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# Screeners to start at airports

## Feds say pre-flight routine should not change much, but recommend 90-minute early arrival

**By Mark Heitz**  
 Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — The switch to federal screeners at two of southern Idaho's airports shouldn't make much difference in the pre-flight routine passengers go through, if security officials said.

Most passengers will still have to only walk through a metal detector and have their carry-on

baggage put through an X-ray machine, said Paris Sepe, a deputy director with the

Transportation Security Administration.

Some passengers might also be scanned with a hand-held metal detector "wand," he said.

Passengers should still plan on showing up at the airport at least 90 minutes before their scheduled flight times, he said.

Sepe will be in charge of TSA screeners at the Hailey and Twin Falls airports. TSA will start tak-

ing over screening there Monday, and the goal is to have airport security totally federalized by mid-December, he said. Sepe said he will be based at the Hailey airport.

TSA was formed in direct response the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. The agency's basic mission is to provide a standard level of security throughout the airport system in the United States.

About 18 to 20 screeners will eventually work at Jodin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport in Twin Falls, and about two dozen will be assigned to Friedman Memorial Airport in Hailey, Sepe said.

During any given shift, about a half-dozen screeners — including a supervisor — will be on duty, he said.

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## Idaho Dems look to add legislative seats

**By Chuck Outley**  
 Associated Press Writer

**BOISE** — Democrats expect to gain ground in the Idaho Legislature on Tuesday, perhaps stirring the state's perennial minority party from years in a political coma.

Redrawn legislative districts, a sour economy and backlash against lawmakers' repeal of term limits last winter are combining to boost their hopes of again being more than a token voice on public policy.

But no matter how well Democrats do, Republicans will still hold more than two-thirds of the Legislature's 105 seats, retaining plenty of political muscle to control the state's agenda and purse strings.

Still, if the Democrats win every tight or competitive race, they could claim as many as 31 seats — nearly triple the number they have now.

"That would be revolutionary," Boise State University political scientist Jim Weatherby said. "It would even be significant if Democrats picked up 10 seats in the House, and three or four in the Senate."

Senate Democrats have suffered the harshest declines in recent years. During the last session, just three of 35 members were Democrats, and those members could hardly keep up with their committee meetings. Just 12 years ago, Democrats had half the seats in the Senate.

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## ICE SCULPTURE



Unseasonably cold temperatures, with the help of sprinklers, caused ice sculptures to form on lawns and trees around Twin Falls this week. The cold snap is expected to last through next week, with highs in the 40s and lows in the teens.

## Building codes cause concern

### New rules exempt ag storage structures

**By Jennifer Sandmann**  
 Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — New buildings used for storage on the farm now clearly are exempt in Idaho from building inspections.

That has some farmers saving money, and some building inspectors concerned.

New state regulations that attempt to modernize a hodgepodge assortment of building codes across the state make it clear that agricultural buildings used for storage — not production of employee work areas — are exempt from building inspections.

Plumbing, fire and electrical inspections still are required. Inspections for snow load, wind stability and other structural factors are not.

Use, not size, determines whether a new agricultural building is exempt from a building inspection, said Art Brown, planning and zoning administrator for Jerome County.

"If you want to put in an 8,000-square-foot machine shed, you can do that without an inspection," he said.

Jerome County commissioners recently amended planning and zoning rules to bring the county in line with the new state regulations. Building inspections no longer will be required for new agricultural storage buildings. But the county will charge a \$75 fee for siting inspections that regulate setbacks and other zoning requirements. The county will keep notarized records on file of buildings that are not inspected for insurance, real estate and other reference.

Whether state law previously allowed a county to require inspections of agricultural storage buildings apparently was disputed by agricultural interests.

Counties had been given the choice, said Paul Aston, Mindokota County planning and zoning administrator. Some counties, including Mindokota,

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## In victory for Microsoft, judge OKs agreement

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** — A federal judge on Friday accepted nearly all the provisions of an antitrust settlement between Microsoft Corp. and the Justice Department, but warned top company executives that she will hold them individually responsible for complying with her instructions.

In an enormous victory for Microsoft and founder Bill Gates, U.S. District Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly rebuffed arguments by nine states and the District of Columbia that tougher sanctions were essential to restore competition in the computer industry.

She concluded that some penalties proposed by those states would chiefly benefit the company's rivals. She made a few minor changes to the settlement that require acceptance by Microsoft.

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**What does the ruling mean? — A2**

## USGS report: Water for Klamath River fish worth more than farms

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** — Returning water to the Klamath River for recreational users would reap more economic benefits than diverting it for farmers, loggers and hydropower producers, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

Earlier this year Interior Secretary Gale Norton ordered the diversion of water from the river straddling the California-Oregon state line.

The USGS report puts the economic value of outdoor pursuits such as fishing and boating along the Klamath and its major tributaries at \$4.3 billion annually.

However, \$4 billion of that is based on the assumption that that

Agency releases study only after newspaper gets ahold of figures

people's recreation time is as economically valuable as time spent working. The remaining \$300 million a year is based on actual expenditures.

The report puts the economic value of farming, logging and hydropower in the basin at \$4.9 billion in one-time payments, including habitat restoration and compensation for leasing of regional fishing rights.

The report does not provide a fig-

ure for what farms and industries generate for the region each year.

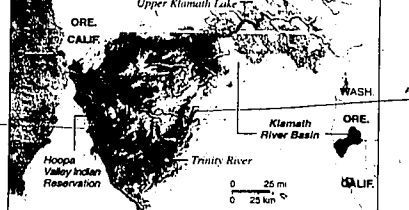
The Klamath has become the focus of an emotional tug-of-war between commercial anglers, American Indian tribes and environmental groups who want to force the government to release more water and farmers who experienced a shortage of irrigation water last year due to record drought.

Overall, the USGS report uses an updated methodology to confirm earlier findings from similar studies in 1990, 1995 and 1999, said Douglas Posson, director of the USGS science center in Fort Collins, Colo., where the report was prepared.

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## Report looks at water release in Klamath

A U.S. Geological Survey report released Friday weighs the economic benefits of releasing water in the Klamath River for fishing and recreational uses, rather than diverting it for agriculture.



SOURCES: Associated Press, USGS

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: A sunny, but continued cool day. Highs in the 30s.

Tonight: Clear, cold and quiet. Lows in the single digits to the lower teens.

Tomorrow: A bit of a warm up with plenty of sunshine. Highs in the mid 30s to the lower 40s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Another cool, partly cloudy day. Highs in the upper 20s to the mid 30s.

Tonight: Scattered clouds and cold. Lows in the lower teens.

Tomorrow: Warmer and partly cloudy once again. Highs in the lower 40s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Some peaks in the High Country, especially toward the state's eastern border could see a few light snow flurries. Other than that, temperatures will start to moderate through the weekend.

Today Highs 24 to 34. Tonight's Lows -8 to 4.

BOISE More mild conditions with a bit of a warm up coming in for the weekend. Although the sunshine will make it feel warmer during the day, the clear skies will allow for cold nights.

Today Highs/Lows 26 to 44/12 to 17

NORTHERN UTAH

It does not look like conditions will be all that bad for the upcoming weekend. You can expect mostly dry conditions and poor sunshine.

Today Highs/Lows 26 to 40/15 to 34

Table with 3 columns: City, High, Low. Lists various Idaho cities and their forecasted high and low temperatures.

TWIN FALLS FIVE DAY FORECAST

Five-day forecast for Twin Falls showing icons for Today, Tonight, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, along with high and low temperatures.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Almanac section for Twin Falls including Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Moon Phases, and Moonrise and Moonset.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table for Idaho and surrounding areas, listing cities and their high/low forecasts.

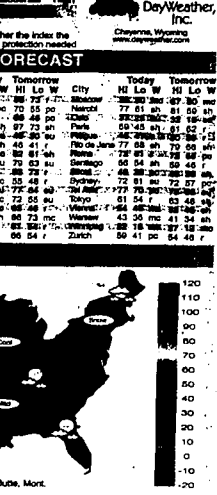
NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for various US cities, listing cities and their high/low forecasts.

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table for various international cities, listing cities and their high/low forecasts.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Advertisement for 'Comunidad' newspaper, including contact information and a phone number.

Idaho

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This year, they stand to gain the most ground in the Senate. At least five Senate seats are either won by default or are very likely to fall to Democrats...

science professor Ralph Maughn said Marley, a former representative and a teacher who lives in Downey, should have a natural advantage because of the downturn in the state's economy...

close ties to southeast Idaho winners, will beat Marley. He said a few more Democratic seats will not substantially alter power in the Senate.

But Thornburgh has raised more cash and has a strong grassroots organization. If there is enough of them after the election, Weatherly said, Senate Democrats could attempt to fiscally moderate...

Microsoft ruling will give computer users more choice

By Anita Reddy The Washington Post Q: Who won? A: Both sides claim victory, but Microsoft, which once faced the prospect of a breakup, emerged relatively unscathed.

individual product. It is still allowed to include, for example, its browser Internet Explorer or its audio and video player Windows Media Player.

Codes

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already exempted agricultural buildings that met certain criteria from building inspections. But Farm Bureau lobbyist W. Craig Nelson said agricultural buildings used for storage always have been exempt from buildings inspection.

regulations just before they went to lawmakers for approval last winter, Aston said. Without the amendment, the choice would have remained in the hands of local jurisdictions, he said.

Airport

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said. Their uniforms will be white and khaki. To qualify as screeners, people must be U.S. citizens, have high school diplomas or GEDs and be fluent in English, Sepe said.

officers won't take an active part in screenings. Rather, they will be there to provide emergency help and arrest powers if needed, he said. The Twin Falls Police Department has since the day after the attacks been posting officers at the airport, but was at first under the impression the postings would be temporary.

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Mail information for The Times-News, including subscription rates and contact details.

Water section information, including contact details for spokeswoman Carolyn Bell.

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Times-News telephone directory listing various departments and their contact information.

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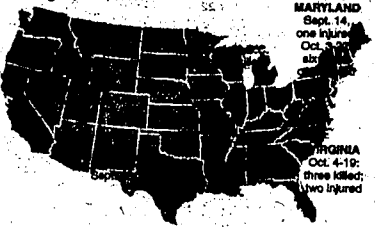
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NATION

Shooting linked to sniper suspects

Balistic tests on a bullet fragment have linked a Sept. 14 shooting in Silver Spring, Md., to the series of sniper shootings in the Washington, D.C., area.



U.S. continues shipping free oil to North Korea

WASHINGTON (AP) - Despite tough rhetoric, the Bush administration has yet to suspend free shipments of oil to North Korea that were provided for under a 1994 agreement.

Officials are concerned that an abrupt cancellation could prompt Pyongyang to renege on other aspects of the agreement, possibly triggering a full blown crisis on the Korean Peninsula.

A month ago, North Korean officials acknowledged to visiting U.S. diplomats that it had a uranium enrichment program to develop nuclear weapons, a violation of the 1994 U.S.-North Korean agreement.

Indian gaming and the Magic Valley

Sunday in The Times-News

Advertisement for Bill Chisholm, State Senate District 23, featuring a star border and the text 'One party political rule failed in the former Soviet Union and it is failing in Idaho as well.'

Police tie suspects to another shooting

BALTIMORE (AP) - Authorities linked yet another shooting to the sniper suspects Friday, the wounding of a Maryland store clerk more than two weeks before the string of Washington-area snipings began terrorizing the region.

The number of shootings linked to the suspects now stands at 16, including 12 killed and five wounded in the Washington area, Alabama and Louisiana.

In the most recently linked shooting, a clerk was wounded outside a liquor store near the nation's capital Sept. 14. Ballistic tests on a bullet fragment from the shooting were inconclusive. Police spokesman Derek Bailes says the sniper task force based the link on "similarity of circumstances, witness information and evidence that confirms the vehicle was in the Washington metropolitan area on the day of the shooting."

A week after that shooting, authorities say John Allen Muhammad, 41, and John Lee Malvo, 17, had moved on to Montgomery, Ala., where they are accused of killing one woman and wounding another outside a liquor store there.

Alabama authorities said Thursday that the same rifle used in the sniper shootings, a .223-caliber Bushmaster, had been linked to the Montgomery case.

Two days later, on Sept. 23, the men allegedly shot and killed a woman in Baton Rouge, La., outside a beauty supply store. The men are also suspects in a February killing in Washington state.

They face multiple state and federal counts in the sniper spree in Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C. as well as the deaths of two women in Alabama and Louisiana.

Bush support for Pitt fades; probe spreads

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - As the Securities and Exchange Commission Friday broadened its investigation into the controversial selection process for members of a new accounting oversight board, White House support for SEC Chairman Harvey Pitt was deteriorating, Republican sources said.

White House officials were said to be exasperated that Pitt's handling of the appointments had created a political crisis for President Bush days before midterm elections that could determine which party controls Congress. These sources said the White House is considering asking Pitt to step down, or allowing him to resign, after the elections.

The White House cannot force Pitt to leave the commission, but it can strip him of the chairmanship of the independent agency. Pitt has few, if any, friends among Democrats in Congress to come to his aid. Many of them have already called on him to quit.

SEC officials said Friday that the search for accounting board members was so rushed and sprawling that the agency did not begin formal background checks on the candidates before its commissioners voted on the appointments last week.

Bush backs away from reproductive health pact

Night Rider News Service

WASHINGTON - The Bush administration has intensified its battle against abortion rights worldwide by stating that it no longer can support a landmark international agreement that established reproductive health care as a means to curb population growth.

At a United Nations meeting in Bangkok, a State Department official said the United States would not reaffirm its support for the 1994 "program of action" adopted in Cairo by 179 nations. Louise Oliver, a special assistant in the State Department's population office, also said the Bush administration objected to such terms as "reproductive services" and "reproductive health care" because they imply a right to abortion, according to a senior U.N. official who attended the session.

The administration also is pushing for a new international campaign promoting sexual abstinence, particularly among adolescents, the U.N. official said. Supporters of the Cairo plan said Friday withdrawal of U.S. support could undermine the entire international community's approach to population control and women's health care in developing nations. The 8-year-old agreement has dramatically changed how countries around

the world work to control population growth from a system driven by targets and quotas - which led to involuntary birth control measures - to one that focuses on access to health care and education.

"This hit like a bombshell," said the senior U.N. official, who spoke on condition of anonymity. "People were stunned."

The Bangkok statement is the Bush administration's most recent attempt to infuse its anti-abortion stance into international policy. This summer, the administration cut off America's \$34 million 2002 contribution to the United Nations' family planning program. In May, the administration led a bitter fight to remove references to "reproductive services," which it interpreted to include abortions, from a U.N. document on the well-being of children.

Officials from the State Department and the Health and Human Services Department, both of which were represented at the Bangkok meeting, did not respond to repeated inquiries Thursday and Friday. The U.N. official who attended the meeting said a three-day session to prepare for a December conference of the U.N.'s Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific - said that Oliver stated unequivocally that the Bush administration position was non-negotiable.

Ryder attorneys begin defense

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) - A disgruntled former employee of Saks Fifth Avenue testified Friday in Winona Ryder's defense, accusing the security chief of Saks' Beverly Hills store of saying he would invent evidence to prove the actress shoplifted.

Michael Shoar was one of four witnesses called by attorney Mark Geragos, who indicated Ryder was unlikely to testify before the defense rears on Monday.

Geragos said after putting Shoar, two police officers and a district attorney's spokeswoman on the stand.

Ryder, 31, is accused of stealing more than \$5,500 worth of goods from the Beverly Hills Saks on Dec. 12. The jury is expected to get the case on Monday.

Shoar, who worked in Saks' Costa Mesa store, said he spoke by phone with the Beverly Hills Saks' asset protection manager, Ken Evans, shortly after Ryder's arrest.

Large advertisement for Snake River Pool & Spa Inc. featuring 'INDOOR / OUTDOOR FALL FUN SALE' and 'ABSOLUTELY FREE!' with images of hot tubs and pool tables.

Advertisement for Kimberly Nurseries, Inc. with the text 'Join Us For Our Christmas Open House Today from 8-6 p.m. in the Garden Gate Gift & Garden Shop' and 'at Kimberly NURSERIES, Inc.' with a decorative border.

NATION/WORLD

# Study: Firms juggle prices to avoid taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Buying lawnmower blades from Australia for \$2.35 each or selling ATM machines to France for \$97 apiece might seem overly generous to America's trading partners. But a study released Friday found corporations using such implausible pricing last year to avoid paying \$53 billion in U.S. taxes.

Under the practice known as transfer pricing, corporations move income out of the United States and into the hands of foreign affiliates, effectively putting profits out of reach of the Internal Revenue Service. In addition to being a means to evade taxes, such pricing schemes are common to criminal money laundering operations.

Tax losses from price manipulation rose from nearly \$45 billion in 2000 and \$35.7 billion in 1998, said finance professors Simon J. Pak of Pennsylvania State University, Great Valley, and John S. Zdanowicz of Florida International University, who have been studying the issue for more than a decade.

The two professors said in the study that their tax loss estimates were probably conservative because they only analyzed commodities that could be identified by newspapers, such as kilograms, tons or units. If non-quantifiable goods were included, "our estimated tax loss would be significantly higher," they said.

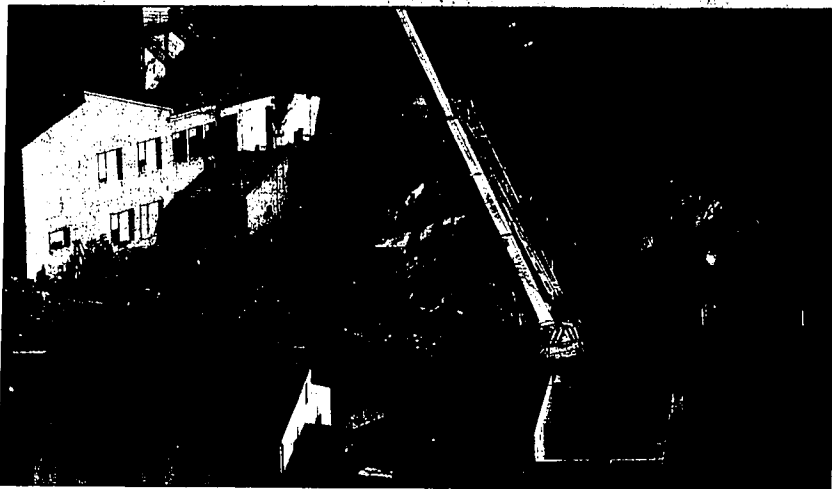
"This is a very aggressive area of tax abuse," said Sen. Byron

Dorgan, D-N.D., chairman of the Appropriations Committee subcommittee that oversees the Treasury Department. Dorgan secured a \$2 million grant in this year's budget for the researchers, saying he hoped to "convince the Treasury Department and the IRS to get serious" about the issue.

Treasury Department spokeswoman Michele Davis said, "We're looking at all the complexities in the tax code that provide incentives for people to conduct transactions that minimize their tax burden."

The Organization for International Investment, a Washington-based trade group representing U.S. subsidiaries of foreign companies, questioned the Pak-Zdanowicz study, saying investigations by the IRS and other federal entities have found no credible evidence that transfer pricing is costing the United States billions of dollars. "Are there bizarre anecdotes? Sure. Is the IRS catching these cases? Yes," the group said.

Under the scheme, a U.S. company buys a product at an inflated price from an overseas subsidiary, keeping the money within the corporation while vastly reducing its taxable profit in the United States, the study says. A manufacturer can write off losses from selling a product overseas at an undervalued price, while the profits are retained by the overseas partner.



This aerial view on Friday shows San Giuliano di Puglia, near Campobasso, Southern Italy, after an earthquake hit Thursday. An elementary school building, seen at center, collapsed when the quake struck.

# Aftershocks jolt shattered town

SAN GIULIANO DI PUGLIA, Italy (AP) — A wave of grief gave way to howls of panic Friday when aftershocks jolted this village as it recovered the list of 26 children — including all the first graders except one — killed when an earthquake destroyed their school.

The death toll stood at 29, including two elderly women killed in their homes and a teacher crushed with her students Thursday as they prepared to celebrate Halloween.

After Friday's secondary tremors, authorities ordered residents to evacuate the center of San Giuliano di Puglia as accusations mounted about shoddy construction in a quake-prone zone.

Illegal construction is rampant in southern Italy, and prosecutors on Friday opened an investigation into the collapse of the school, one of the few buildings in town that was destroyed by the 5.4-magnitude tremor.

Critics also questioned why authorities hadn't designated the region, about 140 miles southeast of Rome, a quake-prone area.

## Twenty-six children died when their school collapsed

which would have required stricter, anti-earthquake building regulations.

The shock of Thursday's loss turned San Giuliano di Puglia silent Friday, but for the cries of relatives. This remote, tightly knit community of fewer than 1,200 people is composed largely of farmers producing olive oil, and many felt like a chunk of the next generation was gone.

"In this moment more than in any other, you can't express your sadness," said 69-year-old Matteo Campinelli, who lost four grandchildren in the rubble. "They were children. Let's hope the angels embrace them."

He spoke at the entrance of a

gymnasium outside the town center that had been converted into a morgue, where families waited alongside open caskets.

Most of the dead children had been covered. But a few could be seen lying in caskets, alongside basketballs, toys, photos and soccer jerseys that relatives chose to bury with them. Some children were placed in large mahogany coffins because the town ran out of small white caskets.

One child was rescued alive Friday, more than 15 hours after the quake: 9-year-old Angelo, who was pulled out at 3:54 a.m.

The school itself was a 35-foot pile of stone and bent metal littered with "Fuss N' Boots" books, an "E.T." pencil case, backpacks and a sneaker.

Rescuers trying to extract the final corpses hurried down the heap of rubble when the aftershocks rumbled through town, including one registering a 5.3 magnitude. But they returned to remove the final body, that of a teacher credited with saving several pupils.



SOURCES: Associated Press; ESRI AP

# WTC death toll drops two after pair found alive

NEW YORK — The World Trade Center death toll has dropped by two to 2,795 after a New York City woman and a Florida man who had been reported missing were found alive, city officials said Friday.

Police located Tina Spicer of Manhattan and Peter Montoulier of Miami more than a year after they were listed as terrorism victims and seven weeks after their names were read during the ground zero anniversary ceremony. "It was verified that they are alive and well," said Inspector Kenneth Quinn, who after their names were read in his presence, offered.

## Court: Remove monument for unborn from cemetery

SUBLETTE, Kan. — A monument for unborn babies must be removed from a public cemetery because it violates and uses laws that set aside the space for burying human remains, the Kansas Supreme Court has ruled.

The stone monument includes pictures of children, an angel and a heart with a small handprint and reads, "In loving memory of all unborn babies." It also includes a Bible verse from the Book of Isaiah: "I will not forget you. See, upon the palms of my hands I have written your name."

Vaughn and Sharon Lower built the cemetery lot in 1994, adding the monument four years later over the objections of the Haskell County Cemetery Board. "I didn't think we were making any statement," Sharon Lower said. "Our intent was to provide a place for people to go to mourn children."

## Army declares missing Guantanamo soldier dead

LOGAN, Ohio — A soldier missing from Guantanamo Bay Naval Base in Cuba was declared dead, but his family still hopes to find him alive, his mother said Friday.

"We just don't feel that the Army is looking hard enough... As far as we're concerned, he's been taken by somebody," said Ann Foraker, mother of Staff Sgt. Ryan Foraker.

Ryan Foraker, 31, who was married with two daughters, has been missing since Sept. 24 from Camp Delta, where 598 detainees accused of links to the Taliban or al-Qaida are held.

His wallet, military ID, and civilian shorts and T-shirt were found and stuck in a rock crevasse outside his barracks. The military suspects he climbed down nearby cliffs overlooking the sea and drowned.

## Virginia keeps sex offenders off streets during Halloween

WYOMING, Va. — Thanks to their parole officers, more than 200 sex offenders were kept away from children during Halloween

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trick-or-treating hours.

Under Operation Trick No Treat, sex offenders in Norfolk and Virginia Beach were ordered to spend 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday in parole and probation offices. "It's better to prevent a possible crime than to apprehend someone afterward," said Christopher F. Pate, chief probation and parole officer in Norfolk.

## Teenagers pelt police cars on Halloween night

EAST AURORA, N.Y. — Apparently invited by a flyer handed out at a high school, as many as 200 teenagers pelted police cars with eggs, bottles and rocks on Halloween night, police said.

Seventeen people ages 15 to 18 were arrested for disorderly conduct, and three also faced more serious charges, police Lt. Ron Krowka said Friday.

The flyer urged youths to "join together and revolt against the police that have abused their powers for years," and it offered advice on how to damage property and avoid recognition, Krowka said.

## Glitch dropped decimal from Holiday Inn bills

Thousands of guests at Holiday Inns and their sister hotels were billed amounts that even room service, pay-per-view movies and a few stolen towels couldn't explain: \$6,500 to \$21,000 per night.

A credit processing error dropped the decimal point in bills for about 26,000 people staying at Holiday Inn, Holiday Inn Express and Crowne Plaza hotels last week. The guests were charged 100 times what they owed.

— compiled from wire reports

# Sharon, ex-prime minister meet for possible alliance

JERUSALEM — Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon met Friday with former premier Benjamin Netanyahu, a sometimes ally and sometimes rival, reportedly to offer him the job of foreign minister in the fragile minority government.

The talks by Sharon's sheep farm in the Negev desert ended with neither man speaking to waiting reporters. Israeli media reports said no decision was reached and the two agreed to meet again Sunday.

The moderate Labor Party, the largest faction in Sharon's coalition, quit the Cabinet this week over a budget dispute, leaving the government without a majority.

Netanyahu is widely expected to challenge Sharon for the leadership of the Likud party before the next election. The American-educated Netanyahu is skilled in using the media and experienced in diplomacy.

## Pakistani police arrest six suspected Islamic militants

MULTAN, Pakistan — Pakistani police raided Islamic militant

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hide-outs Friday, seizing bomb-making materials and arresting six suspects.

The men admitted being members of Sipah-e-Sahaba and Lashkar-e-Jhangvi, outlawed groups suspected in attacks against Christians and Shiite Muslims, police officer Tariq Masood Yasin said.

Police confiscated 30 pounds of explosive powder and 42 detonators during raids on homes in Jhang in Punjab province, 280 miles south of Islamabad. Those detained were identified as Raza Kandran, Ameer Hamza, Tahir Abdullah, Mohammed Farooq, Mohammed Yasin, Falak Sher Bhatti.

Most of Pakistan's 140 million people are Sunni Muslims and live peacefully with Shiites.

## Russia considers limiting anti-terror news coverage

MOSCOW — Russian lawmakers passed amendments Friday that would sharply curb news coverage of anti-terrorist operations and prohibit the media from carrying rebel statements — a legislative step officials called increasingly urgent in light of last week's hostage crisis.

The hostage-takers "had elaborated a media plan," Press Minister Mikhail Lesin said in an interview published in the Izvestia daily Friday.

The lower house of parliament gave preliminary approval to the amendments — one to a law on terrorism and the other to a media law — on Oct. 23, just hours before dozens of heavily armed attackers burst into a Moscow theater and took more than 800 people hostage. Special forces stormed

the theater three days later, killing 41 of the attackers. At least 119 of the hostages died, the vast majority felled by a fantasy compound that troops used to incapacitate the terrorists.

## Trial of Diana's ex-butler falls after queen intervenes

LONDON — Queen Elizabeth II's surprise revelation that she knew that the butler had taken some of Princess Diana's possessions for safekeeping prompted prosecutors to drop theft charges Friday against the servant.

Buckingham Palace said the monarch had been traveling and did not realize conversations she had had with the butler, Paul Burrell, could be important to the case until she saw media reports. Skeptics, however, suggested the monarch acted to shield her family from further scandal.

— compiled from wire reports

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## YOUR WEEKEND

### Waiting for Godot

What: Company of Fools will present Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot."

Where: Liberty Theater, Halley.  
When: 8 p.m. today and 3 p.m. Sunday.

How much: Tickets, which are \$20 for reserved seating and \$15 for students and seniors, can be reserved by phoning 578-9122.

### The Faulkner Planetarium

What: The Faulkner Planetarium will present "Led Zeppelin: Maximum Volume."

Where: The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrick Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.  
When: 8:15 p.m. today.

How much: Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for students and \$9 for families of up to two adults and five children. Children under 4 are not admitted.

### The Lamphouse Theatre

What: "Measly Martha" will be shown. The film is in German with English subtitles.

Where: The Lamphouse Theatre, 223 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.  
When: 4:30, 7 and 9:15 p.m. today.  
How much: \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students and \$4 for matinees.

### Jazz Sunday

What: The Great Riff Jazz Society, in association with the CSI Jazz Studies Program, will present Jazz Sunday. The jazz quintet will play jazz classics and standards, show tunes, modern jazz and the blues. Students and families are welcome.

Where: Gerlie's Brick Oven Cookery, 602 Second Ave. S., Twin Falls.  
When: 4-6 p.m. Sunday.  
How much: No cover charge.

### Barn dance

What: Dusty and the Nomads will play.

Where: Spunbauer's Barn on U.S. Highway 93, east of Jerome.  
When: 8 p.m. to midnight today.  
How much: The cover charge is \$7.

### Halloween party

What: A Halloween party will be held with entertainment provided by High Mountain Karaoke. Prizes will be awarded for best costumes.

Where: The Sagebrush Landmark, 325 Main St., Hazelton.  
When: 8 p.m. today.  
How much: No cover charge.

### Youth orchestra

What: The Magic Valley Youth Orchestra will perform.

Where: The College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls.  
When: 3 p.m. today.  
How much: Free.

### Karaoke contest

What: Karaoke contest will be featured with cash prizes awarded.

Where: Mr. Bill's, 101 N. Alder, Jerome.  
When: 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.  
How much: No cover charge.

### Volleyball championships

What: The state high school volleyball championships will be held.

Where: 5A matches will be held at Twin Falls High School, 4A at Kimberly High School, 3A at Burley High School, 2A at Filer High School and 1A at Declo High School.

When: All day today starting at 10 a.m. Championship matches will be at 6:30 p.m.  
How much: A tournament pass is \$15. General admission prices are \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students with activity cards and children under 6 are free.

### Lounge act

What: All But Screaming from Momma will play.

Where: The Ramona Lounge, 113 Second Ave. S., Burli.  
When: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.  
How much: No cover charge.

### Brewpub music

What: John Faulkner will play.

Where: Muggers Brewpub, 116 Second St. S., Twin Falls.  
When: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.  
How much: The cover charge is \$4.

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# Jones talks on insurance proposal

By Shari Chaney  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** - A day after Idaho Community Action Network members protested outside Sen. Dean Cameron's insurance office, Douglas S. Jones also spoke out against the state senator.

Jones, a Democrat, is running against the Republican for the Senate seat representing Minidoka and Jerome counties. Both men live in Rupert.

The proposal in question is the "access card" - a pre-paid card which can be used to pay insurance premiums for children. The card is designed to be used by parents who can't afford to add their



Douglas S. Jones

children to their employer's health insurance plan, or by parents who don't have health insurance through their jobs.

Jones said the program will privatize insurance and increase costs for the state and poor families who need the assistance, an argument that Cameron flatly rejects.

Currently, families who meet eligibility requirements use the Children's Health Insurance

Program. Cameron is proposing the access card be an option in addition to CHIP, using "extra" money from the CHIP fund.

Some 80 percent of the CHIP money comes from the federal government, with the state providing a 20 percent match.

Jones said the proposal will "drive up costs" and make more money for insurance companies in Idaho.

It is a huge conflict of interest for Cameron to propose something that will be good for the insurance industry in which Cameron works, and it's bad for his constituents, Jones said.

Under CHIP, Jones said, the state pays \$121 per child per

month. Jones alleges the access card would drive costs up to \$150 per month per child. It's more expensive for the state and provides fewer services, he said.

Having insurance through a private company also introduces co-payment and deductible costs to families, Jones said. No one has specified who is going to pay those costs. If families pay them, it raises the cost to the family; if the state pays them it raises the cost of the program to the state.

Calling Cameron "the best senator the insurance companies have ever had," Jones said, "Dean doesn't like the CHIP plan because it takes away opportunities for private companies to

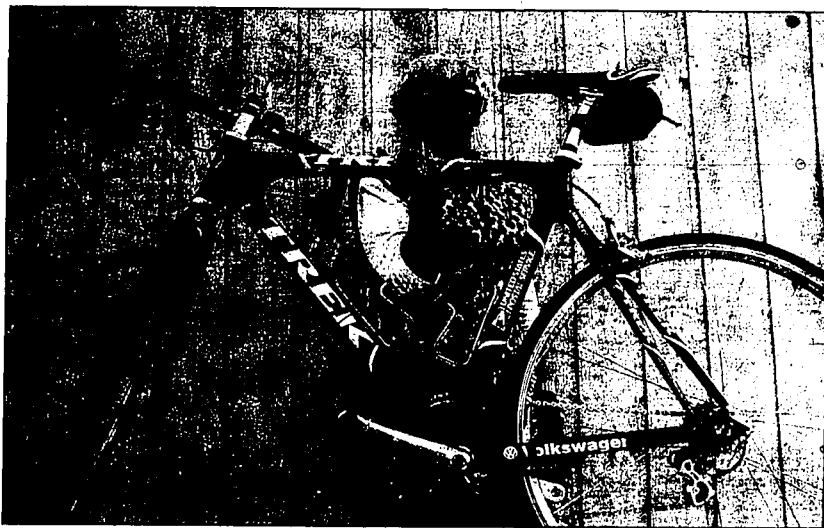
be a part of it."

Cameron says the program would increase the number of children who receive health insurance because eligibility guidelines would expand. Details such as how much money would be put on the card for each child have not been determined.

Cameron also contends nothing will change about CHIP; the level of funding will remain the same and families can still choose CHIP over the access card.

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## LANCE'S WHEELS



LANCE ARMSTRONG/The Times-News

Actor/comedian Robin Williams has donated a bicycle ridden and signed by his buddy, Lance Armstrong, multi-winner of the Tour de France, to this year's Galena Lodge benefit. The bicycle will be auctioned off during the dinner benefit, which will be held Sunday, Nov. 10, at Sun Valley's Indoor Ice rink. Jimmy Busdon, who can easily hold the 18-pound U.S. Postal Service bike with one hand, sweet-talked Williams into making the donation while teaching him and his family to skate at the North Valley Trails near Sun Valley. Tickets for the benefit cost \$60; make reservations at 788-2117.

## Man pleads guilty to reduced sex abuse charge

The Times-News

**RUPERT** - Rupert resident Seth Snare is scheduled to be sentenced in 5th District Court in Minidoka County Dec. 16 on a charge of sexual abuse of a child.

