dating back more than a decade.

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NATION

FAA orders inspection of pumps on Boeing jets

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration ordered U.S. airlines Friday to inspect 1,440 Boeing jets to determine if they have a potentially faulty fuel pump that could cause an explosion.

The Federal Aviation Administration's emergency order stressed that no serious incidents have been linked to problems with the pumps, which are made by Hydro-Aire Inc. of Burbank, Calif., and were installed in January and April on Boeing 737s, 747s and 757s.

The jets were given four days to inspect their fleets. The FAA estimated 1,250 pumps could have a problem with wires that were placed too close to a rotor and can chafe. Since one plane can have several pumps, it was not immediately clear how many aircraft might have the flaw.

Ron Wojnar, the FAA's deputy director of aircraft certification services, said any airlines that installed Hydro-Aire's pumps in the Boeing models since January

are being ordered to check enough fuel in the tanks to cover the devices even when the planes bank or encounter turbulence in flight.

"This is not an unsafe condition," he said, explaining that the submersion would prevent any sparks from igniting fuel vapors.

The FAA's inspection order affects 515 of the 737s, 247 of the 747s, and 678 of the 757s operated by U.S. carriers.

Foreign airlines operate about 2,100 of the jets. The FAA is sending advisories about the pumps to its counterpart agencies in those countries.

The FAA will issue a follow-up directive in a few weeks, instructing carriers to repair or replace any faulty pumps, Wojnar said.

Boeing spokeswoman Liz Verdier said her company sent the airlines a bulletin Wednesday ordering the pumps replaced on 116 new planes that had been put into use this year.

Greg Ward, president of Hydro-Aire, said the problem appears to have occurred while the pumps were being assembled. Hydro-Aire, meanwhile, has X-rayed all of the pumps that had not yet been shipped to Boeing—about 150 pumps—and found about 3 percent contained the wiring problem, Ward said.

He said one pump that the company took apart after it was returned by an airline contained a wire that had been rubbed by a nearby rotor, creating concern of a potential spark.

U.S.: Iraq bolsters defenses

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Iraqi military is digging in to protect Baghdad in what U.S. officials describe as the biggest buildup of defenses around the city since the Gulf War.

Spurred to action by American threats of attack, Iraqi earthmovers are digging defensive positions for tanks, artillery and troops, defense and other officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity. Some military units are spreading out their heavy equipment to make it more difficult to target, and anti-aircraft defenses are being moved to improve the protection of the Iraqi capital from U.S. airstrikes, officials said.

"It's the largest defensive preparation since Desert Storm," said a Bush administration official. "The rhetoric they are hearing coming from the United States — they're taking it very, very seriously."

Saddam recently said he will take any fight with U.S. forces to the streets of Baghdad and other Iraqi cities, and U.S. officials acknowledge this is probably Saddam's best strategy in a new war. Some of the U.S. military's best advantage in technology and training are in cities, rather than in the open.

Defending Baghdad proper is the job of the Iraqi Republican Guard — three armored divisions that ring the city's outer reaches, officials said. The Republican Guard is considered the army unit most loyal to Saddam.

U.S. soldiers received a better equipment than the regular Iraqi army.

BLAZE IN 'JAZZ TOWN'



Friends and employees console Mark Coullins, owner of the Cat Practice Veterinary Clinic, as his business burns Friday in the Garden District of New Orleans. Susan Suthon, an American Red Cross worker on the scene, estimated at least six families lost their homes and 40 pets died in the fire, reported at 6:30 a.m. and which raged out of control until 11 a.m.

Foreign college students await visa clearances

The Associated Press

Electrical engineering student Chong Ming Hoong departed the University of Illinois last spring with every expectation of returning from Malaysia in time for his sophomore year.

Instead, as the Urbana-Champaign campus opened its doors this week, 19-year-old Chong languished at home in Kajang. He's now hoping his student visa will be approved in time for the spring semester.

"This situation has caused me to wait anxiously every day for

that one phone call from the embassy to ask me to go for an interview before they release my visa," Chong said. "You can imagine the days wasted just sitting by the phone."

State Department officials and U.S. colleges and universities cannot specify the number of foreign students caught up in the post-Sept. 11 screening designed to counter prospective terror attacks.

But as the fall semester gets underway, and accounts of those unable to travel to the United States are becoming more com-

mon, some educators fear the situation may affect research projects and, eventually, revenues.

According to a group of foreign student advisers called NAESA: Association of International Educators, the tuition and living expenses incurred by the 550,000 foreign undergraduate and graduate students studying at American schools last year added \$11 billion to the economy.

"The economic impact will probably be minimal this semester because it's a relatively small number of students," but there's reason for concern about the

future, said Larry Bell of the Office of International Education at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

"The greater impact, however, may be on the intellectual community because a lot of these people are involved in research projects that may have to be put on hold," he said.

Among the 15 students postponing enrollment at Colorado this fall because of visa problems is a Saudi Arabian sophomore who departed to visit his family between semesters and is still at home, unable to leave.

School Days

Starting Monday, The Times-News is bringing you a new page, which focuses on school life.

This new page will feature:

- School events and happenings
- Student profiles
- School club profiles
- Honor rolls
- Student achievements

Starting Mondays in September

The Times-News

Muslims pray for Sept. 11 victims as convention starts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The largest annual gathering of American Muslims began Friday with prayers for victims of Sept. 11 and for Muslims who have been harassed since the attacks.

Muhammad Nur Abdullah, president of the Islamic Society of North America, said in his opening address that Islam condemns violence and that Muslims, like others in the United States, want the terrorists to be punished.

"We're for justice," said Abdullah, a St. Louis imam, standing on a stage flanked by U.S. flags. "This is our country. American Muslims, we care for the betterment of this country and for every human being."

Khadija Abdullah of Los Angeles read a prayer she wrote for those who died in the suicide strikes, thanking God for the efforts of the rescue workers and

for the "comfort and courage" victims gave their families in their final phone calls. She also urged Muslims to "answer scapegoating and hatred" with love.

The impact of the attacks is a central theme of the conference, the most important U.S. Muslim meeting this year. Up to 30,000 people are expected to attend the four-day event, which is run by the Islamic Society.

It is the first time the convention — in its 39th year — is being held in the nation's capital and comes as Muslims seek a greater public voice in what for many is their adopted country.

They have taken pains since the suicide hijackings to proclaim their loyalty to the United States, even as critics — including the Rev. Franklin Graham, son of evangelist Billy Graham — condemned the religion as evil.

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Kidnapped boy found safe in California

SAN DIEGO (AP) — A 9-year-old boy who was violently kidnapped from his home earlier this week was found safe at a campground Friday, and his mother and an unidentified man were arrested, authorities said.

Nicholas Farber was found in a jamal about 80 miles southwest of his Palm Desert home, said San Diego County sheriff's Lt. Lisa Miller. Nicholas was taken from his father's home at about 2 a.m. Wednesday after two men broke into the Palm Desert house and attacked the father.

The boy's mother, Debra Rose, said her former roommate, Carla Bender, had been named suspects. Nicholas was the subject of a custody dispute between Rose, 38, and his father, Michael Farber, 47, who married in 1991 and divorced in 1996.

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PALM DESERT

NATION

Military commander: U.S. troops chip away at al-Qaida

BAGRAM, Afghanistan (AP) — Despite a reduction in fighting, American troops are chipping away at al-Qaida forces, and even if they don't capture Osama bin Laden, "we are going to shut down his terrorist apparatus," the U.S. military commander in Afghanistan said Friday.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Lt. Gen. Dan K. McNeill also said that if the international peacekeeping force were to be expanded beyond Kabul as some have called for, then major countries must "come forward with their resources" to get the job done.

McNeill said progress in the war in Afghanistan, now in its 11th month, could not be measured by the number and intensity of battles. The last major engagement with al-Qaida and Taliban forces occurred in March, after which enemy troops were believed to have fled into Pakistan.

"We are doing things each day that make it harder and harder for the terrorists not only to operate but to survive," McNeill said. He listed the discovery of weapons caches, Taliban attack on Qaida documents and arrests of people with information about the terrorist network. "We're continuing to chip away at the al-Qaida organization,"



A member of the U.S. Army Special Forces ODA 924 is silhouetted against another two fire AT-4 anti-tank weapons on a firing range Friday evening on the outskirts of Khost, 80 miles southeast of the Afghan capital of Kabul.

McNeill said. He said there is no compelling evidence whether bin Laden is alive or dead. McNeill added that if bin Laden is alive, "we don't have to find him because we are going to shut down his terrorist apparatus."

As evidence, McNeill cited the seizure of weapons and ammunition caches and the ongoing arrests of people believed linked to the terrorist network. McNeill did not address the issue of al-Qaida assets outside Afghanistan and beyond his command.

When President Bush first launched the assault on the Taliban and al-Qaida in Afghanistan, he vowed to find bin Laden "dead or alive," though administration officials have since insisted the campaign is not targeting a single man but

bin Laden's entire terror network.

On Wednesday, Afghan troops accompanied by U.S. special forces arrested 95 alleged Taliban supporters in a raid on the town of Meivand about 30 miles west of Kandahar. The raid angered residents who said some of those arrested were policemen working for the central government.

In the latest U.S. combat mission, Operation Mountain Sweep, U.S. officers said troops found several large weapons caches and arrested 10 people during an eight-day sweep in Khost province along the Pakistani border.

However, there were no major battles with al-Qaida or Taliban forces. Some officers in the field speculated that the mission was compromised by security lapses and enemy fighters fled. McNeill said the soldiers' expectations may have been too high. McNeill predicted more clashes, albeit on a small scale, as coalition troops press the hunt for al-Qaida and Taliban fugitives in the rugged Afghan terrain.

"We haven't won, but we're winning," McNeill insisted. He cited the fact that a new transitional government under President Hamid Karzai had been selected by an Afghan

grand council, by aya jirga, in June and had begun to function.

Schools have opened, crops have been planted, homes rebuilt and markets are operating as the country takes on a semblance of normalcy, he said.

Some critics say that the return to normalcy has been largely limited to the capital, Kabul, where nearly 5,000 international peacekeepers maintain security in a mission separate from the ongoing U.S.-led war.

International aid agencies and human rights organizations have urged expansion of the International Security and Assistance Force, or ISAF, to other parts of the country.

However, the proposal has won little support within the U.S. Security Council because the United States, Britain, France and other major powers do not want to commit additional forces. The United States hopes that an Afghan National Army, undergoing training by U.S. and French soldiers, will be able to assume security responsibilities nationwide.

Warlord says prisoner deaths 'not intentional'

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A northern Afghan warlord admitted Friday that 200 Taliban prisoners died last year while being transported in shipping containers, some by suffocation, but he said the deaths were unintentional and mostly due to disease and injuries suffered in heavy fighting.

Reports that up to 960 captured Taliban fighters suffocated to death after they were crammed into unventilated metal shipping containers began emerging late last year. Earlier this week, the U.N. envoy to Afghanistan said the current government did not

have the resources to investigate the claims. Abdul Rashid Dostum, a top northern commander, said in a statement that the Taliban fighters died during a four-day operation in November to transfer them from Kunduz, which had just been captured by the then-opposition northern alliance, to the northern city of Shiberghan.

"In no case were any prisoners killed. In no case was there any intention that they should die in containers," Dostum said in a joint statement with three other northern alliance commanders. The statement said 200 out of

400 people died. "It is essential to recognize that most of these died of wounds from bombing and fighting in Kunduz ... but also due to disease, suffocation, suicide and a general weakness after weeks of intense fighting and bombardment," the statement added.

The prisoners were meant to be transferred to a prison in Shiberghan, but investigators for the U.S.-based Physicians for Human Rights said hundreds died en route and ended up at a mass grave site in nearby Dasht-e-Laili. A recent article in Newsweek cited a confidential U.N. report

quoting a witness as saying 960 men were killed. The northern alliance statement called the Newsweek article "sensationalistic, inaccurate and false." The case involves several thousand Taliban or al-Qaida prisoners who were captured at Kunduz and transferred in flatbed trucks to Shiberghan. Shipping containers were used afterward because several prisoners tried to kill their guards, the statement said. Containers also had to be used because the prisoners were transferred on roads that passed through areas still under Taliban control.

Report: Officials say bin Laden likely is dead

LONDON (AP) — Pakistan's security officials said Friday bin Laden was probably killed in a U.S. air strike on al-Qaida's mountain fortress in eastern Afghanistan last year, a British newspaper reported Friday.

Senior Pakistani officials said bin Laden was unlikely to have survived the intense U.S. air bombardment of the al-Qaida Tora Bora camp in December. The Financial Times of London reported from Islamabad.

In a story posted on its Web site, the newspaper said some analysts believe the accused murderer of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States suffered from a serious kidney ailment at that time.

"Our assessment remains that Osama bin Laden, who was not too well when last year's terrorist attacks happened, could not have survived the attacks on Tora Bora," an unidentified Pakistani official told the newspaper.

"Even if he didn't get hit fatally, it was impossible for him to have survived. He was surrounded by scores of hostile troops with no possibility of receiving regular medical care," the official was quoted as saying.

Pakistani President Gen. Pervez Musharraf has said for months he believes bin Laden is dead but has offered no proof. However, several former Taliban figures have said they believe bin Laden slipped out of Tora Bora before the heaviest U.S. attacks.

Air defense chief considered ramming hijacked planes

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the moments after the Sept. 11 attacks, a U.S. commander considered sending unarmed Air Force fighter jets on suicide missions to stop any additional hijacked airliners by ramming them, officials said Friday.

Air Force Col. Robert K. Marr Jr. said that as commander of the Northeast Air Defense Sector he would have had to obtain authority from superiors to order such missions. He said he never made a decision to seek the go-ahead because it was not necessary.

"In the heat of the moment, all suggestions were considered but no decision was made to employ unarmed fighters," Marr said in a statement provided by his spokeswoman, Lt. Col. Kacey Blaney.

Marr first disclosed the fact that he had considered this last-minute tactic in an interview with the British Broadcasting Corp.,

which is preparing to air a documentary on the events of Sept. 11.

In his statement Friday, Marr said it was his responsibility to consider even the most extreme measures.

"An airman asked to make the ultimate sacrifice in defense of his country is no more or less than the soldier asked to storm the beaches at Normandy," he said.

Blaney said Marr told her the suicide missions were no more than "a thought that went through his mind" as he and others considered how to deal with the unprecedented situation facing the nation that day.

There were only four armed fighter jets on alert in Marr's area of responsibility — stretching from Minnesota to Maine to Virginia — at the time the first hijacked airliner struck the World Trade Center, Blaney said.

Senate complies with record request

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most members of a Senate committee investigating the Sept. 11 attacks have agreed to provide the FBI with details of their contacts with reporters as part of an investigation into leaks of classified information.

Contacted Friday by The Associated Press, the offices of 14 of the 17 Senate Intelligence Committee members said they were complying with the FBI request. No office said it wasn't.

In the other three offices, information wasn't available because senators were traveling.

The FBI is trying to determine who leaked details of conversations intercepted by the National Security Agency that were discussed June 18 at the House and Senate intelligence committees' closed-door inquiry.

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Judge lets scientists study ancient bones

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - A federal judge on Friday ordered the U.S. government to let scientists study the bones of Kennewick Man, an ancient skeleton discovered in 1996 on the banks of the Columbia River. The 9,300-year-old bones have been the center of an intense legal battle between scientists, who want to study the remains, and the federal government, which had ruled the bones belong to Northwest tribes who claim the remains as an ancient tribal member and want to bury them.

U.S. government.

The bones were found in July 1996 along the banks of the Columbia River near Kennewick, Wash., during annual hydroplane races. They are being stored at the University of Washington's Burke Museum until the case is resolved.

The skeleton is called the "Ancient One" by Northwest tribes and has been used as a model to fashion a reproduction that resembles actor Patrick Stewart of "Star Trek" fame.

