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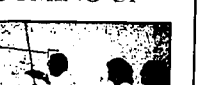


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Leslie Peter Bowcut listens to testimony of a police detective during his sentencing hearing in Burley on Thursday. Bowcut has pleaded guilty to state charges of lewd conduct with a child and has been indicted on federal charges of child pornography.

Bowcut sentencing begins

Psychologist says case is complicated

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Leslie Peter Bowcut should receive treatment for his sexual behavior in a confined setting, not an outpatient setting, psychologist Dr. Richard Smith said during the first day of Bowcut's sentencing hearing in 5th District Court in Cassia County.

"This is as complex a case as I've seen in more than 20 years," Smith said. The matter is especially complicated because of Bowcut's range of activities - child molestation, the creation of pornography, putting and trading that pornography on the Internet and getting away with that illegal activity. Smith was one of two witnesses called by Cassia County Prosecuting Attorney Al Barrus to the stand Thursday. About 40 people were in the audience at Thursday's hearing, after each passed through a hand-held metal detector screening conducted by a Cassia County sheriff's deputy. Smith evaluated Bowcut after the 29-year-old Burley resident was charged with 25 counts of lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor under age 16, two counts of sexual exploitation of a child and 13 counts of sexual abuse of a child under age 16. Bowcut later pleaded guilty to 14 counts of lewd and lascivious conduct. Barrus has said: Please see **BOWCUT**, Page A3

Hearing continues

The sentencing hearing for Leslie Peter Bowcut continues at 9 a.m. today in the district courtroom at the Cassia County Courthouse.

The one who spoke up



As a sailor in WWII, Bob Erkins saw the devastation in Hiroshima after the atomic bomb was dropped. He was one of the first people in Idaho to question disposal methods at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

Retired trout farmer questioned nuclear waste

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

BLISS - It was 1969 and Bob Erkins' trout farm in Buhl was up for sale. A friend at W.R. Grace & Co. in New York expressed interest, Erkins, 78, recalled at his Bliss ranch this week. Discussions took an unexpected turn. A letter from New York arrived, Erkins' friend sent a June 1969 news clipping from *The New York Times*. The article mentioned burial in Idaho of plutonium-contaminated debris from a fire at the Rocky Flats nuclear bomb factory near Denver.

Erkins moved to action and brought the issue to the nation's attention. "He is the one who first put it on the radar," said Margaret Stewart, an Alliance member from Ketchum. "We wanted to make sure he got the recognition that is due him."

Iraqi VP: Let Bush and Saddam duel

Official: U.N. head Annan could referee
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - An Iraqi vice president offered a unique solution to the U.S.-Iraq standoff: a duel between George W. Bush and Saddam Hussein. Taha Yassin Ramadan said the duel could be held at a neutral site and with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan as the referee. Ramadan, wearing a green uniform and a black beret, made his remarks without giving any outward sign that he was joking although reporters who were present detected a note of irony in his voice. "A president against a president and vice president against

Reception tonight
What: The Snake River Alliance will host a reception honoring Robert Erkins, a retired Buhl trout farmer who focused national attention on the burial of radioactive waste above the region's main water supply. The Alliance, a nuclear watchdog group, will give a presentation called "Idaho's Water at Risk." **When:** 6-8 tonight. **Where:** Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth St. in Buhl. **Cost:** There is no set cost but the Alliance suggests donations of \$10 or \$15 per family. **For more information:** Call (208) 344-9161.

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Erkins witnessed the power of a nuclear reaction and the poison of radioactivity. An officer with the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Baltimore in World War II, he was shipped to Hiroshima in 1945 just a couple of months after the

United States dropped the first atomic bomb on Japan. Erkins had been training for an invasion, but the bomb ended the war. He will tell people who ask that he is glad the bomb spared him another battle. "My neck was on the line," he said. Nothing was left of Hiroshima, he remembers. The skeleton frame of the opera house was all that remained standing. He saw human shadows burned-onto steps and phantom silhouettes on walls - the remains of people vaporized in the explosion. "You realized how potent a weapon this was," Erkins said. Back at home he had run his

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Inservice days make for better teachers

By Robert Moyer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - It's sort of a mid-semester holiday for some, for others it's still work. Thursday and today are inservice days for teachers across Idaho.

While kids get a four-day weekend, most teachers are putting in regular work days by attending professional development classes. However, some teachers get a small vacation. The Twin Falls School District is unique in that it provides its teachers the option to attend either a three-day training session during the summer or the two-day session during the fall. The district keeps a list of those attending to ensure that each educator participates in either session. Put simply, inservice is designed to raise the quality of the teacher. "It's building our capacity for improving instruction for our kids," said LaVonne Peterson, the district's curriculum director, who led the workshop "Standards in Action." Cliff Hall, a ninth-grade speech teacher at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School, spent his Thursday along with 20 other teachers at that standards workshop. Held at Sawtooth Elementary School, it focused on the changes taking place in a new era of standardization. There was much for Hall to digest from the onslaught of information during the six-hour session. But overall, he said he likes the standards movement, the idea that, say, all fourth-graders in Idaho are expected to know the same things. That is, if a student transfers from another part of the state, academically

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LILI HITS LOUISIANA



Downed power lines block a road in Lafayette, La., Thursday after Hurricane Lili came ashore. The hurricane, which weakened overnight from a 145-mph Category 4 hurricane to a Category 2 battered the Louisiana coast, knocking out power and swamping streets, but dwindled to a tropical storm by midday. For more, see Page B4.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

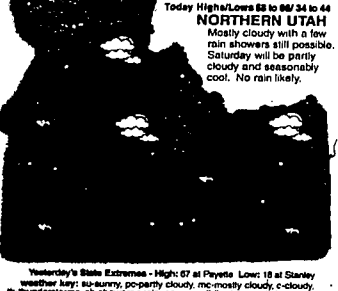
Today: Cloudy and breezy... A slight chance for showers developing late in the day. Highs near 60.
Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy and dry. Lows near 35.
Tomorrow: Clearing and comfortably cool. Highs near 63.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly cloudy and breezy with windy. Generally dry. Highs in the middle: 50s to near 60.
Tonight: Partly cloudy. Lows in the middle to upper 30s.
Tomorrow: Mostly sunny and breezy. Highs from 55 to 65.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Moistly cloudy. Brief winds and a chance for rain or snow surfacing across higher elevations. Saturday will be dry and partly sunny.
Today Highs 43 to 63 Tonight's Lows 22 to 32
BOISE
Moistly cloudy and breezy to windy today. Precipitation is unlikely, however, a stray shower may develop late. Saturday will be mostly dry, partly sunny and comfortable.



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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Forecast grid for Twin Falls from Today to Tuesday. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain, and temperature ranges for each day.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Almanac section for Twin Falls including Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Pollen Count.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table listing cities like Boise, Burley, and Pocatello with their respective high and low temperatures for today and tomorrow.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table listing various cities across the United States with their respective high and low temperatures.

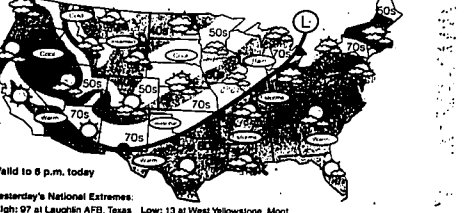
U.V. INDEX

U.V. Index section showing the index level and a note that the higher the index, the more sun protection is needed.

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table listing major world cities like London, Paris, Tokyo, and Sydney with their respective high and low temperatures.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

Canadian forecast table listing major Canadian cities like Toronto, Montreal, and Vancouver with their respective high and low temperatures.

Crews dismantle missiles at Wyoming air base

HAWK SPRINGS, Wyo. (AP) — Master Sgt. Steve Levin watched crews dismantle the first of 50 Peacekeeper nuclear missiles surrounding F.E. Warren Air Force Base Thursday with a mixture of sadness and excitement.
Levin, 38, was one of the crews lowering the missiles on a prairie 16 years ago. Levin worked as a maintenance specialist and technician on the fleet ever since.
'It's been my whole life and here it is coming to a close... It's kind of like me retiring,' he said.
Levin, in fact, will retire when the last Peacekeeper is deactivated three years from now as part of a nuclear review by Congress had an order by President Bush last year to shrink the country's nuclear arsenal.
The Cheyenne Air Force base received orders last month to begin dismantling part of its nuclear fleet. The 90th Space Wing at F.E. Warren maintains 150 Minuteman I missiles in addition to the Peacekeepers on a 12,800-square-mile area of Wyoming, Nebraska and Montana.
The missiles are being dismantled in three stages. The first stage, which began Tuesday, was to remove the equipment and wiring from the missiles' 10 boosters, which were sent Wednesday to an unclassified Energy Department facility for storage.
The warheads will replace older ones on Minuteman III missiles in Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming. Remaining parts will be shipped to an Air Force base in Utah and other unclassified Energy Department facilities, said Col. John Faulkner, commander of the base's 90th Maintenance Group.

House votes to keep government open

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House voted Thursday to keep the government open for another week as Republicans and Democrats blamed each other for a pre-election impasse that has kept Congress from finishing any of its budget work.
By a 404-7 roll call, the GOP-led House approved a bill financing agencies through Oct. 11. Quick passage by the Democratic-run Senate was expected, underlining both parties' desires to avoid a politically calamitous federal shutdown less than five weeks from congressional elections.
Congress has finished none of the 13 bills that funneled money to schools, the Pentagon or other programs for the federal budget year that started Oct. 1.
House leaders haven't even allowed a vote on any of the measures since July because they lack the votes to do what conservatives are demanding: Pass bills limited to the amounts that President Bush wants.
Republicans countered that the Senate has not even approved an overall budget for the new year, making it impossible for the House and Senate to begin writing final spending bills. And they said it was their party, not the Democrats, that was trying to curb spending to control federal deficits.

Senators: CIA is withholding info on Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee said Thursday the CIA has not provided information sought by the panel on Iraq, impeding Congress' ability to consider the need for military action.
Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., said he was disappointed that the committee did not receive the information it requested Wednesday, which failed to address key questions, including what the effect of a military campaign would be for Iraq's neighbors.
Later Thursday, Graham met with CIA Director George J. Tenet. Afterward, the senator described the meeting as frank and candid and without elaborating, said the director addressed several of his concerns. The committee is expected to meet with Tenet today.
Before meeting with Tenet, Graham called the intelligence reporting "unacceptable."
'We're trying to carry out a very important responsibility and given the nature of this classified information, we are the only means by which the intelligence community can communicate to the legislative branch of government,' he said.
CIA spokesman Mark Matyskiw said the report is a preliminary one and that Congress is extremely important.
'We are looking forward to continuing to cooperate with the committee and respond to their questions and concerns,' he said.
The panel's top Republican, Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama, said CIA cooperation on Iraq "has been pretty good."
"Now is it perfect? Have they been timely about everything? Have they told us everything we want to know? I'm not sure about that," said Shelby, a frequent critic of the CIA.
The disputes center on classified National Intelligence Estimates requested by Congress. The estimates are prepared usually over several months by the National Intelligence Council, a group of senior analysts who are not part of the CIA but report directly to Tenet.
Late Tuesday, intelligence officials gave lawmakers one such estimate, dealing in part with the capabilities of Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. Graham said that estimate was presented too late to allow senators to read it before the Wednesday morning briefing.

Teachers

District is different in that they don't waste your time," Hall said. "They do a really good job of making sure that we are getting stuff that's going to be useful and pertinent."
Today, Hall will be trained on Moodle, a teacher resource Web site that helps find curriculum and lesson plans aligned with national standards.
Also sponsored by the district was the STAR Academy Literacy workshop.
Michelle Jung, a pre-school teacher at Immanuel Lutheran School, attended the literacy workshop.
Historically, the autumn in-

Nuclear

fish business since 1952 and was shocked to learn, almost 20 years later, that the U.S. government had buried radioactive waste over the eastern Snake River Plain aquifer since 1954. Contaminated gloves, aprons and equipment used in the manufacturing of nuclear weapons were among the myriad items buried in unlined pits and trenches in now rusting barrels and broken boxes.
"Who's liable for putting our house over your well," Erkins said.
It's a quote he has given many times and still uses today.
The aquifer's water covers 10,000 square miles. It supplies much of southern Idaho's water and feeds the Snake River from

workshop. The private school — which remains in session these two days — plans to adopt the program.
'It's a really good program. It's good at being able to test your children and learn exactly what skills that they need help in,' she said.
Others have more opportunities to attend statewide conferences. For instance, English teachers could go to Sun Valley to attend workshops with the Idaho Council of English Teachers.
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Bowcut

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he intends to dismiss the other 26 charges.

The case for incarceration

Smith diagnosed Bowcut as a pedophile, but a non-exclusive type of pedophile. While Bowcut is sexually attracted to children, "he has trouble" with those feelings and he's also attracted to adult women.

Smith also considers Bowcut situationally anxious and depressed and said he exhibits narcissistic personality traits.

Pedophilia is difficult to treat, Smith said. But Smith believes treatment should be attempted with nearly all sex offenders. "Treatment can reduce the likelihood of recidivism under the best of circumstances," Smith said.

Smith supports Bowcut getting treatment while incarcerated, rather than on an outpatient basis, for several reasons.

One reason is the inconsistencies in information Bowcut gave authorities, specifically the number of photos taken and the use of force against the victims on occasion.

However, Smith said, those two issues weren't of as much concern to him as were the facts Bowcut lied about stopping the activity with the children after his wife found out; minimized the effects the actions had on the children, saying "it didn't hurt them," and personally created pornographic images.

A file containing 20 or 30 photos of young girls in bondage settings was found on Bowcut's computer, Cassia County Sheriff's Detective Rod Gates testified.

Gates termed those photos "the most vile series" of pornography photos he found in Bowcut's files. Bowcut is intelligent, Smith said, yet he fails to take full responsibility for his actions.

Smith is also troubled by Bowcut's ability to "present what

Detective: Bowcut worked his way into pornography

The Times-News

BURLEY — The detective who led the investigation into Leslie Peter Bowcut's child abuse and pornography activities said Bowcut got involved in Internet pornography after posting "regular" photos of his children on the Internet.

People saw those photos and encouraged him to get involved in the photography business, Cassia County Sheriff's Detective Rod Gates said.

Bowcut and a partner then started a fashion model photography business, taking photographs of girls between the ages of about 3 and 17. The business was first dubbed Paul Jones Photography and later named P.J. Crew.

Bowcut told the models he was taking photos for catalogs and advertising fliers, but no evidence of contracts with any firms for such work has been found, Gates said. Rather than

photos, which Gates said were not pornographic, were posted on the Internet and on a Web site Bowcut operated.

People could purchase compact discs with photos of the models through the Web site, Gates said. They could also buy a membership in the Web fan club to access other photos of the models which weren't released to the public on the Internet. That business generated between \$7,000 and \$10,000 a month in profit for Bowcut, he said.

The police investigation has shown that many of the people who Bowcut allegedly later traded Internet pornography with were subscribers to that P.J. Crew Web site.

It appears Bowcut met other pornography photographers through the site and Internet dealings, Gates said. Those people then reached agreements to trade pornographic photographs on the Internet.

he needs to present." Bowcut showed one side to his family and church, but that side wasn't what was going on in his life. Bowcut's ability to live two lives could mean Bowcut could show a therapist what the therapist wants to see, but it wouldn't necessarily mean the treatment was sinking in.

When answering questions posed by Bowcut's attorney, Steven Richert, Smith said there's no way to know if Bowcut is "amenable to treatment." Whether treatment will work can only be borne out with time and treatment, Smith said.

Just as there's no way to know how Bowcut may respond to any treatment, there is no way to know for sure what effects his victims will experience in life, Smith said.

It's likely the girls will experience a "breakdown of boundaries," regarding their bodies and their trust of authority figures, Smith said. It's not uncommon for children who are victims of abuse to later blame themselves for what happened.

How it began

As part of the evaluation, Smith asked Bowcut to trace the events

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leading to his arrest "from the point (Bowcut) thought pertinent."

Bowcut told Smith he got involved in pornography in 1996, about a year after he was married when "the sexual interaction between he and his wife was unsatisfactory," he was under stress and had recently lost his job. Bowcut bought a computer and "discovered" pornography on it. That discovery led to Bowcut avoiding work at his new job and spending days reviewing pornography and masturbating.

"He got entrenched" in pornography, Smith said of Bowcut. Bowcut told Smith he began viewing more graphic and "kinky" pornography on his computer and the subjects in the pornographic images he was looking at became younger and younger.

After Bowcut was exposed to sexually explicit photographs of children, he began experimenting with victims of his own and sharing those photos, Smith said.

Bowcut exhibited a proclivity toward pornography and child pornography, Smith said. And he made Internet contact with other people who had the same proclivity.

Other actions taken by Bowcut, outside of the sexual photography settings, indicate he was sexually attracted to children, Smith testified. Bowcut said he experimented with oral sex with one of

the victims on a couple of occasions.

Bowcut experienced some personal difficulties with this behavior, Smith said, and "his interest would wax and wane."

Bowcut was also interested in more "age appropriate" pornography, Smith said, meaning he viewed pornography of adult women, too.

Offering explanations

In September 2000 when Bowcut's wife, Esther, discovered pornographic photos Bowcut had taken, Bowcut fabricated a story and told her he had been blackmailed into taking the photos. He told his wife he wouldn't take any more such photos, but evidence has shown that wasn't the case. Bowcut also later admitted he had not been blackmailed, nor had anyone else taken the photos, which was another explanation he'd offered police early in the case.

Bowcut understated the number of pornographic photos he took and shared on the Internet, testimony showed. He told Smith he'd taken 150 photos of young girls and about 15 were pornographic, but Gates found a total of about 650 photos, of which 500 were deemed pornographic.

Both Barrus and Deputy Cassia County Prosecuting Attorney Blaine Cannon asked many questions trying to establish how aware the victims were of what

was happening to them.

Bowcut has said the victims were asleep in many of the photos which depict him sexually abusing them.

Gates testified that in about 50 photos it's not possible to tell if the victim is awake or asleep and in 50 it appears the victim is asleep. "The other 40, it's pretty easy to tell they're awake," Gates said. "You can see their faces, their eyes are open."

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EDITORIAL

Making public lands hoof-free won't help preserve the range

Some environmentalists have been trying for years to get cattle off public lands, often resorting to the all-purpose cudgel of the lawsuit - or one of the many legal or procedural challenges available through the federal courts to anyone who wants to make a handling, and more expensive, cattle owners.

Now comes a new tactic: Buying the ranchers out. And using tax dollars to do it. The Committee for Idaho's High Desert and the Western Watersheds Projects are a part of a national campaign to pay \$3.3 billion of your money to get cows off public lands.

That works out to \$175 per animal unit month to buy out grazing permits and then have the BLM retire the allotments. Ranchers now pay the federal government \$1.43 a month per animal unit. It'll be cheaper in the long run, supporters say, than maintaining the current system, plus it will make public lands hoof-free.

The arrogance of these folks is breathtaking. Having lost the argument over grazing on public lands and lacking the money to buy out the allotments themselves, they now propose to use federal dollars for that purpose.

The fact is that public lands grazing, a part of Idaho's and the West's economy for a century, is an important and sustainable industry that has left public lands overall in better shape than they would have been otherwise. That's because the BLM manages grazing - and with it, the condition of

the land. And by and large, the agency does a good job.

If you think turning all that high desert back to nature would be a good idea, reflect on what effect the same strategy has had on our national forests the past decade. Range fires of the kind that consumed a big-chunk of eastern Arizona last summer would be commonplace if the ecos had their way.

Our view: Anti-grazing forces who can't afford to buy out grazing permits are wrong to ask taxpayers to do it for them.

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

To its great credit, The Nature Conservancy of Idaho opposes this harebrained taxpayer buyout system, preferring instead to work with ranchers to demonstrate environmentally sustainable range management.