Snare pleaded guilty to the charge at an Oct. 28 change of plea hearing. He agreed to

plead guilty to the Minidoka County prosecutor would reduce the charge.

Snare had originally been charged with one count of lewd conduct with a child younger than 16.

Snare remains in jail in lieu of posting a \$50,000 bond.

He waived his preliminary hearing on the lewd conduct

charge on July 24 and was bound over to district court.

According to the criminal complaint filed in court, Snare is accused of committing a lewd and lascivious act upon a minor child, who was 8. The incident reportedly occurred July 12 in Rupert.

According to the court affidavit, Snare's wife returned

home on July 12 and found her husband inside their home with the 8-year-old. Both were naked. The child dressed and left. She was later taken to the hospital for an exam.

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## Tickets go on sale for Nov. 9 barbershop show at CSI

**TWIN FALLS** - Tickets are on sale for the Twin Falls Magichords' 37th annual Barbershop Harmony Showcase, scheduled for Nov. 9.

Guest performers will include the barbershop group Acoustic, of Dallas, the College of Southern Idaho Jazz Band and the Twin Falls High School Chamber Singers.

Tickets, which are \$8, \$10, \$12 and \$15, are available by phoning 736-4637. They can also be purchased at Everybody's Business or from any Magichords member.

The performance is 7 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium.

**Kimberly seniors will have Thanksgiving dinner Sunday**

**KIMBERLY** - The Kimberly Ageless Senior Citizens will be serving an early Thanksgiving dinner Sunday in the center at 310 N. Main.

The dinner will feature turkey and all the trimmings for the price of \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12. This fund-raiser meal will be served from noon until 2 p.m. Everyone is invited.

**Support group for grandparents is Monday**

**TWIN FALLS** - A support group for grandparents raising grandchildren will meet from 7 to

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9 p.m. Monday inside the fellowship hall at the Twin Falls First Church of the Nazarene at 1231 Washington St.

Child care will be provided for preschool-age children.

The group, open to any resident of south-central Idaho, is designed to provide grandparents with valuable information in a supportive and caring environment.

November is National Caregivers Month and organizations are honoring grandparents and others who are caring for grandchildren and other relatives.

For more information, call the Center of Southern Idaho Office on Aging and Adult Services at 736-2122 or at 1-800-574-8656.

**Ag Department collects unusable pesticides**

**TWIN FALLS** - The Idaho Department of Agriculture collected 86,376 pounds of unusable pesticides in Idaho this year, the department announced.

That brings the total amount of unusable pesticides collected statewide to 504,331 pounds since the program began in 1993, a department announcement said.

"We have accepted materials from everyone from the private

homeowner who inherited them from their former parents, to dealers who have stock on hand when the pesticide has been canceled by EPA," Program Manager Vic Mason said. "Some of these chemicals would undoubtedly have been illegally dumped, thrown into the trash or left where they had been stored for years."

This program transports the pesticides for proper disposal. Disposal is free for the first 1,000 pounds. The program accepts only pesticides - not fertilizers, paints or oils. For more information, call 465-8442 or find the Ag Department at www.agri.state.id.us.

**INEL sponsors terrorism briefing for law enforcement**

**IDAHO FALLS** - Law enforcement officials from throughout Idaho and the West recently attended a security workshop devoted to teaching personnel first on the scene of an accident how to recognize terrorist acts.

The workshop was cosponsored by the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, Counterintelligence and the U.S. Attorney's District of Idaho. Law Enforcement Coordination Committee, an INEL news release announced.

An intelligence analyst expert and consultant to the departments of Energy, Defense and Justice briefed participants from

the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Marshals, INEL security forces, and police and sheriff departments from Idaho, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

"INEL Counterintelligence regularly offers briefings and seminars to employees on espionage and other intelligence issues. This briefing, however, due to its sensitive nature, was limited to law enforcement only," the news release said.

**St. Luke's holiday ball swiches venues**

**KETCHUM** - St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center will hold its annual Holiday Ball at River Run Lodge this year while the Sun Valley Inn undergoes a facelift.

The black-tie ball will be held Saturday, Dec. 14. This year's proceeds will support St. Luke's Surgery Department and its acquisition of a new C-arm X-ray device.

C-arm offers physicians sophisticated mobile X-ray technology when high-end imaging is needed in the operating room.

The ball will feature music by the Boise band Da Groove, a silent auction and grab bags available for prices ranging from \$50 to \$200. Tickets to the ball are \$150 per person. For reservations call 727-8406.

- compiled from staff reports

## Firm sues Roark over statements

The Associated Press

**IDAHO FALLS** - The company founded by conservative activist Frank VanderSloot is suing Democratic Attorney General candidate Keith Roark for what it claims are false statements about its record with past attorneys general.

But on Friday Roark shrugged off the suit as an attempt at intimidation by VanderSloot, whose companies have contributed \$35,000 to Roark's opponent.

Lawrence Warden, VanderSloot's attorney, spent \$16,500 for a radio attack against Roark in the eastern Idaho.

Melaleuca Inc., the Idaho Falls-based company that sells wellness products, asked a 7th District judge on Thursday for damages from Roark for publicly declaring that Melaleuca Inc. had been investigated by the attorney general more than 100 times in the past 10 years.

According to the Consumer Protection Division, there was an investigation that led to a compliance agreement between Melaleuca and the state in 1991 on manufacturing practices and 81 complaints against the company over the 17 years it has been operating. All have been resolved except two, which were filed in the past month.

Deputy Attorney General Brett DeLange said the file was among the most active in the division but not out of line for a company that has processed more than 50 million customer orders.

The Department of Finance reported taking a number of telephone complaints or inquiries about the company over the years, but none that ever rose to the level of requiring a formal investigation.

The lawsuit claims that Roark's comments, coupled with references to the support VanderSloot and his companies have given Republicans, particularly Warden, imply that the company is trying to bribe state officials or apply undue influence over them.

"All such statements are false," the suit said, claiming Melaleuca's reputation has been damaged by suggestions of illegal or unethical conduct.

It was the latest attack on Roark in what is possibly the fiercest election campaign.

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Keith Roark



Lawrence Warden

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# Ports, labor reach deal on technology Idaho jobless rate stays stable in October

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — West Coast longshoremen and shipping companies reached a tentative agreement Friday on computer technology that will cost union jobs, the major sticking point in their bitter contract talks.

Both sides hailed the deal to track waterfront cargo more efficiently as the first tangible progress since a 10-day lockout of dockworkers last month shut down 29 major Pacific ports.

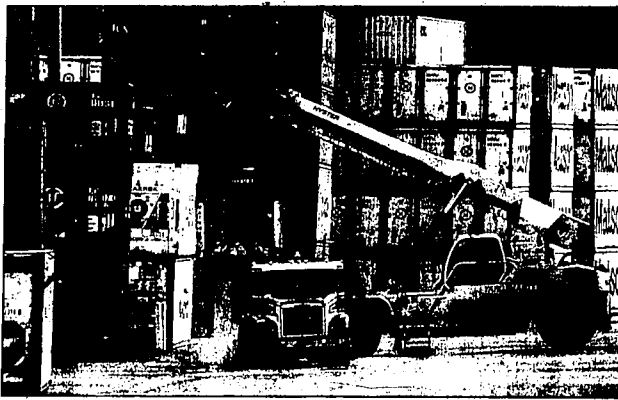
"The parties have worked long and hard," said federal mediator Peter Hurtgen. His statement said only that the deal concerned "the key issues of new technology and retention of union's jurisdiction for marine clerks work."

Technology has become a catch phrase for modernizing the docks through computerized records of what cargo lies where on a ship and in the yard. Now, much of the work is done by clerks to rekey information that is already in electronic form or perhaps even keep track of containers using clipboards.

"Obviously that is a positive development, and we continue to urge the parties to work together in good faith to resolve their remaining differences for the sake of the economy and jobs," White House spokesman Scott McClellan said.

The dockworker's union and the association representing shipping lines were expected to restart talks after a federal judge granted President Bush's request for an 80-day "cooling-off" period.

The technology agreement,



Containers are maneuvered at a storage yard next to Terminal 4 at the Port of Portland in Portland, Ore., Oct. 9.

which was reached at 5 a.m. MDT Friday after all-night talks, clearly entailed compromise on both sides.

The 10,500-member International Longshore and Warehouse Union had insisted it would only agree to cuts in the number of marine clerks, whose jobs will be obsolete with a freer flow of electronic information, if the Pacific Maritime Association agreed that new jobs created by the technology be under the

union's jurisdiction.

Though the short-term job losses weren't clear Friday, both sides have said around 400 clerk positions would be eliminated under various technology proposals that have been floated since talks began in the spring.

"We had our bottom line on jurisdiction on what we could do, what we could accept, and they met our bottom line," union spokesman Steve Stallone said. "So we consider this a real victory

and the first real progress we've had in these negotiations."

Like Hurtgen, Stallone emphasized that the deal on technology hasn't been the only issue separating the two sides — and if talks break up over issues such as pensions and arbitration of disputes, the technology deal could be moot.

The talks were continuing on these other issues Friday afternoon.

BOISE (AP) — Idaho's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained stable at 5.5 percent in October as the economy failed to make progress in recovering the thousands of jobs lost in September.

The Labor Department said the jobless rate was four-tenths of a point higher than a year ago, and 2,900 fewer workers were on the job than in October 2001.

But Canyon and Ada counties, the heart of the state's economic recovery, during the second half of the 1990s, saw more than 20,000 jobs disappear from a year earlier.

That continued to fuel the skepticism state analysts have voiced about the accuracy of the figures provided by the U.S. Department of Labor. State officials remain confident that once the federal agency reassesses the figures this winter, there will be significant revisions upward from this fall's picture.

Based on existing information, however, state analysts said jobs continued to be lost last month in mining, construction, timber, industrial and commercial equipment production including computers, wholesale and retail trade including groceries, business services and tourism.

"The broad-based contraction reflected the impact of the national recession and Idaho's dramatic economic slowdown."

The loss of 2,900 workers in these sectors has continued to occur as the demand for products and/or services have diminished," analysts said.

Nationally, unemployment edged up another notch to 5.7 percent as businesses cut 5,000 jobs, the second straight monthly reduction. But the country's

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employment situation appeared to be moderating, with the jobless rate nudging up and down slightly in recent months instead of surging in one direction.

Still, it was the 13th straight month that the Idaho rate was below the national rate.

The report said just over 645,000 workers were on the job in October, more than 5,000 fewer than when the summer began. About 1,900 more people were without work at the start of summer.

Twenty-one of the 44 counties had jobless rates in excess of 6 percent, and for the first time this year six counties had double-digit percentage unemployment.

Analysts cited the economic slowdown in forecasting an average unemployment rate for this year and next at 5.1 percent, two-tenths of a point higher than 2001. With just two months left in 2002, the average rate is creeping toward 5.4 percent.

Regionally, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rates for October, September and October 2001 were:

- Panhandle, 8.2 percent, 8,807
- Boise area, 8.1 percent, 8,807
- Southwestern, 5.2 percent, 4,900
- Central, 4.3 percent, 4,300
- Ada-Canyon areas, 5.2 percent, 5,200
- Magic Valley, 3.8 percent, 3,800
- Eastern, 4.3 percent, 4,300
- Pocatello area, 5.7 percent, 5,700
- Idaho Falls area, 3.5 percent, 3,500
- 3.2 percent, 3,600

## Federal judge: Beef fee is constitutional

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — A federal judge ruled Friday that the national fee that beef producers must pay is constitutional, even as similar programs have been struck down by federal judges in other parts of the country.

By ruling by U.S. District Judge Richard Cebul came in the case of Steve and Jeanne Charter, a Montana ranching couple who sued to pay the mandatory \$1-per-head tax on some of the cuts of beef they sold, and faced more than \$12,000 in penalties and past charges.

The Charters argued the check-off violated their rights as independent producers by forcing

them to pay for advertising campaigns with which they do not necessarily agree.

Cebul disagreed. While he upheld the constitutionality of the fee, Cebul dismissed the fines against the Charters, saying the couple should not be penalized financially for challenging the legality of the fee.

They must, however, pay past-due charges of about \$420.

Jeanne Charter said Friday that Cebul's decision will be appealed. Congress first approved the check-off program; the industry later voted it in. Each year, the check-off raises about \$80 million for beef promotion, consumer edu-

cation and research.

Half the money collected annually goes to the Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board and half to qualified state beef councils. It financed the popular "Beef. It's what's for dinner" slogan.

In South Dakota, another federal judge, U.S. District Judge Charles Korman, ruled earlier this summer that the check-off program is unconstitutional, and ordered the USDA to halt collections. His decision was appealed to the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in St. Louis, which issued a stay.

Cebul's decision Friday also is certain to be appealed — this time to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco.

Last week, a federal judge in Michigan declared the U.S. Department of Agriculture's pork-checkoff program "unconstitutional" for ordering an end to the fee that funds a pork-promotion program.

U.S. District Judge Richard A. Enslin said the program violated hog farmers' First Amendment free speech and association rights.

Last year, the U.S. Supreme Court voided a check-off program for mushrooms as unconstitutional. But the high court has upheld such a program for fruit trees.

Clarkston, Wash., had a note attached saying, "Thanks for taking care of our old flag, it has been replaced this week."

Before a fire was lit at the American Legion ceremony, members gathered stood attentively while a member spoke of the importance of the flag.

"A flag may be a flimsy bit of printed gauze, or a beautiful banner of the finest silk. Its intrinsic value may be trifling or great, but its real value is beyond price, for it is a precious symbol of all that we and our comrades have worked for — a free nation of free men and women," the legionnaire said as others listened.

Those listening remembered flags that adorned headquarters in Europe and Africa during the Second World War, and the flags they saw in their homecoming parades at the war's end. They hope the next generation will inherit the feelings they have for their flag and all it represents.

## Volunteers see old flag disposed of with respect

LEWISTON (AP) — Even Old Glory flays. It also rips and frays. "Tattered, torn and tired. They shouldn't be on display when they get that way," said Richard Jackson, the executive officer of the Young Marines in Lewiston.

The Young Marines, as well as other groups in the valley including the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Boy Scouts of America, collect the flags and ceremoniously retire the emblems by burning them and over time.

"We've got so many this year I think we're going to have to hold some back," said Robin Hayhurst, Finance Officer for Post No. 13.

Jackson said the events of Sept. 11 have led to a renewed patriotism and display of stars

and stripes. "There's a lot of flags in the valley right now," Jackson said. "It's one thing to be patriotic and another to display the colors correctly."

Jackson said that when the rules aren't followed it is usually a matter of not knowing. "Flag etiquette is pretty well observed and once people know they comply."

Yet there are a few things besides torn flags that Jackson and others notice in the valley. For example, there is a right way and wrong way to hang a flag.

"The blue field should always be on their left and this is a mistake most people make," he said.

"Keeping a flag up all night is all times unless the proper precautions are taken."

"It needs to have a light on it or it needs to be taken down," Jackson said.

Whether it is on a car, or a pole the Young Marines have seen flags frayed on all sides flying long past their prime.

"Flags with tears four to seven inches long," Jackson said. "It looks like it has been out there forever. The wind just rips them up something terrible."

Once the flags are collected or dropped off with one of the groups, a flag disposal ceremony takes place.

Ceremonies vary a little. The Young Marines use four different types of wood to burn the flags: walnut, cedar, black walnut and redwood. Then the stripes on the flag are meticulously sliced and wrapped in the remaining field of blue with stars and dropped in all times.

"It's like a burial detail, we take it very seriously," Jackson said.

For some, turning over an old flag is also a solemn event. A flag given to the American Legion from Holy Family School in

## Tribal court charges man with manslaughter

LEWISTON (AP) — A Nez Perce tribal member has pleaded innocent to involuntary manslaughter and trespassing charges in tribal court for a hunting accident that killed a Clatsop teenager.

Kim Elroy Rickman Jr., 21, is accused of accidentally shooting 17-year-old Colby James Presnell. The victim was practicing with an elk-bugling call one night in September. Rickman was hunting on Craig Mountain and allegedly shot when he heard the elk bugling and saw movement, killing Thompson.

The incident is still under investigation by the FBI, said Jean McNeil, spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's office in Boise. A decision on federal charges will be made after the investigation is completed, she said.

Because of the incident, the Nez Perce government is reviewing its fish and wildlife code and governs tribal hunting, tribal

attorney David Cummings said. Tribal spokesman Rob Smith said the tribe has a voluntary hunter education program that could be made mandatory after the review.

"The tribe is taking the issue very seriously," said Cummings. A 1855 treaty between the Nez Perce and the U.S. government gives tribal members the right to hunt on all open and unclaimed lands or public land.

The shooting occurred on private land near Forest, James Presnell, Thompson's grandfather, said. Presnell would like tribal hunting practices to be reformed to improve safety.

"My main concern is to stop this kind of thing at night," he said. "Gee, he couldn't see and he shot right in the dark."

Presnell would also like tribal hunting seasons to correspond with seasons for non-tribal members set by the state.

## BYU student says he tried to kill his wife with poison

PROVO, Utah (AP) — A 26-year-old Brigham Young University student is being held for investigation after telling police he attempted to kill his wife with poison.

A probable-cause affidavit filed in Provo's 4th District Court said Paul William Turner attempted to kill his spouse three times during the summer of 2001.

Turner was arrested and booked into the Utah County Jail Monday for investigation of attempted aggravated homicide, Judge Gary Stott set bail at \$250,000 cash only.

Deputy Utah County Attorney Jeff Braham said charges have yet been filed.

Investigators say Turner told officers that he first tried to poison his wife with cookies laced with rat poison.

That attempt failed because his wife thought the cookies tasted funny.

Turner told officers he then tried with mushrooms, which he had thought possibly could be poisonous. He put the mushrooms in a

batch of spaghetti sauce, but it proved ineffective.

He said his final attempt was to swap a fish-tank cleaner for the medicine his wife took daily to prevent blood clots during her pregnancy.

"She indicated that the injection hurt more than usual, but she's fine," said police Capt. Brad Latham, who said the woman and her child were both healthy.

Latham said the Turner called police to confess after his Mormon bishop urged him to do so.

Latham said Turner told police he no longer wanted to be married to his wife because she did not approve of his use of pornography.

"He claims that it had to do with pornography and that being married to his wife didn't allow him to live the lifestyle he wanted to live," Latham said.

## SERVICES

## DEATH NOTICES

### Robert Howard Brown

TWIN FALLS — Robert Howard Brown, 85, of Twin Falls died Friday, Nov. 1, 2002, at the Bridgeway Retirement Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

### Jose Anthony Kimball Gonzalez

BUHL — Jose Anthony Kimball Gonzalez, infant son of Vincent Gonzalez and Kallie Kimball, died Thursday, Oct. 31, 2002, in Buhl.

The graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 4, 2002, at the Twin Falls Cemetery in Twin Falls with Pastor Jerry Kester officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

### Velma Webster of Twin Falls

service at 1 p.m. today at Flamm Funeral Home in Rexburg; family will receive friends from 12-12:45 p.m. today at the funeral home; burial will be in the Sugar City Cemetery.

### Mildred F. Davis of Hammett

service at 2 p.m. today at the Hammett Community Church in Hammett; burial will follow at Glenn Rest Cemetery in Glenns Ferry; visitation one hour before the service at the church (Summers Funeral Homes, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home).

### Shaun Holyoak Wiseman of Burley

service at 11 a.m. today at the Star 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 100 South 200 West, Burley; interment will be in Pleasant View Cemetery; friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

### Eileen E. Hollinger of Rupert

graveside memorial service at 9 a.m. today at the Paul Cemetery (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

### Lunay Dee Hansen of Shelley

service at 1 p.m. today at the Shelley South Stake Center, 675 South Milton; the family will meet friends from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. today at Nalder Funeral Home, 110 West Oak, Shelley; burial at the Shelley Hillcrest Cemetery.

### James Walter Webb, infant son of James and Nichole Webb

memorial service at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Reflection of History Mausoleum at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

### Florence Mae Mayer of Twin Falls

memorial service at 2 p.m. Sunday at the First Church of God, 131 East F St., Jerome (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral

### Home, Twin Falls.

Sharon Louise "Star" Rathburn of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Monday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

### Lyle Ernest Miller of Filer

service at 10 a.m. Monday at White Mortuary; interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Sunday at White Mortuary.

### Zena Reeves Schorch of Burley

service at 2 p.m. Monday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley; friends may call one hour before the service; interment will be in Pleasant View Cemetery.

### Lyman "Fug" Macklin Jr. of Hazelton

memorial service at 2 p.m. Monday at the Valley Assembly of God Church in Hazelton (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

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# Judge restores lawsuit vs. town

Preacher sues town over child-sex investigation

**YAKIMA, Wash. (AP)**—A new trial has been ordered in a Pentecostal preacher's lawsuit against the city of Wenatchee over largely discredited investigations into an alleged child sex ring.

Spokane County Superior Court Judge Michael E. Donohue said Thursday that city attorneys wrongly withheld personal files concerning Bob Pecos, a former Wenatchee police detective who was the lead investigator.

In court Thursday, lawyers for the files indicated Pecos was diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder during the investigations.

The judge also reinstated Pecos as a defendant in the suit. Pecos's personal files which turned up in a separate lawsuit, remain under federal court seal.

The investigations in the mid-1990s sprang primarily from the allegations of two sisters who were foster children in the Perez home.

They told of orgiastic sex involving their parents and other parishioners in the Rev. Robert "Roby" Robertson's church.

Sixty adults were arrested for investigation of child sexual abuse charges in 1995, and 18 people sent to prison were later released on appeal or post-conviction plea agreements.

Four others served out their sentences, three received suspended sentences and one remains in prison.

Robertson and others sued for up to \$20 million on claims of negligence.

An July 2001, a jury found Wenatchee negligent but not enough to be held financially liable.

The judge dismissed that finding Thursday, ruling that the city lawyers had misled and misled the plaintiffs' and him. Donohue also ordered the town to pay all legal fees incurred by Robertson and his wife as well as the other cases. The fees have not been tallied.

Robertson wept after the ruling and said he was "very happy, very grateful."

# Elko County sheriff candidates

Two are in competition for the non-partisan Elko County sheriff's seat. The position pays between \$60,000 and \$72,000 depending on years in office.

	NEIL HARRIS Incumbent	WILL LEHMANN
<b>BACKGROUND</b>	Age 57, Harris has been with the department since 1981, coming to Elko from western Nevada. An undercover cop, he was appointed sheriff in 1990 when his predecessor resigned. He subsequently won the first election that year.	Age 48, Lehmann is a sergeant with the City of Elko Police Department, where he has been employed for 12 years. Before his law enforcement career, he spent 13 years as a manager in the medical field and holds a degree in business administration. Describes himself as an educator and trainer and is a Nevada-certified instructor in law enforcement. Also trains canines for drug detection.
<b>WHY RUNNING</b>	Says he still enjoys the job and still has unfinished projects to complete. Being sheriff is more than just being a manager. Says that under his direction the sheriff's office has gained recognition as one of the best and most efficient law enforcement agencies in Nevada.	Says he feels it is time for a change and thinks he can better do the job.
<b>NEW PROCEDURES</b>	Says procedural changes are often necessitated by the budget and are necessary. Proposes under way include the first phase regarding the county jail and the addition of holding cells at the courthouse. The jail expansion includes a courtroom for arraignments and up-to-date communication and security systems. Harris says he has pushed for holding cells for some time to keep prisoners away from the public during breaks in court proceedings.	Plans to institute a program for drug trafficking detection and apprehension. He also plans an increased training program for deputies to improve job performance. Says that deputies have not received sufficient training and guidance. Says he will lead by example and will patrol with officers to get to know them better. He also wants to show them how they are expected to enforce the laws and protect the public.
<b>BUDGET PROBLEMS</b>	Harris says budget cuts this year, along with attrition, have left the sheriff's office operating with a bare minimum of deputies and jail personnel. Says any further cuts in law enforcement personnel are impossible without sacrificing service. Deputies might not be able to respond to every report, so the public would have to be more patient with the department; support staff might have to be reduced also.	Sees two areas which need to be addressed in regard to the budget: overtime and equipment. Argues that improved training and guidance will decrease the need for overtime. He will also look to alternatives to current methods used in equipment purchases. Says renovating current equipment and using the bidding process for purchases would result in the lowest costs.

# Wilderness Watch asks court to remove lodges

**BOISE (AP)**—A conservation group is asking the federal court to find the U.S. Forest Service in contempt, calling to remove outfitters' buildings in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness.

Wilderness Watch "said a September 2000 court order required the agency to stop permitting "lodges" from the Salmon River Wild and Scenic River corridor.

The federal judge ruled the lodges were illegal and only tent camps were allowed under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act and the 1980 Central Idaho Wilderness Act.

"It appears that the Forest Service doesn't place much value on the public's right to have its land managed according to the law," said George Nickas, the group's executive director. "First the Salmon National Forest ignored the Wilderness Act and Wild and Scenic Rivers Act when

it allowed the lodges to be built and now it's ignoring an order from the federal court."

The controversy started before the Central Idaho Wilderness Act was passed. They have operated since the 1930s through special use permits issued by the Forest Service. The lodges are located on the upper part of an 80-mile stretch of the river that accommodates rafters, hunters, fishermen and other visitors.

Bill Wey, a 30-year veteran of the Forest Service, estimates it would take only a few weeks to remove the structures at Arctic Creek, Smith Gulch and Stub Creek. He said the agency has now set an arbitrary date for their removal for Dec. 31, 2005.

In hopes of speeding up the process, Wilderness Watch said it has offered to donate 100 hours of volunteer work. The group reports the outfitters modified the structures with running water, glass windows and concrete foundations.

# Charter school gets funds after campaign maneuver

**BOISE (AP)**—More than \$100,000 in funding for an eastern Idaho charter school will be released next week after a Republican challenger for the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction complained Friday that his Democratic opponent was needlessly delaying it.

Flanked by political heavyweights such as Republican Sen. Larry Craig and Secretary of State Pete Cenarosa at a news conference, Tom Luna called on Marilyn Howard and the Idaho Department of Education to release \$114,100 in funding for the Idaho Leadership Academy in Pingree.

Luna said the department and Howard were holding the funding hostage "because of their unwillingness to work with a public charter school," Luna said. "It's wrong and it needs to be corrected."

Howard was traveling in northern Idaho on Friday and not available for comment. Education Department spokes-writer said Westfall said the state has been working with the school for months to ensure its teachers were properly accredited. She said school officials presented the accreditation paperwork and other administrative documentation to release the funding at a scheduled meeting late Friday afternoon.

"It's not something that suddenly changed on Friday night. The funding will be released

because the school provided evidence that they met the law," Westfall said, not because Luna held a press conference.

Westfall said Howard has been aware of the school's attempt to comply with the law but was not actively managing the issue.

Luna said it was "interesting that the department would reverse its decision hours after I held a press conference bringing the issue to light."

The news conference was held five days before the Nov. 5 election, which has been a close race between the two candidates.

Idaho Leadership Academy currently has one teacher and has been attempting to comply with certification requirements for about five others. Steve Adams, the academy's chairman, said at the news conference that Luna. About 140 students attend the school, including both on-campus students and others who participate through distance learning.

In a prepared statement released earlier in the day, Howard said the department was withholding payment because it had received complaints about the qualifications of the academy's staff.

The school, which was chartered in May and began its first classes this fall, received \$213,000 in state funding in July and another \$117,000 in August.



Tom Luna



Marilyn Howard

# Ballot write-in sticker leaves opponent fuming

**NAMPA (AP)**—Canyon County election workers will have a sticky problem on their hands next week because of a typographical error on a ballot sticker. County Commissioner Pat Galvin, who is running a write-in campaign against Republican Robert Vasquez, after losing the Republican primary last May, distributed peel-off stickers with his name printed on them for voters to paste on their ballots.

The problem is that write-in ballots requires voters to write the office on the left and the candidate's name on the right. Galvin's stickers reversed the order.

County Clerk Noel Hales and Ben Yursa, chief deputy secretary of state, said the error will make no difference in counting the votes.

"It appears that the voters' intent would be clear," Yursa said. Vasquez took exception to the election officials' ruling, but he does not intend to challenge Yursa's decision before the election.

"Had I been the write-in candidate and had I made that mistake, I'm curious how many people would be standing up to say, 'Well, let's just let it ride — it's OK,'" Vasquez said.

Vasquez said the ballot clearly calls for write-in votes to be executed in a specific manner, and the sticker muddles the process.

While the intent of voters who use the stickers may be clear, "I think it would call into question more the intelligence of her campaign," he said.

# Police check to see if football team was drugged

**COEUR D'ALENE (AP)**—The Moscow Police Department is investigating the possibility that someone may have drugged the drinking water of the Coeur d'Alene High School football team.

Last Friday, a player was hospitalized after suffering dizziness, nausea and convulsions during the bus ride home from the game. Coaches assumed it was a concussion. But parents became suspicious after the junior Chris Tuttle tested positive for high levels of opiates and other players also reported flu-like symptoms.

"My son has never taken a drug a day in his life," Ivan Tuttle, Chris Tuttle's father, said Thursday. "Somebody drugged him. He almost went into a coma."

Moscow Police Capt. Don Lanpher said that the department's investigation to see whether someone has drugged the drinking water began on Thursday. He said investigators did not have many details.

"We have absolutely no indication at all that this is any type of assault on his son for any reason," Moscow High School athletic director, Bill Holman said. He said the chances that someone could have tampered with the team's water was "quite remote."

And Coeur d'Alene coaches and administrators said Thursday that they did not share Tuttle's suspicion.

About halfway through the game Friday, Chris he started feeling dizzy and nauseous. Thinking it might be dehydration, he took a long drink from a small water cooler.

"They told me I missed a sack," Chris Tuttle said Thursday, while other players noticed strange behavior.

On the bus ride home, Chris collapsed and started convulsing. He was taken to Kootenai Medical Center, where doctors performed a CAT scan but found no concussion. Then they tested his urine and found high levels of opiates. They administered Narcan, a substance used to treat drug overdoses.

"We're certainly interested in sustaining the programs that we have that rely on enrollment," Coberly said.

In Meridian, the challenge of a new superintendent is trying to meet the demands of more students.

"The biggest financial impact is the need for more and more school facilities," Meridian superintendent Eric Exline said.

Based on enrollment growth estimates, he said, the district needs to approve a new construction bond measure every two years, to keep up with that growth.

District patrons approved a \$57.2 million bond Sept. 17 to pay for three new elementary schools, a middle school and an alternative high school.

In 2000, patrons approved a \$45.3 million bond issue to build Ponderosa Elementary (now Ponderosa), Mountain View High School (will open in fall 2003).

But, Exline said, the positive result of growth is that a larger student enrollment has allowed the district to pursue more opportunities, such as expanded computer technology in classrooms and the ability to sponsor specialized charter high schools.

# Meridian School District is now biggest in Idaho

**MERIDIAN (AP)**—Christie Niefenegger and her family moved in July from Boise into the Meridian School District, and her two sons now attend the recently opened Ponderosa Elementary School.

"We told our Realtor that we wanted to look for a house in our price range, and we found out that the farther you go out of Boise, the more house you get for your money," said Niefenegger, whose sons previously attended Garfield Elementary in Boise.

They're not the only ones making that move and as a result, Meridian School District has surpassed Boise School District as the state's largest.

The two districts will present final enrollment figures to the state in November, and the numbers show Meridian School District's 25,584 students topping Boise School District's 25,883 students.

Meridian's enrollment has increased by about 1,000 students from the 2001-02 school year, while Boise's enrollment has declined by about 483 students, many of whom moved to the Meridian district.

This shift has major implications for the districts.

The state allocates funds based

largely on student enrollment, meaning less money for Boise and more for Meridian. It also means that Meridian has a larger responsibility for educating more children.

"Being the biggest means we just need to be more active in looking everywhere to find the resources to educate our students," Meridian Superintendent Christine Donnell said.

Don Coberly, Boise school district curriculum director, said the district's enrollment stabilized during the past several years as the district built out and more people moved to outlying areas where homes are less expensive.

"In looking at the patterns of movement, the majority of the decline, at least in elementary, because of the move made by families to other areas in the valley," Kuma, Meridian, Middleton," he said.

Boise Assistant Superintendent Bob Dutton said the enrollment decline means Boise will lose about \$1.8 million in state funds.

Anticipating a decline in enrollment, the district eliminated about 50 teaching positions this year, either through attrition or non-renewal of short-term contracts, which saved the district between \$2.5 million and \$3 million, he said.

intimidate anybody who doesn't agree with him or with whom he doesn't agree," Roark said. "I'm not going to be intimidated."

"What is a company, who has had 81 complaints filed against it, doing, contributing \$50,000 toward the campaign of the person who will ostensibly head up

the investigations?" he said.

VanderSloot opposes Roark because he claims the Democrat is too lenient when it comes to nonviolent crime.

Wasden has said the contributions would have no influence on how he handles complaints against the company.

# Forest Service proposes trail changes

**KETCHUM**—The Ketchum Ranger District is proposing to change the route that visitors use to access Warm Springs Ridge Trail No. 142 from Baker Creek.

The proposal would decommission the Lost Shirk Gulch Trail No. 212 and extend Warm Springs Ridge Trail from the dot to the Baker Lake Trailhead. Warm Springs Ridge Trail is open to foot, horse, mountain bike and motorbike enthusiasts.

Comments should be submitted to the Ketchum Ranger District, P.O. Box 2356, Ketchum, ID 83340 by Wednesday.

The route change is necessary to correct research concerns associated with the Lost Shirk Gulch Trail.

"Lost Shirk Gulch is one of the worst trails we have, with respect to erosion and trail location," said David Gordon, Ketchum Ranger District recreation specialist.

An additional section of trail immediately west of the Lost Shirk saddle also will be rerouted. This section of trail also contains sustained grades of more than 35 percent as it crosses the ridge line toward Castle Creek Trail No. 140.

If funding can be acquired, construction on this trail is anticipated to begin in late summer or fall

# Valley in brief

of 2003. Additional information can be obtained by contacting David Gordon at the Ketchum, Burley District office on Sun Valley Road or calling 622-5371.

# Climbing cat causes power outage in Burley

**BURLEY**—Most homes and businesses in west Burley lost power for an hour Friday morning after a climbing cat triggered a surge of electricity.

Buildings west of Overland Avenue lost power from just before 11 a.m. until noon, Burley City Administrator Mark Mitton said. Traffic signals on Overland Avenue were also out during that time.

"The interaction between the cat and the transformer sent a electrical surge through the power lines. An old connector failed when jolted with electricity, causing the outage, Mitton said.