Scientists argued that former Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt overstepped his authority by ruling the skeleton was "culturally affiliated" with Northwest tribes. Babbitt justified his decision by arguing the tribes had an "oral tradition" of history in the general geographic area where the bones were found.

Babbitt was acting under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990, a law intended to prevent theft and illegal trafficking of Indian artifacts, protect tribal burial sites and restore the remains of ancestors to the tribes.

He has also criticized the government for delaying tests on the age of the bones and delaying its response to questions about determining cultural affiliation with modern tribes.

Scientists want to study the skeleton to see if it represents some unknown source of migration to North America apart from the traditional theory of people walking from Asia across a land bridge to North America.

But five tribes along the Columbia River are seeking possession of the bones to bury them - and have been backed by the

The scientists, however, argued that no group can establish a direct link that extends back 9,000 years by any of those means.

Police: Shooting suspect faces unrelated charges

SPokane (AP) - A 21-year-old Spokane man arrested in a fatal road-rage attack is also awaiting trial for another road-rage incident, police say. Christopher W. Conklin is charged with second-degree murder in the shooting of 64-year-old Arlene J. Hendrickson, a retired Billings, Mont., school teacher, after a minor traffic accident late Wednesday night.

14th homicide in Spokane this year, about double the normal rate, police say.

He was a passenger in a minivan driven by Spokane resident Richard Laws. Police Capt. Glenn Winkey said officers don't know the relationship of the two men.

According to a police affidavit in Spokane City District Court, Laws told officers the attack occurred as he turned onto North Division Street and was struck by a Chevrolet Suburban.

Winkey said it wasn't clear which driver was at fault. Laws told police the Suburban struck the minivan a second time, causing him to stop. He said he stayed in the minivan but the driver of the Suburban got out and struck him in the head with a handgun before shooting Hendrickson.

Aquifer study management causes controversy

SPokane (AP) - Who will lead a \$3.5 million study of an aquifer shared by Washington and Idaho has become a sticky point between the states, public officials and environmental groups. Environmental groups want federal control of the Rathdrum Prairie-Spokane Valley Aquifer study, which will help determine who gets how much of the shared water supply, which straddles the state line.

potential conflicts of interest. Washington says it's not ready to agree to that.

"We want to look at all the options first," Washington Department of Ecology spokeswoman Jani Gilbert said. "The states' aquifer coalition has already secured \$500,000 from the Interior Department's budget. But the budget contains no language specifying where the money will go."

Idaho proposes that the states split the money, giving less control to the U.S. Geological Survey, which has conducted several groundwater studies in Washington state.

Environmental groups have concerns about Idaho's plan, in part because it was prepared by

Idaho regulators deny 'lost revenue' request

BOISE (AP) - State regulators have reaffirmed their denial of Idaho Power Co.'s request to collect an additional \$12 million from customers to recover claimed losses from an irrigator program last summer. Company officials said they are disappointed by the announcement and are considering a judicial review.

which authorized the company to pay large irrigation customers to cut their consumption of electricity, intended to reduce the need for buying expensive power from the spot market.

Earlier this year, the commission allowed Idaho Power to recover from customers the direct costs of the program, nearly \$74 million.

But, in an April 15 order, the panel rejected the company's request to collect another \$12 million in "lost revenue" - the amount, including interest, the company believes it might have earned from sales to irrigators had that load-reduction program not been in effect.

The commission's order is in response to the company's request

for reconsideration of the April 15 order.

The commission said the load-reduction program was the prudent, if not the required, action to take in response to last year's crisis and that financial incentives to enact the program, such as recovery of lost revenue, were not needed.

"To charge ratepayers for lost revenue is unreasonable in the context of the crisis that existed," the commission said. "Requiring ratepayers to pay for energy they did not consume, but avoided, due to this program is also unreasonable."

In the face of the 2001 drought and soaring market rates, the utility paid irrigators about 15 cents per kilowatt-hour to curtail use by

not operating their irrigation pumps. That saved the company from having to go to the market to buy power that, at that time, was about 30 cents.

When the commission adopted the program last year it told the company that the "direct costs and lost revenue impacts MAY be treated as a purchase power expense" that the company could later recover from ratepayers.

"The commission finding did not guarantee that Idaho Power was entitled to recovery of alleged reduced/lost revenue that resulted from this program," the commission said in its April order.

"Rather, the commission merely recognized that the issue of recovery of these amounts would be considered."

BYU-Idaho building takes Mormon president's name

REXBURG (AP) - Brigham Young University-Idaho's new multipurpose building will be named for Gordon B. Hinckley, president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

President David Bednar on Thursday. "There could not be a more fitting name for this building."

The decision came through the board of trustees of the church's educational system - of which Hinckley is a member - after the name was recommended by the school. The college has

transformed into a university under Hinckley's watch.

The 52,000-square-foot building reflects the administration's goals to frugally construct buildings that serve multiple needs and last at least 100 years.

The Hinckley Building will help accommodate the 10,699 students registered to start class-

es Wednesday, 300 more than expected.

The building includes a chapel, gymnasium, multipurpose area, two kitchens and numerous classrooms. The design is the same used for church buildings at Idaho State University, Dixie College and Salt Lake Community College.

SERVICES

Have Dean Wolfe of Grand View, gathering for family and friends from 1 to 5 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Homes, McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain Home.

Reynolds Funeral Chapel interment will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery.

at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

April Renece Plummer of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6, at Creek Creek Park; a potluck dinner will follow.

DEATH NOTICE

Ronald J. 'Ron' Pope of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls; burial will follow at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding.

Albert William Toberer BUHL - Albert William Toberer of Buhl died Thursday, Aug. 29, 2002, at his home.

The service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2002, at St. John's Lutheran Church. An obituary will follow at a later date.

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WENDELL Murrell M. 'Dick' Beck Murrell M. "Dick" Beck passed away August 29, 2002, at the Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls, Idaho where he had been a resident for 3 weeks following hip surgery. He had been living at the Magic Valley Manor since June 2001, which he considered his home, and the staff and residents, his family.

Mr. Beck was born June 30, 1913 in Wollington, Kansas to Charles Wesley and Mary Lou (Sullivan) Beck. He settled in the Wendell area in 1945, where he was engaged in farming until 1961. He then went to work for the Wendell Grange Supply where he became manager, retiring in 1977. He was a volunteer fireman, served on the City Council from 1992 to 1997, and served on the Wendell Housing Board for several years. He loved to golf, bowl and fish. He was a Wendell High School athlete for 50 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Almeta, daughter, Lois Ann, sons, Richard and William "Bill" brothers, Robert, Melvin and Charles, and a sister, Francis. Survivors include his son, Ronald Eugene (Susan) Beck of Carson City, Nevada, daughter, Virginia (Darrel) Watts of Wendell, daughter-in-law, Linda Beck of Hoyburn; sister, Ruth Maxine Royston of Bridgeway Care Center, Twin Falls, and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. For those who desire, contributions may be made to your charity of choice, institution or church. A Graveside service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday, September 3, 2002, at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls, Idaho with Pastor Mark Cox officiating. Demary Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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Advocates seek Idaho Power plan review

BOISE (AP) - Conservation and consumer advocates are calling on state regulators to reject Idaho Power Co.'s 10-year energy plan, saying it does little to lessen the harm customers could suffer in another supply crisis.

Idaho Rivers United, Land and Water Fund of the Rockies, Northwest Energy Coalition and the Idaho Rural Council on Friday asked the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to reject the company's blueprint for meeting future power generation needs. They want formal hearings on the plan.

"This plan offers nothing but the same old bad song - an over-reliance on hydropower and fossil

fuels and only lip service to renewable energy sources, increasing energy efficiency, and conservation," said Bill Sedivy, executive director of Idaho Rivers.

"The state and Idaho Power's customers and shareholders deserve better," he said.

Company officials say they frequently re-evaluate their power requirements, and the draft 2002 Integrated Resource Plan does consider future energy from wind and biomass.

The groups contend Idaho Power's proposal fails to protect customers from escalating rates in times of drought and high fuel

prices, and does not outline ways to meet consumer needs in a cost-effective manner.

The organizations noted a proposed natural gas plant near Middleton is part of the plan, although its viability is up in the air.

Idaho Power in June said it wanted to add another 100 megawatt gas-fired plant - the same size as the facility built last year in Mountain Home, but smaller than the 250-megawatt Garnet Power Plant envisioned near Middleton. The plans assume the Garnet plant would be running by June 1, 2005.

But plant operator Ida-West

Energy Co., a fellow IDACORP subsidiary with Idaho Power, said in July it was "concerned the upheaval and scandal in the business world has jeopardized Garnet's financing. The commission canceled hearings on Idaho Power's bid to buy electricity from that source."

"We are re-examining the resource plan and determining what we will do in the future," Idaho Power spokesman Dennis Lopez said. "Certainly, the Garnet plant has attributes we like. We don't have to purchase it and don't have to build it. As it grows, we can buy more and more of its output."

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Famous names, not-so-famous faces

Boise lawyer, others find aggravation, fun with their monikers

BOISE (AP) - What's it like to share the name of a famous person?

We put that question to three local men who put up with jokes, second glances and downright disbelief when they introduce themselves.

Hello, I'm Winston Churchill.

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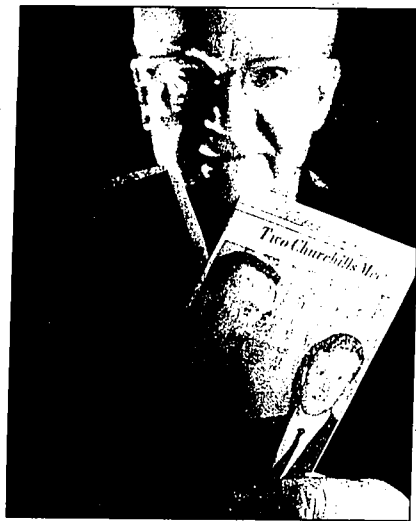
Winston Churchill

When retired Boise attorney Winston Churchill was born in Gooding in 1929, his father passed on his name to the infant.

A few years later a British statesman and key figure in World War II made it a household word.

"Up to then it was just a name," Churchill said.

From the time he was old enough to ask girls for dates, phone calls have been a potential disaster area.



He still laughs about the time he called the office of a local psychiatrist with whom he was working on legal issues.

When Churchill gave his name, the receptionist said, "Well, you certainly have the right office!"

"She thought I was crazy as a bedbug," he said.

Other people think he's famous and won't be persuaded otherwise.

While visiting a small town in the Czech Republic eight years ago, Churchill and his wife, Helen, received the red carpet treatment while traveling with Helen's sister who was in the foreign service.

"We had a special reception with the mayor and there were flashbulbs going off," Churchill said. "I felt like such a phony."

Despite their attempts to persuade anyone who would listen that there was an awful mistake, townspeople clung to their belief that a descendant of the famous prime minister was in their midst.

Jack Lemmon

Although he doesn't golf, Ballet Idaho executive director Jack Lemmon once got a nice set of golf balls and a great room at a Southern California hotel.

"The bellboy wanted my autograph," Lemmon said.

That was even after the staff realized their mistake in thinking the other Jack Lemmon was coming to stay.

Lemmon, 46, was named for his father, John, who went by the name Jack. The son uses a middle initial to try to cut down on confusion, but finds the name recognition comes with some advantages.

"It gets a lot more phone calls returned," he said.

Lemmon was a boy growing up

"I sometimes have trouble cashing checks," said Boise attorney Winston Churchill, who used to live in Gooding, photographed here in June as he holds press clippings of the Idaho Statesman dated Oct. 31, 1965, when the grandson of British Prime Minister Winston Churchill visited Boise.

in western Colorado when the actor started hitting the big time with films such as "Mister Roberts" and "The Odd Couple."

"You see your name in the marquee and it gives you a start, not that I minded," Lemmon said.

Steve Martin

Even in elementary school, Steve Martin of Boise knew why his teachers made a fuss about his name.

He had seen "Three Amigos" starring Steve Martin, the zany comic actor. It's still one of his favorite movies.

"I'm a big fan," said Martin.

His parents gave their son the biblical name of Stephen, though he goes by Steve. A retail manager, Martin meets a lot of people, but usually on a first-name basis.

"I don't get a real laugh until they pronounce my name over the intercom and everybody's looking around for Steve Martin," he said.

People don't expect him to stick balloons around his head or dance a goofy jig, but they do enjoy trying a little humor of their own.

"Somebody always has a joke about it," he said.

Martin confesses to having a wild and crazy streak, although nothing like the other Steve Martin.

"I've got wild and crazy children," he cracked.

He hasn't minded sharing his name with the other one.

"I like the guy," he said. "It worked out well that way."

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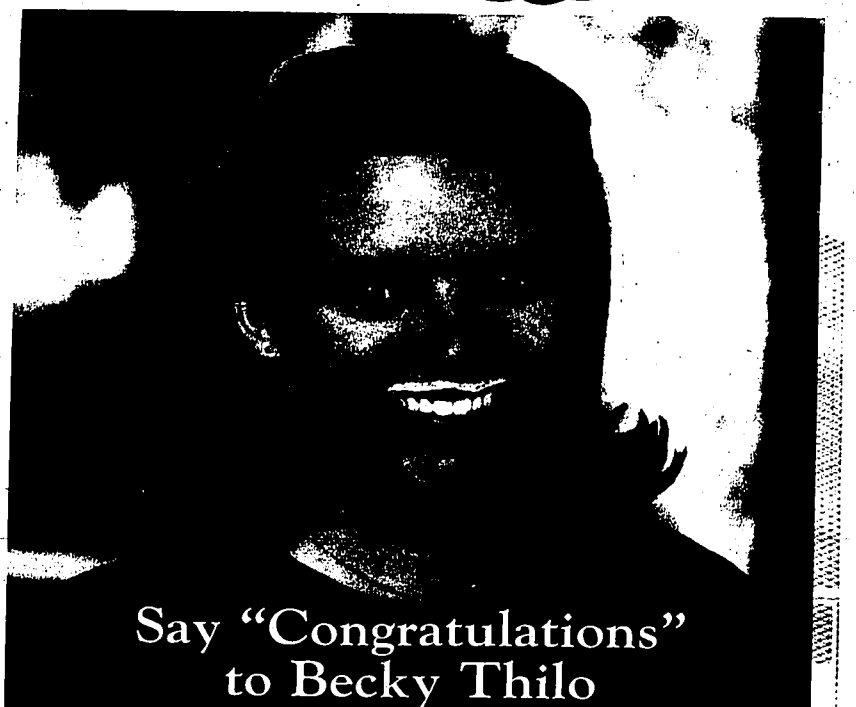




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Internet map becomes Americans' way to find their way

BOISE (AP) - The U.S. Geological Survey is in the process of creating The National Map, an Internet chart of the country which is this century's version of drawing the Mason-Dixon Line or Lewis and Clark's route to the Pacific Ocean.

Agency cartographers say last fall's terrorist attacks reinforce the urgent need to have current, accurate maps to respond to emergencies or bolster security. The only question is what The National Map will show.

"There's a lot of debate on what will be displayed on the Web," said Tracy Fuller, mapping liaison for the agency in Boise. "Do we make it too easy for potential terrorists to look at this data? What do we show and what don't we show?"

Americans have relied on USGS topographic maps since 1886 to find their way through field and forest, but those guides are an average of 23 years old. Frequent changes on the landscape mean that many are no longer completely accurate.

Barbara Ryan, USGS chief geographer, last year kicked off The National Map project with the mandate of providing up-to-date data covering the entire country in a decade.