Even if elbow-patch greens in ivory towers don't, that there's a valuable symbiotic relationship between the way public lands are used and how healthy they are. That's because the Conservancy actually has boots on the ground in Idaho and works on grazing allotments, attributes most environmentalists don't share.

The taxpayer buyout scheme has about as much credibility on its merit as a sybarite at a cattlemen's barbecue, but through lawsuits environmentalists have succeeded - and probably will continue to succeed - in driving grazers off the land.

That's unconscionable, but understandable. Why waste time on persuasion when a court injunction is so much easier?

Or a buyout, if you can get everybody else to pay for it.

Idaho Power should treat customers better

On Thursday, Sept. 26, at about 4:30 p.m., a man came to our home and said he was from the Forestry Division of Idaho Power. He told my wife that a tree in our back yard was near a power line and that they were going to cut it back. My wife said that it was a problem, we would have it trimmed. He said, "You cannot do it. Anyone you hire won't be licensed and would not be acceptable to Idaho Power." My wife telephoned me at work, and I talked to this man over the telephone. He said, "The tree is near the power line and we have a legal right to trim it, and we are going to." I told him I didn't know the tree was touching the power line and he said, "It's about two feet away, and I see it as a danger, and we have a legal right to cut it." I asked if we could hire our own tree trimmer and he said, "No." He further told my wife that we had "been in violation for 15 years." We have lived here for 14 years and have had all our trees trimmed every year, and this tree has never been near the power line to cause any danger. This man did not give his name to either myself or my wife. I telephoned Idaho Power on Friday, Sept. 27, and spoke with "Jill." I was told that Idaho Power contracts with a private company to do the tree trimming. Jill further told me that "normally" trees were only trimmed when Idaho Power felt that the tree branches were rubbing on the power lines. Jill did not give me any company name but gave me a cell phone number of a man in this area she said does trimming for Idaho Power. I tried to call this number five times on Friday, Sept. 27, but no one answered.

I would write to Idaho Power direct but nowhere can I find a physical address for the company headquarters. A telephone call to them certainly was not productive. I am not opposed to trimming this tree if it is a hazard, but I am opposed to the "storm trooper" style and attitude of this representative of Idaho Power. Idaho Power apparently does not care how its representatives treat the customer.

If they do barge into my yard and trim my trees, they had better trim several trees on the east side of Miner Avenue because the trees are growing right up through and completely engulfing the power lines.

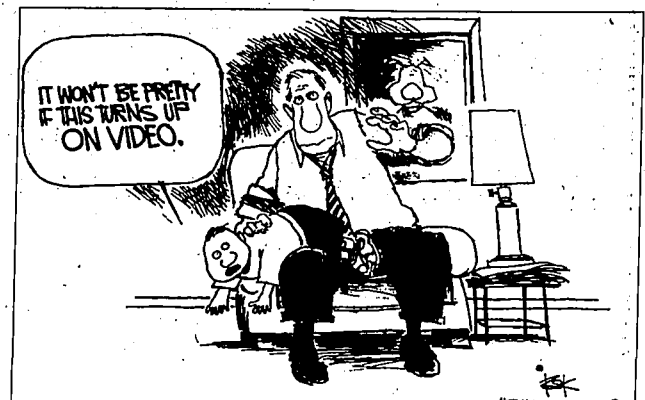
ROBERT SQUIRE
Buhl

Forests need more management to stop fires

I write this letter based upon professional forestry training and experience. I am a forestry graduate (1943) from the University of Idaho. For nine years, I worked as an assistant forester of the U of I staff. In the Idaho Legislature, I served for 12 years on the House Resource and Conservation Committee. I assisted in the development of two Idaho wood preservative companies, one in Menan and the other in Tuttle.

Idaho citizens should welcome and support the decision by President Bush to change management policies for our national forests. Policies followed by the Clinton-Gore administration significantly reduced timber harvest and dramatically increased the residual fuel load in western forests. During this period, Idaho lost approximately 3,000 jobs in our sawmill and logging operations.

I know some of Idaho's environmental leaders. I admire their dedication and envy their energy. I cannot agree with the premise that all old-growth timber is sacred and logging is evil. They fail to understand that trees are a living association, and just like a crop of grain or a generation of people, they grow, mature, reproduce, and eventually die. Many trees have only a 100-



200-year life span The majestic giant redwoods are the exception, not the rule.

Many Idaho timber stands are even-aged lodgepole pine or similar Douglas fir. As they mature, they are victims of disease, insects, snow breakage and windfall. Without sustained yield harvesting, followed by cleanup slash burning, devastating and expensive wildfires are inevitable.

A golden crop of ripe grain is a beautiful sight, but left unharvested, it soon becomes an ugly waste.

In forest management class, I was taught that Rocky Mountain timber stands were naturally approximately one-third new seedlings recovering from fire, one-third middle-aged trees growing and re-seeding and one-third old growth. I am advised that today, many of our national forest management plans call for a forest composition which is 90 percent or more old growth. Such a policy is like arguing that we should have a human population of which 90 percent or more are on Social Security.

Sen. Craig should be complimented for his bipartisan national leadership on forest health issues. His opponent, Mr. Blinken, should tell us specifically where he stands in regard to the Clinton-Gore for poll cutters.

VERNON HAYES SCROTT
Buhl
(Editor's note: Vernon Hayes is a former Idaho legislator, former state GOP chairman and former owner of Penta Post, a wood product company in Tuttle.)

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Sharon Block is the Republican candidate for the Idaho House of Representatives from District 24. Serving in the last legislative session, she did a great job. With a background in education, business and agriculture, Sharon is uniquely qualified for this position. A former teacher in the Twin Falls School District, Sharon will ensure that our children receive a quality education. As a businesswoman herself, Sharon will work to improve our economy. Having grown up on a farm and ranch in Idaho, Sharon will support agricultural interests in the Magic Valley. A lifelong Idahoan, Sharon knows and cares about Idaho.

She is the best candidate for state representative, District 24. I urge you to vote for Sharon Block on Nov. 5.

EILEEN BANHOLZER
Filer

Newspaper's coverage of Retimer has been solid

I wish to thank The Times-News for reporting on dear Dr. Retimer but would like to ask the police department if I pulled a gun on a young man, would I be able to

tell police I'm not coming in after driving home loaded not only with booze but a gun? Why was he not picked up like any other citizen or because he's one of the best surgeons in the valley, do we have to put up with his drunk habits? Why wasn't it checked out if he did surgery and who would want an intoxicated doctor to operate?

I've heard bull manure walks, money talks, but this is Idaho and we know the smell of bull dung. This story stinks in all departments. Thanks, Times-News, for uncovering it. Let's get it cleaned like he was any other citizen and not mister doctor.

P.S. A few of you others write and back the paper. Maybe next time it will be your son that wins pool and almost loses his life.

MILDRED GORE
Twin Falls

Twin Falls jail doesn't treat prisoners properly

I was in the Twin Falls jail and the conditions and food and guards are awful and the medical help is not very good! I have an oversized stomach and can't eat spicy foods or things made with tomatoes because they make me sick to my stomach. All my teeth are just roots and I can't eat hard foods.

They only give one blanket that barely covers your body! And the guards, 90 percent of them, treat the people like a third-class person. They're rude and try to degrade a person and on some cases use expressive force. And if a person has more than \$20 on their books, they take everything over the \$20 on your book.

I was going to the dentist and was in the waiting area and overheard the sergeant and another cop talking about inmates' money. He said to put the money on your release or commissary, get it before they could and if they need it, he could always transfer it by the computer! And the medical care is pretty bad. I couldn't get food that I could eat and not get sick from eating it.

DONALD SHEA
Twin Falls

Factory dairies invaded our good way of life

Magic Valley was a beautiful place to live. Many people were third-generation farmers. Then large, confined factory dairies moved in and dumped tons of manure upwind from their homes. The neighbors of these large factory, confined dairies have sympathy for the people in foreign countries who hate the USA. Why do they hate us? We feed them, we donate to their schools and do all these wonderful things for them. We also gain and take over their economy and government and try to change their customs and lifestyle. Just like the large, confined, factory dairies here.

They are destroying the lives of their neighbors. They live with stench and flies every day. The dairymen's association has taken away their right to breathe fresh air. They can't hear speakers who dare to disagree with them. Radio stations are being forced to cancel ads against them. They use their money paid by the small farmers who are being forced out of business to buy politicians, pay lobbyists to coerce our government.

They sue our county commissioners and anyone who objects to them adding more pollution and stench. They and the rest of us are supposed to sit and listen to all the wonderful things they do for us. What about the health hazards they cause? Methane gas, hydrochloric acid and ammonia are being sprayed into the air we breathe. These acids damage hearts as well as lungs.

These confined, factory dairies shoot their cows with hormones. We know extra hormones can cause piletobitis with blood clots and thrombosis. This is everyone's problem. How can a mother let her child drink milk, eat ice cream and cheese with these extra hormones? We try to keep our teen-agers celibate and then stuff them with cheese filled with extra hormones.

It is time to wake up and do something about it! You can buy milk, cheese, yogurt, ice cream and some meat with no hormones added. A Buhl home-delivery dairy comes to Twin Falls. If customers refuse to buy milk with extra hormones, it is a way to help protect their families from horrendous pain caused by excessive hormones. Maybe the factory dairymen can force us to breathe their hazardous air, but we don't have to drink their milk or eat their cheese.

MERLE STODDARD
Twin Falls

City must do better on animal shelter

On the chance someone at the council might read them, we'd like to add these few comments to the growing pile. We all know the sad history involved here; the quite remarkable job People for Pets has done despite the very limited support or appreciation they've received over the last 14 years. What's been done to them is simply not understandable. We can't help wondering a little about purity of purpose.

When we see the multi-story examples of conspicuous consumption hereabouts, we can't help hearing about the pennies we're trying to pinch when it comes to supporting destitute animals and those who are trying to help them, we wonder about our values. Can't the community do better than this? Can't you? LYLE AND IRENE KING
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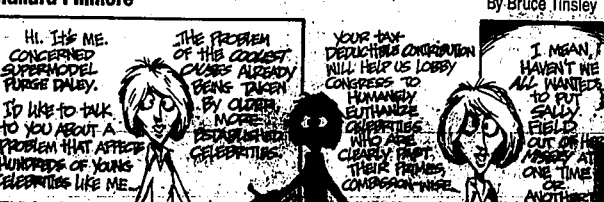
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By Bruce Tinsley

LETTERS

Pulling Sierra Club ads from radio is a disgrace

I love freedom! The recent episode of radio stations pulling off the Sierra Club's dairy ads concerns me even though I'm not a member of that club. I have to ask, where is the freedom of speech that thousands have died to protect? What is happening in this valley? Where is the courage to stand up for principle? We can achieve success, accumulate money and reach our goals, but in the end, the only thing that really matters is how we live our lives in principle. Pulling off the ads is an act of cowardice and is a disgrace to all who have sacrificed their lives for freedom.

Citizens need to know the truth about the odor problem before it happens to them.

Before the completion of construction of the industrial dairy south of Filer, I was assured by the owner that I wouldn't even know the operation was there. As it has turned out, it has been a nightmare now for almost two years for my family and neighbors, some as far as four miles away. We suffer needlessly and others need the chance to avoid the same fate.

My family, neighbors and I do not hate dairies, ranching or any other agricultural operations. We support responsible and considerate family dairies, farms and ranches. We are neither communist nor socialist nor tree-huggers as some who benefit from confined animal feeding operations have called us. However, as humans, we care about the air we breathe, the water we drink and what kind of environment we will leave to our children. The problem is those who have no respect for people's rights and our environment. They rob from all of us the clean air and pure water that our creator has given to us.

People who aren't blinded by greed retain their common sense to see and understand that the Magic Valley is based on responsible agriculture. These CAFOs are hiding behind our idealized images of family dairies and resort to name-calling to intimidate and suppress those who dare to complain about the problem the industry created. For many years, citizens of this valley have enjoyed the quality of rural life with its clean air and safe water while also enjoying meat and dairy products without our current problem. What has changed recently? What does God's gift of common sense tell us?

PHUONG SMITH
Filer

Certified nurses aides are terribly underpaid

My grandma was in a nursing home. She went in only after it became extremely difficult for her to be taken care of at home. I loved my grandma; she made fudge, hot rolls and there was always Tang to be had when I was little. Grandma was always great at talking over coffee and there was that ever-present bowl of old-fashioned hard candy on her kitchen table.

We all have fond memories of those who mean so much to us, our grandmas, our grandpas, our mothers and our fathers. As they age, oftentimes they must be placed within the care of nursing homes or such facilities. Within such places are employed certified nurses aides, nurses aides and such. We depend upon these people to deliver high-quality care and have genuine concern for our loved ones. They are the ones that help feeble hands that once provided substance for a family that are now gnarled and twisted with arthritis.

The shame is that certified nurses aides often do not get paid much more than minimum wage. The result is a higher turnover rate and a poorer choice of quality workers. Does Fort Knox pay its workers more than wage considering the value of what they

are guarding? How much more value should we not regard our seniors who showered freedoms upon us and championed our hopes and dreams?

We have companies who will pay \$12 an hour to people to process our potatoes. Can we even compare the value of French fries vs. our mothers? There is no comparison. How

can these companies who make such a good living from a commodity upon which no price can be put get away with paying their help so little?

Time is moving, and life goes by so fast. How soon does the child become the parent and the parent become the child. If God allows, we will all come to a point that we will need the help of certified nurses

aides because of an aging body. Certified nurses aides should be made a stand together. It takes organization, persistence and probably the forming of a union.

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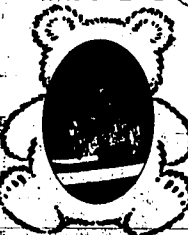
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'00 NISSAN XTERRA 4x4 Stock #4212. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, CD, Nerf Bars, Wheels, Roof Rack, Automatic Transmission	\$18695
'99 FORD F-350 XLT QUAD CAB 4x4 Stock #4126. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Power Seats, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, CD, Wheels, Running Boards, Tow Package	\$19295
'01 FORD ESCAPE XLT Stock #3824. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette CD, Roof Rack	\$19695
'99 FORD F-150 XLT QUAD CAB 4x4 Stock #4144. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Power Seats, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, Sun Roof, Wheels, Bed Liner, Tow Package	\$19785
'00 GMC 1500 Z-71 SLE 4x4 EXT. CAB 3 DOOR Stock #4050. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Power Seats, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, CD, Wheels, Nerf, Tow Package	\$19895
'00 FORD F-150 XLT QUAD CAB 4x4 Stock #3996. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, Nerf, Tow Package	\$20695
'02 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SPORT 4 DOOR Stock #3414. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, Rear Air, Quad Seats, Roof Rack	\$20995
'98 ACURA RL Stock #795C. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Power Seats, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette, Sun Roof, Leather, Wheels	\$21795
'00 CADILLAC DTS Stock #843C. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Power Seats, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette CD, Leather, Wheels, Nerf Bar	\$21995
'02 CHEVROLET 1500 LS 4x4 Stock #4133. FENDER SIDE, POWER WINDOWS, POWER LOCKS, POWER MIRRORS, TILT STEERING, CRUISE CONTROL, CD, WHEELS, BED LINER, TOW PACKAGE	\$22795
'02 FORD F-150 XLT QUAD CAB 4x4 Stock #4137. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, CD, Bed Liner	\$22995
'99 GMC YUKON SLT 4x4 Stock #4033. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Power Seats, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette CD, Leather, Running Boards, Wheels, Tow Package, Roof Rack	\$23195
'00 TOYOTA TUNDRA SR5 QUAD 4x4 Stock #4202. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Tilt Steering, Cruise Control, Cassette CD, Wheels, Slide Bar, Bed Liner, V-8 Engine	\$23495
'00 TOYOTA SIENNA XLE VAN Stock #4094. Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Power Seats, Cruise Control, Cassette CD, Leather, Sun Roof, Wheels, Quad Seats, Roof Rack	\$23595

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Absentee voting begins now in T.F.

TWIN FALLS - Absentee voting is now taking place between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the county clerk's office on the second floor of the Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N. A voter also may submit by mail, fax or e-mail a request for an absentee ballot to be mailed. The application for an absentee ballot must be signed by the registered voter requesting the ballot. Application forms may be picked up at the county clerk's office in the courthouse or downloaded from the Twin Falls County Web site, www.twinfallscounty.org. Election laws do not allow a ballot to be picked up by a family member or friend. Requests for absentee ballots to be mailed must be received by 5 p.m. Oct. 30. However, absentee voting will continue through 5 p.m. Nov. 4 on the second floor of the courthouse. Oct. 11 is the last day to register your name on the official poll book for voting on Election Day. People may register and vote on Election Day if they meet the criteria for being a qualified elector. A qualified elector is any person who is at least 18, is a U.S. citizen, who has resided in the county at least 30 days preceding the election, and who is registered as required by law.

Slain firefighters will be honored Sunday at CSI

TWIN FALLS - A service in memory of firefighters killed in the line of duty is scheduled 1 p.m. Sunday in the College of Southern Idaho's fine arts auditorium. Shoshone Fire Department Capt. Dale Hellwinkel is organizing the event in conjunction with national Fallen Firefighters Memorial observances. Following the service, there will be a procession of emergency vehicles from CSI to the Magic Valley Mall. Congress and the president have designated Oct. 6 as a day to honor firefighters and emergency personnel who have sacrificed their lives to save others by lowering the American flag on all federal buildings to half staff. Hellwinkel encourages similar flag displays from other people. For more information, call Hellwinkel at 886-7179.

Dilettantes schedule auditions Oct. 13 and 14

TWIN FALLS - The Dilettante Group of Magic Valley has chosen the musical "Oklahoma" as its next production on March 21-23 and 27-29. Auditions will be held at Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Fred Scheibe of Lewiston will direct and choreograph the show, and Sharon Warner of Twin Falls will be the musical director. Auditions will be held from 3-9 p.m. Oct. 13 and from 5-9 p.m. Oct. 14 at the Immanuel Lutheran School, 2055 Filer Ave. E., Twin Falls. Those who audition should be prepared to sing a song, and an accompanist will be provided. Singers and dancers of all ages are needed for the cast. Rehearsals will begin in early January. For more information, call Mike Winterholler at 732-5814.

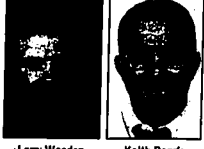
M.V. theater group selects cast for musical

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Little Theater has announced the cast for its October production of "Little Shop of Horrors." The casting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Oct. 24 in the OTLearny Junior High School auditorium. Tickets, which are \$8 in advance, will go on sale Oct. 15 at Everybody's Business and Red's Trading Post in Tinseltown, at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, at Sav-Mor Drug in Buhl and at Dutch Gardens in Wendell. The cast includes Caleb Collins, Camille Bariger, Vern Laffin, Shawn Bariger, Lisa Woods, Linda Johnson, Corinne Casperson, Kate Woods, Lori Henson, Christine Strader, Stephanie Holman, Patrick Harris, Shirley Lee, Bill Woodruff, John Johnson, Ashleigh Blakeslee, Eric Morrow and Tina M. Rost. Compiled from staff reports

Candidate outlines platform

Attorney general hopeful promises attack on drugs, domestic violence

The Associated Press
BOISE - Contending public safety can be assured without denying needed cash to schools and other programs, Republican Lawrence Wasden on Thursday promised a broad-based attack on drugs, domestic violence and abuse and exploitation of seniors if elected attorney general. "We will bring new ideas to deal with the important issues facing Idaho," said Wasden, a Twin Falls High School graduate who has been the chief deputy to retiring GOP Attorney General Al Lance for the past four years. "We will continue to work smarter and harder," said Wasden, who faces Democrat Keith Roark of Hailey in November.