"The cat did not survive the incident, he said.

— compiled from staff reports

# Coeur d'Alene teacher is tops in state

**COEUR D'ALENE (AP)**—A first-grade teacher who has been on the job for nearly 30 years was named Idaho's 2003 Teacher of the Year for 2002.

Skyway Elementary School teacher Patricia Perry has taught in the Coeur d'Alene School District since 1973.

During a surprise announce-

ment by state and local school officials. Perry said she has had to be willing to challenge her own instructional practices and change when they haven't been successful.

"My belief that all students can learn has fostered hours of research to find a way that would work," she said.

# Statements

Collected from AS

the latest statewide race on Tuesday's ballot. Wasden and his allies have been attacking the former prosecutor for his more moderate views as a criminal justice attorney, trying to paint him as a soft on crime.

— Dan Roark, one of the first pro-

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# Finger-pointing abounds as wildfire bill fizzles

**SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, Calif. (AP)** — Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., blames the Sierra Club, frequently her ally, for Congress' failure to pass legislation last month to thin national forests and reduce wildfire threats in the West.

Sierra Club President Carl Pope, in turn, says Republican leaders are responsible. And a timber industry leader points the finger at Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., accusing the Democratic leader of "election year politics."

All sides agree it's unlikely that Congress will act before adjournment to seek consensus on reducing the threat of wildfires, such as those that charred about 6.7 million acres across the nation this year. "You have a very polarized community when it comes to fire and how they view fire," Feinstein said.

The former mayor of San Francisco has averaged a 91 percent scorecard rating from the League of Conservation Voters the past six years, but unfounded environmentalists by insisting that logging be used to help ease wildfire threats.

She said she will press the Senate to hold hearings early next year and that she will attempt to build support among conservationists and others for an emergency program she hopes to develop with Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., and Republicans on the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

Feinstein said she was close to securing a bipartisan agreement with Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, that would have sacrificed some trees to reduce fuel loads and made 7 million acres of forests near urban areas safer from fires. "I think the Sierra Club did it in, to be honest with you. There was just real opposition,"



Sen. Diane Feinstein, D-Calif., says Sunday during the Lake Tahoe Summit at Heavenly Ski Resort in South Lake Tahoe, Calif., that environmental ally the Sierra Club is partly to blame for Congress' failure to pass legislation last month to thin national forests to reduce wildfire threats in the West.

Feinstein told reporters after a speech to an environmental conference last week at Lake Tahoe.

Feinstein said the Sierra Club made it impossible for her to gather the support she needed among Democrats to cut off debate and force a vote.

"So the effort kind of collapsed," she said. Chris West, vice president of the timber industry's American Forest Resource Council based in Portland, Ore., said Feinstein is partially right. But he puts the blame more squarely on

Democratic leaders.

"From our perspective, the reason nothing moved in the Senate that was workable was because of Daschle. It was all election-year politics," West said.

Craig, the senior Republican on the Senate Energy forests subcommittee, offers a similar account of the Senate's refusal to consider his proposal.

"The Diane Feinsteins of this world have every reason to be frustrated and angry. I think she felt herself a friend of that organization, only to have them bite her

as hard as they did," Craig said.

"She kept going to her leadership and got nothing. In the end, Tom (Daschle) did not want to put his people at risk taking a tough vote — which was the right vote — on something the environmental people have so effectively polarized," he told "The Associated Press this week.

Pope said there was agreement on a plan to do emergency thinning in as much as 23 million acres the Forest Service identified as overstocked forests near homes, known as "urban inter-

face" areas.

But he said GOP leaders refused to provide funding unless normal environmental reviews for projects outside those areas were suspended, too.

"Basically, they blackmailed the Senate. And we said, 'No, that blackmail is not acceptable.' So in that sense, yes Sen. Feinstein is correct" about the group's role in blocking legislation, he said.

Aides to Daschle said he was willing to expedite thinning, even in some areas outside "urban interface zones," but not with the prohibitions on legal challenges GOP leaders demanded.

"We agreed that some streamlining of the process makes sense, particularly if you focus most of the resources on thinning in the urban interface zone. But the notion of depriving folks of opportunities they have now for judicial review was going too far and something we were not prepared to support," said Eric Washburn, a senior legislative to Daschle.

The conflict centers on disagreement over the amount of logging that should be allowed to remove unnaturally high levels of brush and small trees that have resulted from decades of suppressing fires. In the past, fires periodically cleared forests of such undergrowth.

Critics say the thinning programs are abused to remove larger, commercial-sized timber and, in some cases, increase fire risks.

Feinstein said she understands environmentalists are distrustful of proposals to use logging to reduce fire threats.

"What we really need to do is build confidence and work with environmentalists to try to come together, just as they have here," she said at Lake Tahoe where competing interests have united to work to restore the lake's clarity.

# Program could save Idaho trees

**BOISE (AP)** — Idaho has approval from the U.S. Forest Service to enroll in the Forest Legacy Program which pays to save privately owned forest land.

"This voluntary program, which is already in place in 31 states, will be a significant tool in helping Idaho purchase conservation easements on private forest lands," Gov. Dirk Kempthorne said Friday. "This will protect areas that might otherwise be developed and preserve the environmental and economic value of private forest land in Idaho."

For fiscal year 2002, Congress has appropriated \$65 million to implement the program. Since its inception in 1990, about 210,000 acres of land nationwide have been protected at a total cost of \$124.7 million.

Forest Legacy encourages acquisition of conservation easements: legally binding agreements transferring a negotiated set of property rights from one party to another, without removing the property from private ownership.

Most of the easements restrict development, require sustainable forestry practices, and protect other values.

Kempthorne noted that productive private forest is vulnerable to conversion to uses such as housing subdivisions or second homes. "This is a market-based alternative that assures the long-term economic integrity of rural Idaho communities that depend on the forest resources. It will also preserve open space for recreational opportunities and enhance fish and wildlife habitat," Kempthorne said.

# Patients receive gesture of comfort in face of grief

**COEUR D'ALENE (AP)** — The delicate blanket Jennifer Gooksterter unfolds is smaller than a place mat and much more precious.

"It touched my heart," she says, petting the silky material. "I don't have kids."

The tiny blanket is one of a dozen Jennifer has woven for Idaho hospitals.

Some family in the next few years will take the blanket home from the hospital instead of its stillborn baby.

"I bawled barrels over those babies," Jennifer says. She folds the cream blanket in half to show a single pale blue stripe at one end. Some blankets have pink stripes. Some have yellow. They all begin and end with soft fringe.

Jennifer wove rugs in her basement workshop in Coeur d'Alene before she met Teri Farr at the North Idaho Fair in 2001. Teri is a Kootenai Medical Center administrator.

The Fair Ladies, as the women who craft with cloth at the fair

## North Idaho woman weaves small blankets for area hospitals

are known, had sewn quilts for the hospital. They asked Teri if she needed more.

Teri needed blankets and tiny outfits for the infants parents lost. Some of those babies fit in the palm of a hand. All leave broken hearts and a shortage of memories. Every family takes home a handmade blanket.

Nurses dress the babies in outfits donated by groups such as Knit Wits and Afghans for Angels and compassionate seamstresses or weavers like Jennifer.

"I take a bazillion pictures of the babies with stuffed animals and give them to the parents," says Sheryl Hanna, a labor and delivery nurse who runs a sup-

port group for parents of stillborn babies. "Pictures are all they have, and that outfit."

Since 2000, the hospital has given about 120 handcrafted outfits to parents who lost babies. Some infants were born without heartbeats. Others were victims of sudden infant death syndrome. Sheryl knows parents need the feel and smell of the soft material that touched the babies.

"They don't wash it. That outfit is precious," she says. Sheryl used to beg for handmade outfits and blankets everywhere so she always had something to give grieving parents. That's why Teri asked Jennifer's group for help.

But now the hospital is part of Afghans for Angels, a national network. The volunteer organization's Idaho group collects baby items and distributes them to hospitals throughout the state so no heartbroken parent goes home empty-handed.

Jennifer fell under the spell of sheep's wool a decade ago and

has woven with a spider's dedication since. Cardboard bins of silky angora and mohair share space in her workshop with looms the size of a piano and the size of a desk. She dyes her wool with spices, cabbage, black walnut, indigo and other natural ingredients.

She'd woven 32 rugs and given most to friends when Teri told her about the hospital's need for blankets and outfits.

"I was sick of rugs," Jennifer says.


She finished a dozen cloud-soft blankets last month and began weaving material for baby kimonos, robes with ribbon ties at the neck and delicate collars.

Doll clothes are typically too difficult to fit on babies.

"I just couldn't forget about how these will be used," she says, peering closely for mistakes in the material taking shape on her loom. "I'm sure I'll have a hard time delivering them."

## Candidates vie for the Hispanic vote

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# Democrats set sights on governorships

By David S. Broder  
The Washington Post

CHICAGO — Republicans running for governor of Illinois are not supposed to be struggling against the odds. It has been 10 years since a Democrat was elected to the top job in Springfield, and this year, every poll for months has showed Democrat Rod Blagojevich, a previously unknown junior congressman from Chicago, running ahead of Republican Jim Ryan.



Rod Blagojevich, left, Democratic candidate for Illinois governor, Usa Madigan, center, Democratic candidate for Illinois state attorney, listen as Jesse White, right, Democratic candidate for Illinois secretary of state, addresses the media and firefighters at a Chicago fire station Friday in Chicago.

Indeed, few Republicans face as many wretches as Ryan does. He has had to endure the confusion of his name with that of the retiring GOP governor, George Ryan, who has been embroiled in scandal. At the final debate of the campaign, held here last week, reporters pressed him about the driver's license bribery cases that occurred when George Ryan was governor of state — well before Jim Ryan was first elected state attorney general.

The circumstances in Illinois are unique, but across the country in many ways as Ryan does. He has had to endure the confusion of his name with that of the retiring GOP governor, George Ryan, who has been embroiled in scandal. At the final debate of the campaign, held here last week, reporters pressed him about the driver's license bribery cases that occurred when George Ryan was governor of state — well before Jim Ryan was first elected state attorney general.

presidents have come from the ranks of governors. George W. Bush's path from the Texas governor to the White House was smoothed by other Republican governors — 28 of them at the time — who mobilized their contributors and their campaign organizations on his behalf.

# Dem's hopes of challenging tax cut fade

By Ronald Brownstein  
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Prospects are dimming that Democrats can challenge President Bush's tax cut, the centerpiece of his economic agenda, even if they maintain or enlarge their Senate majority.

them as traditional tax-and-spend liberals. But analysts in both parties say it has also made it harder for Democrats to articulate a clear alternative to Bush's economic plan.

that (tax cut) was," Daschle said in a recent speech. In competitive Senate races, the tone is entirely different. In New Hampshire, Democratic nominee Jeanne Shaheen has run an ad declaring that she and GOP rival John Sununu agree on the Bush tax cut.

That's because almost all of the Democratic challengers with a plausible chance of capturing Republican Senate seats in Tuesday's election have embraced the tax cut — to the point where several are running ads touting their support.

Most candidates either voted for the Bush plan, or are unwilling to campaign against it

Other top Democratic Senate challengers who have endorsed the tax cut include Mark Pryor in Arkansas, Tom Strickland in Colorado, Alex Sanders in South Carolina and Bob Clement in Tennessee, who voted for it in the House.

But the stampede toward the tax cut by key Democratic candidates means the party has almost no chance of amassing enough votes to roll it back in the Senate next year, no matter the result on election day.

The reason (Republicans) are tied with Democrats on the economy is they haven't offered a critique on what exactly President Bush did that hurt the economy," said Republican pollster Bill McInturf.

Of the leading Democratic challengers, only North Carolina's Erskine Bowles, the former Clinton White House chief of staff locked in a close race against Republican Elizabeth Dole, has dissented. Bowles says he would freeze further tax cuts for the top one percent of earners to pay for a prescription drug plan under Medicare, though that would likely cover only a small portion of the cost.

Indeed, leading Democrats like Daschle are growing resigned to the likelihood that not only will the existing tax cut stand, but the next cuts in income tax rates scheduled for 2004 will go into effect, even though the federal budget deficit ended last year with a \$160 billion deficit.

That view is privately echoed by some leading Democratic strategists. Aside from Daschle, Senate Budget Committee Chairman Kent Conrad, D-S.D., and House Minority Leader Richard A. Gephardt, D-Mo., have placed primary blame on the tax cut for virtually erasing the \$5.6-trillion, 10-year budget surplus projected when Bush took office.

Political geography may help explain the positions taken by these Democrats. All seven are running in states Bush carried in 2000 and for Senate seats currently held by Republicans. Apart from opposing Bush's call for creating private investment accounts under Social Security, all have sought to minimize conflict with the White House; all, for instance, supported the congressional res-

# Hispanics take on key role in fight for votes

By Will Lester  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Midterm elections Tuesday will give the major political parties a chance to measure the results of millions of dollars spent on advertising, countless hours in strategy sessions and extensive grass-roots efforts to win over Hispanics, the nation's fastest growing demographic group.

Democratic pollster Sergio Bendixen. "But that doesn't tell you at all where Hispanics are with the Republican Party."

Democrat Al Gore got 62 percent of the Hispanic vote in 2000, according to exit polls, while Bush got 35 percent.

Both Democrats and Republicans acknowledge President Bush has made an effective personal appeal over the past couple of years to Hispanic voters. Democratic polling done in the spring showed that two-thirds of Hispanics approved of the job Bush was doing and Bush's personal popularity has shown up in other polling of Hispanics since then.

The number of U.S. Hispanics rose by 58 percent during the past decade to 35.3 million, Census Bureau statistics show. The new total puts Hispanics close to parity with the 35.4 million black Americans as the nation's largest minority.

Republicans hope that popularity will spill over to various races for the Senate and House and for governors, but Democrats and some analysts say the polls don't indicate it will.

That rapid growth caught the attention of both parties, with Republicans acknowledging they have to increase their support among Hispanics to remain healthy politically in the long term. Blacks are a reliably Democratic voting group for now.

"Do Bush's courtesies extend to the congressional level?" said Harry Fuchon, president of the Thomas Rivera Policy Institute in Claremont, Calif. "Right now, it doesn't seem like they extend that far."

"If we can increase the numbers of Latinos who are voting Republican across the country, that's one way we will measure our success," said Sharon Castillo, who is helping with the Republican National Committee's Hispanic outreach.

Bush and his political team made a decision early in his 2000 presidential campaign to appeal to Hispanic voters and have continued those efforts. Democrats argue their own record on domestic issues will keep Hispanics on their side. Polls have suggested Hispanic support for Democrats is broad but shallow.

Florida Republican Chairman Al Cardenas says successful Republican Hispanic candidates "serve as a bridge between the Hispanic community and a government bureaucracy they perceive as distant from them."

Republicans like to point to all these polls showing Bush is popular with Hispanics, said

Political analysts are watching a number of races closely to see how Hispanics vote.

They're looking at governors' races in California, Florida, New Mexico, New York and Texas as well as competitive Senate races in Colorado and Texas. And they'll be monitoring House races in Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada and Texas.

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## Was the Legislature's repeal of term limits wise?

# Yes

### The decision defended representative democracy

**JIM WEATHERBY**

There has been much discussion, a lot of it negative, since the Idaho Legislature became the first in the country to repeal a term limits initiative.

The action gained national attention. The most Republican (and arguably one of the most conservative) legislatures in the country repealed a term limit law that was one of the major principles of the Republican revolution of 1994, the so-called "Contract with America."

Legislators voting for that repeal have routinely been called "arrogant," more concerned about "preserving their political careers" than "following the will of the people." Term limit proponents claim "the people" are solidly behind them, and to prove their point they are prepared to pay hundreds of thousands of dollars to generate popular support.

The legislators, however, are defending the law. They received loud and clear messages from local citizens and local officials supporting repeal of term limits. A public problem had been presented to them. To ignore it would have been to ignore their responsibility to address public policy issues—even when controversial. Despite the rhetoric of the term limit spokesmen, legislators are major players in state policy-making—after all, a majority of people have elected and re-elected them.

Implicit to the argument of those backing term limits is that the legislative action was somehow illegitimate. It may or may not have been sound public policy to reject term limits as defined by the initiative process. I believe it was a sound policy decision. Ballot access is a crucial issue in our democracy, and the term limit initiative

—in essence—narrows ballot access.

But my concern transcends the merits or demerits of the debate over term limits. It goes to the heart of our democracy and how decisions are made.

I respect the action taken by the Idaho Legislature in repealing the term limits law. It was done openly, with considerable debate, with a clear statement of impact, and two years prior to the time that any legislator would be affected by term limits. This was not the first initiative that had been repealed by the Legislature, nor will it be the last.

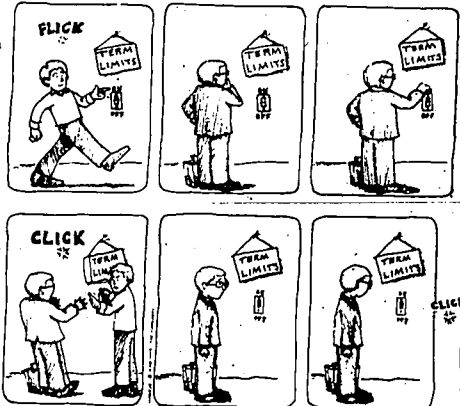
Whether passed through the initiative process or the legislative process, a law is a law. Neither process produces legislation that is superior to any other. Laws are often substantially amended or repealed without any reflection on the intelligence or motives of the original sponsors.

In responding to the supporters of term limits, I do not believe that the legislators were saying that the voters were dumb. Their action is in accordance with the nature of representative democracy. We elect our legislators to make policy decisions on our behalf. If we do not like what

they do, we can vote them out of office.

But the fact that they change a law, whether initiated by the people or fellow legislators, should not be the basis for charging that they have done something unethical or undemocratic.

We should be working to cool the rhetoric in what is a very important debate about the



future of our representative democracy. Whether restored or repealed, the term limits law will have major consequences. But crippling our representative form of government will have far worse consequences.

Dr. James Weatherby is chairman of the Department of Public Policy and Administration at Boise State University.

# No

### The repeal was a self-serving move by Idaho legislators

**DOUGLASS S. JONES**

In eight years, on three separate ballots, Idaho voters approved term limits for politicians four times. Last winter, the Legislature repealed a twice-passed initiative at the last minute before it would have pro-

cesses. Considering their choice was: Vote to void the law and run again or be barred from running again, it seems far from courageous. In fact, it was as self-serving, plain and simple. Power-addicted politicians thwarting the will of very people they represent.

True representatives of the people, elected on the very same ballots of voters approved initiatives, have a duty to uphold the will of the voters, not dismiss it.

Rationalization: The Legislature had to repeal the law to stop local government from smaller counties, school boards, etc., from being hurt.

Fact: The Legislature could have, and indeed had proposals before them, to exempt such governments. They also had a proposal to delay the law to ask again for your input.

They killed the whole law. Rationalization: The passage of term limits was a mistake and had to be nullified for the public good.

Fact: This argument presumes, incorrectly, that voters do not revisit the issue if the results were not to their liking. Even if a mistake, the voters deserved the

chance to see it for themselves. Many times a law has to go into effect before problems or unintended benefits to become apparent. Who knows, maybe the opening up offices through term limits might have sparked a renaissance of citizen participation in both running for public office and voter turnout. It seems the Legislature is opposed to any ever finding out.

Rationalization: Term limits would leave the Legislature void of experienced lawmakers.

Fact: The law would not prohibit legislators elected for the first time in 1996, 1998 or 2000 from running again, or from running for a seat in the other state offices where their experience would have been useful. My opponent, Sen. Dean Cameron, for example, could have run for an Idaho House seat. Conversely, Rep. Maxine Bell, a House veteran, could have run for the state Senate.

Rationalization: Out-of-state money backed the term limit push.

Fact: Legislators only become concerned about the source of campaign funds when their interests are at stake. The Legislature didn't care when most of the money backing the Right to Work initiative came from out-of-state. They didn't care in 1994 when the term limits drive had the backing of Newt Gingrich.

This election, the message needs to be delivered that the will of the people is not to trifled with. Why? Because the Legislature is responsible for the next step and deciding which other election results they will stand.

Douglas S. Jones of Rupert is the Democratic candidate for Senate District 26.

## LETTERS

### Retain Bedko and his abilities in Boise

The people of District 27 have an opportunity to return one of the state's finest legislators on Nov. 5. Scott Bedko is one of the most respected young legislators in the Idaho House of Representatives.

He works hard to study the Legislature. His assignments on the Education Committee give him insight into the needs of education and how to resolve these issues. The Transportation and Defense Committee is valuable to the people who use public lands and need access to roads on state and federal lands.

I know for a fact no other legislator worked harder when our energy crises in the spring of 2001 looked like power costs would continue to go through the roof. Scott was in contact with Idaho Power personnel and the Public Utilities Commission on a daily basis, trying to keep the rates as low as possible. Scott cares and works for the constituents of District 27.

REP. JOHN A. "BERT" STEVENSON

Editor's note: Bert Stevenson represents House District 26, Seat A, for Jerome and Minidoka counties.

### Craig's plan addresses pressing problems

I'm responding to Gerard Wevers' letter on Monday, Oct. 28, regarding Sen. Craig's support of immigration issues.

First, if Mr. Wevers had bothered to read Sen. Craig's legislation, Agricultural Job Opportunity, Benefits and Security Act, on farm-worker reform, he would have known that his legislation is not an

amnesty bill. Sen. Craig has been working on farm-worker legislation for some time because he understands that the system is broken.

Currently, there are untold numbers of illegal aliens using false documentation working for farmers. The crisis of the problem is a demand for legal workers that is not being met by the general population and workers from other countries that are eager and sometimes desperate to earn these wages.

However, the immigration worker system has become so bureaucratic to both the farmer and the worker that it has become unmanageable.

Sen. Craig's legislation will allow illegal aliens to participate in a farm-worker program that will eventually allow them to become permanent residents and productive, law-abiding members of the community. Also, Sen. Craig's bill requires the individual participating in this program to earn his adjusted status by working in agriculture and following all the laws of the land for several years to even be eligible to petition for permanent residence. A legal alien worker would be in a better position to demand better wages and benefits.

This legislation is certainly not an amnesty program, which would allow an unearned gift of U.S. citizenship. Finally, it does not serve the growers, workers or consumers of our country to not address this pressing problem. Sen. Craig has sought to remedy this situation with his legislation.

BILL DOBSON  
Twin Falls

### Idaho political situation stifles real discussion

The political scene in Idaho is so

lopsided that it is time for people to realize that every Republican is not conservative and every Democrat is not liberal. These labels are just another way of dividing the people of this great state. The best diversity comes when you have debate over a situation and when one power is in control, you lose the process of discussion.

On the national level, our representative in Washington got most of their money from out of state, so are they really concerned with Idaho people or are they more concerned with corporation-bought votes? What's the old saying, "money talks"?

In my opinion, there are some "real down-to-earth" candidates in Idaho.

Clint Stennett is a representative for "all" people in his district. He also sees the fact that more good-paying jobs are needed in Idaho.

Marilyn Howard has the knowledge to keep our educational system progressive. She truly puts the children of Idaho first.

Last but not least is Bill Chisholm. Here is a gentleman that not just talks but takes action in what he believes in. The two things that stand out in Bill Chisholm is that he has more love and compassion for the state of Idaho than any other person I can think of.

My last matter of concern is Proposition 1. The reservations in America have the highest unemployment in the nation. We have taken so much from the Native Americans. I say, "Let them have the dignity of jobs" and a better standard of living. Vote yes for Proposition 1.

LYLE CORNELISON  
Hagerman

### Honesty and independence come with Meiers

Citizens of Twin Falls County, I am Howard Meiers and I am running for Twin Falls County commissioner. I have studied the issues now facing the county. I have talked to many of you and heard the strong concerns you have toward the way county government is being run.

I believe the candidate should be independent of all special interests. He or she should provide leadership and be responsible only to the people represented. The main purpose of government and those elected is to promote, protect and defend the integrity and the dignity of all. The Idaho Code should be used and referred to in all decisions made concerning county government. All meetings should be made available to the public.

Voting for Howard Meiers will be a vote for someone who loves his family and country. I have tried to be honest in all my dealings with my fellow citizens and I offer myself to you to work to set things in order in this great county.

I am asking you for your vote on Nov. 5.

HOWARD MEIERS  
Buhl  
Editor's note: Howard Meiers is a Democratic candidate for Twin Falls County commissioner.

### Self-serving politicians offend Idaho voters

The career politicians who support the repeal of term limits against the will of the people reek to high heaven. They are using the four tactics: (1) freshman senators and representatives would ruin our state and (2) outside money is funding term limits. Present office

holders were once freshman representatives, and I don't remember Idaho collapsing at that time. Are they telling us how superior they are and that there is no one else capable of filling their shoes? Now seems to be the time for another opinion—that of the people when they go to the polls. No outside money is persuading me to vote no on term limit repeal. The career politicians did that by vetoing the populace vote.

I don't agree with all provisions of term limits, but our present incumbents have no right to overturn the vote of the people. If all who voted for limiting terms originally will vote no in this election, these self-centered politicians cannot take away our right to vote is we choose.

Mr. Noh and Mr. Newcomb, who led the pack on term limits repeal, have no one in mind except themselves. Their golden fleece retirement funds will be intact for their future. Mr. Craig is only visible at election time—he carries his arrogance like an impenetrable armor the rest of the time.

Sometimes back, we had occasion to ask for help, which we did not by contacting Mr. Craig, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Simpson and the office of the attorney general Mr. Crapo, Mr. Simpson and the attorney general's office went to bed for us and got the problem resolved. After

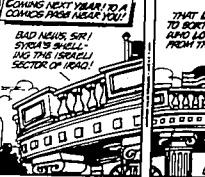
two years, Mr. Craig has made no contact, not even a form letter.

Voting a ticket because of party affiliations is not right. The candidates should be elected based on ability and integrity. A stronger Democratic vote in this election will help to balance the books. We should not have to live in our present police state because of career politicians who have only their own best interest at heart.

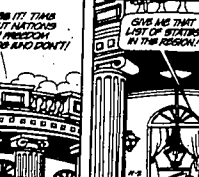
To the young people, may I repeat the oft-stated words, "the future belongs to you." Get involved by registering to vote. Study the issues. Know the qualifications of the candidates and, above all, break the tradition of voting by party. That's the only way we can live in a democracy rather than under the rule of dictators.

SUE M. SCOTT  
Jerome

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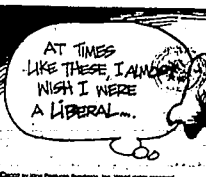
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LETTERS

Chairmen were justified to repeal term limits

There has been a great deal of controversy surrounding the repeal of term limits and some of it is certainly merited. There are, in fact, valid arguments that can be made in support of term limits, but they're not presented in my view by the herein term limits writer.

There is no question term limits will discourage many, many qualified people from seeking elected positions. At the county level, many elected officials forego higher-paying private sector jobs because they can at least attempt to build a future in public service over time. Term limits will also deprive the Magic Valley of the experience and influence our senior representatives and senators, such as Doug Jones and Ed Rupp, have developed through hard work in the Legislature over many years. Finally, term limits take away freedom of choice, and freedom is always easier to give away than it is to get back.

Vote yes on Proposition 2.  
MARK GUERRY  
Buhl

Faulkner contributions aren't suspicious

This is Kim Faulkner, and I am not sure of my nephew, Tom Faulkner's campaign.

After reading recent letters to the editor, specifically Sunday's paper, I felt I needed to respond. The letter stated Tom Faulkner received contributions from "some large dairymen" and implied Tom might "let them off the hook for polluting our Idaho neighborhoods with manure, purified air and dead animals."

Tom has received two contributions from individuals with dairy interests totaling \$300. The largest contribution of \$200 is from a neighbor of Tom's mother. Tom has received more than \$10,000 in contributions from more than 100 contributors representing a broad cross section of the interests in our district.

These misleading letters to the editor are frustrating to our family. Our 12-year-old daughter has been upset after reading and hearing at school the misleading statements being made in letters about her father. I know Tom supports open debate on ideas and is proud of his positions on the issues. Tom will gladly discuss any issue with anyone. I think many people don't get into politics because of the mean-spirited and misleading attacks that are made against individuals running for office.

I find it interesting Tom's contributions are questioned when, as of Sept. 30, Tom's opponent has received more than \$27,000, with more than \$8,500 in contributions from political action committees, associations and out-of-state money. Those political action committees include power, phone, cable, tobacco, pharmaceutical, insurance and beer and wine distributors. Are these the interests of our citizens in our district?

Tom's PAC contributions are from the Sugar Beet Growers, Idaho Cartlemen, Senate Republicans, Alliance for the Forest, and agriculture and natural resources industries.

I hope everyone will look into all the facts and not just believe the inflammatory statements of a few people. Tom is a man of honesty and integrity who believes in running a positive campaign on the issues. I urge you to vote for him on Nov. 5.

KIM FAULKNER  
Blaine

Blinken and Brady fool nobody with their plans

Just a few thoughts on the upcoming elections.

First, I wonder just how dumb "Blinken" Blinken and Brady think we are? Both of them claim to have a prescription drug plan that will cover everybody, cut prices in half, and not cost a cent. My instincts taught me that when something sounds too good to be true, it's because it is. And please, Mr. Brady, no more long-winded, convoluted messages to my phone. If you want to get a message to me, call in person, I don't discuss politics with computers.

Next, term limits. They were a bad idea when they were first proposed and have gotten worse. I agree that the Legislature was somewhat high handed in the way it went about repealing them, but I personally think that it was something that needed done. As for those who you disagree with me, let's truly vote no to out-of-state special interests, starting with the one behind this silly idea. Then if you are still irritated with our Legislature, exercise the only term limit we need, the one that has always been there. Go to the polls and vote the rescals out of office.

Lastly, the so-called "Indian gaming initiative." It appears to me, and to many others who know more about it than I do, that this really is a vote to allow casino gambling in Idaho. The idea that casino gambling can be kept just on reservation lands is just plain ludicrous. You can't create a special zone, and that is what this really is a vote to allow casino gambling in Idaho. The idea that casino gambling can be kept just on reservation lands is just plain ludicrous. You can't create a special zone, and that is what this really is a vote to allow casino gambling in Idaho. The idea that casino gambling can be kept just on reservation lands is just plain ludicrous. You can't create a special zone, and that is what this really is a vote to allow casino gambling in Idaho.

WAYNE FRANSDEN  
Twin Falls

Vote Chisholm and Ihler to protect Idaho's freedom

We here in Idaho have always declared for freedom in our daily activities and in our lives. We do not ever expect to lose the positive exercise of freedom enjoying our homes and grounds surrounding us and sharing this freedom with our like-minded neighbors.

But not all in our state agree. Idaho ascribe the same meaning to liberty of action. In newly imported industrial dairies, in the pursuit of profit taking, there are practices of negative freedom, which result in deleterious, immediate effects on the well-being of exposed neighbors. As a result, some 15 families have departed from the area south of Filer, even abandoning their homes, on both sides of the High Line Canal. More homes are up for sale with expected market value.

Today, as in previous years, we are faced with a continuing build up of dairy operations, all of which are founded on the following economic approach: profits per cow increase by pulling them together in a confined space, feeding operation with cows numbering at least several thousand with no prescribed upper limit. While a CAFO can be designed for an efficient utilization of raw material (cows and feed) to produce a product (milk), a factory operation of this magnitude brings with it problems which are only now beginning to be addressed. For example the siting of dairies currently seems to be chosen on the basis of the lowest cost land yet close to cheap labor. In view of the above, new members of the Legislature will need to be elected

from the west end of Twin Falls County. For, while a start has been made improving on the responsibilities required of such operations, much remains to be worked out.

These positions can best be filled with Bill Chisholm and Mike Ihler. Both are very well informed and will be assertive in protecting the constituencies represented with Bill in the Senate and Mike in the House working together on appropriate legislation.

By the way, Gov. Kempthorne will probably resign some time after the election to accept a White House sinecure. The prospect of a right-wing ideologue succeeding by the government for only \$350,000 without causing distresses me.

I know I am going to vote for an impressive Jerry Brady for Idaho governor. Does anyone really suppose I lack put up all that money out of his own pocket?

GEORGE ANTHONY  
Filer

Howard addresses reading needs of Idaho's children

In response to Rance Haight's recent letter, I continue to be amazed at the lack of understanding concerning how children develop and what influences their ability to read. Marilyn Howard is one of a few elected state officials who have taken the initiative to address this problem, and the purpose of helping children learn to read. She has successfully mandated reading classes for every teacher in the state of Idaho. She has guided the development of the Idaho Reading Indicator using research as the basis for the test format. She has also supported Idaho's schools with the necessary funds needed to intervene with children reading below grade level.

Ms. Haight stated a mere 8 percent increase in reading proficiency has occurred in the past three years. An 8 percent increase is leading our state in the right direction - I wonder what percent would have occurred if Howard's programs were not-existent.

In order to increase reading proficiency at a faster rate, it would require radical changes. Students enrolling in schools would need to be screened and placed at appropriate grade levels according to their ability, not their age. Special needs students would need to be excused from taking the IRI assessment, and stable home environments would need to be established for all children so they can flourish.

Ms. Haight asked why every student in third grade isn't already reading at grade level. Children who are stimulated and interact with their primary caregivers during the first six years of their life develop faster academically due to brain development.

Furthermore, not all children attend preschool because of expense. Wouldn't it be beneficial if all children had the same opportunities and experiences before entering kindergarten? Any person who questions this should visit a kindergarten classroom during the first weeks of school. Consistently over the past three years, the lowest IRI scores have been the fall kindergarten scores before children are taught at school.

Other reasons why children fall behind are due to emotional and physical issues that children deal with: learning disabilities, speech impediments, hearing loss, language barriers, abuse, frequent moves, divorce and poor relationships. It is not a matter of "pulling all the stops and teaching all our children to read by third grade." Teaching reading involves treating children as individuals and beginning with their weaknesses as well as their strengths, one step at a time. Need I say more?

KATHY GRAHAM  
Twin Falls  
(Editor's note: Kathy Graham is an Idaho Reading Indicator reading specialist for the Twin Falls School District.)

Voting GOP can hurt in superintendent race

Voters in the state of Idaho are once again confronted with an issue that will seriously impact the education future of the children of Idaho. Education in Idaho has progressed significantly in the last four years with Dr. Marilyn Howard as state superintendent of public education. Idaho students are performing at a higher level than ever. Educators continually work together to provide a quality education that will integrate standards and assessments but still meet individual needs of children as only trained educators know how to do.