Fuller is involved in a pilot project to map the Spokane-Coeur d'Alene area through cooperative agreements with local governments. It is one of eight initial mapping projects as The National Map spreads



Tracy Fuller, mapping liaison for the U.S. Geological Survey, shows a new laptop computer displaying the latest mapping technology which can be viewed over the Internet, Friday, in Boise. On screen is a map of the Lake Coeur d'Alene area. The U.S. Geological Survey's Boise Bureau is one of the nine places in the country working on a pilot project to create The National Map - an up-to-date, accurate online chart of the country.

across the country. Texas and Delaware are far ahead in their efforts. The other sites are the Lake Tahoe area of

California and Nevada, Missouri, Pennsylvania and Utah. The federal government, local governments and universities all

have computer files with pertinent geographical data. For instance, the state of Delaware uses it to locate trans-

Maps on the Net

The National Map: <http://www.nationalmap.usgs.gov>
University of Idaho INSIDE Idaho: <http://inside.uidaho.edu/about.htm>

portation projects. The USGS will take the bulk of information it already holds, such as site elevations, and add data from those entities. For example, it will incorporate information from the Idaho Department of Water Resources to chart the state's waterways.

The electronic maps will display layers of information which can be turned off or on with the click of a computer mouse. They include elevation, place names, administrative boundaries, surface water and structures.

The maps can be downloaded to home computers and may eventually be made available at kiosks in public libraries or recreational stores.

The Spokane pilot project takes in Kootenai and Blaine counties in Idaho, plus Shoshone, Bénéwell and Boundary counties in Idaho, plus Stevens, Perry and Lincoln counties in Washington.

The pilot project's focus is on setting accurate borders for Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management property. It also proposes identifying every

building in Spokane County, although Fuller said that will take a huge amount of coordination.

"In our urban areas, we always showed landmarks like federal buildings and large buildings over 75,000 square feet," Fuller said. "In the 9/11 age, people say we need more than that. We need better data for service providers and emergency crews."

"There's also the question of dams, power structures and other things. There's a lot of discussion about what to keep."

It is new territory for USGS and the counties.

Kootenai County mapping supervisor David Williamson said maintaining a national database costs money.

The USGS and counties are debating what information the federal agency needs and whether local residents would benefit if there was a cost for securing information from The National Map.

The maps could start becoming available to the public this fall through the University of Idaho's INSIDE Idaho geographic Internet site and USGS web pages.

Although paper maps still will be available, Americans will largely rely on their computer screens to find out where they are and where they want to be.

"It's not beautiful like our maps were, but it's going to be current," Fuller said. "To me, this is the future right here."

Minnesota finds its first chronic wasting disease case

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) - Animal-health officials confirmed Minnesota's first case of chronic wasting disease on Friday, marking the spread of the incurable illness into a 10th state.

The state Board of Animal Health said a farmed elk tested positive after dying mysteriously. The rest of the 10-year-old herd has been quarantined.

Officials said they did not know the source of the infection. They did not say how many animals were in the herd.

Chronic wasting disease destroys the brain in deer, elk, moose and caribou and causes the animal to grow thin and die. Once found just in a small area of Colorado and Wyoming, the illness has spread through elk ranches and wild deer and elk herds as far away as Wisconsin.

In efforts to contain the disease, thousands of captive elk have been slaughtered in Colorado and hundreds of deer have been killed in Wisconsin. The disease has also been found in New Mexico, South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana, Kansas, Oklahoma and Canada.

On Wednesday, Wisconsin Gov. Scott McCallum told federal officials that a third of hunters could

skip this season over fears about the safety of deer meat, jeopardizing his state's battle to control the disease.

McCallum sent a letter to U.S. Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman urging her agency to "get off the dime" and approve a rapid test for the disease and certify private laboratories so they can also do testing.

Though experts say there is no evidence that chronic wasting disease can infect humans, the World Health Organization warns against eating any part of a deer with signs of the disease.

Health officials in Minnesota

and Wisconsin, meanwhile, have been working with the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to investigate the deaths of three men, two from Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease and the other from Pick's disease, another neurological disorder.

The men, two from Wisconsin and one from Minnesota, knew each another and ate at wild-game feasts hosted by one of them.

The cases have attracted attention because of concerns that chronic wasting disease could eventually show up in humans as Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease. Both

are in a family of diseases called spongiform encephalopathies. Mad-cow disease, the version of the illness that affects cattle, did jump the species barrier in Europe and killed people.

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Are tax cuts needed to boost economy?

Yes

Targeted cuts would calm investors

PETE DU PONT

While there are no serious signs of a double-dip recession, the recovery is sluggish. In fact, the domestic economy has grown over the last three quarters at only about half the rate as is normal during a recovery.

Additionally, leading economic indicators are pointing to less second-half economic growth than in the first half. If we slow much more, then businesses, investors and consumers will suffer.

That's why President Bush's call for new investor-based tax cuts may have come at the perfect time. Twenty years ago, when only a fifth of households held stock, a politician could get away with blasting tax cuts for investors with class-warfare rhetoric. But when more than three-fifths of voters have investments in stocks, its no longer effective.

Investors know that growth comes from increasing the rewards and decreasing the penalties for both companies and individuals. If the economy is growing, businesses create jobs, investors invest, factories get built, and profits and incomes begin to rise.

If we want companies to hire more people and invest in new factories, there will need to be an increased incentive to do so. To do these things companies need additional money, and other than borrowing the only way to get it during an economic downturn is to allow them to keep more of what they earn.

The same thinking applies to individuals - If we want them to invest or spend more, we need to increase their incomes by reducing their taxes. This is economic 101.

Here are a few ideas. First, Congress should accelerate the tax cuts passed last year and make them permanent. Some have argued that the tax cuts actually hurt the economy

and exploded the deficit. One problem: This is 2002, not 2005. Because Congress back-loaded the tax cut, most of it has not been realized yet. And since most of it is scheduled to go away by 2011, many, especially businesses, have not changed their economic behavior.

Second, Congress should increase the amount of losses that can be deducted on their tax returns. At present, the IRS takes a percentage of all gains, but shares in losses only up to \$3,000 per year - a figure fixed since 1978. Given the magnitude of recent stock market losses, increasing this limit would greatly benefit many middle-class taxpayers.

Additionally, people should be allowed to contribute more to their 401(k)s. Since contributions are tax deductible and earnings compound tax-free, losses in 401(k)s are never deductible. It only seems fair to allow people an opportunity to undo the damage caused by the recent market losses.

Next, Congress should end the double taxation of corporate profits. The United States is one of a few countries that taxes worldwide income, not just domestically earned income, so that U.S. corporations pay twice on income earned abroad.

Then there is double taxation of corporate profits at home -

once when they are earned and again when they are distributed to shareholders as dividends. This would encourage companies to give out larger dividends. Finally, the tax rate on capital gains should be significantly cut. This would help draw new investors into the stock market and perhaps spark a rally. It would be even more effective if

No

Rescinding cuts will help unemployed

SEN. JACK REED

President Bush has said often that if someone wants a job and can't find one, we need to do something about it. He reiterated this concern at his recent

Evidence of extended and persistent unemployment - like the period after the 1990-91 recession of the first Bush administration - is accumulating. After the 1990-91 recession, the unemployment rate did not begin to come down until well over a year into the recovery.

Currently, even though some analysts believe the economy has begun to recover, jobs growth has been virtually flat, the unemployment rate has not come down and long-term unemployment remains relatively high. In July, the economy generated only about 6,000 additional jobs when analysts had expected more than 10 times that amount. Manufacturing payrolls have continued to fall - albeit more slowly than last year - even though factory output has risen since the start of the year.

Weak labor markets threaten to undermine a continuation of the modest growth we have seen during this nascent recovery. Consumers, who have been fueling the recovery, have been increasingly worried about the outlook for jobs in recent months. The economy could grow even more slowly than currently expected if jitters about the stock market decline and a bleaker job outlook cause consumers to hit the brakes on spending.

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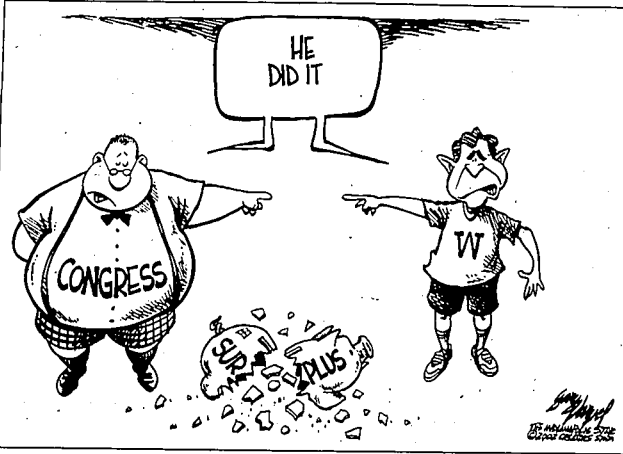
growth needed to generate a robust expansion in jobs. Most analysts believe that the economy would have to grow in excess of 3.5 percent to see an appreciable decline in the unemployment rate. Higher unemployment rates have already eaten away at the employment and wage gains made by traditionally disadvantaged workers - less-educated, low-skilled, and minorities - during the full-employment days of the late 1990s. Making the tax cut permanent will do little to alleviate their plight.

Despite growing concerns about the state of the recovery and an ever worsening federal budget picture, the Bush administration has called for permanently extending the tax cuts enacted last year beyond their 2011 expiration.

The provisions of the tax cut yet to come would worsen budget deficits, have a negative impact on the short- and long-term growth of the economy, and almost exclusively benefit upper-income taxpayers.

This is a far cry from the fiscally responsible policies adopted by the Clinton administration to launch the longest economic expansion on record, creating millions of new jobs. The most effective way to promote economic growth is to ensure an adequate level of national saving. The likely adverse effects on long-run growth from lower national saving - a result of the tax cuts will easily swamp any positive growth effects from the small marginal rate cuts expected.

The Bush administration seems to believe that more tax cuts are the silver bullets to fix all of our current and future economic problems, but budget-draining tax cuts skewed toward upper-income taxpayers don't address the concerns of ordinary Americans and won't head-off another jobless recovery.



combined with indexing of capital assets to inflation - a reform many believe Bush has the legal right to make unilaterally. Such a move could raise stock prices immediately in all sectors.

This economic downturn began with the bursting of the tech bubble, and has been primarily characterized by the bear market. We will get our economy growing again if we provide tax relief for our growing investor class.

Pete du Pont is policy chairman of the National Center for Policy Analysis.

made-for-TV economic forum, but offered no real plan then, or since then, for creating jobs. The president's inaction raises the concern: Can another Bush jobless recovery be far behind? Despite optimistic reassurances that the economy is fundamentally sound, this is small consolation for more than 8 million unemployed Americans - including 2.5 million who have joined the unemployment rolls since President Bush took office. And the foundation of the president's economic plan - tax cuts skewed to the wealthy - will not help these Americans get back to work.

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LETTERS

Idaho residents should be commended for crossing

My family attended the Three Mile Island crossing reenactment on Saturday, Aug. 10. We found it quite enjoyable and highly educational. All people of Idaho should be commended for organizing and supporting such an event. Watching the crossing, both from a distance and then up close, it struck us how much more effective history teaching can be made by such occasions.

As a river engineer, I was impressed by the pioneers' choice of the crossing site. In discussions with several persons at the event, it seems no one is really sure how many islands there were at this site in the early to mid-18th century. It appears the creation of these islands may have resulted from an oxbow cutoff, occurring possibly in the 18th century or earlier. When this happens, the resulting cutoff channel usually becomes the dominant one, carrying the vast majority of river flow. This would explain why the north channel, between the last island and the north bank of the river, would have been the site of the locale of deepest and swiftest water. As time passes, given sufficient sediment in the river, the older channels will silt in, transforming the islands back into the mainland, this time as part of the south bank.

Upstream dams are denying the river its earlier supply of sediment, however, and the channels

may not fill in completely for many centuries or millennia. The Snake River contains many alluvial lands in this reach, these having been formed in the pre-dam era. The river geomorphology is now very different, and we should not expect the current geography of the river and its islands to remain unchanged indefinitely. The island regime is destined to diminish in number and size since its creative sustenance - sand - is now denied it. This process can be mitigated by periodic dam releases imitating the natural flushing and deposition cycles of former conditions.

This process can be mitigated by periodic dam releases imitating the natural flushing and deposition cycles of former conditions. In the meantime, Idaho's riverine state parks and campgrounds are jewels to be enjoyed, and we will not forget our time of fun and learning in them. CHARLIE BAGGS Fort Collins, Colo.

4,000-head dairy is planned for Magic Valley

This letter is to inform the Magic Valley of a planned 4,000 animal unit monthly dairy confined animal feeding operation that is intended to be established by Mike and Matt Hethel. Quesnell db Harvey Quesnell Ranches Inc.

It is planned to be located on the Snake River Canyon rim that is intended to be approximately 3.5 miles south of the Greenwood Store. It will be approximately two miles west of the Milner Dam, 2.5 miles east of Coultdon Linn, 3.5 miles east of

the Murtagh bridge. The CAFO in its entirety will be within one-half mile of the canyon rim with lagoon water sprinkling systems and a composting area within 600 feet of the rim. There are two residences on the outside edge of the CAFO just inside the required setback requirement of 350 feet, another residence one-fourth mile away and another brand new home about a mile away to the east, the prevailing wind direction.

This new dairy facility has been in the works for more than a year. It has received the rubber stamp approval by the Jerome County Planning and Zoning administrator, has overcome appeals by myself and others to the Jerome County Planning and Zoning Commission and the Jerome County commissioners. It is now on appeal to the court. The Quesnells are also attempting to get a groundwater transfer permit through the Idaho Department of Water Resources.

That transfer is being argued by myself and my neighbors who will be adversely affected by the establishment of this facility. People should know that if this CAFO goes in, it will have a very adverse effect on the entire canyon area from Milner to Murtagh, including all the recreational and historical aspects as well as the possible future development of the area.

In other words, I believe that a major portion of this stretch of

canyon will be rendered unsuitable for any other use. Even worse is the probability of water pollution coming from run-off through the composting area. This "travesty in the making" needs to be rethought and more thoroughly scrutinized than it has been by the Jerome County Planning and Zoning Commission and the Jerome County commissioners. GERALD HUETTIG Hazelton

The U.S. is a republic, not a democracy

Notwithstanding the blatherings of presidents, congressmen, senators, governors, teachers, authors, news reporters, media moguls and the like, the United States of America was established as a "republic," not a democracy. Article IV, section 4 of the U.S. Constitution stipulates "The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a 'Republican' form of government."

While the differences between republics and democracies may seem inconsequential to Americans who have become complacent regarding their government and the liberties vouchsafed by our Constitution, there is a world of difference between the republic our founders established and the democracy our current leaders are seeking to promote. In addition, the so-called "democracies"

which are springing up all over the world do not even bear the vaguest resemblance to the principles upon which this nation was founded.

It is interesting to note that the founders of this nation understood the nuances between republics and democracies that they debated the relative strengths and weaknesses of each and rejected the democracy in favor of the Republican form of government.

James Madison's prolific notes, taken during the 1787 Constitutional Convention, review their discussions and understanding. Additionally, Madison, who is considered the "Father of the Constitution," included this statement in the Federalist Paper No. 10: "...democracies have ever been spectacles of turbulence and contention; have ever been found incompatible with personal security or the rights of property; and have in general been as short in their lives as they have been violent in their deaths."

Others of the founders were equally eloquent in their expositions against democracies and in favor of a representative form of government based on the principle and which limited the power of government and protected individual God-given liberties.

On the other hand, Karl Marx, in his booklet, "The Communist Manifesto," extolled democracy. His statement reveals his intent: "...the first step in the revolution by the working class is to raise the proletariat to the position of ruling class, to win the battle of democracy." History has demonstrated that democracies become a tyranny of the masses, that individual God-given liberties are sacrificed to the majority rule and proper governmental principles are destroyed.

The founding fathers of this nation were aware of the dangers of democracy, and while they intended for the Congress to be democratically accountable, they took profound care to prevent our republic from degenerating into a democracy. BILL BAKER Almo

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Mexicans grow impatient for change

MEXICO CITY (AP) — President Vicente Fox seemed unstoppable two years ago when he toppled Mexico's authoritarian political machine. He boasted he could end a seven-year rebel conflict in 15 minutes, root out endemic corruption and modernize poor farming villages.