Keith Roark

He called for:
• Expansion of drug courts as the primary diversion for first-time drug offenders. The program has been stalled by recent budget cuts.
• An education program to make all Idaho residents aware of the signs of methamphetamine manufacture so it can be reported to police.
• A campaign to raise awareness and reporting of domestic violence while promoting the safety of families and addressing the causes of abuse.
• A new attempt to clear the backlog of unsolved rape cases.
• Cooperation with local governments, with federal financial support, to institute an Amber Alert system for dealing with missing children.
• Using the current no-call list

as the starting point to stop scam artists from taking advantage of elderly citizens. On Tuesday, Roark, a former prosecutor and now well-known defense attorney, called for so-called truth in sentencing laws, creation of a commission to implement criminal sentencing guidelines, more community-based correction programs and requirements for any new criminal law proposals to carry a statement of what taxpayers will have to shell out to enforcement them. Wasden said his program could be implemented to a large extent through partnerships with the media, private and other grants, volunteer work and collaboration with other governmental agencies and law enforcement.

Larry Wasden
In an apparent response to Roark's proposals for sentencing changes earlier in the week, Wasden said he would create a "crime prevention team" that spans the spectrum of law enforcement, social advocacy, medical and business interests to help direct the attacks on drugs, domestic violence and those who would prey on the elderly.

Cassia teachers write tests during inservice days

By Shari Chaney Times-News writer

BURLEY - Students in Mini-Cassia were out of school Thursday, but their teachers weren't. "We're writing tests," one teacher said at the Cassia County inservice at Burley High School. These are not ordinary tests. Secondary-level teachers in Cassia County were working to create end-of-semester tests to coincide with the standards and benchmarks adopted by the district last year.



Colleen Wood, left, and Rowena Falchlid, teachers at Burley Junior High School, work on creating end-of-semester assessments for the standards and benchmarks adopted by the district last year.

The tests are set to come before students at the end of each semester to evaluate how much they have learned, Cassia County School District math curriculum coordinator Becky Gummerson said. The tests, and the district-wide standards set previously, bring teachers a sense of unity as well as put them on the right track with state standards. The district covers four high schools, Gummerson noted. Teachers taught on different timelines at sometimes different topics. In some cases, schools were using different books. "For a long time everybody was on a different page," Gummerson said.

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district, said Burley Junior High School math teacher Colleen Wood. The teachers aren't reinventing the wheel when creating these tests. Teachers, in small

groups and with the standards as their marks in front of them, are reviewing test questions which came with textbooks and other resources to create the tests. It's a time-consuming process, Wood said. Once computers were up and running, teachers navigated through "a large number" of

questions to find those that cover the standards and benchmarks of the district. It takes time to read and analyze the many questions and come up with the best test, Wood said. When the two-day inservice is over, teachers are set to have a Please see TEACHERS, Page B3

Democratic challenger Blinken links Craig votes, contributions

The Associated Press
BOISE - Democratic challenger Alan Blinken on Thursday linked Republican Sen. Larry Craig's acceptance of \$56,000 in campaign contributions during the past two years with votes on issues where Craig sided with contributors.



Alan Blinken

"We don't say he sold out to those interests," Blinken said. "We say Senator Craig bought into those interests a long time ago." Craig spokesman Dan Colcoche rejected Blinken's implications, contending that the senator has cast votes that his financial supporters have agreed with and others that they disliked. "But they always know his vote is not for sale," Colcoche said. "There are a number of groups and individuals who have shown support for Larry Craig. At no time has there been an expectation of a favorable vote, nor any offer or hint that that will coincide with a donation. "Larry has always listened to his constituents and voted in the best interest of Idaho and the nation," he said. Specifically, Blinken cited: • Craig initially voted to ban meatpackers from owning livestock within 14 days of slaughter. Then two months later, in February, he abandoned that stand and supported simply studying the impact of packer ownership. The senator received

\$9,000 in contributions from meatpacking interests after originally supporting the ban. • Craig's vote in March against increasing the fuel efficiency standards for pickups. In the four months after the vote, he received \$16,000 in contributions from oil companies and auto makers who opposed higher fuel efficiency standards. • Craig's opposition in mid-2001 to legislation requiring health plans to provide increased access to specialists, emergency medical care and independent review of denied claims. Craig received \$16,000 in contributions from insurance interests opposed to the bill during the three months leading up to that vote. • Craig's support for bankruptcy law reform that required some debtors to repay \$10,000 or 25 percent of their debt over five years rather than have the total debt discharged as current law provides. Banks and credit card companies backing the bill contributed \$8,000 to the senator in

the four months after the vote. Blinken, who lives in Sun Valley, argued that Craig's opposition to meatpacker ownership of livestock harms Idaho ranchers. Craig's opposition to higher fuel efficiency standards makes it more expensive to drive pickups, he added. And Craig's resistance to mandated services from health insurers denies consumers quality medical care, Blinken said. In addition, Craig's support for requirements that debtors repay at least some debt when in bankruptcy aggravates financial problems many Idaho residents find themselves facing, Blinken said. "If the people in Idaho entrust me with a seat in the U.S. Senate, I promise that when a big, powerful special interest comes to my door and asks, 'What can I do for them?' I will ask first, 'What can you do for Idaho?'" Blinken said. He called on Idaho voters to hold Craig responsible for votes that he said not only fail to benefit the people who elected him but in too many cases work to the voters' detriment. "Money I've taken has come from organizations that represent the working people of Idaho," Blinken said. "His priority is my priority - bringing good-paying jobs to Idaho."

Blinken's contributions from special-interest political action committees have been heavily from organized labor.

Court rejects father-son appeal in marijuana case

The Times-News
BURLEY - A Burley father and son sentenced for growing hundreds of marijuana plants in a meat-packing plant lost their appeal this week. The Idaho Court of Appeals sided with 5th District Judge Monte Carlson, who in August 2000 would not suppress the evidence which led to Bill A. and Jason Kay Sowers' arrest. In their combined appeal, the Sowerses contended that false and stale information had been included in the search warrant affidavit which led to their arrest. As a result, the affidavit did not provide probable cause, they argued. The Sowerses also argued that even if probable cause was shown, there was willful misconduct by a law enforcement officer. Carlson had handed the Sowerses two to five years in prison for one count of drug trafficking and one count of failing to pay on a tax stamp. The judge then granted a motion to delay their jail time while they filed an appeal.

Food, fun and grapes highlight Oktoberfest

By Steve Crump Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Saturday should be a fine afternoon for grape-stomping. Just bring your wools socks to put on afterward. The Lucille Ball Grape Crush - innkeeper and vintner Frank Hegy's homage to crisp wine and fuzzy television - will again be the highlight of Oktoberfest, Historic Downtown Twin Falls' 17th annual welcome to autumn. There will be food, fun, games and music, but the stompage - a fun-riser to buy Christmas decorations for downtown - will become a highlight in its third year. The premise is a famous episode from "I Love Lucy." From noon until 5 p.m., in front of Dunken's Draught House, five buckets and two bare feet will get you stomping grapes imported from Hegy's South Hills Winery. Winners will receive a 7-liter bottle of wine. But be advised: The National Weather Service predicts Saturday's high temperature will barely top 60 degrees. And if your feet are beetotlers, there's plenty more to do. Today from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., there's a Dutch-oven cookoff in front of Rudy's A Cook's Paradise on Main Avenue. This is serious dress-up cookery, with sous cooks on-scene and proffering their recipes. Tonight there's a street dance, from 4-10 p.m., at the fountain on Main Avenue, with music by U-Turn and BBQ. Music will be pretty much a solid state both days at the fountain. This afternoon, Susan Brown will sing from noon to 2 p.m., followed by the Alpine Spikers from 2-4. On Saturday, Brown will perform from 10-11 a.m., the Alpine Spikers will return from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., and the Alpine Spikers will be on stage from 1-3 p.m. and Blue Rayz from 3-5 p.m. For the kids, there will be a mini-train, pony rides and other fun. Food, of course, will be in abundance from a dozen different vendors. There will also be booths selling a variety of crafts and a display of antique and classic cars at the fountain. Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-2223, or write to him at crump@magicvalley.com.

"This Court is dismayed at such conduct by a law enforcement officer. It does not follow, however, that the appropriate response from the courts is to suppress otherwise admissible evidence as a way to 'punish' such misconduct."
- Idaho Court of Appeals

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Six tourists die in Utah bus crash

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A tour bus carrying 26 elderly passengers was returning from a scenic drive to view the fall foliage on Mount Nebo when it went off a curve, overturned and slid 30 feet into a tree, killing six women.

could reach authorities on his cell phone. When Runfield arrived at the scene, there were "a few people standing up, some laying inside the bus on top of each other, some trapped," he told The Salt Lake Tribune. "It was a devastating thing to see. If the brakes went out, I don't know what the driver could have done to stop the bus."

Friends of Ogden, a social group. Randy Allinson, director of nursing at Central Valley Medical Center in Nephi, said all of the injured were taken to that hospital, but because weather prevented helicopters from landing at the crash site.

Jerome wants to terminate service to delinquent customers sooner

By Dixie Thomas Reade Times-News Correspondent JEROME - In an effort to collect delinquent utility bills faster, Jerome City Clerk Kathy Cone asked the City Council for permission to stop mailing termination notices to customers who are two months past due.

notices then ask for payment arrangements on the delinquent bills. Then some skip town without paying. "If we could shorten the time from delinquency to termination it would cut back on the amount of lost revenue," Thompson said.

unwilling to work with people in making payment arrangements," but suggested notifying customers they can "only make payment arrangements once per calendar year" and shorten the time to terminate delinquent accounts from 60 days to 30 or 45 days.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.



HEYBURN Anselmy High School in 1936. During World War II, he served with the army as a surgical tech technician with the 23rd General Hospital, serving in Africa, Italy, and France.

Jerome, where for a number of years she served as the church organist. Throughout her life she touched the lives of many others with her cheerful smile, sense of humor and wit.

Survivors include two sons, Wayne A. (Viola) Jopson of Abilene, Texas, and James C. (Tamar) Jopson of Blackfoot; and a daughter, Christine (Kenneth) Hunter of Jerome. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Lynn P. Judd Lynn Prescott Judd, 82, of Heyburn, died Wednesday, October 2, 2002, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services for Verna Jopson will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, October 5, 2002, at the Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel with Deacon Richard Goetsch officiating. Burial will follow in the Jerome Cemetery.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband. Funeral services for Verna Jopson will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, October 5, 2002, at the Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel with Deacon Richard Goetsch officiating.

TWIN FALLS Garrett Reese Wright On October 2, 2002, Garrett Reese Wright came silently into our lives and returned home to the safe and loving arms of our Father in Heaven.

JEROME Bud Potter G. Warren (Bud) Potter, 90, passed away Tuesday, October 2, 2002, at his home on Rose Place in Yakima, Washington.



Bud worked many years as a lineman for Pacific Power and Light and has many stories to tell of his experiences. He was a 60-year member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and proud of it.

FT. PIERCE, FLA. Lyle Henry Wing died May 9, 1981. Burial October 3, 2002. Lyle was born in Litchfield, Nebraska. He graduated from Calvary Episcopal Church in

Verna Estella Jopson Verna Estella Jopson, 95, of Jerome, died Wednesday, October 2, 2002, at Creekside Manor in Jerome.

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SERVICES

Dorsey Everett Miller of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Paul C. Turnipseed of Filer, graveside service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Filer Cemetery in Filer; interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park.

Pauline Lydia Hoover of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel; burial will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday at Reynolds Chapel.

Ivan Giles White of Jerome, service at 2 p.m. today at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 825 East Ave. E, Jerome; interment will follow at the Jerome Cemetery; friends may call from 1-1:45 p.m. today at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary, Jerome).

Lois Kathleen (Dlvine) Smith of Olympia, Wash., graveside service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Bellevue Cemetery in Bellevue; interment is under the direction of the Demary Funeral Chapel in Shoshone.

Rufina A. Kulep of Seward, Neb., and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Trinity Lutheran Church in Clover; interment will be held at Trinity Church Cemetery; there will be no viewing.

Ronald Mort Sr. of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. today at the Christian Center Four-square Church, 181 Morrison St., Twin Falls; interment will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Marvel Geraldine Rice of Jerome, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel; burial will follow in the Jerome Cemetery; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel.

Myrtle Matthews Leonardson of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Monday at White Mortuary; interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park; viewing from 9:45-10:45 a.m. Monday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Donnetta (Donna) Elizabeth Corral of Wendell, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome Cemetery; friends may gather at the cemetery shortly before the service (Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel, Jerome).

Charles (Chuck) Squires, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Rupert Elks Lodge; interment is pending at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland, Ore.

Charlotte L. Kroll of Twin Falls, service Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Twin Falls 1st Presbyterian Church; committal services will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; visitation from 4-8 p.m. Monday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Raymond 'Nell' Staker of Paul, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Icel E. Brown of Twin Falls and formerly of Kimberly, service at 11 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; interment will follow at the Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Twin Falls.

Dr. John H. Lowry TWIN FALLS - Dr. John H. Lowry, 67, of Twin Falls died Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2002, at his home.

Reuben Clark Bradshaw of Salt Lake City, Utah, service at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the Jerome Elks Club; viewing will be held one hour before the service; interment will be in the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding (Demary's Gooding Chapel).

Elizabeth Jane Ward Lambing WENDELL - Elizabeth Jane Ward Lambing, 81, formerly of Wendell, died Thursday, Oct. 3, 2002.

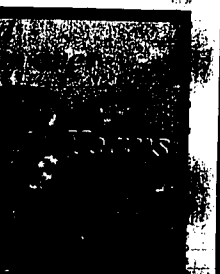
Arrangements are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Spending issue stumps public financing advocate

BOISE (AP) - An advocate for public election financing acknowledged on Thursday that it will not solve the unregulated independent spending that has characterized Idaho judicial races.

who said a quarter century of federal court decisions have protected that kind of campaign spending under the First Amendment.

State Ben Yursa said he suspects it also came from term limits advocates.



M-C native resigns commission directorship

The Associated Press
NAMPA — A Mini-Cassia native who took over the reins of the Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs nearly three years ago is resigning.
 The commission announced that Don Pena would step down later this year to pursue other projects. Chairman Gladys Esquivel of Burley said he is leaving of his own choice and intends to continue work in the Hispanic community, doing policy research and developing programs on Hispanic issues.
 Pena's resignation marks the second departure of a leader in the organization. Funes lost a court bid for reinstatement.
 Pena, a Minico High School graduate, took over as commission director at the end of 1999 when Daniel Ramirez resigned after four years. He was replaced by Ramirez's permanent replacement over 14 other candidates in March 2000.
 During his tenure as director, Pena retired the annual Hispanic Issues Training Conference.
 Following that conference last month, the commission board met to discuss budget and other issues. Two members said the board was investigating potential issues during Pena's leadership but declined to elaborate.
 With its budget cut by \$3,800, Esquivel said, the commission will not hire a new director for some time.
 In addition to his work at the commission, Pena's community involvement included service for the Region IV Development Association, the South Central Idaho Private Industry Council, the State Job Training Coordinating Council and the Governor's Workforce 2000 Committee.
 He also served as president of IMAGE of Idaho, a group that works to provide employment and educational opportunities for Hispanics throughout the state.

Appeal challenges feedlot permit

Decisions might affect county ordinances

By Nate Johnson Times-News writer
BURLEY — County commissioners' decisions on an appeal will not only affect those involved in the debate over a proposed feedlot near Declo, they will likely change the way the county handles confined animal feeding operations.
 Commissioners will hold the Alliance Land and Livestock appeal hearing 10 a.m. Monday in the Cassia County district courtroom. Though the appeal will focus on the procedures of the planning and zoning board, the commissioners' decision will have wider implications.
 In considering the appeal, commissioners will weigh the rights of landowners to use their property as they wish against protecting the wellbeing of the community. Commissioners will later consider how well county ordinances maintain this balance.
 Three Cassia County men want to build a 2,909 head feedlot northeast of Declo. The people living around the proposed site say the facility would lower their quality of life. County commissioners must decide if the county planning and zoning board acted properly in granting a permit to Alliance Land and Livestock. Commissioners will also hear an

appeal from the Alliance Land and Livestock partners and decide if the board made too strict a condition in barring manure-carrying trucks from county roads.
 Commissioners have always stood behind the decisions of the planning and zoning board in the past. This appeal might be different, because the permit passed by a single vote.
 The appeal has brought attention to problems in county ordinances. The planning and zoning board recommended the commissioners revise the zoning ordinance to allow people to ask the board to reconsider a single condition, rather than appeal a whole permit. The board members thought an applicant should have to notify neighbors two weeks before a permit hearing. The ordinance now has no time frame for notification.
 In a letter written by a Lynette Brackenbury, a committee of concerned residents gave commissioners 13 reasons to overturn the planning and zoning board's decision. Of these 13, the following three might be especially significant in the hearing:
 • **Notification** — Applicants did not notify all owners of property within half a mile and one mile of the proposed site, Brackenbury wrote.
 Cassia County ordinances are somewhat confused on this matter. The ordinances require people applying for a confined animal feeding operation, or CAFO, permit to notify everyone within one mile of the facility and the land the owner will use to spread

manure. But this rule only applies to sites within the "CAFO overlay," an area designated for feedlots and dairies. The proposed feedlot is outside the CAFO overlay.
 Outside the CAFO overlay, people must apply for conditional use permits to build feedlots. Applicants must notify property owners within half a mile of the site. The definition of "site" not exactly clear in the ordinance. The applicant must notify property owners within "one half mile beyond the external boundaries of the land being considered for a permit, and any additional area that in the determination of the planning and zoning commission may be substantially impacted by the proposed special use," the ordinance reads.
 Brent Stoker, one of the three partners in Alliance Land and Livestock, had surveyors identify the landowners within half a mile of the planned corral posts of the feedlot. He delivered plans to the residences of those four people, Stoker said.
 There are other property owners within the larger area within a half-mile of the border of the property the partners hope to buy. In a recent planning and zoning decision, board members ruled that the site of a permitted facility applied not just to the building, but to the entire property.
 • **Lack of information** — The board did not have enough information to determine if the feedlot will dilute the groundwater in the area, or significantly lower the quality of life for the resi-

dents, Brackenbury wrote.
 Board members decided not to make a decision at the end of their second meeting because they felt they needed more information on the likelihood of groundwater pollution. They asked for information from the Mid-Snake Water Resources Advisory Board, but the board had not yet processed its data for the area. With no new information, the planning and zoning board voted.
 The board does not have the expertise to research the hazards of every project, County Administrator Tim Hurst said. Instead, the board relies on those in favor of and opposed to projects to bring them pertinent information.
 • **Conflict of interest** — One or two board members had a conflict of interest, Brackenbury wrote. At the second meeting, planning and zoning board member Randy Robinson told Kerry McMurray, the board attorney, he could not make a final decision because he did business with the applicants. McMurray excused Robinson from the rest of the meeting, and he did not vote. Jack Hill, the Brackenbury attorney, had a minor business relationship with one applicant but said this would not prevent him from making an objective decision. Hill declined to grant the permit to Alliance Land and Livestock.
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Sun Valley arts center holds sale

KETCHUM — The Sun Valley Center for the Arts is emptying its storage lockers for its first ever parking lot sale from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at 191 Fifth St. E.
 Among the items on sale will be glass chips from Chihuly's studio; wine openers, silk grape leaves and other wine auction items and 200 cookbooks wrapped and ready to go as Christmas presents.
 The sale will provide a little extra income for the center. Funds raised at the center's annual wine auction were down 10 percent this year due to the sluggish economy, said Marketing Specialist Kristine Bretall.
Cost of fire insurance will decrease for Buhl residents
BUHL — With the addition of the new fire station west of town, residents of Buhl and the Buhl Rural Fire Protection District applicants should see a rate reduction on Nov. 1.
 "Residents should contact their insurance agent and request a reduction in premiums by November 1," said Fire Chief Mark Grimes.
Project HomeSafe gives out free gunlocks in Jerome
JEROME — With support from the governor's office and the law-enforcement community, Project HomeSafe will distribute free gunlocks this month throughout Idaho.
 Gunlocks will be distributed from noon to 6 p.m. Oct. 10 and 11 at Wal-Mart, 2680 S. Lincoln St. in Jerome.
 The goal of Project HomeSafe is to raise awareness among firearm owners about proper storage and safe handling of firearms in order to help reduce the risk of gun-related accidents in the home.
 Managed by the National Shooting Sports Foundation, Project HomeSafe will provide Idaho gun owners with free cable-style gunlocks accompanied by a safety brochure that discusses safe handling and secure storage procedures. Project HomeSafe is funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice and is endorsed by the National Conference of Lieutenant Governors.
 "It is the responsibility of every gun owner to prevent a loaded firearm from being left carelessly about the house where children and other unauthorized persons can find it," said Bill Braxton Jr., managing director of the safety programs for the NSSF.
 — compiled from staff reports

RIDING INTO THE SUNSET



Fairgoers enjoy one of the many rides at the carnival of the Eastern New Mexico state fair in Roswell, N.M., as the sun sets on Thursday.