Our family has been a part of the Twin Falls educational and business community for decades, personally and professionally employed by District 411 as well as serving on boards for the University of Idaho and College of Southern Idaho.

As Republicans and professionals involved in the education process of this state, we are very concerned that some of our fellow Republicans may be unaware that voting for another Republican could hurt Idaho education. The welfare of education in Idaho is not political. Dr. Marilyn Howard has so aptly led Idaho education because she is a quality trained educator with a doctor's degree in education, thus making her skilled in the administration of the State Department of Education. She has proved that she is a leader in her field. While Tom Luna may be a successful businessman, he is not a trained educator in time to all educational issues and the needs of an individual child.

We hope that all citizens of this state will be alert to the voices of those who are actively involved in Idaho education. This includes educators who teach in public schools from K-12 grades, as well as community colleges such as CSI, and our higher education universities such as the University of Idaho, Idaho State and Boise State.

Please vote for Dr. Marilyn Howard for state superintendent of public instruction.  
J. ROBERT AND SONIA  
ALEXANDER  
Twin Falls

Congress' actions on war represent a big blunder

Did Congress make a historic

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blunder by giving the president a blank check to go to war unilaterally? Will he use this power anywhere at anytime? In this matter, I do not have confidence in this administration or any future administration. This is the very foundation that a dictator type government is made from.

A war most have never experienced. Little by little, we are relinquishing our civil liberties. We are not the only great world power as some would have us believe; Russia, China, India, Pakistan and now North Korea have nuclear capabilities and there could be other countries with equal mass destruction.

The Patriot Act has stripped us of our voice, and our representatives are too concerned of their own political future they have joined in a fleming-like rush into a war most have never experienced. Little by little, we are relinquishing our civil liberties. We are not the only great world power as some would have us believe; Russia, China, India, Pakistan and now North Korea have nuclear capabilities and there could be other countries with equal mass destruction.

EDNA BYERS  
Heyburn

Seniors are contributing members of the community

In 1999, Prime Time Foundation (an outgrowth of the Senior Federation) determined the feasibility of building a new structure at the present site. This would necessitate the demolition of the present center. By law, we are required to submit our request to a registered architect, which we did. The initial modest plan called for a 9,426-square-foot building at \$70 per square foot. The sum for the building came to \$660,000. The present center, by necessity, would need to be demolished to a tune of \$175,000. The grand total would have come to \$835,000 without paving of parking lot and gutters. Need we say more?

As to seniors not contributing to the community, we would like to remind the reader of those outstanding seniors and their effort to make this the fine community that it is: John Roper, Earl Faulkner, John Brockenridge, Norman Ferret, Florence Gardner are just a few who made this truly a Magic Valley.

As seniors, we are deeply concerned in the education of the youth of our community. Remember, we have grandchildren and great-grandchildren who live in this community. Many

seniors donate untold hours as mentors in our schools. These seniors act as readers, special needs helpers, foster grandparents, crossing guards and teacher aides. We have welcomed the Alternative School students to have lunch with the seniors. The seniors shared their warmth and love for these special students and would love to continue this outreach. In the past, we have invited children from the junior high to have lunch with us on a weekly basis. We believe that a community raises a child, and as seniors, we have a vital role in their development.

We welcome all to the Twin Falls Senior Center and share our hospitality as our most new friends.  
ART FRANTZ  
Twin Falls

Wasden makes a better fit for attorney general

As a member of the Idaho House, I have had the privilege of interacting with all of the elected state officials. As I view the contest for attorney general and the information used in the ads, I am somewhat surprised and more than a little concerned. It appears the voters are being told that the position needs only a good trial lawyer.

The position is much more complex. The attorney general of the state must manage an agency with a staff of lawyers, each with a different area of concern and expertise. The attorney general must know how to protect the varied interests of the state with the people and resources available to him, whether it is consumer affairs, water rights, fraud prevention, enforcing criminal laws or advising the governor and the Legislature. Along with those responsibilities, the attorney general is a voting member of the State Land Board. This board manages state assets worth billions of dollars with the mandate to secure the highest long-range return to the state.

Lawrence Wasden has the right management skillset to direct this office in an efficient and exemplary manner. I have found him to be a productive and conscientious public servant. I have also found Mr. Wasden very easy to work with and always available when I have asked for advice to help a constituent.

Please join me in voting for Mr. Wasden.  
REP. MAXINE T. BELL  
Jerome  
(Editor's note: Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, is the representative for District 24 for Jerome and Minidoka counties.)

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### MORNING LINE

#### SPORTSQUOTE

“Yeah, I’m the goon.”

“Motivated 5-foot-10, 180-pound center Saki Kojima on leading his team in penalty minutes despite drawing only eight minor infractions.”

# Eagles can't find the basket, suffer first loss

## Casper College comes away with 59-46 win

**TWIN FALLS** - It's not that they didn't try. The College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team put up a valiant fight during their 59-46 loss to Casper College Friday evening.

But poor shot after poor shot brought coach Randy Rogers and the CSI basketball team their first defeat of the season against a tough Casper team on the second day of the ninth annual Coca-Cola Classic.

The Golden Eagles could sink only 30 percent of their shots, making 38 of 59 field goals.

“We started off kind of rough, they’re a really good team,” said Diana Chavez, coming off a 10-point game. “We’re still coming together, we have a lot to work on.”

Kristi Hill topped the team’s efforts with 13 points of her own.

Leading for Casper’s Taffany Scott with 12 points, Dejeanette Flournoy

with 15 rebounds.

**College of Eastern Utah 75, All Stars 35**

**TWIN FALLS** - The strong defense of Eastern Utah dominated a tired All Stars team, resulting in a 75-35 blowout.

The All Stars for the second night in a row out-rebounded their opponents. But they again struggled to convert opportu-

nities into points.

Shots were evenly spread across Eastern Utah’s bench. Kasey Mills was the team’s high scorer with 13 points.

**Central Arizona 73, Snow 63**

**TWIN FALLS** - Central Arizona College’s Rashidat Sadiq scored 28 points to help her team out-muscle Snow College 73-63.

A different, more intense Snow showed up Friday, rather than the team that lost to Casper College the previous night.

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# Not quite enough

## Skyline knocks Twin Falls out of race for a playoff spot

By Joe Paisley  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - So close yet so far. Twin Falls was 14 yards away from the state 5A playoffs, but fell short as the Bruins fell victim to the last of their five turnovers as Skyline (1-2, 2-7) prevailed 20-15 in a dramatic football game Friday night at Bruin Stadium.

The Bruins (0-3, 4-5) was driving downfield with 3:05 remaining, reaching the Skyline 14. A play later Twin Falls gambled.

And lost.

Skyline defensive back Chase Eckersell intercepted the pass in the end zone, his third pick of the game and second in the end zone, to deny the Bruins once again.

“Too many turnovers,” said a disappointed Twin Falls head coach Mark Schaal. “You can’t expect to win with that many.”

It left Schaal and many in the crowd second-guessing the call.

“Yeah, we’re wondering about it too,” he said.

The loss ended the Bruins out of the running for the final playoff spot Schaal said.

Skyline dropped it with 1:47 left when tailback Paul Ricks bulled forward for three yards on fourth and inches on its own 14.

Skyline head coach Dale Gulliford was ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct as part of 40 penalty yards that moved the Grizzlies back repeatedly before eventually scoring on a 37-yard TD run by McCutcher.

Sallinas had scored with 10:05 remaining to make it 14-13 Skyline. The Bruins went for the PAT. The attempt was wide left, but Brandon Field was roughed, setting up another attempt. The hike sailed high. Field lateraled the ball to holder Andy Coits, who threw to Dustin Scott, who made a fingertip grab for a 15-14 lead.

Easter finished with three catches for 65 yards while Martin went 12-for-24 for 203 yards and two interceptions. The halfback interception, a pick thrown on a fake punt and a fumble rounded out the turnovers.

Chris Herzinger finished with 69 yards on three grabs. Sallinas gained 118 yards on 17 totes.

Skyline jumped out to a 14-0 lead in the first quarter as the Grizzlies defense held Twin Falls to minus 5 yards total offense.



Bruin quarterback Luc Martin gets hit from behind as he throws by Grizzly defender Corey Tingley during Friday night's game. Constant pressure on Martin by the Grizzly defensive line kept the Bruin offense off the field for much of the first half.

# Preston bounces Buhl

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

**BUHL** - Speed wins. The Buhl Indians saw the Preston Indians run past them on the way to a 58-6 victory in 3A inter-district playoffs Friday night.

“They are in a different league, literally and figuratively,” said Buhl coach Gary Krumm. “They are big, fast and strong.”

Preston advanced to play Teton, a 48-7 victor over Kimberly, in the quarterfinals.

Preston scored early and often, and the visitors’ defense shut down Buhl. Five turnovers also hurt.

“That didn’t help matters. It’s not how we planned to start. It just snow-balled from there,” Krumm added.

Playing a three-receiver wide offensive set, Preston moved the ball quickly downfield on its first possession.

Quarterback Chase Harris rushed for 22 yards on the draw, and running back Mac Jones went around end for 31 yards. Harris found receiver Benji Hess on the lob for three yards out.

Buhl fumbled on its first play from scrimmage, and Preston turned it into a 33-yard field goal from Landon Bell.

Buhl got a first down on two short passes from Tim Bourner, but was forced to punt. Preston drove the ball 60 yards in three

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### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- Women's college basketball**
- CSI Coca-Cola Classic
- Casper vs. Eastern Utah, 4 p.m.
- Snow vs. So. Idaho All-Stars, 6 p.m.
- CSI vs. Central Arizona, 8 p.m.
- College volleyball**
- CSI at CNOC, 3 p.m.
- High school football**
- Wendell vs. Firth, at Holt Arena, 10 a.m., loser out
- Minico at Bonneville, 1 p.m., loser out
- Jockpot at Smith Valley, Nev., 1 p.m.
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- 4A state tournament at Caldwell HS
- 3A state tournament at Century, 10 a.m., consolation
- Timberline vs. Idaho Falls Centennial, noon, third place
- Meridian vs. Idaho Falls Centennial, 2 p.m., championship
- 4A state tournament at Post Falls HS
- Jerome vs. Mountain Home, 10 a.m., consolation
- Madison vs. Caldwell, noon, third place
- Sandpoint vs. Vallivue, 2 p.m., championship
- 3A state tournament at Bannock Soccer Fields, Pocatello
- American Falls vs. McCall-Donnelly, 9 a.m., consolation
- The Community School vs. Snake River, 11 a.m., third place
- Wood River vs. Payette, 1 p.m., championship
- High school girls soccer**
- 5A state tournament at Lake City HS
- Meridian vs. Meridian, 10 a.m., consolation
- Lake City vs. Eagle/Boise, noon, third place
- Bishop Kelly vs. Eagle/Boise, 2 p.m., championship
- 4A state tournament at Post Falls HS
- Bonneville vs. Moscow, 10 a.m., consolation
- Blackfoot vs. Kuná, noon, third place
- Sandpoint vs. Century, 2 p.m., championship
- 3A state tournament at Bannock Soccer Fields, Pocatello
- Wood River vs. American Falls, 9 a.m., consolation
- South Fremont vs. Bonners Ferry, 11 a.m., third place
- McCall-Donnelly vs. Weiser, 1 p.m., championship
- High school cross country**
- 5A state meet at Farragut State Park, Coeur d'Alene

# Filer, Wood River stumble

## Local schools bow out in first round of 3A volleyball tournament

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** - Passing is the key to volleyball.

Filer and Wood River learned that the hard way, as both lost in the opening round of the 3A State Championships Friday morning in Burley.

The Wolverines opened against five-time state champs Bear Lake. The teams split the first two games before Bears took control for the 21-13, 16-21, 21-14, 21-16 victory.

Filer looked impressive against Shelley in the first game but struggled the rest of the match, falling 19-21, 21-16, 21-14, 21-9.

In other first-round action, Middleton's front line of blockers was too much for the Bonners Ferry Badgers. The Vikings won 21-12, 21-15, 21-10.

Preston met in the other first-round game.

In the evening matches, Wood River stayed alive with a 21-13, 16-21, 21-14, 21-16 victory.



Wood River's Liz Rippon spikes a ball before Bear Lake blockers during Friday's game. Wood River's victory at the Class 3A State Volleyball Tournament at Burley High School.

# Local runners prepare for tough conditions

## Meet promises hilly terrain, cold weather

By Sarah Dean  
Times-News writer

**COEUR D'ALENE** - The hills are alive with the sound of Nikes. Cross country athletes meet will be singing much today at Farragut State Park in Coeur d'Alene during the 2002 Idaho High School Cross Country Meet.

But the sound of their sneakers during the course will be music to coaches' ears.

Races will start at noon (MST) with the Class 5A girls, followed by the 2A girls at 12:30. 5A boys will start at 1 p.m., followed by 2A boys, 3A girls, 4A girls, 3A boys - all at half-hour intervals - before finishing with 4A boys at 3:30 p.m. Hilly terrain at Farragut is something runners from the mostly flat District Four have been training for the last few weeks.

Cold weather will further hamper the field. District Four Gooding freshman April Homan faces some serious competition in her quest for a state championship. Homan will have to beat 3A defending state champion, Danielle Allen of Teton.



All Times MST  
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 Today's 5,000-meter races

- 5A Girls, noon
- 2A Girls, 12:30 p.m.
- 5A Boys, 1 p.m.
- 2A Boys, 1:30 p.m.
- 3A Girls, 2 p.m.
- 4A Girls, 2:30 p.m.
- 3A Boys, 3 p.m.
- 4A Boys, 3:30 p.m.

Senators coach Kent Seifert said Homan won't lose for lack of effort.

"I have never seen that kind of speed around here, her record (19 minutes, 41 seconds) on our course is blazing fast," Seifert said. "Danielle Allen has never met April and I seriously think April can win it."

As for the 4A girls, the competition looks to be between defending champion Taryn Trapp of Vallivue, and last year's 5A champion, Danielle Allen of Teton.

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### IN BRIEF

#### Youth soccer tryouts will be today

**TWIN FALLS** - Spring season tryouts for the Twin Falls Rapids soccer team will be held today at Robert Stuart Junior High School. Boys ages 11-18 will go from 10 a.m. to noon with girls to follow from 1-3 p.m.

For more information, call Tom Mitchell at 733-1559.

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IN THE BLEACHERS By Steve Moore

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What's On T.V.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Agassi loses tonight, then match at Paris Masters

PARIS — Andre Agassi... Agassi lost to Carlos Moya in the quarterfinals of the Paris Masters tennis match.

Man accused of attacking coach pleads innocent

CHICAGO — The man who ran onto the field with his teenage son and attacked a Kansas City Royals coach during a game pleaded innocent Friday to three counts of aggravated battery and one felony count of mob action.

Broken foot takes Blues' Tkachuk out for a month

ST. LOUIS — St. Louis Blues winger Keith Tkachuk will be out for six weeks with a broken foot.

Green brothers sweep front row at Rockingham

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. — It will be an all-Green front row at North Carolina Speedway, where Jeff Green won the pole Friday for the Sam's Club 200 and older brother David qualified second.

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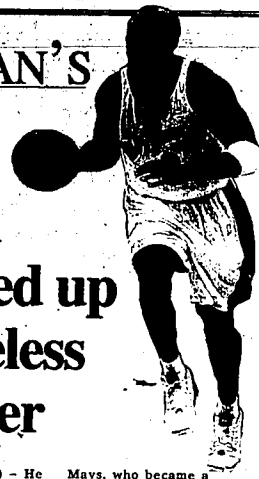
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# JORDAN'S LEAP:

## From washed up to ageless wonder



WASHINGTON (AP) — He drove around defenders with ease and did a little high-step when he made his jump shots. He scored a point for every minute he played.

Michael Jordan may be 39, but who could tell on this night? His game had all the compelling elements of years past — flow, rhythm, aggression, confidence.

"That felt good," he said. The performance during the Washington Wizards' 114-69 victory over the Boston Celtics on Thursday came a night after Jordan missed two free throws and a breakaway dunk in the fourth quarter of a defeat in Toronto.

In one of the worst games of his 15-year career, Jordan labored on the court, looking less like the greatest basketball player ever and more like an old man who should be doing something else.

The 24-hour turn of events reinforced Michael Jordan's axiom: Never underestimate his determination to prove his critics wrong.

"I'm trying to stay ahead of all the criticism. That's the driving force for me," Jordan said on the eve of the season opener against the Toronto Raptors.

"It's not that I can't do it; it's a matter of doing it at this age." But at the Air Canada Centre, Jordan seemed as if he were trying simply to hang on for one more year. The rest of the team that Jordan assembled over the summer looked almost as bad in the 74-68 loss.

Sports talk shows nationwide spent much of Thursday comparing Jordan to stars like Willie

Mays, who became a sad embarrassment by playing well past his prime. They spoke too soon about No. 23.

Jordan scored 21 points in 21 minutes against the Celtics, who endured the worst regular-season loss in their storied history.

He showed no ill effects from the knee problems that bothered him all of last season. His four-point sequence at the end of the first half — two free throws, stolen inbound pass, 21-foot jumper, celebratory cancan kick — lifted the arena as only Jordan can.

The superstar who led the Chicago Bulls to six NBA championships had two reasons to gloat afterward. First, as a proud Wizards executive: "In terms of career plays for the Celtics: 'I can go back to Chicago with some bragging rights.'"

Second, as player, when he was reminded that old friend and Chicago native Antoine Mitchell played for the Celtics: "I can go back to Chicago with some bragging rights."

Last season — his first since coming out of retirement for the second time — Jordan followed a career-worst six-point game with a 51-point onslaught. The whole season was a roller coaster as he struggled with his knees and tried to carry a team short on talent.

The game plan has changed this season. To save his knees, Jordan is a substitute. He can afford to do that because he upgraded the players around him, adding Jerry Stackhouse, Larry Hughes and Bryon Russell, among others.

# Third period power-plays lift Columbus

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Mike Sillinger and Andrew Cassese scored power-play goals in the third period as Columbus spoiled goaltender Ron Tugnutt's homecoming with a victory over Dallas.

Ray Whitney and Tyler Wright added goals for the Blue Jackets. Marc Denis, Tugnutt's understudy for two seasons, kept Columbus in the game by turning away 23 shots in the first period.

Tugnutt was the most popular Blue Jackets player in the first two years of the expansion franchise, then was traded to the Stars last summer for a third-round draft pick. In the 2000 election, he even received six write-in votes for president from Franklin County residents. Rob DiMaio and Kirk Muller scored for Dallas. Sergei Zubov extended his assists streak to nine games.

## Capitals 3, Lightning 2

WASHINGTON — Peter Bondra scored on a two-man power play with 1:12 left, lifting the Washington Capitals to a 3-2 victory over the Tampa Bay Lightning on Friday night.

Sergei Gonchar slid a pass to Bondra on the right side and he wristed a shot past Nikolai Khabibulin for his fifth goal. Washington ended an 0-3-1 skid with its 10th straight victory over Tampa Bay at MDC Center.

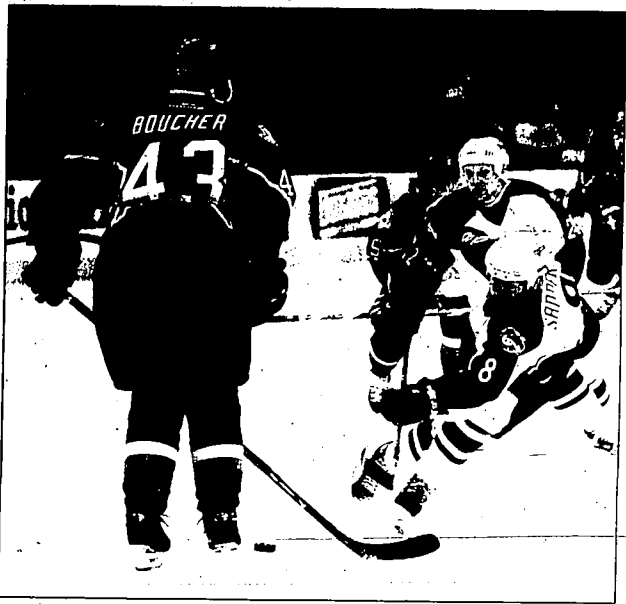
Martin St. Louis and Vincent Lecavalier scored for the Lightning, off to a surprising start at 7-2-0.

Steve Knowlatchuk and Robert Lang also scored for Washington, which had managed no more than two goals in nine straight games — matching a franchise record.

Gonchar had three assists and Sebastian Charpentier, making his first start of the season, made 16 saves for the victory.

## Canadiens 2, Hurricanes 2

RALEIGH, N.C. — Randy



Columbus' Geoff Sanderson has his shot blocked by Dallas' Philippe Boucher in Columbus, Ohio, Friday.

McKay scored his first two goals in a Montreal uniform and a struggling Jose Theodore regained some of his old form as the Canadiens tied Carolina.

The Hurricanes improved to 4-1-2 in their last seven, but Jeff O'Neill saw his NHL-best

10-game point streak snapped in a rematch of last year's Eastern Conference semifinals, won by Carolina in six games.

Theodore stopped 36 of 38 shots, including eight in overtime.

Last year's league MVP saved one with 1:45 left in the extra period while the puck was rolling down his back.

David Tambac and Sano Kapanen scored for Carolina. Doug Gilmore assisted on both Montreal goals.

# New Jersey rumbles with Indiana for 102-91 win

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — In their first meeting since the Nets' dramatic double-overtime win in the deciding Game 5 of the first round, New Jersey defeated Indiana 102-91 in a game that included the ejection of three players, including Jason Kidd.

Nets backup guard Anthony Johnson and Pacers guard Eric Strickland were also tossed in a game that featured nine individual technical fouls, four flagrant and 59 personal fouls.

Richard Jefferson led five Nets in double figures with 19 points. Dikembe Mutombo added 14, Kevon Martin and Rodney Rogers had 11 and Lucious Harris had 10.

Ron Mercer had 16 points for the Pacers.

## Pistons 109, Grizzlies 86

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Richard Hamilton scored 23 points and Chauncey Billups added 15.

Detroit also got 13 points from Mike Bibby and eight points and 14 rebounds from Ben Wallace. Pau Gasol and Drew Gooden led Memphis with 21 points each.

The Pistons took control with a 17-2 first-quarter run and led by as many as 24 in the first half. Memphis rallied midway through the third, going on a 9-2 run that included two 3-pointers by Jason Williams, but the Grizzlies still trailed 63-47 when it ended.

The Pistons had the margin back to 23, 80-57, at period's end, and were never threatened in the fourth.

## 76ers 98, Knicks 86

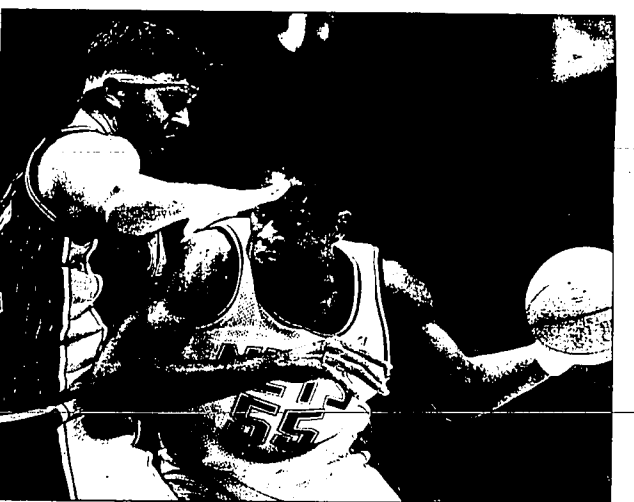
PHILADELPHIA — Allen Iverson scored 35 points despite another poor shooting performance and Philadelphia overcame a 17-point, third-quarter deficit.

Aaron McKie had 22 points and a career-high 13 rebounds and Keith Van Horn added 17 points and 12 rebounds for the Sixers, who are off to a 2-1 start. Kurt Thomas had 25 points and Allan Houston added 23 for the Knicks, who were outscored 41-17 in the fourth quarter.

Iverson, who missed 17 of 23 shots in the first three quarters, hit his first six shots of the fourth quarter and finished 12-of-30. The three-time NBA scoring champion had 15 points in the fourth quarter.

## Bulls 84, Hornets 79

CHICAGO — Jalen Rose scored



New Jersey's Dikembe Mutombo, right, protects the ball as he attempts to get around the defense of Indiana's Brad Miller during their game Friday night East Rutherford, N.J. The Nets won, 102-91.

21 points and Donyell Marshall added 15 points and 12 rebounds. It's the first time since 1996-97 the Bulls have won their first two games, and they're above .500 for the first time since 1998.

After blowing a 16-point, fourth-quarter lead, Chicago had to sweat out the last 3.5 minutes. David Wesley and Baron Davis hit back-to-back 3s to pull New Orleans to 78-71 with 2:54 left.

Jamal Mashburn hit another 3 to make it 83-79 with four seconds left. But Jamal Crawford made a free throw, and the Bulls got the rebound to run out the clock. Mashburn led the Hornets with 21 points.

## Spurs 91, Raptors 72

SAN ANTONIO — Tim Duncan had 22 points and 15 rebounds and San Antonio held the Toronto Raptors to an NBA record-tying six points in the final quarter.

San Antonio, up 70-66 after three quarters, held the Raptors to just three baskets in the final period. The six points was a franchise low and tied the NBA record for fewest points in a fourth quarter set three times, most recently by Memphis against Phoenix last season.

Tony Parker added 12 points

for San Antonio, while Steve Kerr and Malik Rose each had 11. Vince Carter paced Toronto with 18 points.

## Rockets 83, Nuggets 74

DENVER — Cuttino Mobley scored 12 of his 29 points Steve Francis had 10 of his 21 points in the final quarter as the Rockets steadily expanded the three-point lead they had entering the period. Francis also had 13 rebounds and five assists.

James Posey led Denver with 16 points, and Kenny Satterfield added 13. Houston shot only 38 percent, but Denver was worse at 36 percent.

Rockets center Yao Ming scored his first points on a turnaround jumper from 12 feet. He finished with two points and seven rebounds in 13 minutes.

## Suns 78, Cavaliers 74

PHOENIX — Shawn Marion had 21 points and 16 rebounds as the Phoenix Suns overcame an awful shooting night to beat Cleveland.

Marion's 3-pointer, the Suns' first of the season after 14 misses, put Phoenix ahead 73-68 with 1:27 to play. His two free throws

with 1:05 to go made it 75-68. The Cavaliers, who finished their season-opening road trip 1-2, led 59-52 after the third quarter but shot 4-for-18 from the field in the fourth.

Ricky Davis scored 21 for the Cavs. Zydrunas Ilgauskas had 17 points and a career-high 22 rebounds for Cleveland but was only 6-for-22 from the field, 2-for-15 after the first quarter.

Timberwolves 111, Magic 105

MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Garnett recorded his seventh career triple-double with 23 points, 14 rebounds and 10 assists as the Minnesota Timberwolves handed the Orlando Magic their first loss of the season.

Troy Hudson scored 19 points for Minnesota.

Guarded mostly by Garnett, Tracy McGrady struggled with his shooting touch all night. McGrady, who scored 31 and 24 points in Orlando's first two games — wins over Philadelphia and Miami — went 6-for-15 for 18 points, 14 in the second half.

Grant Hill, who went 17-for-17 from the free-throw line, had 27 points to lead the Magic. Darrell Armstrong added 21 points.

# Illinois assistant steps up to be UTEP coach

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Illinois assistant Billy Gillispie will be named coach at Texas-El Paso, a university source told The Associated Press on Friday.

Officials at both schools declined to comment Friday, but Gillispie toured the UTEP campus and met with university president Diana Natalicio, said the source, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Gillispie's hiring was expected to be formally announced today.

Gillispie will replace Jason Rabedeaux, who resigned abruptly on Oct. 21, citing personal and family reasons. Rabedeaux had a record of 46-46 in three seasons.

Gillispie is in his third year at Illinois and is familiar with the Western Athletic Conference. He was an assistant under Bill Self at Tulsa for three years before following him to Illinois two years ago.

Before that, Gillispie served as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Baylor for 2.5 seasons.

The Miners open the new season against New Mexico Highlands on Nov. 23.

## Iowa basketball player gets probation in plea agreement

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Iowa basketball player Pierre Pierce was placed on probation for a year Friday in a plea agreement after being charged with sexual assault last month.

A sophomore guard, Pierce was given a deferred sentence and placed on probation, according to papers filed in Johnson County District Court.

The deferred sentence means the charge would be expunged from Pierce's record if he completes the requirements of the

## College basketball

plea agreement.

Pierce had been charged with third-degree sexual assault for allegedly performing unwanted sex acts on a female acquaintance at a party at his Iowa City apartment Sept. 7.

The 19-year-old player also must perform 200 hours of community service.

Pierce, who led the Hawkeyes in assists last season, was suspended indefinitely from the team by Iowa athletic director Bob Bowlsby, with the support of coach Steve Alford.

## Zags' forward Turiaf injures shoulder during scrimmage

SPOKANE, Wash. — Gonzaga forward Ronny Turiaf suffered a shoulder injury during a scrimmage last weekend, but should be ready to play by the exhibition opener next week, the team said Friday.

The 6-foot-9 Turiaf is one of the big men that Gonzaga is counting on as the team makes a transition from a guard-oriented offense led by All-American Dan Dickau, who graduated to the NBA.

"He had a little shoulder sprain and the MRI was negative," sports information director Oliver Pierce said in a release. "He's phasing his way back into practice."

He should play next Friday in an exhibition game, and will definitely be ready for the regular season opener against Hofstra on Nov. 22, Pierce said.

On Thursday, Gonzaga was ranked 32nd in the preseason USA Today-ESPN men's basketball poll. The Associated Press poll comes out Nov. 11.

SPORTS

# Amputee will race in cross country meet

By Bruce Schenker  
Associated Press writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — When she was in her hospital bed, after an accident that took her lower right leg, Shawna McCown made a promise to herself and her family.

"As soon as I was able to try, I told my family I wanted to run. I was going to run again," Shawna McCown said. "Of course, I'm not going to be as good as I was. I hope I can be. But I knew I would compete again."

Nearly 18 months after the motorcycle crash that ripped her leg apart, McCown will compete for Morehead State in the Ohio Valley Conference Cross Country Championships on Saturday.

The accident, on May 30, 2001, came days before McCown's graduation from Boyd County (Ky.) High School. On the day she was supposed to run in the state track meet, doctors amputated her right leg about six inches below the knee. She was hospitalized for weeks and had six operations.

She received an artificial leg a few months after the crash, but when the leg healed she couldn't straighten it out. Her physical therapy included painful sessions in which she had to bend her knee for 30 minutes at a time.

"It's definitely made me a stronger person," she said. "More confident, actually, to know that I can get through something like this."

Before the crash, McCown had signed a letter of intent to run track and cross country at Morehead State, about 120 miles from Louisville. The school honored the scholarship, and McCown, now a 20-year-old freshman, is working toward a degree in business.

She has been working out with the team since last spring, and after all the grueling rehabilitation, she's ready to race on Saturday.

"It's the first race of my new life," McCown said. "A lot is riding on it. I'm nervous, anxious



Shawna McCown, foreground, stretches with her teammates before working out on the Morehead State University track Wednesday in Morehead, Ky. McCown lost part of her right leg in a motorcycle accident 18 months ago and has worked to get into shape to run today in the Ohio Valley Conference Cross Country Championship meet at Morehead.

and excited ... everything into one."

McCown doesn't want to just finish the five-kilometer race, which is more than three miles. She wants to complete the course in less than 30 minutes. In high school, McCown once ran the distance in under 20 minutes.

McCown knows she'll probably

ple still think that I can't do it, so I'd like to show them as well."

Walding at the finish line will be her parents, Bill and Jan McCown. "She has told us we are not allowed to cry," her mother said.

That rule might be too difficult to abide for Morehead assistant cross country coach Bob Stacey, who coached McCown in high school. "I probably need to stay away from the finish line," he said.

Stacey said McCown has become a role model for the Morehead State team.

"Every day they ask me how good I'm doing, and they'll cheer for me while I'm jogging," she said.

When she started working out, McCown said, she couldn't run longer than 200 meters without stopping because her leg throbbed.

By last spring she was up to a mile, and she kept adding more distance with each week, McCown said. She lifted weights to strengthen her right leg and swam to build endurance.

It was just a week ago that McCown ran three miles for the first time since her accident. Her time was 31 minutes, 37 seconds.

"It was just like, 'Thank you, God, for letting me do this,'" she said. "I hurt the whole week afterwards, but it's a good hurt, I guess, knowing that I did it. I'm very proud of myself."

McCown must fight the temptation to push herself because a long run can be too painful.

"You know how it feels when you're on your feet all day long?" she said. "That's what it feels like after just running a mile; that's what it feels like on the end of my leg. While I'm doing it, it doesn't hurt. But after I get done, it's like throbbing."

Her long-term goal is to compete in the half-mile at the 2008 Paralympics, and her mother doesn't doubt her will to accomplish that.

"She kind of sets the tone for everybody," Jan McCown said. "We're not going to tell her she can't do anything."

# Howell holds one-stroke lead in Tour Championship

ATLANTA (AP) — Charles Howell II shot a Sunday 69 at a windy East Lake on Friday and held a one-stroke lead halfway through the Tour Championship.

Howell finished with eight pars and was 5-under 135 heading, one stroke ahead of David Tom, Steve Lowery, Len Mattiace and Vijay Singh.

Tom had the best score of the day, a bogey-free 66, while Mattiace had a 68 and Lowery and Singh, the first-round co-leaders, had 71.

Chris DiMarco bogeyed his final two holes for a 68 and was in the group at 138 that included Retief Goosen (69) and Fred Funk (71).

Tiger Woods finished with a 68 and was at 139.

Elder holds lead at Southern Farm Classic

MADISON, Miss. — Brad Elder shot a Sunday 67 to push his lead to two strokes after two rounds of the Southern Farm Bureau Classic.

The 27-year-old made six birdies and an eagle to offset

three bogeys and was at 12-under 132 after two trips around the Annandale Golf Club course.

Defending champion Cameron Beckman shot 68 and was one of five players tied for second.

Boekie, Jonathan Byrd, former NCAA champion Luke Donald, Brad Faxon and Deane Pappas were also at 10-under 134.

Chad Campbell '66 was the best score on a chilly and cloudy day. It left him tied for seventh with Kirk Triplett, three strokes behind the leader.

Thunderstorms postpone play at Italian Open

ROME — The Italian Open was reduced to 54 holes Friday after severe thunderstorms left Olympic Golf Club unplayable and forced the postponement of the second round.