But a quarter of the way into his six-year term, the energetic leader with a 6-foot-5 frame and booming voice has been humbled, admitting he may have set hopes too high. As he prepares for his state-of-the-nation address Sunday, he is telling Mexicans that building a democracy takes time.



Zapatista authorities read an official statement to journalists in the community of La Culebra Autoridades in the municipality of Coahuila in Chiapas, Mexico, Thursday. In the statement, the Zapatistas denounced the aggression by paramilitary groups and the killing of three Zapatista leaders in the past week.

"The first stage had a lot to do with fixing and mending, correcting and organizing ourselves to be able to do the job," Fox said last week. "We were very busy in that part of the equation and maybe that's why many are asking: What is the government doing?"

Indeed, the once wildly popular leader, whose popularity peaked on July 2, 2000, ended 71 years of single-party rule, struggling to keep people's faith in him alive.

"Mexico is restless," said Maria Teresa Ramirez, 48, showing away a beggar from her sandwich stand in Mexico City. "People are worried. A lot are asking, 'What is going to happen?'"

Fox's slow progress has reasons beyond his control. The Sept. 11 terrorist attacks sent Mexico tumbling down Washington's priority list and sidelined his top priority: a major agreement that would allow more legal migration to the United States.

But critics say much of the blame lies in the former Coca-Cola manager, who has shown himself to be more of a businessman than a politician.

Many say Fox, who has visited 27 countries as president, has traveled too much and left matters unattended at home.

"Lawmakers say his marketing prowess hides a lack of political savvy and complain that he announces his proposals to journalists before going to them."

Meanwhile, his administration has struggled with a Cabinet riddled with the help of headhunters that "prefers self-expression over teamwork," said George Grayson, a Mexico expert at the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

Fox has also lacked focus, addressing domestic issues as if they were "the flavor of the month," jumping from one to the other without getting major results, Grayson said.

Fox began strong, scoring a major political victory on his first day in office by bringing to the negotiating table a band of rebels who had frustrated his predecessors

for six years.

But the glory was short-lived. Leftist Zapatista rebels, who led a brief uprising in 1994 in Chiapas state, quickly cut off talks after the Mexican Congress — against Fox's wishes — passed a watered-down Indian rights bill.

The elusive ski-masked guerrilla fighters retreated to the jungle, and Fox moved on to other matters.

Analysts expect Fox on Sunday to highlight his successes at bringing down major drug smugglers, and keeping the economy afloat despite a U.S. recession that hurt Mexico's economy more than any other.

Inflation is at record lows and the peso is as strong today as when Fox took office, although the country has lost tens of thousands of jobs.

Mexico's legislature, courts and elections board have become more independent and Fox has given the public more access to government information, made elected officials more accountable and opened secret government files.

But he has only just begun to address his biggest obstacle — an often hostile Mexican Congress that has blocked his initiatives and even stopped him from taking a trip to the United States.

Last week, he met with opposition members of Congress, who agreed to consider his proposal to open some parts of the state-controlled electricity sector to private investment.

But Cuauhtemoc Cardenas, the leftist presidential contender who lost to Fox, said his Democratic Revolution Party will not work with Fox until the government changes dramatically.

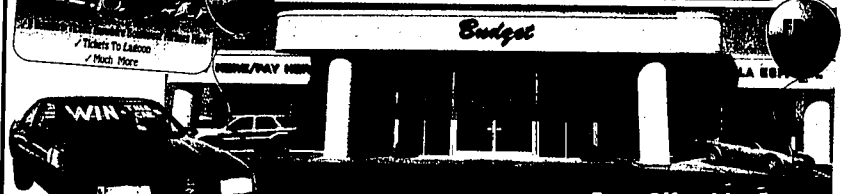
"The government of Fox is one of contradictions and clumsiness," he told The Associated Press.

Meanwhile, ordinary Mexicans want to see the change they voted for.

"We don't want to hear another politician say how he's done so much," said Artemio Ochoa, 56, sweeping a sidewalk in Mexico City. "We just want him to tell us the truth."

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Canada could have its first human W. Nile virus cases

TORONTO (AP) — Ontario health officials said Friday they believe three people sick in the province have the West Nile virus, which would be Canada's first human cases of the mosquito-borne illness that has killed 2 people in the United States this year.

Colin D'Cunha, the Ontario chief medical officer, said final confirmation would take another two weeks.

Ontario is Canada's most populous province, and is across the border from U.S. states where the virus has been reported.

If the three have the virus, it would document the continuing spread of West Nile throughout North America. Several U.S. states — including North Dakota, Iowa, Arkansas and South Carolina — have reported their first human cases this week of a virus that can cause fever, body aches, brain swelling, coma, paralysis or death.

Canadian officials have warned

in recent years that the virus, which has been detected in birds and animals in Canada, eventually would spread to the human population. It is transmitted to humans by mosquito bites.

Dr. David McKeown, the medical health officer for the Peel region west of Toronto, said two of the probable cases involved people over 65 from the Mississauga area.

One remains hospitalized in serious condition and another was hospitalized and then released to recover at home, McKeown said.

There was little information immediately available about the third case, but D'Cunha said authorities believe the person became sick in the United States.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 24 people have died across the country so far this year from the virus, with almost 500 cases reported in more than 20 states.

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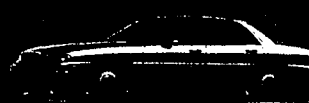
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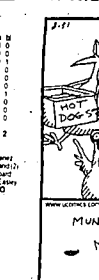
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Houston quarterback David Carr sits on the bench with his knee iced after leaving a preseason game against Tampa Bay with an injury during the second quarter Friday in Houston.

Bucs knock out Carr, trample Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — The Tampa Bay Buccaneers knocked David Carr, the No. 1 pick in the NFL draft, out of the game in the first half with a bruised right knee and took advantage of two early miscues to beat the Houston Texans 17-13 Friday night.

Carr was hurt with 13:57 left in the second quarter when he was pulled down by Bucs defensive end Corey Smith.

After receiving treatment on the field, Carr walked off on his own and spent the rest of the half sitting on the bench with an ice pack on his knee and remained in the team's training room in the third quarter.

Carr was back on the sidelines in the fourth quarter. Carr completed 5 of 9 passes for 58 yards and had two rushes for four yards.

The Texans (1-4) fell behind 14-0 in the first quarter when Dexter Jackson returned a fumble 21 yards for Tampa (2-2).

On the next series, Aaron Stecker scored from 11 yards out after a blocked punt.

Then Carr went down early in the second quarter as the Texans were mounting their best drive of the game.

Both teams rested most of their starters, not risking injuries before the regular season starts Sept. 8.

Chiefs 23, Rams 16

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Dante Hall gained 246 yards as Kansas City scored 23 straight points for a 23-16 victory over wireless St. Louis in its exhibition finale.

Jets 23, Eagles 16

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The New York Jets finished off a perfect preseason with a victory over Philadelphia. The Jets made his first pro reception a touchdown catch and defensive tackle Gerod McQueen scored on an interception return.

With the first-teamers, Kurt Warner and Marshall Faulk led the Rams to a 16-3 halftime lead. But the Chiefs' reserves turned the game around entirely. The Rams (0-4), whose 14-2 record topped the NFL last season, have experienced their first winless preseason since their final year in Los Angeles in 1994.

Both teams rested most of their starters, not risking injuries before the regular season starts Sept. 8. The Jets (4-0) are an undefeated preseason team.

Philadelphia didn't even bother to play any of its starters. Most of New York's first-stringers made brief appearances.

Cash is vying for the Jets' fifth wide receiver spot, while Mercer is trying to make it on the crowded defensive line.

Saints 25, Colts 21

NEW ORLEANS — Jake Delhomme, the Saints' No. 2 quarterback, threw two touchdown passes as New Orleans beat Indianapolis.

Both the Saints (3-1) and the Colts (2-2) went to their bench after three times left the game. Delhomme got the Saints on the board and New Orleans No. 1 draft pick Donté Stallworth into the end zone for the first time as a pro. Delhomme hit Stallworth for a 59-yard touchdown to cut Indianapolis' lead to 14-7 with 12:03 left in the first half.

Packers 21, Titans 20

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Thrusting quarterback Craig Nall led the Packers to their second Green Bay on three second-half scoring drives in a victory over Tennessee.

Billy Volek threw a 13-yard touchdown pass to Eddie Berlin to pull the Titans to within a point, but the 2-point conversion failed when the ball went off the hands of Berlin wide open in the end zone.

Nall completed 12 of 19 passes for 182 yards.

A fifth-round pick from Northwestern (La.) State who had been erratic all preseason, Nall led the Packers on scoring drives of 73, 46 and 82 yards after rookie John Simon returned the second-half kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown that gave Tennessee

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SPORTS

2002 HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

A lot on their minds

Indians eye title, deal with offseason car accident

By Elly Garner Times-News writer

GODDING - Sherry King wasn't sure she would be playing volleyball again. Two-and-a-half months after a serious car accident left King with a broken nose and wrist, the Buhl High senior was back on the court swinging and blocking like her old self this week.

King, along with teammates Brandi Hosman, Dani Kippes and Abilee Esparza, crashed June 5 on the Clear Lake Grade in Buhl. The car Hosman was driving began to turn then swerved back onto the road and was struck from behind by a truck.

Esparza and Kippes escaped with minor injuries but Hosman, who slipped into a coma but has since regained consciousness, remains hospitalized at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center.

Hosman's mother, Farah, said Brandi is rehabilitating and is tentatively scheduled to come home on Oct. 11. Their coach, Erin Scott, said it's a testament to King to be back at the level she played at a season ago.

"She is just one of those athletes that's a true player," Scott said. "She was out there hitting with her left hand, just to be out hitting with the team."

King is just glad to be playing again. "I am just happy to be on the court, because I can be," she said.

As is Esparza, who plays in the middle with King. "I'm just happy to be walking," said Esparza, who must have X-rays on her hip for the next three years to make sure it heals correctly.

With King back dominating the middle for the Indians, junior Jessica Brown swinging away from the outside, and Kippes setting up the two of them, Buhl promises to contend for the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference crown.

"We will be the team to beat," said Scott, who is one of four new coaches in the conference. "We are the terminators," said Kippes, in her best Arnold Schwarzenegger voice.

SCIC rival coaches conceded Buhl will be near the top. Filer's Ed Richards sees a three-team race for the title.

"Wood River, Buhl and Filer will all be in hard contention throughout the season," said Richards, who along with Sheila Wheeler of Declo, are the only returning coaches in the league.

First-year Wood River coach, Tim Richards (no relation to Ed), said the league is once again a tossup.

"Buhl will be a sentimental favorite (and) Wood River should be very strong," he said in his preseason questionnaire.

Filer, a team projected to be in the top three, returns six starters.

"This is one of my best athletic teams, in terms of just walking out the floor," Ed Richards said.

Another athletic juggernaut is Declo. With two returning starters, Lana Moss and Megan Young, on the outside, and a pair of front



The Buhl Tribe hope that Sherry King can help lead the Indians by dominating both offensively and defensively at the net this season.

twins, Melissa and Megan Webb, covering the middle, the Hornets will be a big force in the SCIC.

Kimberly hopes to erase the memories of last year's heart-breaking season with a new coach, Jan Hall, who promises "a finish in the top three, if everyone stays healthy."

Middle blocker Rachel Bulcher returns as a force for the Bulldogs and setter Sara Plew will run the 5-1 offense.

"We are returning some experience volleyball players, that are committed and have a drive to win," said Hall.

Back on the floor after a seven-year hiatus is Gooding High athletic director Joleen Toone, who returns to the helm of the Senators.

Toone took over for former coach Jenny Koski, who asked Toone to take over because Koski doesn't work at the high school.

"She felt the head coach needs to be in the school mingling with the kids," said Toone.

Toone joins Scott, Tim Richards and Hall of Kimberly as the league's new generals.

Besides the changes in coaches, scoring has changed with Idaho high schools adopting a

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-Buhl's Dani Kippes, on teammate Brandi Hosman

rally-scoring format where points are awarded on every possession.

But it isn't the rally-scoring that worries Kippes, it's the fact that Hosman isn't on the court with the Indians.

"It's not the same. It can't be," Kippes said. "It feels like she should be here, cheering with us, playing with us, and just being a team with us."

While the Indians pray for their teammate's quick recovery, they look forward to a dominating season, playing because they physically can, and playing, because Brandi would want them to.

A team-by-team look at the SCIC

Coach: Erin Scott, first season Assistant coaches: Stacey Ruffing and Gary Welch. Returning starters: MB Sherry King, sr.; SW Jessica Brown, jr.; S Dani Kippes, sr. Key players: SW Dana Scott, jr.; RS Jessica Seal, sr.; MB Abilee Esparza, sr.; RS Tracy Franson, sr.; MB Erin Lowder, jr. Season outlook: The Indians have strong teamwork and are a very close group. Perennial challenger for SCIC title. This year longer for different. Coach says: "We will be a team to beat. We have a very positive outlook for 2002."

Coach: Sheila Wheeler, fourth season Assistant coaches: Heather Gibby, Laurie Webb. Returning starters: OH Lana Moss, sr.; OH Megan Young, sr. Key players: O/P Ashley Petersen, jr.; MB Melissa Webb, jr.; MB Megan Webb, jr.; S Katie Wall, jr. Season outlook: Tall and talented, the Hornets also have depth but are young. Coach says: "There is a lot of depth to this team, and the cohesiveness is amazing."

Coach: Ed Richards, 11th season Assistant coaches: Trent Wilcox, Janis-Brown, Meagan Millican. Returning starters: MB/OH Christina Brown, sr.; DS Mary Feusahlens, sr.; OH/MB Janie Hymas, sr.; OH Nicole Peterson, sr.; S Bonnie Richards, sr.; MB Monique Schaal, jr. Key players: DS Britney Prigmore, jr.; OH Krystal Demoney, jr.; S Krista Chandler, jr. Season outlook: The Wildcats have strength in their returning seniors. They have good blocking and not play. However, their serving isn't consistent, nor is their hitting. Passing is a new area of concern because they are changing the serve-receive system. Coach says: "We have very athletic young ladies. They are strong and they can jump."

Coach: Joleen Toone, first season Assistant coaches: Jenny Koski, Tobey Braga, Crystal Gillette. Returning starters: S Kristen Sabala, sr.; MB Nikki Calzavara, jr. Key players: S Katie Rice, jr.; S/OH Kalynn Pereira, soph.; OH Ashley Abramowski, soph.; MB Teri Lehr, soph.; OH Brittanio Toone, fr. Season outlook: The Senators are a young team who will look to Kristen Sabala, their only senior, for experience. They are quick, with good serving and hitting. But they need to work on passing, and inexperience could have an impact. Coach says: "We have great teamwork, even though we are inexperienced due to our youth."

Coach: Jan Hall, first season Assistant coaches: Jeni Niu, Angie Schroeder. Returning starters: MB Rachel Bulcher, sr.; S Sara Plew, sr. Key players: OH Heather Smith, sr.; OH Evynn Olsen, sr.; MB Erin Kincaid, sr.; RS Tiffany Runds, sr. Season outlook: The Bulldogs have a very experienced team with some good height. Assuming everyone stays healthy, they will be a team to beat. Coach says: "We have experienced players. I am just worried about how well we get together and peaking at the right time."

Coach: Tim Richards, first season Assistant coaches: Gary Carr, Dena Babecek. Returning starters: OH Jessica King, jr.; S Whitney Richards, sr. Key players: OH Liz Rippon, jr.; S/OPP Emily Smith, jr.; MB Syringa Stark, soph.; MB Natalie Green, jr.; S/OH Aubrey Kirtley, sr.; MB Kelsea Kallantyne, sr.; S Christina Arpp, jr.; OH Chari Lindley, jr. Season outlook: The defending SCIC champions return a young team with a new coach as longtime coach Reamy Richards migrated north to the Ketchum Community School. Wolverines have good athletes, and will look to seniors Whitney Richards, Aubrey Kirtley and Kelsea Kallantyne for leadership. Coach says: "We have a lot of good, young athletes who work hard and play well together."