Yosemite killer's parents ask jury to spare his life

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — The mother of Yosemite killer Cary Stayner pleaded for his life Thursday, saying that he isn't a monster and that his execution would not change anything.
 Kay Stayner said she has a hard time believing that the "ideal" child she raised — artistic, sensitive in trouble and quiet — the 12-week trial as a killer. But it's something she has come to accept with the four murder convictions that could send her son to death row.
 "If his dying would bring these people back that he killed, I'd say it," she said. "But executing Cary is not going to bring them back."
 In what amounted to an emotional and public family reunion in court for the first time during the 12-week trial as the defense attorneys attempted to sway the jury that Stayner should be sentenced to life in prison without parole.
 Jurors will weigh testimony from Stayner's family, friends and experts who said mental illness made him kill against evidence of the crimes.
 Stayner, 41, was convicted of murdering Carole Sund, 42, her daughter, July 15, and their Argentine friend Silvina Pelosio, 16, while they were staying at the motel where he worked as a handyman outside Yosemite National Park in February 1999.
 He is already serving life in prison without parole for murdering park nature guide Joie Armerstrong, 26, five months later.
 Evidence during the testimony by Stayner's parents included enlarged photographs from happier times: their infant first son;

Family history includes kidnapped sibling

*After his youngest son, Steven Stayner, was snatched off a Merced street in 1972, Delbert Stayner became obsessed with finding him, neglecting 11-year-old Cary and his three sisters.
 Kay Stayner, who has been referred to throughout the trial as an unemotional disciplinarian, broke down and cried as she recalled toll the seven-year disappearance of Steven took on the family.*
 a young boy lathered in calamine lotion after an encounter with mosquitoes or poison oak, and a smiling young pupil with rooked bangs.
 Stayner's mother and sisters looked straight ahead as they testified, avoiding eye contact with the defendant as he bowed his head, occasionally wiping tears with his palms and blocking his ears with his hands.
 When his father, Delbert Stayner, took the stand, he grinned broadly at his son, nodded his head and said he had been a bad father at times.
 He was recovering from back surgery when his son was born in 1961 so he avoided picking him up. If the boy cried, Delbert would yell at him to stop, which only scared the infant.
 After his youngest son, Steven Stayner, was snatched off a Merced street in 1972, Delbert Stayner became obsessed with finding him, neglecting 11-year-old Cary and his three sisters.
 Family road trips were spent chasing far-flung leads from psychics, distributing fliers or digging in fields.
 "When he really needed his

Parole board weighs release of child killer

DRAPER, Utah (AP) — A man sentenced to 18 months for abuse of a child who has since died broke down at a parole board hearing, saying he was sorry.
 "I never meant to hurt him, but I can't take back what I did," Christopher Hogan said Thursday.
 His wife, who is seeking a divorce, told the parole board she wants Hogan to stay in prison. "I don't want to run into him on the street," said Jackie Hogan, who was accompanied by family members, friends and members of Bikers Against Child Abuse. "That's really awkward to face someone you know killed your son."
 The parole board will decide within 10 days whether Hogan should be released from prison. He was convicted of second-degree felony child abuse in the October 2000 shaking 2.5-month-old Salem Corey Hogan.
 The child suffered brain swelling and other complications and died June 24. The medical examiner concluded that the death was the result of the earlier abuse.

always a bit of a loner, retreated further.
 Delbert Stayner said they all broke down in tears when they first visited their son behind bars after his arrest in the killings.
 "Cary said to me, 'Papa, I'm sorry.'"
 Both parents said they didn't want their son to die, that they loved him and wanted him in their lives.
 "My son is sick right now, very sick," Delbert Stayner said. "I've lost one son."
 The Stayners said they have avoided the trial because their son asked them not to attend and because Kay Stayner works and the expense would be too great. But she said she wouldn't have missed the opportunity to tell the jury that he's a "wonderful human being."
 "I want to be here to tell that he's not the monster that people said he is," she said.
 Defense lawyer Marcia Morrissey said the family show of affection for their son was symbolic of a change that has occurred in the last three years.
 "The parents who reacted so coldly when Steven was gone and who didn't appear in court today are different people," Morrissey said outside of court.
 Francis Carrington, who lost his daughter Carole Sund and his son Steven to Stayner, said he respected the parents for fighting for their son's life, but he said that Stayner didn't deserve sympathy because he didn't show any during his crimes.

Teachers

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 test that can be used this semester, Gummerson said. After students see the first round of semester tests in January, the tests will be reviewed and probably changed. When teachers see how they work.
 "We design the test. We give the test. We evaluate the test. We revise and then give it next year," Gummerson said.
 The tests, and test results, will better prepare students for state and national tests, Gummerson said. Teachers can analyze the data to determine where students are strong and weak and teach accordingly. Test results will give teachers more information and enable them to create better tests for students.
 Down the hall, teachers in social studies, language arts and science were preparing end-of-semester tests also.
 "All of us are doing this," Gummerson said.
 Bringing teachers from throughout the district together gives them a chance to build camaraderie. Teachers learn to work as a team, which is important these days, Gummerson said. Do teachers get ideas when they get together?
 "Oh, heavens yes. That's probably the best part," Gummerson said.
 Teachers are also more willing to give the assessments and support the tests if they were a part of creating them, Gummerson said. If teachers were integral in creating the tests, they trust the validity and validity of the tests much more.

Box factory applies for permit change

The Times-News
BURLEY — Managers of the Boise corrugated container plant in Burley have asked the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality to increase the plant's daily production square feet.
 The plant's air pollution permit imposes a limit on the amount of corrugated cardboard the plant can produce in a day. While the plant's annual production will remain the same, managers want the flexibility to make more cardboard in a single day, said Dustin Holloway, DEQ air quality engineer.
 "It doesn't put any more stuff in the air," said Virgil Cole, safety environmental manager for the Boise plant in Burley.
 The plant is now allowed to produce 5.05 million square feet of corrugated cardboard per day. The new permit would allow the facility to produce 10.44 million square feet of corrugated cardboard per day. With the new permit there could be more pollution on some days and less on others, but the annual output would not change, Holloway said.
 The Boise plant has never reached its daily production limit, but as workers become better at running new equipment, the factory may produce more than 5.05 million square feet of corrugated cardboard per day, Cole said.
 To comment on the permit application, contact Cary Ramsdell at the DEQ state office, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, 83706. Ramsdell can also be reached at 208-373-0502. DEQ will accept comments through Oct. 31.

NATION

Man fires shots outside United Nations

UNITED NATIONS — A man jumped the fence surrounding the U.N. headquarters Thursday, fired several shots into the air, threw leaflets on the ground and was quickly tackled by security officers. There were no injuries but shots hit at least two upper floors of the U.N. building.

The gunman was not immediately identified. Shots from the pistol hit the 18th and 20th floors of the U.N. building, including the women's restroom on the 18th floor, according to the office of the U.N. spokesman.

The shooting took place at 1:10 p.m. while the Security Council was holding discussions on Iraq, but there was no immediate indication of any connection.

Security Council members appeared unaware of the incident when they emerged from their meeting. U.N. security officials assured U.N. employees that no one is injured.

U.S.-British air strike hits Iraqi air defense center

WASHINGTON — Allied forces dropped thousands of leaflets over southern Iraq Thursday, warning Saddam Hussein's troops against firing on British and U.S. planes that have been patrolling the no-fly zone.

Iraqi forces fired on aircraft delivering the leaflets and allied forces bombed an air defense operations center in response, said officials at the U.S. Central Command.

It was the first known direct warning from the Pentagon to Iraq's military rank and file since the Bush administration launched its campaign to topple Saddam. Defense officials said on condition of anonymity that it is not directly related to another leaflet campaign in which the Pentagon plans to warn Iraqi officers against firing chemical or biological weapons in the event of U.S. military action to remove Saddam.

Five shootings claim victims in Washington suburbs

SILVER SPRING, Md. — Five people were fatally shot one by one in public places within 16 hours of each other in

Nation in brief

Washington's suburbs, and authorities said Thursday there was a "strong possibility" the killings were related.

One victim was shot to death while riding a lawnmower, another while cleaning her car at a gas station. None appeared to have been robbed, and authorities didn't suspect terrorism, Montgomery County police said.

Investigators had not found any indication that the five victims, killed between 6 p.m. Wednesday and 10 a.m. Thursday, were related or had any conflict with anyone.

Sill, given the timing and location, "there's a strong possibility that they are part of a conspiracy," police spokeswoman Joyce Utter said.

Police were looking for two people in a white cargo van, possibly with damage at the back. Several witnesses told police they saw such a vehicle leaving some of the shooting scenes.

Georgia girl dies in hot car; mother faces murder charge

ATLANTA — Police have charged a mother with murder after she left her 3-year-old daughter with Down syndrome strapped in a sweltering car on the first day of her new job.

Ashante Burgess died Wednesday shortly after arriving at a hospital, where doctors said her temperature was 108 degrees.

Police also charged Nakia Burgess, 28, with cruelty to children. The woman's attorney, Phinix Aten, said her client left Ashante in the car because she couldn't find affordable health care.

The attorney said Ashante was playing with a chalkboard the first time Burgess checked on her. Burgess found her daughter unconscious around noon, less than 90 minutes after arriving to work as a transcriptionist.

"She is extremely remorseful about this," Aten said. "This was her only child." Aten said, "At this point, her life has no meaning to her."

Burgess wept during a brief hearing Thursday and was placed

on suicide watch at the Atlanta-Fulton County Jail.

Philippine officials blame Abu Sayyaf for bombing

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines — Philippine authorities vowed Thursday to "cut off the hand" of the Abu Sayyaf, blaming the terror group for a bombing attack that killed three people — including an American Green Beret — and injured 25 others.

The explosion Wednesday evening shattered an open-air market in Zamboanga. The jitters city about 530 miles south of Manila was put even more on edge by a small explosion Thursday near a Protestant church. No one was injured, and the only damage was a scorch mark on the sidewalk.

The driver of a motorcycle in which the nail-laden bomb was stashed was identified as an Abu Sayyaf member from a sketch based on witness accounts, Ebdane said.

Bush presses Congress to agree on terror insurance

WASHINGTON — Surrounded by supportive union workers and business leaders, President Bush on Thursday rapped the Senate for allowing a dispute over liability protection for businesses hit by terrorists to stall economically vital legislation guaranteeing terrorism insurance.

"When an American business has been targeted for a terrorist attack, we should not further punish it, and the people it employs," Bush said.

The House and Senate have passed different versions of legislation which would protect the insurance industry from calamitous losses in the event of another terrorist attack by requiring the government to pick up some of the losses. But the search for a compromise is hung up primarily over the Senate's opposition to a House provision that would ban punitive damage awards in civil lawsuits.

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Jury sentences serial killer Yates to death

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) - A Pierce County jury on Thursday sentenced serial killer Robert Lee Yates Jr. to death by lethal injection for the aggravated murders of two women.

The jury of seven men and five women began deliberating late Wednesday. On Sept. 19, the same panel convicted Yates of murdering Melinda Mercer, 24, in 1997 and C. o n n i e LaFontaine Ellis, 35, in 1998.

The 50-year-old father of five is already serving a 408-year sentence under a plea agreement two years ago with Spokane County, where he admitted murdering 13 other people since 1975. Ten were women who, like Mercer and Ellis, died after encountering Yates as prostitutes from 1996 to 1998.

Pierce County prosecutors refused to sign off on the deal, and brought Yates to Tacoma for trial.

Aggravated murder is the only crime that carries the death penalty in Washington state; life imprisonment without parole is

Utah high court hears case vs. lesbian teacher

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Teacher Wendy Weaver was in class with her students on Thursday while lawyers in front of the Utah Supreme Court argued whether Weaver should be banned from the classroom because she is a lesbian.

A group of students and their parents at Spanish Fork High School claim Weaver's sexual orientation violates a law that requires teachers to be moral models to their students. Homosexuality, barred by Utah's sodomy statute, makes her unfit to teach, they argue.

The Nebo School District board took no action on the complaint against Weaver, who has taught for more than 20 years. District Court Judge Ray Harding dismissed the court case in 1999.

Before the state's high court Thursday, attorney Matthew Hilton said because the school board and state education officials have done nothing to pursue the case against Weaver, it should be up to the courts to declare that the teacher's lifestyle violates the law.

"It doesn't do any good to have mandatory laws if those laws are not going to be enforced," Hilton said.

The justices seemed loath to take on that role.

"These are all elected officials," Justice Leonard H. Russon said, referring to the school board. "Isn't your recourse through the ballot box?"

the only option, jurors had to be unanimous in ruling for death. Jurors deliberated just over an hour Wednesday before resuming their work Thursday morning.

The prostitute slayings took place from 1996 to 1998, after Yates left the Army and moved his family to Spokane. His National Guard duties as a helicopter pilot brought him to the Tacoma area as well.

Yates also admitted killing a young couple out on a picnic near

Walla Walla in 1975 and a 23-year-old Seattle woman murdered in Skagit County in 1988.

"The world is a frightening place, and I've made it more so for many," the 50-year-old Yates told jurors Wednesday. "Hundreds of people are hurting and grieving because of my actions."

Prosecutors dismissed Yates' 14-minute statement as a self-pitying spiel in which he failed to accept responsibility for the 15 slayings.



Robert Lee Yates

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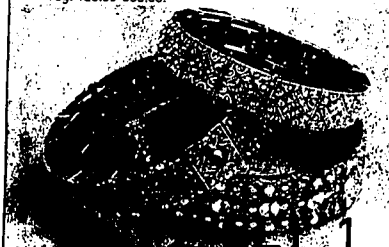
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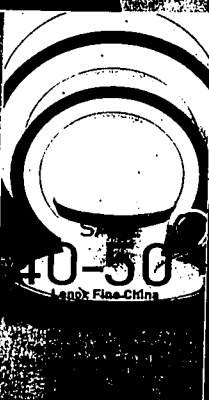
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Hailey's Company of Fools contemplates 'Waiting for Godot'

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - The Liberty Theater hardly looks like it's ready to receive its next theater audience.

Paint cloths are draped over the velvet-covered seats. A ladder stretches up to the balcony. Scaffolding sits near the stage.

It looks as if the theater is in the midst of a grand reconstruction. Only there is no painting or remodeling being done.

Instead it's Irish playwright Samuel Beckett's play "Waiting for Godot" that's in the midst of reconstruction in the hands of Hailey's avant-garde theater troupe, Company of Fools.

Most theater groups place the show's characters on a country road. But Company of Fools will depict them as a couple of vaudeville actors waiting for Godot in an abandoned theater when the play opens Thursday night.

Audience members will survey the scene and the resulting chaos from the stage where they'll be seated as actors cavort up and down the aisle, in the balcony and on the scaffolding. Act II will take place 50 years in the future, not the next day as is normally the case.

"Our production will be very different for those who have seen Godot before," promised Director Rusty Wilson.

"Waiting for Godot" has been called the quintessential play of the 20th century. Written in Paris in the aftermath of World War II, it has no plot, no beginning, no end.

Instead it's centered around two characters - Vladimir and Estragon - who are waiting for Godot. Just who or what Godot is we're never told. Godot could be a producer who'll open the theater and give the two vaudevillians a job. Or, he could symbolize winning the lottery, death, God - ultimately, it's up to the audience to decide who or what Godot is for themselves.

The play, which dabbles with the absurd and existentialism, broke new ground in theater, paving the way for playwrights like Sam Shepard, Edward Albee, David Mamet and Harold Pinter to experiment with minimal plots, unpredictable dialogue and contradictory characters.

One of the play's most interesting performances took place at California's San Quentin Correctional Institution where the prisoners reportedly immediately identified with Vladimir and Estragon about the struggle of daily existence and the pains of waiting for life to end.

According to Beckett, we pass this time



Paul Bauman, left, as Estragon and Andrew Alburger as Vladimir star in Company of Fools production of Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot" at the Liberty Theater in Hailey.

waiting for meaning that will save us from the emptiness of our existence, the feeling that life has no meaning. The play itself exhorts, "Let us not waste our time in idle discourse. Let us do something while we have the chance!"

In some respects, the play is like a fast-paced game of Trivial Pursuit, daring audi-

ence members to scratch the recesses of their brains to connect the dots to references from the Bible, the poet Percy Shelley, geography and more.

"The play is all over the place - it's references are cross-cultural, timeless," Assistant Director Laine Satterfield said. "It tries to sense of the mess of 20th century.

Pardon me

California funk-metal mavericks Incubus will play the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City Saturday night.

It's Oktober!

Celebrate Oktoberfest - food, music, fun and shopping - in downtown Twin Falls today and Saturday.



Texas girl

Lee Ann Womack will sing in Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City Tuesday night.



Broadway man

Mandy Patinkin, Broadway's original Che ("Evita") and George ("Sunday in the Park with George"), will perform in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall Thursday night.

So fine

The Mountain Harrison Foundation's production of "The Taffens" will wrap up tonight and Saturday night in Buley's King Center.

Grass Roots

The Grass Roots will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot tonight, Saturday and Sunday.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on C2 and C4-5-6-7

Anthony Hopkins goes cannibal again

By Robert W. Butler
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Thomas Harris' "Red Dragon" was filmed in 1986 as "Manhunter." It was a perfectly good movie, with UK actor Brian Cox playing an imprisoned Hannibal Lecter and William Peterson (ately of TV's "CSI") as Will Graham, an FBI profiler with the special ability to assume the point of view of other people - especially serial killers.

There was no compelling artistic reason to make yet another film from the book. **Flix**

Financial reasons, though - well, that's another story.

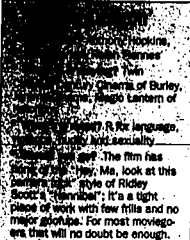
As the success of the mediocre and largely misjudged "Hannibal" showed, film audiences can't get enough of Anthony Hopkins as that urbane cannibal Lecter. Thus "Red Dragon," presented as a prequel to "The Silence of the Lambs" and "Hannibal."

The picture is serviceable enough, with some decent performances and a perverse love story (not used in "Manhunter") that's both chilling and weirdly moving. "Red Dragon" isn't a mummy as "Hannibal." Nor is it anywhere near as complex as "Lamb."

Screenwriter Ted Tally (who also wrote the "Lamb" script) delivers a few new wrinkles in the Lecter saga. "Dragon" blasts out of the gate with an exciting prologue depicting how Graham (Edward Norton) captured Lecter (Hopkins), the forensic psychiatrist who had been serving as Graham's mentor even while carving up and devouring numerous victims. Graham got his man, of course, but not without sustaining some ugly scars - physical and mental.