Tournament officials said the cut would be made after the second round was played Sunday.

England's Ian Poulter shot an 11 under 61 and held a three-shot lead over Denmark's Anders Hansen and England's Miles Tunnicliffe after the first round.

# Unbeaten Pac-10 leaders head for Pullman showdown

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Adversity makes you tougher, Washington State coach Mike Price declared this week.

He was talking about practicing in freezing temperatures to prepare for No. 16 Arizona State, not about a locker room fight that deprived the No. 8-ranked Cougars of two defensive starters.

The fallout has dealt a serious blow to the Cougars' quest to reach the Rose Bowl for the first time since January 1998.

Kickoff for the nationally televised game to decide the Pacific-10 Conference leader is at 1:30 p.m. MST today in Martin Stadium.

Price suspended starting linebacker Ira Davis indefinitely after he broke starting cornerback Jason David's cheekbone in a locker room fight this week. The injury will sideline David, the Pac-10 interception leader, for six to eight weeks, Price said.

Both teams are 4-0 in conference games and the winners will move into sole possession of first place and become the front-runner for the Rose Bowl.

"We realize this is for the roses, this is for the Rose Bowl," Cougars quarterback Jason Gesser said in his weekly teleconference. "We have to go out there and show we deserve to be there and win this game."

The loss of David is especially critical as the Cougars (7-1) face one of the premier passing teams in the nation in Arizona State (7-2).

Quarterback Andrew Walter has a lot to do with the Sun Devils' successes, Sun Devils coach Dirk Koetter said.

On the air  
1:30 p.m., ABC

The sophomore set a conference record when he passed for 536 yards in ASU's victory over Oregon Oct. 19. He has passed for more than 400 yards three times this season. His favorite receiver is junior Shaun McDonald, second in the conference with 53 receptions and 10 touchdowns.

WSU's David, who plays in tandem with Marcus Trafton at cornerback, has six interceptions this season. He was expected to help the Cougars keep Walter in check.

The Sun Devil defense leads the conference with 40 sacks. Junior defensive end Terrell Suggs, this week's Pac-10 defensive player of the week, has an NCAA-leading 17.5 sacks.

Keeping Suggs away from Gesser, who wears a specially padded vest to protect a separately ed rib, will be a top priority.

"He'll get his sack," Price said, while describing the Cougars' plans to neutralize Suggs. "But he can't dominate like he did last week, otherwise we're in real trouble."

Price's ace in the hole may be Gesser, who is adept at fending blitzes.

"Jason Gesser can make three quick steps and get rid of that ball better than any quarterback I've ever had," Price said. "He's got a tremendous quick release."

Although plagued by injuries, WSU's offensive line has allowed the least sacks — 13 — in the conference. Sun Devil quarterbacks have a lot to do with the Sun Devils' successes, Sun Devils coach Dirk Koetter said.

"This is our biggest shot," Suggs said. "Why let it pass us by?"

# Bulldogs need just one win to start the party

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — For 20 years, the Georgia Bulldogs have been looking for something to create.

"They'll get their chance today, at the game they call the World's Largest Outdoor Cocktail Party."

The fifth-ranked Bulldogs (8-0, 5-0 Southeastern conference) can clinch the SEC East title and put themselves in line for their first conference championship since 1982 today with a victory over their archrival Florida (5-2).

Of course, nobody in the Georgia camp is expecting this to be easy. The Gators have won 11 of the last 12 in a series of the South's best rivalries. And even though the mastermind behind that success, Steve Spurrier, is gone, the Bulldogs naturally have some doubts.

"I think our fans understand it," Georgia coach Mark Richt said. "I know I understand it. It takes an awful lot to change that kind of momentum, or whatever you want to call it."

While Georgia had the stronger team through most of the 1960s, '70s and '80s, the most memorable game during that era came when the Gators were on the cusp of greatness and the Bulldogs came in and beat them.

"The years that stand out as the biggest disappointments for the Gators are 1966 — Spurrier's senior season — and 1974-76. Each time, Georgia won when Florida was poised to win at least a share of the SEC title."

Because of that, Spurrier made beating Georgia one of his most important goals, and he succeeded. He turned the tables so dramatically that the last time the Gators really scored an upset over the Bulldogs was in 1992. Since then, Florida has almost always had the better team, and has almost always won. Until now.

"It sets up well for us," Spurrier said earlier in the week. "The Gators are coming in like the Gators of yesteryear."

Earlier this season, the Bulldogs were squeaking out ugly victories, but over the last two weeks they had the better team, and has almost always won. Until now.

"They have a bull's-eye running back in Musa Smith, who has four 100-yard games this year."

"They have the league's second-best scoring defense, Florida defensive lineman David Pollack, who leads the SEC with nine sacks, and linebacker Boss Bailey,

## World's Largest Cocktail Party

Georgia at Florida  
On TV: 5:45 p.m. MST, (ESPN)

who has five games with 10 tackles or more.

And they have Richt, a second-year coach who is on the verge of turning the ugly memories of the Ray Goff and Jim Donnan eras, and getting the Bulldogs back to where they were under Vince Dooley, who is now Georgia's athletic director.

Not only would a victory against Florida put the Bulldogs in position to win the SEC for the first time in 20 years, it would keep them in the hunt for their first national title since 1980. Georgia currently ranks fourth in the Bowl Championship Series standings.

Their biggest concern is injuries. Smith will play Saturday with a cast on his broken hand; tackle Jon Stinchcomb (knee) has been practicing this week; receiver Fred Gibson (thumb), who turned down a scholarship offer from the Gators to play at Georgia, will play if he can deal with the pain.

The Gators, meanwhile, are relatively healthy and say they're full of confidence, although it's hard to understand why.

Their rookie coach Ron Zook, Florida's coach, has already taken a lead against Auburn before blocking a short field goal and pulling out a 30-23 overtime victory.

"People think we're going to have a mental meltdown," Florida's defensive lineman Max Starks said. "We're going in and trying to prove we're still here, that you can't count on us. We're not going to give in to what everyone else is anticipating."

Funny as it seems, the Gators are talking about a title themselves. They need a victory over Georgia, plus another Georgia loss to make it to the SEC title game in Atlanta. If that doesn't happen, they might still be shooting for Atlanta — for a berth in the Peach Bowl.

The Gators don't like to think of themselves as also-rans, especially not when it comes to this rivalry.

"We've won 11 of the last 12 games, so we're not going in trying to prove anyone's wrong," Florida defensive lineman Bryan Sawello said. "We're going in there trying to achieve our own goals."

# Bledsoe has Bills in the money, and other notes

Knight Rider News Service

PHILADELPHIA — It seemed like a long time last April.

The New England Patriots had come behind him; the Bills were coming off a 3-13 season, and the Patriots were the Super Bowl earlier in the year, and were

looking to replace Drew Bledsoe.

As luck would have it, there was a team that not only coveted Bledsoe, but was willing to give up a first-round 2003 draft pick to get him.

There was just one snag: The interested buyer was the Buffalo Bills, who live in the same AFC East neighborhood as the Patriots.

And you know what momma always said about trading within the division.

But the organizational consensus was that Bledsoe's best days were behind him; the Bills were coming off a 3-13 season, and the Patriots were particularly worried about the deal coming back to bite them in the butt.

But eight weeks into the season, it's looking as if it might. Bledsoe is putting up All-Pro numbers and has led the Bills to an impressive 5-3 start, while the Patriots have lost four of their first seven and find themselves in a virtual must-win situation Sunday when they travel to Buffalo to face — you got it — the red-hot Bledsoe and the Bills.

"It's no secret Drew's done a good job," said the man who pulled the trigger on the trade, Patriots coach Bill Belichick. "He has a good group of receivers. He's the same (quarterback) now as he's been throughout his career. He's made big plays in the passing game, has thrown the ball well downfield. That's why we traded him for a valuable pick, and we hope (the pick) is a good player."

Bledsoe has meshed perfectly with Bills receivers Eric Moulds and Peewee Price. He's already thrown for 2,500 yards and 16 touchdowns. Moulds and Price are on a 216-catch, 3,050-yard, 22-touchdown pace.

Around the league Don't pity Giants

Doesn't take long to go from Most Likely to Succeed to Village Idiot in the NFL. Two years ago, when the Giants won the NFC championship, their offensive

coordinator, Sean Payton, was hailed as the next great offensive genius. Thursday, with the Giants averaging just 12.7 points per game, the next great offensive genius was being stripped of responsibilities from him by head coach, Jim Fassel.

What say Emmitt?

Now that Emmitt Smith finally owns the NFL rushing record, the Cowboys are expected to decrease his workload and increase backup Troy Hambrick's. With a \$9.8 million cap number in 2003, Smith almost certainly won't be with the Cowboys after this season. And they need to make a determination on whether Hambrick, who has just 31 carries this season, can be their long-term running back.

Sex sells

Don't think sex sells? The Eagles already have sold out all 15,000 original copies of their cheerleader lingerie calendar and are in the process of printing 15,000 more. Previous Eagles cheerleader calendars, which featured bathing-suit shots, never sold out the first printing.

Mare Eagles cheerleader news: Christina Larite, wife of owner Jeff, was in New York last week for a meeting with fashion designer Vera Wang, who will design new Vegas cheerleader outfits. Reebok still make the players' uniforms.

No Fun League

Falcons quarterback Michael Vick was fined \$5,000 by the NFL in his first week because his white socks were too low. He was fined another \$2,500 for throwing the ball into the stands after scoring one of his touchdowns.

By the numbers

The 49ers have lost their last 12 road games against teams with winning records. They face the 4-3 Raiders Sunday in Oakland.

Vick is the only starting QB in the league who still hasn't thrown an interception. He's thrown 135 passes without getting one picked off.

Through seven games, the Eagles have had 15 pass plays of 20 yards or more. At that pace, they'd finish with 34. Last season, they had 40.

Saltwater running back Deuce McAllister already has five runs of at least 46 yards. No other back in the league has more than one.

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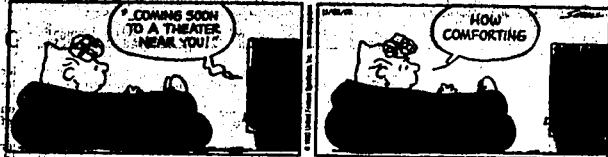
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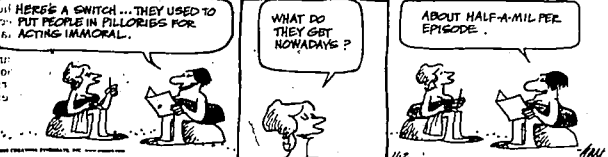
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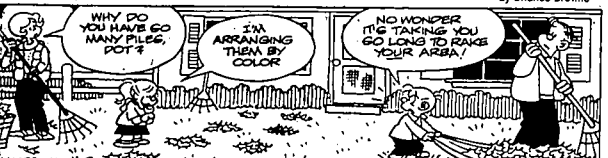
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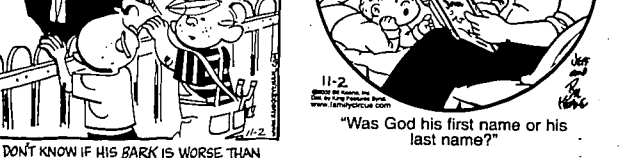
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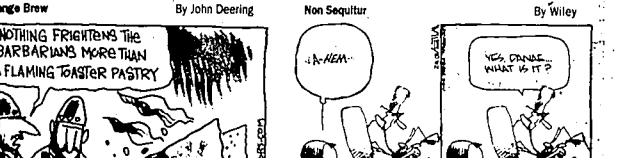
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## 4-H honors Bellevue woman

BOISE - A Bellevue woman will be inducted into the Idaho 4-H Hall of Fame for her long-time contributions to 4-H.

Thelma Cameron will be inducted at a ceremony held during the State 4-H Leaders' Forum at 6 p.m. Nov. 9 at the DoubleTree Hotel Riverside in Boise. Each inductee will receive a certificate and memento of their induction.

Cameron was nominated by the Blaine County Extension Service office. The office provided the following information on her.

Cameron, 47, has been a lifelong resident of Blaine County, and grew up on a sheep and cattle ranch south of Bellevue, where she was raised by her parents, Bill and Ila Cloughron.

Starting 4-H at age 9, she was involved in sewing, the make it with wool and horse programs and sheep and beef projects.

After graduating from high school, she went to Boise State University for a bachelor's degree in music education.

In 1972, Cameron was selected to travel to Europe for a seven-week tour as a People to People Citizen Ambassador for 4-H. She has been a 4-H leader in Blaine County for 15 years. Cameron was nominated for her continued hours of volunteer time to the Blaine County 4-H program. She is not only a 4-H leader, but also a strong voice on the leaders



Thelma Cameron will be inducted into the Idaho 4-H Hall of Fame.

council, livestock committee and fair board, and truly carries the "spirit of 4-H," the Blaine office reports.

Cameron is the mother of Angie, James, Thomas and Elizabeth Cameron, and married to Les Cameron, who is one of the owners of Wood River

Welding in Bellevue. She had taught school in the Wood River Valley for two years, still gives music lessons and plays a variety of instruments, with the clarinet her main one. She is a member of the Calvary Bible Church, Awana Club, and Sawtooth Rangers.

Photo courtesy of MEDICAL WORLD

## Free lecture focuses on theater history

KETCHUM - Leslie Atkins Durham will present a theater history lecture at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 191 Fifth St. E., Ketchum.

Durham will touch on four historical theaters - the tragic theater of ancient Greece, English public theater of Shakespeare's day, melodramatic theater of 19th century America and con-

temporary theater - in order to compare and contrast the methods theater artists used. The lecture will examine backstage theater arts, visual and aural design elements and physical theater spaces.

Durham received her doctorate in theater from the University of Kansas and is an assistant professor at Boise State University. She has published

articles in the "Journal of Dramatic Theory and Criticism," presented at numerous conferences and directed over a dozen plays.

The lecture is free. For more information on this program or upcoming programs contact the Sun Valley Center for the Arts at 736-9491 or visit its Web site www.sunvalleycenter.org.

## SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

**Hospital volunteers - St. Benedict's Family Medical Center Auxiliary** is in need of new members. Call the hospital at 324-4301.

**Insulation installers - Hospice Visions Inc.** is in need of volunteers to help install insulation during the month of November. Call Fami Slatter at 735-0121.

**Winter clothing - The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center** needs winter clothing for men, women and children and Christmas items. Drop off items from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1-4:30 p.m. at 1525 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Call Aleksandra at 736-2166.

**Car donation - A single moth-**

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of region with volunteer help. If you need a volunteer, call Judy Tison, director of the **Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)**, at 736-2122, Ext. 312. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. Please submit a request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Please call weekly to retain request.

er in Jerome needs a car that runs. A tax deductible donation receipt will be given. Call Gordon Carter at 734-8041.

**Volunteer drivers - Volunteers age 55 and older** are needed to drive clients to doctor appointments and grocery shop-

ping. Drivers are needed for the entire Magic Valley area. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and are covered by excess insurance. Call Edith or Judy at 736-2122 or Kitty at 436-0727.

**Miscellaneous - The Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center** needs volunteer drivers for its home-delivered meals program. Call Karen at 734-5084.

**Volunteer tutors - The College of Southern Idaho Adult Basic Education program** needs volunteer tutors for adult students in reading, math and English as a second language. Call Ruth Scott at 732-6536 or 1-800-680-0274, Ext. 6536.

## Former Declo musician seeks fan input at concert

DECLO - Singer/songwriter Chris Hartwell, a Declo High School graduate, returns home to perform at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Declo High School auditorium.

The concert will begin with opening act, Return from Logan, Utah, performing at 7 p.m., followed by Hartwell, whose debut album was "All I Fear." Admission is \$3.

With a lot of new material ready to debut, which he plans to soon put together into a second album, Hartwell said he hopes the audience will come to the show prepared to critique his new songs. He will provide evaluation sheets.

"I am looking to branch out with the new album by using more instruments, voices and possibly even a full band," Hartwell said. "I would love to hear the input of my friends and fans about what they think would be the best songs and instrumentation for the new album."

Now a Washington, D.C. resident, he also is featured on a compilation album entitled, "From the Underground: Vol. I," which showcases D.C.-area acoustic artists, and another compilation CD featuring LDS artists entitled, "LDSstyles III," Hartwell said. He also was the most downloaded D.C.-area musician for eight consecutive weeks on mp3.com.

He also has performed in Idaho and Utah.

Limited copies of the CDs will be available for sale at the concert.

## Twin Falls man celebrates 90th birthday

TWIN FALLS - George Sill of Twin Falls will celebrate his 90th birthday with an open house from 2-4 p.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls Church of the Nazarene, 1231 Washington St. N. in Twin Falls. Sill has 13 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren and 3 great-

granddaughters. The family requests no gifts.

## Filer PTO sponsors book fair starting this week

FILER - A PTO-sponsored book fair will be held Monday through Friday at Filer Middle School.

On Monday through Thursday, it will be held from 8:05 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. in the library. On Thursday, it will be open from 6:30 p.m. in the gym; and on Friday, from 8-11:30 a.m. in the gym.

For more information, call the school at 326-5906.

## Bliss Flower and Garden Club elects officers

BLISS - The Bliss Flower and Garden Club will meet at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Vlado Lawrence's home.

The co-hostess will be Lavina Moore. An auction and election of officers will be held.

## Buttons and Bows offers dance classes Monday

JEROME - Buttons and Bows will hold square dancing classes Monday at the American Legion Hall in Jerome.

The plus workshop will begin at 7 p.m. and the new beginners class will begin at 8:30 p.m.

For more information, call 736-3802.

## M.V. Autism Support Group meets Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Autism Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Advocate and Learning Center, 212 Deer St. in Twin Falls.

The meeting will give participants an opportunity to meet with other families who have children with autism.

For more information, call Heidi Stoddard at 732-8432.

## Parent support group holds first meeting

GOODING - A support group for parents of children who have mental health disorders will hold its first meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the auditorium at Gooding County Memorial Hospital, 1120 Montana St. in

Gooding. The group, which is sponsored by the Idaho Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health, intends to provide support, friendship, information and referrals to parents, grandparents and other adults. Monthly meetings will sometimes feature a guest speaker. Other meetings will be "rap" sessions in which parents can tell their own stories, trade information and give and gain support.

The public is invited, but parents are asked to not bring children. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call 934-4844 or 934-4348.

## Junior Club fund-raiser benefits Safe Kids, CARES

TWIN FALLS - The Junior Club of Twin Falls will host the sixth annual benefit turkey shoot from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 10 at the Twin Falls Gun Club on North Washington Street.

The event will provide funding for the Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition and Children At-Risk Evaluation Services (CARES).

Raffle tickets for a 12-gauge shotgun and other gifts from Twin Falls area merchants will cost \$5 each or \$20 for five tickets. They can be purchased at the event, from the Twin Falls Gun Club or any Junior Club Member. For the closest member, call 731-0969.

Free chili and homemade treats will be offered.

CARES is a medical and forensic evaluation service for children with alleged physical and sexual abuse. The Safe Kids Coalition is part of the national campaign to prevent unintentional childhood injuries. It provides educational materials, classes and assistance on a variety of safety topics.

## American Red Cross blood drive reaches goal

RUPERT - The American Red Cross blood drive held in Rupert Oct. 14 met its goal of 108 units.

Receiving one gallon pins were Bart Koyle, Dan Pasley, Robert Scott and Judy Allen. Receiving a two-gallon pin was Jerry Voss, three gallons, Dennis Firkins; five gallons, Terri Johnson; and six gallons, Bill Williams.

The Soroptimists of Rupert hosted and sponsored the can-

teen, Rupert Elks unloaded and reloaded the blood mobile, Cub Scout Troop 444 distributed posters. Minidoka County Hospital Auxiliary members aided the donors; newspapers, radio and TV stations advertised, the city of Rupert provided the gym and several other people made the drive possible, organizers said.

The next blood drive will be from 12-6 p.m. Dec. 16 at the Rupert Civic Building.

## People for Pets group meets Wednesday

TWIN FALLS - The People for Pets will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Health and Welfare building on Pole Line Road in Twin Falls. For more information, call 736-2299.

## 4-H group, arena schedule winter horse show

BUHL - The Part Of The Ark 4-H Club and Cowpers Cove will hold a winter circuit horse show Nov. 9 at Copus Cove in Buhl.

Registration will be held at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Linda or Candy Evans at 543-8072.

## CSI offers computer classes for seniors

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will offer two installments of the enrichment series "Computers for Seniors." The series is designed to teach basic computer skills to seniors at a slow and easy pace.

Microsoft Word for Seniors will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturdays, Nov. 16-21 in Shields room 101. Students will learn how to write a letter, newsletter, flyer or brochure. Topics will include opening, saving a project, fonts, colors, margins, copy and paste, undo/redo, spell check, find and replace, how to insert graphics and printing. The cost is \$60.

Computers for Seniors Part I will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturdays, Nov. 16-21 in Shields room 201. The course has been especially designed for seniors who want to get started with computers but feel a need to build extra confidence. The course cov-

ers everything from how to turn on the computer to using basic computer software. The cost is \$60. For more information or to register, call 732-6288.

## New England Contra dance takes place this weekend

TWIN FALLS - A New England Contra dance will be held from 7-9 p.m. Saturday at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 210 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.

Each dance is taught by a caller and no experience is necessary. Live traditional American and Celtic music will be played. For more information, call David Quinley at 324-7509.

## Kimberly Booster Club gathers on Monday

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the media center at the Kimberly High School.

For more information, call George Plew at 423-4987.

## Optimists accept youth week nominations

JEROME - The Jerome Optimist Club is taking nominations for its youth appreciation week.

Young people who are chosen will be honored at 6 p.m. Nov. 13 in the Central Elementary auditorium. Thomas H. Borresen, Jerome County magistrate judge, will present each recipient with a certificate and gift.

Young people should have accomplished "great things," volunteered in the community or gone out of their way to help others.

A letter of recommendation must accompany each nomination. Those nominating students may remain anonymous.

Nominations may be sent to: The Jerome Optimist Club, PO Box 105, Jerome, ID 83338 or e-mail to vpvai62@yahoo.com. Nominations must be received by Nov. 6.

For more information, call Valerio Pertulla at 324-4973.

## Kitchen Magic offers cake decorating class

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# Controversial rapper gets more respect

By Nekesa Mumbi Moody  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Until recently, it seemed only kids — and music critics — could love Eminem.

Politicians condemned his obscenity-laced and violent lyrics. Gay and women's groups blasted him as a homophobic and misogynist. The Grammy-winning Detroit rapper had millions in album sales, but little love from mainstream America.

Well, he's still not America's sweetheart. But some of the vitriol directed at Eminem has diminished — replaced not just by grudging respect, but by downright enthusiasm from some unlikely quarters.

"The guy is funny, smart, and sometimes shocking," author Stephen King gushed on his Web site. "Those are all things I look for in rock and roll."

Randy Newman called Eminem a "kindred spirit." Writer Paul Slansky, a self-described middle-aged white guy, penned a New York Observer column titled, "Guess Who Thinks Eminem's a Genius? Middle-Aged Me." He recently wrote the same theme in an essay on NPR.

Whether the 30-year-old rapper has softened or America has just gotten more accepting, "he has started to interest serious grownup audiences that would



Riding the bus to his factory job, Jimmy (Eminem), shown here from the movie '8 Mile,' wonders if things can ever get better. The Grammy-winner makes his big screen debut in the semi-autobiographical '8 Mile,' a film that so closely represents a period in the rapper's life that it's difficult to determine where his movie alter ego, Jimmy 'Rabbit' Smith Jr., leaves off and where Eminem begins.

have dismissed him as a teenage hip-hop phenomenon," said New York Times critic Janet Maslin, who spent time with Eminem on the set of his upcoming movie, "8 Mile," for Premiere magazine.

"He's moved out of the youth ghetto," Interest in Eminem, whose real name is Marshall Mathers, should grow even more with the release next Friday (Nov. 8) of "8 Mile," loosely based on his own troubled youth. The movie,

directed by "L.A. Confidential's" Curtis Hanson, and Eminem's performance in it have received early critical acclaim.

"I think he's just going to earn a lot of respect from people," said Sam Michel, editor in chief at Spin magazine, which has Eminem on its December cover. "They're going to see that he's clearly a talented guy."

Not that people doubted Eminem's talent. His first disc,

1999's "The Slim Shady LP," was praised by critics for its twisted, demented but humorous wit, and earned him the first two of his five Grammys. He was the first white rapper since the Beastie Boys to enjoy street credibility and admiration from both blacks and whites.

But there was anger over his lyrics, which included violent fantasies about his estranged mother and his wife and anti-gay slurs. The late Billboard editor Timothy White dedicated one of his influential music columns to excoriating Eminem.

The rapper's personal battles didn't help. He was arrested twice in 2000 for weapons violations (he received probation). He went through an ugly divorce and custody battle over his young daughter, and was sued by his mother for defamation.

When "The Marshall Mathers LP," which sold 8 million copies in the United States alone, was nominated for album of the year in 2001, there were howls of protest — even more so when openly gay star Elton John agreed to perform with him at the Grammy ceremony.

Scott Seomin, entertainment director of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, said that controversy helped Eminem's career. "All of that attention has brought him more into the mainstream."

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## We always knew George was our greatest president

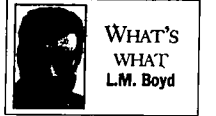
Could a political candidate today give away free fruit? In his electoral campaign, George Washington did that.

It was not ice skates but roller skates that originated in Holland. It was a woman in the Massachusetts Bay Colony who donated the ground on which the first free school was built, but girls weren't allowed to attend.

Men who take daily walks in the suburbs tend to stick to the same course. But men who take such walks midtown change the course from day to day, because they usually turn at intersections rather than on a set path.

Great Britain would fit inside British Columbia three times. And France would fit inside Quebec almost three times.

Who was the last U.S. President to get his early education in a one-room schoolhouse? A. Herbert Hoover. Nowhere in that book we now



call Alice in Wonderland is any mention of a "mad hatter." A "hatter," yes; but no "mad hatter."

The Spanish "charqui" means dried meat. That's where we got our word "jerky."

At least one in every five South Koreans is named Kim. Rhubarb roots are poisonous, too.

When a Scotsman in Scotland orders Scotch, he asks for whisky, never scotch.

The Americans who play the piano outnumber all the Americans who play any other musical instruments.

## Birthday today? You may have special senses

IF NOVEMBER 2ND IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you are loyal to family and are always willing to fight if cause is right. Marriage, for you, represents test, challenge. You are sensitive to degree of being psychic. When loved ones are hurt you feel it. Capricorn, Cancer natives play major roles in your life, could these letters in names: B, K, T. Before November is over, you have established your rightful place in professional and personal life.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Relationship could begin or end; you could discover love of your life. Look beyond the immediate; predict your future, and make it come true.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Answer to question: "Yes, it is time to go into business for yourself!" Highlight independence, original thinking. You get job done with relative ease.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Creative juices activated; you exude aura of personality, sex appeal. Young person looks to you as "role model." Maintain

### HOROSCOPE Sydney Omar

high standards; be selective and discriminating.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Raindrops will not fall on your head; you will have ample shelter. Highlight versatility, intelligence and humor. Popularity is on the rise.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Fix things at home, including plumbing and roofing. You may be involved in sale or purchase of property. Get story behind the story; nothing but the truth!

LIBRA (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Genuine bargain is available; be analytical, obtain the "history" of product in question. You could be amazed at what you discover.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You do your best work behind

the scenes. Recognition comes later; your efforts will be acknowledged. Define terms, avoid self-deception.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Libra Moon is in your Eleventh House; make a wish, and it will come true! This is your power-play day; focus on organization, recognition of priorities.

CAPIRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You gain added recognition; prestige rises in community. You

could be in love; give romance another chance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Let go of preconceived notions. Bring forth inventive qualities. Make fresh start, emphasize independence of thought and action.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You will be fascinated by the unknown — even more so when you provides enlightenment. Question of marital status dominates.

## Woman likes to cuddle; friends want more

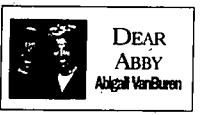
DEAR ABBY: I'm in a pickle. I have three very good male friends in my life whom I care for. "One" lives out of state, "Two" and "Three" live nearby. I spend a great deal of time with the two local men — separately, of course. They know about each other, but have never met.

Lately there seems to be a contest going on to see who gets to "keep me!" I enjoy going out with both of these two guys and don't like the idea of being considered "territory." I've never promised either of them anything and have never led to them or led them on.

The man I have promised something to is "One," who lives far away. He knows I go out and have fun with the other two guys, but says he doesn't mind because they're "just friends."

My dilemma is that both of the locals want to move in with me. I've so much as said it's not possible, but each is persistent. Every day I feel worse about this situation and have no idea how to get out of it.

Abby, I'm not using anyone, if that's what you are thinking. We always split the cost of meals, movie tickets, etc. I intend to remain loyal to "One," but all I want right now is a guy to have around to go out with or cuddle up with and watch a movie on TV. Help!



DEAR UP A CREEK: You may not think you are using anyone, but the two local fellows you are seeing might not agree. If you are "cuddling" with them, I can understand why they would want more. They have formed a romantic attachment with you because they think you're available and are interested in them. The honorable thing to do is to tell them that your heart belongs to "One" and let them find someone who is available. Form some friendships with women so you

won't be lonely while waiting for your "one and only" to return.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 13-year-old girl. I have a nice family, except for one thing. Every once in a while, my grandmother, "Nanie," on my father's side, wants me to spend one or two nights at her house. The problem is, our personalities clash. I like sports, playing in the school band, etc. She wants me to learn how to sew, cook, grow vegetables and play cards. She fusses over me and bothers me no end.

I recently wiggled out of one of those overnight, and my father and Nanie smelled a rat. If I tell my father how I feel, he will get angry. (My mother is playing neutral.)

I really do love Nanie a lot. She's old and sensitive, and I don't want to hurt her feelings — or my Dad's — or create a family rift. Abby, can you think of a way to tell Nanie to stop treating me like a 9-year-old?

— GETTING MATURE IN TEXAS

DEAR GETTING MATURE: Maturity is a process of growth, and both you and Nanie need to learn the art of compromise together. Learning to sew, cook and maintain a garden are handy and practical skills. But in return, your grandmother should cheer you on in your athletic competitions and applaud when you march with the band.

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OPINION

LETTERS

**Please stop taking Wasden sign from my yard**

I'm very shocked and disgruntled over the fact that a political sign for Lawrence Wasden for Idaho attorney general has been stolen twice from my yard while a political sign for a Democratic candidate for another office was left untouched.

Mr. Wasden, who is a graduate of Twin Falls High School, is a fine attorney and well qualified for the office he seeks, presently being second in leadership under Al Lance, who is having an outstanding attorney general for Idaho.

One has to wonder what kind of person would find it necessary to do such a deed as coming into a yard to take away my right to support a candidate of my choice.

MARLESE A. TEASLEY  
Twin Falls

**All you need to know is 'Yes' on Proposition 2**

I encourage a yes vote on Proposition 2.

Once again, the supporters of term limits have carefully crafted a confusing referendum that will undoubtedly leave voters searching their heads when they go to the polls on Nov. 5.

Here's what voters need to know when casting their ballots - votes on Proposition 2.

Term limits are bad for Idaho. Term limits prevent experienced leaders from holding office. They punish our city, county and school officials from serving our communities year after year even though they are underpaid and often overworked. The only term limits we need is the right to vote.

Yes on Proposition 2.

LOYD J. WEBB  
Twin Falls

**Idaho Rural Council welcomes all**

I would like to suggest that Ms. Koostra (Oct. 28) must be putting poisonous producing hallucinogens in her milk. I have become a member of Idaho Rural Council since 1994. In all that time, I have seen "real" (we prefer genuine) people at our meetings. IRC focuses on several issues, not just one. Our mission statement unequivocally supports sustainable agriculture in any form, including dairy.

However, we do have many members who have been negatively impacted by the chief product of confined animal feeding operations' manure. And yes, making CAFOs accountable for their waste impact is one of IRC's issues. Agendas - nothing hidden there. We're pretty up front. IRC is a grassroots organization. By definition, it is run by the members. We encourage each other to make our feelings known to those who affect our lives. This includes letter writing. Last time I looked, this wasn't a communist activity. Freedom of speech is a U.S. constitutional right.

IRC "Ghost writers"? If I had one, I wouldn't be up writing past my bedtime. By the way, I've noticed many of those anti-CAFO letters to the editor are coming from people who aren't even members. Gosh, could this be a "real" issue affecting genuine people?

IRC is not Bill Chisholm's. He is a member like the rest of us. We also hired him (temporarily, for nine months) to work on energy issues (note: another issue he is familiar with - he also has a business degree).

IRC does not single out a candidate to support - but I do. I have worked with Bill and know him to be responsible, hard working and ethical. You can rest assured that

Mr. C. will always consider the greater good. We "brag" about him because he doesn't promote himself enough.

Both IRC and Bill Chisholm have some difficult issues to address and a lot of hard, sometimes expensive work to do. Now that your misconceptions have been clarified, both could use your help. Bill needs your vote. IRC could use your dollars and participation - IRC's membership list is totally confidential. Ask the dairy association, it tried legal maneuvers to get it and didn't. You are protected. We'd prefer that you'd join and add your voice to the growing numbers. If you don't want to - a donation would be welcomed (P.O. Box 118, Bliss, ID, 83314). Thanks. The members will look for it.

DARCY THORNBORROW  
Buhl

**Term limits are bad for a republic**

Our government is a democratic republic where we the people select full-time representatives to study the issues thoroughly and vote on the issues, thus being more educated than a hyped-up politician.

A perfect example is the repeal of the term limits initiative. It was a tough choice for our Legislature. This issue is simply not good for Idaho.

TOM PETERS  
Jerome

**Education system isn't well equipped**

There is a criminal activity that is happening under our noses, but as a society, we are closing our eyes to this crime. The crime is that the American dream is being stolen and, even worse, it is our own education system that is facilitating this robbery. The current education system is not producing mediocre results, and there are many instances that are worse than mediocre.

This system is not well equipped to keep up with the rapidly changing world we live in today. A child born today will graduate from high school in the year 2020, none of us can imagine what that child will need to know in 18 years. Worse than that is trying to imagine the current education system trying to provide what that child needs to know. Doesn't anyone get it? The system is not working now, and if we don't make some changes pretty fast, the system is going to fall.

If we care about our kids and grandkids, we must cast our vote to elect Tom Luna as superintendent. Tom has great ideas, some of them the conventional education system is alarmed about, which in my opinion is a good thing because remember the good old way of doing things is not working.