Coach: Julian Escobedo, ninth season Assistant coaches: Jaime Koltz. Returning starters: OH Jessica Richie, sr.; MB Mindy Malone, jr. Key players: MB Nichole Hansen, sr.; OH Katie Wood, sr.; S Jenna Dehoney, sr.; OH Sarah Praeger, jr. Season outlook: Defending league champion Vikings return strength on both offense and defense. Malone and Richie are powerful hitters and solid blockers. The only real area of concern is passing, where Valley will have to work on it to run offense and set up their hitters. Coach says: "We have some pretty good hitters that will be fun to watch. Blocking will be another strength, our middlebackers will be a big factor in our defense."

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A team-by-team look at the Canyon Conference

Coach: Melissa Martin, third season Assistant coaches: Kelli McHone. Returning starters: OH Megan Everett, sr. Key players: MB Jessica Simons, jr.; S Kylee Noble, jr.; MB Erin Cunningham, sr. Season outlook: There isn't a lot of height on the Pilots this year, so they will have to work on defense. They are a small team and defense will be key. Coach says: "I hope that our strength this season will be defense. We will have to be able to move our feet and be great defensive specialists."

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SPORTS

Kuerten boots Safin, finds confidence

Barlow fires 65 to take lead at Air Canada

NEW YORK (AP) - With each flowing re-entrant, each biting serve, Gustavo Kuerten looked less and less like the unseeded player he is and more like the Grand Slam champion he has been.

Marat Safin did little to slow the transformation.

In a matchup that, judging by names and accomplishments alone, belongs in the latter stages of a major tournament rather than merely the second round, Kuerten dominated No. 2-seeded Safin 6-4, 6-4, 7-5 Friday at the U.S. Open.

"Maybe today is my happiest day of the year," three-time French Open champion Kuerten said, his disposition as bright as his orange T-shirt. "I feel much more relaxed. I feel I have nothing to lose. Winning the match, I got my confidence back. I feel happy with myself and my game."

That hasn't been the case for much of 2002, a season interrupted in February by right hip surgery that kept him off tour for two months. Kuerten came into the U.S. Open totting a 13-10 match record and a ranking of 46th - making him the first player in 31 years to go from being seeded No. 1 at the Open one day to being unseeded the next.

"He's hungry," Safin said. "He wants to come back. He wants to win matches."

So does the man Safin upset in the 2000 Open final, Pete Sampras. The 13-time major champion is without a title of any sort since July 2000, but played about as well as he has all season in a 6-3, 7-5, 6-4 victory over Kristian Pless. Sampras had 21 aces, including one at 135 mph to end the match.

Also into the third round were No. 11 Andy Roddick, who turned 20 Friday and was serenaded with "Happy Birthday" by fans en route to his four-leading 50th match victory this year; and No. 3 Tommy Haas, who was awarded that his coach wasn't relaying advice from the stands, even though such help is banned. Roddick next plays No. 18 Alex Corretja, while Haas faces No. 29 Thomas Enqvist.

Winners included Wimbledon semifinalists Tim Henman and Xavier Malisse, and French Open finalist Juan Carlos Ferrero. But 10th-seeded Sebastien Grosjean lost to fellow Frenchman Arnaud Clement 6-3, 3-6, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4.

Serena Williams, trying to

Friday at the U.S. Open

Highlights Friday of the \$16.17 million U.S. Open tennis championships:

Weather: Overcast and cool with a high of 73. **Attendance:** Day session, 32,671 (record); all record, 32,078, Sept. 1, 2001.

Winners: Men, Second Round: No. 3 Tommy Haas, No. 5 Tim Henman, No. 7 Juan Carlos Ferrero, No. 11 Andy Roddick, No. 19 Xavier Malisse, No. 24 Sjeng Schaeken, No. 26 Juan Ignacio Ceta, No. 29 Thomas Enqvist, Gustavo Kuerten, Women, Third Round: No. 1 Serena Williams, No. 4 Lindsay Davenport, No. 8 Justine Henin, No. 11 Daniela Hantuchova. **Losers:** Men, Second Round: No. 2 Marat Safin, No. 10 Sebastien Grosjean, Women, Second Round: No. 22 Tatiana Panova, No. 24 Iva Majoli, No. 26 Nathalie Dechy.

become the first woman to win three straight major titles since Steffi Graf in 1996, moved into the fourth round by dismissing No. 26 Nathalie Dechy 6-1, 6-1 before a crowd that included National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice. Williams wore a pink top zipped up from the bottom, revealing a dangling belly ring. She plays No. 20 Dajani Bedanova for a quarterfinal berth.

No. 4 Lindsay Davenport advanced to the round of 16, as did No. 8 Justine Henin and No. 11 Daniela Hantuchova, who'll face each other. Davenport, the 1998 champion, reached the Open's fourth round for the seventh straight year by beating 17-year-old French qualifier Marion Bartoli 6-3, 6-1. Playing her first major since right knee surgery in January, Davenport had 11 aces among a whopping 37 winners - 34 more than Bartoli. Next up is No. 13 Silvia Farina.

Kuerten, who plays 65th-ranked Nicolas Pietrangeli, was asked what the unwanted time off after his operation taught him.

"The past and the future don't matter - just the moment you're living," the man known as Guga said. "So that's what I've got to worry: When the ball comes, I have to hit it, or when I'm on the court I have to practice."

"When it's gone, it's gone." If Kuerten lives for the



Brazil's Gustavo Kuerten returns against Russia's Marat Safin Friday at the U.S. Open in New York. Kuerten beat the No. 2-seeded Safin 6-4, 6-4, 7-5.

moment, Safin tries to get through it.

He'll smash rackets (though not Friday, which counts as progress). He'll throw his arms in the air. He'll mutter to himself after almost every mistake. It's as though he's thinking, "I am much too good to ever give away a point."

"What can you say to yourself?"

It's just all the good things and all the bad things you can say," Safin said. "You try to react, try to maybe help. But it didn't help today."

Kuerten was just too good, striking 122 mph, came in the final game. He faced just two break points, erasing both, and won 24 of the 27 points on his

serve in the third set.

Kuerten's ratio of winners to errors was 45-24.

Still, the 6-foot-4 Russian can't be pleased with a second-round exit to match the one he had at Wimbledon. The two surprising flops at majors follow a string in which Safin made at least the semifinals of four straight Grand Slam events.

Pierce helps U.S. hold off charge by Nowitzki, Germany

Third-quarter burst leads U.S. to tough win

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Just when Dirk Nowitzki and Germany were making things a little too hairy, Paul Pierce saved the United States from what could have been a historic loss.

In a game that was surprisingly close for the better part of three quarters, Pierce scored eight of his 24 points in a 46-second span Friday night to spur the U.S. team to a 104-87 victory at the World Championships.

The United States improved to 55-0 when using teams of NBA players in international competitions, but this victory

will be remembered as the first time the 2002 version of Team USA was tested.

The Americans looked horrible at times in their halfcourt offense, couldn't defend Nowitzki on simple pick-and-rolls and were the less aggressive team for the first 29 minutes.

Germany led 67-65 after a 3-pointer by Marko Pasic with 3:27 left in the third quarter. That's when Pierce took over.

He scored on a drive with 3:02 left in the third to erase Germany's final lead, then put on a show by scoring eight points in the final 46 seconds - a pair of foul shots, a three-point play off a drive to the basket and a steal at midcourt that led to a buzzer-beating 3-pointer from 35 feet for a 77-67 lead entering the fourth.

World Championships

Pierce had 15 points, three rebounds, three assists and three steals in the quarter.

Ben Wallace provided the finishing touch - and it was not a soft one. With the Americans ahead by 12 with 8 minutes left, Wallace went up and soundly rejected a dunk attempt by Nowitzki.

Michael Finley scored the next eight U.S. points on a pair of 3-pointers and a breakout layup as part of a 28-5 run that gave the Americans a 93-72 lead.

Nowitzki finished with 34 points and 10 rebounds.

Finley had 21, Baron Davis scored 13 and Jermaine O'Neal 11 for the United States, which finishes first-round play Saturday night against China.



Paul Pierce shoots against Germany defender Patrick Femerling at the World Basketball Championships in Indianapolis Friday.

Marsh, Irwin tied atop Allianz Championship

WEST DES MOINES, Iowa - Graham Marsh knocked in six birdie putts in shooting a 5-under-par 66 - his lowest round of the year - to tie Hale Irwin at the Allianz Championship.

The 58-year-old Australian would have had the lead to himself in the senior tournament had he not bogeyed 18. He highlighted his round with a 40-foot birdie putt on No. 12.

Marsh and Irwin were low enough to get by in Friday's round, played in sunny, 89-degree weather. That was a sharp contrast to the soggy conditions during last year's tournament at the Glen Oaks Country Club, which was battered by storms that included high winds and a tornado.

Larry Ziegler, Allen Doyle, Larry Nelson, Bob Gilder and Jim Holtgreve were a stroke back at 67.

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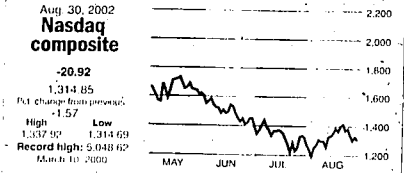
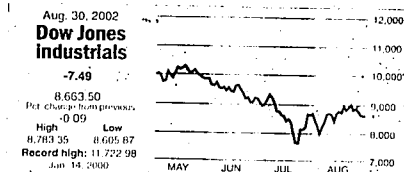
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Stocks fall in light trading before holiday

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street bumped through a quiet session Friday, with the chips rising on some oilpatch economic news...



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been a normal correction in an uptrend," said Richard A. Dickson, technical analyst at Hilliard Lyons Berriman & Co.

Among the economic reports Friday, analysts said investors were heartened by news that manufacturing activity increased in the Midwest as the Purchasing Managers' Association's...

The Commerce Department reported that retail consumers increased their spending by percent in July, their incomes remained flat due to a stagnant job market.

Technology suffered the brunt of Friday's selling, tumbling on negative developments among wireless, chip and networking companies.

streak for the Dow and S&P and a three-week run for the Nasdaq. For the week, the Dow lost 2.4 percent, the S&P declined 4.8 percent, and the S&P fell 2.6 percent.

Although the market ended Friday's trading, while they are feeling more confident about stocks, they were expected to take some profits, especially ahead of the three-day weekend.

8.4 percent, while the Nasdaq was off by 9.8 percent. But the broadest of these indexes—the S&P 500, rose 4.3 percent.

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Regulators approve major oil, gas merger

WASHINGTON (AP) — The \$15.1 billion merger of Phillips Petroleum Co. and Conoco Inc. received federal approval Friday, clearing the way for completion of a deal that would create the third largest U.S. oil and gas company.

The Federal Trade Commission voted 5-0 in favor of the deal, but required the companies to sell refineries in Utah and Colorado and certain operations in Missouri, Illinois, New Mexico, Texas and Washington state.

The Commerce Department reported that retail consumers increased their spending by percent in July, their incomes remained flat due to a stagnant job market.

Technology suffered the brunt of Friday's selling, tumbling on negative developments among wireless, chip and networking companies.

become the country's top refiner and a gas retailing giant, with about 17,000 filling stations nationwide.

"It was a step that was necessary for both companies. They could not have survived single," he said. "Bigger is better in the business where you don't know where oil prices are going to be a year from now."

Anticipating the FTC conditions, the companies already had begun selling some facilities. Phillips is selling its Woods Cross refinery near Salt Lake City and 25 gasoline stations in Utah and southern Wyoming.

The FTC also is requiring Phillips to sell gas stations in California, a propane and butane storage plant in Spokane, Wash., and propane facilities in Jefferson City, Mo., and East St. Louis, Ill. Conoco must sell certain natural gas wells in New Mexico and Texas, the FTC said.

Economy

Continued from B7 Some economists believe future job growth will be strong enough to prevent unemployment from rising. They predict the jobless rate may move to 6.3 percent or 6.5 percent by the end of the year.

Rising layoffs, as evidenced by three straight weeks of increases in new claims for jobless benefits, are raising new questions about the health of the job market, economists said.

July's income picture was weaker than expected, but it increased many analysts had predicted. But the spending side was stronger than the 0.7 percent advance that was forecast.

Spending on big-ticket "durable" goods, including cars and appliances, by 3.7 percent in July, following a 1.6 percent increase in June.

Exodus

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added 3,796 new residential construction in its southern Idaho sector during the end of the second quarter.

While 2,214 of those accounts were in the Boise area and 1,525

were in the Nampa area, only 43 new accounts were opened in the Pocatello area. Twin Falls added 587 new accounts.

John Church, an ex-Idaho Power Co. economist and now a

consultant, said those statistics are not surprising given the Pocatello area has experienced a large number of job layoffs, while the Twin Falls area continues to grow.

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Key Boeing union will hold new vote

SEATTLE (AP) - Boeing Co.'s biggest union plans to conduct a new vote on a three-year contract offer and will keep the contract of an earlier ballot sealed, a union official said Friday.

Mark Blonin, president of the Machinists District 751, said members had complained of confusion during Thursday's vote, after a federal mediator asked the union and Boeing to resume negotiations and extend the current contract.

Although the union quickly agreed, Boeing refused; the company says it will not budge from its "best and final" offer.

The union intends to meet with the mediator on Wednesday in hopes that Boeing will change its mind. If Boeing refuses, the union will vote again on the standing offer.

No date for the vote has been set. "To ensure that every member is given an opportunity to express their true opinion, we will again vote," Blonin said.

Boeing spokesman Chuck Cadena said the company would respect the results of a second vote and said it should be held as soon as possible.

Boeing, based in Chicago, still voted the ballots from the first vote counted to "bring the contract to a conclusion," he said.

Boeing negotiators were also talking on Friday with the director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service about setting up a meeting to explain the company's contract offer.

The company said it will not meet with the Machinists further and will not reopen negotiations.

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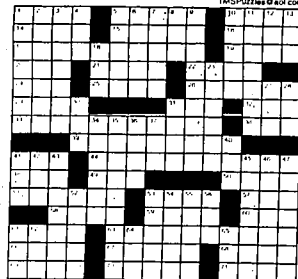
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Eminem dominates MTV awards

Sullen rapper chalks up best video honor

By Isaac Guzman
New York Daily News

NEW YORK — A sullen Eminem walked off as the big winner Thursday night at pop music's flashiest event — MTV's Video Music Awards.

The foul-mouthed rapper picked up five "moon man" statuettes for Radio City Music Hall, including one for Video of the Year for "Without Me," the clip in which he portrays a ho-stopping Osama bin Laden. But if there's such a thing as a sore winner, Eminem's finest was it.

Each time he spun an award, Eminem glared into the camera. And when Triumph the Insult Comic Dog tried to interview him, his bodyguards blocked the wisecracking hand puppet. To make matters worse, while accepting the Best Male Video award, the man born Marshall Mathers lit into a bespectacled Moby, whom he also mocked on his latest album, the multi-platinum "Eminem Show."

"I don't know what to say, that little Moby girl threw me out of my game," Eminem said, prompting the majority of the audience to boo him. "Keep booing, little girl. I will hit a man with glasses."

It was the only controversy during an otherwise straightforward, if irreverent, night. The big surprise was a show-closing appearance by Axl Rose and his



Eminem waves his hand in the face of Triumph, the comic dog, after popping up in commentary about Moby Thursday during the MTV Video Music Awards at New York's Radio City Music Hall.

revenge Cunt 'N' Roses. The heavy metal icon has spent more than a decade trying to release his next album.

The normally reclusive star performed the classics "Welcome to the Jungle" and "Paradise City." Between those two, he sandwiched a new song, which described a man who has drifted so far from shore that he can't get back.