Will Graham (Edward Norton), left, must face his old nemesis, Dr. Hannibal Lecter (Anthony Hopkins) as he hunts down a serial killer in Universal Studios' "Red Dragon."



His encounter with Lecter convinces Graham to get out of law enforcement. But he's pulled back in by his old FBI boss Jack Crawford (Harvey Keitel in the role played in "Lamb") by Scott Glenn) to help catch the Tooth

Fairy, who specializes in the ritualistic murders of suburban families. Wandering through blood-soaked crime scenes, Graham attempts to pick up hints of the killer's personality and motivation. Stumped, he reluctantly turns once again to Lecter, now residing in that basement cell we remember from "Silence of the Lambs." (Also returning: Anthony Heald as Lecter's keeper and tormenter and Frankie Faison as Barnie the orderly.)

Even from behind sweating stone walls and thick plexiglass, though, Hannibal has a long reach. Sure, he'll help Will catch the Tooth Fairy ... or is he just setting up Will's wife. (Mary-Louise Parker) and son to be the Fairy's next victims?

"Red Dragon" hasn't much romance or subtext. It is what it is - a straightforward thriller in which what you see is pretty much all you get.

Friends of CSI Players spoof American history

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - In 1981, director Mel Brooks traced the first 500,000 years of human history in a movie spoof called "The History of the World: Part I." It took all of 93 minutes.

The Friends of CSI Players will offer a variation on that theme.

The troupe, organized last summer with a grant from the College of Southern Idaho Foundation as an independent touring company to promote the school, will present "The Complete History of America (Abridged)," a succession of comedy sketches that director Tony Mannen promises are "just side-splitting."

Performances will be Thursday and Oct. 11-12 and 17-19 in the Lamphouse Theater in Old Towne.

Written by Adam Long, Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor - who collectively call themselves the Reduced Shakespeare Company - it's part Monty Python and part burlesque.

Lewis and Clark are portrayed as a vaudeville team full of bad Sacagawea jokes; World War I soldiers try to escape the trenches by dressing as the not-yet-introduced Andrews Sisters; the witch-hunting Puritans of Massachusetts are led by a pastor who directs his flock in games of Pin the Blame on the Warilocks.

The cast includes Kyle Woods, former drama teacher at Gooding

If you go ...

- **What:** Company of Fools will present Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot."
- **Where:** Liberty Theater, Hailey.
- **When:** Thursday through Nov. 3.

Performances are Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m.
• **How much:** Tickets are \$20 for regular performances - \$15 for Halloween night and \$100 for the Godot Gala. Thursday night is a Pay What You Can preview. You can charge tickets by phone between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays at 578-9122 or you can purchase tickets online at www.ick-etebe.com

When you think about it, the 20th century one of most violent we've ever had. Now we're in 2002 and we're dealing with the threats of terrorism - we're still trying to make sense of things."

The dialogue is a mix of heavy and hilarious; the acting, an inane mix of slapstick and vaudevillian nonsense.

"The play addresses questions like: What is waiting as opposed to moving?" Wilson said. "Why do people show up day after day after day to wait for something as opposed to going out and making their own discoveries?"

Andrew Alburger, who played Bruce Willis' brother in "The West" a year ago and Capt. Von Trapp in the recent "Sound of Music," will play Vladimir. Paul Bauman, a professional musician and actor from New York, is Estragon.

Richard Rush, Marley in last year's "A Christmas Carol," will play Pozzo and Manny Santiago, a student at the Blaine County Academy for the Arts, the off-Broadway actor who recently moved to Hailey, will play the servant Lucky. He speaks only once in the play but, when he does, he lets loose a lengthy torrent of seemingly non-sequiturs of politics, philosophy, science and religion.

"I've loved this play since I was a kid in high school," he said. "I've always wanted to do it even though I've never seen it done. So many parts deal with a religious theme, questions of what makes us like God. As a Catholic guy growing up, I could relate to that."

Sunday matinees will be followed by "Fools Unplugged," a chance for the audience to join actors and directors on stage to discuss playwright Beckett and his play.

On Halloween night, the comedy will be followed up by spine-tingling horror plays, which begin at 7:30 instead of 8 p.m. And a Godot Gala party will follow the play at Zou 75 on Oct. 12.

Times-News correspondent Karen Bossick can be reached in Hailey at 578-2111.

Hysterical facts

• **What:** The Friends of CSI Players will present Adam Long, Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor's "The Complete History of America (Abridged)."

• **Where:** Lamphouse Theater, Twin Falls.

• **When:** Thursday and Oct. 11-12, 17-19, 7 p.m. nightly.

• **How much:** Tickets, which are \$10, are available at the Lamphouse Theater, at the CSI Continuing Education office, or by phoning 732-6288.

and Buhl high schools; Dale Laughlin, a former drama student at Mountain View CSI; and Zach Toncray, a former student of Woods at Buhl High.

"This is the first production we're planning to take on the road," Mannen said. "We got the grant with the idea that we would perform plays throughout southern Idaho and northern Nevada to recruit students to CSI, and we think this will be a good one to start with."

Anyone interested in having "The Abridged History" performed before his or her group can call Mannen at 733-9554, Ext. 677.

Upcoming shows for this season will include a Thanksgiving weekend production of "Love Letters" featuring Mannen and Camille Barigar.

Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at crump@magical-ivory.com

WEEKEND

The Grass Roots comes to Jackpot



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The Grass Roots will perform two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$19.99 on Saturdays and \$14.99 on weeknights and Sundays. Tickets for the 11 p.m. cocktail show are \$10 on Saturdays and \$7.50 on weeknights and Sundays. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

Tonight and Saturday
Frame of Mind will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Tonight and Saturday
Cobalt Blue will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Saturday - Boise
MEST, Catch 22 and Madcap will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.



Saturday - Utah
Incubus will play the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m.



SPOTLIGHT
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Monday - Utah
Southern Culture on the Skids will perform at Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City at 9:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

Tuesday - Boise
Southern Culture on the Skids will play the NeuroLux Lounge at 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The NeuroLux Lounge is located at 111 N. 11th St.

Thursday - Boise
Snapcase and Boy Sets Fire will play Sixth & Main at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum.



Wednesday through Oct. 13
Dr. Hook will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$19.99.

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Oct. 10 - Utah
Cafe Cat Sammy will perform at Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$7, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

Oct. 11 - Boise
Dillinger Escape Plan will play Sixth & Main at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum.

Oct. 16 - Utah
Everclear will perform at Huntsman Center on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX.

Oct. 17 - Utah
The Strokes will perform at Saltair Resort in Magna, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$23, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saltair Resort is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City; take Interstate 180 West to Exit 104.

Oct. 17-18 - Utah
Young Dubliners will perform at Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 10 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

Oct. 18 - Boise
The Strokes will play the Big Please see EVENTS, Page C4

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The Four Feathers' hits theaters

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'Ballistic: Ecks vs. Sever'
A big, noisy nonsense, 'Ballistic' stars Lucy Liu and Antonio Banderas as Sever and Ecks, operatives who wear their vest-weariness with all the innocence of a couple of Milanese runway models. Directed by Thai newcomer Kato and written by Alan McElroy, the film brings the two stars together by way of all the usual rogue-agent complications and a doozy of a plot twist. Ecks and Sever both look great when spinning, shooting guns, sailing through the air, riding his and hers motorcycles - activities that sum up most of the action and plot, and, along with the usual foreigner-concerns, help explain why neither does much talking. (126, R, for strong violence.)

'The Banger Sisters'
A practiced piece of Hollywood hokum, way too calculated and contrived, especially for a film that nominally celebrates the chaos and creativity of the 1960s. It's the Garitol version that is being pitched here, a female equivalent of a pair of jeans with an adjustable waistband that obligingly offers just a skosh more room to house complacent sensibilities. The film's stars, Goldie Hawn and Susan Sarandon as a pair of celebrated '60s rock groupies who haven't been in touch for decades, definitely deserve better. With Geoffrey Rush and Erika Christensen. Written and directed by Bob Delman. (134, R, for language, sexual content and some drug use.)

'Charly'
Adam Thomas Anderson's adaptation of Jack Weyland's novel about the romance between a Mormon and a Gentile in Salt Lake City. With Heiter Beers and Jeremy Elliott. Rated PG.

'City by the Sea'
Robert DeNiro stars in this gangster cop drama, based on true events, about a legendary detective whose estranged son is wanted for murder. Convincing character study, but plodding exposition gets in the way of making this a wholly satisfying thriller. With Frances McDormand and James

What's Playing

'Ballistic: Ecks vs. Sever,' Sun Valley Opera House.
'The Banger Sisters,' Magic Lantern.
'The Good Girl,' SkiTime Cinemas.
'Red Dragon,' Magic Lantern.
'My Big Fat Greek Wedding,' Magic Lantern.
'Stealing Harvard,' Sun Valley Opera House.
'Sweet Home Alabama,' Magic Lantern.
'The Tuxedo,' SkiTime Cinemas.

'The Banger Sisters,' The Orpheum.
'The Banger Sisters,' Twin Cinema.
'Ballistic: Ecks vs. Sever,' Twin Cinema.
'Barbershop,' Twin Cinema.
'The Bourne Identity,' Odyssey Theater.
'Charly,' Odyssey Theater.
'Charly,' Twin Cinema.
'City by the Sea,' Odyssey Theater.
'The Four Feathers,' Odyssey Theater.
'Ice Age,' Twin Cinema.
'Lilo & Stitch,' Odyssey Theater.

'Lovely & Amazing,' Lamphouse.
'The Banger Sisters,' Twin Cinema.
'One-Hour Photo,' Twin Cinema.
'Red Dragon,' Twin Cinema.
'Scooby-Doo,' Twin Cinema.
'Signs,' Odyssey Theater.
'Spy Kids 2: Island of Lost Dreams,' Twin Cinema.
'Stealing Harvard,' Twin Cinema.
'Sweet Home Alabama,' Twin Cinema.
'Swimfan,' Odyssey Theater.
'Trapped,' Twin Cinema.
'Tuxedo,' Twin Cinema.
'XXX,' Twin Cinema.

'Lilo & Stitch,' Burley Theater.
'Red Dragon,' Century Cinema.
'Sweet Home Alabama,' Century Cinema.
'Tuxedo,' Century Cinema.

'Charly,' Jerome Cinema.
'Red Dragon,' Jerome Cinema.
'Sweet Home Alabama,' Jerome Cinema.
'Tuxedo,' Jerome Cinema.
'Swimfan,' Gooding Cinema.

No movies this week.

Franco, R (violence, profanity, sexual content and brief drug references.)

'Barbershop'
A warm and wise comedy, often uproarious but with an underlying seriousness, set in a vintage Chicago barbershop, a traditional gathering place for African American males. Ice Cube stars as its proprietor, a well-meaning young man who in setting his sights beyond his previous owners, his father and grandfather, comes to appreciate the barbershop's true value only when it may be too late to save it. This most satisfying movie has a large ensemble cast headed by the one and only Cedric the Entertainer, whose outrageous take on black icons is hilarious.

'The Four Feathers'
The key fact about the film is not that the venerable, 100-year-old novel it's based on has already been filmed six times. It's that three of those versions were silent and the most famous adaptation of all was made in 1939, likely before even the parents of current stars Heath Ledger, Wes Bentley and Kate Hudson were born. This epic tale of military action and romance is not only set in the Victorian world, it's key plot point is so Victorian it's difficult to envision today's audiences connecting to it. Director Shashar Kapur and

screenwriters Michael Schiffer and Hossein Amini have tried hard to modernize and reconceptualize things, but the barriers finally prove to be too great. With Djimon Hounsou. (207, PG-13, for intense battle sequences, disturbing images, violence and some sensuality.)

'The Good Girl'
'Friends' Jennifer Aniston stars as a small town department store clerk disappointed by life, living in a dull marriage, who falls for a young, dreamy-eyed coworker (Jake Gyllenhaal) and gets into a mess of trouble because of it. It's a performance of quiet rue and heartache, in a film that also has a weird, dark comic sensibility. John C. Riley and Tim Blake Nelson costar. R (nudity, sex, profanity, drugs, adult themes)

'Lilo & Stitch'
A light and likable animated feature from the folks at Disney who have happily jettisoned the stock, Barbie-like heroine of recent films for a different-looking sort of lass. 'Lilo & Stitch' is simple, sweet family fare, and a picture that extolls the virtues of comradeship and community in a spunky, spirited fashion. PG (mildly scary sci-fi stuff)

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Easy Concert House at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$21, are available by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Oct. 18 - Utah
 Quint Riot will perform at Salt Lake City's Ritz Club at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Ritz Club is located at 2265 S. State St.

Oct. 19 - Utah
 Drive-by Truckers will perform at Salt Lake City's Wyndham Hotel at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Wyndham Hotel is located at 215 West South Temple.

Oct. 19 - Utah
 Creed and Sevendust will perform at Salt Lake City's Delta Center at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35.50 and \$48.50, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-SEAT or online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

Oct. 20 - Boise
 Creed and Sevendust will play at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$48.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 950-4827, (208) 426-1736, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com> or <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls, Atkinson's Market in Ketchum and Paul's Market in Halley. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

Oct. 21 - Boise
 Kottonmouth Kings will play the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Oct. 23 - Boise
 My Life with the Thrill Kill Kult will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Oct. 23 - Utah
 Kottonmouth Kings will perform at 7:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

Oct. 28 - Boise
 Eyes Adrift, featuring Krist Novoselic of Nirvana, will play the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com> or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum.

The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Oct. 30 - Utah
 Doves will play Brick's in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.

Nov. 2 - Utah
 Filter will perform at the Saltair Resort in Magna, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$17, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saltair Resort is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City; take Interstate 180 to Exit 104.

Nov. 5 - Utah
 Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers and Jackson Browne will perform at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, \$49.50 and \$55, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

Nov. 8 - Boise
 No Doubt, Garbage and Distillers will perform at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, are available by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com> or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garrity Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

Nov. 12 - Utah
 O.A.R. will play Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

Nov. 16 - Utah
 Boxcar Racer will perform at Brick's in Salt Lake City at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Brick's is located at 579 West 200 South.



Nov. 21 - Boise
 Joe Straniari will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Tonight and Saturday
 Country Classics will play from 8 p.m. until midnight at the Montana Steakhouse, 1826 Canyon Crest Drive, Twin Falls.

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 Pocketchange will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Ramona Lounge, 113 Broadway Ave. S., Buhl.

Saturday
 Mixed Emotions will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at George K's East Restaurant and Lounge, 325 E. Third N., Burley.

Saturday
 The Fugitives will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers, 826 Highway 81, Declo. No cover charge.

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Sunday
 Pocketchange will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Pioneer Club, 1519 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Tuesday - Utah
 Lee Ann Womack will sing in Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, \$35 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning

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Oct. 26 - Boise
 George Strait and Jo Dee Messina will perform in the Pavilion on the campus of Boise State University at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$49.50 and \$59.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Paul's Market in Halley or Albertson's in Twin Falls.

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Oct. 26 - Utah
The Bellamy Brothers will perform at the E Center in the Salt Lake City suburb of West Valley City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (801) 800-2787. The E Center is located at 3200 South Decker Lake Drive.

CLASSICAL

Oct. 11-12 - Utah
Utah Symphony will present Hector Berlioz's "Harold in Italy," 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Oct. 13
The Magic Valley Symphony will open its season with a concert features Youth Soloist Audition winners, 4 p.m., College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$7 for regular admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are on sale at the CSI Bookstore, Crowley's Soda Fountain and General Store, Everybody's Business, The Homestead and Bly's Printers in Twin Falls and at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome.

Oct. 20
The College of Southern Idaho Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Band will perform at 3 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Admission is by a \$3 donation.

Oct. 24 - Utah
Trumpeters Nick Norton and

Peter Margulies will perform a chamber program of Ravel and Vivaldi with Utah Symphony at 7:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$27 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Nov. 1-2 - Utah
Utah Symphony will perform an all-Stravinsky concert at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Nov. 8-9 - Utah
Utah Symphony will perform Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 20 and Bruckner's Symphony No. 4 at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Nov. 18 - Utah
Pianist Yefim Bronfman will perform in Gardner Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787.

Nov. 19
Pianist Johann Vargas will play Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1 with the Magic Valley Symphony at 8 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center in Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$7 for regular admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are on sale at the CSI Bookstore, Crowley's Soda

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ENGAGEMENT



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Fountain and General Store, Everybody's Business, The Homestead and Bill Printers in Twin Falls and at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome.

Nov. 22-23 - Utah
 Utah Symphony will perform Kevin Puts' Symphony No. 2 and music by Debussy and Rachmaninoff at 8 p.m. nightly in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$16, \$24, \$28, \$36 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

CELTIC MUSIC

Tonight
 Fire, featuring Stephanie Jeffs' Irish whistle, button accordion and fiddle and Jon Jacobson on guitar and bouzouki, will perform at 7:30 p.m. at Danken's Draught House, 102 Main Ave. N., Twin Falls. The duo plays a variety of traditional and contemporary Celtic instrumentals and ballads.

Oct. 16 - Boise
 Gaelic Storm will perform at the Big Easy Concert House, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

LATINO MUSIC



Oct. 18-19 - Utah
 Mariachi Cobre will perform with the Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. nightly. Tickets, which are \$22, \$29, \$36 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Oct. 26 - Utah
 Enrique Iglesias will sing at the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. For ticket information, call the Delta Center box office at (801) 325-SEAT. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

ROCK MUSIC

Oct. 15 - Utah
 Ray Charles will play Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$30 and \$50, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Nov. 1 - Utah
 Maurice John Vaughn will perform at Saltair Resort in Magna, Utah, at 5 p.m. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning Salt's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saltair Resort is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City; take Interstate 180 to Exit 104.

Nov. 2 - Utah
 Keb Mo will perform in Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13, \$22 and \$27, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

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Nov. 3 - Boise
 Keb Mo will play the Egyptian Theater at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$32.50, are available by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Egyptian Theater is located at 700 W. Main St.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tonight
 The Swingtones will play easy listening music from 7-10 p.m. at George K's East Restaurant and Lounge, 325 E. Third N., Burley.

Wednesday
 Bob Nora Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Bar Bonz, 1539 Fillmore St. N., Twin Falls.

Thursday
 Kip Attaway will perform at 8 p.m. at the Pressbox Sports Bar, 1749 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Advance tickets can be purchased at the Pressbox. For more information, call 736-2427.

Thursday
 DJ music by 99.9 The Buzz will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Mutters Brewery, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Thursday
 Open microphone night and ladies night will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Ramona Lounge, 113 Broadway Ave. S., Buhl. Instruments will be provided. No cover charge.

Thursday - Utah
 Mandy Patinkin will sing in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$27.50, \$32.50, \$37.50 and \$42.50, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Oct. 11 - Idaho Falls
 La Bottine Souriante will perform at the Colonial Theater at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$18, can be reserved by phoning (208) 522-0471. The Colonial Theater is located at 489 "A" St.

Nov. 3 - Boise
 Vanessa Carlton and Ben Lee will sing at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, are available by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

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Nov. 5

The Vienna Choir Boys will perform at 7 p.m. in the Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood in Ketchum, the opening event of the Sun Valley Center for the Arts Chamber Artist Series. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning 726-9491.

Nov. 9

The Twin Falls MagChords will present their 37th annual Barbershop Harmony Showcases, featuring the Acoustic of Dallas, at 2 and 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Tickets, which are \$8 for general admission and \$6 for seniors and students, are available at Kurt's Hallmark, WestCoast Hotel, Everybody's Business and Welch's Music in Twin Falls, at SawMor Drug and Smith's Dairy in Buhl and at Washington Federal Savings and Loan in Jerome.



Nov. 9 - Boise
 George Winston will play the Egyptian Theater at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Egyptian Theater is located at 700 W. Main St.

