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# Iraq agrees to inspectors

## Bush vows 'zero tolerance' toward deception

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Iraq Wednesday said it was ready to receive United Nations weapons inspectors in accordance with the Security Council resolution approved last week, bowing to intense international pressure two days before a U.N. deadline. An eight-page letter to U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan from Iraqi Foreign Minister Najib Saberi Ahmed was filled with invective against the United States, Britain and the 13 other council governments that voted unanimously for the measure. Ahmed asserted that Iraq has no weapons of mass destruction for inspectors to find but said, "We are prepared to receive the inspectors within the assigned timetable... We are eager to see them perform their duties... as soon as possible."

"We take it they have accepted," Annan told reporters after a White House meeting with President Bush. The first inspectors, Annan said, would be arriving in Iraq next Monday to begin setting up their headquarters and establishing a work plan. Iraq's acquiescence to the resolution, and apparent agreement to the tough new inspection program it establishes, crosses the first, and perhaps the easiest of a number of hurdles set out by the Security Council. The Bush administration has said that failure at any juncture would provide justification for war, either under U.N. auspices or, if the Security Council does not agree, by U.S. forces acting alone or with like-minded allies.

Baghdad now has until Dec. 8 to provide inspectors and the council with "a currently accurate, full, and complete declaration of all its chemical, biological and nuclear weapons programs. After the strict timetable, inspections must officially start operations no more than 15 days after that; chief U.N. weapons inspector Hans Blix then has an additional 60 days - until nearly the end of February - before he must make his initial report to the council on Iraqi cooperation.

Bush made no comment on the Iraqi response in a brief Oval Office statement to reporters before he began his 40-minute meeting with Annan, and allowed no questions. But in earlier remarks following a morning Cabinet meeting, he said the United States would have "zero tolerance" for Iraqi deception. "About as plain as I can make it," he said. "We will not tolerate any deception, denial or deceit, period."

The resolution calls for Blix to immediately report any Iraqi



An Iraqi girl looks at a painting of President Saddam Hussein surrounded by generals Wednesday at the Saddam Arts Center in Baghdad.



Left, President Bush and Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld listen to a reporter's question Wednesday after Bush met with cabinet at the White House. Bush said he will tolerate "deception or denial or deceit" from Saddam Hussein as Iraq accepted a tough new U.N. resolution. The resolution calls for access to demand to sites including presidential palaces. At right, Saddam is shown Wednesday in a television broadcast from Baghdad.



### Saddam Hussein's palaces

The Iraqi leader has a total of 37 known presidential palaces.

NOTE: Number of palaces in each city.

"Interference with inspection activities," and for the council then to reconvene to decide what action to take. The admin-

istration has said that it will participate in those deliberations, while reserving the right to make its own decisions. In an indication of how fragile international consensus remains after two months of deliberations during which some council members sought to fashion a resolution that would restrain U.S. eagerness to attack, Annan said Wednesday that he hoped all parties will "be careful" in deciding how to respond to possible Iraqi provocations. "Anything seen as a flimsy, hasty excuse to go to war will create difficulties in the council," he said.

In its letter to Annan, Iraq repeated that it has no weapons of mass destruction, and said that both Bush and "his lackey, (British Prime Minister) Tony Blair... know, as well as we do... that such fabrications are baseless." Those who "pressured" the council to adopt the resolution, it said, "have other objectives."

## T.F. doctor gets change of venue

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Calling local news coverage "sensational," Dr. James Retmier, a 5th District Judge Nathan Higer Wednesday approved Retmier's request for a change of venue. A scheduled jury trial will begin March 4 in Focatello or Boise. A pretrial conference is scheduled Feb. 10.

Higer also called news coverage of Retmier's case in The Times-News "repetitive." "It's unusual to have this kind of coverage," Higer said. "Even

murder trials have not gotten this kind of coverage." Higer said he had to consider the public's right to know, the media's right to report and the defendant's right to a fair and impartial trial.

"It is unlikely this defendant can receive a fair trial in this jurisdiction," Higer determined.

after listening to arguments from both sides of the courtroom. In late September, the 52-year-old Twin Falls orthopedic surgeon pleaded innocent to a charge of aggravated assault, with a possible penalty enhancement for using a weapon, after being indicted by a grand jury. The charge stems from allegations that Retmier fired a gun near the left ear of Robert Shawn Simons, 29, during a confrontation with Simons Aug. 20 outside a Twin Falls bar. Retmier told police he was

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## Drug tests for school workers may come next

By Robert Mayer  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - With the recent approval of random drug tests for Twin Falls High School students, extending those tests to the district's employees isn't far behind.

While it will be voluntary, a random drug testing program should be up for approval at the Twin Falls School Board's next meeting.

Monday night, board members approved random drug tests for high school students involved in extra-curricular activities. However, there remains the issue of testing school administrators. Earlier in the school year, principals made the gesture to submit to random drugs testing in the wake of a former principal's guilty plea to a drug felony. So far, they haven't submitted to the tests.

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## Lumber company, enviros reach agreement to preserve 600,000 acres

The Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash. - Potlatch Corp. and an environmental group signed a landmark agreement Wednesday that will save up to 600,000 acres of north central Idaho timberland from development, while still allow-

ing logging. The Trust for Public Land, based in San Francisco, expects to raise up to \$40 million from private and government sources over several years to compensate Potlatch for the development value of the land. The deal aims to prevent the

spread of homes, resorts and other development into the areas around the Clearwater and Idaho Panhandle national forests. "This is one of the largest conservation easements in the history of the United States," said Roger Hoesterey,

Northwest director for the trust in Seattle. Timber companies throughout the Rocky Mountain region are finding their land can be more valuable for real estate development than for logging, Hoesterey said. But such subdivision disrupts

large, contiguous wildlife habitat and recreation areas, and also hurts local economic development. Each year, some 2 million acres of forest and farmland are turned into homes and other real estate developments around the country.

## Sulfide standard put on hold

### Legislature won't consider it in 2003

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

BOISE - The 2003 Legislature will not consider legislation to set a standard for hydrogen sulfide in Idaho.

With one notable exception, on Wednesday the board of directors for the Department of Environmental Quality voted to further study the issue of putting a hydrogen sulfide standard in place. Board member Don Chisholm, a Burley attorney, said more time would not change the difficulty of setting a standard for the state. "There has been a tremendous amount of time, expense and energy expended to date," Chisholm said. He said DEQ and the board have already made an exhaustive study of the scientific literature available on the issue of health risks associated with hydrogen sulfide.

"We'll just come back with more unknowns and still have to make a decision," Chisholm said.

Hydrogen sulfide is a gas produced by the decaying of organic matter. It emits a rotten egg smell. At certain levels of concentration it can cause such effects as burning eyes and throat, headaches and even memory loss and nausea. At extremely high levels, hydrogen sulfide is lethal.

Filer-area residents have complained about hydrogen sulfide from two nearby dairies causing them to feel sick. But it isn't just a couple of Filer dairies that emit strong hydrogen sulfide gas when manure breaks down in lagoons. Neighbors of large dairies in the Jerome and Bliss areas say they have suffered health problems, also, because of hydrogen sulfide.

The discussion among board members Wednesday was most, by saying that Idaho industry would be affected by hydrogen sulfide standards. One of the reasons they put forth for delaying a decision is that they didn't want to cause unnecessary alarm as far as the health risks of the gas are concerned. "Testimony shows a diverse opinion about what is toxic and what is a protective level," said board member J. Randy MacMillan, a scientist who works for Clear Springs Foods Inc. in Buhl.

Board members also emphasized that DEQ does not respond to testing school administrators considered a health risk in the case of proven psychological disorders from the chronic

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Tonight: Declining shower activity. Low in the upper 30s to lower 30s.
Tomorrow: Cool and mostly dry with decreasing clouds. High in the upper 40s to lower 50s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

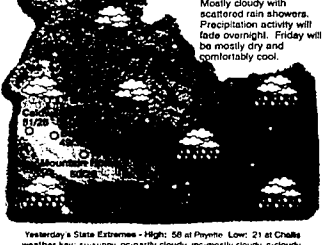
Today: Partly to mostly cloudy with isolated rain showers expected. High in the middle 40s to near 50.
Tonight: Partly cloudy with a chance for rain in the middle. Low in the upper 30s to lower 30s.
Tomorrow: Mostly dry with clearing skies. High in the middle 40s to near 50.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Scattered clouds and break winds. Rain and snow showers expected. Friday will improve. Precipitation activity and cloud cover will fade.

Today Highs 33 to 43 Tonight's Lows 13 to 23
BOISE Cloudy and breezy. Scattered morning showers tapering off to isolated rain showers. Becoming partly cloudy and mostly dry for Friday.

Today High/Low 44 to 54 / 24 to 28
NORTHERN UTAH Mostly cloudy with scattered rain showers. Precipitation activity will fade overnight. Friday will be mostly dry and comfortably cool.



Weather's State Extremes - High: 50 at Pocatello. Low: 21 at Challis. Yesterday's low: sunny, p.c. partly cloudy, m.c. mostly cloudy, c.c. cloudy, thundershowers, r.h. rain, s.h. snow, fl. flurries, w. wind, m. misting.

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Bishops approve compromise policy on sexual abuse

WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S. Roman Catholic bishops overwhelmingly approved a compromise sex abuse policy Wednesday after the Vatican meeting. Donich asked the balance fairness to priests with compassion for victims.

Drugs

Continued from A1. "They'll be asked to fulfill their commitment," Superintendent Terrill Donich said Wednesday. In fact, that commitment might extend to all employees - those who volunteer, that is.

Doctor

Continued from A1. He chased that night by two men who tried to rob him in the parking lot of Wood's Bar, 213 E. Ave. S., so he fired a warning shot to stop them. The maximum sentence for aggravated assault with a weapon is 15 years in prison.

Sulfide

Continued from A1. stress of living with sewer gas smells for long periods of time. "We will not solve the odor problems for the Magic Valley," said Marti Calabretta, a board member from northern Idaho. "We need to be clear about that."

Correction

A Sept. 1 article in which "police drew conclusions before having any scientific examination done on the bullet they had found." A Sept. 17 article "indicating that Robert Shaw Simons, the alleged victim of the crime, had written a letter to The Times-News and complained about the handling of the case."

Time-News Update

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DEQ

Calabretta suggested that the Department of Agriculture should work harder in implementing odor management plans. She said she wanted wording in the motion to table a final decision on a hydrogen sulfide standard that say DEQ is not responsible for odor management of facilities but the final motion included only the following three points.

Consequences

Consequences - DEQ is to develop a protocol and punishment(s) for violators of any hydrogen sulfide standard. "Though he didn't use the word 'advisory,' Chisholm clearly targeted the dairy industry for causing the delay in putting a standard in place."

Lottery Information Press 2 and Weather Information Press 3

# U.S. scours tape for information on bin Laden

WASHINGTON (AP) — Counterterrorism officials pored over the audio recording believed to be from Osama bin Laden on Wednesday, seeking clues about the terrorist chief's whereabouts and possible intentions to strike America and its allies.

Officials said they were treating the tape as a real message from al-Qaida's missing headman, even as the CIA and National Security Agency conducted a technical analysis of the tape aimed at authenticating it.

President Bush said he was taking the message "very seriously."

"Whoever put the tape out has put the world on notice yet again that we're at war," the president said after a Cabinet meeting at the White House.



Osama bin Laden is seen in this video still from Oct. 7. It is the last image available of bin Laden alive.

whether that suggested he was seriously ill or had changed his appearance.

Experts said the taped message — in which the speaker praised last month's terrorist strikes in Bali and Moscow and warned U.S. allies to back away from plans to attack Iraq — could be the prelude to a new major terror attack. Broadcast on the Arabic language TV station al-Jazeera in Qatar, the tape appears to be the clearest evidence yet that bin Laden survived the U.S.-led military assault, including extensive bombing of suspected hideouts in Tora Bora in eastern Afghanistan.

The president bristled when asked if bin Laden should have been captured sooner by U.S. and coalition forces. "We're making great progress in the war on terror. Slowly, but surely, we are dismantling the terrorist network," he said.

Many intelligence analysts have concluded the audiotape almost certainly was made by bin Laden, said a senior law enforcement official, speaking on condition of anonymity. Other U.S. officials were more conservative, saying it probably came from bin Laden.

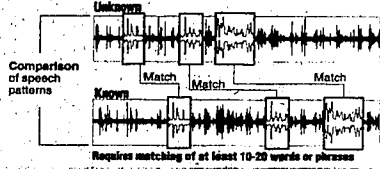
"They can't get to 100 percent certainty, but they're sure," the law enforcement official said. "He's alive. We have to work on that assumption, and we are."

The official, who participated in a high-level briefing by CIA

## Voice authentication

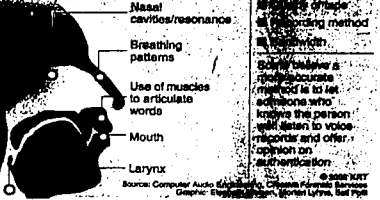
Researchers are using voice authentication to determine the speaker's identity in computer-processed (digitized) messages.

- Tape cleaned for irrelevant noise, voice enhanced
- Computer breaks down frequencies, harmonics, speech patterns



## Phonetic characteristics

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and NSA officials, said analysts are now trying to determine whether bin Laden placed cryptic messages in the recording to order followers into action.

"The speaker on the tape sounds undeterred by the loss of bin Laden's home in the Taliban's Afghanistan or by the death and capture of several of his closest lieutenants.

"Why should fear, killing,

destruction, orphaning and widowhood continue to be our lot, while security, stability and happiness be your lot? This is unfair. It is time we get even," he says, sounding as if he is reading.

The message, aired Tuesday on the al-Jazeera Arabic television network, appears aimed at both Westerners and al-Qaida loyalists, U.S. officials said.

# House OKs homeland security measure

The Dallas Morning News

WASHINGTON — Negotiators broke the impasse over creating a Department of Homeland Security by striking a deal on workers' rights — but that's not all they did.

A provision to allow commercial pilots to carry guns? That's in. A special commission to investigate intelligence failures before the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks? That's out.

A possible deadline extension for new baggage screening equipment at certain airports, including Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport? Agreed.

These items, along with gutting the Immigration and Naturalization Service and restructuring the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, are included in the new homeland security bill that the House passed, 299-121, on Wednesday.

The Senate is expected to follow suit soon, depending on how many procedural roadblocks are put up by opponents who believe the bill is too bogged down.

President Bush is expected to sign the bill creating a new Cabinet-level counter-terrorism agency, including changes made

in negotiations influenced by last week's Republican success in congressional elections.

"This legislation appears to be strong," said White House spokesman Scott McClellan said.

Some Democrats protested that the new momentum on creating the Department of Homeland Security — designed to improve the nation's defenses against terrorist attacks — permitted special interests to horn in.

"We don't even know the full implications of what we're doing in this bill," said Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., during the House debate.

Republicans said the bill gives the United States its best chance to prevent another Sept. 11-style attack. "We must re-organize our government so that we can stop that enemy," said Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio.

Many Democrats said they would also support the bill because of its overarching purposes, even with the new additions.

"We still may be in a position of finding ourselves supporting final passage only because we want to move this ball forward," said Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

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# Greenspan: 'Soft patch' looms

WASHINGTON (AP) - Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Wednesday the economy has hit a "soft patch" as corporate accounting scandals and a possible war with Iraq have shaken consumer and business confidence.

Greenspan made clear in testimony to Congress that the Fed would not hesitate to cut interest rates further if necessary to bolster the wobbly economy. But he also indicated that the central bank believes the most likely economic outcome is a return to stronger growth next year.

If the economy does rebound, Greenspan said, the Fed is ready to quickly reverse course and



Alan Greenspan

begin raising interest rates to make sure that the extraordinarily low interest rates of the past year do not drive prices higher.

The central bank last week reduced its target for overnight bank loans by a half-point to 1.25 percent, the lowest level since July 1961.

It was the Fed's first rate move since last December. Commercial banks responded by pushing their prime lending rate down by

a half-point to 4.25 percent, the lowest point since May 1959 for this benchmark for millions of business and consumer loans.

Greenspan explained Wednesday that the central bank felt the need to respond aggressively to variety of factors depressing growth, ranging from the fallout from the corporate accounting scandals and the big drop in stock prices to rising worries about a possible war with Iraq.

"Over the last few months, these forces have taken their toll on activity and evidence has accumulated that the economy has hit a soft patch," Greenspan said.

# Iran leader opposes professor's sentence

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - President Mohammad Khatami on Wednesday strongly criticized the death sentence imposed on a university professor, as thousands of students demonstrated against the verdict and Iran's hard-line clerics.

Hashem Aghajari has decided not to appeal the sentence, his lawyer announced Wednesday, a move seen as a challenge to the hard-liners who dominate the judiciary and who are locked in a power struggle with the reformist Khatami.

The verdict has touched off



Mohammad Khatami

days of protest. About 5,000 students demonstrated Wednesday at Amir Kabir and Science and Technology universities in Tehran. Such large-scale protests have not been seen in Tehran for three years.

In his first comments on the

case, Khatami said Wednesday the verdict "never should have been issued at all." He urged the case be "settled in a favorable manner to avoid any problems in the country."

"Under the current circumstances, no measure should be taken that promote tension," state-run television quoted Khatami's spokesman. Abdollah Ramezanzadeh said Wednesday the sentence was on a "collision course with national interests and no one supported such a verdict."

# Policing goes into disarray as SEC faces Pitt, Webster resignations

By Marcy Gordon  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON - Reforms and the policing of corporate America have been thrown into disarray at a critical time for investor confidence with the resignations under fire of the Securities and Exchange Commission's chairman and the new head of an accounting oversight board.

SEC Chairman Harvey Pitt and William Webster, a former director of the FBI and CIA, both have quit amid the furor over by the SEC's selection of Webster to head the new oversight board. So has Robert Herdman, the agency's chief accountant, whose role in Webster's appointment is being investigated along with Pitt's.

Their departures bring turmoil to the SEC just when it must investigate and prosecute the accounting scandals that have shaken Americans' confidence in the stock market and corporate integrity. The oversight board, armed with subpoena authority and the power to discipline accountants, was created by Congress last summer to prevent future corporate debacles like Enron, WorldCom and Global Crossing. The board, which had its first meeting Wednesday, is

starting out with no chairman and under a cloud.

"It's unprecedented turmoil," said Saul Cohen, a securities lawyer in New York who also has taught law and worked on Wall Street. "It's something that makes people feel uncomfortable."

As for finding a successor to Pitt, who must be named by President Bush and confirmed by the Senate, Cohen suggested that could take a while because it's become "a radioactive job."

Finding a suitably tough new chairman for the accounting oversight board is critical, said Barbara Roper, director of investor protection for the Consumer Federation of America.

"Getting a board in place that will raise the quality of public audits so that we can start to believe companies' financial disclosures again is essential to restoring investor confidence," she said.

Also going forward, the SEC has to put into effect and enforce an array of rules - also mandated by Congress - governing companies and executives and what they must disclose to investors.

The watchdog agency, created during the Depression in 1934 in

response to the stock market crash of October 1929, has been rocked like never before.

At the same time, the SEC is plagued by an exodus of its legal and auditing talent to the far more lucrative private sector - a problem that existed before the blowup over Webster and is said to have accelerated in recent years.

Morale is extremely low at the agency and its professional employees are severely overworked, according to Paul Maco, a former SEC official now in private law practice.

With the choice of a new chairman and other policy moves, "it's vital that the Bush administration show that corporate reform continues to be at the top of the president's agenda," Maco said.

Despite the multiplying demands on the agency, the White House recently asked Congress to give the SEC \$200 million less than was ordered by last summer's law to fight corporate fraud. Democratic lawmakers and consumer advocates have assailed the Bush budget request as an attempt to undercut the corporate crackdown effort, even as a growing number of executives have been taken away in handcuffs in recent months for corporate malfeasance.

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Sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad is escorted into the Prince William Circuit Court in Manassas, Va., Wednesday.

# Leaks in sniper case rile attorney

MANASSAS, Va. (AP) — The lawyer for sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad denounced the "cowards in law enforcement" Wednesday for leaking details of the investigation to a newspaper.

The comments by Peter Greenspun came after Muhammad made his second appearance in a Prince William County courthouse to face capital murder charges in a fatal Oct. 9 shooting at a Manassas-area gas station.