Afterwards, MTV newsmen Kurt Loder asked Rose if fans would be seeing the new album, "Chinese Democracy," any time soon. "You'll see it," Rose said. "But I don't know if 'soon' is the word."

Another key live moment came when "N Sync's Justin

Timberlake made his solo debut. He sang "Like I Love You" in front of a giant boom box stage set.

If anyone thought the folks at MTV have been taking the VMAs too seriously, last night's installment quickly ended such speculation. Although the program began with Bruce Springsteen's rousing rendition of his Sept. 11-inspired song "The Rising," it quickly devolved into a show that made fun of the very musicians who are the channel's biggest stars.

Host Jimmy Fallon got the merrily started with an opening number that saw him imitating Eminem, Dave Matthews, Avril Lavigne, Nelly and Enrique Iglesias.

2002 MTV Video Music Awards

- Winners at the 2002 MTV Video Music Awards:**
Music Awards:
Video of the Year: Eminem, "Without Me"
"Without Me"
Viewer's Choice Award: Michelle Branch, "Everywhere"
Rap Video: Eminem, "Without Me"
R&B Video: Mary J. Blige, "No More Drama"
Hip-Hop Video: Jennifer Lopez, "I'm Real"
Rock Video: Linkin Park, "In the End"
Female Video: Pink, "Get the Party Started"
Male Video: Eminem, "Without Me"
Pop Video: No Doubt featuring Bounty Killer, "Hey Baby"
New Artist in a Video: Avril Lavigne, "Complicated"
Group Video: No Doubt featuring Bounty Killer, "Hey Baby"
Dance Video: Pink, "Get the Party Started"
Video from a Film: Chad Kroeger featuring Josey Scott, "Hero"
(Spider-Man)
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MTV2 Award: Dashboard Confessional, "Screaming Infidelities"
Director: Eminem (Director Joseph Kahn, "Without Me")
Choreography: Kylie Minogue, "Can't Get Out of My Head"
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Editing: The White Stripes, "Fall in Love With a Girl"
Cinematography: Moby, "We Are All Made of Stars"

Mother severs ties, learns how to live again

DEAR ABBY: Several years ago, I was hospitalized after being airlifted for emergency treatment. My condition was so dire that I received last sacraments. My daughter and daughter-in-law were with me for admittance, and again two months later when I was released. Other than that, I received nary a call, card or visit.

Medications for high blood pressure and other ailments were prescribed but not filled. My doctor and I were helpless, as my daughter-in-law had my power of attorney.

Then the girls called a psychiatrist to declare me incompetent. Luckily, he befriended me instead and notified the local adult protective services agency. This took five months, during which the girls continued to harass me. It took its toll; I became almost suicidal. It hurt to know that with four grown children living locally, there was no one to step forward and help me.

At that point, I realized I had been abandoned at the corner of Nowhere and Forever. There were repeated hurtful incidents, and to top it off, I fell and fractured my hip. I made four calls to family members — not one responded.

I finally severed all ties with my family. For a long time I refused to share my story, fearful it would reflect badly on me. But doctors and therapists I have met through adult protective services have repeatedly assured me, "It happens! They are the ones, who should feel guilty."

Yes, it hurts. The wounds are deep.

However, although I am no longer young, I am embarking on a new life, and have gained new friends and loving care relationships. I have never known such happiness and peace of mind.

Abby, please print this so anyone who is feeling left and abandoned will know there is always hope. Hang in there — I am, and life is good again.

— HEALING IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR HEALING: Although your experience was devastating, I'm pleased the outcome has been so positive.

Readers, if you know a senior citizen who is being physically, psychologically or financially abused, adult protective services are as near as your phone book — and as this letter proves, they can literally be a lifesaver. If there is no listing for your community, contact the police.

DEAR ABBY: "Keeping Secrets in Chicago" wrote about children who confide a problem in a trusted adult other than a parent, and asked if that person is supposed to keep the confidence or intercede with the parents on the child's behalf.

I have been an educator for almost 30 years — 20 having been spent as a middle-school teacher. I have often been the confidante for troubled teens. This is what I have learned:

Never, ever promise not to tell. When asked to keep a secret, I always reply: "I can see that you are troubled, and I'm here to help you if I can. But I can't promise not to tell."

Abby, I have never had a teenager walk away. They've always chosen to go ahead and share their problem with me. I am then free to use my judgment about how best to serve the student's best interests.

— CHRIS BERGQUIST
FULMER, NORTH LAKE COLLEGE, IRVING, TEXAS.

DEAR CHRIS: That's a good policy. To do otherwise would betray a confidence.



Pink poses for photographers with her award for Best Female Video for "Get the Party Started" during the MTV Video Music Awards.

Alan Jackson gets record 10 nods for County Music Awards

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Alan Jackson got so many nominations Thursday for Country Music Association Awards that he may end up being his own toughest competitor.

The Georgian scored 10 nominations, breaking Merle Haggard's 32-year-old record of nine. Two of Jackson's songs — "Where Were You (When the World Stopped Turning)" and

"Drive (For Daddy Gene)" — are nominated for best single, song and music video.

That means his supporters could split their vote, allowing someone else to win.

"I was surprised and flattered and shocked and grateful and thankful," Jackson said Thursday. "The only thing is, I've got a lot more to lose at this show than normal."

Sorority sisters redo their digs

Today
"Trading Spaces" — Sorority sisters redo their college sorority home. (TVG) THE LEARNING CHANNEL, 8 p.m.
"The District" — The legal defense team attacks DeBreno's character when he becomes the key witness in a drug case involving a diplomat's son. Debrah Farentino, Steven Seiden, Alexis Cruz TV Best Bets and Parker Stevenson guest star. (CC) (TVPG) CBS, 8 p.m.
"Bull Durham" — A romantic triangle develops among a minor-league catcher, a brash young pitcher and a self-styled baseball groupie. (CC) (TV14) TBS, 8 p.m.

Sunday
"Saturday Night Fever" — A Brooklyn disco dancer develops doubts about his lifestyle when he bumps up with an ambitious woman for a big contest. ALEXICAN MOVIE CLASSICS, 6 p.m.
"Burns Reborn" — Touring homes that people have created from old barns. THE HOME & GARDEN CHANNEL, 7 p.m.
"The Practice" — A turbulent murder trial climaxes with a startling verdict that could alter the lives of several members of the firm. John Larroquette and Larry King guest star. (CC) (TVPG) ABC, 9 p.m.

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Man's outhouse construction sends Maryland a message

CRESAPOTOWN, Md. (AP) — A property owner who thinks state building regulations stink is sending a message with his latest construction project: an outhouse.

Gene Pratt said he built the nonfunctional privy along U.S. 220 to protest rules that would add \$2,000 to the cost of putting a small office building on the site.

Under the building code, Pratt would have needed a certified architect's drawing of the project. Outdoors are excluded from the requirement.

"When you get to be 67 years

old you just don't need the aggravation," Pratt said. "I'm definitely not going to build anything there now."

In 1993, the state began requiring certified architectural drawings for any new buildings that would be occupied by the public. In 1998 the state mandated that the requirement become part of the county's building code.

"It can take a very significant amount of money to pay for the drawings, but it's state law," said David Eberly, Allegany County's community services director.

Jobs come into focus for Taurus

IF AUGUST 31ST IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you were possibly separated from one or both parents at a relatively early age...

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Near-sighted mice shun the middle of rooms

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Bulldozer lifts roof of Florida residence

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. (AP) - A couple was at the dinner table when a bulldozer rumbled into their home and tore the ceiling down.

Yessenia Reyes and her husband were eating in the kitchen of their rented home at 5:30 p.m. Thursday when the bulldozer roared up and began a demolition job.

"He came in through the back, and he just took the ceiling down. He almost came through my son's bedroom," Reyes said. The Reyeses bawled for their door and yelled at the operator, stopping him in time to leave part of the roof intact.

The president of Zira Inc., the private contractor that employed the operator and had been demolishing homes in the area, said his company would repair the damage and estimate the cost at \$5,000.

"I can fix it in two days," said George Zaragoza, company president. "He made a mistake and thought it was supposed to be demolished."

Reyes said she was concerned with "mysteries of the universe." You will be interviewed on questions regarding "life after death."

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Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Keep resolutions concerning health, including exercise and diet. Nothing happens halfway; personally or professionally, the pressure is on.

WORLD

Japan's prime minister plans unprecedented visit to N. Korea

TOKYO - Japan's prime minister announced Friday he will visit North Korea next month for an unprecedented meeting with its reclusive leader, Kim Jong Il, in a surprise gesture aimed at soothing tensions that continue from cultural times and the Cold War.

Junichiro Koizumi's visit would be the first to the reclusive communist nation by a Japanese leader and a rare visit by a major head of state, coming months after President Bush singled out Pyongyang as part of an "axis of evil" that fosters international terrorism.

North Korea welcomed Koizumi's planned visit as "an important occasion." South Korea was optimistic it could push the United States and the North closer to dialogue.

But analysts warned against high expectations. Japan ruled the Korean Peninsula as a colony from 1910-1945 and animosity still runs deep between the two nations. Talks on establishing diplomatic ties for the first time since the North's founding in 1948 have foundered on nagging disputes.

World in brief

Russia finds navy culpable in submarine disaster

MOSCOW - Numerous safety lapses, technical errors, bad management and simple sloppiness may have contributed to the devastating explosions that sank the Russian submarine Kursk and resulted in the deaths of all 118 men aboard, according to an account of a lengthy investigation into the August 2000 disaster.

The exhaustive, four-page expose, published Thursday in the official newspaper Rossiyskaya Gazeta, amounted to a scathing condemnation of the corruption-ridden Russian navy and the equally problematic investigation that followed. Coming almost two years after the Kursk sank, the report was as close as President Vladimir Putin's government has come to a public accounting for the disaster, choosing as its vehicle a state mouthpiece not known for investigative journalism.

Russia's prosecutor general, Vladimir Ustinov, officially ended the criminal probe into the disaster last month, saying no one was to blame. The inquiry found that the Kursk sank after a powerful blast caused by highly volatile torpedic propellant that leaked and came in contact with kerosene and metal.

Thursday's report, which the newspaper said was based on previously secret evidence compiled by Ustinov's prosecutors and totaled 133 volumes, offered up numerous problems that may have contributed to the disaster.

China sentences two boys to life in prison for fire

BEIJING - A Chinese court sentenced two boys to life in prison for setting a fire at an unlicensed Internet cafe that killed 25 people and prompted a nationwide safety crackdown. The sentences were handed down Tuesday in the Beijing No. 1 Intermediate People's Court, the official Xinhua News Agency said Friday. The boys' ages were not given and they were identified only by their surnames, Liu and Song.

A girl convicted of helping the boys was sentenced to 12 years, and a 13-year-old boy was sent to youth detention, the report said. It was the first time those two defendants, whose full names were not given, were mentioned in the case. The girl's age was not given in the report.

Xinhua said the boys were spared the death sentence because they were minors - defined as being under 18 years old - at the time of the crime. The report could not be immediately confirmed because court officials did not answer the phone late Friday afternoon.

Swedish police believe man planned to hijack plane

STOCKHOLM, Sweden - Police on Friday accused a man of planning to hijack a plane after a handgun was found in his carry-on luggage as he prepared to board a flight from Sweden to England.

The suspect, a 29-year-old Swedish citizen, was in a group of people headed to an Islamic conference in Birmingham, England, according to police in Vaesternas, 60 miles northwest of the capital, Stockholm.

Security officers found the weapon in a toiletries bag when they searched the man's hand luggage on Thursday, a police spokesman Ulf Palm said. Palm earlier said the man was a native of Tunisia, but police determined that he was born in Sweden to parents believed to be from the North African nation.

Islamic court sentences couple to be stoned for affair

LAGOS, Nigeria - An Islamic court has sentenced a couple to death by stoning for having an affair, marking the first time in Nigeria that a man has been sentenced to death for adultery, media reported Thursday.

The sentence came a week after an Islamic court rejected single mother Aminah Lawal's appeal of a stoning sentence for having sex outside of marriage.

Lawal's case provoked an international outcry, with governments and human rights groups around the world urging President Olusegun Obasanjo's administration to intercede on her behalf.

The couple, Ahmadu Ibrahim and Fatima Usman, both 30, were sentenced to death Monday by a court in the central town of New Gawa.

Usman had become pregnant with Ibrahim's child while she

was married to another man, the radio and television reports said.

Ibrahim and Usman had originally been sentenced to five years in prison in May after pleading guilty to adultery but protested to a higher court that the sentence was too harsh.

Their appeal backfired Monday when the court ruled against them; their sentence was too lenient, the reports said. The state's Shariah laws prescribe death as

Germans begin releasing billions to flood victims

BERLIN - The German government on Friday started releasing billions of dollars pledged to restore eastern regions ravaged by floods that swept across central Europe this month.

The first installment of \$980 million was transferred to the

affected states, the Interior Ministry said Friday. A program to help flooded small businesses also began.

Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder moved swiftly to line up nearly \$9.8 billion in aid to help in Germany's biggest rebuilding task since World War II.

Polls have suggested his hands-on approach to the crisis boosted his personal standing ahead of Sept. 22 parliamentary elections.

Payments to the states began even before the measures cleared parliament.

Conservative challenger Edmund Stoiber has criticized Schroeder, who presented the relief package Thursday to the lower house, for delaying a tax cut until 2003 to fund the effort; Stoiber pledged not to block the relief to show their solidarity with the victims.

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Bosnian Serb Stevo Macuro carries a book containing the names of missing people during a ceremony in Sarajevo, Friday.

Families gather to remember those missing in Balkan wars

SARAJEVO - Hundreds of people whose relatives went missing in the Balkan wars observed the International Day of the Disappeared on Friday, as forensic experts filled sacks with human remains from a mass grave found in Bosnia.

The ceremony in downtown Sarajevo was attended by Bosnians and people from neighboring Yugoslavia and Croatia whose relatives went missing in the series of wars that began in 1991, when Croatia and Slovenia declared independence from Yugoslavia.

Mira Musan, 60, arrived from the Croatian town of Osijek, where she lost her husband in 1991 in fighting between Croatian units and rebel Serbs. His remains were found in a mass grave early last year. "I didn't know about his whereabouts for 10 years. Now I was able to bury him," she said, adding that she came here to "give my support to all those who are looking for their missing loved ones."

The U.N. war crimes tribunal, which is prosecuting former Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic and others accused of atrocities in the Balkan wars, used the occasion to call on witnesses with information related to war crimes and the fate of the missing persons to come forward.

Missile brought down chopper, Russian official says

MOSCOW - Russian Defense Minister Sergei Ivanov said Friday there were "no doubts" that a missile fired from a portable launcher brought down a helicopter in Chechnya, killing 118 people, Russian news agencies reported Friday.

But Ivanov also laid blame for the death toll on military officers, saying in sharply worded comments that personnel who organized the flight violated orders and ignored safety regulations.

The Mi-26 helicopter was carrying 147 people when it crashed. It can normally hold about 80 combat-equipped soldiers or as much as 22 tons of cargo. Military officials have denied the helicopter was overloaded and that excess weight could have contributed to the August tragedy.

The Aug. 19 crash was the worst military aviation catastrophe in Russian history and the largest single loss of life among the troops fighting rebels in Chechnya.

The king of strikes

Don't tell me about baseball strikes. I know all about them. I was the King of Strikes on my Little League baseball team. In the entire history of Little League baseball, nobody ever had more strikes thrown against them than I did. You can look it up.

They say that hitting a baseball hurtling toward you at a high rate of speed is one of the most difficult skills to master in all of sport. Well, I took that skill all the way from "difficult" to "impossible." I couldn't hit a baseball if it was dangled from a string over home plate and covered with Velcro.



VALUABLE SPEAK
Joseph Walker

It's the whole hand-eye thing. I have two of each - hands and eyes - but during baseball season they never seemed to be on speaking terms.