Nov. 11
 George Winston will perform in the College of Southern Idaho

Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls at 7:30 p.m. a Magic Valley Arts on Tour concert. Tickets, which are \$14 for adults, \$10 for students and children. Ticket outlets include Everybody's Business, Kurt's Pharmacy and Hallmark, Crowley's Old Time Soda Fountain, The Magic Valley Arts Council, Saw Mor Drug in Buhl, Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, the CSI Community Education Center, and the CSI Outreach Centers in Burley, Halley and Gooding.

Nov. 13 - Utah

George Winston will perform Please see MUSIC, Page C7

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at 7 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$13, \$22 and \$27, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Nov. 12
Elizabeth Von Trapp sing at 7:30 p.m. in Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls, a Magic Valley Community Concerts performance. Season tickets are \$36.75 for adults, \$18.38 for families, including two adults and one or more school-aged child. For information, call 733-8323 or 733-4898. Tickets to individual concerts will be sold on a space-available basis at the door. They're \$15.



Nov. 17
The American Brass Quintet will perform at 7 p.m. in Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church in Ketchum, a Sun Valley Center for the Arts Chamber Arts Series concert. The tickets, which are \$25, are available by phoning 726-9491.

Dec. 3 - Boise
The Boston Pops will perform in concert at 8 p.m. in the Boise State University Pavilion. Tickets, which are \$15, \$25, \$35, \$50, \$75 and \$100, can be reserved by phoning Select a Seat at (208) 426-1766, online at http://www.bpsymph.com, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls.

Oct. 15
The Chicago Six will headline Art After Hours and All That Suggests Brewpub in Twin Falls. Tickets, which include dancing, dining and arts d'oeuvres, are \$35 each and available at First Federal Savings Bank. Everybody's business, Kurt's Pharmacy & Mailmark and the Magic Valley Arts Council office in Twin Falls, or Arlene's Flowers in Jerome and at Black Rock Clothiers in Buhl.

Oct. 16-20
The 13th annual Sun Valley Swing 'n Jazz Jamboree will be held at sites in and around Ketchum and Sun Valley, featuring dozens of bands and five days of regtime, jazz and swing music. Tickets, which are \$80 for an all-day badge and \$30 for a single-day ticket, can be reserved by phoning (877) 478-5277.

Oct. 25
Greta Matzani will sing at the 40th Arts Council anniversary celebration at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl. Dinner at 6:30; performance at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$40, are available at the door. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

Oct. 16 - Utah
Art Garfunkel will sing in Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$30, \$35 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787.

Oct. 22 - Boise
Art Garfunkel will perform at the Egyptian Theater at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 944-4444.

965-4827, online at http://www.rockoket.com or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Egyptian Theater is located at 700 W. Main St.

Nov. 16 - Utah
John Prine will perform in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$27 and \$32, can be reserved by phoning Art Tix at (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Oct. 12
Danny Marona will headline a dinner and auction fund-raiser for the Southern Idaho Learning Center, starting at 6 p.m. For more information call, Melody Lenker at 734-3914.

Oct. 29 - Utah
Carlos Mencia will perform at the Wise Guy Comedy Club in Salt Lake City at 7 and 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 821-1103. The Wise Guy Comedy Club is located at 3500 South 2200 West.

Oct. 19, 21, 23, 25, 27 - Utah
Utah Opera will sing Giuseppe Verdi's "Otello," 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 19, 21, 23 and 25 and 2 p.m. on Oct. 27 in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which range from \$12 to \$50, can be reserved by phoning ArtTix at (801) 355-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

Oct. 25-26 - Boise
Opera Idaho will present George Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess," 8 p.m. in the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University. Tickets, which range from \$22 to \$52, can be reserved by phoning (208) 345-3531, Ext. 11.

Tonight
The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a dance at 8:30 p.m. in the DAY Hall, 459 Shoup Ave. in Ketchum. Archie Turner will provide the music.

Tonight and Saturday
Dance to disc jockey music from 9 p.m. to 3:30 a.m. at Bar Bonz, 1539 Fillmore St. N., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3 until 1 a.m.

Sunday
Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will hold a dance with music from 6:30 p.m. at the center, 616 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls.

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High Mountain Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers, 826 Highway 81, Declo. No cover charge.

Tonight
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody, 502 Sixth St., Rupert.

Tonight and Saturday
Karaoke contest will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Mr. Bill's, 101 N. Alder, Jerome. Cash prizes. No cover charge.

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

Tonight and Saturday
Full Moon Music Madness Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont, Rupert.

Saturday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna, 9 E. Main, Declo.

Sunday
Full Moon Music Madness Karaoke will be featured from 6-10 p.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont, Rupert.

Tuesday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the George K's East Restaurant, 325 E. Third N., Burley.

Tuesday through Saturday
Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Clover Klub, 402 Main W., Twin Falls.

Tuesday and Wednesday
Full Moon Music Madness Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside Bar, 197 Highway 30 W., Burley.

Wednesday
Rabbit Dog Entertainment will feature karaoke from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. W., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Wednesday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Office Lounge, 118 E. Idaho St., Paul.

Wednesday
Three's Company Karaoke will be featured at 7:30 p.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave.

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Tonight and Saturday
The Mountain Harrison Foundation will present "The Taffetas," 8 p.m., King Fine Arts Center at Burley High School. Tickets, which are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students, can be obtained at The Times-News Burley office, Welch Music and The Book Plaza and at The Book Store in Rupert.

Thursday through Oct. 19
The Friends of CSI Players will present Adam Long, Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor's "The Complete History of America (abridged)," 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 11-12 and Oct. 17-19, Lamphouse Theater, Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$10, are available at the door or at the CSI Community Education Center, or by phoning 732-6288.

Thursday through Nov. 3
Company of Fools will present Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot." Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m., Liberty Theater, Hailey, Tickets, which are \$20 for reserved seating and \$15 for students and seniors, can be reserved by phoning 578-9122.

Oct. 17-20 - Boise
Sesame Street Live will perform at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7 p.m. on Oct. 17, 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Oct. 18, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Oct. 19 and 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 20. Tickets, which are \$8, \$13 and \$16 for children and \$10, \$15 and \$18 for adults, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766, online at http://www.idahotickets.com, or at Albertson's in Twin Falls or Paul's Market in Hailey.

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DAVIES-CHILD
BURLEY - Richard L. and Wendy Davies of Plain City, Utah, announce the marriage of their daughter, Stacey Davies, to Rocky Ray Child, son of Gary and Judy Child of Burley.
The bride is a graduate of Fremont High School and the Utah School of Massage Therapy.
The groom is a graduate of Burley High School and also the Utah School of Massage Therapy. He is employed by Living Scriptures in Ogden, Utah.
The wedding was held Sept. 17 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 5-7 p.m. today at the Unity LDS Church, 274 S. 250 E., Burley.

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Movies

Continued from C3

'Lovely & Amazing'

Filmmaker Nicole Holofcener brings Catherine Keener, Emily Mortimer and Brenda Blethyn together in a film about family, about inheritance, and about smart women moving through a not-so-smart world. Sad, wry and moving, it's a quietly drawn and keenly observed film. R (nudity, sex, language, adult themes)

'One Hour Photo'

A horror story about a 'psychotic' looking for love in all the wrong places, Robin Williams' new film is certainly more downbeat than many of the actor's earlier works. Too predictable, as if obeying some rule of genre, writer-director Mark Romanek trades in his more involved ideas about alienation for an eruption of violence. With Connie Nielsen, Michael Vartan, Gary Cole and Eric LaSalle. (1.38, R, for sexual content and language.)

'Stealing Harvard'

Dreadful nunschool comedy about a timid guy (Jason Lee) who

turns to his weirdo pal (Tom Green) to get his hands on \$30,000 to uphold a long-forgotten promise to his niece to send her to college. Witty Leslie Mann, Megan Mullally, Dennis Farina. (1.23, PG-13, for crude and sexual humor, language and drug references.)

'Sweet Home Alabama'

Reese Witherspoon stars as a New York-based fashion designer whose glamorous life is complicated by her redneck past, which includes a husband: With Josh Lucas, Patrick Dempsey, Fred Ward, Mary Kay Place and Candice Bergen. Directed by Andy Tennant. (1.49, PG-13 for some language/sexual references.)

'Trapped'

Directed by Luis Mandoki in a style far from his previous syrupy 'When a Man Loves a Woman' and 'Message in a Bottle,' this is not the kind of unwatchable mess you might assume a film withheld from reviewers' scrutiny would be. It is, however, something equally unfortunate: a mess you'd rather not be watching. Starring Kevin Bacon and Charlize Theron in a creep

show about vulnerable parents and sadistic kidnappers, it's slickly made and it's a shame you'd have to endure this film to experience Bacon's accomplished performance. With Stuart Townsend, Courtney Love, Pruitt Taylor Vince and Dakota Fanning. (1.39, R, for violence, language and sexual content.)

'The Tuxedo'

All Jackie Chan vehicles are of interest, but they're not all created equal and it's fair to say this one will not be at the top of anyone's list. Indifferently put together by Kevin Donovan, an award-winning commercial director making his feature debut, 'The Tuxedo' is in line with the other recent Chan films that are heavier on personality than action. Still, the film's gimmick, the notion that a top secret agent owns a tuxedo that gives the wearer the ability to perform remarkable feats, a garment that can turn a shy innocent into a martial arts machine, is a serviceable one. Jennifer Love Hewitt co-stars. (1.27, PG-13, for action violence, sexual content and language.)

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Who's leading the American League Division Series?

The Times-News

Friday, October 4, 2002

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“... underneath his glittering reputation as a dependable ace and big-game superstar lies a darker perception: A me-first guy who speaks with a bullhorn, grates on his teammates and is constantly seeking the media platform.”

— Dan Bickley in the Arizona Republic, on Curt Schilling

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Name the matchup for the only World Series in the 1950s that did not involve a New York team.

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school football
 Raft River at Glens Ferry, 7 p.m.
 Twin Falls at Meridian, 7 p.m.
 Burley at Rigby, 7:30 p.m.
 Pocatello at Jerome, 7:30 p.m.
 Minico at Century, 7:30 p.m.

High school volleyball
 Burley at Declo, 6 p.m.
 Minico at Borah, 6 p.m.
 TFCA at The Community School, 6:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Hamblin and Co. remain in the hunt

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — A team representing Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course recorded a gross round 56 Thursday for a two-day total of 117 at the 2002 Buick Scramble National Finals at Walt Disney World in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

Muni pro Mike Hamblin along with Jay Bride, Allan Howa, Dave Little and Brock Weaver are representing the local team, which is tied with eight others at 117. The score keeps the Twin Falls team among the low 24 teams who will advance to the finals on Saturday and Sunday out of a field of 261 teams.

A team from the Idaho Falls Country Club was one shot better at 116 for 13th place.

Three teams are tied for first at 112.

Hutchinson aces No. 7 at Candleridge

TWIN FALLS — Lester Hutchinson scored a hole in one with a 7-wood on the 151-yard seventh hole at Candleridge Golf Course on Wednesday.

Bill Sargent witnessed the shot.

Tri-City basketball registers boys, girls

RUBERT — The Tri-City recreation league is taking registration for girls in grades 1-8 and boys in grades 6-8. The fee is \$15 for those who sign up before Oct. 18 for the season that runs November through December.

For more information, call Rupert Recreation at 434-2400 or 431-8027.

Corrections

Matt Wiggins scored a goal in the 5-1 defeat of Declo in boys soccer on Wednesday. Also, Nick Hipp scored a goal in Filer's 3-2 win over Wendell in boys soccer on Monday.

The Times-News regrets the errors.

Compiled from staff reports

ANSWER:

The Chicago White Sox against the Los Angeles Dodgers in 1959.

MLB Division Series

Cards topple another ace

Rolen injury puts damper on Game 2 victory

The Associated Press

PHOENIX — They battered Randy Johnson and eased past Curt Schilling. The St. Louis Cardinals headed home needing one victory to finish off the World Series champions Arizona Diamondbacks.

But an injury to Scott Rolen damped the Cardinals' 2-1 triumph over the Diamondbacks on Thursday.

Miguel Cairo's ninth-inning sin-

gle off reliever Mike Koplove drove in Edgar Renteria with the go-ahead run for the Cardinals, who swept the first two games of the best-of-five series.

"A split would have been good for us," said Chuck Finley, who blanked Arizona for 6 1-3 innings. "Obviously, coming out of here 2-0 looks very, very good. This is what we dreamed of doing."

Rolen left after he was clipped in the left side by pinch-runner Alex Cintron while scooping up a grounder in the seventh inning. X-rays were negative, and the preliminary diagnosis was a sprained shoulder. Further tests were scheduled for today in St. Louis.

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NL Division Series

vs.

St. Louis leads 2-0
 All Times MDT
 • St. Louis 12, Arizona 2
 • St. Louis 2, Arizona 1

Saturday's Game
 • Arizona (Baltista 8-9) at St. Louis (Benes 5-4), 5:36 p.m.
 Sunday, Oct. 6
 • Arizona at St. Louis, 11:06 a.m., if necessary.
 Monday, Oct. 7
 • St. Louis at Arizona, 2:20 p.m., if necessary

Millwood rolls as Atlanta draws even with Giants

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Kevin Millwood is back, and so are the Atlanta Braves.

Millwood allowed only three hits in six innings and the Braves evened their NL division series with San Francisco at one game apiece, beating the Giants 7-3 Thursday night.

Filling in for Greg Maddux, Millwood earned his first postseason win since 1999 with a dominating performance, which neatly summed up his recovery from two dismal seasons.

"I was real fired up," he said. "I knew this was a big game for

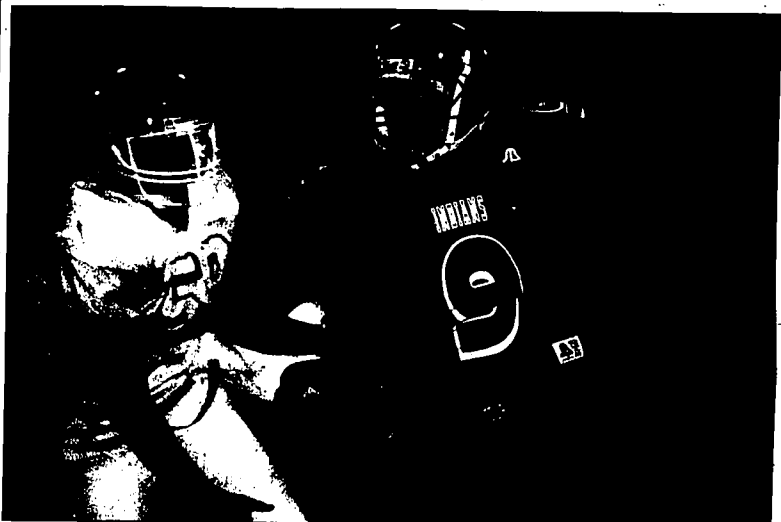
NL Division Series

vs.

Series tied 1-1
 All Times MDT
 • San Francisco 8, Atlanta 5
 • Atlanta 7, San Francisco 3

Saturday's Game
 • Atlanta (Maddu 16-6) at San Francisco (Schmitz 13-8), 2:20 p.m.
 Sunday, Oct. 6
 • Atlanta at San Francisco, 2:08 p.m.
 Monday, Oct. 7
 • San Francisco at Atlanta, 6:20 p.m., if necessary

Indians dominate Filer



Buhl quarterback Tim Bourner slips past Wildcat Jason Garner into the end zone for a touchdown Thursday night at Bowers-Field in Buhl. The Indians won the game 53-12.

Bourner, Gould combine for 5 TDs

By John Derr
 Times-News writer

BUHL — The Indians dedicated a field and kept a tradition going.

Buhl's Bowers Field was officially dedicated and the Indians celebrated with a dominating 53-12 rout of Filer in Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference football Thursday night.

Filer — with the help of two big penalties — scored first on a Levi Jones' 14-yard run. The Indians answered with 46 unanswered points.

"Filer's TD did wake us up," Buhl coach Gary Krumm said. "From that point on we controlled the line of scrimmage."

The Indians spread the field on offense and got an outstanding

"People don't think so, but we are quick. We have so many weapons on offense."

— Buhl quarterback Tim Bourner

performance from quarterback Tim Bourner, who finished the first half with 107 yards passing and 70 more rushing. Bourner scored three touchdowns.

"People don't think so, but we are quick. We have so many weapons on offense," said Bourner, who had three touchdowns.

Buhl took the lead 8-6 on the first of two touchdowns by J.D. Gould.

Filer failed to move the ball on their next possession. Buhl

answered with a 16-play, 53-yard drive with Bourner taking it in the final yard.

Gould grabbed an interception two plays later and the Indians were back in business. Three plays later, Josh Ussery rammed it in from the 8.

Gould, who had 47 rushing yards, proved to be the right man in the right place again, this time scooping up the fumble. Kicker Micah Alexander connected on a 30-yard field goal as the lead grew to 20 points at 26-6.

"I just flow to the ball and good things happen," Gould said. "We didn't want to be the class that lost to Filer."

A bad snap on a pun't led to another Bourner touchdown as the Indians led 33-6 at the break.

Halftime featured the official dedication ceremony. Floyd Bowers' widow, Martha, and son were on hand along with 12 former players to present the future sign that will adorn the field.

Ussery tallied his second touchdown of the night midway through the third quarter, and after a Filer fumble — the Wildcats' fourth turnover of the night — Gould got his second score on a run from the 4.

Wildcat QB Andy Griff found a

Please see BUHL, Page D2

Father beats son in fourth battle of Bowdens

Florida State capitalizes on four Clemson turnovers

The Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Bobby Bowden defeated his son one more time Thursday night and said this time it hurt.

"I had to win the stinking game and I had to whip him to do it," Bowden said after No. 11 Florida State beat son Tommy's Clemson Tigers 48-31. "It's not fun when you whip your son. (But) I didn't tell him to get into coaching."

The 72-year-old Bowden has won 328 games, including four straight over his 48-year-old son. The 328 wins are two fewer than all-time leader Joe Paterno of Penn State.

The Seminoles (5-1, 4-0 Atlantic Coast Conference), showed little confidence in their



Florida State running back Greg Jones dives past Clemson's Eric Maskins into the end zone for a touchdown Thursday in Tallahassee, Fla.

level yet.

But he was glad to bounce back from last week's 26-20 defeat at Louisville.

"Clemson is playing with a lot of confidence and enthusiasm," Bobby Bowden said. "They scared us."

Greg Jones ran for three touchdowns, breaking eight tackles on the final one, and set up a fourth with a long run that helped the Seminoles take a 28-24, halftime lead.

"I was just wanted to play good against the home team," said Jones, who is from South Carolina and visited many of his former high school acquaintances in the Clemson locker room after the game.

The Seminoles took advantage of poor special teams play by Clemson (3-2, 1-1) to take the lead at halftime. They took control behind Jones and a punishing running game in the second

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Bruins face stem test at Meridian

By Joe Paisley
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It is time to see how the Bruins measure up to the big boys.

Twin Falls enters Class 5A football play against undefeated and arguably the top team in the state in Meridian (4-0). The Warriors are fresh off a 20-17 win over defending state champion Eagle.

Bruins head coach Mark Schaal is hopeful his 3-1 Bruins are ready to make the jump after enjoying success against the likes of Jerome, Minico and Pocatello.

"They're excited about it," Schaal said. "They are the talk of Boise after beating Eagle and Castaneda (17-0, Sept. 6). If we beat them, we gain a lot of respect around the state. I think we're up for the challenge."

Warriors quarterback Jacob Bowers performed well against Twin Falls last season in a 42-7 season-opening win, throwing two touchdown passes.

"He may be the best quarterback we'll face all year," Schaal said.