REX REED  
Filer

**Term limits deprive voters of experience**

I am writing to urge a "yes" vote "against" term limits on Proposition 2.

Alexander Hamilton, one of the founders of our nation, wrote a lengthy essay on the dangers of term limits, which applies as much today as it did when he wrote it in 1788.

In "Federalist No. 72," Hamilton, writing to support the new United States Constitution, said of term limits on office holders that "Nothing appears more plausible at first sight, nor more ill-founded upon closer inspection."

Hamilton cited many "ill

effects" of term limits.

First, excluding office holders from running for re-election would diminish their "incentives to good behavior." Pointing out that "the desire of reward is one of the strongest incentives of human conduct," Hamilton made a strong case that public officials with no hope of re-election because of term limits would be less motivated in performing their jobs. Just as you or I would be if we knew we were being fired.

Hamilton also argued that term limits had the damaging effect of "depriving the community of the advantage of the experience gained" by the officer holder in the exercise of his office.

"Experience is the parent of wisdom," he argued, "and it is wise to declare that the moment it is acquired, its possessor shall be compelled to abandon the station in which it was acquired, and to which it is adapted."

Experience, knowledge and stability are no less important in Idaho today than they were in the new United States in 1788. Magic Valley residents need the experience of our veteran legislators - like Laird Nor and Denton Darrington - to protect us from attempts to destroy our rural way of life. We need the knowledge of our experienced sheriffs and prosecutors to protect us from crime and ensure a fair justice system. We need the stability offered by longtime clerks, treasurers and school board members to continue to run complex offices.

These are the people we have chosen to entrust with positions of leadership and authority. Why should we throw them all out indiscriminately? We always retain the right to vote against those we dislike.

Many of us voted for term limits in the past without careful analysis. As Hamilton said, what appeared "plausible at first" shows many defects "upon closer inspection."

Preserve your individual right to decide; vote yes on Prop. 2. Vote against indiscriminate term limits.

LAIRD STONE  
Twin Falls

**If Blinken wants to hunt, why go to the Senate?**

Gosh, gee whiz.

Well, Alan Blinken came to Idaho to hunt and fish. Sure - he should hate to ruin his hunting and fishing seasons by sending him back to Washington, D.C.

After all, that's why he came to Idaho. And he hasn't been here very long.

Sixth-generation Idahoan.

VICKIE C. STONE  
Twin Falls

**Remember experience and keep Craig**

President Bush showed uncommon wisdom in choosing a cabinet and staff of experienced people to support him in the momentous task of governing, which now includes waging war against the most insidious enemy of all time. It desperately needs the backing of every living American in order to prevail in this ultimate battle for survival of the American way of life. Even Richard Gephardt, the ultra-liberal minority leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, declares that in time of war, there are no Republicans, no Democrats, only Americans. The phrase, "united we stand," implies a mandate for each and every citizen to do whatever they can, if it is no more than to vote for the candidate who has proven himself or herself to be the best qualified to lead.

The most critical decision for Idahoans this time around is for the U.S. Senate and the difference in the qualifications of the two candidates has never been more pronounced. On the one hand, we have ranch-bred Larry Craig, graduate of a small-town high school, from the University of Idaho with honors before returning to the ranch; but his running career was cut short by being elected to the Idaho State Senate, where he served six years before being elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, where he served 10 years, and on to the U.S. Senate 12 years. Early in his first term in the U.S. Senate, his peers elected him chairman of the Republican Policy Committee, one of the four most powerful positions in the Senate. Not too slouchy for a country boy born in a ranch house in one of the most remote areas in Idaho.

His awesome record of service to our own has equal influence in running the nation, but that gives us a clue to his value to Idaho. Idaho and the nation need every ounce of that power to counter the enemy from within, the ultra-liberal federal judges, appointed for life, who consistently issue rulings against common sense. The nation cries out for more courageous likes of Sen. Craig to vote for nominees who represent the beliefs of Idaho America.

His opponent, carpetbagger, "Slinkin' Blinken" had been a politician he could have donated his \$1 million to Idaho schools and has been newsworthy for 30 years, but with his bad choice, make that 30 hours.

L.S. "TIP" TIPPETT  
Twin Falls

**Faulkner protects natural resource heritage**

I support Tom Faulkner for state senator for District 25.

Among his many accomplishments, Tom is the Wood River Valley and Magic Valley representative for the Idaho Association of Counties Legislative Committee. This honor is an elected position by officials in the eight-county South Central Idaho District. It is his third year on the committee, and he serves not only on the IAC Legislative Committee but the very important IAC Energy and Environment Committee and Public Lands Committee.

**Faulkner protects natural resource heritage**

Let's face the sad truth: you "Times-News" editorial writers would endorse a three-legged, flea-bitten, yellow dog, if he were running (er, limping) on the Republican ticket. Oh, yeah! You would wisely declare, "Sheep doesn't chase cars anymore, since his unfortunate accident, and it has been scratching 25 percent less."

Why don't you just write "Republican good, Democrat bad" and spare us the agony?

By the way, I agree with your assessment of term limits. I personally, passionately resent anyone or anything telling me my city, county, or state cannot have the most-qualified person serving in

Tom not only serves on these critical IAC committees but also on related boards such as the Department of Agriculture Outdoor Rules Committee, Health and Welfare Advisory Board, vice chairman of the Bureau of Land Management Grazing Board for Shoshone District, vice president of the Southern Idaho Solid Waste Committee and has served on the Upper Snake BLM Resource Advisory Council.

Tom Faulkner has the knowledge and incentive to fight to uphold his belief in protecting our natural resource heritage for all Idahoans while serving in the state Senate for District 25.

Voting for Tom Faulkner is just good politics. When elected, Tom will be a member of the majority party and not the minority party as is the present situation. Election of a state senator in the majority party will provide that extra benefit to the people of our Legislature.

SEVERE SWENSON JR.  
Gooding

**'Yellow dog' ed board should quit howling for GOP**

You (the editorial board) have no idea how tiresome it is to read your lock-step unwavering "ideological" endorsement of each and every Republican candidate for public office. You always endorse the Republican, even Luna. If business experience makes one a better-qualified candidate for state school superintendent, let's go all the way and name my auto mechanic head of the Transportation Department, or how about the kid who moves sprinkler lines on Uncle Ned's farm for head of the Ag Department?

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By the way, I agree with your assessment of term limits. I personally, passionately resent anyone or anything telling me my city, county, or state cannot have the most-qualified person serving in

an elected position just because he or she has already served "X" amount of years. That's dumb and it is wrong. This isn't kindergarten, folks, where each child gets a turn to ride the pony. This is the grown-up world. If a public servant needs to be replaced, then vote accordingly. That is term limits. The correct vote on the oddity presented Proposition 2 is "yes." We want no term limits.

TERRY CRAWFORD  
Wendell

**Faulkner will use fiscal responsibility**

Tom Faulkner will make an excellent senator for District 25. As a certified public accountant, he understands that public programs are driven by balanced budgets. Due to his work as commissioner, Gooding County no longer borrows against future tax receipts to pay its bills. Thanks to his leadership as board chairman, the Bliss School District completed building a new elementary school with funds on hand.

What accounts for Tom's accomplishments on behalf of Idaho taxpayers? - a sense of fiscal responsibility and the financial expertise to make them a reality.

Vote for Tom Faulkner on Nov. 5.

ALLISON JANSS  
Bliss

**Luna takes the higher ground in campaign**

I thought to myself that the race for the superintendent of schools to be the shining star in this election. Until now, we have seen no attacks ads from either side. But leave it to the Democrats to launch an attack. I am thoroughly disgusted with the recent radio ads I have heard.

I spoke with the Tom Luna campaign Wednesday and they assured me they have no intention of running any attack ads. Mr. Luna feels that this race is about Idaho's children. The message that Tom Luna has is that we need to refocus efforts on the schools toward children learning.

This focus has waned recently and especially with schools under the direction of Mrs. Howard.

Good for you, Mr. Luna, in your great ideas and running a clean campaign. You have my vote.

MIAH HORSLEY  
Twin Falls

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Luna provides parents answers

I support Tom Luna as the preferable candidate for superintendent of public instruction. He is more receptive of the concept of parental choice than his opponent. A lot of educators get up in arms when the word "choice" is mentioned. The money used to operate our public schools is not derived out of thin air. It comes from basically two central sources: one is from the local county as the school's portion of property taxes and from the state as allocated in the state budget. Government agencies in themselves have no money. Their "monies" are collected from each and every one of us by various government entities through taxation and regulatory fees.

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Gooding County. He has helped Gooding go from a county dependent on tax anticipation notes to meet obligations to a county with \$3 million in the bank. As the Bliss School Board chairman he has been instrumental in getting a summer school program started, complete with transportation and lunch for all kids. His leadership has led to a new elementary school that is now in the last stages of planning and is to be built next year. In short, Tom Faulkner is a man of action.

Clint Stennett, on the other hand, has talked a good game but has delivered on very little. As a liberal minority representative, Clint apparently lacks the political ability to get much done. According to many in the Legislature, Clint just does not build coalitions for his proposals and always falls back on that "mean Republican" line when his ineffectiveness gets pointed out. Clint recently listed his accomplishments in the Wood River Journal. At first glance, it's a pretty short list of accomplishments and 12 years of service. Upon further review, a lot of what was passed are things that Republicans proposed and he just voted for.

Clint absolutely railed Republicans for repealing term limits. He called them arrogant. "Term limits are the will of the people, it's the principle of the matter," he proclaims. If the will of the people and principle are really the issues, then why is he still running for office for the 13th and 14th consecutive years? Must be the "two decade" limit he is referring to.

At the candidate's forum in Halley, Tom Faulkner asked Clint Stennett, "Who do you support for the U.S. Senate, Alan Blinken or Larry Craig?" Clint proudly replied, "I support the guy who lives here in Blaine County, Alan Blinken."

Clint supports Blinken so much that the radio spots on KETCH radio in Ketchum are almost identical. If Blinken accuses Larry Craig of not having a hunting license and Clint accuses Tom Faulkner of not having a hunting license, I presume we are running on a Fish and Game ticket. If this is the new political criteria, will someone please write in the Ranger.

Is it time for a change? Go Figure! If so, vote for Tom Faulkner on Nov. 5. RAY MCCLURE Bellevue

Mikesell's dedication is needed

Tom Mikesell is an honest, hard-working and dependable citizen. Over the last 15 years, we have had the opportunity to interact with Tom on a professional and personal level. He has always been a person we feel we can trust.

At 50-Minute Photo, Tom has worked late evenings and holidays to try and help our family out of a crisis, and always with a positive attitude. We feel he is perfectly suited for public service because he truly goes the extra mile for something he truly believes.

Our family supports Tom Mikesell for Twin Falls County commissioner in District 2. We encourage others to vote for Tom Mikesell on Nov. 5. STEVE AND EVA MEYERHOFER Twin Falls

Luna proves he knows the issues

After watching the debates live and on TV, there was a clear choice. Tom Luna showed that he knew the issues and has a vision for Idaho schools and the children of Idaho.

He showed, as a former-school board member, that he knows what needs to be done to get local control back to our school districts. And he also showed how that would free up more dollars for the classrooms.

In the moment, Marilyn Howard, constantly stated that there was plenty of local control, with no strings attached to the money we receive from the state. By this statement from Marilyn Howard, it is obvious that she either wants to continue to control the money that flows from the state to the local districts or she is not in touch with restrictions currently on the local districts. This is a major part of what she knows what needs to be done.

Tom Luna advocates the state setting standards of achievement. Once the standards have been set, money will be sent from the state for the only strings attached would be that the students have to achieve those standards. The great educators that we have hired in our local districts would have the flexibility to use their knowledge and abilities to get the students to those standards. The only way we'll succeed in giving our children the education that we want for them is to give our districts and teachers more local control.

In the debates, Tom showed how dedicated he is to teachers by explaining how he spearheaded a \$90 bonus for all teachers that became certified. The Nampa School District is the only district that has this bonus. He also explained how Nampa's school teachers have received the highest pay increase in the state in the last seven years. Much more can be done for the teachers and children of Idaho by voting for Tom Luna. Today, it takes close to \$3 to get \$1

into the classroom. Our school system is very top heavy, and we need someone to fix it up. Tom Luna is the person for the job of state superintendent of public instruction. Join me in voting for Tom Luna. ROBERT LUNA Jerome (Editor's note: Robert Luna is a school board member in the Jerome School Board, and the brother of Republican superintendent of schools candidate Tom Luna.)

Luna will help Idaho schools

Idaho parents and teachers now have an opportunity to improve public education from the top down by voting for Tom Luna as superintendent of public instruction.

Tom Luna is neither steeped in the brew of educational rhetoric nor a bureaucrat. Great stories of business turn-arounds happen when someone comes from outside to run a company. Tom Luna is the "outsider" who has great advantage; he often sees what familiarity has trained the regulars to overlook.

It is preferable that the "outsider" not have "experience" in the field. His job is not to perform the day-by-day operations. He leaves that to the experts. His job is to stimulate thinking, to ask "whys" and "why nots" about the way things are done. His purpose is to shake that blind-sided familiarity that breeds the attitude, "we have always done this way." The "outsider" also asks "what?" What changes can be made to activate greater efficiency in this system? As it happens in business, it can happen in our public schools system.

Tom Luna has the courage and passion to keep asking the questions until all pieces come into view. We all students, parents, taxpayers - as concerned citizens need Tom Luna and his "outsiderness" in our education system. When the time comes, we have him start there at the top. We can win there - by voting Tom Luna, superintendent of public education, Nov. 5. Vote to improve our schools for all Idahoans! AMBER W. CNOSSEN Wendt

Get rid of term limits

The Legislature did the right thing in repealing term limits. This election, the citizens of Idaho should follow suit and reject term limits by voting yes on Proposition 25. The language on the ballot is poorly drafted, so a "yes" is a vote against term limits. Term limits were proposed to make our elected officials more accountable to voters. In fact, term limits will have just the opposite effect.

Elected officials will be less accountable and have no interest in pleasing constituents. Multiple-term incumbents gain their immunity by building a record that a majority of the citizens can support. They know if they want to keep their job, they have to do a good job.

Term limits simply create politicians who are either inexperienced or are lame ducks waiting to be replaced. The inexperienced will fall under the sway of the permanent bureaucracy and be influenced by it, rather than influencing the bureaucracy by solid leadership and training. To ban the best qualified from running is to ban the best. Most importantly, term limits restrict our voting rights. Maybe that is the best way to explain the confusing language in Proposition 25. A "yes" vote is a vote for our right to vote on the candidates we choose. A "no" vote means no accountability, no experience and no right to choose candidates. JONATHAN BRODY Twin Falls

Guard resources, vote conservative

Let's have a quick look at Idaho history. First we had the mountain man. Never before or since has man been so free. Think conservative. Then came mining. Billions of dollars worth of gold, silver and various other metals. Then we had the Oregon Trail running the full width of southern Idaho. Countless immigrants came to Oregon/Oregonia and was also once a great state. Idaho still is.

As some of these immigrants passed through Idaho, they saw the potential of the vast natural resources. With the vision of these pioneers opening the great water resources of Idaho onto dry desert lands, we have the vast and fertile plains of southern Idaho. Think conservative. The ranching cattlemen soon overgrazed Idaho forests and deserts, but thinking men soon realized that by leaving a portion of the graze, they had fatter cattle and a renewable resource. Think conservative.

Then we had logging - a great industry for a growing Idaho. Again, we had to learn the sensible method of harvesting our great timber resource (does anybody remember Oregon's forest fires this summer - thank you Oregon tree-huggers). Let's try to avoid that by responsibly logging in Idaho. Think conservative equals vote conservative.

Have I mentioned that I love Idaho? I believe it's the responsibility of us in rural Idaho to vote conservative to off-

set counties with high numbers of immigrants from other states and countries (i.e., Los Angeles, California). Longtime residents of Blaine County, you have my apologies and sympathy. Blaine was once a great county.

Here in western Twin Falls County, we have an opportunity to think conservative, vote conservative. We need to put elected officials in the statehouse and Washington that will be able to work together and not fly off in weird tantrums. Those that would vote liberal, please vote in California or Oregon. The liberals there have already ruined them, you will do little damage there. I love Idaho. GARY HARMS Buhl

Brady brings a valuable resume

Experience! Let's talk about it. Jerry Brady is the name.

Jerry is a successful employer in the private sector, the owner-publisher of the Idaho Falls daily newspaper. Jerry is an Idaho native, a graduate of Notre Dame (yes, the "Fighting Irish"), a law school graduate, and he's a candidate for governor of this state. His family has been in Idaho for 77 years and he owns the newspaper business for 77. His ancestors include a governor and a U.S. senator. Candidate Brady has been around, having visited 30 counties on his plant-ership experience. Is not exactly parochial.

It is worthy of note that Gov. Kempthorne was briefly employed in the private sector prior to seeking his political party. That's that alternative. If experience is crucial to the office, would it not be appropriate to support a successful business owner concerned for the present and future of his native state? That's that alternative. JACK WENDLING Filer

Pence practices conservation

I am writing in support of Donna Pence, candidate for Legislative District 25.

I have known Donna and her family for more than 25 years. We have hunted, fished and camped together, as well as worked on their tree farm. In her everyday life, she practices conservation: one who believes in the wise use of our natural resources. I have always been impressed with her ability to get things done, whether raising a family, coaching sports or doing farm work.

For the last 15 years, she has assisted the private landowners of southern Idaho in the conservation of their soil, water and other natural resources. I have no reservations whatsoever in asking the voters, including the farmers and ranchers, to join me in voting for Donna Pence on Tuesday, Nov. 5. GALE ROBERTS GALEMAN

Stennett works for our interest

Sen. Stennett attends numerous community meetings and has attended two formal town meetings a year in Camas County. He also attends all of our Soil Conservation District Legislative meetings. He listens to our needs. He responds to our requests.

We feel Sen. Stennett represents Camas County better than we have ever been represented before in the Senate. Hugh and I have helped with his campaign for reelection in 2002 because we believe the work he does is in the best interest of our citizens and our county. Be sure and vote on Nov. 5. My choice of senator for District 25 is Sen. Clint Stennett. AFTON KOONCE Fairfield

Term limits can balance politics

The defenders against term limits mainly are voters in their defense that longtime office holders have more experience. They claim this would be lost if there are term limits for Idaho political leaders.

A couple of observations: Back before the Idaho primaries this year, The Times-News printed a life sketch of the current governor and the current "senior" senator for Idaho. Using this information, these two men, since graduating from law, have been involved and held political office all their adult life (since their college years) except for about five years for each of the both of them. Both of these men are in their 50s.

Based on this information, in their time in office they have served in an honorable manner but not that much more balanced. Another thing to consider is history that is used to defend no term limits by saying that if you want someone out of office, vote them out on Election Day. This is impossible in Idaho because of Republican Party control. If Democrats were in control, the same problem would exist. With term limits, the Legislature in Idaho would become more balanced. We need term limits at least with leaders in state office or Congress or the U.S. Senate. Until we have term limits, Idaho will be Republican controlled. As a result, our state will be Democratic, the same problem would exist. One comment in closing: If you read history/encyclopedia to check out the Democratic Party or Republican Party

in front when it all started, the Democratic Party was the working man's party. Now it is basically political money being against the working man or woman by both political parties. DONALD L. ROBINSON Eden

What would term limits do locally?

I urge Magic Valley voters to vote yes on Proposition 25. Term limits are a bad idea. Term limits keep experienced, well-qualified candidates from serving our communities. It is hard enough to find folks who are willing to serve additional board members, sheriffs and local prosecutors without imposing artificial limits on their ability to serve.

When elected officials are doing a good job, leave them alone. When elected officials are doing a bad job, vote them out of office. We don't need out-of-state interest groups telling us who to vote for.

Proposition 25 is on Proposition 2. ORRIETTE SINCLAIR Twin Falls

Luna will reward good teaching

I'm writing to support Tom Luna for superintendent of public instruction. Tom will be an advocate for our teachers and our students. His concern about funding is well justified. Idaho spends nearly a billion dollars a year on education and yet classrooms sometimes don't have the needed school supplies. We need to account for just what that billion dollars is spent and refocus it on increasing student achievement. This is one of Tom Luna's stated goals and he will achieve it.

Tom will be also handicapped by a system that does nothing to reward excellence in teaching. Tom is dedicated to giving the teachers not just the tools and funding they need to teach, but also the freedom to do their jobs as well. A heavy bureaucracy hangs over their heads, and Tom Luna can reform it.

Finally, and most importantly, Tom Luna will put our children first. He supports increased parental responsibility and choice in education. He has said that as long as children are learning, where they do so is not important. We need to bring a positive voice to education, someone who will not focus only on negatives. Tom Luna will do that and will also improve the future generation for Idaho. FLORENCE MARY SANDY Hagerman

Bedke supports multiple use

I support Scott Bedke for the House of Representatives from District 27. Scott has well represented his fellow citizens in the past. His experiences as well as his common sense and common sense values are what we need in Boise.

When I was serving on our local school board, I found Scott to be very supportive of our children first. He is also a supporter of multiple-use lands, appreciate his fiscal conservation philosophy. Scott is a good man who has done a great job in representing us. I support Scott and I hope you will also. TIMOTHY PRESTON Burley

Make a bold choice for Brady

I am writing this letter to let the voters of this county that they have a real choice to make on Nov. 5.

In years past, voters have been able to take the fall election season off. This year, voters have to decide between Jerry Brady and Dirk Kempthorne. Jerry Brady is a former student body president at Notre Dame University, a graduate of the University of California Berkeley Law School and a successful businessman.

Dirk Kempthorne has a tough task asking for a second term with any confidence. The bad news for Dirk is he signed the worst tax cut in Idaho's history. In the spring of 2001, Idaho had its old tax system and the public's confidence, along with personal income growth of 9.3 percent, good for fifth best in the United States. Oh what a difference a year and some horrible leadership makes.

To Dirk's credit, this year he only dropped 44 places to finish 49th ahead of North Dakota. Idaho had a personal income growth of only .5 percent this year. How about that? Maybe it just put the people's pocket? Maybe it just put the money into corporate pockets. Since January 2000, Idaho has lost 7,500 jobs; \$740 million have been lost in the 401k plans of Idahoans and \$2 million was lost from the state Pension fund due to the corporate scandals. There is still 16 percent of Idaho's population that does not currently have health insurance. All while Dirk Kempthorne was traveling out of the state as much as he was actually in the state seeking to become the head of the National Governors Association. If Dirk put as much effort into improving Idaho, as he did at seeking next high position, maybe he wouldn't be worried about his current position.

Dirk Kempthorne has not done what Idaho expects - earn a second term! JOHN BAIRD Twin Falls

(Editor's note: John Baird is the chairman of the Twin Falls County Democratic Party.)

Look into Idaho Rural Council

The Idaho Rural Council - the group that is leading the anti-rural protests in southern Idaho - has been recently profiled by the Consumer Freedom Organization. (www.consumerfreedom.com) This initiative to help them with their "burden" is often met with open outcry of an unpatriotic sense that they are maiming public education. It is not that these parents are against freedom schools; rather, they are in support of public education and are willing to pay a price to try to secure it.

The larger questions is not whether we should have vouchers, but how we can "fix" our public schools so that all parents feel that their children are being well prepared to succeed in life when they graduate? When that happens, the question of vouchers will be obsolete. We can "fix" our schools. We can get off to a good start by voting for Tom Luna for superintendent of public instruction. TERRY DOWNS Jerome

Originally, that was probably true. However, over time they have been co-opted by a network of environmental activist groups dedicated to disrupting the business - however and whenever they can.

- A sampling of the money donated to the IRC is as follows: Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation: \$15,000 during the course of the last four years; Bullitt Foundation: 105 years the last four years; Beldon Fund: 90,000 over the past four years; Fullin Welfare Foundation: 90,000 over the past five years; Belvedere Fund: 60,000 over the past year.

There is an additional five other foundations listed that have contributed over the \$15,000 during the course of the past three to five years. This, of course, does not include the in-kind contributions made by the Sierra Club in training, research and publishing the acronym of the IRC.

Remember the next time that the IRC campaigns against ag-business in Idaho that it is not exactly who it professes to be. BRENT OLMSTEAD Boise

Pence will assist constituents

Donna Pence, candidate for District 25 B, House of Representatives, is a hard-working, dedicated candidate. Donna has knocked on more than 3,000 doors in the district, reaching out personally to the people of District 25. This personal, responsive approach to representation is what the folks in District 25 need.

"People drop out of the electoral process because they feel that no one is listening or cares about what they believe or need. Donna Pence would be the kind of legislator that would bring the government back to the people."

Donna is interested and willing to spend time helping, informing and listening to the folks in District 25. She would answer letters, e-mails and phone calls. She would attend town meetings and make every effort to stay in touch with her constituents.

If you want to hear from your representative sometime other than during an election, vote for Donna Pence. Donna Pence, a responsive representative for District 25B. SUSAN HAFNER Boise

Faulkner produces results

Tom Faulkner needs to be our next senator for District 25. Tom has done remarkable things in

OPINION

Luna seeks to reward excellence

The Howard-Luna debates have clarified the issues. The differences between the candidates are significant. Voters must now choose the path our schools and children will take.

In Tom Luna's words, "The custodian of the status-quo system has bred mediocrity and dis-appointing student achievement, despite nearly \$1 billion poured into Idaho classrooms each year."

Tom Luna wants to reward performance. He knows people respond to incentive. He wants to allow parental choice. He knows parents who can decide for their children will be more involved with their children's education. He wants the outstanding teachers in the state to be recognized for their dedication and success in the classroom, for service above and beyond the call of duty. Tom knows that teacher job satisfaction is not linked to salary alone, but to the freedom to be idealistic and to excel.

Many teachers are supporting Marilyn Howard for what they believe are valid reasons. Others are quietly supporting Tom Luna because they recognize that Tom represents hope for saving the schools from a system that, for too long, has resisted self-examination or new thinking.

It is our nature to be fearful of change. The improvements Tom Luna offers will not happen overnight, but change is needed. Our children's futures are at stake.

Please consider this carefully. Then vote your conscience. I have considered it, and I will be voting for Tom Luna, state superintendent!

BRIAN CAPPS

(Editor's note: Brian Capps is the board president for Jerome School District No. 261.)

Don't attract the vices of gambling

If you were told the truth about all kinds of serious vices and crime that follow gambling, would you want it in your state?

Let's keep Idaho clean and vote no on Proposition 1.

ANN PETERS

Jerome

Editorial endorses an unqualified Luna

Last Friday's (Oct. 25) editorial against Marilyn Howard for state superintendent of public instruction was very predictable. The editorial board cannot base a decision on fact or qualification or on competency. When it comes to education, the editorial board continues its blind ranting and raving against the very people who are committed to providing the best education in Idaho for dollar spent. The editorial board says education is a "broken system." Is this true or does it follow the practice of stating an untruth enough times it becomes truth.

This is not responsible journalism.

The remembered classroom of 10 years ago, 20 or 30 years ago is not what is happening in today's schools. Education is not a perfect science, and it is constantly changing. Educators and administrators are challenged daily to improve the lessons they present to their students, and on that daily basis, they are the most informed of what works and what does not work in the classroom. The best education comes by having the teacher in the classroom teaching. Maybe we should start listening to what our "professional educators" are saying about educational change.

I've listened to the debates, and I've read a lot of material in more than one newspaper and in the campaign literature. Tom Luna's ideas and slogans are not new and fresh. They have all been tried in education before to mixed success through time. Some techniques work and some do not. What works in New York City or Chicago may not work anywhere in Idaho. Where are the plans and details behind Luna's generalizations, or have we just not got that far yet? I got a kick out of his complaining that signs for Marilyn Howard were being distributed at school and, yes, that is not appropriate. However, Kempthorpe and Craig both are seen on their statewide TV ads with Idaho superintendents in Idaho classrooms full of Idaho students taking credit for anything that would appear to be positive in Idaho education. Do we see a double standard?

Simply put, Luna's minimal qualifications and empty campaign slogans do merit election.

Please vote with me for Marilyn Howard for state superintendent of public education.

KEN HIGH  
Twin Falls

Faulkner's background will help in Senate

Tom Faulkner is the man for District 25. He will do a great job as state senator.

I have great respect for Tom Faulkner as a person. I have known the Faulkner family for 34 years in Gooding. Tom has the background and the ability to do a good job. Tom is a certified public accountant. He has worked for many types of businesses.

MONTY BAKER  
Gooding

Faulkner's campaign has clean contributors

I want to thank Sally Fillmore for pointing out the state campaign finance page at <http://www.idcos.state.id.us/eldfin dex.htm>. I went to the site and could not find where Tom Faulkner had taken money from dairy ranches, so I called him. He told me that he has received \$300 out of more than \$10,000 in contributions from dairies. One could conclude that Mr. Faulkner's campaign is hardly being bankrolled by the dairy industry. Next to an in-kind donation for his Web site (<http://faulknerforsenate.com/>), Mr. Fillmore is the second largest contributor to his campaign.

For fun, I decided to check out his opponent Clint Stennett. What I found was frightening. Mr. Stennett has raised more than \$40,000 for a state Senate campaign! More than \$10,000 of it has come from special interest groups and out-of-state concerns including a tobacco giant (Philip Morris), pharmaceutical conglomerate (Merck) and insurance lobbyist (American Insurance Association).

Huge corporations like AT&T, Quest and Sinclair Oil and mining giant and polluter ASARCO (go to [google.com](http://google.com) and type in "ASARCO pollution") made significant contributions to Stennett's campaign. These contributions do not come without strings attached. These campaign contributions do not seem very appropriate for a state Senate campaign.

As an independent voter I always felt that state elections should be run and financed on a local level. Mr. Faulkner has done that, and Clint Stennett has taken big money. This is one reason why I am voting for Tom Faulkner on Nov. 5. Thanks again to Sally Fillmore for providing this public service.

MATT BAILEY

T-N editorial board is deceived by Luna

After reading last week's editorial blasting educators, the Idaho Education Association and Dr. Marilyn Howard, we said, "It's time to sharpen our pencils." It's also time for voters to listen to the people who know education best — committed and experienced classroom teachers of this community.

Eager to share our passion for language and literature, we focus daily on student learning and the best methods to meet the state and national standards. However, we maintain that the best things that happen in our classrooms (the real heart and soul of learning) cannot be tested.

When *The Times-News* calls public education a "broken system that measures everything that goes into public schools, but little of what comes out," we bristle. Teachers have to feed the thousands of students who have walked through their doors. Ask students. Ask parents. Test scores can't be judged like profit margins. We do know that the teacher is the single most important factor in student learning, yet our opinions are discredited time and time again. Ironically, being a teacher and/or a member of the Idaho Education Association seemingly invalidates our voice. Got a legal problem. Call your lawyer. Got a medical problem. Call the doctor. Got an education concern. Call *The Times-News*.

*The Times-News* says that Tom Luna's "strength of ideas" will bring a "spirit reform" to Idaho education. After three nights of television debate, we only heard the same canned, predictable comments as answers to voters' questions. When pointedly asked for specific examples, he couldn't substantiate his ideas; instead, he

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More letters - A10, B10

returned to the same hackneyed phrases that skirted the issues.

Quite frankly, we are saddened that the editorial board or any knowledgeable citizen in our state would even consider voting for Luna. Education is not a partisan issue, and *The Times-News* is making it one. Unfortunately, we don't have the Dan Popkeys of the Idaho Statesman to point out that "the words that come out of his Luna's mouth make me fear for our public schools."

Why should voters support Dr. Marilyn Howard as the state

superintendent? She has earned the respect of teachers and the education community in Idaho. Her professionalism and competence as an administrator make her the clear choice — the only choice.

Emerson, Thoreau, and Shakespeare would agree. MARY LU BARRY JAMES MOTTERN-HIGH Twin Falls (Editor's note: Mary Lu Barry and Janis Mottern-High are teachers at Twin Falls High School.)

Schools aren't falling at all

As I have been scouring *The Times-News* editorial section in

the past weeks, I kept thinking about the same education issues Idaho schools are somehow failing. As a parent and a teacher, this statement just confuses me. In my classroom, I see intelligent young people who are learning to be responsible decision-makers. In my home, I see smart little girls who are reading beyond anything I could have done at their age. In my opinion, the schools just keep getting better.

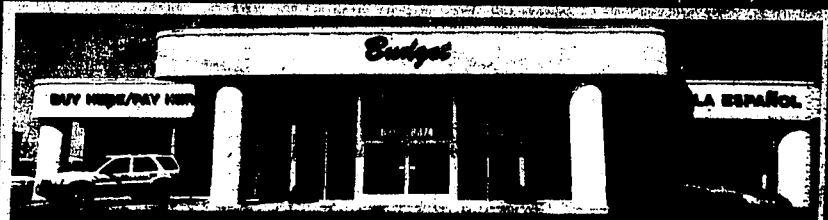
Ten years ago you could not take the college courses you can now while still in high school. Ten years ago, schools were good. Today they are better! I find that those people who say

that schools are failing haven't been in a school since they went to school. Take a look today.

I would also like to add that it is heart-breaking to think that tests are our only measurement to see whether a student is succeeding. This puts pressure on teachers to emphasize the things they will be tested on (math, reading, English) at the expense of enlightening experiences (music, physical education, drama, art, etc.). Hmmmm, I guess a student who doesn't catch on to reading right away has no right to sing.

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## Vote anyway

I was the last-born of eight children and I came along when my parents were fairly advanced in years. By the time I was a junior in high school, they asked me if I would mind if we moved out of the house and into a condo.

Let's see, I thought - swimming pool access, with no lawn to mow, no garden to weed and no leaves to rake. "Yeah," I said. "That will be OK."

So I moved with my parents into what I thought was going to be condo heaven, at least until our first Saturday in our new home.

"You want me to WHAT?" I asked Mom, whom I was SURE I had misunderstood.

"Clean the bathroom," she said, calmly.

"The BATHROOM?" I asked again.

"Yes," she said. "You know, that little room with that shiny chair with swirling water?"

She was being facetious, of course. It was one of her specialties. But she clearly was determined that I would have Saturday chores to do, yard or no yard.

### VALUESPEAK

Joseph Walker

"I know what a bathroom is," I said. "I just don't know how to clean one."

"Then it's time you learned," she said. She explained the process. I was horrified.

"But that's so unsanitary," I said, beginning to list the reasons why I shouldn't do it.

"Use my rubber gloves," she said.

"But it's gross," I replied. "I'll throw up."

"Then you'll be in exactly the right place to do that," she said.

"But I don't want to do it," I whined.