Greenspun asked the judge to wait until Dec. 12 to set a trial date, partially waiving Muhammad's right to a speedy trial. That means a trial would have to begin by early May.

Greenspun waived additional rights. Prosecutor Paul Ebert has said he expects the case to take a year or so to get to trial.

Muhammad, 41, sat impassively during the hearing, saying only "yes, sir," when asked by Circuit Judge Leroy F. Millette if he needed court-appointed counsel.

Greenspun saved his strongest comments for after the hearing. He accused police of trying to poison the jury pool by anonymously telling The Washington Post the other sniper suspect, 17-year-old John Lee Malvo, had confessed to some of the shootings.

"I think there are cowards in law enforcement who wanted to taint the jury pool, who wanted to seal public perception in this case," Greenspun said.

"I am hopeful the public will keep an open mind in this case and not listen to the innuendo, half-truths, and misinformation coming from law-enforcement sources."

He said he has met with Muhammad and that he has been cooperative, but he declined to talk about evidence in trial topics.

Both Muhammad and Malvo could face the death penalty. The two are suspected in a months-long shooting spree that left 14 people dead and five others wounded in Maryland, Virginia, Washington, D.C., Washington state, Alabama, Georgia and Louisiana.

# Mother of suspected serial rapist apologizes

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The mother of a man suspected of sexually assaulting as many as 31 women in California and Washington apologized to the victims and said she got no response when she asked her son, "Why did you do it?"

Mark Wayne Rathbun, 32, was to be arraigned Wednesday, three days after his arrest. Authorities said DNA evidence linked him to 13 assaults — two in Seattle and the rest in the Long Beach area — and investigations were under way into 18 similar attacks. Nearly all the victims had been alone at the time.

"I cannot believe he did it, but the evidence said he did," said Alice Rathbun,

Rathbun's 75-year-old mother. "On behalf of my son, I want to apologize to all these women who have had this frightening experience."

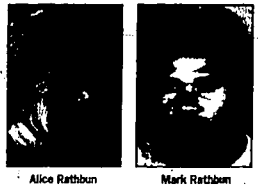
"I said 'Why did you do it?' and he didn't answer directly," she told The Associated Press. An attorney had not yet been assigned to Rathbun, who police described as a drifter often seen bicycling through Belmont Shore, an upscale beachside community where many of the attacks occurred.

Rathbun told police he worked odd jobs such as painting, delivering Christmas trees and bagging groceries. He lived with his mother on and off at

her home three miles from Belmont Shore, near downtown Long Beach, and often stayed with friends instead, she said he was an only child whose father was killed in Vietnam.

"He is a fine person, really attentive to me," she said. "He has a great sense of humor and makes me laugh all the time." Rathbun spent time in a youth camp as a teenager after being arrested for trespassing and burglary. At the time, a priest told him he should see a psychiatrist, his mother said.

He later served 10 months in jail after pleading guilty in 1989 to burglary and false imprisonment when he entered a woman's home dressed in only his under-



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# World economics keep dragging down U.S.

**L**ONDON — If there's a threat of dangerous deflation — a general fall in prices — the causes lie in much of Europe and Japan as in the United States. The inevitable collapse of America's speculative boom would not have been especially damaging if the world's other advanced economies were healthy. Their expanding appetite for imports would have bolstered the United States and so-called emerging-market countries, from Brazil to South Korea. The trouble is that other advanced economies aren't healthy.

Far from offsetting the U.S. slowdown, Europe and Japan — almost a third of the global economy — are aggravating it. Jim O'Neill, Goldman Sachs' chief economist in Europe, forecasts that the European Union's economy will grow only about 1 percent to 2002 compared with 2.4 percent for the United States. Japan's economy will decline by about 1 percent. The Federal Reserve's decision to cut interest rates last week implicitly recognizes an unspoken reality: America's recovery has received almost no support from abroad.

Deflation could emerge from simultaneous slumps in the world's three major economies. Prices drop because there's too little global demand chasing too much global supply — everything from steel to shoes. Japan's ills are well known. An economy dependent on exports stagnated once exports faltered. Its banks are awash in bad loans. Less understood is the fact that Europe's troubles stem significantly from Germany. It's the engine that drives other countries: its population (82 million) is about a fifth of the EU's; its gross domestic product (about \$2 trillion) is almost a quarter.

The engine is sputtering. In 2001, German GDP grew a meager 0.6 percent; this year it is expected to be 0.4 percent. Since 1991, unemployment has averaged about 8 percent; the number of jobs today is roughly



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what it was a decade ago. Worse, things won't get better soon. "German under-performance could easily persist for another decade or more," concludes a study by economists Dirk Schumacher and David Walton of Goldman Sachs.

As they diagnose it, Germany has two major problems. One is common in Europe: over-regulation, especially of labor markets. Laws make it hard to fire workers, so companies are reluctant to hire. Generous unemployment benefits discourage the jobless from seeking work. Wage bargaining remains too centralized; companies have too little flexibility to fashion contracts that fit their needs. High payroll taxes raise labor costs.

But Germany also suffers from mistakes made during unification a decade ago. The goal was to equalize East and West German wages, even though Eastern workers were much less productive than their Western counterparts. East Germany's currency (and wages) were converted into West German marks at an unrealistic exchange rate of one to one; then, East German wages were raised more than 50 percent from 1991 to 1995. Instantly, high labor costs made many firms uncompetitive and rendered Eastern Germany unattractive for new factories. Massive unemployment resulted; it still exceeds 18 percent.

The impulse to weld the country together quickly was understandable, if a over-ambitious. "Germany is rich country," says economist Saul Estrin of the London Business School. "But suppose the United States had to integrate with Mexico and raise its incomes (to U.S. levels) in five years. It would be

a stretch." What now connects Germany and Japan is a refusal to deal with their problems. There's no consensus to do anything unpopular (write off bad bank loans in Japan, overhaul labor laws in Germany). In Germany, huge government payments (3 percent to 4 percent of GDP) go to Eastern Germany for unemployment and welfare benefits. People seem content to bear the costs, says Walton. If their, the chancellor Gerhard Schröder seems a triumph for the status quo. Germans and Japanese hope to be rescued by a recovering world economy and higher exports.

This may be wishful thinking. The danger is that weak economies in the United States, Europe and Japan feed on one another and create a collective global weakness. Lower interest rates and bigger budget deficits — aka "economic stimulus" — would be standard antidotes. Perhaps the Fed's rate cuts will succeed. The Bank of England (the Fed's British counterpart) and European Central Bank (the bank for the "euro area" of Germany and 11 other countries) last week declined to do rates; they may ultimately do so. But lower interest rates may not overcome obstacles to economic growth that are essentially political, legal and cultural. As for budget deficits, they're already large in Japan, Germany and much of Europe. Japan is now experiencing mild deflation, which — if it spreads — might trigger a vicious circle. Falling prices could lower profits, which could lower investment. The irony is undeniable. Germany is Europe's "sick man," just as Japan is Asia's. Only 15 years ago, these countries seemed poised to assume leadership of the world economy. Now they are dragging it down.

Robert Samuelson is a columnist for Newsweek.



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WORLD

# China prepares for new capitalist era

BEIJING (AP) — The list naming China's next ruling elite was ready Wednesday but sealed to the rest of the world until the Communist Party wraps up its congress — a process expected to culminate in the retiring of President Jiang Zemin as the nation begins five, increasingly capitalist years of new government.

Party leaders had approved candidates to be elected today to its Central Committee, setting in motion what could become the communist government's first orderly change of leadership. The new committee will in turn appoint the exclusive Politburo and its Standing Committee — the party's highest echelon of power — a day later.

By the time the turnover is done, it is widely expected that Jiang, 76, will have stepped down as party general secretary



Jiang Zemin

Hu Jintao

and passed the post to his vice president, Hu Jintao, 59. Hu is then expected to succeed Jiang in March as president.

Delegates to the party's week-long 16th National Congress also are expected to amend its constitution to formally endorse Jiang's invitation for entrepreneurs to join — an effort to keep the party in control of a fast-changing China.

But in the secretive process,

anything could be happening. Jiang and other party leaders approved the Central Committee candidates at a meeting Wednesday, the official Xinhua News Agency said without giving any details. Such lists usually have only as many candidates as there are seats, guaranteeing the outcome.

The election Thursday will cap months of political maneuvering and a congress at which Jiang and other leaders have promised a sweeping expansion of market-oriented reforms launched by the late supreme leader Deng Xiaoping, who installed Jiang as party leader in 1989.

Jiang vowed in a speech to the opening of the congress to protect private property and profits — a path known as "socialism with Chinese characteristics" that his successors are expected

to stick to. The Beijing newspaper Junghua News said that Jiang's declaration will unleash new economic dynamism. The newspaper said it ends uncertainty for entrepreneurs in a hybrid economy led by a party that still officially identifies itself only with the working class and the poor.

"The policy will let more and more people get rich without worries," the newspaper said.

Jiang is said to be preparing to give up his formal posts as part of a plan a decade in the making for leaders in their 70s to pass power to a younger generation led by Hu.

But Jiang is also believed to have shepherded proteges onto the party's next ruling body and into other high posts in order to retain influence over a new government.

# 200 fisherman disappear in storm off Bangladesh

COX'S BAZAR, Bangladesh (AP) — Nineteen boats disappeared in a fierce storm off Bangladesh on Wednesday, and officials and witnesses said about 200 fishermen were missing and feared dead.

The bodies of two fishermen washed ashore. Rescue workers were battling high waves to search the seas and offshore islands for the missing men.

At least 10 wooden fishing boats sank off Cox's Bazar, 185 miles southeast of Dhaka, local official Aizuddin Chowdhury said. Eleven survivors reached shore but 140 were missing, he said.

Eight other fishing boats carrying about 60 fishermen were reported missing from the southern coastal district of Barisal.

In addition, a navy mine boat sank near the offshore island of Kutubdia. Its six crew members swam ashore, a navy spokesman said.

The fishermen said they were caught in the storm, which began Tuesday night, after ignoring warnings about the bad weather.

"We didn't think the storm would get us, so we decided to stay out," said one survivor, 25-year-old Mohammad Iqbal.

The tropical storm whipped up waves that swamped eight coastal districts in southern Bangladesh. Winds and torrential rains swept through most of southern and central Bangladesh, flooding dozens of villages and forcing thousands to flee their homes.

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Four area high school teams remain in the hunt for football gold.

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SPORTSQUOTE

"This is all just a terrible bad dream."

"Shaquille O'Neal, on the Lakers' 2-6 start, their worst in 36 years"

TRIVIA

QUESTION: -CSI men's all-time leading scorer, David Anderson, holds one other team record. What is it? ...Answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Women's college basketball Lady Chapparral Classic CSI vs. Barton County CC, at Midland, Texas, 5 p.m.

IN BRIEF

CSI game opens up seating Friday

TWIN FALLS - It'll be a mad scramble for seats Friday when the College of Southern Idaho man take on the Northwest All-Stars.

For \$2, any seat in the house will be available for the taking in the first come, first served format. The annual fund-raiser drops all reserve seating for the night, which tips off at 7:30 p.m. All proceeds go toward scholarships for the men's basketball team.

Copus Cove holds team roping Nov. 23

Buhl - A team roping event will be held on Saturday, Nov. 23 at 7 p.m. at Copus Cove Arena. Events include a No. 6, three for \$15, and a No. 6, three for \$10.

Vandal cross country teams head to regional

MOSCOW, Idaho - The University of Idaho men's and women's cross country teams head into postseason action Saturday at the NCAA West Regional meet at Stanford University in Palo Alto, Calif.

The Vandals have high hopes of making their way to the national meet. The top two teams in both the men's and women's races, as well as the top four individual finishers from teams that do not qualify for the NCAA Championship are guaranteed a spot in the national meet.

The Idaho women are coming off a championship in the Big West Conference, led by women's individual champion Letwe Markkurva.

Stanford, UCLA, Arizona State, and the University of Washington are the favorites to win the women's race, all are ranked in the Top 25 in the nation.

The Idaho men placed fifth at the Big West meet.

ISU women's soccer draws Portland Cup

POCATELLO - The Idaho State women's soccer team meets No. 9 University of Portland today in the first round of the NCAA College Cup.

Today's game is in Provo, Utah. It's the second straight season ISU has made the tournament.

No YourSports

The community sports page, YourSports, will be published in Friday's edition due to extended previews of girls high school basketball.

The Times-News regrets any inconveniences this may cause.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Anderson, who played from 1989-1991, also holds the record for most 3-point shots made in a season at 121.

Minico's Martin signs to play hoops at BSU

By Scott Thompson Times-News writer

RUPERT - Believe it. Even if Minico senior Whitney Martin couldn't quite come to grips with it. What was it? Only the culmination of a lifetime dream Wednesday as she prepared to sign a national letter of intent to play basketball at Boise State University next season. "It feels great," she said. "It's unexplainable." The little girl who grew up idolizing Minico

players of the past - Kaly Gillette and Jackie Rasnick - and playing alongside Stanford University freshman Clare Bodensteiner, Martin is now, herself, one of those elite players. Martin, who is third on the school's career and rebound and steal lists and should top the rebound list by the end of the season, is hardly complacent, though.



Whitney Martin

"We want to win region again and go to state," Martin said. "That's all anyone is talking about is going to state."

One of the keys to making that happen will be for her to successfully emerge from Bodensteiner's shadow and become the object of every team's defensive plans.

"Even if teams do try to shut me down, I don't think that will be a problem because we have a lot of people who can step up and hit shots," she said.

In fact, Martin's all-around skills are her greatest asset.

(Boise State) looked at her ability to play four positions on the court and her work ethic in the weight room," Minico coach Clint Straitman said.

The Broncos appealed to Martin because of their proximity to home and the quality of the program.

"My grandparents told me every day that they could come to games in Boise," Martin said.

But for now, Martin plans to enjoy her senior season and make a run for state. Believe it.

GIRLS BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

Fresh starts

T.F. Minico girls head in new directions

By Scott Thompson Times-News writer

It's new beginnings for the Twin Falls Bruins and Minico Spartans girls basketball teams. The Bruins graduated everything Kim Strunk, fired head coach Lawrence Pfefferle and hired longtime Buhl coach Joe Shepard in a tumultuous off-season, the Spartans will look to life without the sensational Clare Bodensteiner, who is playing at national power Stanford. Shepard said the transition has gone smoothly.

"I coached them in a couple tournaments this summer, so they know what to expect of me," he said. "It's going really well."

And it should with a great deal of experience returning from a year as Sharp shooter and leading scorer 5-foot-9 senior guard Danielle Maloney is back as is 5-8 junior guard Amanda Hovey, whose all-around skills will help fill a lot of different spots in the backcourt.

Hannah Heidenreich, a 5-11 sophomore post, will likely start along with 5-10 senior Kim Vriesman and 5-7 senior Tami Hazen at the forward positions. Heidenreich is a skilled post player who had a strong summer. That leaves 5-10 senior post Shay Tusov and 5-11 junior post Cara Crist coming off the bench. Both started at times a year ago and will be key again this year for a deep Bruin team.

Senior forward Melissa Hawkins is a tremendous hustler and junior guard Whitney Cleland is a good shooter at point guard.

But it's at point guard where the Bruins have a few question marks. Belinda Turley, an outstanding defender and good ball handler a year ago, remains undecided about whether she will come out for the team.

"We'll see in the next couple of days," Shepard said. "That's been the only real turmoil." Shepard's teams at Buhl advanced to the state tournament seven times in his 15 years at the school, including a state title in 1997. The Indians had won three consolation champi-



Twin Falls sophomore Hannah Heidenreich, left, drives to the basket against teammate Melissa Hawkins in a team scrimmage on Wednesday night. Heidenreich is expected to be a starter for the team this year.

CSI women face stern tests

Lady Eagles open Texas touney tonight

By Kevin Hall Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Apparently, Randy Rogers does know the mess he's gotten his team into.

Tough love, from a first-year coach to his College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team. Rogers said "yes" to an invitation this summer to play at the Midland College Lady Chapparral HS/College Classic, which tips off tonight in Midland, Texas.

One can only imagine what Rogers was thinking. Possibly something along the lines of "Yeah, we'll get our feet kicked in once, twice, three times. But at some point, we're

Lady Chapparral HS/College Classic. When: Today-Saturday Where: Midland, Texas Who: CSI, Midland, Clarendon, Barton County Tonight's game: CSI vs. Barton County, 5 p.m. MST Radio: 1450AM MST

going to turn it around." Well, close enough. "You got to play the best to beat the best," Rogers said Tuesday. "I think we can compete on the road but we got to find a way to show up for every thing. I think we're going into this tournament to improve the

the season. Junior Becky Hansen, Erica Miller and Kabree Dayton will all contribute and sophomore forward Amber Warth is expected to compete for a starting spot on what should also be a deep team. "Even if people come in to stop me, we'll be all right because we have a lot of people who can step up and hit shots as well as me," Martin said.

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Giants look to Alou to manage veteran squad

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO - To handle their veteran team, the San Francisco Giants turned to an old pro: Felipe Alou.

The 67-year-old Alou became the oldest manager to take over a club since Casey Stengel four decades ago. Not that Alou was worrying about his age after the National League champions hired him Wednesday to replace Dusty Baker.

"I'm a soldier of this game," said Alou, who played for San Francisco in the 1950s and '60s.

Stengel was 71 when the New York Mets lured him out of retirement in October 1961 to manage them the next year in their first season, according to

the Elias Sports Bureau and the Hall of Fame.

It's been a good week for older coaches. On Tuesday, the NBA's Grizzlies hired Hubie Brown, 69.

Alou, the former Mets head manager and a bench coach for Detroit last season, was excited to return to the Giants. He inherits a team led by five-time MVP Barry Bonds.

"I'm going back home to where I started and, hopefully, I'm

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High School Winter Sports Previews. The Times-News concludes its look at area high school girls basketball teams. Today: 5A, 4A girls' basketball. Next month: boys' basketball, wrestling.

End game

Tigers, Bobcats focus on end of season

By Scott Thompson Times-News writer

The Jerome and Burley girls basketball teams are both pointing toward the end of the season. But for very different reasons.

The powerhouse Tigers are looking for a run deep into the Class 4A state tournament while the Bobcats are hoping that an inexperienced team will come together by season's end to spring some surprises once the tournament season begins.

Jerome is not only the favorite to win the Great Basin Conference but the favorites to win the state championship, Burley coach Gordon Kerbs said. "They are probably one of the top three teams in the state, including 5A teams," he said.

Jerome coach Michelle Skyles doesn't quite know what to make of that assessment of her team. "He's a nice guy like that," Skyles said. "He likes to put the pressure on."

But truth be told, Skyles knows her team is talented and experienced.

"We're going to win a lot of games this year," she said. "But you have to avoid injuries and continue playing as a team. A lot of times with a talented team, it's not so much what the other teams do to you, but what you do to yourselves. We have to stay together."

The Tigers feature an arsenal that includes BCI All-American Jennifer Pond, a 5-foot-11 senior post, 6-foot junior forward and Vanessa West and 5-6 senior point guard Whitney Clark, who's nursing a hamstring injury. All would start for about any other team. However, each is just another player at Jerome.

"I've never coached a star," Skyles said. "Now, I've had some

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Felipe Alou

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GIRLS BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

Capsule looks at Minico and Twin Falls

Minico Spartans
Coach: Clint Stratmann, third year
2001-02 record: 17-9, state consolation champions

Spartans, who will have to adjust to life without Stanford freshman Clare Bodensteiner...

Twin Falls Bruins
Coach: Joe Shepard, first year
2001-02 record: 11-12
Returning starters: 5-9 sr. G Danielle Maloney...

Outlook: The Bruins should be markedly better than a year ago as they bring back a ton of experience...

5A players to watch

Whitney Martin, Minico
5-11 sr. forward
Martin is without weakness, able to run the offense from the perimeter...

practice every day. She is a terrific shooter from the perimeter and on-the-ball defender.

Danielle Maloney, Twin Falls, 5-9 sr. guard
Maloney is a tremendous athlete who was streaky a year ago...

Amanda Hovey, Twin Falls 5-8 jr. guard
Hovey can provide good ball-handling, outside shooting and ever stop up on occasion.