But Bower (6-foot-4, 210 pounds) may be most dangerous on the run. He is an elusive athlete who makes tacklers miss, while opening up running lanes or breaking past coverage.

"You're not going to get big hits on a great athlete like him," Schaal said. "We're telling kids to grab onto his jersey and hold on so we can gain coverage."

The Twin Falls defensive ends will be under pressure to keep Bower in the pocket, said Schaal.

Senior fullback Jason Densley (5-11, 205) can punch open some holes for sophomore running back Kyle Pike (5-11, 185). The right side of the Warriors offensive line is big, with 6-4, 290-pound senior right tackle Mike Hagedorn and junior Jesse Campbell (5-11, 255), at right guard.

Receiver Kyle Gustin, a tall, skinny target at 6-1, hauled in 10 passes for 107 yards, including the winning TD pass, against Eagle last week. It was Meridian's first win against Eagle since 1995.

Twin Falls counters with a stout defense that is giving up an

Please see BRUINS, Page D2

Bruins bites

Tonight, 7 p.m.
 Twin Falls (3-1, 0-0 in 5A East) at Meridian (4-0, 3-0 in 5A West)
 Series: T. Falls leads 12-9-1 (since 1970).

Last week:
 Twin Falls beat Jerome 41-6
 Meridian beat Eagle 20-17

Leading rusher, game:
 Jake Salinas, 25-203 yds., 2 TD

Rushing, season:
 Salinas, 97-649 yds., 5 TD

Leading passer, game:
 Luc Martin, 135-217 yds., 3 TD, 4 INT

Passing, season:
 Martin, 387-663 yds., 9 TD, 8 INT

Leading receiver, game:
 Chris Hertzinger, 5-76 yds., 2 TD

Receiving, season:
 Brandon Brown, 7-212 yds., 2 TD

Leading tackler, game:
 Jared Butler, 10 tackles

Tackles, season:
 Elster, 34 tackles (18 solo)

SCORES AND STATS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

BASEBALL

NL Division Series Boxes CAROLINA 2, CUMMINGS 1. Table with columns for inning, runs, hits, errors, and total scores.

IN THE BLEACHERS

By Steve Moore



"Whoa, check it out. Maybe we should try that way."

Auto Racing

CART, GP Americas, SPEED, zone. NASCAR, WC, EA Sports 500 qualifying, SPEED, 2 p.m. FI, World Rally New Zealand, Leg 1, SPEED, 9:30 p.m.

Football

College, Colorado St. at Fresno St., ESPN, 6 p.m.

Golf

Euro, Dunhill Links Championship, second round, TGC, 6:30 a.m. Bay, Monterey Peninsula, sec-ond round, TGC, 11:30 a.m. UPGA, Sansung World Championship, second round, ESPN, 11:30 a.m. Senior, Turtle Bay Championship, first round, PGA, sec-ond round, ESPN, 2 p.m.

Baseball

ALDS, A's at Twins, Game 3, ABCFAM, 2 p.m. ALDS, Yankees at Angels, Game 3, ABCFAM, 6 p.m.

Boxing

Friday Night Fights, ESPN2, 7 p.m.

ON THE RADIO

High school football: Twin Falls at Meridian, 92.5FM KNWJ, 7 p.m. Burley at Rigby, 123.0AM KBAR, 7:30 p.m.

SAILING

American's Cup Sailing. Table with columns for team, crew, and race results.

PGA-Sansung World Championship

Table with columns for player, score, and hole-in-one.

TENNIS

Kremen Cup. Table with columns for player, opponent, and score.

HARRAH'S ODDS

Table with columns for favorite, line, and underdog.

HOCKEY

NHL Preseason. Table with columns for team, opponent, and score.

WESTERN COVENANTS

Table with columns for team, opponent, and score.

AID Japan Open

Table with columns for player, opponent, and score.

BOXING

Table with columns for fighter, opponent, and result.

Merrill Wins Burley Eclectic Tournament

BURLEY - Roberta Merrill won the first flight at the Burley Ladies Golf Association Eclectic Tournament...

Normal Morrison was first in the second flight...

Jolene Hines and Schafer were elected co-presidents with Betty Karlson and P. Fernandez secretaries and Merril treasurer.

Kimberly Youth Association meets officers

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly Youth Association will hold an election for officers...

Agassi beats Sampras at charity match

VILLANOVA, Pa. - Facing each other for the first time since last month's U.S. Open final, Andre Agassi beat Pete Sampras 6-5 (2-6), 7-5, 6-4 Thursday night in a charity exhibition.

The 31-year-old Sampras was playing a day after he said he would not compete in ATP tournaments the rest of the year. He said he will decide in the next month whether to retire. He and his wife, actress Brigitte Wilson, are expecting their first child.

Sampras beat Agassi for the U.S. Open crown, winning in four sets for his 14th major championship.

Renolds wins USGA Senior Amateur

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - Greg Reynolds, of Galt, Blaine, Mich., who made the field as an alternate four days before the tournament began, beat Mark Etkowski, of Mukwonago, Wis., 4 and 3 Thursday to win the USGA Senior Amateur at Timuquana Country Club.

MacLean of 'Hockey Night' and CBC agree to contract

TORONTO - Ron MacLean, one of his country's most recognizable TV figures, will soon be back on "Hockey Night in Canada."

He and Canadian Broadcasting Co. agreed to a contract Thursday. The network had said previously it was not planning to renew MacLean's contract because of his 17 years with CBC Sports because contract negotiations had broken down.

"Hockey Night" has been broadcast for more than 50 years and has become a CBC institution. The first "Hockey Night" this season is Oct. 12.

Gambova moves from coaching job to bullpen

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Tom Gambova, the Kansas City Royals' coach, attacked near first base last Thursday in Chicago, will be shifted to the bullpen next year.

During the ninth inning of the Sept. 19 game against the White Sox, Gambova and Gambova was coaching first base and facing the field, when two-thirds men rushed him from behind. They knocked him to the ground where they punched and kicked him.

They were quickly engulfed by Royals players, who rushed to help him. Gambova said he was hurt.

William Lutz, 34, is being held on \$200,000 bail. His 15-year-old son also faces a felony charge. If convicted, the father could be sentenced to up to five years in prison.

Minnesota downs struggling Illini, 31-10

MINNEAPOLIS - Terry Jackson II rushed for a career-high 145 yards and a touchdown Thursday night to lead Minnesota past struggling Illinois 31-10.

Braxton Burmeister was 15-of-27 for 144 yards, throwing one TD pass and an interception. He also ran for a touchdown for the Golden Gophers (5-1, 1-1 Big Ten). Braxton had two carries to pass for 139 yards in the defending Big Ten champion Fighting Illini (1-5, 0-2), who replaced quarterback Jon Beuer late in the third quarter with Dustin Ward.

The Illini had switched from Beuer to Beutjer for the home opener against Arkansas State, but the victory over the offense scored just two touchdowns in losses to Southern Mississippi and Missouri.

Two on Cuban baseball team turn up missing

SALTILLO, Mexico - Amid rumors that they had defected, two players of the Cuban baseball team, including top pitcher Jose Contreras, didn't show for Thursday's game against Venezuela.

The two had permission to travel to Mexico City for personal trips, team spokesman Roberto Pacheco said. He added that if they did not return by Saturday, he would call Cuban officials to request sanctions against them.

Contreras and coach Miguel Valdez have not been seen since the 6-0 victory over the Dominican Republic on Tuesday night in the Americas Series tournament.

Compiled from staff and wire reports.

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Duval shoots best round of season

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (AP) — David Duval shot a 7-under 64 Thursday — his best round of the season — and shared a two-stroke lead after the first round of the Michelob Championship.

Golf Hidemichi Tanaka birdied three of the last four holes for his 64. He missed a right-to-left, 11-foot birdie putt on the par-4 18th.

Duval earned his first career victory here in 1997, repeated as champion the next year and would love to win the final PGA event played at Kingsmill Golf Club. Next year, the course will host the less expensive LPGA Tour.

Scott Hoch, who like Duval played in the Ryder Cup last week, was at 66 along with Loren Roberts, who won the Texas Open last week, Corey Pavin, Bart Bryant and Jose Cocheres also had opening 66s.

Peter Jacobsen led a group of 10 at 67.

Redman cards 7-under for LPGA lead

VALLEJO, Calif. — Michele Redman shot a 7-under 65 at the Samsung World Championship and held a one-shot lead over Annika Sorenstam, who had her sixth hole-in-one as a professional.

Sorenstam, the world's No. 1 player, tied Redman for the lead with one owing of her 5-iron at the 185-yard 17th at Hiddenbrooke Golf Club.

Sorenstam hit her second shot into the water at the closing 497-yard par-5 and settled for a bogey that dropped her to 66.

Grace Park was third with a 67, while Cristie Kerr, Laura Diaz and Rosie Jones were another shot back. Three players, including Se Ri Pak, had 69s in the invitation-only tournament featuring the 20 top woman golfers.

Dunhill Links features tight leaderboard

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Eduardo Romero of Argentina shot a 7-under 65 and held a one-stroke lead over Pdraig Harrington and two others after the opening round of Dunhill Links championship, being played at three courses.

Tied with Ireland's Harrington were South Africa's Nic Lawrence and Jyoti Randhawa of India.

Thomas Bjorn shot a 67 while Phillip Price, who beat world No. 2 Phil Mickelson in last week's singles at the Ryder Cup, shot a 69 on The Old Course.



David Duval chips up to the 14th green during first round play of the Michelob Championship at the Kingsmill Golf Club in Williamsburg, Va., Thursday. Duval shot 64.

Huggins has tests to determine damage from heart attack

CINCINNATI (AP) — Cincinnati basketball coach Bob Huggins underwent tests on his heart Thursday while recovering from a heart attack.

The 49-year-old Huggins, in serious but stable condition at Christ Hospital in Cincinnati, had tests to determine how much damage the heart attack caused, said his cardiologist, Dr. Dean Kereikes.

Results of the tests were not expected until today.

Huggins had the heart attack at the Pittsburgh airport on Saturday. He was there to catch a flight to Milwaukee for a coaching clinic.

After being rushed to the hospital, Huggins had surgery to

implant a metal mesh stent to keep a clogged artery open.

It's uncertain when Huggins can leave the hospital or return to work.

Cincinnati opens practice for the new season on Oct. 12. Doctors have said Huggins could need 4-to-6 weeks to recuperate.

Huggins was the third-youngest coach to get 500 wins in Division I. His career record is 500-172, including a 332-100 record at Cincinnati.

The Bearcats have been ranked No. 1 several times during his tenure but have made the Final Four just once. Cincinnati went 31-4 last season, losing to UCLA 105-101 in double overtime in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

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Dolphins, Patriots clash in AFC East test

By Dave Goldberg
Associated Press writer

A week ago, the Miami Dolphins and New England Patriots were unseaten, looking ahead to this week's meeting in Tampa.

Now both are 3-1, but the game is still huge in the AFC East, where, with the early demise of the Jets, these two look to battle it out.

The Dolphins are favored by three, the standard NFL award for home-field advantage. But their 17-game home winning streak in August and September is no longer relevant — this is October.

What's relevant is Ricky Williams. The Patriots were superb in their first two games, but then allowed 180 yards rushing to Kansas City's Priest Holmes and 217 more to LaDainian Tomlinson in last Sunday's loss in San Diego.

"We've got to get it fixed," New England linebacker Mike Vrabel says. "We don't have any time to sit around and wait."

The Dolphins had their own defensive problems in the 48-30 loss in Kansas City at Trent Green threw for 328 yards. And Jay Fiedler reverted to his old form for Miami, throwing four interceptions, three in the last eight minutes.

Interesting dilemmas for both teams.

The Dolphins have won the last four meetings in Miami. Strange teams are winning in the NFL this year. Go with the champions.

PATRIOTS, 31-30

San Diego (plus 5) Denver

Three factors working for the Browns.

Mike Shanahan won't take lightly what transpired Monday night in the lopsided loss to Baltimore.

Mary Schottenheimer rarely wins in Denver, although he won his only game at the new Mile High with the Redskins last season.

Law of averages works against the Chargers.

BRONCOS, 30-23

Green Bay (plus 1.5) at Chicago (Monday night)

The Bears have all kinds of trouble with Brett Favre.

PACKERS, 21-16

St. Louis (plus 7) at San Francisco

Without Kurt Warner at quarterback for the Rams, the NFC West is San Francisco's for the taking.

SEAS, 20-14

Tampa Bay (plus 1.5) at Atlanta

With the Falcons' turning things around, this could become quite a rivalry.

BUCS, 17-13

Oakland (minus 3) at Buffalo

Four of five Bills games in OT?

BILLS, 45-42 (overtime)

Pittsburgh (plus 3) at New Orleans

Tommy Maddox?

We'll take Aaron Brooks.

SAINTS, 20-9

Philadelphia (minus 3) at Jacksonville

Are the Jaguars back?

EAGLES, 23-17

New York Giants (pick 'em) at Dallas

Odds-on to end 13-10.

GIANTS 13-10

Washington (plus 5.5) at Tennessee

Something is wrong in both camps.

TITANS, 16-13

Arizona (plus 3.5) at Carolina

The Cards are having one of their better seasons.

CARDINALS, 22-20

Cincinnati (plus 13.5) at Indianapolis

Some week, the Bengals will surprise someone.

Not this one.

COLTS, 41-6

Kansas City (minus 3.5) at New York Jets

The Jets have been outscored 102-13 in their last three games.

Chad Pennington starts at quarterback, but the problems are deeper than that.

CHIEFS, 40-28

Baltimore (plus 7.5) at Cleveland

The Ravens are unbeaten since Ethan Brooks has started at right tackle.

BROWNS, 17-10

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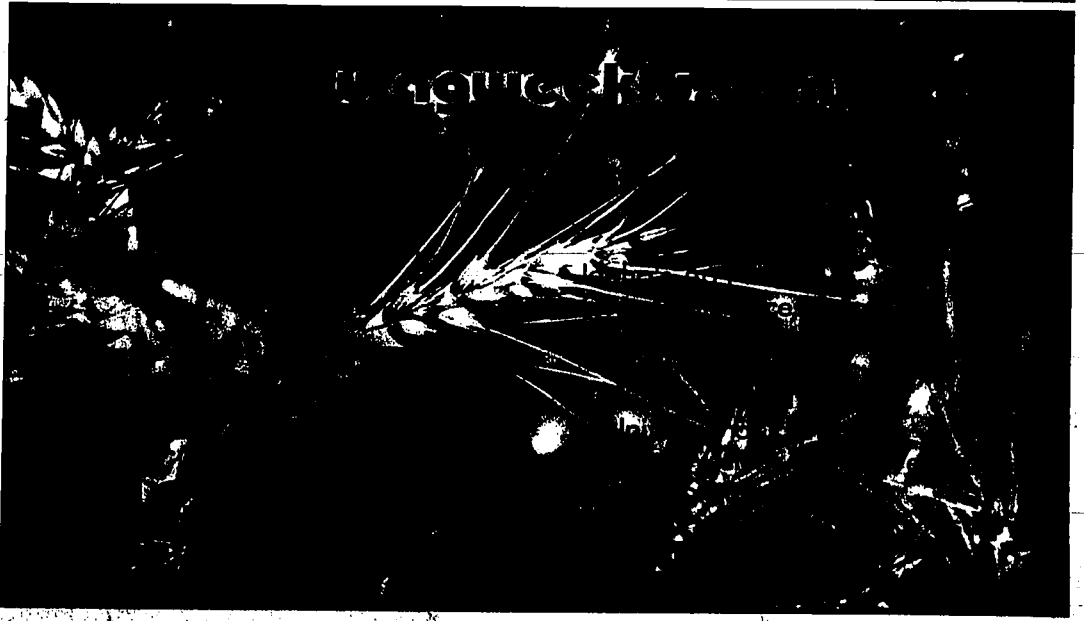
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Gate's unveiling highlights Germany's Unity Day

BERLIN (AP) — Germany celebrated 12 years as a reunited nation Thursday with a street party to open Berlin's restored Brandenburg Gate and a message of friendship from President Bush after weeks of tension between the two countries over Iraq.



Berlin's landmark Brandenburg Gate is unveiled on the 12th anniversary of the German reunification Thursday.

Bands played and vendors grilled sausages as tens of thousands turned out for the reopening of the 18th-century gate which stood ready for unveiling under a white cover held together by a giant zipper.

The 18th-century sandstone gate, a pre-World War II marker of German unity that was destroyed during the war, after the Berlin Wall fell on Nov. 9, 1989, was refurbished in a two-year, \$3.8 million project.

Former President Bill Clinton was invited to join Berlin Mayor Klaus Wowereit on the zipper Thursday night, revealing the work of specialists who used

lasers to strip away decades of grime and 120 shades of mortar to plug holes.

While the public holiday focused attention on the lingering gaps between east and west Germans, it also gave U.S. and German leaders an occasion to

damp down the festering dispute over policy toward Iraq.

Bush sent congratulations, recalling mutual bonds built up during decades of U.S. backing for former West Germany and West Berlin during the Cold War.

"The United States stood firmly with Germany's people in our common goal of bringing freedom to a united Germany," he said in a letter to German President Johannes Rau.

Bush said millions of Americans who visited or lived in Germany after World War II as soldiers, students or businessmen made friends and have fond memories "that form a strong basis for facing the new challenge ahead."

The president's warm remarks were in sharp contrast with the recent harsh words that passed between Washington and Berlin during the buildup of tension over Iraq's alleged weapons of mass destruction and U.S. threats to oust Saddam Hussein. Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder has incensed Washington with his loud opposition to a U.S. invasion of Iraq, a stand credited with helping him win re-election last month.

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Ivory Coast rebels agree to cease-fire

BOUAKE, Ivory Coast (AP) — Ivory Coast rebels agreed to a cease-fire Thursday in a steamroller offensive that has taken half the country in just over two weeks, West African mediators announced — saying the way was now clear for peace talks.

"They have agreed to a cease-fire," negotiator Mohamed Ibn Chambas told journalists after foreign ministers of five West African nations flew into the heart of rebel-held territory to press for the cease-fire.

Speaking in the central city of Bouake, where the talks took place, he said a cease-fire deal would be signed in the nation's capital, Yamoussoukro, on Friday.

Chambas said he hoped the mediators would be able to discuss the rebels' grievances after the agreement was signed. It was not immediately clear how long the cease-fire would last, or what, if any, conditions were attached to the deal.

Ivory Coast has been plunged into chaos since Sept. 19 uprising by disgruntled soldiers, who have since captured Bouake and the northern opposition stronghold of Korhogo, as well as most of the northern half of the country. Around 300 people died in the first days of the uprising — the nation's deadliest ever.

Desperate to avert an all-out conflict, the top West African envoys came to Bouake to urge the rebels to lay down their arms.

President Laurent Gbagbo's government — having already yielded the north of Ivory Coast to the rebels in just 15 days — has made clear it is open to a cease-fire.

The peace mission, including foreign ministers from five nations, arrived in French army helicopters and were driven to a French school through quiet streets, which betrayed no signs of the conflict that has split the once-stable nation in two.

At the school, rebel leaders kept the foreign ministers waiting for an hour before driving up in a convoy of pickup trucks. Bearded rebel Tuo Fozie climbed out, shook hands and saluted.

Talks began in a cluster of tiny pastel school chairs under the school's tin-roof pavilion. The meeting itself provided mediators — and the world at large — a look at those claiming to direct Ivory Coast's shadowy rebels.

"This is the first contact by anybody really with the other side. So we are all a bit mystified as to who the other side is and what they are demanding," Chambas said before the talks.

Heavily armed French soldiers, part of a 1,000-strong force in the former French colony, stood on guard among the palm trees and flowers planted in the schoolyard. Outside the school, rebels, dressed in a mix of uniforms and T-shirts, manned a roadblock.