She smiled that stern, fixed smile of hers. "Do it anyway," she said.

And I did.

I was thinking about that the other day when a colleague was listing all the reasons why he doesn't plan on voting next week.

"There really isn't anyone I'm excited about voting for," he said. "I don't want EITHER of the Congressional candidates to win."

My state legislator is going to win whether I vote or not. I don't really understand any of the issues on the ballot. And I'm not exactly sure where my polling place is. Besides, it's an off-year election - who really cares?

I can understand those reasons. I've felt most of them before myself at one time or another during my voting career. Ignorance, apathy and the lack of charismatic candidates can make it difficult to drag yourself to the voting booth to cast your ballot.

But like Mom said, do it anyway.

Inform yourself on the candidates and the issues as best you can between now and Election Day. But even if you don't cast the most educated ballot in the history of free elections, vote anyway.

Even if both candidates are horrendous, vote anyway. Even if the TV news stations are declaring a winner before you've had a chance to vote, vote anyway. Even if you're not altogether sure that any of it matters, that power and control in government are far beyond the grasp of any one elected official, vote anyway.

Vote because it is your right to do so. Vote because it is your duty. Vote because men and women have fought, bled and died so you could have the privilege of voting.

Vote because I said so. Vote because it's what Americans do. Vote to cancel Ana Nicole Smith's debt. Vote just to prove you're smarter than the average guest on "Jerry Springer," who probably can't figure out how to pull the lever or poke out the chad. Vote to protest. Vote to support. Vote for the good, patriotic feeling that comes from voting.

And if none of those reasons motivate you, vote without motivation.

It's Election Day.

Vote anyway.

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

## New church says it will focus on traditional beliefs

By Joan Bean  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - A Latter Day church with a new name has settled into the Magic Valley.

Jim Watkins, pastor of the local group, explained the timeline: Two years ago, the Remnant Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints was organized by a group of men in Independence, Mo., who had been high priests in the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Today, the Remnant church has a membership of 5,000 nationwide, Watkins said, including 23

members in a congregation that meets at Parkes Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

The new group organized in response to the prompting of the Holy Spirit, Watkins said. The Remnant church does not accept the newer church practices of ordaining women, offering open communion and accepting baptisms from other churches.

"We felt that the direction of the Holy Spirit was telling us that this was not the thing to do, and we should keep the original tenets of the church intact with our change, because God is an unchangeable God and that He

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## Travel trouble



The Rev. Stefano Caprio is presented with a birthday cake in the town of Vladimir, about 100 miles east of Moscow. Five Catholic priests have had their visas revoked this year, with no prior warning. The Keston Institute, which monitors religious freedom, has about 40 foreign religious workers on its list of visa denials since 1998.

## Russia, turning inward, shuts out religious workers

By Judith Ingram  
The Associated Press

MOSCOW - Every three months, the Rev. Emile Dumas goes through the same, unsettling routine - applying to the Russian government for an extension of his entry visa. It's by no means a formality for Dumas, an American priest who heads a small Roman Catholic parish on Russia's Far Eastern Sakhalin Island.

Five Catholic priests have had their visas revoked this year, with no warning. In September, five U.S. Protestants were refused permission to return to the central Russian city of Kostroma, where they run a church and training courses for orphans. The government also turned down visa extensions for 30 U.S. Peace Corps volunteers midway through their two-year tour - leaving just half the current crop at their posts in Russia.

Religious activists, embassy officers and tour agents all confirm a spike in the number of Russian visa refusals over the past two years.

The Keston Institute, which monitors religious freedom, has about 40 foreign religious workers on its list of visa denials since 1998, with most refused since 2000. Others have not publicized their cases in hopes of reversing the refusal, or for

fear of endangering their Russian congregations.

The refusals are one measure of the Russian government's attempts, after a decade of openness to the West, to turn the nation inward by keeping foreigners out. The freedom that many Russians had thirsted for after the 1991 collapse of the Soviet Union brought a flood of foreign cultural and religious influences that some welcomed but others perceived as crowding out Russia's own values.

"The doors seemed pretty open when we came, and our assistance seemed to be very much appreciated," said Jeffrey Wolman, a 53-year-old humanitarian worker from Dallas, Texas, who set up life skills and computer training classes for orphans in Kostroma in 1999 and was among the five Protestants refused re-entry to Russia in September.

"Now it looks like the door is shutting."

Visa authorities appear hand-in-hand with Russian Orthodox prelates who fear the spread of Catholicism and evangelical churches in regions where Orthodox influence was wiped out during 70 years of Communism. In meetings with Orthodox prelates, the Federal



Russian Buddhists rally in front of the Foreign Ministry in Moscow to protest the government's refusal to grant the Dalai Lama a visa. This past summer, for the second year in a row, Russia refused to admit the spiritual leader for Russia's 1 million Buddhists and for Tibetans who resist Chinese rule.

## Religion goes into TV shows

By David Cumm  
Detroit Free Press

OK, so anybody who has seen HBO's hit series "The Sopranos" knows that mob boss Tony Soprano has what you could call a bad temper. You might even call him a lying, cheating, gutter-mouthed killer who would gun down his best friend in cold blood.

But we're all got our flaws, right? And God still loves us. At least that's "The Gospel According to Tony Soprano" by the Rev. Elvis Seay, a Texas pastor who has written the most edgy, inspirational book among a host of new tomes trying to deliver spiritual messages to couch potatoes.

According to pollsters, 40 percent of Americans say they attend church regularly. So, Christian publishers are trying to reach the people who should be in the pews by beaming religious messages wrapped in images from cable TV, videotape and DVD.

Joining Tony Soprano's "Gospel on bookstore shelves this fall are "The Gospel According to Harry Potter" and "The Gospel According to the Simpsons: Guide for Group Study." Two other gospel volumes based on "The Lord of the Rings" and Disney cartoons are planned.

It's not all that different than the way Jesus taught 2,000 years ago, said the Rev. Robert Short, a Presbyterian pastor who was a pioneer in the field nearly 40 years ago. When Short's paperback, "The Gospel According to Peanuts," appeared in 1965, many churchgoers were shocked. A comic strip would be used to teach religious lessons. But Short sold more than 10 million copies.

Jesus was a master teacher, and he understood this idea," said Short, retired in Little Rock, Ark. "He understood that people would have scattered in a hundred directions if he had told them, 'Now it's time for a little lecture on theology.' Instead, he would say, 'I've got a story to tell you. There was once a man ...' and he'd go on to tell popular stories to get his lessons across."

The idea of combining mass media and spiritual lessons has surfaced in the United States periodically over the past century. In 1900, L. Frank Baum, a member of the Theosophical Society, wrote "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" about a group of friends who discover spiritual resources like courage and love reawakening within themselves as they walk along life's yellow brick road.

But the new Southern book appears to be the first time that such a violent and crude slice of culture has been repackaged for a Christian audience. Seay admitted readers may be jarred to read an inspirational book that features R-rated language involving sex. But the words have been replaced with hyphens in a special edition of the paperback's Relevant Books, said, the pastor of a non-denominational church in Houston.

Seay insisted that he is not trying to promote crude language, and he does not want anyone to mistake these TV characters for saints. "Tony, Carmela, Meadow, Christopher, Silvio and Pussycat are not heroes," the book says. "Although many people will be tempted to glorify the lifestyle their characters represent, they should instead see them as they are, broken people who are looking for answers, people waking up each day and performing tasks while they search for meaning in it all."

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RELIGION

Jerome church plans dinner theater event

JEROME - The "Master's Table Dinner Theater" free four-course meal with entertainment from New Life Drama Company and Lighthouse Jerome Praise Band is set for 6 p.m. Thursday at Lighthouse Christian Fellowship, 900 N. Lincoln in Jerome.

Grace Baptist Church schedules evangelist



TWIN FALLS - Southern California evangelist Jim Cook will speak at this week's annual Fall Revival at Grace Baptist Church, 798 Eastland Drive N. Services are set for 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Nursery care will be provided, as will an interpreter for the hearing-impaired. For information or transportation, call 733-1452.

Greeting service for Jerome pastor includes potluck

JEROME - The Rev. Jeff Porter, the new pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Jerome, will conduct Sunday's 10:30 a.m. service, with a welcome potluck to follow.

Porter, a graduate of the University of California (bachelor of arts in theological studies) and Fuller Theological Seminary in

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had not told anybody to make these changes," added Watkins.

Its members refer to the Reorganized church as the original church, splintered off in the 1850s when LDS leader Brigham Young took a group west to Salt Lake City. Traditionally, the Reorganized church, like the Salt Lake City-based Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, recognizes the Bible, the Book of Mormon and the Doctrine and Covenants as divinely inspired.

Watkins explained that the term "reman" means the faithful few that are left to carry the banner to fulfill the prophecies that have been brought forth "in these latter days."

Engelbrecht, assistant pastor of the local Reorganized church, said the Bible contains several mentions of the remnants of God's people - those who are left

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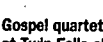
Security-Service or FSB, the main successor to the Soviet-era KGB, has pronounced its mission to protect Russia's "spiritual security."

In other cases, broader foreign policy concerns - such as Russia's close relationship with China - determine whether a visa will be issued.

This past summer, Russia refused to admit the Dalai Lama - the second time it denied entrance to the spiritual leader for Russia's 1 million Buddhists, and for Tibetans who resist Chinese rule. Russia appears to

Religion in brief

PASADENA (mastery of divinity), has served churches in California, Utah and South Dakota. He specializes in interim pastoring, including congregational redevelopment and revitalization. His wife, Joan, is an LPN who is considering becoming a Commissioned Lay Pastor.



The Rev. Jeff Porter

Gospel quartet will sing at Twin Falls church

TWIN FALLS - Liberty, a traditional southern gospel quartet, will perform at 7 p.m. Friday at Twin Falls Reformed Church.

Members of the Boise-based quartet are John Cotner, Royce Mitchell, Paul Ellis and Jason Eaton. The group clocks up more than 200 performances a year. Its newest recording is "Sweet Assurance."

No admission charge. A love offering will be taken.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send to Ellen Thomson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trena Tegan, The Times-News, Burley Bureau, 1263 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.

of a previous group or organization that has fallen away.

Arthur Dey, pastor of the Twin Falls Community of Christ - the new name adopted by the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints - said the local group has around 50 members, and Community of Christ groups also meet in Buhl and Hagerman.

When LDS leader Joseph Smith and his brother were killed in 1844, the church was in disarray for a time, said Engelbrecht, until it was reorganized as the original church. Now, that has happened again, contends Engelbrecht, who has been a member of the Reorganized church since 1924.

"I'm a member of the Reorganized church now, because we claim to be the church in succession - the same church," he said "It isn't a new church."

have little interest in risking its burgeoning economic and political relationship with Beijing to satisfy the Buddhists' desire to personally receive the Dalai Lama's teachings.

The new ascendancy of the FSB, President Vladimir Putin's proposed alma mater, and its discordant with foreigners also play a key role. The only explanation Catholic leaders ever got for the decision to kick out Bishop Jerry Manjani was that the ruling came from "competent organs" - the code word for the FSB - in connection with a law prohibiting the entry of people considered a threat to state security.

Evangelicals focus on teenage boys

By William Lobdell Los Angeles Times

Promise Keepers, the Christian men's movement, has drawn 5 million often-careful males to outdoor stadiums and sports arenas over the last 12 years, is launching a rite-of-passage offshoot for teenage boys.

Hoping to capture what organizers fear could be a lost generation of evangelical Christians, "Passage" uses Christian rock bands, hip-hop artists, extreme sports exhibitions, testimonials and scores of fast-paced videos in an attempt to reconnect teenagers with their faith and families.

Bill McCartney, the founder of Promise Keepers, cites survey data to back up the claim that a smaller percentage of Americans who say they have accepted Christ as their savior - the hallmark of evangelical Protestantism - has dropped sharply.

The most dramatic drop was found in a poll conducted by the Billy Graham School of Missions, which found the percentage dropping from 65 percent of Americans in the World War II generation to 35 percent in the baby boom generation, to 15 percent in Generation X and even smaller numbers in the most recent generation of teenagers.

"If the current trend continues, we're going to be a heathen nation," said McCartney, who was head football coach at the University of Colorado before retiring after the 1994 season to devote himself full-time to Promise Keepers.

But Randy Phillips, who heads the Passage event, says a youth revival is possible if the Christian message is repackaged in a more relevant form: "The emerging generation has

far more spiritual hunger than the previous four generations, but they are rejecting the current expression of the church that's been modeled for them."

Phillips has spent three years meeting with consultants, youth pastors and teenagers to develop a program that would click with a more cynical generation of boys that puts more value in tangible relationships and actions inspired by the teachings of Jesus than in sermons from the pulpit. The language of Passage is meant to appeal to hormone-raging boys who are challenged to "step up to the plate" and "become warriors for Christ."

Down-to-earth relationships between the boys and spiritual mentors - fathers, uncles, big brothers or church members - are at the core of the program, with the teenagers' spiritual advisers revealing painful mistakes in their past in order to develop intimacy and warn against the dangers of drug, alcohol, premarital sex, crime and violence.

The second of two test runs for Passage is being held this week at the Arrowhead Pond in Anaheim, Calif. The expected crowd of 14,000 will leave the event with six weeks' worth of curriculum designed to give teenagers concrete steps to increase their commitment to their family, church and community and also hook them up with a spiritual mentor.

A tuned-up curriculum will be given away at a Promise Keepers conference in February that's expected to draw more than 40,000 pastors from around the world to Bank One Ballpark in Phoenix.

"What should happen February is all over America, churches will be implementing Passage," McCartney said.



Joe Hernandez, youth pastor at Mission Ebenezer Family Church in Torrance, Calif., works with students in Bible classes - and hopes to bring more than 30 teens to a Passage event in Anaheim, Calif.

Author seeks unity among three faiths through common ancestor

By Betsy Priaul Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Fear filled Bruce Feiler as he walked into Hebron, epicenter of Muslim-Jewish warfare and the site of the tomb of Abraham, father of Judaism, Islam and Christianity.

"I wanted to see if in the bloodiest part of the conflict, people could agree on anything," says the bestselling author of "Walking the Bible."

The New York Jew went to Hebron to visit Abraham's tomb a few months ago as part of a physical and philosophical expedition that resulted in his new book, "The 200-page book is a primer of sorts on the historical, biblical and Koranic Abraham. But the book also ventures fairly deeply into philosophical approaches to a question on the minds of many, post-9/11: 'Why do they hate us?'"

According to Genesis, Abraham broke with tradition in a major way by leaving his father's land and following a "new" God. Later he and his previously infertile wife, Sarah, were blessed with son Isaac. But not before Abraham had fathered Ishmael by his concubine, Hagar.

Isaac, who narrowly escaped becoming a human sacrifice as part of Abraham's devotion to God, became the father and icon

of the Jews. To Muslims, Ishmael is the hero; they believe he was the intended sacrifice.

Christianity, as an outgrowth of Judaism, reveres Abraham and Isaac alike.

"Abraham" explores this man, a patriarch to adherents of three religions that often find themselves at odds with one another.

Many scholars and lay people believe that at the heart of the ancient rift between Jews and Muslims is the Isaac-Ishmael rivalry. Genesis reports that at Sarah's urging, Abraham sent his concubine, Hagar, and son Ishmael into exile - and certain death - in the desert. But Hagar's faith caused God to spare her and Ishmael; they were provided the miracle of water in a dry place.

Later, Genesis says, God called Abraham to sacrifice Isaac but spared him at the last second. Judaism considers the call to sacrifice a sign of favor; that the favored son would be the "sacrificial lamb" is considered a blessing. Many Muslims believe that the father of Isaac, it was Ishmael who was favored and chosen as the intended sacrifice.

Isaac became the father of the Jews; Ishmael the father of the Muslims.

Feiler's several citations include Bob Dylan's anti-war epic "Highway 61 Revisited."

discuss their common ancestor (Abraham) and, Feiler hopes, find common ground.

Gunfire and mortar explosions were sounding in the distance when Feiler journeyed to Abraham's tomb in the West Bank city of Hebron. But at the tomb, Feiler found not only hope but joy. He read the biblical account of Abraham's death and burial and was reminded that at Abraham's funeral, "his two most prominent sons, (Isaac and Ishmael), sons of rival nations, come together for the first time since they were rent apart nearly three-quarters of a century earlier."

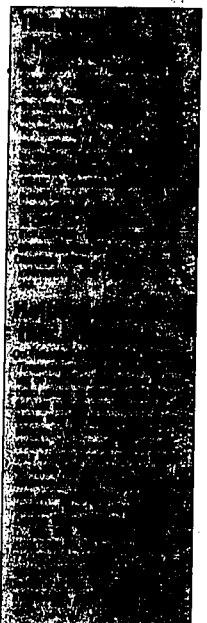
The 200-page book is a primer of sorts on the historical, biblical and Koranic Abraham. But the book also ventures fairly deeply into philosophical approaches to a question on the minds of many, post-9/11: "Why do they hate us?"

According to Genesis, Abraham broke with tradition in a major way by leaving his father's land and following a "new" God. Later he and his previously infertile wife, Sarah, were blessed with son Isaac. But not before Abraham had fathered Ishmael by his concubine, Hagar.

Isaac, who narrowly escaped becoming a human sacrifice as part of Abraham's devotion to God, became the father and icon

of the Jews. To Muslims, Ishmael is the hero; they believe he was the intended sacrifice. Christianity, as an outgrowth of Judaism, reveres Abraham and Isaac alike.

"Abraham" explores this man, a patriarch to adherents of three religions that often find themselves at odds with one another.



Pope's recent actions spark renewed interest in the rosary

By Helen T. Gray The Kansas City Star

The best-known method of meditation in the Catholic Church came to the forefront recently when Pope John Paul II announced an addition to the centuries-old rosary. Declaring this the Year of the Rosary, he also added a new set of "mysteries" or events in the life of Jesus, to be meditated on. Joining the Joyful Mysteries, the Sorrowful Mysteries and the Glorious Mysteries are the new mysteries, called the Mysteries of Light, which shed light on Jesus' public ministry.

What is the rosary? The rosary is used by Roman Catholics as a means of meditating on the life of Jesus by using a string of beads. The mediator repeats key prayers and, at intervals in between the prayers, focuses on events (or mysteries) in the life of Jesus and also Mary. Non-Catholics have a miscon-

The mysteries
The Joyful Mysteries:
1. The Annunciation: The Angel Gabriel tells the mother of the Son of God.
2. The Visitation: Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth, who is pregnant with John the Baptist.
3. The Nativity: The birth of Jesus.
4. The Presentation: Mary carries her son to the temple and offers him to God.
5. The Finding of Jesus: Mary and Joseph find 8-year-old Jesus in the temple, teaching.

The Sorrowful Mysteries:
1. The Agony in the Garden: Jesus sweats blood in the Garden of Gethsemane.
2. The Scouring of the Whipped Ropes: Jesus is whipped and crowned with thorns.
3. The Crowning with Thorns: Jesus is crowned with a crown of thorns.
4. The Carrying of the Cross: Jesus carries the cross to Calvary.
5. The Descent from the Cross: Jesus is taken down from the cross and placed in a tomb.

"The point is not the recitation but the meditation on the mysteries," said the Rev. Joseph Mancuso of St. Andrew the Apostle Church in Gladstone, Mo. "Think of it as a loving conversation with him by whom you know you are loved. So while you are using these prayers, you are meditating on the mysteries and on a deeper relationship with Jesus and how Mary can lead us to him."

the cross, touching their forehead, chest, left shoulder and right shoulder, while saying, "In the name of the Father, the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Hanging down from a circle of beads is a crucifix, five beads and a little emblem, often with an image of Mary on it. While holding the crucifix, which is at the beginning of the rosary, Catholics recite the Apostles' Creed. Holding the first bead, they say the Our Father, or Lord's Prayer. On each of the next three beads, they say the Hail Mary prayer. Usually a chain connects the beads, and at the end of each group of Hail Marys, in between the beads, they recite the Glory Be to the Father and the Son. Catholics recite the Our Father, or Lord's Prayer. Above the emblem, the beads start in a circle. On the first set of 10 beads, Catholics repeat 10 Hail Marys, followed by the

Glory Be, reflect on the second event and repeat the Our Father. They continue the same sequence through events three, four and five, thus covering one set of mysteries. At the conclusion of the rosary, they recite the Hail, Holy Queen prayer. Most rosaries have only one-third, and now with the new mysteries, one-fourth, of the full rosary. The large, complete rosary has had 15 decades, now, a complete rosary will have 20 decades.

What is the significance of the addition? The new mysteries of light give a fresh outlook to the rosary, say some parish priests. They tell more about who Jesus is and his mission, said the Rev. Mike Mullen of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Kansas City, Kan. Padrebarac believes most Catholics will welcome the addition. The new mysteries will focus underlining the rosary's history. Please see ROSARY, Page C-3

# Christian novelists romance fiction market

By Helen T. Gray  
The Kansas City Star

Readers of romance novels generally know what's in them — bodice-ripping, heavy-breasting sex, told in erotic detail. Readers of Christian romance novels generally know what's not in them — bodice-ripping, heavy-breasting sex, told in erotic detail. But that doesn't mean they can't tell a good love story, say the writers of these inspirational romantic tales. And what's in them that general romance lacks is a Christian message or faith element woven into the story.

"The perception is that romance means lurid sex novels," said Karen Kingsbury, a Christian novelist. "Those of us who have lived more than 20 years know that romance is not sex. Sex should be romantic, but the point of view is that it should be within marriage. You can have incredible romance and sexual tension within a faith-based novel."

A growing number of readers apparently agree. Romance, in general, accounts for about 35 percent of the total popular fiction market, according to Romance Writers of America. And Christian romance "is a consistent area of growth," said Phyllis Tickle, of Publishers Weekly.

Harlequin Books six years ago hired Steeple Hill to meet the growing demand from its readers for inspirational fiction, said Tracy Farrell, Steeple Hill's senior editor. "Our readers for years were asking for inspirational romance. We tested it and did very well, so we decided to jump into it."

Like any craft, Christian romance has its do's and don'ts:

- The story upholds biblical principles. "It doesn't mean the characters don't do wrong, but that is not held up as being all right, such as sex outside of marriage," said Brandilyn Collins, Christian novelist.

- There's no profanity. "A lot of times using foul language and gratuitous sex is a lazy way of writing," said Christian romance writer Tracie Peterson. "I've had to learn to be far more creative, like developing characters who have had attitudes without using bad language."

- There are no descriptive sex scenes (they stop before the clothes come off).

- "Sin is dealt with but not glorified," Kingsbury said.

- There is a faith-based element to the plot.

- There is a message of hope or inspiration.

- The focus is not on physical relationships.

## Mormons delay demolition of historic home

HONG KONG (AP) — Hong Kong's Mormons agreed Monday to delay demolishing a historic building that once housed the first Chinese family allowed to live in an exclusive neighborhood of the British colony.

Spokesman Poon Siu-hong said the church will not dismantle 88-year-old Kom Tong Hall until it completes negotiations with the government. Poon declined to say how the church, which bought the building in 1971, planned to redevelop the area. The Baroque-style, 20,000-square-foot house is one of the few surviving Western-style homes from the era. The government hopes a compromise will leave the building intact, said Addy Wong, a spokesman for the agency handling the issue.

Chinese businessman Ho Kom-tung first there beginning in 1914 with his 12 wives and concubines and 30 children, according to a Hong Kong University Web site. Concern over the building's fate has united political enemies, the pro-democracy Democratic Party and pro-China Democratic Alliance for the Betterment of Hong Kong.

# Terror probe complicates Ramadan for U.S. Muslims

By Rachel Zoll  
The Associated Press

Omer bin Abdullah won't be leaving a paper trail this year when he makes his traditional donation to the poor during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan. He will fulfill his religious duty by handing cash directly to a needy family, as will many other American Muslims at a time when federal investigators are targeting U.S.-based Islamic charities in the hunt for terrorists.

"People are so scared that they don't know what to do," said Abdullah, of Herndon, Va. Islam requires its followers to give 2.5 percent of their income and savings to the poor annually and many do so during Ramadan. But since the Sept. 11 attacks, the federal government has frozen the assets of three major Muslim nonprofits on suspicion of links with terrorism: the Holy Land Foundation of Richardson, Texas, and Benevolence International Foundation and Global Relief Foundation, both in the Chicago area.

Other Muslim charities, which feel they've been unfairly tarred by association, have seen a significant drop in donations.



Abdus-Sisam Musa, third from right, an official at the Islamic Circle of North America Relief Helping Hand, directs a meal program for the homeless in New York. A spokesman for the organization said donations to the group have dropped due to concern about government investigations of Muslim institutions.

"Two-thirds of our funds come from this month," said Muhammad Rahman, head of the

New York-based international relief arm of the Islamic Circle of North America. "If we don't make

it, that means next year will be a very tough time." In Islam, the start of the holy

month is based on a lunar calendar and requires visual sightings of the new crescent moon. This year, it is expected to fall around next Wednesday. It is the most important time of the year for Muslims, and also the period when Islamic charities launch their biggest fund-raising campaigns.

U.S. Muslim leaders are lobbying for a federal auditing system for Islamic charities, so investigators and donors can feel confident that no money goes to groups thought to have terrorist ties.

Mercy USA for Aid and Development, an international humanitarian organization founded by American Muslims, posted a statement on its Web site noting it works with the U.S. Agriculture Department, and has enclosed similar statements in its direct mail fund-raising campaigns.

Rahman, whose organization is known as ICNA Relief-Helping Hand, said donations to his group have dropped by about one-third due to concern about government investigations. He already has been forced to cut back his program to help poor people in the United States cover expenses for rent and food.

## RELIGION LETTERS

### Turn to Jesus and spread word of peace

I would rather be at war with Iraq, Iran and anyone else that does what was done to us in Oklahoma City, Washington, D.C., New York City, on planes, etc., than to live in a one-world government. I want peace, but it's not possible anymore. I am a Vietnam veteran who wanted peace before she joined the Army. I am a Christian reminding everyone that the Bible says, in end times or just before, there will be war, rumors of war, nations shall rise against nations, fathers against sons, mothers against daughters. (Revelations). I am not saying we are in end times, but cross-reference Revelations and the news. You might be surprised.

War is heck! Especially on moms.

War makes people do things they would never do in peace — and does something to everyone's mind. I wish more people would understand that the people (monsters) that did what they did on Sept. 11, 2001, will not stop until all Americans are dead! Not just Christians, but all who live here, because we don't follow their Koran. Not the true Koran, which preaches peace and love. I pray that all will turn to Jesus, but some don't want him. God bless the USA and all people!

VALERIE SORTH  
Burley

### Beware followers of man-made gods

In the Old Testament, Exodus 33:11, it states that the Lord spoke unto Moses face to face as a man speaketh unto his friend. For 40 years in the wilderness, it is said that the Lord was speaking to Moses many times and telling him what to do. A good example is in Numbers 15:35: A man was gathering sticks on the Sabbath day, and the Lord said unto Moses, "The man shall be surely put to death," so they stoned him with stones and he died as the Lord commanded Moses.

In the New Testament, John 1:18, it states, "No man has seen God at anytime." Jesus claimed that God was a spirit which dwelt inside of righteous people. He also called God the Father. In John 14:9, Jesus said, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father."

It would appear that man-made gods have always been on the side of those that were able to do the most killings, which also put great fear into superstitious people. Revelation 10:7 states, "The mystery of god should be finished."

WILLIAM HAFNER  
Twin Falls

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

## Rosary

Continued from

on Christ and how a Catholic's relationship with Mary is a means to a deeper relationship with Christ, he said.

### How popular is the rosary today?

When the Rev. Gerald Waris was young, the rosary was the traditional prayer said in his home and in the churches. "But what wasn't done was the sharing of the Scriptures or

going to a Bible study," said the pastor of St. Patrick Church in Kansas City, Mo. "Today children may not be exposed to the rosary as much as they are the significance of the Scriptures."

While older Catholics traditionally have found the rosary a helpful devotion, some younger Catholics also are embracing it, said Mullen. The rosary also has become popular in seminars among younger priests.

## Having their say

With the elections less than a week away, Magic Valley residents have plenty of opinions of local, state and national races.

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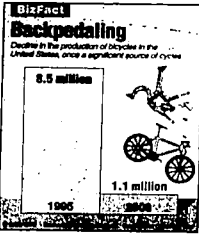
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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Workshop focuses on taxes for businesses

**HAILEY** - An upcoming workshop is designed to help business owners better understand the taxes they must pay and learn about techniques to reduce them. "Tax Planning for the Small Business Owner" is offered by the College of Southern Idaho's Blaine center.

The secret to effective tax planning is to understand tax law then apply planning strategies that best fit the business' and owner's unique circumstances, class organizers said.

Class topics include:

- Updates on recent changes to federal and state tax laws.
- Techniques that defer, reduce and shift taxes.
- Structuring the business entity.
- Choosing and maintaining a record keeping system.
- Travel, transportation and entertainment expenses.
- Employees, payroll and independent contractors' issues.

The zero-credit class is planned for 6:30-9:30 p.m. Nov. 12 at Wood River High School. Certified public accountant Dennis Tilly will instruct.

Cost is \$20 per person, or \$10 for a participant's spouse. Call 788-2033.

### CSI will host course on home buying Tuesday

**TWIN FALLS** - A Finally Home! Homebuyer Education Course will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. Nov. 5 and 12 in Room 276 of the Taylor building on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

Participants will learn about the benefits of homeownership. Course completion may help them qualify for reduced mortgage insurance premiums; down payment and closing cost assistance; or other special lender programs.

Classes are free and include a training manual. Preregistration is required; space is limited. For information or to register, call Penny Johnson at 732-6287.

### Poor sales may hurt Burger King buyout

**MIAMI** - Burger King's sales have deteriorated over the past three months, raising continued questions about the fast-food chain's sale to a buyout team led by Texas Pacific Group.

The news of Burger King's recent performance came in a trading statement released this week by parent company Diageo Plc.

The British company says it is continuing to work with the buying group to conclude the sale.

The consortium of private investment firms, which also includes Bain Capital and Goldman Sachs Capital Partners, had agreed in July to pay \$2.26 billion for Burger King.

The deal, which was supposed to close by the end of the year, included requirements that the fast-food chain meet certain performance targets.

While those targets have never been publicly released, the trading statement issued by Diageo indicated that aggressive price discounting in the fast-food arena has kept Burger King from living up to performance expectations.

Analysts say Diageo may have to renegotiate the deal and lower the price to complete the sale.

Diageo spokeswoman Jennifer Crowl said the deal is on track to close this year and would not comment on the possibility that the price may change.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# Magic Valley employment remains healthy

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - New hiring by Dell Computer Corp. in technology and Solo Cup in durable-goods manufacturing. Steady retail employment. Stability in the dairy and cheese-making industries.

Add them up, and you get a second-lowest unemployment in the state.

The Idaho Department of Labor on Friday forecast joblessness in Magic Valley's central market - Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding counties combined - at 3.8 percent in October. That's unchanged from September, and half a percentage point below a year ago.

"Magic Valley's just amazingly good,"

said Greg Rogers, the department's regional labor economist for the valley.

Twin Falls-area retailers probably won't start their major holiday hiring until Nov. 10, he said.

"The holiday season's a little late this year," Rogers said. But his conversations with Magic Valley Mall retailers, and upcoming hiring for a new Walgreens pharmacy, suggest this year's holiday hiring numbers will be at least average.

At the other end of the valley, however, Rogers expects to see caution in Mini-Cassia holiday hiring.

Mass layoffs by J.R. Simplot Co. in Heyburn and Kraft Foods in Rupert will show up in Mini-Cassia's November jobless rates.

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But they haven't yet. And the area had healthy hiring for harvest work such as truck driving, creating temporary opportunities for some unemployed workers, Rogers said.

So the two-county labor market's jobless rate dropped two-tenths of a percent to 6.2 percent in October - half a percentage point below a year ago in Mini-Cassia.

Blaine County's unemployment, meanwhile, crept up to 4 percent in the wake of the Elkhorn resort hotel and convention center's closure. Also, Rogers said, some construction projects concluded in October, and this is a slack season for Blaine County's tourism industry.

A Thanksgiving opening for ski runs will

County	Oct. '02	Oct. '01	Oct. '00
Blaine	4.0	3.9	3.8
Cassia	4.2	3.9	3.8
Gooding	3.3	3.0	2.9
Jerome	2.8	2.8	2.8
Lincoln	3.7	4.3	4.3
Walworth	3.0	3.0	3.0
Twin Falls	3.9	3.9	3.9

Source: Idaho Department of Labor Economics

be important to that economy. Advance holiday ski and hotel bookings are tepid, Rogers said, but cold weather could improve that.

# Affordable, with nice view

Developer puts lower-cost housing along Teton Valley

The Associated Press

**DRIGGS** - Bruce Simon marches into the Jeddediah Smith model home with a grumpy pair of leather chaps - a lucky find at an abandoned building near Jerome - dangling over his right arm.

"We need to find the perfect place for these," he said. Stopping midway up the staircase, he removes a wicker fishing creel from the banister and drapes the chaps in its place. The creel he moves farther up the stairs.

You never get rid of a prop that good:

The creel, the chaps on the staircase, the bullets drained of powder - but carried - on Simon's belt. All are things potential home buyers from Pennsylvania or California - even those from as near as Rexburg - want to see when they're scouting out home sites or touring model homes on either side of the Teton. Props give the home-scouting experience the proper vacation-land feel.

"The buyer drives what we do," Simon said.

But he's not talking about props.

The Jeddediah Smith is an 1,800-square-foot model home that his company, Prime Properties of Jackson Hole, uses as an office at Creekside Meadows, a planned-unit development that broke ground in Driggs this spring.

The development is the first of its kind for Teton Valley. It mixes affordable single-family homes, apartments, condos, retail space and estate homes on 94 acres straddling Teton Creek.

"Planned" means every home in the development is thoughtfully placed to have a mountain view, that homes are placed to minimize the damage to vegetation along the creek and that custom homes built in the development blend with the Colonial-Victorian mix of the homes Prime Properties sells.

"We're seeing very sophisticated buyers," Simon said. "With the prices they're seeing in Jackson, where only a narrow segment of buyers can afford to buy, Idaho's Teton Valley is looking much more attractive to them."



Bruce Simon stands in a model home in Driggs Oct. 18 at Creekside Meadows, a planned housing community on the south edge of town.