Kim Vriesman, Twin Falls 5-9 sr. wing
Vriesman can get scary hot at times, forcing teams to extend their defense.

Capsule looks at Burley and Jerome

Burley Bobcats
Coach: Gordon Kerbs, 11th year
2001-02 Record: 4-18
Returning starters: 5-8 sr. G Liz Brice...

off to a shaky start but look for Burley to come together by tournament time.

ninth season
2001-02 record: 17-8, went 0-2 at state
Returning starters: 5-11 sr. P Jennifer Pond; 6-0 jr. forward Vanessa West...

Outlook: The Tigers are among the elite teams in the state and will be disappointed to finish out of the trophies at the state tournament.

4A players to watch

Jennifer Pond, Jerome 5-11 sr. post
Once in the post, no one is moving her out as the incredibly strong Brien is vastly improved...

Sarah Lott, Jerome 5-11 sr. forward
Lott is an extraordinary athlete whose combination of quickness and size is tough to beat.

Kristina Bingham, Jerome 5-10 sr. forward
Bingham is built in the same mold as Lott, with whom she split starting time at small forward a year ago.

Liz Brice, Burley 5-8 sr. point guard
Brice, who averaged 9 points a game a year ago, can shoot the three and drive to the hole.

Liz Hoggan, Burley 5-9 sr. forward
Hoggan is a good shooter from the perimeter who will be looked upon to become more of a leader as the season progresses.

Hewitt, Agassi, Safin all fall at Masters Cup

SHANGHAI, China (AP) - Lleyton Hewitt, Andre Agassi and Marat Safin - the world's three top-ranked players - were upset Wednesday at the Masters Cup.

The top two players in each four-man group advance from round-robin play to Saturday's semifinals of the \$3.75 million tournament.



Lleyton Hewitt grimaces during his loss to Carlos Moya Wednesday at the Tennis Masters Cup in Shanghai, China.

Agassi's game deserted him late in the first set. He dropped the second set to his Czech opponent in 21 minutes. Early on, it appeared Agassi would have an easy night as he patted the lines with groundstrokes and occasionally sneaked to the net for a volley...

"I thought I played a lot better tonight than I did last night," said Hewitt, who lost Costa on Tuesday. "He's playing unbelievable tennis right now. It's definitely not a bad loss losing to Carlos Moya."

Vanessa West, Jerome 6-0 jr. forward
The 6-footer, who is coming off a sensational summer in which she played for the national Idaho BCI team, will play guard, forward and post for the Tigers.

Whitney Clark, Jerome 5-8 jr. point guard
This slasher makes the Tigers good on also coming off a strong summer in which she played for the Idaho Elite team.

Katie Thibault, Jerome 5-7 sr. guard
Steady and unselfish, Thibault is ready for another strong year for the Tigers. She

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The conference will be deeper than ever, Idaho Falls and Skyline have been thrown in with Region 1 teams Twin Falls, Minico, Pocatello and Highland...

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Bobcats are all question marks. "We have one returning starter - and that's off a 4-18 team," Kerbs said. "Coming off a year like that, you'd hope to have three or four coming back."

And there's more, as 5-7 senior guard Katie Thibault and senior small forwards Sarah Lott (5-11) and Kristina Bingham (5-10) are all capable of big nights.

Alou

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going to end it right there," he said. Alou, a native of the Dominican Republic, agreed to a three-year contract and becomes the oldest manager in the major leagues. He was 631-717 in 10 seasons with the Expos.

teams," Minico coach Clint Stratmann said. "I could be wrong but I think it will come down to the other four teams." The Spartans' goals are clear. "We want to win region again and go to state," Martin said. "That's all anyone is talking about is going to state."

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But there's little drop off once the Tigers go to their bench. "I'm just very blessed to coach such a team," Skyles said. "I may never have such an opportunity again. Not only are they good athletes but they are good people."

onship. Baker is talking with the Chicago Cubs about becoming their manager. Alou's son Moises plays for the Cubs. "I was happily surprised," Moises said. "For him to get a job with a team like the Giants is awesome."

CSI

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tournament at Dixie State College. No, Midland didn't beat the hosts and 14th-ranked Rebels. Instead, it feasted on the likes of scenic West Athletic Conference rivals Burley, 17 Utah Valley State College (67-58), College of Eastern Utah (80-62), and Snow College (82-60).

Rogers has seen some good things this season. Sophomore Angie Layton has broken out at the four-spot, scoring a season-high 23 points against Western Montana's junior varsity and snagging eight rebounds in a big win over the Rocky Mountain JV in Wyoming.

Camille on the team's best scorer from the outside." Rogers admits he needs more consistent production out of his sophomores Kucheran, Kristi Hill and transfer Jessica White, who've all struggled with turnovers and an inability to finish around the basket.

improve, you've got to play good teams." Throw-ins Home and home: As part of a two-year agreement, Midland College will visit CSI next year for the Coca-Cola Classic.

The Lady Chaps are led by 6-foot Sadio Sarr. Sarr averages 20 points a game, according to head coach Tom Jones. "We've got seven sophomores and I think we got a chance to be pretty good," said Jones, who founded the Midland women's program nine years ago.

Freshman Andrea Sivakova has come on, netting 15 points against Western Montana. Sophomore post Amy Kucheran has been on and off, scoring 21 points and grabbing six boards against Western Montana but struggling with foul trouble and only three points in the loss to Northwest.

"Any frustration her she's not feeling. Kristi is getting down on herself and Jessica just cares too much," he said. "Her priority is setting up the offense and she wants to do well. She just penetrates too deep or makes a bad decision."

Owles: Rogers said walk-on freshman Jamie Chatham needed stitches this week after taking an elbow to the head. Sivakova is nursing some tendinitis in her knee and wrist. Midland tourney: This weekend's tournament is also host to a high school tournament that runs in conjunction with the college tournament.

Pretty good? How about stupefyingly good? "We can't end with Sangare, who had 24 points in the win over Snow last weekend. Lindsey Casey is a 6-1 sophomore who is scoring about 10 points and 10 rebounds an outing. Then there is 5-9 guard Melissa Jacob, who's netting 14 points a game."

"Angie had a couple of pretty good games and Andrea has been shooting well," Rogers said. "Camille Porter has been playing good defense. I have to put

"I don't care how tough the schedule is right now," he said. "I do want to play good basketball. We want to improve and to

And there's little drop off once the Tigers go to their bench. "I'm just very blessed to coach such a team," Skyles said. "I may never have such an opportunity again. Not only are they good athletes but they are good people."

College of Southern Idaho basketball statistics (Through Nov. 7)

Table with columns for Player, G, FG, FGA, Pct., 3FG, 3FGA, Pct., FT, FTA, Pct., R/G, A/G, S, Blk, TO, Avg. for Men and Women.

Not a bad plan, except that the Lady Golden Eagles fell 84-68 to Central Arizona at home to close out the Coca-Cola Classic on Nov. 2. "That's OK," Rogers said. "If we play well, we can compete" with them. But we are going to have to take care of the basketball."



SPORTS

# Mavs hold off upset-minded Cavs

**CLEVELAND (AP)** — Already off to a great start, the Dallas Mavericks showed they can finish pretty well, too.

Dallas extended the NBA's best record, improving to 8-0 by rallying in the second half Wednesday night for a 103-99 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers.

"Teams that are championship caliber win the ugly ones," said guard Avery Johnson. "We found a way."

Dirk Nowitzki scored 13 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter for the Mavericks, who trailed by 13 in the third and entered the final 12 minutes behind for the first time this season.

Michael Finley scored a season-high 26 points and Walt Williams and Steve Nash had 14 apiece for Dallas, which had to overcome a career-high 34 points by Zydrunas Ilgauskas and a dunk by Cavs guard Ricky Davis on which he jumped over Nash.

The Mavericks also had to shake off injuries that left them with just 10 players.

"This is a different Mavericks team," said forward Eduardo Najera, who added 12 points. "We're going to handle adversity better. The bench had to step it up, and we did."

Jumaine Jones had 23 points for the Cavs, who dropped their fifth straight since their home opener when they stunned the defending champion Los Angeles Lakers.

After a basket by Williams, Nash hit a runner in the lane to put the Mavericks up 93-91 with 2:31 to play.

Cleveland point guard Milt Palacio was then whistled for traveling — the first of two violations for him in the final 1:39 — and Nowitzki hit two free throws for a 95-92 lead.

Finley then scored on a slicing move through the lane, and a two free throws made it 101-96 with nine seconds to go.

Palacio made a 3-pointer with 3.7 seconds left, but Nash's two free throws sealed it with 2.6 seconds remaining.

Dallas went 8-for-8 from the line in the final 55 seconds to keep their record unblemished.



Dallas' Eduardo Najera and the Cavs' Ricky Davis reach for a rebound Friday in Cleveland.

dunk by Malik Rose with 7:44 to play.

Kenyon Martin banked in a shot after muscling Duncan out of the way to ignite a 10-2 spurt that put the game away.

The Nets limited the Spurs to 13 baskets in the second half.

**Bucks 108, Bulls 101**

**MILWAUKEE** — Michael Redd scored a season-high 24 points and the Milwaukee Bucks blew a 25-point lead before rallying in the fourth quarter to defeat the Chicago Bulls 108-101 Wednesday night.

Ray Allen had 19 and Kevin Ollie added a season-high 14 to give Milwaukee its ninth straight victory over the Bulls at the Bradley Center.

Jalen Rose had 24 for Chicago, rookie Jay Williams added 20 and Donyell Marshall scored 19 and grabbed 13 rebounds.

**Celtics 91, 76ers 81**

**BOSTON** — Antoine Walker scored 20 points and Paul Pierce made a few key baskets while shooting 4-for-20 as the Boston Celtics won their sixth consecutive game Wednesday night, beating the Philadelphia 76ers 91-81.

Pierce, who scored 13, hit a 3-pointer to start a 13-0 run that turned a six-point third-quarter deficit into a 72-65 fourth-quarter lead. He also hit a fadeaway jumper after the Sixers had cut an 11-point deficit to seven with 2:01 left.

Allan Iverson had 25 points and Eric Snow had 13 assists for the Sixers, who are still looking for their first road win of the season. They are 4-0 at home and 0-3 on the road.

Iverson was 3-for-6 from 3-point range after missing his first 19 this season.

Boston had six scorers in double digits, including three off the bench.

The game matched two teams that met in the first round of the playoffs last year, when Boston beat Philadelphia 3-2 in the best-of-5 series.

**Hornets 102, Timberwolves 98**

**NEW ORLEANS** — Courtney Alexander scored 11 of his 23 points in the fourth quarter as the New Orleans Hornets preserved their perfect home record with 102-98 comeback victory over the Minnesota Timberwolves on Wednesday night.

Alexander hit all 10 of his free throws, eight of them in the final period. He also made a 3-pointer from the corner to tie the game at 94 with just over two minutes left.

Jamal Mashburn had 25 points and 10 rebounds for New Orleans, now 5-0 in its new home. Baron Davis scored 15, and F.J. Brown had 11 points and nine rebounds.

Kevin Garnett and reserve Rod Strickland led Minnesota with 16 points each. Troy Hudson added 14, Wally

Szczerbiak 13 and Radoslav Nestorovic had 12 points with 12 rebounds.

Minnesota, which has lost all four of its road games, led 81-80, the largest lead for either team, early in the fourth quarter.

**Suns 75, Nuggets 72**

**DENVER** — Stephen Marbury scored 19 points, including 10 in the pivotal third quarter, and the Phoenix Suns defeated the Denver Nuggets 75-72 on Wednesday night.

The Suns outscored the Nuggets 29-11 in the third quarter, erasing a nine-point halftime deficit and taking a nine-point lead into the final period. The third-quarter outburst included a 20-3 run highlighted by eight points from Marbury.

Shawn Marion added 14 points and nine rebounds for Phoenix, which won its third straight.

Juwan Howard led Denver with 19 points. Rookie Nene Hilario had 14 points and 10 rebounds.

Marion's slam dunk on an alley-oop pass from Marbury made it 49-49 with 5:12 left in the third quarter, and Casey Jacobsen scored the last five points in the spurt, capped by a 3-pointer, for a 55-49 lead. Amare Stoudemire's 31-foot 3-pointer beat the buzzer, giving Phoenix a 62-53 lead.

Phoenix shot 63 percent (12 of 19) in the third quarter compared to Denver's 14 percent (2 of 14).

# College hoops season officially opens tonight

**NEW YORK (AP)** — While most head coaches arrive on the court after their teams have begun their warmups, Oklahoma's Kelvin Sampson wants to be there from the start.

The third-ranked Sooners return four starters from a team that reached the Final Four last season, but it's the new guys Sampson wants to see even before they start their career tonight against No. 8 Alabama in the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic at Madison Square Garden.

"Two of our top seven are true freshmen and I'm not sure how it will be for kids from Stroud and Midwest City, what it will be like trotting down that tunnel in New York on national TV, against No. 8 Alabama," he said referring to instate recruits Kevin Bookout and DeAngelo Alexander. "I would like to be in front of them to watch their eyes as they take the court."

It could also be fun to watch Sampson's face before the nightcap of the opening doubleheader.

"I've got butterflies," he admitted about his first time coaching in what is called "The World's Most Famous Arena." "There's very few venues as a coach that you sit there and say 'I'd like to take a team there and play.' But Madison Square Garden is a little bit special. That's a place where everybody would like to go at least once in their career. I'm tickled to death your kids are getting to play there. I'd be more tickled if they win."

The Top Ten matchup follows Syracuse against Memphis, while Friday night's doubleheader has Villanova against No. 18 Marquette and No. 4 Texas meeting No. 16 Georgia.

The seventh annual Coaches vs. Cancer Classic has a different format because of the NCAA's changes concerning exempt games. Instead of a four-team tournament, there will be the four games with no champion crowned.

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format because of the NCAA's changes concerning exempt games. Instead of a four-team tournament, there will be the four games with no champion crowned.

"I'd rather have the tournament atmosphere if the games are exempt," Georgia coach Jim Harrick said. "If they're not exempt, then it's not feasible to have the tournament concept."

Teams used to be allowed to play in a multi-game event and count it as one game against its season allotment. The NCAA has ruled teams may only play in two exempt events in a four-year period so tournaments such as this and early seasons staples like the Maui Invitational, Preseason NIT and Great Alaska Shootout have had to scramble as far as their fields are concerned. A judge is reviewing a suit by the exempt events that hopes to restore the situation to the way it was.

The games will be the debut of some highly regarded freshmen.

Geno Auriemma, who Boeheim said reminds him of former Syracuse star Billy Owens as a freshman, will make his debut in tonight's opener.

Villanova's six-man freshman class — four of whom are from the New York area — will play its first game the next night against Marquette and star junior Dwyane Wade.

The event, which has raised over \$2 million for cancer research, is sponsored by AT&T Wireless.

# BYU coach likes chances of getting into bowl game

The Associated Press

While the bowl picture has cleared up slightly for the Mountain West Conference, it's far from decided.

The only certainties entering this weekend is that Utah, Wyoming and San Diego State will not be playing in the postseason and Colorado and Air Force will.

The picture will clear up a little more Saturday when New Mexico visits BYU.

"We have to win one of our next two and they have to win two of their next three," Brigham Young coach Gary Crowton said Wednesday.

Because they played a 13-game schedule, the Lobos need seven wins to qualify for a bowl. The

Cougars need just to win Saturday or next week at Utah to avoid missing a bowl game.

"Right now they're in good position just as we are as far as the position of getting into the bowl," Crowton said. "Both teams need to continue to win to do that."

New Mexico has Colorado State next week, so getting one of the two wins the Lobos need out of the way Saturday could be critical.

"I think everyone is trying to look forward toward what we need to accomplish to have a successful season," New Mexico quarterback Casey Kelly said. "This game against BYU is just one more that means a lot but it's basically setting up things down the road."

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# A-Rod grabs Gold Glove, snapping Vizquel's streak

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Alex Rodriguez won his first American League Gold Glove on Wednesday, a vote that Omar Vizquel didn't handle too cleanly. Vizquel had won nine straight times at shortstop. But the fancy fielder from Cleveland had his streak broken by A-Rod, the Texas Rangers star.



Texas shortstop Alex Rodriguez, shown here Aug. 19 in Cleveland, won the Gold Glove for American League shortstops with a fielding percentage of .987.

"Obviously, I didn't think I was going to lose the Gold Glove this year. I don't think I gave it up. I know I had the numbers to compete," Vizquel said.

"I know he improved his defensive numbers. He had a good year. The voting could go either way," Vizquel said of Rodriguez. "He's on TV everyday. He's in the national papers everyday."

Vizquel said he thought Baltimore's Mike Bordick, who did not make an error in his final 110 games, was as deserving as Rodriguez.

"I don't know why he wasn't recognized as one of the best," Vizquel said.

A-Rod made 10 errors, had a .977 fielding percentage and took part in 108 double plays. Vizquel made seven errors, had a .990 fielding percentage and participated in 98 DPs.

Gold Gloves, presented since 1957 by St. Louis-based Rawlings, are voted on by managers and coaches before the end of the regular season. They may not select players on their own teams, but they vote only for players in their own league.

The World Series champion Anaheim Angels won two Gold Gloves, with catcher Bengie Molina breaking the 10-year winning streak of Texas' Ivan Rodriguez and Darin Erstad replacing Seattle's Mike

## Three Mariners win Gold Gloves

Seattle's John Olerud, Bret Boone and Ichiro Suzuki were among the players who won American League Gold Glove Wednesday as voted on by managers and coaches.

American League		
Pos.	Player	Team
P	Kenny Rogers	Texas
C	Bengie Molina	Anaheim
1B	John Olerud	Seattle
2B	Bret Boone	Seattle
SS	Alex Rodriguez	Texas
3B	Eric Chavez	Oakland
OF	Ichiro Suzuki	Seattle
OF	Darin Erstad	Anaheim
OF	Torii Hunter	Minnesota



SOURCE: Associated Press

Cameron in the outfield. Mariners first baseman John Olerud, second baseman Bret Boone and outfielder Ichiro Suzuki all won AL Gold Gloves.

Olerud won his second Gold Glove, replacing Minnesota's Doug Mientkiewicz at first base. Boone won his first in the AL, taking over from Roberto Alomar, a 10-time winner who was traded from Cleveland to the New York Mets following the 2001 season.

Boone won an NL Gold Glove with Cincinnati in 1998; his father, Bob, a catcher, was a

# Hinske, Jennings head all-rookie team

NEW YORK (AP) — Colorado right-hander Jason Jennings and Toronto third baseman Eric Hinske won more honors Wednesday when they were picked for the major league rookie all-star team.

Jennings, 16-8 with a 4.52 ERA, won the NL Rookie of the Year award earlier this month. Hinske, who hit .279 with 24 homers and 84 RBIs, was the AL winner.

New York Yankees first baseman Nick Johnson (.243, 15 homers, 58 RBIs), Oakland second baseman Mark Ellis (.272, 6,

35), Detroit shortstop Ramon Santiago (.243, A, 20) and Baltimore catcher Geronimo Gil (.232, 12, 45) also were selected. The outfielders were Cincinnati's Austin Kearns (.315, 13, 56), Montreal's Brad Wilkerson (.266, 20, 59) and Milwaukee's Alex Sanchez (.289, 1, 33).

Damian Moss of Atlanta (12-6, 3.42) was the left-handed pitcher. Gil, Hinske, Kearns and Santiago were unanimous picks in the voting by major league managers.

The team was announced by The Topps Co., which has organized the voting since 1959.

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# MLB lobbies to keep baseball a part of Olympic Games

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Major league baseball wants the Olympics to keep the sport, as long as it doesn't have to send its stars.

The International Olympic Committee program commission recommended in August that baseball, softball and modern pentathlon be dropped starting with the 2008 Beijing Games.

The IOC is scheduled to vote on the proposals at its general assembly in Mexico City on Nov. 27-29. A majority of the 120-plus members voting at the meeting is required for a sport to be cut.

"We're hopeful it will be a favorable decision," Sandy Alderson, executive vice president of baseball operations in the Commissioner's office, said Wednesday at the baseball GM meetings.

"There was a lot of effort on our part to see that the game is retained. We lobbied with everybody from NBC to the Republic of China to individual IOC members."