A French military cargo plane flew the delegation to Yamoussoukro, the nation's capital and a base for the formidable French force.

The delegation included foreign ministers from Ghana, Togo, Niger, Nigeria and Mali — the sixth member of the contact group. Guinea-Bissau was not represented. Regional leaders hope to stop Ivory Coast, long an anchor of stability in a war-riven region, from following neighbors Sierra Leone and Liberia down the path to full-scale civil war.

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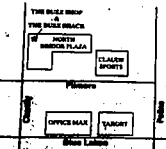
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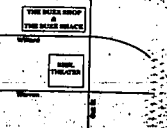
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Notes on the economy

Magic Valley report

Holding steady

Local employers in September placed just a few more newspaper ads looking for workers than they did a year earlier, with slow recovery to almost nothing in 2001 after a 31 percent overall increase in the first seven months of the year — and stayed at a crawl last month. September's is still going strong. It's just not really growing," said the Times-News' classifieds sales manager, Deby Johnson.

In September, employers in The Times-News' classified advertising section bought 1,572 employment ads. That's just 1 percent above the 1,554 such ads placed in September 2001. It also tops the 1,395 of September 2000.

So far, data for 2002's employment ads are running 22 percent above the total placed in the first nine months of 2001. At this time last year, that ad total was up just 12 percent from year-to-date 2000.

Source: Deby Johnson

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

IRS, AARP seek volunteers for filing

TWIN FALLS — The Internal Revenue Service and AARP are seeking volunteers with computer expertise to assist the Tax-Aide program in electronically filing tax returns during the upcoming tax-filing season.

Tax-Aide volunteers prepare federal and state returns for people with low incomes who cannot afford professional assistance, seniors, the disabled and non-English-speaking people.

Volunteers will install and update software and upgrade computer memory. They'll also deal with hardware and software issues and communication problems accessing the Internet. Volunteers should have a working knowledge of personal computers, hardware and software and communication systems. Training specific to Tax-Aide software will be provided. Tax knowledge is beneficial but not necessary.

"The IRS and AARP are looking for individuals with computer skills to help with the many hardware and software issues that arise both before and during the tax-filing season," said Shawn George, IRS spokesman. "Last year in Idaho, Tax-Aide volunteers electronically filed almost 9,000 tax returns."

Volunteers or get more information, call the IRS at 334-9086, Ext. 302, or e-mail the IRS at victor.wanacot@irs.gov.

Sears restates results; net income is unchanged

CHICAGO — The Securities and Exchange Commission has directed Sears, Roebuck and Co. to restate its first-half financial results to more accurately reflect an increase in bad debt in its giant credit card portfolio, the retailer said this week.

The restatement affects the timing and manner in which Sears reported a \$300 million pretax increase in potentially uncollectible money owed by its credit card customers.

Sears, which has Magic Valley stores, said it took action after "further interpretive guidance" from the SEC staff. The issue came up during a normal SEC review of Sears' filings, said a company spokesman Peggy Falter.

Although the restatement did not affect Sears' net income for the first half, it reduced its earnings per share from operations by a number that Wall Street investors watch closely, and one that is weighed heavily in determining executives' incentive bonuses.

Despite a year of steadily declining sales, Sears has promised investors a 22 percent increase in annual operating earnings per share, an aggressive target that some analysts doubt the company can hit.

As shoppers continue to shun its apparel offerings, the nation's third-largest general merchant has been reeling in its losses more than \$2 billion in new debt in the past year.

Employers work on Burley-T.F. bus route

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — See those heads together?

Those are a few of the Twin Falls area's biggest employers, comparing shift-start times and the hometowns of their work forces. They hope to dump their data into a pot and pull out a bus route that will deliver workers from the valley's labor-rich areas to the employee entrances of their offices, manufacturing plants and hospitals and the shuttle parking lots of their casinos.

Directors of the Trans IV public bus service already committed to the Nov. 4 launch of a new year-round route between the Burley area, where J.R. Simplot Co.'s Heyburn layoffs will put

almost 200 people out of work next month, and Twin Falls, where jobs are more plentiful and the College of Southern Idaho can give job hunters a boost with training.

But where and when will the bus deliver Mini-Cassia workers?

That's what Trans IV leaders and the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce are trying to figure out. The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, CSI and Region IV Development are among the entities that direct Trans IV.

Representatives met Thursday with Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, cheese maker Glanbia Foods, Dell Computer Corp., spud processor Lamb Weston Inc. and Cactus Petes Resort Casino.

Those companies intend to fill out a questionnaire for CSI's Mike Mason about their work forces and work shifts. Organizers will ask other major Twin Falls and Jerome employers — including sugar, plastics, meat and parts manufacturers — to follow suit.

Then Trans IV directors will sketch a few possible bus routes and ask participating employers to gather Oct. 11 to look them over. That meeting will start at 9 a.m. at the Twin Falls chamber office, 858 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

A bus might continue from Twin Falls to Gooding or Richfield, where Glanbia has other plants.

John Hathaway, regional director for Health and Welfare, will also ask the

big employers for commitments to participate in a job fair in Mini-Cassia immediately after Simplot's November layoffs.

Organizers of the new public-transportation option want to be able to show displaced Mini-Cassia workers a bus route that's operating and dependable — perhaps with start-up help from a grant. And they want to convey that a variety of Twin Falls-area employers are interested in their labor.

That could help the Mini-Cassia work force by minimizing the blow of Simplot's layoffs, and help employers by clearing an obstacle to recruitment.

Part of the pitch will be a guarantee of emergency rides home for workers who need to attend a suddenly sick child, for

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Port labor talks begin



A cargo ship loaded with containers sits idle in the port area of Long Beach, Calif., Thursday.

Industries suffer as lockout continues

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — With imports blocked and industries feeling the pinch, dockworkers and shipping officials began talks with a federal mediator Thursday to try to resolve a five-day-old West Coast port shutdown.

The stalemate has stopped all commercial shipping at 29 ports in California, Oregon and Washington.

"I think we all feel the pressure," Peter Hurlgen, the federal mediator responsible for ending the bitter contract dispute, said before negotiations began at a San Francisco hotel. "Every hour is another hour of economic harm."

Along the coast, 162 ships

were either idle at the docks or have dropped anchor, waiting to unload cargo, according to the Pacific Maritime Association, which represents the shipping lines and terminal operators.

The economic impact of the work stoppage was accelerating and could be costing the U.S. economy \$2 billion a day, said Robert Parry, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

"With the economy suffering like this, it's just time to put people back to work," Jim Spinosa, president of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union said Thursday before

Shipping lines spokesman Tom Edwards said he looked forward "to participating in a

productive meeting."

The two sides are at odds over pensions and other benefits, as well as the union's demand to control any new jobs that would come with the introduction of modern cargo-handling technology.

Businesses across the country were feeling the effects of the closed docks, which handled more than \$320 billion worth of imports and exports last year.

When futures dropped sharply Thursday on the Chicago Board of Trade as concerns rose that the lockout would hurt U.S.

grain exports.

In Fremont, the only major vehicle production line west of the Mississippi ground to a halt Wednesday night because the supply of parts dried up.

Wyoming's soda ash industry, heavily dependent on foreign markets, braced for cutbacks, officials said.

California almond growers, who exported \$662 million worth of almonds in 2000, said each day of the shutdown threatens their ability to serve Asian consumers preparing for holidays.

"That demand is gone after the holidays, so it's not like they'll say they'll take it late," said Rob Adams, manager of the Minturn Nut Co. plant in Le Grand, Calif.

Two M.V. furniture stores close

Another retail outlet will use Burley spot

By Lorraine Cavenor
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — United Furniture Warehouse stores in Burley and Twin Falls are closing, but another retail outlet, Honk's \$1 Store, is scheduled to move into the Snake River Plaza space the Burley furniture store will vacate.

"We're excited," said Mel Page, Honk's manager. "Our customers are happy to see us move."

By moving into the United Furniture space Honk's will almost triple in size.

"We're bringing everybody more variety and more product," Page said.

Since opening in fall 1997 in a small space next to Kmart in Burley, Honk's has been well received, she said.

"We need the space," Page said. "We manage to put a lot of stuff in this little store."

When Kmart closed a few months ago Honk's continued strong.

"It didn't hurt us at all," she said. She attributes success at the store to a friendly staff that provides good service.

"I have an excellent crew that works hard for me," she said. "That makes a difference."

The move is planned shortly after Halloween. Burley's United Furniture is scheduled to close Oct. 15.

Some remodeling will be done before Honk's moves in.

"It's going to be a fast move," Page said.

The Burley United Furniture Warehouse Web site proclaims that the company "continues to expand at an amazing rate," including all the stores in Idaho — almost the only two in Magic Valley — are closing.

The Twin Falls location, with four full-time workers and two

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Utility asks court to overturn PUC ruling

The Associated Press

BOISE — Idaho's largest electric utility has asked the state Supreme Court to reverse a Public Utilities Commission ruling and award it \$12 million in additional revenue from its 400,000 customers.

Idaho Power Co. maintains the commission misinterpreted its claim that the \$12 million was revenue lost because irrigators took part in the power buyback program during last year's electricity crisis.

The utility contended that the money is not revenue lost because it could not sell the irrigators' power but because it still had to maintain power lines, poles, substations, transformers and transmission lines with

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out the usual customer payments earmarked for that expense.

The Public Utilities Commission did authorize Idaho Power. In May to recover \$7.4 million in direct costs related to the power buyback program, which was intended to reduce demand and limit the utility's requirement to buy excessively expensive electricity on the open market to meet remaining customer needs.

Dell looks at how it does out stock options

Knight Ridder News Service

AUSTIN, Texas — If Congress requires companies to count stock options as expenses, it could make Dell Computer Corp. a less lucrative place to work.

Chairman Michael Dell said the company's management is re-evaluating how it does out stock options.

"We're spending a lot of time studying that right now," Dell said. "We are making some changes."

Dell said the company, a Twin Falls employer, plans to count options as an expense against earnings only if it's required.

Many technology companies, including Dell, have objected to the idea of counting options as an expense because they don't think the formula that's most commonly used accurately counts what a stock option might be worth in the future.

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More Dell — Page E2

Options are granted to all Dell employees, and they have been a famous source of wealth in Central Texas, creating an untold number of millionaires in the wake of the meteoric rise of Dell stock in the late 1990s.

Following a rash of scandals last year, Congress took up the cause of helping to straighten out corporate America's bookkeeping. One of the targets was options, although no legislation has been passed. Legislation now seems unlikely until after the November elections.

But high-tech companies such as Dell have the most to fear from such a requirement because they rely

more heavily on options than cash to compensate employees.

Dell's earnings last year would have been cut by more than half to \$552 million from \$1.25 billion. Dell estimates that the value of options granted last year was \$694 million after taxes.

Even if the government doesn't require options to be expensed, Dell is likely to be more judicious with options than it was during the late '90s when its stock was climbing fast and the market for talent was much tighter.

"We'll look at what our competitors are doing," President Kevin Rollins said. "We'll probably change it from the way we did it last year."

Dell granted 126 million options at an average price of \$23.24 a share. The stock has hovered in the mid-\$20s for about two years. That's below the price of options granted in 1999, 2000 and 2002. Only options granted last year would bring an employee a higher price than they would pay to exercise them.

MONEY

Dell turns to more upscale products

Knight Ridder News Service

AUSTIN, Texas — Dell Computer Corp., often called the Wal-Mart of the PC industry for its speed, efficiency and low prices, now wants to go a little more upscale.

Dell, which held a meeting with Wall Street analysts in Austin this week, still wants its products to appeal to a wide variety of customers by offering low prices. But in the past year, Dell has started offering more complex, upscale products, such as more powerful servers and storage devices.

It's a strategy that has worked at Wal-Mart — if you're already buying toilet paper there, why not buy a desk or a television? There are signs that Dell is also making the right moves, though it still has much to prove.

"They're moving out of the low end all the way to the data center. That's the thing that's frightening competitors,"

— Charles Wolf, analyst at Needham & Co.

And Dell is attacking the big, mainframe computer market that Hewlett-Packard Co. and International Business Machines Corp. have dominated for so long that it can put together clusters

of servers that perform as well as mainframes. It will take a few more quarters to gauge how well Dell, which is relatively new in all those markets, is doing against its competitors' products.

But Dell is using a familiar old strategy — get into the market just when the technology is becoming cheaper and use efficient manufacturing to undercut competitors.

That's why many analysts left Wednesday's meeting feeling as convinced as ever that Dell has the right idea. "There's still a question of how far Dell can take itself to the high end," said Nick Nilgar, an analyst for credit-rating agency Fitch. "But Dell can take market share and profit within many of these segments, just as they've proven in the PC sector."

It may not work for everyone. Analysts are optimistic about Dell's prospects in the midrange server business, but not all believe it can convince

customers to choose its server clusters over the big mainframes, especially if clients want more variety than Dell can offer.

Dell's foray into technology services, such as installing and maintaining a network storage system for a client, also has its risks. Dell says it will only choose to offer services that are easily applicable to many clients and that it will avoid the time and expense it takes to come up with custom services for one client.

Many analysts agree that's the best route for Dell, but some think clients would rather pay for a custom service.

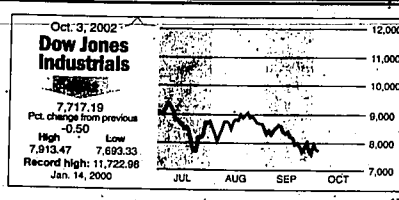
The company didn't disclose anything more about its recently announced partnership with printer maker Lexmark International Inc. or about its expected entry into the handheld computer business.

But the message was clear: Dell intends to grab a piece in almost every category of technology spending.

"We're not trying to reinvent the wheel," chief executive Michael Dell said. "Customers welcome Dell into a market because they know we will increase the value and drive costs down."

With six round trips a day, that bus is heavily used, said Della Milam of Cactus Park. Cactus workers pay \$1.50 each way to ride — that's \$3 a day — and can choose daily whether to take the company bus.

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Dow ends streak of big swings, drops just slightly

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street declined in a choppy session Thursday as investors, frustrated by mixed economic reports and more earnings warnings, shielded away from commitments to stocks.

The Dow Jones industrial index fell just 38 points, ending its record 11-day streak of triple-digit moves.

"This market is extremely skittish today. We're swinging all over the place. I don't really think people are sure whether to focus on earnings or on the economy," said Todd Clark, head of listed equity trading at Wells Fargo Securities.

The Dow gave up an early gain of 18 points to close down 38.42, or 0.5 percent, at 7,717.19 after dropping 183 points Wednesday.

Prior to Thursday, the Dow had eight straight triple-digit moves, most of them downward, as investors alternated between heavy selling and some bargain hunting. This was the blue chips' longest streak of 100-point-plus gains and losses.

The broader market also finished lower. The Nasdaq composite index fell 21.74, or 1.8 percent, to 1,165.56. It was the tech-

dominated index's lowest close since Sept. 12, 1996, when it hit 1,165.81.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index dropped 8.96, or 1.1 percent, to 818.95.

The Institute for Supply Management reported Thursday its monthly non-manufacturing index rose in September 53.9 from 50.9 in August. The figure, which beat analysts' expectations, offered some hope that the economic recovery was gaining strength.

In another report, the Commerce Department said U.S. factory orders were flat in August. The result was also better than the decline that analysts forecast.

But the Labor Department reported that new jobless claims rose by a seasonally adjusted 5,000 to 417,000 for the week ending Sept. 28. The increase was slightly larger than analysts forecast and followed a drop of 18,000 in the prior week.

The Dow registered its highest gains following the release of the non-manufacturing and factory orders reports, but later gave them up.

Transportation

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instance. To shift worker sentiment toward public transportation, Hatway said, employers and unions will need to get workers they're in it for the long run.

"The culture's going to change slowly," he said.

Participating employers already have some workers commuting from Mini-Cassia. If

organizers can convince some of them to ride the bus, that would save workers money, take cars off the road and get locals thinking more about public transportation, Hatway said.

Lamb Weston already had a handful of workers coming from Burley, and more signed on after Simplot's announcement of plans to phase out its

Hayburn plant, Lamb Weston's Cheryl Phillips said. She said Lamb Weston could survey its existing Mini-Cassia workers about their interest in a bus option.

Bus organizers will point to Cactus Park's existing bus service between Twin Falls and Pinar and the company's Jackpot, Nev., casinos as a success story for mass transportation.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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WASHINGTON (AP) - More Americans filed new claims for jobless benefits last week, a fresh sign of the difficulties...

FOSSIL FUELS

The Labor Department reported Thursday that new applications for unemployment insurance climbed by a seasonally adjusted 5,000 to 417,000 for the work week ending Sept. 28.

Even though factory orders were unchanged after jumping by 4.4 percent in July, August's report was better than the decline that analysts were forecasting.

Furniture

Partners, is closing along with United Furniture stores in Boise, Lewiston, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Nampa and Rexburg.

Brenda Meek, manager of the Burley store, is one United Furniture employee who will lose her job.

After closing locations throughout the Northwest the company plans to open stores in more profitable markets.

Stores in Idaho, hurt by an agricultural downturn, were not going well, he said.

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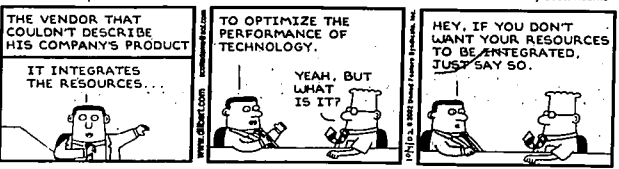
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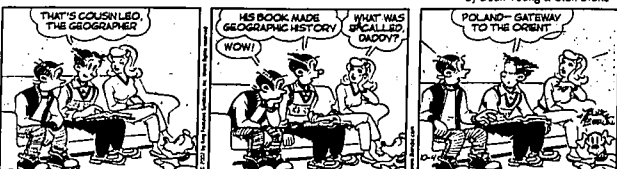
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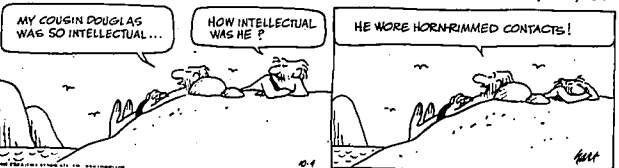
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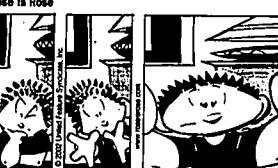
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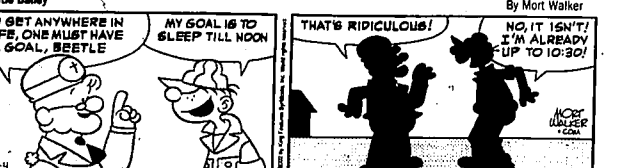
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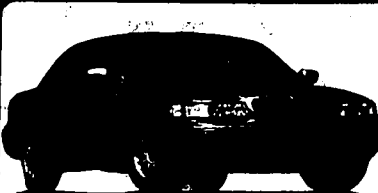
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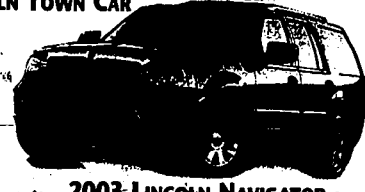


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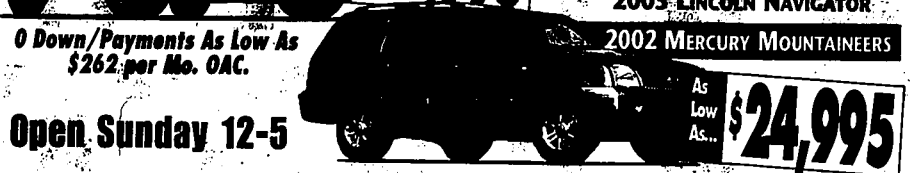


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