Driving over Teton Pass from his office in Wilson, Wyo., Simon sees the growth pattern. "Victor's the first town where Jackson spills over," he said. "Driggs is situated midway between Victor, where a 760-acre golf and housing development is being built, and where a pending land swap at Grand Targhee Ski and Summer Resort offers the resort the potential to grow. Simon said he believes Creekside Meadows is in a position

to take advantage of the growth. That Dixon, Prime Properties' sales manager, said they're also seeing those who already have bought land and built homes taking a hard look at Creekside Meadows. "They buy like they do for the privacy, but figure out that they've got a \$300,000 house in the woods and the kids are driving them nuts," Dixon said. "They come here and see they

can get privacy in a community, where kids have other kids to play with, where they can walk to downtown or to school. "Let's face it. Most everyone in this country wants to live in the suburbs."

"It's amazing how far our market stretches," Simon said. The family of a recently hired Brigham Young University-Idaho instructor is one of four that already have moved into the

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# BSU offers business courses in Twin Falls

Money in brief

**TWIN FALLS** - Boise State University will offer 11 upper-division business courses for the spring semester through its Twin Falls program at the College of Southern Idaho.

The spring semester will begin Jan. 13, but registration is under way now.

BSU offers all upper-division business courses for students to complete a bachelor's degree in either accounting or general business management. The courses are offered one night per week in the evenings or via the Internet.

The courses being offered are ACCT 302, Survey of Federal Income Taxation; ACCT 405, Internal Auditing; CIS 310, Introduction to Management Information Systems; ECON 303, Intermediate Microeconomics; FINAN 410, Working Capital Management; GENBUS 305, Law for Accountants II; GENBUS 450, Business Policies; MGMT 301, Leadership Skills; MGMT 410, Advanced Management Topics; and OPERMGT 345, Production Management.

For a complete information packet, contact Shari Stroud, BSU's Twin Falls program coordinator, at 732-6284 or stroud@csi.edu.

### Disney World rep will speak at CSI

**TWIN FALLS** - Disney World representative Stacy Krett will speak at College of Southern Idaho students at 1 p.m. Thursday in Room 115 of the Shields Building about Disney World College in Orlando, Fla.

Students from 600 participating colleges around the country have the opportunity to spend a semester working and studying at Disney World, earning college credits and gaining business experience.

Betty Giffin, hospitality management instructor at CSI, has visited the Disney college and said the classes are dynamic, the instructors are exceptional, and the students have a rare opportunity to work for a Fortune 100 company while they do their internships.

Students work 35 to 60 hours a week at Disney venues and attend 38 hours of core business classes and seminars. All students from any academic major who are interested in a Disney internship are invited to attend the presentation. For information, contact

Giffin at 732-6407 or at bgiffin@csi.edu.

### Business center schedules training

**TWIN FALLS** - The Idaho Small Business Development Center at the College of Southern Idaho has scheduled four business training sessions that start in November.

Advanced Quick Books Pro 2001 will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Nov. 7, 14 and 21 in Room C93 of the Evergreen building. Fee is \$100 per person.

Tax Planning for Your Business, a one-day evening workshop, will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Nov. 12 at Wood River High School in Hailey. Cost is \$20 per person, or \$10 for registering spouses or business partners.

The National Business Planning Course is a 12-week class to be held 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursdays, Nov. 7 through Feb. 13. Cost is \$295 per person.

Putting Your Business Online for Free will be held 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 23. Fee is \$40 per person.

Preregistration and prepayment are required. For information, contact Sherry Rust at 732-6455 or at srust@csi.edu.

- compiled from staff reports

# Grain operation builds in Hazelton

By David Burgess Times-News writer

**HAZELTON** - A new grain storage and shipping facility being built by Reed Grain and Bean Co. Inc. will provide southern Idaho grain growers another point of market access.

The Hazelton project, at 1900 East between state Highway 20 and the railroad, will feature 12 bins, an elevator about 100 feet high, two scales and a side track. It will be capable of handling all types of grains grown in the region, including wheat, corn and barley.

"It's going to be a fairly state-of-the-art facility," Earl Reed, president of the company, said in a report in today's Ag Weekly.

The company is bringing in efficient new technology but is not putting in new equipment just for technology's sake, Reed said.

"It still has to be economical. We have to get the most of out of each dollar," he said.

Construction on the multimillion-dollar project is progressing in late October with concrete work, but little was visible above ground. The target date for completion is June 1.

Handling more grain and doing it more efficiently is one objective.

"In order to compete in today's market, you need to handle more volume with less manpower," Reed said.

He expects to hire an additional six employees for full-time jobs at the new facility.

Reed said the company will continue to operate at its current locations with few changes. But facilities in Buhl, Hansen and Nampa are aging.

"We're not well-served by grain warehouses," he said, and Please see PROJECT, Page C6

# Washington Mutual maps course for future growth

Knight Ridder News Service

**SEATTLE** - Washington Mutual plans to do to financial services what Wal-Mart did to retail. Home Depot did to hardware and Southwest Airlines did to the airline industry.

Each firm rose to the top of its industry by figuring out how to sell efficiently to a broad consumer market. Chief Executive Officer Kerry Killinger said. WaMu, which has branches in Twin Falls, will target customers who aren't well-served by other big banks, he said.

"The country is just yearning for someone to be different," Killinger said at a conference for investors.

WaMu plans to add 230 branches next year and may step up the pace of new branches in following years, he said. The Seattle-based company, which grew from a small savings

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MONEY

Analysts: Growth is close to stalling

The Washington Post - WASHINGTON - U.S. economic growth is close to stalling, analysts said Friday after the latest in a series of weak economic reports were released, with many predicting that the Federal Reserve will cut short-term interest rates next week. The Labor Department said the nation's unemployment rate ticked up to 5.7 percent last month while the total number of payroll jobs fell by 5,000. That follows a 13,000 drop in September. The total number of hours worked also fell, and the number of people looking for work but unable to find it rose by more than 100,000, to 8.1 million. Meanwhile, the Institute for Supply Management reported that the number of orders in the manufacturing sector fell last month to 48.5, the weakest reading since 1992, from 49.5 in

September. Both readings were below 50, the point at which the index shows that manufacturing activity is neither expanding nor contracting. The index was 50.5 in both July and August, indicating that the factory sector is not better off than it was in June, analysts said. In another report, the Commerce Department said that consumer spending fell 0.6 percent in September after adjustment for inflation, despite a healthy 0.4 percent rise in personal incomes. Most of the spending decline was due to a sharp drop in motor vehicle purchases. Earlier this week, consumer confidence plunged to its lowest level in nine years, and last week, the Commerce Department said new orders for durable goods fell significantly in September. In the past two weeks a flurry of indicators suggest the economy weakened sharply in

September and October," economist Joseph T. Abate of Lehman Brothers in New York told his firm's clients. "With momentum flagging, the rapid erosion in confidence and the uptick in uncertainty are likely to severely restrain consumer and investment spending over the next three to six months." Abate said the lower level of vehicle purchases in September and October indicates that "the consumer response to incentives appears to have gotten weaker with each re-introduction of interest-free financing. Likewise, a sharp pull-back in durable goods orders in September suggest that businesses are not yet ready to expand again." Like many other forecasters, those at Lehman Brothers have lowered their predictions for economic growth for the remainder of this year and early next year. The Lehman forecast calls for the economy to grow at only a

1 percent annual rate in the current quarter and at a 1.5 percent rate in the first three months of 2003. And by early next year the jobs rate is predicted to rise to a 6.5 percent target, to 6.2 percent. While most analysts and investors are convinced that the recent string of bad economic news will cause the Fed next week to lower its 1.75 percent target for overnight interest rates, they are divided over whether the cut will be a quarter- or a half-percentage point. The decision will be made at a meeting Wednesday of the Federal Open Market Committee, the central bank's top policymaking group. Fed officials are concerned that rising uncertainty over the prospect of war with Iraq and other factors will inhibit both consumer and business spending and keep economic growth sub-par for an extended period.

Markets buck bad news, cap another winning week

NEW YORK (AP) - Wall Street shook off a trio of disappointing economic reports and forged ahead with a rally Friday, posting a fourth consecutive weekly win for the first time in more than two months. Analysts attributed the recovery and subsequent rally to buying momentum that built up throughout October. "Investor psychology has changed. The market has become very resilient to bad news. Today is a good example of that," said Michael Murphy, head trader at Wachovia Securities in Baltimore. "Nobody wants to be long on the market." Stocks overcame news that consumer spending and manufacturing activity declined and that the unemployment rate increased. The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 120.61, or 1.4 percent, at 8,517.41, after falling as much as 87.17 in early trading. The advance came after the Dow had its second-best October with a gain of 10.6 percent, just short of the 10.7 percent advance in October 1992. It also was the Dow's best month since January 1987 when the blue chips rose 13.8 percent. The broader market also recovered, moving into positive territory. The Nasdaq composite index rose 30.95, or 2.3 percent, to 1,360.70, having advanced 13.5 percent in October. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 15.20, or 1.7 percent, to 900.96, following its monthly advance of 8.7 percent. The indexes scored a four-day winning streak for the first time since the four weeks ended Aug. 23. For the week, the Dow rose 0.9 percent and the Nasdaq gained 2.2 percent and the S&P advanced 0.4 percent.

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Albertsons stock continues to fall after warning

BOISE (AP) - Albertsons Inc.'s downward stock slide continued Friday morning after company leaders warned that third-quarter earnings could be down as much as 10 percent from earlier estimates. The stock dropped by more than \$5 to hit its lowest price since December 2000 last Thursday, and closed down another \$2.27 to \$20.04 a share Friday on the New York Stock Exchange. Last spring, Albertsons' stock was trading in the low to mid \$30 range. The sell-off began after the nation's second-largest grocery retailer announced Thursday

morning that a combination of escalating competitive activity and declining consumer confidence were affecting earnings. "There's been a fairly substantial change in the level of competitive activity," Albertsons Chairman and CEO Larry Johnston said in an analyst call Thursday afternoon. "That changes the game, and we're not moving aggressively to defend our turf." Analysts were divided in their assessment of Albertsons' chances. One said the company was strong and would weather the storm. Another said that even after Thursday's sell-off, the com-

pany was still overvalued. Johnston told analysts the company plans to move forward with a strategy to lower prices and increase promotions in the major markets where it has been losing sales. Johnston didn't say whether the cost-cutting could mean more store closures. He told analysts that the comfortable with the store base Albertsons has now, but will continue to monitor all operations and eliminate those that don't give a positive return on invested capital. "We don't want to be afraid to make the tough calls," he said. The company had been anticipating earnings of 52 cents per

share, but now expects profits to come in between 47 cents and 49 cents per share. After the announcement, Mark Hussen, an analyst with Merrill Lynch, downgraded Albertsons to a "sell" and criticized the company for not acting sooner as its competitors like Kroger and Safeway cut into profit margins to lower prices and increase promotions. "In our view, Albertsons can no longer afford to sit back and must initiate heavy gross margin investments beginning in the fourth quarter," Hussen said in a note to his firm's clients.

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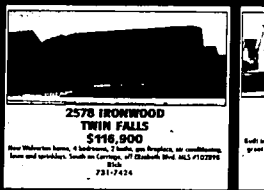

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KIMBERLY • 423-6160

**OPEN 12:00-1:00** 100 GEM DRIVE (TWIN FALLS) \$159,900 #184118

**OPEN 12:00-1:00** 423 CENTER ST. W (TWIN FALLS) \$159,900 #184501

**OPEN 1:00-2:00** 3200 WILSON (TWIN FALLS) \$139,000 #184708

## Tour of Gems for Next Week \$90,000-\$120,000

**OPEN 1:30-2:30** 205 CEDAR PARK CIRCLE (TWIN FALLS) \$122,500 #184303

## OPEN HOUSES SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2002

**1301 ASHLEY DR.**  
1-3 P.M. • \$119,400  
NEW DESIGN, LOTS OF UPSES in this one - 4 1/2 bath 3 remodeled bedrooms, 2 bath with full bathroom, open great low traffic street. 2 car garage. Best! Mary Jo  
YOUR HOSTESS: BETTY VEIH 731-6740

**132 WISEMAN**  
1-3 P.M. • \$79,900  
HOT BUY!! 3 bed 1 bath 1 1/2 bathroom gas heat, granite counter, beautiful, and new 2 car garage. Call Bob Veih for \$79,900!!  
YOUR HOST: BOB VEIH 731-6500

**175 CAMARILLO WAY**  
1-3 P.M. • \$69,900  
EXCELLENT 3 bedroom 2 Bath Remodeled Street Level Entry, family and recessed area. Fence 2 Car Garage. COME SEE TODAY!  
YOUR HOSTESS: BOBBI KELLEY 731-2806

**489 EASTGATE**  
1-3 P.M. • \$194,500  
SOUTHERN COMFORT on most wonderful front porch, veranda & bedroom. 2 1/2 baths plus living room, work & family room, very private large lot RV parking (100 sq ft)!!  
YOUR HOSTESS: GAYLE ANDERSON 420-8673

**1224 ALDER**  
1-4 P.M. • \$115,000  
GREAT FAMILY HOME 1 Bedroom 2 Bath 2 1/2 Bath, open floor full basement, large yard, full kitchen, full bathroom.  
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2000 Seahawk 26' With Slide WAS \$26,988 NOW \$20,888 #06S03

1992 NuWa 34' With Slide WAS \$21,988 NOW \$14,988 #0H115-4

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Roadtrak 200 Popular Class B WAS \$64,298 NOW \$52,788 #OR005

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## OPEN HOUSES - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2 - 1:00-4:00 PM

Filet	Jerome	Twin Falls	Twin Falls
<p><b>3801 N. 2500 E.</b> Spacious home with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and over 1800 sq ft. AMI 32" x 8" shop w/ floor heat, air compressor and more \$189,900 Host: Linda Lewis 539-4870</p>	<p><b>84 S. 200 E.</b> 4.6 acres with lovely almost new 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Fenced pasture, RV parking and more. \$155,000 Host: Jerri Greene 404-1209</p>	<p><b>184 Taylor</b> Storage galore!! Over 1700 sq. ft. of living area. Motivated Sellers!! \$89,500 Host: Karla 212-5566</p>	<p><b>237 Jefferson</b> Lots of new paint, vinyl and nice hardwood floors. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths with over 2300 sq. ft. on main floor. COME ON IN and give this one consideration - only \$110,000. Host: Denise 539-4858</p>

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# REAL ESTATE

**TWIN FALLS** Brick home, 3 bdrm., 1 1/2 bath, very nice finished basement, hardwood floors, close to 175 High school. Asking \$307,000 price a negotiable. See to move call 837-4718 or 734-3027.

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**TWIN FALLS** New 4 bdrm., 2 bath, \$193,900. 1800 Tamarack Ln. 735-8300

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**TWIN FALLS** Protect your future. \$81,900 brings you instant equity. Lowly 4 bdrm., 3 1/2 bath. New roof, paint & carpet. Fully finished 2nd level w/ auto sprinklers. 1 car garage & carport. 1180 sq. ft. w/400 sq. ft. unfinished basement. Hot tub & storage shed also included. 1140 7th Ave. E. Call 208-785-8410

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**FILER** - 4 bedroom home on 3.0 acres with shop, 3 bdrms., 2nd home, and water share. \$128,000 NELSON REALTY, LLC 734-3930

**FILER** - Great buy on this 4 bedroom, 2 bath home on 3.71 acres with good granary, pasture, and water share. \$190,000 NELSON REALTY, LLC 734-3930

**FILER** Lots. Seller financing down payment! 2000 Chevy 237-0190

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**KIMBERLY** short 5 acres, ideal big site. Great for horses. Call 423-4343

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**TWIN FALLS** 6 acre zoned M-2 heavy industrial. All city services. Excellent location for trucking, manufacturing, contractors, ect. Land lease or build to suit. 731-4700

**MEXICO** Cabo San Lucas. The beautiful Pueblo Bonito Sunset Beach Resort. 3 bdrm Penthouse suite over looking Pacific ocean. Available Jan 6-20. \$2800 a week. Call 208-731-9484

**GUERDON** 78 1/2 x 70 to be moved. Completely remodeled inside. Make offer. Call 439-8933 or 300-0923

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**KIMBERLY** 35 Fleetwood 14x86ft. 2 bdrm. Gas. Furnishings. Assumable. \$13,500/lot. 260-3629

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**TWIN FALLS** 28x64' (1792 sq. ft. - sun room) Large rooms, hand-capped accessible ramp, large lot. Call Dan at 731-2121 or 734-2121

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**BUHL** Fleetwood home, dbl wide, 1981, 3 bdrm 2 bath, must be moved. \$28,000 call 543-5011

**JEROME** Lovely home on golf course, avail. Oct.-May. 3 bdrms, 3 bath, office, 2 car garage. Gas fireplace. Gorgeous sunsets. \$200 sq. ft. STORAGE in basement. \$119,500. 480-471-7200 or 802-510-1800 for info.

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**BUHL** 3 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath, garage, metal siding. Expect response when you advertise in classified. Call 733-0021

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**BUHL** 3 bdrm, 2 bath, mobile home, \$450 mo. + dep. Long term lease. No pets. Call 543-8342

**BUHL** Good home, 4 bdrm, 2 bath, appliances, 3 car garage, pasture. Short term lease ok. \$950 mo plus deposit. Halloway Property Mgmt 734-4334

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**TWIN FALLS** Average. Just remodeled. 2 bdrm. duplex, apple, incl. W/D hookups. Carpet. \$525mo. (801)920-1200

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**WENDATE** 80, 14x70, 2 bdrm. 1 bath nice cond. \$800/offer. 306-1863

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**TWIN FALLS** 2 bdrm. apt. 1000 sq. ft. 75 cents per sq. ft. 3 mo. free with 1 year lease. Call 538-4907

**TWIN FALLS** OFFICE/SHOP - 2400 sq. ft. with overhead doors. fenced. OFFICE/WAREHOUSE. OFFICE/WAREHOUSE. (2) 20,000 sq. ft. Call Steve for more info. on these and others. Hattows Property Mgmt 734-4234

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**LOST** Lost my dog "Babe" Near Ohm Ave & 4th St N Light multi-colored, long hair white eyes & floppy ears. Call 732-5551

**LOST** (2) metal chairs, taken from my yard. Name of Lloyd & Ruby Morgan pressed into the metal on the top, back of the chairs. Call 733-5064

**LOST** 3 yr. old female spayed, short hair, spayed, w/legs. REWARD. Call 535-7202

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1990 JEEP CHEROKEE	\$1199	1984 TOYOTA CAMRY	\$399
1989 CHRYSLER NEW YORKER	\$999	1986 CHRYSLER LeBARON	\$899
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1990 DODGE CARAVAN	\$999	1981 HONDA ACCORD	\$499
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For items under or adding up to \$1000 (Maximum 4 items)

\$2 each additional item. 7th Party only

Call 736-0931 Ext. 677

**809 COMPUTERS**

COMPUTERS (1) 95's Packard Bell and Compaq with all accessories. \$150. Call 733-0355.

**810 FIREWOOD**

COAL Stoker & Lump Delivered or You-Haul Moore's Inc. 423-5533

FIREWOOD Cut split firewood \$90 a pickup load. \$120 a cord. You pick up. \$140 per cord. Call 424-7697.

FIREWOOD Cut, split & delivered. Tree removal. 324-8284 or 731-4650.

WOOD COOK TOVE. \$750/offer. Earthwoodstove \$250/offer. Call 543-2979.

**811 FURNITURE**

ARMCHAIR Daybed, love seat, new full quilted Simmons beauty rest mattress set, computer desk, legal file cabinet, king bedsteads, dressers, 734-5775.

BOOKCASE Barrister's Solid oak 59x34x24 1/2 stacked bookcase units plus top & base. \$1495 or 520-0914. www.walmart.com. Call 543-5034.

CHAIR Onco teak wood dining table vinyl seat and back. Chrome legs, 2x castor feet. Unusual \$195. See online at www.walmart.com. Call 543-5034.

COUCH and Loveseat Country blue and white. Great condition, hardly used. \$500/offer. Please call 733-2244 or 673-3953 evenings.

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER, big black and gold excellent condition. \$75. Call 423-4266.

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER, great wood, \$250/offer. Mirrored coffee table \$100. Call 423-0530 or 519-733-5030.

MATTRESS New King pillow top w/box split, still in plastic. \$295. Please call 420-1897.

MATTRESS Queen double pillow top w/box split in plastic. New \$195. Call 420-1897.

MATTRESS Queen pillow top set, \$200. Full size mattress set, \$180. Big Sale \$100. Twin bed, mattress, box frame \$129. Call 260-1714.

MATTRESS Senior comfort air mattress. Twin size, exc. cond. paid \$500. Will accept for \$175. Call 438-4221.

MATTRESS Set, queen size. Very good condition. Call 734-8000.

MISC Made twin beds with all linens. \$350. Maple loveseat \$200. Matched chair, sofa, 4 x 4, w/robe/closet, \$80. Maple coffee table, \$75. Bongo sofa \$200. 733-0623.

MISCELLANEOUS MOVING House full of furniture. Great buy! Men-Fri. 2pm to Fri. 7pm. 775 Riverview Lane West of 733-3071.

MOVED-CAN USE! Maple loveseat, wrought iron glass coffee table, exercise bike, other misc. \$100. Make offer. 324-2642.

RECLINER Lane wing chair \$150. Franklin rocker recliner, \$100. Small swivel rocker, \$20. Call 733-3700.

SOFA LOVE SEAT CHAIR, 3 piece set, floral print, tan, blue, green, mauve colors. \$400. Call 438-1789.

TABLE 6 ft with top, 6 chairs, oak, like new, \$700. \$400. \$325. Call 733-0621.

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ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT 208-774-5538

208-677-4543 (BURLEY)

TABLE Oak round pedestal w/glass top, 4 upholstered chairs, \$375. Oak round pedestal, 734-0721.

TABLE, darker oak, w/6 chairs, exc. cond. \$600. Island table, Whittier, brand new, \$150. Sewing machine, Bernina 1000, \$400. Call 733-5414.

WATER BED w/ pump, 16" water bed, 12" x 72" mattress, pedestal, matching dresser. 734-5337.

WINGBACK CHAIR, tan, recliner, like new. \$75. Please call 326-4202.

812 HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

EARTH STOVE used but functional, 75% efficient. \$100/offer. 862-3415.

FIREPLACE Cascoiled Dutch w/heat, \$500. Please call 731-8909.

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WOOD STOVE Osburn. Good condition. \$500. Call 734-0916.

WOOD STOVE REGMOLDING Aspen wood burning stove, great heat. \$100. Call 733-2302 after 4pm.

WOOD STOVE Franklin wheat and well protected. \$400. Call 733-3909.

**813 AUCTIONS**

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**814 JEWELRY & FURS**

PLATINUM RING Marquise stone with baguette, total karats: 7.25. \$1200. \$222. Silver No. 58800 asking \$2000/ negotiable. Please call 736-7460.

DIRT 75% pond dirt 25% compost mixed. \$10 a cubic yard. Call 423-5321.

FALL BULBS BIG SELECTION OFF Northwest Feed 733-1373.

TREES Douglas firs, Ponderosa pine \$25. 2x4, 4x4, 6x6, 8x8, 10x10 spruce \$60. 16 small mixed pine & spruce \$200. Call 423-4532.

**815 LAWN & GARDEN**

STUFF TO SELL! Call our Classified Staff at: 733-9931 ext. 2. The Times-News Classified Dept.

816 EXERCISE EQUIPMENT

\*I sold my Bowflex the last day the ad ran. I have 2 more. Call 733-3071.

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NORDIC TRACK Pro, exc. condition. \$300. Call 733-3071.

NORDICTRACK Pro, exc. machine for weight-loss. Recently replaced T-bar, new power cord, excellent power, excellent condition. \$675 now. Must sacrifice. Best offer or come in person. Please call 733-8801.

JUSTADWILL Proform LS, adjustable incline, lms, 200 lbs capacity, 4 speed dials, \$300. Call 308-5809.

**817 CANCELLED ADVERTISING**

BARBIE DOLL CLOTHES Ready now. Cute style, well made, reasonably priced. Offered on a limited order, will deliver. Please call 733-8801.

BEV DOLLITE PRINTS (1) \$90, (2) \$80. (6) Bruins Kincaid at \$28 each. Call 733-4227.

THOMAS rug pool table, 7'1/2 x 3'1/2 playing surface. 3/4" slate, all access. \$1000/offer. Call 934-8522.

CAROUSEL Fireplaces, wood burning stop stove, pump pool, water heater, 65" oak TV (needs minor work), oak dish display, pump pool, water heater, 65" oak TV (needs minor work), oak dish display, pump pool, water heater, 65" oak TV (needs minor work).

CARPET Steamcleaner, 23x13 ft, lawn color, sofa & chair, excellent condition. \$100. King size mattress, blue green linens, \$250. 543-6202.

MISCELLANEOUS Singer Touchmatic sewing machine, 3300. Sports King camper, 1975. 15 hp Sea King outboard, \$450. Call 733-5938 9am-7pm only.

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Lakota Golf Membership, w/cart and cart case. \$6000. Please call 733-4227.

MISCELLANEOUS Range 30', aluminum, \$100. Lay-z-boy w/ a table, \$250. Wottoman, \$100. Call 436-3565.

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**BLACK LAB AKC puppies**

Black, dapple/black, Call 678-3057 or 208-260-0680.

BOXERS purebred pups, registered 3 male 1 female, 9 weeks old, \$350 each. Call 431-1213.

BULMASTIFF/Australian Shepherd mix, puppies, \$25. Male, Call 543-5770 evenings.

CAT FOOD TRI-PRO, 20 LBS, \$8.95 Northwest Food 733-1373.

CHESAPEAKE BAY RETRIEVER purebred puppies, 7 wks. old, great water & hunting dogs. \$100. Call 678-3057.

CHIHUAHUA female puppy, \$150. \$24-5151. English Bull Dog 6 months old male AKC registered, has show, housebreak, loves kids & other animals. \$300. Call 678-3057.

DOG BATHS Annual Country 3 dog baths. Did anyone set up a private business? Call for info & miss the convenience of the tubs. Please call Shen and Niala at 733-1550.

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ENGLISH BULL DOG AKC reg. puppies, 2 males, 6 females. \$1500. Call 678-3057.

ENGLISH BULL DOG 1 yr old female, Champion line, \$1000. Pure bred, registered, puppy \$300/offer. 438-5522 or 431-0418.

FERRET CAGES, wrought iron, call Donna at 736-5934 or our website www.saveGasCard.com

FREE! Got me? Got Cat? Purebred bam cats. Call 423-2274.

FREE! Female, 1 male cat w/ 6 legs, 1 male w/ 4 legs, 1 male w/ 3 legs, 1 male w/ 2 legs. Call 678-1739 or 654-2347.

FREE! Old female Pomeranian K, good with kids. 423-0972 lv. msg.

FREE! Cat of all ages to a good home indoor or outdoor. Call 678-4987 or 678-7771.

FREE! Female Lab X, approx. 3 mo. old, to good home. \$200. Call 423-5050 and has first shots. 423-5050 after 6 pm or leave msg.

**GAUGE & SALE DIRECTORY**

827 GARAGE SALES

BUHL, Fr. 10 am to 6 pm & Sat. 9 am to 6 pm. WGN Home, Many items \$100. 1849 East 3900 Noun.

HELP KEEP OUR COMMUNITY NEAT Please remove all garage sale signs after your sale is over. It is our responsibility to keep the community clean, let's work together and show pride in our town. Thank you for your cooperation.

IF YOU Love to garage sale, call the INDOOR FILER FLEA MARKET. November 2nd & 3rd. TF Country Fairgrounds, Admission. 50 New vendors. Call Retail Vendors at 532-4439.

KIMBERLY Sat 8-11 We Moved and it didn't fit all sale! Tools, clothing, yard tools, small kitchen appliances, kitchen stove, Cherry 6 person dining set, 540 Locust Street.

MOVING SALE! (2) Swivel Rocker recliners Aqua Leather, fit excellent and chair \$2000 new taking offers, oak coffee table, \$50. Mitsubishi TV w/remote cabinet w/drawers, home gym weight set \$800 new, best offer. Home theater bed/dresser, 4 Drawer chest, propane bar-b-q, \$200. 678-6822.

828 GARAGE SALES

AGUARIUM 150 gallon, all equipment Blatom filter, dig fresh water fish, \$700 for all or will separate. 733-8587 or 306-4207. (before 8:30 pm).

BOXER AKC reg. puppy, French dog, w/atom collar, 12 wks, pick the litter, exc. bloodlines, must be cheap. Please call 865-2620 lv msg.

FREE kittens. Very cute, very cuddly, and litter Boxer trained. Please call Maggie at 212-6533. 677-1178.

FREE puppies w/Sharps Lab, black w/winkles, male Brown w/ winkles, male black no winkles female black-8626 Good markings. Call 862-3332.

YORKIES 2 males, purebred, 7 wks. old. Paragon on site,



**CHEVY '83 C-10**, Metallic blue, 2WD, LWB, 350/350 AT, \$1,000/offer. Call Chris at 735-3281.

**CHEVY '90 S-10**, STD PU, 4 extra tires, camper shell, AM/FM radio, \$2,500. Call 423-3324.

**CHEVY '96 S-10**, ext. cab, shell, PW, 111, AT, AC, 52K miles, \$1,100. Please call 735-3281.

**DODGE '99 diesel**, V-6, AT, PW, AC, new tires, very nice, \$4,400/offer. Please call 735-3281.

**DODGE '90 1/2 ton**, utility bed, 380 engine, lumber rack, AT, good condition, 115K miles, \$2,200/offer. Call 735-1346 or 309-2812.

**DODGE '90 Dakota**, AC & 4 door tires, 100,000 miles ext. warranty, 33K miles, \$8000. Call 438-4793 or 678-5865.

**FORD '94 F100**, AT, recent top end, runs great, CD player, \$950. Call 359-1745.

**FORD '76 F150**, rebuilt motor & carburetor, good lines & paint, \$3500 put in to it, will sell for \$1800. Please call 734-3935.

**FORD '81 F350**, flat-bed, dually, 5 spd, Great work truck, \$3100. 324-2447.

**FORD '85 Ranger**, needs some minor work, runs good, \$1200. 733-0267.

**FORD '86 1/2 ton PU**, 351 motor, AC, AT, PW, long bed, good condition, \$1950. Call 734-4512.

**FORD '88 Ranger**, 2 or STX, AT, V6 2.9 liter engine, all power, tilt wheel, 4 door, AM/FM stereo, extra set of tires, grill, great condition! \$2000/offer. Call 299-5729.

**FORD '88 Ranger**, white, one owner, runs well, \$600/offer. Call 326-6244.

**FORD '87 1/2 ton 2 WD**, 95K mi. Exc. cond. See at Gam State Service 875 Sheehane St. S. or call 735-5773 by msg.

**FORD '94 F150**, 2x4, exc. cond, must see 54975 543-4372 or 543-0841.

**FORD '93 Ranger XLT**, regular cab, 4 cyl, AC, CD 37K mi. Clean & sharp, \$5900. Call 735-5227 or 539-0386.

**GMC '96 ext. cab**, 1/2 ton 4x4, AT, AC, leather, CD, extra, low miles, \$9000, runs great, \$11,500/offer. Call 543-8123 evenings, 539-5500 days.

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**TOYOTA '91 Longbed**, 2.2 liter, \$2300/offer. Must sell 732-5991/410-0241.

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**CHEVY '96 Tahoe**, loaded, exc. cond., \$18,500. Call 733-5700 or 400-8038.

**CHEVY '92 Suburban LS**, 20K low pkg, immaculate, \$32,500. Call 537-5579.

**DODGE '96 4x4**, positive rear end, w/ snow plow, \$1600 886-7733.

**DODGE '90 1/2 ton ext. cab** pickup, 360 cubic inch V8, 4x4, 112K mi., \$2800/offer. 324-7633 by msg.

**DODGE '84 Ram MT SLT** Excellent cond., all power 129K, \$2499. 735-7009.

**DODGE '89 Cummins**, 4x4 AT, quad, SLT, leather, \$16,500. Call 731-3324.

**DODGE '96 4x4 quad**, AT, exc. cond., 85K miles, \$23,900. Call 324-5818.

**DODGE '99 Cummins**, short bed, AT, SLT Laramie, loaded, 150hp overdrive, \$19,500/offer. 324-5103 or 324-1453.

**DODGE '90 2500 quad**, V10, SLT, shell, 8,000 miles, \$28,900. 324-6247.

**FORD '78 Bronco** damaged front end, Good engine, good tires, \$1000, 731-5661 or 733-9348.

**DODGE '00 Ram 1600** 4x4, V8 auto, 84K, \$12,150. Call 736-4431 dr.

**FORD '84 Bronco II**, new clutch, new windshield, runs well, \$1200/offer. Call 637-8247.

**FORD '86 Bronco XLT**, top package, moonroof, loaded, 150K miles, map wheels, running board, \$3500/offer. 734-8018 even, or 733-9004, days.

**FORD '87 F350 4x4**, x-pow, new tires, exc. cond., \$2000/offer. 543-8866.

**FORD '88 Bronco II 4x4** Perfect for snow, \$2000 or offer. Call 733-7400.

**FORD '88 F150**, clean, 3" lift kit, 3" exhaust, tires, wheels, camper shell, \$3500/offer 737-4685.

**FORD '90 F150**, AT, PW, PL, AC, Good condition, \$6000/offer. 637-0834.

**FORD '94 Explorer sport**, great cond, new tires, low miles, \$6300. 735-2236.

**FORD '94 Explorer XLT**, Good cond., AT, AC, \$7500/offer. 639-9781.

**FORD '84 F150** exc. cab, 4x4, 98K miles, excellent condition, 6 speed, AC, CC, good tires, \$9000/offer. Call 326-4500.

**FORD '97 Expedition XLT**, Leather, 3rd seat, front & rear AC, 8 track CD changer, running boards, AT, Auto 4x4, PW, PL, 5.4 L Triton V-8, 65K mi. Great shape, \$15,450. 206-788-2454.

**FORD '98 F150**, Eddy Kenner pkg., exc. cab, AC, AT, CD, camper shell with carpet, 114K, \$10,500. 324-9823 or 308-1300.

**FORD '77 F150** Lariat, super good, long bed, w/ Rhino Guard, 44K mi. Fully loaded, 6.4L, AT, cruise, AC, PB(4000), low pkg, add please, keyless, hard tonneau, stereo w/ CD, \$18,000. 733-3578.

**FORD '87 F250** standard cab, 6.5 liter, auto, AC, bedliner, lock/unlock, must see \$9,300/offer. Please call 735-8542.

**FORD '97 F350 7.3 liter** Power Stroke diesel, black w/ red interior, \$13,000/offer. 820-4066.

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