Major league baseball players have not participated in the Olympics, although teams did supply minor league prospects for the 2000 tournament in Sydney, Australia. It might be a long time — if ever — before the likes of Barry Zito, Jason Giambi and Chipper Jones show up at

the Games.

Alderson might not even have to sweat out the vote. Earlier this week, IOC president Jacques Rogge said the vote could be postponed, and any decision might not apply until the 2012 Games rather than 2008.

International Baseball Federation president Aldo Notari has recommended that his sport's competition be reduced from 12 to five days in order to increase the chance of major leaguers participating.

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SPORTS

# Seminoles close in on BCS bowl game

By Richard Rosenblatt  
Associated Press writer

As disappointing as the season has been for Florida State, the Seminoles are still set to win the Atlantic Coast Conference title and gain a spot in a BCS bowl game.

The 15th-ranked Seminoles, 7-3 overall, are 6-0 in the ACC and heavily favored to beat North Carolina (2-8, 0-6) on Saturday.

With a victory Florida State claims the ACC, all but wraps up one of six automatic BCS bowl spots given to conference champions, and would likely play in the Sugar or Orange bowls.

Maryland (8-2, 4-1) has a remote chance at the ACC's BCS spot, but needs to win out, hope NC State beats Florida State in two weeks and then finish five spots ahead of the Seminoles in the final BCS standings on Dec. 8.

Florida State, meanwhile, is out to avenge last year's 41-9 loss to the Tar Heels, an early-season defeat that started the Seminoles on their way to an 8-4 season and brought an end to a nine-year run of ACC titles.

With a new quarterback in Adrian McPherson, and Nick Maxwell in for injured running back Greg Jones, Florida State is refreshed and looking for a strong finish.

"This time a year ago, you couldn't determine who was going to win the ACC championship," Florida State coach Bobby Bowden said. "You had to depend on somebody else to beat somebody else. Now at least it's in your hands. If you win out, you're it. We've got nobody to blame."

**Other games with conference title implications:**

- In the Big 12, Colorado (7-3, 5-1) clinches the North with a victory over fading Iowa State (7-4, 4-3). A win puts the defending league champion Buffaloes in the league title game on Dec. 7. Oklahoma (8-1, 4-1) holds the edge over Texas (9-1, 5-1) in the South thanks to a win over the Longhorns earlier in the season.
- In the SEC, Georgia (9-1, 6-1) clinches the East with a win at Auburn (7-3, 4-2) - or if Florida loses to South Carolina. If Georgia wins, then LSU (7-2, 4-1) would clinch the West with a victory over Alabama (8-2, 5-1) later Saturday. The division winners play in the SEC title game on Dec. 7.

**The Crimson Tide are ineligible for the SEC title.**

- In the Pac-10, first-place Washington State (9-1, 6-0) is off, but USC (7-2, 5-1) needs a win over Arizona State to keep its slim title hopes alive.

The Big Ten is up for grabs between No. 2 Ohio State (11-0, 6-0) and No. 6 Iowa (10-1, 7-0). The Buckeyes play at Illinois (4-6, 3-3), while the Hawkeyes visit Minnesota (7-3, 3-3).

The next big game in the Big East is Nov. 21, when No. 1 Miami (9-0, 4-0) visits No. 18 Pittsburgh (8-2, 5-0). Both teams are off this weekend.

**The picks:**

- No. 2 Ohio State (minus 8.5) at Illinois
- Anyone mention Michigan's up

**College picks**

next for Buckeyes? ... OHIO STATE, 27-21

• No. 4 Oklahoma (minus 36) at Baylor  
No mercy ... OKLAHOMA, 52-0

• No. 4 Texas (minus 6) at Texas Tech  
'Horns defense contains Tech QB Kingsbury ... TEXAS, 35-24

• No. 6 Iowa (minus 10.5) at Minnesota  
Forget Big Ten titles, this is for the Floyd of Rosedale ... IOWA, 34-21

• No. 7 Georgia (minus 2.5) at Auburn  
QB David Greene passes 'Dawgs to division title ... GEORGIA, 24-21

• Arizona State (plus 14.5) at No. 8 USC  
USC QB Palmer is finally living up to expectations ... USC, 41-24

• No. 10 Alabama (minus 2) at No. 14 LSU  
Tigers riding wave of last week's miracle win ... LSU, 24-21

• Nebraska (plus 10.5) at No. 11 Kansas State  
Humble? 'Huskers keep it close ... KANSAS STATE, 31-24

• Wisconsin (plus 10.5) at No. 12 Michigan  
Badgers have lost five of last six ... MICHIGAN, 31-17

• North Carolina (plus 32) at No. 15 Florida State  
Seminoles have rare breather ... FLORIDA STATE, 49-13

• No. 16 Penn State (minus 21) at Indiana  
Hoosiers can't stop Lions RB Larry Johnson ... PENN STATE, 35-17

• Iowa State (plus 7.5) at No. 17 Colorado  
Cyclones QB Wallace needs help ... COLORADO, 31-14

• No. 19 Maryland (minus 4.5) at Clemson  
Coach Friedgen's Terps looking for eighth straight win ... CLEMSON, 31-30

• South Carolina (plus 14.5) at No. 20 Florida  
Gators 8-0 vs. Gamecocks in Gainesville ... FLORIDA, 34-14

• No. 21 Colorado State (minus 12.5) at San Diego State  
Rams seeking another Mountain West title ... COLORADO STATE, 34-18

• No. 22 North Carolina State (minus 7) at Virginia  
Three-game slide for Wolfpack? ... VIRGINIA, 28-27

• Washington (plus 7) at No. 23 Oregon  
Ducks can prevent Huskies from winning season ... OREGON, 34-30

Last week: 16-6 (straight up); 10-12 (against the spread)

Season: 161-54 (straight up); 106-98 (against the spread)

# Two coaches get suspensions after game

## One admits damaging coach's box at Marshall

OXFORD, Ohio (AP) — Two Miami University assistant football coaches were suspended Wednesday after one was charged with assaulting a fan and another acknowledged damaging a coach's box at Marshall.

Coach Terry Hoepfner apologized Wednesday, saying things got out of control when fans rushed the field following Marshall's last-second, 36-34 win over its Mid-American Conference rival.

Hoepfner took two university police officers with him for extra protection on the field, anticipating a volatile situation.

"It's scary," said Hoepfner, who hadn't slept following the bus ride back from West Virginia. "I had more police protection around me last night, and that shouldn't be necessary. We've lost a little bit of our perspective."

Defensive coordinator Jon Wauford and linebackers coach Taver Johnson were suspended

with pay while the southwest Ohio school investigates. Wauford was led off the field in handcuffs and charged with battery, a misdemeanor, for allegedly shoving a fan who ran on the field after the game. Johnson acknowledged damaging the visiting coaches' box, Hoepfner said.

The post-game problems were uncharacteristic for a school that

prides itself as the "Cradle of Coaches."

"I don't want to prejudice our investigation of the facts. But I have to tell you, as president, to see one of my coaches led away in handcuffs was one of the most difficult things I've seen since I've been here," school president James Garland said in a phone interview.

Interim athletic director Steve Snyder said Miami will pay to repair the coaches' box. A shelf and chairs were damaged, and holes were knocked in the wall, Snyder said.

Wauford was released of \$5,000 bond early Wednesday and has a court hearing Dec. 13. The fan, Robert Flaughter, 36, was treated at a hospital and released.

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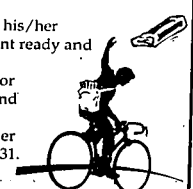
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## AROUND THE VALLEY

# REMEMBERING MINIDOKA

## Different people have different perspectives on how to remember internment camp

### Sun Valley Co. plans to open two days early

**SUN VALLEY** - Early snow that's doused more than 2 feet on Bald Mountain have led the Sun Valley Co. to open the ski mountain two days earlier than the traditional Thanksgiving Day inaugural.

The Nov. 26 opening of the mountain's 57th season, general manager Wally Rustad said, will include Lower River Run Lift No. 1; Lookout Express No. 5 and Challenger Lift No. 10, which will give skiers access to the top and bottom of both sides of Baldy.

River Run and Warm Springs lodges at the base of the mountain will open daily at 8 a.m. beginning Nov. 26.

The smaller ski summit, Dollar Mountain, will open a winter season on Dec. 1, remaining open until Dec. 7 when it will close for a week before reopening on Dec. 7.

Bald Mountain has 65 ski runs, while Dollar, whose slopes are designed for children and beginners, has 13 runs.

This isn't the first year for the mountain to open either earlier or later than scheduled. In the years before Baldy's huge artificial snowmaking system was installed, late and light snows delayed opening well into December.

### Dietrich celebrates new sewer with ceremony

**DIETRICH** - The idea may seem ludicrous to some, but to a town that has never had a sewer system, it was a moment in history.

On Wednesday, a school assembly called and the citizenry of Dietrich was invited to ceremonies for the new sewer.

Councilman Wanless Southwick presented a short slide show on the history of the project, relating stories of unsewered problems and talking of those who helped to overcome them.

As mayor, Jeanetta Knowles was privileged to give the ceremonial flush of a commode on the gym floor which had been rigged to dispense coffee.

The \$1.5 million project took seven long years and enlisted the help of volunteers, including high school students and others from the community.

Those in attendance Wednesday included Charles Barnes, a member of Republican Idaho Congressman Mike Simpson's staff; Doug Howard, regional director of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality; and Terry Stigle of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, rural development division.

### Lincoln P&Z holds public hearing on CAFO tonight

**SHOSHONE** - The Lincoln County Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing tonight on a conditional-use permit for 10,000 animal-unit dairy beef raising facility.

The hearing will be at 7 p.m. on the second floor of the Lincoln County Courthouse.

Ray Commons and Whitesides Dairy have applied for a permit to turn the old Blincoe feedlot into a beef replacement area that will accommodate animals ranging in size from 300 to 1,200 pounds. The feedlot is located four miles south of Klamona off U.S. Highway 24.

### Elmore commissioners consider CAFO ordinance

**MOUNTAIN HOME** - Elmore County commissioners will hold a public hearing tonight to look at the proposed confined animal feeding operation ordinance.

The hearing will take place at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Elmore County Courthouse and is open to the public.

The ordinance establishes a procedure to regulate the siting and construction of CAFOs in Elmore County.

It seeks to ensure that all CAFOs meet minimum siting, design and construction standards and to ensure that all CAFOs meet minimum siting, design and construction standards and to ensure that all CAFOs meet minimum siting, design and construction standards.

**TWIN FALLS** - It was the best of times and the worst of times.

Sixty years later it's a bitter-sweet memory.

Mats Koto was a young woman of 17 when she and her mother and brother were forced to leave their home in Salem, Ore., and sent to live in the Japanese internment camp in Tule Lake, Calif. It was June of 1942, six months after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor.

Koto graduated from high school at the camp in September of 1943, the family was transferred to the Minidoka

Relocation Center, also known as Hunt Camp, located in Jerome County.

Koto recalled some of those memories Wednesday at an open house at the College of Southern Idaho where people shared their ideas of how the Hunt Camp should be remembered now that it's a national monument.

Wednesday was the second of a series of meetings the National Park Service will hold throughout the West to help shape the monument.

Koto said it's important for future generations to remember what happened to Japanese-Americans during World War II.

"Our rights were taken away

**The monument**

For more information about planning the Minidoka Internment National Monument, call National Park Service Superintendent Neil King at 837-4193 or see the Web site at [www.nps.gov/min](http://www.nps.gov/min).

completely," Koto said. "I don't want to forget what a lot of us went through."

While Koto, her mother and brother were interned, another brother - George Ishida - was overseas fighting for his country - the United States - in the segregated U.S. Army 442nd Regimental Combat Team. He'd

been drafted into the Army, but he volunteered for the mission, Koto said.

Koto said she took her mother's advice and tried to make the "the best of our time at the camp." It was more than just an internment camp, it was a community of more than 10,000 people.

Koto worked in the camp's administrative offices.

"It was a place of tough times, but I made so many good friends," Koto said. Hard times have a way of bonding people forever and Koto said she's tried to keep in touch with those friends over the years.

Koto was released from the camp in April of 1945, four months before the United States dropped atomic bombs on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, leading the Japanese to surrender. She went to eastern Oregon to work on a farm.

Koto said wartime makes you appreciate what you have.

"I am grateful for this country," Koto said. "We don't realize how lucky we are."

Guy Matsukoa was interned at Tule Lake. Today, he spends many of his hours touring schools in the Magic Valley, talking to young people about the dark days of World War II.

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## SUNSET SIMMERS



The setting sun lights up the horizon in Twin Falls. The weather should be good for sunset watchers for the next few days with partly cloudy skies until Saturday, when the National Weather Service predicts it will be mostly cloudy.

## Environmentalists sue over grazing, mining

**The Times-News and The Associated Press**

**BOISE** - Environmental groups have filed two separate lawsuits, one of which aims to protect grazing lands on the Nevada border.

Western Watersheds and the Committee for the High Desert sued the U.S. Bureau of Land Management for authorizing temporary grazing permits on the Jarbidge Resource Area they contend is devastated by livestock, fire and drought.

Represented by the Land and Water Fund of the Rockies, the groups say the agency permits

allow 67,000 animal unit months of grazing there. An AUM is the amount of forage required per month to feed a cow and calf.

The lawsuit maintains federal managers have violated the law for nearly a decade by routinely allowing ranching corporations such as the J.R. Simplot Co. to increase livestock numbers beyond those allowed by existing permits.

"It is patently irresponsible for the agency to authorize additional grazing without analyzing the ecological impacts across nearly 2.1 million acres of public lands," said Todd Tucci of

Land and Water.

The lawsuit also argues that the BLM has continued to authorize 67,000 AUMs on public lands despite ecological changes, increased land-use and construction projects, and without assessing environmental conditions that should preclude such numbers.

The lawsuit contends that even the BLM's own data shows that "only 2 percent of all range is in excellent condition, 5 percent in good condition and 9 percent in fair condition. The remaining 84 percent is identified as either III poor or recently burned condition."

The Jarbidge Resource Area encompasses public and private land running from the South Fork of the Boise River and Anderson Ranch Reservoir to the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest boundary and Nevada state line, the lawsuit says.

The area includes various wilderness areas, rivers, tributaries, reservoirs and state parks, and is home to the threatened bull trout and a variety of wildlife.

The Idaho Conservation League and The Lands Council filed the second suit Wednesday.

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## Bowcut appeals prison sentence

**By Shelley Ridenour Times-News writer**

**BURLEY** - Leslie Peter Bowcut Wednesday filed an appeal of his prison sentence with Cassia County officials.

Bowcut, 29, was sentenced Oct. 8 to a minimum of 30 years at the Idaho State Penitentiary, and a maximum of life in prison.

The sentencing followed Bowcut's guilty pleas to 14 counts of lewd and lascivious conduct with a minor younger than age 16. He faced a possible maximum sentence of 14 life terms in prison for the offenses.

In the notice of appeal, filed Wednesday, Bowcut's attorney, Steven Richard of Pocatello, said his client was appealing the sentence to the Idaho Supreme Court because the sentence was "excessive."

Cassia County Prosecuting Attorney Al Barrus said late Wednesday afternoon he wasn't surprised the sentence had been appealed. At the sentencing hearing Barrus asked Sid District Judge Roger Burdick to sentence Bowcut to a minimum of 35 years in prison.

At that hearing, Barrus said

"anything less than a long-term prison sentence sends a message his crime wasn't all that serious."

According to Barrus, Cassia County District Court employees must now prepare a transcript of the three-day sentencing hearing and all of the other records in the Bowcut case. Those transcripts will be sent to the Idaho Supreme Court, and then a decision will be made whether the appeal will be heard by the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals, Barrus said.

Preparing the transcripts "will be a time-consuming process," Barrus said. In the three or four months he expects that process to take, the case stays in district court in Cassia County, he said.

Bowcut is in prison in Boise, where he was transferred Oct. 22. The appeal has no impact on his imprisonment, and he will stay in the penitentiary throughout the appeal process.

In addition to the prison sentence, Burdick ordered Bowcut to pay \$2,900 for being found guilty of the 14 sex offenses, \$700 to the crime victim compensation fund, \$17,500 in court costs, \$6 to the Peace Officer Standards and Training

Academy, a \$10 administrative fee to the county and \$5 to the state's technology fee. Bowcut was also ordered to register as a sex offender in Idaho.

In exchange for Bowcut's guilty pleas to the 14 counts of abuse, Barrus dismissed another 26 felonies which had been filed against Bowcut.

Bowcut was charged in February after Cassia County law enforcement authorities learned of his activities from the Minidoka County Sheriff's Office, which had been notified of a possible child pornography ring in Burley by authorities from the Cluyas, Calif., Police Department.

Meanwhile, Bowcut still faces a federal charge of conspiring to sexually exploit children. He has not yet appeared in California for his arraignment on that charge. The federal charge came about as part of a federal indictment of 20 adults believed to be part of an international child pornography ring.

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## Scouts object to changes in fairgrounds food booth

**By Loretta Burkhardt Times-News correspondent**

**FILER** - For the most part, a year-to-year contract is the way it's done.

And for the most part, a yearly guarantee for the use of a booth seems fair enough to keep local vendors standing in line for a place to flaunt their wares at the Twin Falls County Fair.

But as a five-year contract between the Fair Board and Boy Scout Troop 67 nears its end, time-sensitive contract talks are not only in the air, but are publicly blowing in the wind.

For years, the Scouts have operated the food booth under the rodeo arena grandstands, using the profits to support the troop's activities. But the Fair Board, looking for ways to generate more revenue throughout the year, is unanimous in its desire to see the booth made more accessible to other concessionaires.

While negotiations are not yet finished, Fair Manager John

Pitts said the Fair Board wants to make some changes to the well-established food booth.

Although a large amount of profit is generated during the week of the fair, concessions also bring in money during other special events throughout the year. Therefore, "We want to have the ability to use the booth even when the Scouts are not available," said Fair Board member Tim Zebarth.

But there's a hitch.

"We own the booth, but they own the equipment," Zebarth said.

Although one possibility is for the Fair Board to buy the equipment, supporters of the Scout troop said they're not necessarily ready to give up the booth for events outside their necessary.

"We're still in negotiations with the board," said Gayle Thompson, committee treasurer for Troop 67. "The offer is for a contract for the use of the booth, but only during fair time."

Under the existing contract,

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## T.F. traffic ideas vary

### Public offers many solutions to traffic concerns

**By Robert Moyer Times-News writer**

**TWIN FALLS** - When it comes to improving traffic movement within the Twin Falls region, the wish list is long.

Yes, everyone wants a more direct route between Jackpot, Nev., and Interstate 84.

But some want to make sure the maximum amount of farm land is preserved in the process.

Others want to make sure that any new roads address the needs of farm machinery and operations.

Others don't want a new highway at all, just better usage of existing roadways.

What began as a request by the Greater Twin Falls Transportation Committee for an alternate trucking route to county route 74 going down the middle of downtown Twin Falls, turned into a greatly expanded effort: the Southeast Twin Falls Regional Corridor Study.

The \$700,000 study seeks to "identify the most desirable, effective and feasible transportation route(s) between U.S. 93 at Jackpot, Nevada, and the junction of State Highway 50 and I-84 east of Twin Falls."

Wednesday sponsored by the Idaho Transportation Department was the first step in the two-year transportation study.

"This allows the public to come to consensus and understand why we choose one route over another," said Bob Humphrey, ITD project manager. "This is very important. Without (the public), we certainly would not have any vital conclusions."

Humphrey emphasized that this was a study and not a proposal.

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# Workers complete Kimberly upgrade

By Margaret Jones  
Times-News correspondent

**KIMBERLY** - The sewer improvement project for the city of Kimberly is now complete. Susan Riddle from Professional Community Development gave the final construction report during Tuesday's council meeting. The \$1.5 million project was funded with a \$450,000 Idaho Community Block grant, \$60,000 sewer assessment money and the remainder from a loan from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality's state revolving fund.

Riddle said 30,600 feet of sewer lines were replaced, an amount nearly twice the footage as originally planned because the job was planned for the slack construction season and because of a good bid on the project.

In other council business this week:

- **Internet service** - Safelink Internet high-speed service representative "Bird" Neisaur approached the council about using the city water tower for Safelink's equipment. In return, the library would be provided with two computers and high-speed internet service.