Don't get me wrong. I'm not completely lacking in athletic skill. Why, just the other day I won a prize at the local amusement park's basketball shooting booth. Never mind that it cost me \$23 before I finally made enough shots to earn a \$4 plush toy. The fact is, I did it. That's the important thing. Fair and square.

But baseball has always been a challenge for me. Thanks to hours in the yard playing catch with Dad, I could catch and throw the ball pretty well. I was a better-than-average first baseman. It was just that hitting thing. And the strike thing. You know - three strikes and you're out (who ever came up with that number anyway? It seems so arbitrary. Why not "10 strikes and you're out"? Doesn't that sound like a nicer, rounder, more compassionate number?)

The worst part of it was watching how the other team reacted to me - and how that reaction changed after they saw me swing the bat a time or two. Since I was always big and sturdy (the "clubby" comes to mind, but let's not go there, OK?) for my age, teams getting a first look at me tended to react accordingly. The infielders would move to deep infield positions, and the outfielders would back up a few steps. By the end of the game, after three or four futile at-bats, the infielders were sitting on their haunches and the outfielders were chasing butterflies.

My coach was very patient with me. At first he tried to explain to me and teach me how to hit properly. When that failed, he tried to get me to be more discerning and to quit swinging at bad pitches - and then quit swinging at all pitches and period. But I couldn't do it. It seemed somehow unsporting. I mean, with all the players on the other team chanting, "Hey bah, hey bah, hey bah, SWING!" well, you just had to swing. It was the American way.

So I went up to bat game after game, and I took my cues, used up all my strikes and then took my seat on the bench. My teammates were generally supportive, although there were a couple of times when I came up to bat with two outs that the coach had to talk to them about waiting until AFTER I struck out before they ran onto the field to take their positions.

Organized baseball and I parted company after two years of Little League. It was a mutual decision - we both felt it was best. But even though I experienced more failure than success during those two years I still look back on them fondly. It was fun. I got to wear Mickey Mantle's number 7 on my back (in addition to the name of a local drug store). I got to play ball with my friends on those lazy summer afternoons. And that's really all that mattered.

These days baseball is concerned about other kinds of strikes. To tell the truth, I don't really know who is right or who is wrong in these matters. I don't really care. I just wish the powers that be would remember that it's a game. That it's supposed to be fun.

And that the only strike in baseball should come at the end of "Hey bah, hey bah, hey bah, SWING!"

Joseph Walker is a freelance writer from American Fork, Utah.

Quartet knows the road



Boise-based group pulls into Twin Falls after Alaska tour

By Steve Turner
Times-News correspondent

FILER - Fresh off 16 concerts in Alaska, Liberty has trekked back into the lower 48 - and these guys didn't travel by dog sled.

The Boise-based traditional southern gospel quartet, ready to headline the Twin Falls County Fair gospel concert, logs in 50,000 miles and chukles up 200 concerts a year by bus. Big bus.

"We have our own bus, a 45-

foot coach with 12 bunks," said founding group member Royce Mitchell in a phone interview this month. "We got the bus so we can have our families with us."

Mitchell is enthusiastic about the reception the quartet received in Alaska, where Liberty spent three weeks, mostly on stage.

"People everywhere love this kind of music," he said. "It's mostly in the East and Southeast. We are the only full-time southern gospel quartet in

the West."

Mitchell, who sings bass, organized the group in the mid-'90s, when he was a music minister. He started by teaming up with friends to sing for church banquets. He and baritone Keith Jones are group originals from those early days.

Today, with lead singer John Corner and tenor Jason Eaton, Liberty performs at church services, conventions, nursing homes, prisons and, of course, fairs. The quartet also has performed with other groups,

including Legacy Five, Greater Vision, Dixie Melody Boys and the Galtner Vocal Band. To date, there are nine recordings, with "Sweet Assurance" being played on gospel radio stations throughout the country.

At the Twin Falls fair, the group will sing some selections from its newest project, "Revive Us Again." Among the songs on that Sunday roster are "Everywhere I Go," "Hard Trials Will Soon Be Over" and the new "Love Kept Him

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Bible study takes lessons from Mayberry

By Joan Boon
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Enjoy a good laugh while you learn how to lead a moral Christian life. That's the idea behind the "Mayberry Bible Study," coming to Twin Falls this month.

The eight-week course, a video-based study using episodes of the old "Andy Griffith Show" as modern parables, will be offered in the Rock Creek Community Church shared facility across from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Pastor Dale Metzger said the course is designed so that, if one episode is missed, that does not prevent anyone from attending others. Each is a different study in itself.

The first four sessions will cover service, peace, mercy and commitment. Other topics include pride, accountability, trouble and teaching.

Metzger said the church studied two volumes on Mayberry two years ago, followed by one on the "Beverly Hillsbillies," and both were well-received.

"People never dreamed that there was so much Scriptural content and teachings in those



Stephen Skelton is a Christian writer with a background in entertainment. He once worked as a writer for Dick Clark Productions and was head writer for TV's 'America's Dumbest Criminals.'

crazy shows," he said.

In a phone interview, Nashville, Tenn.-based Stephen Skelton, author of the studies, said the way the class works is, within an hour-long format, a principle such as honesty is discussed. The episode is then used as an object lesson - how honesty was illustrated by Andy, Opie, Barney.

Occasionally, with a character like Barney, study participants must talk about what Barney did

Mayberry Bible Study

When: Eight-week course starts 9 a.m. Sept. 8

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that is not right, and then talk about what is right, Skelton explained. He said Barney is a character that is, like all of us, shades of pride, arrogance and know-it-all.

The use of a secular story to illustrate a biblical principle has Scriptural basis in terms of how Jesus made use of parables, Skelton noted. In stories such as the "Prodigal Son" or the "Good Samaritan," Jesus told an everyday story, then illustrated the principle at the foundation of the story.

"The Andy show does the same thing, tells you a secular story but doesn't necessarily proclaim the Good News," Skelton said. "And yet, once it's brought out by the class leader, it's very clear that the fundamental values that are informing that story are often moral values - and the place we get moral values is, of course, the Bible."



The Rev. Jack Marcom, a former military chaplain, supports prayers in crisis if those offering them don't try to dictate the outcome.

Some pastors disagree on effectiveness of crisis prayers

By Hamil R. Harris
and Bill Broadway
The Washington Post

Powerful testimonies have emerged in recent weeks from people who called on God while standing in the shadow of death.

In La Plata, Md., a father huddled his family on the floor and recited the Lord's Prayer as a deadly tornado passed their living room window and destroyed other buildings on the block.

In Kensington, Md., an Amtrak conductor drenched to his knees and prayed seconds after the Capitol Limited derailed and cars tumbled into a ravine, injuring the conductor and more than 100 other people. No one died.

In Somerset, Pa., ministers led families and rescue workers in prayer for three days until nine coal miners trapped beneath the earth were saved by efforts some

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RELIGION

Pastor, a native of Nigeria, plans speech

HAGERMAN - Pastor Joe ... will speak 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday at the Hagerman Christian Center, 2750 S. 900 E.

Nwokwe, a native of Nigeria, Africa, pastor of Zion Grace Center II, both in Scotland and Nigeria. The Hagerman center is a full-gospel, non-denominational fellowship.

Rupert Methodists will still hold Sunday worship ... Many from Rupert United Methodist Church will attend Family Church Camp at

Church news

Camp Swatooth this weekend, but 10:30 a.m. worship led by Jim Rodgers and Jan Parks, will be available at the church, 605 N St. There will be no Sunday school.

T.F. church remembers life after Sept. 11 ... TWIN FALLS - The Faith

DivorceCare group will meet Monday in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Drive N., will host a DivorceCare group for people experiencing separation or divorce at 7 p.m. Sept. 9 and each Monday thereafter.

Community of St. Edward the Confessor will celebrate a Memorial Mass at 7 p.m. Sept. 11 at the St. Edward's Hall Chapel, 206 Seventh Ave. E., to remember all that has happened to our country since Sept. 11, 2001.

T.F. church remembers life after Sept. 11 ... TWIN FALLS - The Faith

Auction theme honors valley's grandparents

Thanks for the nice article on the Aug. 24 Religion page about the dinner and auction scheduled for Sept. 8 to benefit the Lutheran Care Center of Magic Valley. There are a few additional points important to share with the community:

The theme of the event - Grandparents: A Legacy of Love - was chosen to honor all grandparents in the valley. This nonprofit, faith-based facility will have 38 assisted-living units (rather than 28 as mentioned in the article), plus the wing for 16 Alzheimer's residents. It will be available for use by the whole community without regard to religious preference.

ALTOONA, Pa. (AP) - Workers doing renovations at Altoona City Hall quietly removed a brass plaque listing the Ten Commandments at the request of the family that donated it 76 years ago.

Joe Silverman, whose family gave the city the plaque as a community service, made the request through his rabbi. He said he believes the display is inappropriate now that Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus and atheists use City Hall.

Consequently, some women's groups have seen this as threatening, he said, especially the assertion that men are to be the spiritual leaders of their homes.

LETTER

Town removes 10 Commandments

ALTOONA, Pa. (AP) - Workers doing renovations at Altoona City Hall quietly removed a brass plaque listing the Ten Commandments at the request of the family that donated it 76 years ago.

Brandon and Elaine Wolters. They have worked diligently by our sides preparing for a successful event, and we greatly appreciate all their efforts.

The auction committee and board of directors thank the many business people and citizens of Magic Valley for supplying a wide variety of items to auction for the benefit of the Lutheran Care Center. It has been truly inspiring to see their generosity and support.

ARLINE EGBERT Files CAROLYN LEWIS Twin Falls

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less. Letters should include signature, address and phone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or in bad taste will be rejected, and The Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

Message of Promise Keepers hasn't changed

By Abe Levy The Wichita Eagle

Since Promise Keepers' creation in 1990, the all-men's ministry has endured critics and a couple of years of financial difficulties. Yet, its message of men regaining their roles as leaders hasn't changed, officials said, and now a new wave of followers is emerging: the sons of Promise Keepers.

Prayer

Continued from C1 called miraculously.

But what do these testimonies mean? In a crisis situation, do the chances of survival increase if you ask God to save you? Should pastors preach or teach that the use of what some call "flare prayers" is the way to cope with disaster?

Survivors of the Maryland and Pennsylvania incidents have said they believe that God interceded on their behalf. But some ministers and scholars disagree, saying it is impossible to know - or manipulate - divine will and that it's irresponsible for survivors or clergy to promote the use of flare prayers.

"Church leaders who teach this are setting up false expectations," said David Spradlin, an elder of the University Park Church of Christ in Hyattsville, Md. "What about the (more than 2,800) people who died in the World Trade Center? Were not some of those people praying?"

same mistakes if they can avoid it," said Jim Culver of Wichita, Kan., who has taken his sons to Promise Keepers. "I made tons of mistakes, and I brought shame on my family, but God brought me through a lot of stuff."

"Passage" conferences were created last year for male teenagers. The events include youth speakers and Christian rock bands who bring the same message in a different form. And instead of the accountability

groups that men have formed, followers of Passage are encouraged to develop spiritual mentors, such as their fathers or youth pastors.

Promise Keepers' approach does have historical precedent, said Dean Allen, ethics professor at Andover Newton Theological Seminary in Massachusetts. The Men and Religion Forward Movement - begun in 1911 by 12 men - was an entirely Protestant attempt to strengthen men in

evangelical ministry, he said. Today's Promise Keepers is a subculture within the evangelical world. It seeks to equip Christian men to respond to a range of contemporary issues, including reproductive choice and sexual orientation, from a conservative, biblical perspective.

Consequently, some women's groups have seen this as threatening, he said, especially the assertion that men are to be the spiritual leaders of their homes.

The Rev. Edward Voorhaar, whose church's youth group probably survived April's tornado because it had canceled its Sunday night meeting, called crisis praying a "complicated theological issue."

He explained, "It is impossible to know the will of God. I am just grateful that more people in this community were not killed or injured."

The Rev. Jack Marcom, a retired Army chaplain and pastor of Friendship Baptist Church in Fredericksburg, Va., isn't against flare prayers if they are offered by people who believe in God and don't try to dictate the outcome.

"Anybody who turns to God in

times of crisis must have some type of spiritual roots already," said Marcom.

As a military and law enforcement chaplain, Marcom said, he has offered many prayers. However, "I always asked God to be present with my soldiers in the foxhole, not to win the battle," he said.

Richard Yates, a professor at the Capitol Bible Seminary in Lanham, Md., advises people in

crisis to pray that God have mercy on them and that God's will be done, good or bad. Yates said he learned this lesson in 1990 when his son died after an automobile accident in Washington state caused by a drunk driver.

"I wondered why God didn't answer the prayers for my son," he said. "But then I reflected on Romans 8:28: 'And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God.'"

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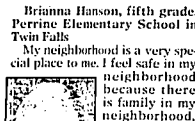
Left, Angela Slack of Rupert won high point and reserve high point in the age 15-18 category at the Ride 'Em and Slide 'Em 4-H Club's horse show at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds. Right, Jessica Hunt of Rupert won high point for ages 12-14. Not pictured is Almo Reno, who won reserve high point for that age group.



Left, Ashley Barkeo of Murtaugh, left, won high point for age 11 and under and reserve high point novice. Jordy Weimer, right, won reserve high point for age 11 and under. Right, Cheyann Barkeo of Murtaugh won high point for lead line age 8 and under. Show judge was Panny Turner. The announcer was Keilee DeLeon; announcer and registrar was Boo Hooker; gate help was Shanna DeLeon, Danice Barkeo and Todd Barkeo; trail judge was Rod Letta.

ASSET BUILDERS

This month, Asset Builders focuses on the Asset of Caring Neighborhood, that is young people experiencing caring neighbors. The Spring 2002 Asset survey data indicates that regionally, 40 percent of young people report having this Asset in their lives.



Brianna Hanson, fifth grade, Perrine Elementary School in Twin Falls. My neighborhood is a very special place to me. I feel safe in my neighborhood because there is family in my neighborhood, and my family makes me feel very safe. In my neighborhood, if I have a problem, there is always someone to talk to. My school is another one of my neighborhoods and a big part of my life. At school there is always someone around to talk to and all of my friends are there, too. All of my neighborhoods make me feel very safe.

Dani Bates, sixth grade, Bickel Elementary School in Twin Falls. I think of my neighborhood as the Boys and Girls Club. Not only has my neighborhood helped me to feel safe, but it has allowed me my feeling of independence. My friends and I are happy to be there because otherwise we



wouldn't have met. When we're at the swimming pool, movies, or just at the park, I still feel that the staff know where I am. This makes me feel really comfortable. When I am older and I don't remember the building and the color of the walls, but I will remember the staff that made me feel safe.

Jennifer Bott, eighth grade, East Minico Junior High in Rupert. I feel that I have a good neighborhood and that kids can walk outside without worrying about anything happening to them. I live out in the country on a farm, and when I visit my family and friends I feel safe. In my neighborhood there are a lot of safe places that I can go and hang out with friends and there is someone who knows where I am at all times and that I can call if I need anything. I'm glad I live here, and I know I can grow up happy and healthy.



Nicole Uker, eighth grade, East Minico Junior High. My family and I just moved into a new house, and my new neighbors were very welcoming. I feel that having a safe neighborhood is very important to me. I now have a safe neighborhood where I can walk around outside my house and not worry about anything. I now have an opportunity to meet new people and experience new things.



The Times-News presents "Asset Builders" in cooperation with HealthNet, a community partnership that aims at improving health in the community. National research shows there are 40 positive "assets" that help teenagers succeed and avoid risky behaviors. Each month we'll focus on a different asset with comments from local teens. For more information on HealthNet, call South Central District Health Department at 734-5900, Ext. 281.



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

B. J. Bridge Club announces results
RUPERT - Results for the B. J. Duplicate Bridge Club for Aug. 27 were north-south first, Joe Blackford and Riley Burton; second, Harry Warnke and Bill Novasel; third, Don Creason and Norma Goodman; and fourth, Frances and John Anglin. East-South winners were, first, Marton Snow and Lila Buman; second, Chuck and Shirley Hunter; third, Marlene Temple and Gwen Steiker; fourth, Jane Ketcher and Donna Moore; and fifth, Naomi Lunch and Jan Huzinga. Play continues at 1 p.m. each Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. The public is invited.