- **Bill payments** - City clerk Kim Martin reported she was seeing a slow increase in residents using the city office to pay their Idaho Power, Co. and Qwest bills. The city receives 25 cents for each payment, which is put into an indigent fund to help people with very low incomes meet their utility bills. If everyone in the city took advantage of this free service, about \$400 could be saved from the 800 households in the city each month. People don't need to be a resident of Kimberly to pay their power and phone bills at city offices.

- **Fire report** - The fire department responded to 14 incidents in October: 11 district calls, two city of Kimberly calls and one city of Hansen call. The Rock Creek Fire District fielded calls about seven controlled burns, false alarms and fire investigations. The Kimberly incidents involved a power pole and a motor vehicle accident. The Hansen call was a false alarm.

# AN EMPTY EWU



Jonny Schilling, a senior at Eastern Washington University, makes her way off campus Wednesday in Cheney, Wash., as the university was being evacuated after police received a threat that five bombs had been left on campus.

# Caller - claiming ties to al-Qaida - issues threat; police find nothing

**CHENEY, Wash. (AP)** - Eastern Washington University was evacuated Wednesday after police received a threat that five bombs had been left on campus in an action linked to the al-Qaida terrorist network.

School president Stephen Jordan said the caller referred to al-Qaida, Osama bin Laden's organization that is believed responsible for the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. "It was specifically related to al-Qaida," Jordan said of the threat.

Campus spokeswoman Stephanie Pettit said the caller said "people would die in flame." "Obviously we are in a different world since 9/11," Pettit said, and the decision was made to take the threat seriously and evacuate the 9,000-student campus, which has about 50 buildings and covers 300 acres.

No bomb was found, and no injuries were reported.

Norm Brown, an agent in the FBI office in Spokane, 15 miles east of Cheney, confirmed the office was working on the case, but said he could not provide any further details.

"At this time we have no reason to believe an al-Qaida connection," Brown said.

Karis Kallis, a freshman from Yaldia, said she was in the shower in her dormitory when someone yelled there was a bomb scare. She dressed quickly and went across the street to Reese Court, the basketball arena, where students gathered.

"I think they took our safety first," she said. "I don't mind waiting here to be safe."

Students were told the dormitories would be checked for bombs before they'd be allowed back in their rooms, she said.

Ben James, a freshman from Fort Angeles, was anxious to get back to his schoolwork. "It messed up my day a little bit."

Tom McGill, chief of campus police, said it was the first bomb threat he could remember on campus since he arrived in 1995.

"With all the threats at the national level, we can't take anything for granted," McGill said. "It's a sad state of affairs when you have to have that mind set."

The threat was phoned to a campus operator around 11:30 a.m. and said five bombs had been left on the campus and would go off at 12:30 p.m., Jordan said.

Shortly after, a second call was received that was believed to be an audiotape saying the threat was related to al-Qaida, Jordan said.

There may have been a third call, Jordan said, although that was not clear.

Campus leaders decided to evacuate the entire campus and canceled classes for the day, Jordan said.

All buildings on campus were emptied by 12:20 p.m., he said. "There is very little activity around," Pettit said shortly before 1 p.m.

Bomb-sniffing dogs from the Spokane County Sheriff's Office and nearby Fairchild Air Force Base were going through every building, Jordan said.

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# Jerome seeks to boost airport safety measures

By Sharon Akers  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME** - Jerome County is applying for a grant that would help pay for new safety measures at the county-owned airport.

The grant would help the county establish a buffer zone. Commissioner Alvin Chojnacki said the buffer zone will keep tall buildings away from the runway, enabling the airport to prevent problems before they start.

Engineer Dale Reidesel told commissioners Tuesday that before the county can apply for a grant, the county must complete an environmental assessment of the proposed land, an appraisal must be made and reviewed, and then the county will need to survey the property boundary.

After these things are done, the landowner will meet with

Reidesel to negotiate a fair market value of the land. Once an agreement is made, Reidesel will take this information to the commission, who will in turn make an offer to the landowner based on the appraisal.

If the landowner accepts the offer, only then can the county apply to the Federal Aviation Administration for a grant that would reimburse the county for the money spent.

Commissioner Veronica Lierman said Wednesday that the county will not have a sense of how much the expansion will cost until the land is appraised.

Reidesel submitted contracts for Honri LaMoigne, who will do the appraisal, and for Greer Allen from Seattle, who is retired from the FAA, to review the appraisal. The appraisal will be finished sometime in February 2003.

# Funds will help poor Idaho kids

**BOISE (AP)** - An Idaho coalition has been given more than \$762,000 to help connect uninsured children with health care coverage.

The grant from The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation was awarded to Covering Kids and Families in Idaho. It will be used to find and enroll eligible children in the Children's Health Insurance Program and Medicaid programs as well as simplify the enrollment process and coordinate health care coverage in Idaho.

Covering Kids and Families in Idaho is expected to come up with more than \$381,000 in matching funds over the course of the four-year grant.

"Thousands of Idaho's uninsured families do not realize they qualify for the CHIP and Medicaid programs," said Michael Wilson, the coalition's chairman.

The Children's Health Insurance Program is aimed at families not poor enough to qualify for Medicaid but too poor to afford health insurance.

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# Idaho hospital in compliance again

**BOISE (AP)** - The Idaho State School and Hospital for people with severe developmental disabilities is back in compliance with state and federal care standards.

State inspectors revisited the hospital last week to see if problems found in a series of March inspections had been corrected. They rolled up their sleeves and went to work correcting the problem areas. It was a team effort, and our clients are better cared for because we took the inspection reports seriously."

The inspections were prompted by 10 complaints received by authorities over the past year.

and Welfare officials. The hospital regained full certification after the inspections, lifting doubt about continued Medicaid funding.

"I am extremely proud of the staff here at Idaho State School and Hospital," administrator Barbara Hancock said. "They rolled up their sleeves and went to work correcting the problem areas. It was a team effort, and our clients are better cared for because we took the inspection reports seriously."

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# Inflammation leads to heart attacks

BOSTON — A landmark study offers the strongest evidence yet that simmering, painless inflammation deep within the body is the single most powerful trigger of heart attacks, worse even than high cholesterol.

The latest research, in today's *New England Journal of Medicine*, is likely to encourage many doctors to make blood tests for inflammation part of standard physical exams for middle-aged people, especially those with other conditions that increase their risk of heart trouble.

The study, based on nearly 28,000 women, is by far the largest to look at inflammation's role, and it shows that those with high levels are twice as likely as those with high cholesterol to die from heart attacks and strokes.

## Hundreds protest scheduled U.S. execution of Pakistan

MULTAN, Pakistan — Hundreds of university students, angered by the pending execution of a Pakistani man convicted of killing two CIA employees, protested in the streets of Multan on Tuesday, chanting anti-American slogans and threatening U.S. citizens in Pakistan.

"We will not guarantee the safety of Americans if they kill Aimal Kasi," a student leader, Mujahid Ahmad, told the crowd. "America is the biggest terrorist."

Kasi is scheduled to die by lethal injection in Virginia today for fatally shooting two CIA employees and wounding three people outside the agency's northern Virginia headquarters in 1993. FBI agents working with Pakistani security agencies arrested Kasi from a hotel in the southern city of Pora Ghazi Khan in 1997, and he was later flown to the United States.

The State Department has warned that Kasi's execution could result in retaliation against Americans around the world.

## New NASA budget proposal calls for new space plane

WASHINGTON — NASA is proposing to spend \$2.4 billion over the next four years to design a new orbital space plane to ferry astronauts between Earth and the International Space Station.

In an amendment to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's proposed 2003 budget, agency officials for the first time set a firm figure of \$6.6 billion for completing assembly of the basic orbiting space station. That would bring the U.S. share of the international project to less than \$25 billion, officials said Wednesday.

### Nation in brief

#### Bush reaffirms references to God in pledge and motto

WASHINGTON — President Bush signed into law on Wednesday a bill reaffirming — with a slap at the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals — references to God in the Pledge of Allegiance and national motto.

Bush signed the legislation without comment. It reinforces support for the words "under God" in the pledge, and for "In God we trust" as the national motto. The measure was approved unanimously in the Senate and drew just five no votes in the House. Congress rushed to act after the federal appeals court in California ruled in June that the phrase "under God" inserted into the pledge by Congress in 1954, amounted to a government endorsement of religion in violation of the constitutional separation of church and state.

#### New York City firefighters reach contract agreement

NEW YORK — The firefighters' union announced a tentative agreement with the city on a wage increase Wednesday after drawn-out negotiations complicated by a budget crisis and the hero status accorded New York's bravest after Sept. 11.

The firefighters would receive a retroactive 10 percent raise for the two years they worked without a contract, union president Steve Cassidy said. The agreement is subject to ratification by the union's 5,000 firefighters.

Rank-and-file firefighters have worked for more than two years without a raise or union contract. A new recruit earns about \$31,000 a year. After 20 years, salaries can reach about \$55,000.

#### Pileup on Florida highway kills five trapped in taxi

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. — Two couples in their mid-40s from St. Louis returning home from a cruise died trapped inside a burning taxicab after their cab was hit by two tractor-trailers on Interstate 95, authorities said.

The taxi burned to a shell, said Todd LeDuc, a spokesman for Broward County Fire and Rescue. Witnesses had said the two trucks wound up on top of the cab.

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#### Public health group urges less salt in processed food

PHILADELPHIA — The nation's largest public health group is recommending a 50 percent decrease in salt in processed food and restaurant meals over the next 10 years.

The American Public Health Association said the reduction could save 150,000 lives a year from strokes, heart attacks and other illnesses linked to high blood pressure. Government guidelines already recommend limiting intake of sodium — which increases blood pressure — to no more than 2.4 grams daily, or the equivalent of about a teaspoon of table salt. But the average American adult consumes nearly 4 grams a day, according to the association.

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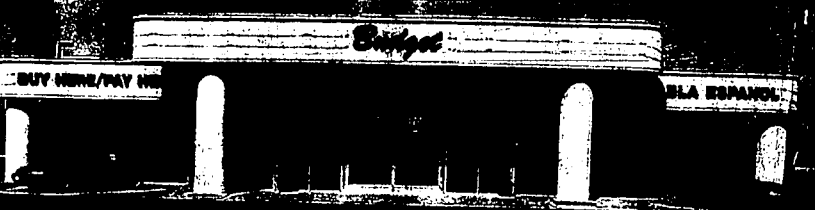


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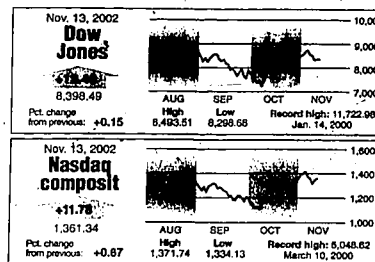
Stocks rise after Iraq agrees to resolution

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street batted its fears about terrorism and war with Iraq Wednesday, sending prices skyward through the session and ultimately leaving the market without a clearcut direction.

While the Dow Jones Industrial and Nasdaq composite indexes managed to end the session higher, the broader market as seen through the Standard & Poor's 500 index fell. And overall, more stocks dropped than advanced.

Congressional testimony by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan provided investors with little guidance, analysts said. Greenspan said the market's decline this summer and early fall had helped weaken the economy, yet he also described the economy as "remarkably resilient."

The Dow closed up 12.49, or 0.2 percent, at 8,398.49, after climbing as much as 107 points and falling as much as 81. The Nasdaq rose 11.78, or 0.9



percent, to 1,361.34. But the S&P 500 index slipped 0.42, or 0.05 percent, to 852.53.

"A lot of people would like to feel that there is a reason to be in the market," said Tony Cecin, director of institutional trading at US Bancorp Piper Jaffray in

Minneapolis, adding that investors saw few reasons to make major moves Wednesday. Stocks began the day lower amid fears of terrorism. Investors were unruffled following Tuesday that a tape recording purportedly by Osama bin Laden

had been found and that on he had praised terrorist attacks in Ball and Moscow last month.

But news that Iraq was agreeing to a U.N. resolution calling for weapons inspections lifted the market. The specter of war with Iraq contributed to a three-day slide in stocks that began late last week and continued in Monday's session. Prices were generally higher on Tuesday.

Then by late afternoon Wednesday, stocks were down again before ending mixed. For truly sustainable gains, analysts say investors must see Iraq comply with the inspections along with consistent, definite improvement in earnings and the economy.

"The shorter-term implication of Iraq is weighing on people's minds. How will it affect the Christmas season? How many are fearful that there will be a real retaliation here," said Ned Riley, chief investment strategist at State Street Global Advisors.

Gift cards, certificates see popularity during holidays

NEW YORK (AP) — With the holidays approaching, many people are looking for ways to simplify gift giving. One increasingly popular method is to send a gift certificate or a gift card.

Industry experts estimate that gift certificates and gift cards, which look like decorative credit cards, account for more than 3 percent of retail sales. Demand is especially high as Americans prepare to celebrate Hanukkah, Christmas and Kwanzaa.

Etiquette mavens of yesteryear probably would have frowned upon gift certificates and cards as impersonal. But in this age of the computer and the absence of that dirge families — they've become more socially acceptable.

"What could be more personal than allowing someone to pick out what they want?" said Michael Albert, chief executive officer of GiftCertificates.com, an Internet company based in Seattle. "And gift certificates and cards are certainly less tacky than cash."

They're also an easy way for busy people to handle gift giving. Last month, Eric Schacht, 35, a safety manager at a trucking company in Champaign, Ill., had no gift in hand with his brother Marshall's birthday fast approaching. He went online and purchased a gift card.

"I could do it from my desk, and he can spend it wherever he wants," Schacht said. "It'll be fun." "It'll be better for something fun," he added.

Marshall, a 33-year-old high school football coach, came for a birthday a similar present for Eric's birthday — a gift certificate to "Bookeo."

"We used to buy gifts for each other, but that was when we spent a lot of time together and knew what each other wanted," Marshall said. "This way we can use our computers to simplify rather than give me the hassle."

Both brothers say they'll probably look into gift cards for Christmas giving too. "I've been doing it for years now and it's really worked out well," Marshall said. "It's been picked up by other retailers as well. A big chunk of the business is not individuals but companies that want to provide something for their workers at the holidays."

New this year are programs by American Express and Visa to provide gift cards that can be used at private services, such as any retailer that accepts their credit cards.

Randall Beard, a vice president at American Express, said there's rising demand for what he calls "retailer gift certificates and gift cards."

"People want to give a gift to a family member or a friend that's a good gift, but they often don't know what to get, or they're worried it will be wrong," Beard said.

John Kresge, head of consumer market development for Visa International, said the Visa gift card was aimed at consumers "who want to move away from a certificate or card good only in a particular store or a particular mall, but has utility everywhere."

The gift cards are available online at American Express' site, www.americanexpress.com, and Visa's, www.visa.com. The Visa site links to member banks such as Bank of America, Fleet and National City that actually issue the cards.

Name

Continued from D1. say Countrywide's transformation is more psychological than financial.

Jennifer Scott, an analyst with CIBC World Markets Corp. in New York, said the company is trying to emerge as a multifaceted financial services company.

Though mortgage lending still accounts for about 70 percent of Countrywide's revenues, the company wants to whittle down its lending segment to 50 percent by 2006.

"Countrywide is trying to demonstrate through the name change that the company has evolved without losing the brand it has embodied for several decades," Scott said. "This is a symbol they're putting out there to show an evolution."

When Mozilo formed the core mortgage company in 1959 he began diversifying almost immediately by offering homeowners insurance because of increased demand for that product.

Countrywide's subsidiaries, including Countrywide Home Loans, will continue to retain their names. The change only affects the parent company's name.

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FCC clears way for giant Comcast-AT&T merger

WASHINGTON (AP) - The \$29.2 billion merger of Comcast and AT&T Broadband was approved by federal regulators Wednesday, clearing the way for creation of the nation's largest cable television company.

The Federal Communications Commission agreed to the deal over the objections of consumer groups who filed a motion last week asking the FCC to delay its decision. The groups claim the new cable giant would limit customers' choices in television viewing and Internet access.

Comcast is the nation's third-largest cable operator with about 8.5 million subscribers, would acquire AT&T Broadband, the largest cable operator, to form a new AT&T Comcast with 22.3 million subscribers.

The new company would have nearly twice as many customers as the No. 2 cable company, AOL Time Warner.

Airport

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to be needed to build taxiways connecting the new military airport to the Boise Airport terminal and to double its length to 10,000 feet.

If the A sign off on the project, Anderson said, the plan, Anderson said, is to build a ready-made labor force for commercial cargo carriers that might be drawn to the airstrip.

Jobs

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fact, she said. The program is on the team of organizers that pulled together Tuesday's event, an effort to boost Mini-Cassia's economy.

CST has urged its students to attend the job fair, and event organizers will have announcements on signs all over town. "Anything that thinks, it's on," Breger said.

Employers at the job fair today will represent a mix of industries from throughout Magic Valley - cheese making, potato processing, retailing, health services (Sun Valley Co. and Cactus Petrus Retail Casino),

manufacturing, insurance and trucking, for instance. Trucking schools are expected to bring a couple of big rigs for prospective students to see at the job fair.

"We're very pleased with the level of employer interest," he said. Dell Computer Corp. won't be represented today, as the computer giant has substantially completed its hiring for this year, Rogers said.

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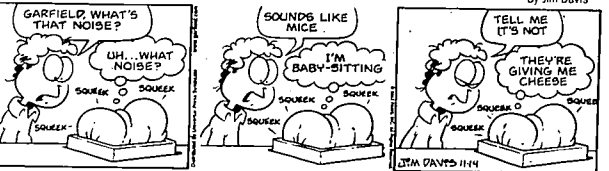
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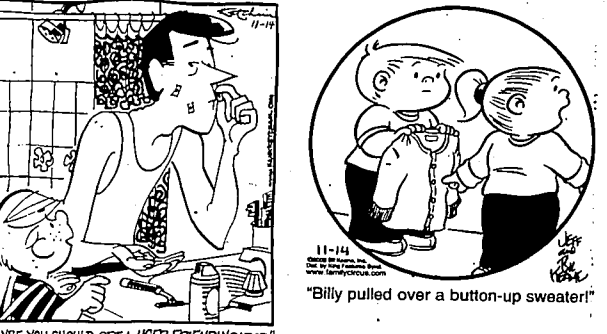


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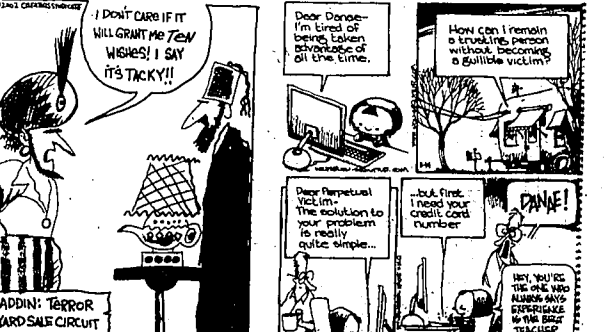


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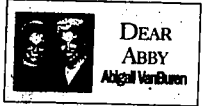
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MORNING BREAK

Man's lack of affection causes doubts



DEAR ABBY

Algal Ventura

DEAR ABBY: I have a somewhat heart-wrenching dilemma. Last night, I told my fiancé that I loved him so much I would be devastated if something happened to him. He didn't say anything. Then I asked him if he felt the same way. He said, "Well ... probably." Abby, he is not affectionate and there have been many times when I have doubted his love for me. He treats my son like his own, though. We've discussed this, and he always tells me I overreact. What should I do? - FEELING HURT IN RENO

wrote poetry to her, I could not bring myself to say the three words I knew she wanted most to hear.

As my dearest was dying and we thought she was comatose, I told her, "There aren't enough words to tell you how much I love you." A few hours later, she whispered, "Not enough words" and died.

The reason I'm writing is to urge me to express their feelings while their loved ones are alive. I don't know why, but many men are reluctant to express the depth of their feelings.

-MISSING MARY IN COLORADO

DEAR MISSING MARY: Perhaps it's because they were taught as boys that it's unmanly to express emotion - which they interpret to mean that expressing heartfelt emotion is a sign of weakness. Fortunately, in these "liberated" times, that philosophy is changing because we now know that expressing one's feelings is healthy for both

men and women.

DEAR ABBY: My siblings and I need your advice. We know our stepfather is cheating on our mother, but we don't know what to do. We love our stepdad and would never have thought this could happen - but it's become a cold reality.

We cannot just sit and watch our mother be taken advantage of. It feels like we are betraying Mom by not telling her what we know.

She reads your column faithfully and has often clipped it for us to read. Abby, please help us. We're at a loss.

-NEEDING ADVICE ASAP IN KENTUCKY

DEAR NEEDING ADVICE: You have been placed in a terrible position. Tell your stepfather what you know, and give him a deadline to break off the affair, or else YOU will tell your mother. And if he doesn't do it, follow through.

DEAR FEELING HURT: You are looking for reassurance; he's a poor communicator. Clip this column and be sure he sees it. Read on.

DEAR ABBY: I enlisted shortly after Pearl Harbor. Thirty-six days later, I was on my way to the Philippines. En route, the Philippines fell to the Japanese, and we were routed to Australia. Eleven days after we landed, I

met the most beautiful girl in the world.

On our first date, I told her I was going to marry her. I did, 18 months later, while on a 10-day R-and-R leave from New Guinea.

After more than 57 years of marriage and two children, my beloved "Mary" died five days before Christmas. Although we agreed that our ashes were to be scattered over the mountains, I found I could not part with hers.

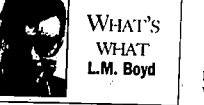
While Mary was alive, she would frequently say, "You don't know how much I love you." I'd reply, "Likewise." I never said, "I love you." Now her ashes are in my dresser, where I tell her several times a day how much I love her, but it's too late. Although I

Insects could be target of lawsuit during Middle Ages

It was possible in the European courts of the Middle Ages to bring class-action lawsuits against insects for eating crops. One 16th century lawyer wrote a lengthy treatise on procedures for filing against grasshoppers.

The hot air balloon wasn't the right of way.

Several female ostriches lay eggs in the same nest. One "major hen" incubates them, while ostrich eggs are plain white, seemingly identical. If there are too many in the nest, the major hen kicks a few out, and they go bad. But she never leaks out her own. That has been scientifically proved. Question is, How can she



WHAT'S WHAT L.M. Boyd

tell which eggs are her own? Nobody knows.

What you may not have realized is obesity is a problem among caged parrots.

Q: What was the first pure metal discovered by people?

A: Gold, stolars think. Because it can be found in free state uncombined. And because it's bright.

Book-snatching 85-year-old man loses library privileges

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) - An man lost his library privileges for three years after admitting he stole more than 3,000 books and videotapes.

As a condition of his probation, 85-year-old Ernest Heyneman is not allowed to own a library card or go to any library, said Ventura County deputy district attorney Audrey Rohn.

Authorities also have retained the right to search him and his home for possible stolen property.

"Obviously, he has some kind of compulsion and he is unable to stop himself from stealing books," she said.

Prosecutors didn't seek prison time for Heyneman in light of his age, his failing health and his lack of a criminal record, Rohn said.

Heyneman pleaded no contest more than a month ago to one count of felony commercial burglary.

In December, sheriff's deputies raided his hilltop ranch home and found an estimated \$26,000 worth of material from the Thousand Oaks and Simi Valley libraries.

The retired movie studio employee did not speak during his sentencing in Superior Court but his wife, Emma, apologized on his behalf.

A trainer of Tatts says it's always the female cat, never the male, that starts a fight.

Q: What's the basic purpose of the Irish shillelagh?

A: Self-defense. It's a heavy-headed club camouflaged as a walking stick.

Q: When cowboys out west were getting \$10 a month about 125 years ago, how much were laborers back east making?

A: About the same.

There are child prodigies in music, painting and science, but there are no child prodigies in the world's great chefs of long ago, a man named Ude, who served the nobility of both France and

England. Said he: Nobody under the age of 30 can be called a great cook.

If there's a musician in your family, ask that worthy whether any animal besides the human animal, can make music. Most experts say no. But some contend the water-dwelling seal can repeat a tune composed by a human, so qualifies. Others cite melodious birds and singing mice. Get this debate going, and you may have time for a nap.

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Richard Thomas hosts 'It's a Miracle'

Today

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Attention revolves around where you live, marital status. Do not shirk off civic obligation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Original plans are subject to sudden change, involve restless relative. Accent versatility, humor and intellectual curiosity.

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PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Be ready for the excitement of variety of sensations, experiences. Flirtation is more than "interesting"; it could "change your life."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): What you lost three weeks ago

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): The Pisces Moon is in your Eleventh House. Your wishes come true in stunning manner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Read, write and open lines of communication. Flirtation will be taken seriously; it will progress from lighthearted to hot.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Attention revolves around ability to make home interesting and beautiful. You will be entertaining people you admire.

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## Student expands horizons

By Heather Abel  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Sergio Larios is expanding his horizons.

Larios enjoyed a trip to England this summer, traveling with Mobility International USA, an organization designed to empower people with disabilities.

The Twin Falls student says the trip helped him realize the range of possibilities open to him.

"I never thought I'd be able to travel," Larios says. "I just thought it would be too problematic or that I'd have to have somebody go with me."

Larios' spinal cord was severed in a car accident two and a half years ago.

He traveled to England with 11 other students, all of whom had a disability.

"Everybody would help each other," Larios said.

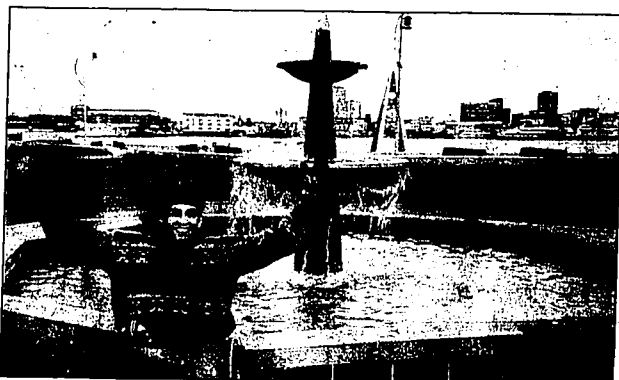
For example, a person in a wheelchair would help a blind person cross the street. Larios says the group would encounter problems, but always worked through them.

During the trip that took place June 20 to July 7, Larios enjoyed Stonehenge, Big Ben and "all of London." He can't wait to visit England again. He also says he would love to travel to Jamaica and Italy. "I just got a whole new taste, not only of the country, but of myself," he says.

He also learned a lot about organization and leadership.

"I had a lot of fun," he adds.

Larios is a senator at the College of Southern Idaho, chairman of the Diversity Committee, on the Student Disability committee and a member of Latinos Unidos. He is majoring in computer engineering, and plans to transfer to a college in Oregon next fall. He says that since the



Sergio Larios says a trip to England made him feel more independent. He traveled this summer with an organization with a mission to empower disabled people.

### Mobility International, USA

The organization says its mission is to empower people with disabilities around the world through international exchange, information, technical assistance and training. Information, and to ensure the inclusion of people with disabilities in international exchange and development programs. For more information, go to [www.miusa.org](http://www.miusa.org).

trip to England, he has felt more independent.

"Like I can expand," Larios says. "I think I could really do anything."

## Artist becomes the stuff of screen legends

By Pete Hamill  
New York Daily News

In the 1930s, Diego Rivera was one of the most famous artists in the world. Critics and the public alike were in wonder at his murals: vast panoramas jammed with people, machines and history.

Not many people paid attention to his small, young wife, Jeri, whose name was Frida Kahlo, and she was said to be an artist.

Now, even Hollywood is paying attention to her. Kahlo and the fiery Rivera are the subjects of a movie, "Frida," which stars Salma Hayek and Alfred Molina.

To be sure, the camera back then loved Frida Kahlo, with her heavy eyes, sensual lips and eyebrows that met above her nose. She wore Mexican peasant clothes with verve and pride, even in the saloons of the American metropolises. She spoke good English.

Despite more romantic myths about earlier encounters, Frida and Diego met in 1928 in the Mexico City apartment Diego was newly divorced from his second wife, and had just returned from a stay in Moscow, where he had contracted the Stalinist virus that would come and go for the rest of his life. He was 42, at the height of his fame in Mexico. Frida was 21.

Frida had already learned something about suffering. Polio at age 6 left her with a limp, and then, at 17, she was in a terrible streetcar accident, in which a steel rod had smashed through her pelvis. While recovering from this accident, she began to paint.

Through her early, tentative attempts at art, she also drifted into Mexico City's left-wing bohemia, where she was converted to the Communist creed.

"They had a fundamental plastic honesty, and an artistic personality of their own," Rivera wrote. "They communicated a vital sensuality, complemented by a merciless yet sensitive power



Frida Kahlo's 1947 self-portrait.

of observation. It was obvious to me that this girl was an authentic artist."

In the weeks that followed, Diego met Frida's father, the respected German-born photographer Guillermo Kahlo, and was introduced to her sisters and her Mexican mother. They were married on Aug. 29, 1929.

The saga of Frida and Diego soon began assuming the shape of myth: it was no accident that the basic subject of her art would be pain - physical and psychological. She learned that Rivera was an extraordinary liar and his commitment to communism would always be secondary to his art.

She learned something more unsettling: Diego was a fine artist, amusing company, a strong supporter of her own artistic ambitions, but he was a terrible husband. He resisted few women.

As she grew older (and more accomplished as an artist), Frida retaliated. She had her own affairs, with men and women.

They had a real talent for hurting each other. Diego helped Leon Trotsky find exile in Mexico; in 1939, Frida then had an affair with Trotsky. Diego

### Actress makes film a reality

By Bruce Newman  
Knight Ridder News Service

SAN FRANCISCO - The first time Salma Hayek saw a film on the life of Frida Kahlo - the Mexican surrealist who was her own best subject, marrying herself on canvases that vividly depicted her pain - Hayek was 18 years old and in the throes of a great adolescent passion for Kahlo.

Largely forgotten after her death in 1954, Kahlo was the subject of a 1984 Mexican movie and Hayek could never get her head out of the film's images.

The Mexican-born actress set out eight years ago to turn Kahlo's life into a Hollywood movie. In this new American-made "Frida," Hayek breaks from cutie-pie leading lady to make herself unforgettable in the title role. Ironically, it will have to be translated into Spanish for showing in Mexico.

"Frida Kahlo's first language was not Spanish," Hayek said. "She lived in a parallel universe that she saw as her reality, and she had her own language that was completely visual. It was a very vivid, colorful vision of the world. So I decided we should make this film in her first language - as a painting that moves."

slept with Frida's sister Cristina. That, at last, was going too far. Frida divorced Diego, who was soon involved with the American actress Paulette Goddard. The divorce didn't last. They remarried the following year and stayed together until Frida's death in 1954.

By then, Frida was a blur of drugs and alcohol. One of her legs was amputated. Her lovely face

It was the unconventional love story between Kahlo and husband and painter, Diego Rivera that attracted director Julie Taymor to the project.

"She was a completely unique individual, a strong-willed independent woman," Taymor says of Kahlo. "But she was dependent upon his love."

Taymor and Hayek also were dependent upon each other. The actress had gained the rights to Kahlo's story (based on a biography by Hayden Herrera) but the film had been stalled for nearly a decade because no one could come up with a script that would do justice.

Taymor, who had earned a reputation for her striking visual sense with her productions of Broadway's "The Lion King" and the film "Titus," knew that Hayek came as an irreplaceable part of the package. "She was stuck with me if she wanted to do this," Hayek says. "And she didn't want to right away."

After Frida's death, he married again, to art dealer, traveled to the Soviet Union for treatment of cancer of the penis, and died in 1957. His last wish was that his ashes be mingled with those of Frida in the garden of their Blue House. His wishes were ignored. They remain together, now, on the screens of the movie houses of the world.



Salma Hayek

## Magic Valley students get flavor of college

BOISE - About 600 Latino high school students, including more than 100 from southern Idaho, got a taste of college life at Boise State University's Mirando Adelante program, which promotes higher education.

At the Oct. 25 event, high school students listened to Judge Sergio M. Gutierrez give a motivational speech on the importance of higher education. They attended a university class, and had an opportunity to attend information sessions on the College Assistance Migrant Scholarship Program, student life, Bilingual Education Program, and the colleges of engineering and health science.

They also attended a student panel presentation where they received information on scholarships, the admissions process, financial aid, and tips on how to survive their college freshman year.

The students enjoyed a dance and entertainment sponsored by the Organization of Latin-American Students.

Magic Valley students who attended are:

**Burley High**  
Martin Noveseroto, Silvia Novoa and Micaela Rios

**Castleford High**  
Valentin Hernandez

**Glenns Ferry High**  
Gisela Arevalo, Juana Arredondo, Adriana Becerra, Rocio Becerra, Jose Ceballos, Arturo Cortes, Ivan Gil, Jaime Guerrero, Alejandra Juarez, Cindy Juarez, Epimachio Juarez, Zulema Juarez, Juan Nolasco, Nancy Pedroza, Gerardo Samano, Edgar Sanchez, Janet Soto, Yazmin Soto and Araceli Zepeda.

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Maria Aguilar, Adriana DeDios, Carina Hernandez, Gaby Hernandez, Paola Hernandez, Susana Lopez, Lourdes Madridgal, Yazmin Mendez and Mayra Sandoval

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**Minico High**  
Aaron Herrera and Michael Granado

**Mountain Home High**  
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**Oakley High**  
Eric Barajas

**Twin Falls High**  
Ernestina Avalos, Israle Ayala, Yasserin Alcalá, Jorge Alcaraz, Adrian Lopez, Yuridia Magano, Melina Osorio, Natalia Osorio, Ricardo Osorio, Francisco Romero, Rafael Torres, Jose Triana, Guadalupe Canchola, Margarita Canchola, Teresa Canchola, Sindy Chavez, Rene Garcia, Diego Hernandez, Maricela Hernandez, Severo Hernandez and Adriana Hurtado

**Valley High**  
Erika Arreaga, Miguel Arreaga, Rosa Artega, Mayra Barahuna, Gaby Beltran, Alicia Cisneros, Edgar Farfan, Yvette Flores, Juan Gallegos, Edgar Hernandez, Key Jaimes, Ruby Jaimes, Junior Juarez, Maria Juarez, Griselda Magana, Yeime Magana, Jr. Ruiz, Tony Simental and Javier Vega

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## Buhl Public Library adds several items in Spanish

BUHL - The Buhl Public Library announced the following new items in Spanish:

Junior videos: "Barney juguemos a la escuela," "The Lord of the Rings," "Lassie," "Juana la iguana la granja de

los abuelos," "Dragon Tales Sigamosi," "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" and "Juana la iguana vamos a la escuela."

Junior non-fiction: "Mi Primer Diccionario"

Junior fiction: "Franklin y el regalo de Navidad" by Paulette Bourgeois.

The library is located at 215 Broadway North.

For more information, call 543-2318.



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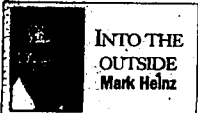
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## Keeping cool on opening day

Don't ask me why it happens, but it never seems to fail.  
The first duck I shoot each year is a hen mallard. It's happened that way across three seasons and numerous winterflying seasons.  
So on this past opening day, as I dragged myself out of bed and roused up my dogs, I fully expected to have bagged at least a hen within a few hours' time.  
Lots of things occurred that morning. Me downing a duck wasn't one of them.  
I crammed some cereal in my face and then stuffed my dogs, gear and myself into my car.



INTO THE OUTSIDE  
Mark Heinz

In the passenger seat, my wire-hair, Percy, was fairly vibrating with bug-eyed anticipation. And as I headed across to the engine, the radio, Gollath, my Labrador cross, would occasionally poke his nose forward from the back seat and lay his head on my shoulder.  
"At last, we were on a farm road near the hunting spot, but it became apparent something was wrong.  
The road kept going on... and on. Where were the fences, rock pile and little knot of trees I'd used so many times as landmarks in the pre-dawn darkness?  
I finally surmised that the addition or elimination (I wasn't sure which) of a big cornfield and a subsequent re-routing of the road had changed the area's whole topography. So I pulled the car over and we made out on foot.  
I finally spotted a familiar landmark. A little knob, and there was a stable pond just on the other side."  
Except it wasn't.

A bad irrigation year had left it bone dry. A mottled, a drawn-out canal had sagged in the still-dark morning toward other spots in the area. All dry. The only birds there were huge flocks of Starlings in the bushes, and their shrill calls and swishing of their wings as they fled our approach was loud enough to make it difficult to concentrate and keep track of the dogs.

At last, the faintest bunch of ponds - probably three-quarters of a mile from the car. And there was water. Only a little, but water nonetheless.

We found a good spot to hide in the reeds. And we waited. And waited.

Gollath got bored and flopped down for a nap. Percy continued to stand, his stubby tail pounding out a steady, rapid "thwack, thwack, thwack" on the reeds behind him.

"I was just about to give up when a few ducks started to struggle in. Gollath stood up in hope and Percy fairly burst with excitement as I brought my old Remington 1100 up and fired.

A miss, but no big deal, I'm always better on the second shot. Except there wasn't one.

It gives me 1100 only a cursory cleaning after using for several rounds of trap shooting. And older automatics can be very unforgiving when not meticulously cleaned.

And so it went as the few ducks there were came by in single and pairs. I had miss after miss and jam after jam. Gollath got bored again and started chewing on reed stalks. Percy whined louder with each of my misses, looking up at me with growing disappointment.

After 20 minutes passed without a duck appearing, I decided to leave.

"I came to an irrigation ditch at the pond's far end, and set one foot in to the water. It was only a few inches deep. I had just taken my first step into the water when Gollath - moving with the speed and accuracy of a judo master - slammed into the back of my leg with the weight on it.

"I started to yell a curse at him as I flipped over backward, but I turned him a grin as the water poured up the sleeve of my field jacket and over my shoes.

As quickly as Gollath stood up, tripped across the canal and headed toward the car, briefly considering how Gollath's hide would look as a throw rug.

As I neared the car, I asked myself if I'd had fun anyway.  
Yes, I decided.  
The next morning, we came back and I shot several ducks.  
The first of which was a hen mallard.

Mark Heinz is the crime and courts reporter for The Times-News.

# Finding Black Magic

## Black Magic Canyon offers rare creations of time and earth

By Karen Boesack  
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE - That ol' black magic takes on new meaning in a windswept stretch of sagebrush-covered land north of Shoshone. That's where a crack in the earth opens up into a fascinating menagerie of rock spires, throats, bowls, notches and key-holes.

The rift, which extends on both sides of Highway 95 near Shoshone Ice Caves, provides hours of fun for those who want to explore, photograph and hike through and climb around a little bit of black magic carved out by Mother Nature.

In fact, it's been dubbed Black Magic Canyon.

"It's an exceptional place," said Judy Brossy of Shoshone. "And the further away from the highway, you get, the more exceptional it gets. It offers a feeling of quiet solitude. And it's very inspiring. Everyone I know gets inspired by it."

The crack in the earth is part of the 350-mile long Snake River Plain created by volcanic activity.

This crack in particular is part of the Shoshone Lava Field, which was formed when lava from the Black Butte shield cone near Magic Reservoir poured over its north rim and ran down into the Big Wood River.

It sits amidst the largest unbroken field of lava on the north

American continent, according to Russell Robinson, who built the curio shop business at the nearby Shoshone Ice Caves.

Over time water from the Big Wood River, which begins high in the Boulder Mountains north of Sun Valley, has carved and sculpted the lava stone. It's chiseled and polished the basalt into wash basins and thrones with grinding agents like pebbles and cobblestones. And it's carved out overhanging basalt ledges and shapes resembling castles and men with long crooked noses.

The shapes change with the lighting and even snow, Brossy said.

"It's really neat to go there after a snowfall. You get different lighting effects and it looks like snow sculptures on rocks. It's actually easier to photograph then, too, because of the contrast of the white snow and the darker rock. Without the snow it's difficult to take photos because of the lightning and the way it bounces off the rock."

The canyon itself offers a respite from the cold icy winds that often sweep across the sagebrush flats above, enabling sightseers to explore it during all seasons.

Well, every season, that is, except irrigation season.

From roughly April 15 to October 15 water is diverted into the canyon for irrigation purposes.