CSI offers Health Occupations course on-line
TWIN FALLS - High school juniors and seniors who don't have access to a health occupations course and considering working in the health field some day are encouraged to enroll in the College of Southern Idaho's on-line Health Occupations class this semester. Tina Peer, CSI's Allied Health instructor, says the two-semester, two-credit class is offered entirely on-line, especially for students in high schools that don't offer a similar class within their regular curriculum. She said the course works best if the student can take the class at a school computer during regular school hours so an instructor can be on hand to answer questions that may come up. The class is geared to those students who are thinking about going into nursing and other medical endeavors. The deadline for signing up for the dual credit class is Sept. 10, the last of high school students is \$93. No textbook purchase is necessary as all materials are delivered on-line. For information, call Peer at 732-6738 or by e-mail her at tpeer@csi.edu.

HAILEY - Turkey Tracks, Freedom Quilt, Drunkard's Path, Underground Railroad, Crazy Quilt. These quilt patterns tell stories of American history. Not only were quilts made for the simple need of warmth, but to demonstrate skillful fingers and an artistic eye. Quilts have been used to communicate political ideology or social position to those who could read the code. For example, quilts hanging on a clothes line could signal to runaway slaves the way to safe houses along the Underground Railway. Meanwhile, quilts of expensive fabrics and quilts of embroidery in a parlor showed the economic status of a man whose wife had the leisure time for elaborate needlework. Because of their history and beauty, quilts have become popular items for today's collectors. The cleaning and repair of collector quilts, proper storage and other conservation measures, and how to evaluate the age of quilts will be the topics of a presentation at the Hailey Public Library. Sharon Harleman Tandy, a Boise quilter and quilt historian, will speak on "Designs, Dyes and Damage in Dating Quilts" at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the Hailey Public Library Meeting Room. Tandy's slide presentation will demonstrate quick and easy techniques for the amateur to accurately date their own quilts or prospective purchases. Tandy has been teaching about quilts for seven years and is completing an interdisciplinary masters' of arts degree at Boise State



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4-H members take home ribbons from Jerome County Fair

JEROME - The University of Idaho Cooperative Extension Service announced 4-H awards from the Jerome County Fair. **Pygmy Goat Showmanship**
 Junior: Top - Michelle Wells Reserve - Ursula Conrad Blue - Kristen Alexander Blue - Matt Alexander Intermediate: Top - Kora Smith Reserve - Megan Larkin Blue - Kaycee Smith Blue - Nadani Phillips Blue - Dale Miller Overall Showmanship: Top - Michelle Wells Reserve - Brianna Conrad Reserve - Megan Larkin

Dairy Goat Showmanship
 Junior: Top - Robyn Bishop Reserve - Shaun Bybee
Dairy Goat Quality
 Junior: Top - Robyn Bishop Reserve - Shaun Bybee
Wethers
 Class 1: Top - Brianna Conrad Reserve - Kristen Alexander Blue - Nadani Phillips Blue - Megan Larkin Class 2: Top - Michelle Wells Reserve - Brianna Conrad Blue - Kaycee Smith Overall Quality: Top - Dale Miller

Livestock Judging Contest
 Junior: First - Joy Walters Second - James Siemore Third - Austin Peterson Intermediate: Top - Megan Lammers Reserve - Madisa Walters Blue - Ben Edwards Blue - Kevin Wilcox Blue - Yates Halls Blue - Ben Hobbs Blue - Wyatt Showmaker Blue - Rachel Pickett Blue - Austin Peterson Blue - Stephanie Morris Senior: Top - Bonnie Pickett Reserve - Stephanie Allison Blue - Rowdy Balls

Sheep Showmanship
 Class 1: Top - Justia Hovey Top - Almo Hovey Reserve - Almo Hovey Reserve - Stephanie Morris Red - Joy Walters Red - Breanna Robbins Class 2: Top - Randi Mower Reserve - Kevin Wilcox Blue - Kevin Wilcox Blue - Melissa Wolters Blue - Melissa Hovey Blue - Rachel Pickett

Sheep Quality
 Class 1: Top - Katelyn Clifton Reserve - Megan Lammers Blue - MacKenzie Griffith Blue - Austin Peterson Blue - Yates Halls Blue - Rachel Pickett Blue - Ben Hobbs Blue - Bonnie Pickett Blue - Kevin Lammers Reserve - Randall Mower

Breeding Sheep
 Top - Stephanie Allison Reserve - Bonnie Pickett Blue - Kelsey Wilcox Blue - Kevin Wilcox Blue - Kristina Wilcox

Blue - Ben Lammers
 Blue - Melissa Miller
 Blue - Kelsey Wilcox
 Blue - Ben Lammers
 Blue - Melissa Wolters
 Blue - Ben Edwards
 Top - Dustin Davis Reserve - Stephanie Allison Reserve - Kelsey Wilcox Blue - Stephanie Morris Blue - Jade Jackson Blue - Tiffany Scott Blue - Shaylee Secher Blue - Michelle Gardner Reserve - Joy Walters Class 4: Top - Katelyn Clifton Reserve - Megan Lammers Blue - MacKenzie Griffith Blue - Austin Peterson Blue - Yates Halls Blue - Rachel Pickett Blue - Ben Hobbs Blue - Bonnie Pickett Blue - Kevin Lammers Reserve - Randall Mower

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Bereavement volunteers - Volunteers are needed for Kids Count Too Inc. group that helps children cope with the death of a loved one. Volunteers will meet the first Thursday of the month. Background checks are required. Call Gloria at 734-4061.
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Landscape help - Hospice Visions is in need of volunteers to help paint, landscape, insulate, caulk, spackle and sand its new hospice home. Call Tami Slatter at 735-0121.
Meal delivery - The Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center needs volunteer drivers for its home-delivered meals program. Call 734-5084.
Used viola - The Magic Valley Youth Orchestra needs a used viola. Call Judy at 734-7335.
Volunteer tutors - The College of Southern Idaho Adult Basic Education program needs volunteer tutors for adult students in reading, English, math and English as a second language. Call Ruth Scott at 732-6536 or 1-800-

480-0274, Ext. 6536.
Tax-Aide volunteers - The Tax-Aide program of South-Central Idaho needs volunteers to prepare and file income taxes for low and middle-income families throughout the region, especially in Cassia, Minidoka, Camas and Lincoln counties. No prior experience is required. A free non-credit training

course will be held from 6-9 p.m. Aug. 30 at the College of Southern Idaho. Participants must volunteer at least four hours per week as a volunteer tax preparer from Feb. 1 through Aug. 15. Evening and weekend volunteers are needed in Twin Falls and Burley. All other locations are weekday mornings and afternoons. Call Bob Wunderle at 837-9178.
Senior volunteers - The Senior Companion and Foster Grandparent programs of Magic Valley have immediate openings for seniors to work with children. Volunteers must be age 60 or above and make less than \$12,500 per year for a single person household. The programs pay a tax-free stipend, mileage reimbursement, accident/liability insurance and training. Call Maggi at 736-2122 or Ida at 677-4872.

Volunteer drivers - Volunteers age 55 and older are needed to drive clients to doctors and grocery shopping. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and covered by excess insurance. Call Edith or Judy at 736-2122 or Kitty at 436-0727.
Fund-raisers - Volunteers are needed to organize and coordinate fund-raisers. Call Flo Slatter at 735-0121.
Thrift store volunteers - Kimberly Senior Center is in need of volunteers for its New 2 U Thrift Store and a meal day waitress. Call Diana at 423-4338.
Hospice volunteers - Idaho Home Health and Hospice is in need of volunteers for its bereavement program. Hospice training is available once a month. Call Susan Harris at 734-4061.

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By Charles M. Schulz



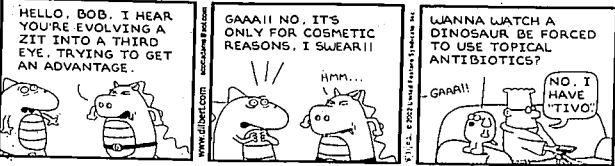
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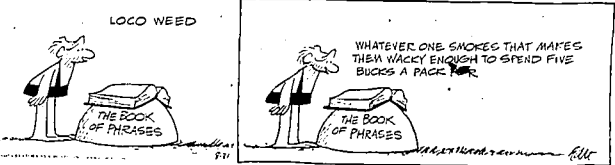
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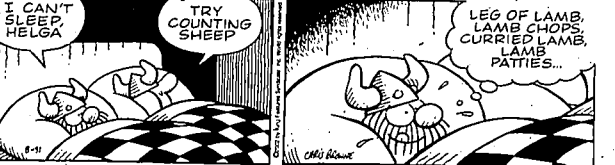
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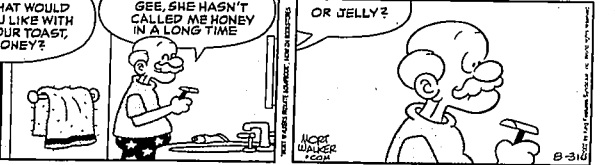
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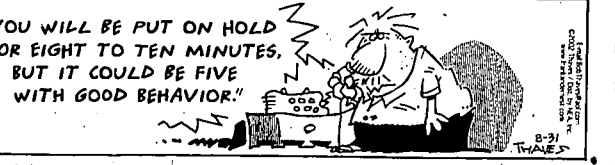
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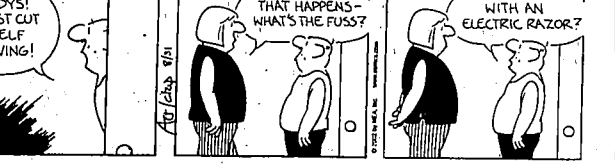
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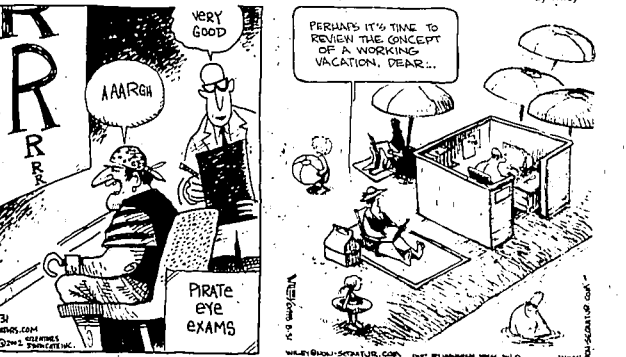


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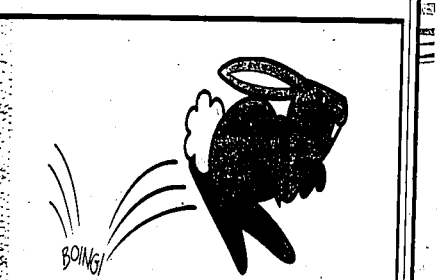
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Murtaugh Jr. School District No. 418
Twin Falls and Cassia Counties, Idaho

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Murtaugh Jr. School District No. 418, Twin Falls and Cassia Counties, Idaho, will be held on September 10, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at Murtaugh High School Library, 500 W. Boyd St., Murtaugh, Idaho at which meeting there shall be a public hearing on the amended budget and approval of the budget for the forthcoming school year.

A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the School District Office at 500 West Boyd Street, Murtaugh, Idaho 83344 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. from the date of this notice until the date of the hearing.

This budget hearing is called pursuant to Section 33-201, Idaho Code as amended.

JoAnne L. Adams, Clerk
Murtaugh Jr. School District 418, Twin Falls & Cassia Counties, Idaho

AMENDED BUDGET STATEMENT 2002 - 2003 School Budget

Murtaugh School District No. 418
GENERAL M & O FUND

REVENUES	2000-2001	2001-2002	Proposed 2002 - 2003
General Fund Carryover	\$ 15,000	\$ 245,180	\$ 226,024
Local Tax Revenue	239,377	6,000	115,490
Other Local	6,000	55,897	93,127
Intermediate Revenue	78,792	1,422,495	1,225,900
State Revenue	1,271,202	15,000	74,955
Federal Revenue	15,000	150,000	100,577
Transfers	150,000	150,000	100,577
TOTALS	\$1,776,371	\$1,834,572	\$1,911,587

EXPENDITURES	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002 - 2003
Salaries	\$ 906,350	\$ 907,887	964,341
Benefits	195,654	232,195	277,332
Purchased Services	100,546	112,000	54,000
Materials & Supplies	125,650	142,168	145,200
Capital Outlay	60,375	80,520	262,674
Debt Retirement	44,551	44,551	24,535
Insurance & Judgments	59,000	61,000	47,550
Transfers	150,000	165,000	57,282
Contingency Reserve	100,000	100,000	23,000
TOTALS	\$1,875,209	\$1,776,371	\$1,911,587

A copy of the Murtaugh School District Budget is available for public inspection in the Administrative Offices of the School District.

PUBLISH: August 31 and September 7, 2002

BURLEY '82 Broadmore, exc cond. \$12,000. Call 678-7590*

JEROME 04 yr. mobile home 1470, 3 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath, appliances included. Remodeled \$7500/offer. Call 323-5011*

KIMBERLY '85 Fleetwood 14x20 2 bdrm. Gas. Motivated seller \$13,500 offer. Call 308-3411*

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. CV-02-1434
FIFTH AMENDED SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF TRIAL
GARY WOLVERTON dba NORTHWEST LEASING & RENTALS, Plaintiff,

vs.
ROBERT WERNER, Defendant.
THE STATE OF IDAHO SENDS GREETINGS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Complaint for possession of the premises commonly known as 1050 Airport Loop, Bldg #1, Twin Falls, Twin Falls County, Idaho has been filed against you in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Twin Falls, by the above-named Plaintiff, and you are hereby directed to file a written answer or written motion in defense prior to the time and date set for trial, which shall include:

1. The title and number of the case.
2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may claim.

3 Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.

4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to Plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.

To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Court has scheduled this matter for trial on the 9th day of September, 2002, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock p.m. If you fail to file a written answer or written motion and/or fail to be present on the day set for trial, judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief sought in the Complaint, copy of which Complaint is herewith served upon you.

Witness my hand and the seal of this Court the 2nd day of August, 2002.

CLERK OF THE COURT
By: Janet Haley, Deputy

PUBLISH: August 10, 17, 24 and 31, 2002

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. SP 02-762
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of ALICE TURLEY, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Robert McBride, Personal Representative of the estate, at 260 Ash Street, Twin Falls, Idaho, and filed with the Court.

DATED this 14th day of August, 2002.

FASSETT LAW OFFICE
/s/ SIOBHANA A. FASSETT

PUBLISH: August 17, 24 and 31, 2002

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. CV-02-1434
ANOTHER SUMMONS
MARK D. DOERR and VICTORIA D. DOERR, husband and wife, Plaintiffs,

vs.
TATIANA RODARME and all her unknown heirs, devisees and assigns, and all other unknown persons claiming any right, title and interest to the real property described in the Complaint adverse to Plaintiff's claim of title thereto, Defendants.

NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFFS. THE COURT HAS ENTERED JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.

TO DEFENDANTS: You are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons on you. If you fail to so respond the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the Plaintiff in the Complaint.

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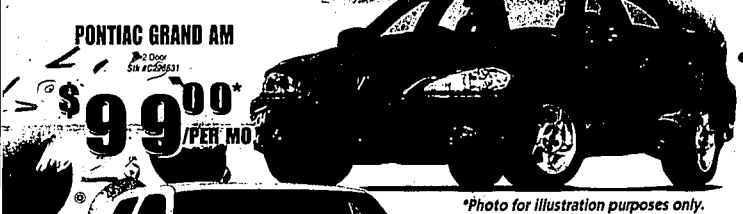
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