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Pebbles circulated by water created some neat effects in Black Magic Canyon.



The lighting in the canyon creates eerie shadows, such as this one resembling the wicked witch in 'Sleeping Beauty.'



Mother Nature has provided plenty of photo ops in Black Magic Canyon.



The water line in Black Magic Canyon stretches as high as 50 feet in some areas.

# Group finds heavenly time in Hells Canyon



Matt Garner, of Twin Falls, lands a 32-inch native steelhead.

## Wild whitewater, great fishing greet outdoor enthusiasts

I handed my keys to the shuttle driver who would drive my car to Pittsburgh Landing. As I turned and began walking back down the Hells Canyon boat ramp, I looked at my fully loaded 16-foot raft, which looked suspiciously like an overly amorous monkey with a football.

There were 26 of us shivering in the early morning chill that always seems to be present at the Hells Canyon put-in to the Snake River. We were a motley collection of kayakers, rafters, catarafters and passengers, a few of which would count this as

their first river trip - ever. Yet, the bags were packed, the fishing poles snugly secured, and the passengers were loaded. It was time to push off for three days of thundering whitewater, deep blue autumn skies, world-class fishing and the kind of fun that can only be had far away from the confines of civilization.

An October trip on the Hells Canyon stretch of the Snake River has become something of a ritual for a group of Magic Valley whitewater enthusiasts. It is the last hurrah of the paddling season and our way of welcoming the winter that restocks the water supply for next year. Hells Canyon provides boaters with more than 30 miles of some of Idaho's best whitewater, plus spectacular scenery, which varies from shadowy side canyons to

**CALLS FROM THE WILD**  
Jason Kitley

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high desert to lush forest and, to top things off, it also has fantastic steelhead and trout fishing.

We spent our days picking...  
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OUTDOORS

# Plant society holds inaugural meeting

Loosa Chapter of the Idaho Native Plant Society will hold a meeting on Monday, Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. in the Taylor Building in Room 274 at the College of Southern Idaho.

The meeting is open to anyone interested in Idaho's native flora. This will be the organization's first meeting. Attendees will get information about upcoming events and field trips.

## Sun Valley opens Nov. 26; Pomerelle opens today

SUN VALLEY — Sun Valley Resort's General Manager Wallace Huffman announced

### Outdoors in brief

Wednesday plans to open Baldy Tuesday, Nov. 26.

"Our plans are to open at least Lower River Run Lift #1, Lookout Express #5, and Challenger Lift #10," Huffman said.

This will give skiers and boarders access from top to bottom on both sides of Baldy, including the following terrain: Upper College, Ranch and Lane, Mid and Lower River Run on the River Run side, and Upper College, Flying Squirrel, Lower Picabo Street and Lower Warm Springs

on the Warm Springs side of Baldy.

River Run and Warm Springs Day Lodges will both open at 8 a.m. on November 26 and will remain open for Sun Valley's 67th ski season.

Quarter Dollar Lift and Dollar Cabin on Dollar Mountain will open the next day, Wednesday, Nov. 27.

For lift ticket sales, please contact the River Run Ticket Office, 208-622-6136.

Pomerelle Ski Resort in

Allison is scheduled to open today. People may start from a.m. to 4 p.m. every day at Pomerelle.

Night-skiing is scheduled to start Dec. 26. Night-skiing occurs Tuesdays through Saturdays from 4 to 10 p.m. Pomerelle officials plan to operate bus routes to the mountain on weekends beginning Nov. 23 throughout the Magic Valley.

Day rates this year are \$25 for people ages 13-69, \$17 for people 70 and older or ages 7-12. Children 5 and younger ski free, as long as they're with parents.

— compiled from staff reports

# Hunter is shocked to find five-point deer is a doe

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Hunting in unexpected territory, Joe Kiefer was thrilled to bag a 250-pound mule deer with five-point antlers, each with symmetrical tines, each with five points split 18.5 inches wide.

"Then, when he went to butcher the animal, excitement gave way to disappointment."

"There were no male parts down there," Kiefer said. "It looked like a male at the head but the undercarriage was all female."

Kiefer, 31, of Chewelah, never expected anything like the antlered doe he shot Sunday in Douglas County in the central part of Washington state.

"Most people don't believe the deer came from Eastern Washington," he joked. "They think it had to be a cross-breeding city slicker from Seattle."

Kiefer was about 100 miles from his usual haunts.

"My buddy, Todd West in Wenatchee, said he'd take me deer hunting over in Washington country if I would take him

turkey hunting in my area," Kiefer said. "If they were killed for whitetails in all this brush for so long, the chance for a mule deer hunt sounded real good."

After sunrise, he recalled, "deer were popping up out of nowhere" and a splendid five-point animal appeared several hundred yards away.

"That's a long way away for a guy who's never shot a deer farther away than about 100 yards," Kiefer said.

"But the antlers looked huge."

The first clue that this was no ordinary deer was that most of the velvet was still on the antlers. Bucks rub off the velvet on trees, bushes and saplings at the start of the mating season in late summer.

"I took lots more pictures before I knew it was a female," Kiefer said.

Jack Benaux, record keeper for the Boone and Crockett Club in Missoula, Mont., said he had never heard of such a 5-pointed doe.

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# Shrinking range discourages hunters

BOISE (AP) — Don Miller of Boise knows first hand the effects urban growth has had on hunting grounds. "I hunted pheasants where Borah High School is now," Miller said.

That school was built in 1958, and the land it sets on is now wedged between two busy freeways.

Explosive growth in the Treasure Valley has affected many things, but it's been especially hard on hunters.

Subdivisions and commercial development have ended hunting on thousands of acres of land, as well as hunting on adjacent lands. That's made remaining lands more valuable, and in many cases, more difficult to access.

"Unfortunately, there aren't many places to hunt anymore," Miller said. "Everything is posted."

In the last decade, 43,000 acres of land in Ada County was converted from agricultural land to commercial or residential property, according to the Ada County Assessor's Office.

Canyon County has lost 11,320 acres of agricultural land since 1994, said Joe Cox, Canyon County's chief deputy assessor.

The total farmland lost between the two counties is the equivalent of 45 parcels of land the size of the Fort Boise Wildlife Management area near Parma.

Not every acre of farmland was formerly hunting ground. But it's a safe bet that subdivisions and commercial developments don't provide much hunting ground or wildlife habitat.

But adjacent agricultural land that may still contain game animals will likely also be affected. A subdivision built between two fields stops hunting in those fields, even though they are still considered agricultural.

Many of the houses in those new subdivisions are being bought by new Treasure Valley residents, many of whom are hunters. One in five Idaho residents old enough to hunt buys a hunting license.

# Idaho's urban growth cuts down on suitable hunting ground

"The writing has been on the wall for 10 years," said avid waterfowl hunter Mark Smith of Meridian. "Everybody who moves here wants to hunt and fish."

The declining amount of hunting ground puts more pressure on the lands that remain open to hunting, and that added pressure exacerbates the problem.

Hunters are finding it more difficult to get permission to hunt private lands, and landowners are overwhelmed by requests for hunting.

"Fifteen years ago, I could have knocked on anyone's door and gotten access. Now I'm afraid to knock on a door," Smith said.

That sentiment is frequently repeated by both average hunters looking for a day of pheasant hunting and dedicated, well-connected hunters looking for long-term access.

John Watts, the newly appointed Fish and Game commissioner for Southwest Idaho, is a passionate bird hunter who also sees his access to private lands shrinking every year.

"The relations you've built over 10 to 15 years are gone in a summer," Watts said.

It's also difficult to replace those lands after they're gone, he said. Watts said he is "pretty aggressive about door knocking" when he's looking for places to hunt. He carries a resume explaining who he is, work he's

done for conservation, and other information and gives it to landowners.

Watts said he approached one landowner who had his land posted, introduced himself and offered his resume, then politely asked if he could hunt there.

After looking at Watts' resume, the landowner said, "If there were more hunters like you, there would be fewer landowners like me."

"Then he said no," Watts said.

Many landowners post their lands because of bad experiences with hunters.

"You get one bad hunter out of 30, and you're mad at all of them," farmer and rancher Jim Little said. "It's not fair to them, but it happens."

Pat Gaudmore, former landowner and sportsman relations coordinator for F&G, said that's another downside to growth. "When you get more people, you get more people, you get more people," he said.

Cudmore did a survey in 1992 asking landowners why they posted their lands.

Trespassing was the most frequently cited reason, followed by hunters leaving gates open, vandalism and hunting.

The farmers who continue to farm their land want to boost revenues, and sometimes that includes selling hunting access.

Rancher and farmer Little farms more than 1,000 acres near Emmett and has even more

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The author stands up to get a good look at the line through Class IV Granite Rapid.

## Hells

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lines through whitewater that looked like somebody had popped the cork on champagne bottle and reeling in giant steelhead on the last leg of their arduous journey from the Pacific. Our evenings were spent enjoying sumptuous meals worthy of a five-star restaurant and telling river stories around the campfire that, while outrageously funny, should not be elaborated on here to protect the reputations of the gully.

As high of a high as it is putting on Hells Canyon, there may be no greater letdown than rounding the last bend in the river before the take out at the Pittsburgh Landing. The sun glistening off the vehicles crowded into the parking area was a harsh reminder that we all had school, jobs or families to get back to and that our little break from reality was only temporary.

However, we had our moments — from Matt's 32-inch steelhead to Erik's roving rendition of Rip Torch and Thousand Dollar Cut to me accidentally letting the only steelhead Jerre caught on the whole trip get away just as we got it to the boat.

Everyone took something from Hells Canyon, mostly it was memories, the kind you can only get by spending time with good friends far away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

Jason Kitley is a former river guide who lives in Twin Falls.

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The Times-News previews 5A and 4A girls basketball, on Page B1.

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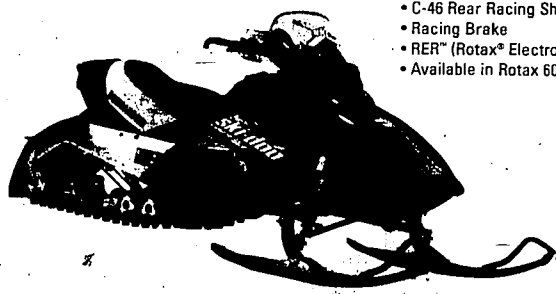
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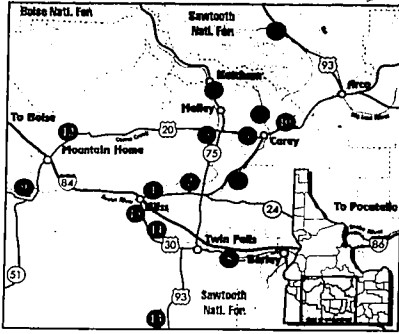
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# Magic Valley Angler's Guide



The Magic Valley fish report is for the week of Thursday, Nov. 14. Updated conditions are listed for 15 locations that include state family fishing waters and major rivers in the Magic Valley region. Reports are made courtesy of Skooter Gardiner of Silver Creek Outfitters in Ketchum, and Doug Chery of Blue Lakes Sporting Goods in Twin Falls.

**Malad River: GOOD.** Baits has been consistent on the lower river. Use baits patterns #18 - #20s and general attractor nymphs.  
**Big Lost River: FAIR.** River's cfs is at 69 percent. Look for trout to begin congregating in primary feeding lanes.  
**Little Wood River: POOR.** Water temperature has dropped. Tan, white, red and gold caddis are recommended along with general nymphs.  
**Silver Creek: FAIR.** Early winter conditions have trout focused on nymphs as their main food source. Look for trout to begin congregating in primary feeding lanes. Custom tied zebra midges have been one of the trout's favorites.  
**Big Lost River: GOOD.** River's cfs is at

198 percent below the Mackay Reservoir. When conditions permit, baits and midges will make an appearance on the water.  
**Magic Reservoir: POOR.** Use black, brown and gray buggers #8 - #10s. Blonde slayers and crawdad patterns are also worth a try.  
**Miller Dam: POOR.** A few bass are being caught on jigs with a steady retrieve.  
**C.J. Strike Reservoir: FAIR.** Use black and purple 1/4-ounce jigs and black and red bucktail jigs with white spinners.  
**Fish Creek Reservoir: FAIR.** Jugging nightcrawlers have caught some small fish.  
**Little Wood Reservoir: FAIR.** Baitfishing has produced more than

any other method.  
**Camas Reservoir: POOR.** Fishing has been slow, but is probably your best bet.  
**Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir: EXCELLENT.** Typical leech patterns and trolling large rapalas have produced some big fish.  
**Clear Lake: EXCELLENT.** Use a Clear Lake special, crystal buggers and jumbo midge pupa.  
**Billingsley Creek: FAIR.** Baits patterns, chasers and sculpin are recommended.  
**Steinhilf report: FAIR.** Fishing has significantly slowed. Slack water at Salmon is freezing. Water temperatures are right around 34 degrees. Shoup has produced a few fish on skunks and egg sucking leeches. Riggins has been a big warmer.

For additional updates call Skooter Gardiner at 1-800-732-5687 or (208) 726-5282, or Doug Chery at (208) 733-6446.

# Grain can't be used to bait birds

Question: I've heard it's against the law to scatter corn or grain to attract ducks or geese. Please explain the rules about baiting.

Answer: You are absolutely correct. Agricultural lands offer prime waterfowl hunting opportunities. Waste grain and corn spilled on the ground or left in fields provides an important food source for wintering waterfowl and upland game. As the weather gets colder this waste grain also becomes very attractive to ducks and geese.

State and Federal migratory bird hunting laws specifically prohibit placing, distributing, or exposing feed, salt or any grains to lure birds to or over an area where hunters will attempt to shoot them. It is also unlawful to use the vegetation from agricultural crops to conceal a blind if it exposes, deposits, or distributes grain or other feed. A baited area remains off-limits to hunting for 10 days after all grain and other feed has been completely removed. Minimum distances have not been identified, but hunters should be aware they must be more than one mile away from an area ducks or geese are being fed!

Hunting is allowed over agricultural fields with standing crops or flooded standing crops. Hunting is also allowed in fields harvested by normal agricultural or soil stabilization practices. These "normal practices" are recognized by the State Extension Specialists of the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

What this means is you can hunt ducks, geese, and doves in

**ASK THE OFFICER**  
**Gary Hompland**

fields harvested by normal agricultural methods. You cannot hunt in areas where you or someone else has scattered grain for bait. It is also unlawful for you to hunt in an area you should have reasonably known was baited.

If convicted in federal court of hunting waterfowl over an unlawfully baited area you could

be assessed up to \$15,000 in fines and spend up to 6 months in jail. If you place bait or attract the placement of bait, you face fines up to \$100,000 as an individual or \$200,000 as an organization and up to one year in federal prison.

Reference Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 20.11

Gary Hompland is a regional conservation officer at the Magic Valley Regional Office of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. Call him at (208) 324-4350 or e-mail a question at the Fish and Game Web site at [www2.state.id.us/fishgame](http://www2.state.id.us/fishgame).

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# Magic

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 covering the canyon with up to 50 feet of water. This year, the canyon was accessible far longer thanks to the drought. So you just have to play it by ear.  
 As fascinating as it is, Black Magic Canyon is not well known. And its magic was almost wiped out several years ago by people who wanted to mine its rock to

send to Japanese developers for landscaping.  
 Alarmed, Bronsey and Carey resident Janet O'Growley helped spearhead a fight to save the natural phenomenon.  
 Then they secured a grant to construct an interpretive sign being displayed at the parking lot that sits above the canyon.  
 Those who want more informa-

tion or posters of the area should check out the Idaho Geological Survey website, says Rick VanderVoet, monument manager with the Bureau of Land Management at Craters of the

Moon National Monument. The area is described in the book "Rocks and Potholes of the Big Wood River" by Terry S. Maley and Peter Oberlander.

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# COMMUNITY

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## Club loves to sew, do community work

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**TWIN FALLS** - Members of the I Love to Sew Club, which associated with the Twin Falls Sewing Center, have completed their community service project, exceeding their goal of 100 client bags for donation to the Women's Crisis Center in Twin Falls.

More than 20 members worked on the project for the third consecutive year.

The I Love to Sew Club meets the third Thursday of every month at Twin Falls Sewing Center. Morning and evening times are available and anyone interested in sewing is welcome to join in the activities.

Call 733-3344 for more information.



I Love to Sew Club members include, from left to right, Debbie Wash, Helen Walker, Gloria Jones and Nancy Bond. The group recently completed a large community service project.

**CSI hosts financial aid workshop in Burley**

**BURLEY** - The College of Southern Idaho will host an informational meeting on the various forms of financial aid available to students at 7 p.m. Monday in Room A7 of the CSI Mini Cassin Center, 1600 Park Ave. in Burley.

CSI Associate Director of Financial Aid Joyce Moore and Financial Aid Advisor Nina Schwarz will conduct the meeting, which is free of charge and open to everyone who has questions about financial aid.

Federal Financial Aid includes Pell Grants, supplemental education opportunity grants, leverage education assistance, college work study and federal loan programs.

For information, call 732-6273 or 678-1400.

served from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Baked goods and homemade made goods will be sold. All proceeds will go toward missions.

**Writers group meets Saturday at Idaho Joe's**

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls Chapter of the Idaho Writers League will meet at 12 p.m. Saturday at Idaho Joe's Restaurant in Twin Falls.

Speaker Kris Rash will focus on cutting unnecessary words, creating strong images, creating a persona/voice and the use of rhythm and rhyme. Rash has a master's degree in writing and his master's project was a book of poetry.

There will also be discussion regarding the 2003 Idaho Writers League State Convention Sept. 25-27 in the Twin Falls area. Anyone interested in writing is invited to attend. Critiques are offered at each meeting as well.

For more information, call 324-7694 or email ihelms@northrim.net.

**Committee hosts benefit pool tournament, auction**

**HANSEN** - The MJD Action Committee will host a benefit pool tournament, silent auction and picnic lunch Nov. 23 at the South Hills Saloon.

Sign-up for the tournament will be held from 12-1 p.m. There is a blind draw for partners and the entry fee is \$5 plus an unwrapped toy.

Donations for the silent auction can be dropped off at South Hills Saloon or Hansen City Hall.

The picnic will cost \$5 and will be served from 12-5 p.m. The auction is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.

All proceeds will go toward the East End Providers. The East End Providers provide Christmas food and gift baskets to needy families in Kimberly, Hansen and Murtaugh.

**Harvest Hoe-down will be held Friday in Rupert**

**RUPERT** - St. Nicholas School's annual "Harvest Hoe-down" will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the Rupert Elks Lodge.

The benefit dance and auction will include food and music. Dancing will be to the music of "Milestone." Tickets are \$9 in advance or \$10 at the door and are available at St. Nicholas School, 800 F St., Rupert, or from any student, teacher or parent of the school.

The event is sponsored by the parents, students, teachers, family and friends of St. Nicholas School.

**Cancer support group meets at St. Luke's**

**TWIN FALLS** - The "Living Through Cancer" Support Group will meet from 7-8:15 p.m. Nov. 20 at St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 650 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The ongoing group is open to cancer patients or cancer survivors and their families, friends and caregivers.

For more information, call Andy Hall at 737-2441, Ext. 2800.

**Chamber, Jerome Cheese host HolidayFest 2002**

**JEROME** - The HolidayFest 2002 will be held Thursday, Nov. 21, in the El Sombrero banquet hall, 153 W. Main St. in Jerome.

The dinner will be served at 6 p.m. with the auction following at 7 p.m. Dinner will include a traditional meal of turkey, ham, potatoes, stuffing, cranberry sauce and pies.

The Liberty Christian Academy Orchestra and Bell Choir will perform.

The event is sponsored by the Jerome Chamber of Commerce and Jerome Cheese Company.

Tickets are \$12 per person and include dinner, wine tasting and a raffle ticket.

**Wendell Honor Society hosts craft fair Saturday**

**WENDELL** - The Wendell High School Honor Society fall craft fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in the Wendell High School commons area, 750 East Main St.

Items for sale include gourmet jams and jellies, birdhouses, toys, sweatshirts, candles, soaps and lotions, jewelry, chocolates, applique pillows, towels, gift jars and baskets, Christmas ornaments and knitted goods.

There will also be chili feed and bake sale. The Honor Society will be raffling hand-crafted items including a birdhouse, a soap/lotion basket and knitted goods.

Admission is free.

For more information, call Kayla Larson at 536-6574.

**United Methodist Women hold holiday bazaar**

**TWIN FALLS** - The United Methodist Women's 62nd annual holiday bazaar will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday at the Historical First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

A soup lunch and pie will be

**St. Luke's offers 'Girl World' class**

**KETCHUM** - St. Luke's Center for Community Health will offer "Girl World," a class for parents and their daughters, from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in the Baldy Conference Rooms. The class is recommended for parents and girls in grades 4-8.

The free class is a dialogue with parents and girls about navigating the world of cliques and social ostracizing.

For more information, call 227-8733.

**October Feast turns out to be a huge success**

The Twin Falls Kiwanis Club would like to express thanks to all the businesses and individuals who supported the 2002 October Feast. The dinner was a huge success - we served more than 800 dinners and raised more than \$5,000, which will support local youth programs and events.

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**ANTHONY L. KEVAN**  
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**Men and their ways**

Don't be surprised when males have a difficult time with showing their affections, Dear Abby reports.

See page D5

**St. Luke's offers 'Girl World' class**

**KETCHUM** - St. Luke's Center for Community Health will offer "Girl World," a class for parents and their daughters, from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in the Baldy Conference Rooms. The class is recommended for parents and girls in grades 4-8.

The free class is a dialogue with parents and girls about navigating the world of cliques and social ostracizing.

For more information, call 227-8733.

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## Chance wants love, has challenges

Chance is a handsome boy who loves to give hugs and kisses. He likes to play with his brother, but doesn't like to share. He enjoys many of the same pursuits as his 3-year-old brother, trucks and other moving vehicles, mingled with lots of grass and sand.

Chance also shares the same hereditary disease, Duchenne's Muscular Dystrophy. He will need parents who can realistically provide the care he will need while cherishing the limited time they may have. Families who have experience with the

realities of Muscular Dystrophy will be seriously considered as a resource for these special children.

**Family Needs:** It will take an extraordinary family to meet the needs of Chance and his three siblings. They have so much love to give, but so many real challenges. Parents who can provide consistent love, academic support and needed therapies in a patient environment will be a top consideration for these beautiful children. Holly and Katherine still need to be tested to see if they are carriers of

the disease. David and Chance have early onset of the disease and a limited life expectancy of 18-21 years. This prognosis is highly dependent on the amount of committed therapy, love and support they will receive from the family and supportive family. Ask their social worker about available medical and financial support.

The children are available for adoption through the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. To find out more, call the Idaho CareLine number, 1-800-926-2588.

**Thursday's Child**

**Chance**  
Age 2

## LETTERS OF THANKS

**Donations help make Family Reading Night a success**

This is to thank the following merchants in Jerome and Twin Falls for their donations, which made Family Reading Night a huge success at Jefferson Elementary School in Jerome.

Ridley's, 20 dozen cookies; Wal-Mart, \$25; Albertson's, \$15; Costco, \$25; WinCo, \$30.

**MELBA FISHER**  
AmeriCorps VISTA Idaho Reads!  
Jefferson Elementary School  
Jerome

**Support makes senior center dinner a delight**

The Silver and Gold Senior Center would like to send a heart-felt thank you to all the members of the community for their generous donations and support of our chunky wagner dinner and auction.

Without you, this would not have been such a success.

**THERESE HANSON**  
Eden

Garden Inn in Boise and Carolyn Robertson.

**MARLARAMOS**  
ISDB Foundation  
Gooding

**Halloween party proceeds go to a good cause**

The South Central Community Action Agency would like to thank the Horizon Broadcasting Group, KIXK Radio Station and the WestCoast Twin Falls Hotel for hosting a Halloween party on Oct. 26, where approximately 150 ghosts, goblins and other creatures of the night came together to enjoy an evening of scary movies, dancing and contests - with an auction at the end of the evening.

Canned food products collected as part of admission and a portion of the proceeds were donated to the South Central Community Action Agency's food bank. The food will be distributed to low-income families, and the cash proceeds will be used to purchase stuffing mix for the upcoming holidays.

South Central Community Action Agency would also like to thank Reindexter's Novelty Shop, Lightworks Photography, Smith's Food King, Cindy Snow of the Escape Salon and the Pepsi Cola Co., who also helped sponsor the "Night of the Living Dead."

**KEN J. ROBINETTE**  
Executive Director  
South Central Community Action Agency  
Twin Falls

**Air Force Band drums up memorable performance**

On Oct. 21, we were privileged to have tickets to attend the Air Force Band concert. What a tremendous experience! I have never heard such music in person! I shall never forget the sights and sounds and the emotions of pride and patriotism that I felt. Thank you a thousand times for your efforts in bringing the band to Twin Falls. The Times-News deserves much praise for sponsoring this event.

**SUB ELLEN BARTLETT**  
**CHET BARTLETT**  
Twin Falls

**Customer appreciates Jim extending extra help**

I just wanted to thank the great people at the Power Plant, especially TJ Lopez, for installing a brand-new remote start in my car for no charge after I had the first one past the warranty period. They are always nice and friendly when you go into their store and really put forth an effort to please the customer.

Thank you, TJ, for everything you did for me. It was very much appreciated.

**WANDA THOMPSON**  
Twin Falls

**Woman appreciates help to restore player piano**

I am Annette Hill. Some of you know me by name and some of you won't. But all of you will know me by the player piano you helped me save.

From answering my friend's ad to all of the other ways you have supported my piano and me. Many of you know how you helped, but many of you don't know you were saving such a precious piece of history.

I would like to thank everyone everywhere who helped me in the restoring of a very special player piano.

Again, thank you and God bless you.

**ANNETTE HILL**  
Twin Falls

**Sponsors, participants help ISDB Raptor Run**

The Idaho School for the Deaf and the Deaf Foundation hosted the ISDB Raptor Run on Oct. 5. The foundation thanks all participants, sponsors and volunteers who helped make the event successful.

Run sponsors: Idaho Dairy Products Commission, Circle C Equipment, Pepsi Cola Co., Dr. David Hadlock, Molly's Bagel Bakery, S&C Produce, Gooding County Leader, Caffee Mocha, Idaho Central Credit Union, Jaker's Oregon Trail, Auto Pride, Louie's, Tomato's, Johnny Benders, R&C Hardware, Desktop By Design, The Toy Shop, Java Express, College of Southern Idaho, Bendama Running and Walking, Donnelly Sports, Terese Shank and ISDB Library.

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**TFHS golf team appreciates fund-raiser participants**

The Twin Falls High School Golf Team would like to thank everyone who participated in our annual fund-raiser - 123 golfers played. We would also like to thank those who were unable to play but still made a financial donation, as well as those who chose to make extra contributions.

Contributions of \$100 or more came from Art and Marya Duncan, Wheatland Agri Business and the Florence Gardner Trust Fund.

Individual prizes were from Donnelly Sports and Canyon Springs Golf Course.

Special thanks to Mike Hamblin for allowing us to use the golf course and for donating the team prizes. Mike and his staff, through their support and enthusiasm, are largely responsible for the achievement of this goal.

The golf program at Twin Falls High School has been very successful because of the support we received from the community. Once again, thank you to all who donated to our program.

**PAUL GROVER**  
Golf Coach  
Twin Falls High School  
Twin Falls

**Cassia Blood Services thanks area volunteers**

Cassia Blood Services would like to thank those who volunteered their time, blood and resources to the American Red Cross during the last blood drive on Aug. 29 and 30. You provided our community and nation with a

very valuable gift - 146 pints of blood were collected.

Boise Containers and Unity LDS 2nd Ward provided refreshments. Culligan provided water, and the LDS Burley Stake was gracious enough to provide the location. The Burley Kiwanis Club set up this event, and Steven Tingey and Elijah Hobbs cleaned up afterward.

The next blood drive will be in March. Thank you, Mini-Cassia area, for supporting the American Red Cross Cassia Blood Services and providing us with another successful year.

**SUSAN BIGGINS**  
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Cassia Blood Services  
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**October Feast turns out to be a huge success**

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**United Methodist Women hold holiday bazaar**

**TWIN FALLS** - The United Methodist Women's 62nd annual holiday bazaar will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday at the Historical First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

A soup lunch and pie will be

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Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, leaves a meeting with other Republican leaders on Capitol Hill in this Nov. 14, 2001, file photograph.

# GOP picks DeLay, Lott, Hastert to lead party

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans on Wednesday elevated Tom DeLay, their most effective advocate for conservative causes, to the position of majority leader, joining Speaker Dennis Hastert at the head of a Republican Party fortified by election gains.

Senate Republicans, fresh from an election victory that put them back in the majority, also re-elected Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., as their leader, and chose Kentucky Sen. Mitch McConnell, the party's leading foe of limits on campaign spending, to be Lott's deputy, the Senate whip.

Rep. Deborah Pryce, R-Ohio, was elected to be the House GOP's Republican Conference chairman, the highest position a GOP woman lawmaker has ever held.

Back home in Texas last April, DeLay drew some criticism for advising an audience in a speech at a Baptist church not to send their children to Baylor or Texas A&M.

A spokesman said the advice pertained to parents who want children to be taught creationism. It was later revealed that DeLay had been kicked out of Baylor for his own college behavior.

Lott, who has led the Senate Republicans since Bob Dole resigned to run for president in 1995, said security issues — national security and the economic, health care and retirement security of Americans — will be his focus when he resumes the role he lost to Daschle last year. Republicans won at least 51 seats in the midterm elections, assuring they will be in the majority when the new Congress convenes in January.

The conference chairman, responsible for communicating the party's message, is No. 4 in the leadership hierarchy.

DeLay, who succeeds fellow Texan Dick Armey as majority leader, said he would "work hard to bring Republicans and willing Democrats together." He also pledged to pursue Republican priorities, including making permanent the tax cuts enacted last year and passing an energy package "that'll reduce our dependence on hostile regimes."

DeLay and Hastert, R-Ill., speaker since Newt Gingrich stepped down in 1998, both ran unopposed.

In his 18 years in Congress, DeLay has never been shy about pushing the conservative agenda, in the process cementing his position as their leader and proving himself an effective and shrewd tactician.

The former pest exterminator

earned the moniker "the Hammer" for his own brand of persuasion in soliciting campaign contributions on behalf of GOP candidates and in pressing trade associations not to hire Democrats after Republicans swept control of the House in 1994.

He was instrumental in the failed coup attempt by conservatives against former Speaker Newt Gingrich in 1997 and later helped engineer the elevation of Hastert, then a deputy whip, to the speaker's job after Republicans lost five seats in the 1998 election.

DeLay also was the leader behind the House Republicans' decision to seek impeachment rather than censure of President Clinton in the Monica Lewinsky affair.

# Moderate Dems see party's return to left

By Jim Vandenberg  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A decade after Bill Clinton pushed his party toward the center of American politics, inspiring a vibrant movement of "New Democrat" followers in Congress, a liberal resurgence is sweeping the party, threatening to brush centrists to the side.

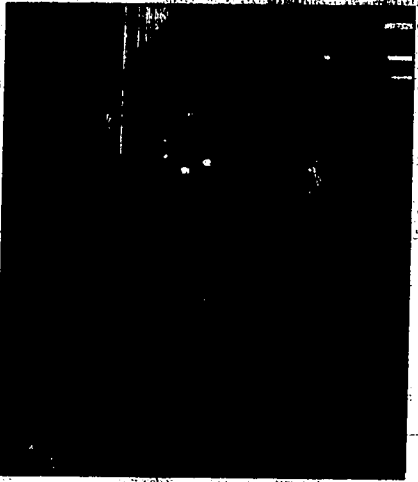
Democrats today are expected to elect Rep. Nancy Pelosi, a liberal from San Francisco, as minority leader and two East Coast Democrats to lead the party in the 108th Congress. There's little doubt that on issues of trade, gun control and tax cuts, House Democrats are about to take a left turn.

At the national level, Al Gore, who has struck a markedly more liberal and populist tone than the one he set as Clinton's vice president; Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, who's pressing for a nationalized health care system; and Sen. John Kerry, from the liberal bastion of Massachusetts, are rallying the party's disgruntled base, in large part with old-school populism.

Two years after leaving office, Clinton, still scarred by scandal, isn't in a strong position to defend his New Democrat legacy. Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., Gore's running mate in 2000, is the only prominent presidential hopeful proudly carrying the centrist banner — and he says he won't run if Gore does.

But most troubling to some in the centrist movement, the incoming House Democratic leadership is deeply rooted in the liberal hotbeds of the two coasts. This could spell trouble for Democrats in the years ahead. If the party moves too far left, political observers say, it could alienate swing voters and complicate its efforts to win back the presidency and control of Congress in 2004.

Party leaders are "going to have to figure out how to get people from the center of the country and center of the party to be part of what they are doing," said Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, whose unsuccessful bid to become minority leader drew support from centrists who fear Pelosi



Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., the current House minority whip and the favorite to become House minority leader, walks the halls of Capitol Hill on Wednesday. The election for Democratic top offices is scheduled for Thursday.



Rep. Harold Ford Jr., D-Tenn., left, head-discuss with Representative Jim Cooper, D-Tenn., during a Capitol Hill news conference Wednesday.

Democrats can't win by staying in the center, said Rep. Charlie Stenholm, D-Texas, founder of the "Blue Dogs," the fiscally conservative Democrats from swing districts, mostly in the South. At a press conference in which he laid a down where Blue Dogs endorsed Ford Wednesday, Stenholm rattled off nine House races in which Democrats won re-election this year by 10,000 votes or fewer. "These candidates need to attract independent and solid Republican voters in order to win," he said.

Rep. Nancy Keptur, D-Ohio, jumped into the race Wednesday, sounding like a referee between the competing factions. "We should not be talking about left or right or center," she said. "We need to be talking about the reform agenda."

While liberals are seizing the moment in the wake of the elections, many Democrats see their ideology as recipe for failure in the future.

"Pelosi, who's not a part of the New Democrat movement, if she wants to become Speaker, will have to lead the New Democrat way," says Al From, founder of the centrist Democratic Leadership Council. "We have not been able to win with the old message of prescription drugs and never touching Social Security."

Pelosi Wednesday moved aggressively to placate New Democrats by naming one of the coalition Rep. John Spratt of South Carolina as her top assistant (the No. 5 leadership post) and later speaking at a dinner sponsored the New Democrat Network, which raises money for centrist candidates. Some Democrats are pushing her to name Frost as chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

While several centrists back her publicly, many fear her privately.

This year, Pelosi has voted against tax cuts, trade bills and the resolution authorizing Bush to use force in Iraq, all of which most moderates backed. Gore and Dean are talking up agendas much like Pelosi's on the national level.

# Senate clears way for its annual raise in pay

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate on Wednesday voted to give itself its annual pay raise, the fourth time lawmakers' salaries have increased in the last four years.

The Senate, without debate, voted 58-36 to reject a measure by Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., that would have denied the congressional pay raise.

With the slumping economy and financial markets, job layoffs and federal budget deficits,

"this is the wrong time for Congress to give itself a pay hike," Feingold said in a statement.

The House cleared the way for the raise back in July. With the 3.1 percent pay raise, senators and representatives will make \$154,700 next year instead of the \$150,000 they made this year. Lawmakers' salaries have gone up \$18,000 since 1999.

Under a 1989 law, congress-

ional pay raises, determined by a complicated formula that includes a measure of private industry employment costs, go into effect automatically unless lawmakers vote to block them.

The 3.1 percent pay raise, which would go into effect in January, would also apply to more than 1,000 top executive branch officials, including the vice president, and members of the congressional leadership.

The president's salary of

\$400,000 a year is unaffected by the raise.

The first members of Congress received \$6 a day.

In 1855, compensation was set at \$3,000 a year. It hit \$10,000 in 1935, \$50,000 in 1979, and went above \$100,000 in 1991. The pay level stalled at \$133,600 during the mid-1990s with lawmakers wary of giving themselves a raise when the federal budget was in deficit, but it has risen steadily since then.

# White, male voters powered GOP elections gains, study says

By Steven Thomas  
Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — Republicans won last week's elections by carrying majorities of men and whites, marginally increasing their support among Hispanics and benefiting from a slightly lower turnout by African-Americans, according to a survey released Wednesday.

Overall, the survey showed, 50 percent of voters said they voted for Republicans and 46 percent for Democrats. While small, that 4 percentage-point edge for Republicans was a marked improvement over the 49-49 percentage-point tie in the 2000 congressional elections. And it produced a significant result: Republicans defied a 60-year

history of midterm losses in Congress for a first-term president's party by winning control of the Senate and increasing their majority in the House of Representatives.

"This small but dramatic shift was produced by historic events, by a president who took the stage and played his part boldly, by tactics and by money," said Stan Greenberg, a Democratic pollster. "And it was produced by the Democrats, who barely took the stage, failed to tell voters what this election was about and failed to offer bold critiques or alternatives, particularly on the economy."

Greenberg's survey offered the first demographic analysis of the Nov. 5 voting.

That is usually available on

election night, but the consortium that conducts exit polling for the television networks lost confidence in its survey numbers and has not yet released them. The consortium has been reworking its system of using exit polls to predict results and analyzing voting ever since it called 2000 election results in Florida incorrectly and helped create a post-election legal showdown that wound up in the U.S. Supreme Court.

Greenberg's post-election survey of 2,647 voters had a margin of error of plus or minus 1.9 percentage points. His numbers are compared here with 1998 and 2000 numbers from Voter News Service exit polls.

Among the key findings: Republicans won a majority of

votes from older people, married people, Protestants, those who earn more than \$50,000 a year and those in rural America. They lost female voters only by a margin of 48 percent to 50 percent.

Notably, Republicans improved their standing vs. Democrats with several groups. Compared with 1998's midterm elections, this year Republicans:

- Increased their lead among men, whites and married people.
- Narrowed their losses among target groups courted by President Bush: Roman Catholics, Hispanics and union households.

But Republicans lost ground compared with 1998 in two important sectors.

They won a majority among

those 60 and older by 51-46 percent despite an aggressive Democratic campaign on the issues of Social Security and the cost of prescription drugs. Yet that was a smaller edge than the GOP's 1998 margin of 54-44 percent.

And Republicans carried the Protestant vote by 54-42 percent, down sharply from their 60-37 percent edge in 1998.

One likely reason is a decline in political activism by many Christian conservatives, who have lost the motivation of opposing former President Clinton.

Several slices of the American electorate remain key political battlegrounds where the two parties were close or tied Nov. 5. They include Catholics, those

who earn \$30,000 to \$50,000 a year and suburbanites.

Democrats carried the majority of women, African-Americans, Hispanics, single people, those aged 18 to 29, union members, those who make less than \$30,000 a year and residents of large cities.

These findings result from an election in which voting increased slightly. An estimated 78.7 million Americans voted, 39.3 percent of those eligible, according to the Committee for the Study of the American Electorate, a nonpartisan research group.

That was up modestly from 37.6 percent in 1998, the most recent comparable year when there was no president on the ballot.



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Observe due measure, for right timing is in all things the most important factor.

Hesiod

In today's auction from a teams game, North's five-spade bid simply looked like a bluff...

In one room declarer won the trump lead, drew a second round, and then played off his diamonds...

By contrast, in the other room declarer won the spade ace, played a trump to dummy's jack, and a diamond back to his jack...

The second declarer had the right idea, but he put all his faith in trumps breaking...

Vulnerable: East-West Dealer: South

The bidding: South West North East 2NT Pass 3 Pass 3 Pass 4 All pass

Opening lead: Spade three

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds: A 9 5 4 2 K Q 10 8 5 J

West holds: A K 3 J 7 2 A 4 A Q 4

ANSWER: Pass. You have a 4-4 heart fit, but partner has shown no extras...

Handwritten note: If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, mail him at...

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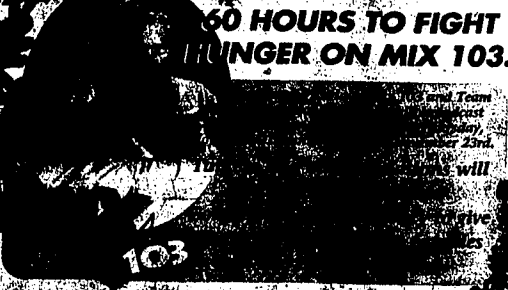
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